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Seven genus-group names based on extant taxa have been allocated to the Sphyraenidae: *Agriosphyraena* Fowler, 1903 (type *Esox barracuda*), *Australuzza* Whitley, 1947 (type *Sphyraena novaehollandiae*), *Callosphyraena* Smith, 1956 (type *Sphyraema toxeuuma*, junior synonym of *Sphyraena forsteri*), *Indosphyraena* Smith, 1956 (type *Sphyraena africana*), *Sphyraenella* Smith, 1956 (type *Sphyraena flavicauda*), and *Sphyraena* Artedi, 1793 (type *Esox sphyraena*). All of these genera are currently considered synonyms of *Sphyraena*. Smith (1956) elevated all the previous names to subgeneric rank, while de Sylva (1963) deemed such actions unjustified, synonymizing all of these into *Sphyraena* Röse (correct authorship is by Artedi instead).

Santini *et al.* (2015) has presented an overview of six fossil species names associated with *Sphyraena*; these authors mentioned *Sphyraena fluctuosa* as a Sphyraenid species based on otoliths; however, such species was originally

described by Nolf (1972) in the genus *Platycephalus* (Scorpaeniformes) and subsequently ratified in that genus (e.g., Huyghebaert & Nolf, 1979). It is herein excluded from the Sphyraenid fossil species. *Sphyraena intermedia* Bassani, 1889 was mentioned also by Santini et al. without noting that another species of extant *Sphyraena* was described with the same specific epithet (Pastore, 2009); therefore the latter species by Pastore is herein found to be primary homonym of *Sphyraena intermedia* (Bassani, 1889), a fossil species known from the Oligocene of Italy and consequently the name by Pastore is deemed permanently invalid under Article 57.2 of the ICZN (1999).

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