NEODORIPPE SERENE & ROMIMOHTARTO, 1969 (CRUSTACEA, DECAPODA): PROPOSED DESIGNATION OF A TYPE SPECIES.
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This is a simple case of a genus with a misidentified type species, and is referred to the Commission for a decision as prescribed by Article 70b of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature.

2. In the course of a revision of the Indo-West Pacific species formerly assigned to the brachyuran genus Dorippe Weber, 1795 (Nomenc. entomol. Fabricii, p. 93), Serène & Romimohtarto, 1969 (Mar. Res. Indonesia, no. 9) established several new genera and subgenera. One of these new genera is Neodorippe Serène & Romimohtarto, 1969 (op. cit, pp. 3, 5, 11), with the type species, by original designation and monotypy, Dorippe astuta Fabricius, 1798 (Suppl. Entomol. Syst., p. 361).

3. A recent re-examination of the type material of Fabricius' species of Dorippe in the Zoological Museum of the University of Copenhagen and in the Rijksmuseum van Natuurlijke Historie at Leiden showed that the syntypes of Dorippe astuta Fabricius, 1798, do not belong to the species that Serène & Romimohtarto indicated as Neodorippe astuta, but in fact are the species named Dorippoides facchino (Herbst, 1785) (Versuch einer Naturgeschichte der Krabben und Krebse, vol. 1 (6), p. 190) by those authors. Cancer facchino Herbst, 1785, is the type species, by original designation and monotypy, of the subgenus Dorippe (Dorippoides) Serène & Romimohtarto, 1969, pp. 3, 4, 8. If Dorippe astuta is accepted as type species of the genus Neodorippe, that genus and Dorippoides become subjective synonyms.

4. A further examination of Fabricius' types showed that Dorippe callida Fabricius, 1798 (Suppl. Entomol. Syst., p. 362), belongs to the species that Serène & Romimohtarto, 1969 incorrectly identified as Neodorippe astuta. Serène & Romimohtarto, not having seen Fabricius' types, evidently considered Dorippe callida a species incerta (as had been done by most previous authors) and ignored it in their revision.

5. The genus Neodorippe Serène & Romimohtarto, 1969, therefore, is clearly based on a misidentified type species, and the Commission should now decide which species should be selected as the legal type species of that genus. Two courses are open to the Commission: (1) to accept Dorippe astuta Fabricius, 1798, as the type species of Neodorippe; or (2) to use their plenary powers and assign Dorippe callida Fabricius, 1798, as the type of that genus.

6. Under solution (1) the name Neodorippe Serène & Romimohtarto, 1969 would either fall as a synonym of Dorippoides Serène & Romimohtarto, 1969, or replace that name, depending on the action of
the first revisor in this case. A new name would then have to be introduced for the genus containing *Dorippe callida* Fabricius, 1798.

7. Under solution (2) the name *Neodorippe* can continue to be used in the sense intended by its original authors, and no further action need be taken.

8. In our opinion the second course is definitely to be preferred as it will cause the least disturbance.

9. The family name *DORIPPIDAE* has already been placed on the Official List of Family Names in Zoology as Name no. 355, in Opinion 688 of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature. No action concerning that name therefore seems to be called for, were it not that the name on the Official List is incorrectly attributed to De Haan, 1841, while as far as we can make out, the first use of it (as *DORIPPINA*) was by Macleay, 1838, p. 69. We therefore take this opportunity to request the Commission to correct this error.

10. The following are the concrete proposals that we now submit to the Commission, in which we ask that it:

   (1) use its plenary powers to set aside all designations of type species hitherto made for the nominal genus *Neodorippe* Serène & Romimohtarto, 1969 and, having done so, to designate *Dorippe callida* Fabricius, 1798, as the type species of that genus;

   (2) place on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology;

   (a) *Dorippoides* Serène & Romimohtarto, 1969 (gender: masculine), type species, by original designation and monotypy, *Cancer facchino* Herbst, 1785;

   (b) *Neodorippe* Serène & Romimohtarto, 1969 (gender: feminine), type species, by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above, *Dorippe callida* Fabricius, 1798;

   (3) place on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology:

   (a) *callida* Fabricius, 1798, as published in the binomen *Dorippe callida* (specific name of the type species of *Neodorippe* Serène & Romimohtarto, 1969);

   (b) *facchino* Herbst, 1785, as published in the binomen *Cancer facchino* (specific name of the type species *Dorippoides* Serène & Romimohtarto, 1969);

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