

CORRESPONDENCE

New name for *Rhadinocythere* Bate, 1975

SIR – In a recent publication (Bate, 1975) on the upper Jurassic ostracods of Tanzania, East Africa, the genus *Rhadinocythere* was erected for a slender ostracod occurring in the Kimmeridgian of the Mandawa Anticline, southern Tanzania. Unfortunately the name *Rhadinocythere* was preoccupied by *Rhadinocythere* Hart, 1962 (type species *R. serrata* (Hoff)), a Recent entocytherid ostracod living in the northern Indiana to southeastern Minnesota region of the United States.

In order to correct this homonymy I propose here the new name *Aitkenicythere* – type species *A. gracilis* (Bate) – for *Rhadinocythere* Bate, 1975. *Aitkenicythere* gen. nov. is named after Dr W. G. Aitken, formerly geologist with the Tanganyika Geological Survey.

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