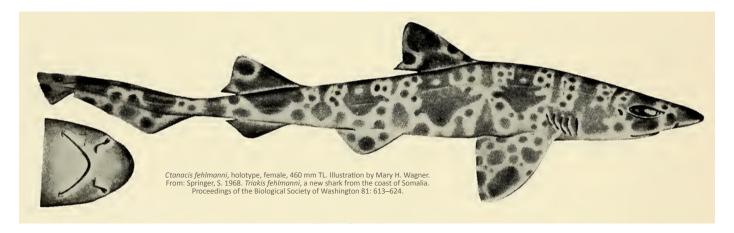
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Order CARCHARHINIFORMES

Finback Catsharks

Family **PROSCYLLIIDAE**

Fowler 1941



Ctenacis

Compagno 1973

cteno-, from ktenós (Gr. κτενός), comb; ákis (Gr. ἀκίς), any pointed object, referring to its comb-like posterior teeth

Ctenacis fehlmanni (Springer 1968) in honor of American ichthyologistherpetologist Herman Adair Fehlmann (1917–2005), Smithsonian Oceanographic Sorting Center, for "setting high standards for field treatment of shark specimens collected for study"

Eridacnis

Smith 1913

etymology not explained, possibly *eri*- (Gr. ἐρι), intensive particle (i.e., very), and *dáknō* (Gr. δάκνω), to bite, referring to "wide, angular" mouth of *E. radcliffei*

Eridacnis barbouri (Bigelow & Schroeder 1944) in honor of American herpetologist (and wealthy patron of science) Thomas Barbour (1884–1946), Director, Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University, for the "constant assistance" he gave the authors in their studies of western North Atlantic sharks

Eridacnis radcliffei Smith 1913 in honor of ichthyologist-malacologist Lewis Radcliffe (1880–1950), scientific assistant of the U.S. Bureau of



Eridacnis radcliffei. From: Smith, H. M. 1913. Description of a new carcharioid shark from the Sulu Archipelago. Proceedings of the United States National Museum 45 (2003): 599–601, Pl. 47.

Fisheries and member of team that collected holotype from aboard the fisheries steamer *Albatross*

Eridacnis sinuans (Smith 1957) Latin for sinuous, probably referring to its slender body and/or long, ribbon-like caudal fin

Proscyllium

Hilgendorf 1904

pro (L.), in front of, probably referring to far forward placement of dorsal fin compared with Scyllium (=Scyliorhinus, Scyliorhinidae)

Proscyllium habereri Hilgendorf 1904 in honor of German physician, anthropologist and natural history collector Karl Albert Haberer (1864–1941), who collected holotype

Proscyllium magnificum Last & Vongpanich 2004 Latin for noble or splendid, referring to its "strikingly beautiful" color pattern

Proscyllium venustum (Tanaka 1912) Latin for beautiful, probably referring to its spotted color pattern, as reflected in its local Japanese name *Hyozame*, meaning Leopard Shark [treated as a junior synonym of *P. habereri* by some workers]



Proscyllium magnificum, paratype, female, 466 mm TL. From: Last, P. R. and V. Vongpanich. 2004. A new finback catshark Proscyllium magnificum (Elasmobranchii: Proscylliidae) from the northeastern Indian Ocean. Phuket Marine Biological Center Research Bulletin No. 6: 23–29.