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Crocidura ansellorum, emended species name for a recently described African shrew

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In our description of *Crocidura anselli* (Hutterer & Dippenaar 1987) from Zambia we stated that the species was "named after W. F. H. Ansell, who has made significant contributions to our knowledge of Zambian mammals, and his son P. D. H. Ansell, the collector of the type series." According to Article 31(a)(ii) of the 1985 International Code of Zoological Nomenclature, this must be corrected to *C. ansellorum* because "a species-group name, if a noun in the genitive case formed directly from a modern personal name is to be formed by adding to the stem of that name —*i* if the personal name is that of a man, —*orum* if of men or of man (men) and woman (women) together" (ICZN 1985: 61–63). According to Article 32(c) the original name *C. anselli* is an "Incorrect original spelling" and therefore requires emendation.

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