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Schultz (1966) described the species *Gnathia hirsuta* from Santa Cruz Canyon on the shelf off southern California. He also included it in his book (1969: 225) on marine isopods. Sars (1877) described the species *Anceus hirsutus* from the North Atlantic which was later placed in *Gnathia* by Richardson (1900) and hence it became *Gnathia hirsuta* (G. O. Sars, 1877). The author used the name *hirsuta* ("hairy"), unaware that it was preoccupied by the species described by Sars which clearly is a different species. The name *sanctaecrucis* ("from Santa Cruz", i.e., Santa Cruz canyon on the shelf) is now proposed to replace the preoccupied name *hirsuta* for the species from off southern California. The species then becomes *Gnathia sanctaecrucis* nom. nov.

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