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A NEW NAME FOR *MABUYA POLYTROPIS OCCIDENTALIS* HOOGMOED, 1974.

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In a revision of West African *Mabuya* species in 1974, I described *Mabuya polytropis occidentalis* from Ghana and Liberia. Recently Dr. R. I. Crombie kindly drew my attention to the fact that by doing so, I had created a junior homonym of *Euprepes occidentalis* W. Peters, 1867, currently considered a valid species of *Mabuya*, occurring in Southwestern Africa (Fitzsimmons, 1943). This is true and obviously due to gross negligence on my part. Therefore the West African *M. polytropis occidentalis* Hoogmoed, 1974 is hereby renamed *M. polytropis paucisquamis*, in reference to the low numbers of scales in this subspecies as compared to the nominal subspecies.

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