

***Oedogonium rollii* Levanets, nom. nov. (≡ *Oedogonium arnoldii* Y.V.Roll, nom. illeg.)
(Oedogoniaceae, Chlorophyceae)**

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Oedogonium arnoldii Y.V.Roll was described from Lake Seliger, Russian Federation (Arnoldi & Roll 1939: 344, 347: fig. 9). However, this name is a later homonym of *Oedogonium arnoldii* Kiszelev (1931: 79: pl. 4: fig. 31), and is thus illegitimate (ICN Principle III, Art. 53.1, Turland & al. 2018). I propose here to replace this name as follows.

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Replaced name: *Oedogonium arnoldii* Y.V.Roll (in Arnoldi & Roll) *Journal de l'Institut Botanique de l'Académie des Sciences de la R.S.S. d'Ukraine* 21–22 (29–30): 344, 347, fig. 9 (as ‘Arnoldii’) 1939, nom. illeg. Priority for *Oedogonium arnoldii* Kiszelev 1931: 79, pl. 4: fig. 31 (as ‘Arnoldii’)

Lectotype (designated here): [icon!] Arnoldi & Roll 1939: fig. 9 (Fig. 1).

Description: Dioecious, macrandrous. The length of vegetative cells exceeds their width six times.

They have a slightly obtuse shape, and the cells of male specimens are slightly thinner than female ones. Oogonia are usually double, less often single. The pore is located in the upper part of the oogonia (supramedian). The oogonia are pyriform-globose in shape. The oospore is almost spherical or ellipsoid-spherical in shape, almost filling the oogonia; spore wall is thick and smooth. Antheridia compressed, 2 to 5-seriate with 2 spermatozoids, which are formed as a result of horizontal cell division. Width of a vegetative cell of a female specimen 8–14 µm, its length 24–48 µm; width of the vegetative cell of a male specimen 12 µm, length 24 µm; width of oogonia 24–32 µm, its length 32–36 µm; oospore width 28 µm, its length 30–32 µm; antheridial cell width 10 µm, its length 12 µm (Arnoldi & Roll 1939; Gonzalves 1981).

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Registration (of lectotype): <http://phycobank.org/105100>

Type locality: Russian Federation: in Lake Seliger [Kalinin Region, near Baranovo village (now Tver' Region, Ostashkov District)] (Arnoldi & Roll 1939).

Eponymy: The species name honours Yakiv Volodymyrovych Roll (1887–1961), noted Ukrainian phycologist, hydrobiologist and botanist, who made important contribution to freshwater algal flora studies in the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Oedogonium rollii is taxonomically close to *O. franklinianum* Wittrock ex Hirn but differs in the paired arrangement of oogonia (in *O. franklinianum* there is only one oogonium), their pyriform shape and the shape of oospores, usually broadly elliptical (in *O. franklinianum* oogonia and oospores are spherical), as well as the larger size of vegetative cells. Additionally, this species might be identified as *O. sociale* Wittrock ex Hirn, but it differs from it in the location of the opening (pore) of the oogonia; this opening is always located above the middle of the oogonia or even in its upper part (in *O. sociale*, the pore is in the middle part of the oogonium). Also, it can be distinguished from *O. sociale* by the pairing of oogonia and the shape of the oospore (in *O. sociale* it is usually spherical in shape) (Arnoldi & Roll 1939).

Characterizing the sampling place, Arnoldi & Roll noted: “This species was found in ..., in a large number of the specimens (Roll, 1911)” (Arnoldi & Roll 1939: 344). However, this appears to be an indication of the sampling date rather than a reference to the earlier publication because according

to the phycological bibliography by Elenkin & Ohl (1929), the first known Roll's publication dated from 1914 (Roll 1914).

Yunger & Moshkova (1993) give a general description of this species published with a number of the errors and incorrect dimension values, for example: ratio of the length to the width of vegetative cells, dimensions of vegetative cells of a female specimen and antheridial cells.

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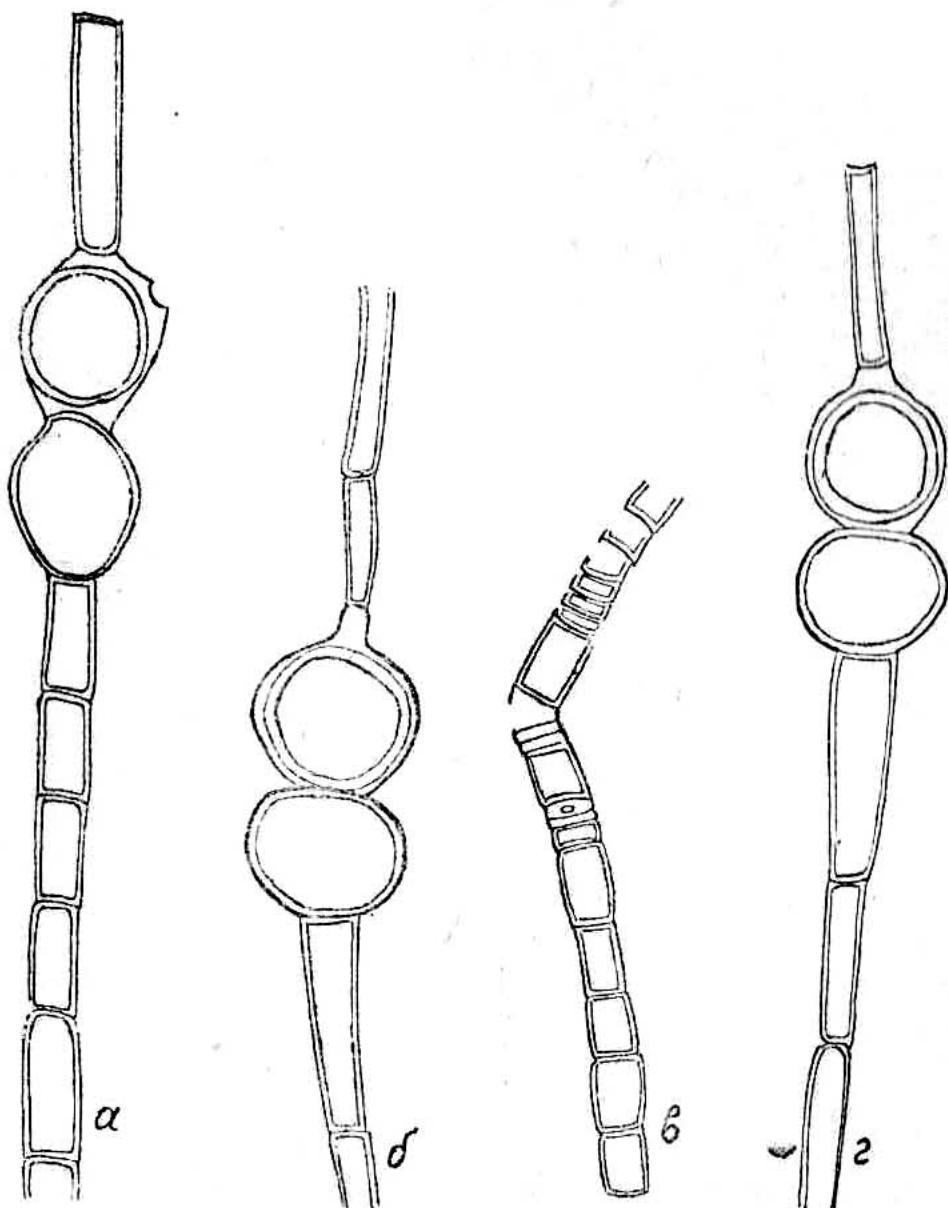


FIG. 9 a, b, c, d

Fig. 1. Lectotype (designated here): [icon!] Arnoldi & Roll 1939: fig. 9.