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***Vandenboldina* n. gen., a new name for *Pseudoceratina* van den Bold, 1965**

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In 1965 van den Bold erected the genus *Pseudoceratina* (type species *Pseudoceratina droogeri* van den Bold, 1965) for an ostracod from the Recent off Trinidad, SE Caribbean Sea. (Drooger and Kaasschieter (1958) had previously recorded it as '*Monoceratina*' 1.) However, van den Bold's genus is a homonym for the sponge *Pseudoceratina* Carter, 1885 (type species *Pseudoceratina durissima* Carter, 1885) described from the Recent off South Australia. *Pseudoceratina* van den Bold, 1965 is here renamed *Vandenboldina* n. gen. in honour of van den Bold's work on the Ostracoda of the Caribbean region. The type species of *Vandenboldina* is *Vandenboldina droogeri* (van den Bold, 1965) comb. nov. and the genus is at present monospecific (Fig. 1). van den Bold (1965) lodged the holotype and three paratypes in the Geological Museum at Utrecht (numbers s 6346–3649) and one paratype in the H. V. Howe collections, Louisiana State University (HVV No. 7938).

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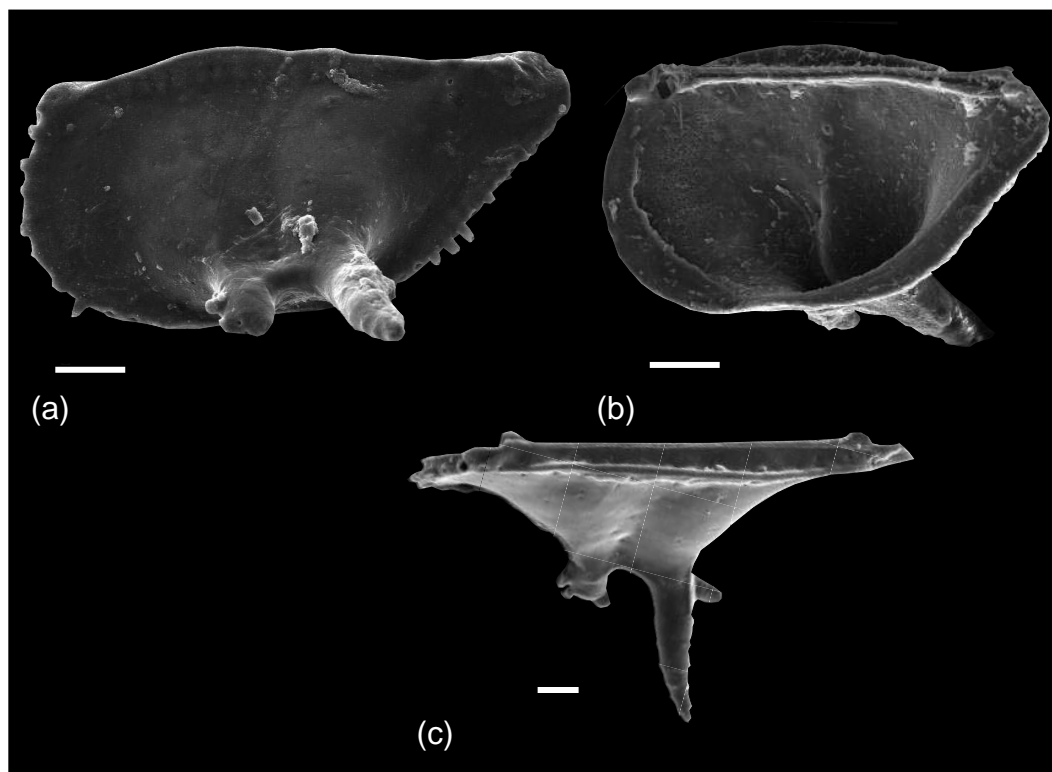


Fig. 1. Three specimens of *Vandenboldina droogeri* (van den Bold, 1965) comb. nov. from the Mahogany Field, offshore SE Trinidad: (a) left valve, exterior; (b) right valve, interior; (c) left valve, dorsal view. Scale bar 50 μ m. Specimens housed in the Petroleum Studies Unit, University of the West Indies, Trinidad, catalogue numbers PXUWI-143\5.