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LXX.—*A new Specific Name for an Orectolobid Shark.*

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I HAVE just received a copy of "A Revision of the Australian Orectolobidæ," by J. Douglas Ogilby and A. R. McCulloch (Journ. & Proc. R. Soc. N. S. Wales, xlii. 1908). In this the authors describe and figure under the name *Orectolobus dasypogon*, Bleek., a shark, from Torres Straits, which appears to be distinct from that species, the type of which, from Waigiou, is in the British Museum. I therefore propose for this new form the name *Orectolobus ogilbyi*, in honour of the Australian ichthyologist who has studied this group of sharks.

The main differences between the two species may be shown thus:—

Orectolobus ogilbyi.

Gill-openings decreasing in size from the first to the fourth; last larger; last two closer together than the rest.

Fringes on each side of the head in three separate groups.

Origin of first dorsal fin well behind the middle of the total length.

Distance between origins of dorsals nearly $\frac{1}{2}$ that from origin of second dorsal to end of tail.

O. dasypogon.

First gill-opening slightly smaller than the rest, which are of equal size and equidistant.

Fringes on each side of the head in two groups, the more posterior equivalent to the last two in *O. ogilbyi*.

Origin of first dorsal fin in the middle of the total length.

Distance between origins of dorsals slightly more than $\frac{1}{3}$ that from origin of second dorsal to end of tail.

O. ogilbyi is certainly very closely allied to *O. dasypogon*, and the two species can scarcely be placed in different genera. The genus *Eucrossorhinus*, established by me for *O. dasypogon*, chiefly on account of the form of the gill-openings, becomes a synonym of *Orectolobus*.

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