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An Earlier Name for *Nassarius corpulentus* (C. B. Adams, 1852)

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Examination of type specimens of Cancellariidae in the Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, has revealed that *Cancellaria nassiformis* Lesson, 1842:204, is not cancellariid but is the species later described as *Nassa corpulenta* C. B. Adams, 1852:284. The type lot of *Cancellaria nassiformis* Lesson consists of seven syntypes from Acapulco, Mexico, the only locality cited by Lesson.

As Lesson's name has ten years' priority over the one proposed by C. B. Adams, it must either be employed as the correct name or it must be rejected by action of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature. This note is being published to call this matter to the attention of systematists interested in the Panamic-Pacific Nassariidae who can better judge which course of action should be followed.

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