

***Cretobestiola* a replacement name for *Bestiola* Pulawski and Rasnitsyn, 1999 (Hymenoptera: Sphecidae)**

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We recently described a sphecid wasp genus *Bestiola* (in Rasnitsyn et al., 1999) to accommodate four species from Lower Cretaceous of Spain, eastern Russia, and Mongolia. This generic name, however, is preoccupied by *Bestiola* Nikol'skaya (1963), an aphelinid, as pointed to us by Mr. John K. Page (Zoological Records, York, Great Britain) and also by Signor Guido Pagliano (Torino, Italy). We therefore propose the name *Cretobestiola* to replace it. The name is derived from the Latin names creta (chalk), with reference to Cretaceous geological period, and bestiola (little beast).

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