

On the ostracod genus *Micrommatocythere* Wilkinson, 1983

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ABSTRACT—In volume 2 of this journal it was suggested that *Monoceratina saxonica* Schmidt, 1954 may belong in the newly erected genus *Micrommatocythere* Wilkinson, 1983. *M. saxonica*, however, was previously assigned the type species of *Saxellacythere* Gründel & Kozur, 1971. The two genera are distinguished on muscle scar distribution.

DISCUSSION

In the last volume of this journal, the ostracod genus *Micrommatocythere* was erected (Wilkinson, 1983) and in the remarks for the genus it was suggested that *Monoceratina saxonica* Schmidt, 1954 may belong here. Gründel & Kozur (1971), however, erected the genus *Saxellacythere*, citing *M. saxonica* Schmidt the type species.

The two genera are similar morphologically, but can be separated on the muscle scar distribution. *Saxellacythere* was placed in the family Bythocytheridae Sars, 1926, which has a vertical row of five adductor muscle scars. *Micrommatocythere* has only four adductor muscle scars and is consequently placed in Cytheruridae Müller, 1894.

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