

Fig. 29. Moreirocarcinus chacei (NHML 1883.26), dorsal and ventral aspect. — Scale 10 mm.



Fig. 30. Moreirocarcinus emarginatus (SMF 22271), X-ray picture of endophragmal system.

and narrow. Endophragmal system only with endosternite IV/V reaching the midline as a high crest, the following two endosternites do so only as very low elevations in the central part of the sternum; median plate crest shaped and present in somites V-VIII, however, relatively low in somite V, getting higher towards caudal end of sternum. Male plp 1 without a subterminal lobe, development of spine fields at both sides of the distal part of the stem variable; suture straight (means following the general line of plp 1 and in reality s-shaped like the limb) in the major part of stem, displaced laterally at the extreme tip and meeting the caudally oriented distal opening. Plp 2 longer than plp 1.

Distribution: Brazil, Amazon lowlands of Peru and Ecuador.

Remarks: Goyazana was attributed subgeneric rank by Bott (1969: 47), Dilocarcinus (Goyazana). Recently Rodriguez (1992) synonymized it with Dilocarcinus. As stated before, we do not agree with this very inclusive treatment of Dilocarcinus. As Goyazana appeared to have no more morphological affinities with Dilocarcinus proper than with any other genus, it is assigned to the rank of genus by us.

Species included: castelnaui H. Milne-Edwards 1853, rotundicauda Magalhães & Türkay 1996.

Moreirocarcinus n. gen.

(Figs. 20, 29, 30)

Type species: Trichodactylus (Trichodactylus) chacei Pretzmann 1968.

Etymology: This genus is named for Carlos Moreira, who was the only older Brazilian autor having done pioneer work on trichodactylids. He also described one of the species included in this genus.

Diagnosis: Carapace with 2-6 anterolateral teeth. Abdominal segments III-VI fused. Thoracic sternum and endophragmal system (as judged by external view for most species) identical with those of *Poppiana*. Male plp 1 tapering, straight or slightly bent in mesio-dorsal direction; lateral and mesial borders follow a regular curve; subterminal spine field fairly well developed; suture straight (means following the general curve of plp 1), not torded; distal opening simple, V-shaped. Plp 2 longer than plp 1.

Distribution: Orinoco drainage of Colombia and Venezuela; Amazon drainages of Brazil, Peru, and Ecuador.

Remarks: Members of this new genus Moreirocarcinus were included in Dilocarcinus and Zilchiopsis by RODRIGUEZ (1992). The reasons for not treating Dilocarcinus as inclusive have been given under the remarks to Bottiella. The three species included in our new genus are closely related and form a homogeneous group inhabiting lowlands of big river drainages.

For recognizing individual species some confusion concerning the identity of Zilchiopsis chacei ecuadoroides, treated hereafter as synonym of Moreirocarcinus chacei, may arise by the fact, that Pretzmann (1983b: 330) claimed to have figured it on Pl. 13–14. Reexamination of the original specimens showed that the figures on the named plates represented Z. ecuadoriensis, as stated by Pretzmann on page 328, and not Z. chacei ecuadoroides. This last subspecies was in fact not figured by Pretzmann (1983b).

Species included: chacei (Pretzmann 1968) [= chacei ecuadoroides (Pretzmann 1978)] emarginatus (H. Milne-Edwards 1853) [= ecuadoriensis Pretzmann 1968], laevifrons (Moreira 1901).

Рорріапа Вотт 1969

(Figs. 21, 31, 32)

1840 Orthostoma Randall, J. Acad. nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 8: 122. [Type species by monotypy Orthostoma dentata Randall 1840.] [Nomen praeoccupatum: Orthostoma Ehrenberg 1837.]

1969 Poppiana Вотт, Abh. senckenb. naturf. Ges., 518: 49.

Type species: Orthostoma dentata RANDALL 1840 [by original designation].

Diagnosis: Carapace with 6 or more (up to 12) anterolateral teeth. Abdominal segments III-VI fused. Thoracic sternum relatively long and narrow; only endosternites IV/V of endophragmal system reaching the midline; somite-borderlines V/VI and VI/VII only slightly elevated; median plate crest-shaped and present in somites V-VIII, lowest in somite V highest in somite VIII. Male plp 1 regularly curved with or without a subdistal lobe on its ventral face; subterminal spine field fairly well developed; suture gradually displaced to the mesiodorsal face near distal end of the appendage where it meets the cylindrical to broadly oval distal opening; margins of the latter clearly rolled up. Plp 2 longer than plp 1.

Distribution: The three species, which we include in *Poppiana* were recorded from the northern (Venezuela, Trinidad, Surinam, Guyana) and southern — central (Brazil, Bolivia, Peru, Paraguay, Argentina) South America.

Remarks: Bott (1969: 51) included *Dilocarcinus laevifrons* Moreira 1901 in his new genus *Poppiana*. With respect to the morphology of the male pleopod, this made the genus a heterogeneous taxon and so we decided to assign it to our new genus *Moreirocarcinus*.

SMALLEY & RODRIGUEZ (1972) did not recognize Poppiana, they included the type species Orthostoma dentata in Dilocarcinus and thus both genera were synonymized. PRETZMANN (1979) considered Poppiana valid and he included Trichodactylus (Dilocarcinus) bachmayeri in this genus. RODRIGUEZ (1992) synonymized Poppiana with Dilocarcinus. We recognize Bott's genus and separate it from Dilocarcinus on the basis of the specific structure of the male plp 1 tip and the torsion of the suture.

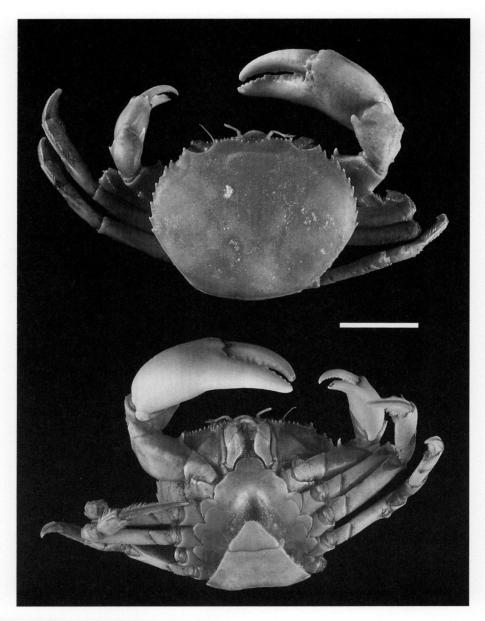
Species included: bulbifer Rodriguez 1992, dentata (Randall 1840) [= dentatus cayennensis (Pretzmann 1968), dentatus trinidadensis (Pretzmann 1968), multidentatus (von Martens 1869)], argentiniana (Rathbun 1905) [= argentinianus apaluensis (Pretzmann 1968), bachmayeri (Pretzmann 1968), boliviensis (Parisi 1923)].

Valdiviini Pretzmann 1978

1978 Valdiviini Pretzmann, Sitz.- Ber. österr. Akad. Wiss., 187(2): 170.

Type genus: Valdivia White 1847.

Diagnosis: Endophragmal system with the median plate well developed in thoracic somites VII-VIII. Always with some abdominal segments fused.



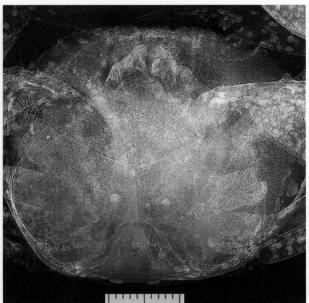


Fig. 31. *Poppiana dentata* (SMF 22245), dorsal and ventral aspect. — Scale 20 mm.

Forsteria Bott 1969

(Figs. 33, 39, 40)

1969 Valdivia (Forsteria) Вотт, Abh. senckenb. naturf. Ges., 518: 37.

Type species: Valdivia (Forsteria) venezuelensis edentata Bott 1969 [by original designation].

Diagnosis: Carapace with 3-4 anterolateral teeth, fading away in large specimens. Abdominal segments III-V fused. Thoracic sternum and endophragmal system as in

Fig. 32. Poppiana dentata (SMF 4296), X-ray picture of endophragmal system.