



***Dana*, replacement name for the New Zealand talitrid amphipod genus *Tara* Duncan, 1994 (Crustacea, Amphipoda, Talitridae), preoccupied by *Tara* Peckham & Peckham, 1886 (Araneae, Salticidae, Amycinae, Astiini)**

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Tara Duncan, 1994, was established as a terrestrial genus of New Zealand talitrid amphipods, with the type species *Orchestia sylvicola* Dana, 1852. It was recently discovered to be a junior homonym of *Tara* Peckham & Peckham, 1886, a genus of salticid spiders (Araneae, Salticidae, Amycinae, Astiini). *Tara* Peckham & Peckham, 1886, is a valid name in current use for a small endemic genus of Australian jumping spiders recently revised by Zabka (1987). *Tara* Duncan, 1994, appears in the literature at least three times: in the original description of the genus (Duncan 1994), in identification keys to the terrestrial amphipods of New Zealand (Fenwick & Webber 2008), and in the recent inventory of New Zealand biodiversity (Webber *et al.* 2010). The new name, *Dana*, is proposed to replace *Tara* Duncan, 1994.

***Dana* nom. nov.**

Tara Duncan, 1994: 51 (junior homonym, *Tara* Peckham & Peckham, 1886, Araneae, Salticidae).

Type species. *Orchestia sylvicola* Dana, 1852.

Etymology. The genus is named for James Dana, the 'father' of Australian and New Zealand talitrid amphipod taxonomy; masculine.

Included species. *Dana* includes 5 species: *D. hauturu* (Duncan, 1994); *D. simularis* (Hurley, 1957); *D. sinbadensis* (Hurley, 1957); *D. sylvicolus* (Dana, 1852); *D. taranaki* (Duncan, 1994).

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