

Hadroocorys dorae Kreipl & Mühlhäusser, 1996 is a *Semicassis*

(Mollusca, Gastropoda, Cassidae)

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The new Cassid species described by Kreipl & Mühlhäusser as *Hadroocorys dorae* in Spixiana 19(3) pp. 305-306, 1996 is placed in the genus *Semicassis* Mörch, 1852.

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As there is now more and better preserved material for study available the species which we described as *Hadroocorys dorae* from northern Sri Lanka must be placed in the genus *Semicassis* Mörch, 1852. The new material shows a distinct siphonal canal, a feature which is not present in the genus *Hadroocorys* Quinn, 1980. In the holotype (ZSM, Eing. Kat. Nr. 1996 483) and the paratypes the siphonal canals were broken and therefore not visible.

One specimen in collection Kreipl shows a very indistinct pattern of pale yellowish, squarish spots. The two known species of *Hadroocorys* *H. verrilli* (Dall 1889) and *H. tosaensis* (Habe & Azuma 1959) don't have any traces of a pattern.

Therefore we consider *dorae* an extremely thick-shelled species of the genus *Semicassis*.

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