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An oreosomatid fish (oreo) of the genus *Allocyttus* is one of the target stocks of bottom fisheries in the Emperor Seamounts area (Sawada et al. 2017). However, its taxonomic identity was uncertain, because two different scientific names, i.e., *A. verrucosus* (Gilchrist, 1906) and *A. folletti* (Myers, 1960), have been used for this fish. Recently, Hoshino et al. (2022) concluded that the oreosomatid fish in the Emperor Seamounts area is *A. folletti*, based on morphological analyses.

Therefore, we request the Secretariat to revise NPFC website (e.g. “Fisheries Overview”, <https://www.npfc.int/fisheries-overview>) and possibly other materials, to use the scientific name *Allocyttus folletti*, instead of *A. verrucosus*, when referring to the oreosomatid fish in the Emperor Seamounts area.

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