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A Comparative Study of the First Zoal Stage of *Uca urvillei* and *Uca annulipes* (Crustacea: Brachyura: Ocypodidae) Reared in the Laboratory

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Abstract: The present information is based on the study of the first zoal stages of *Uca urvillei* and *Uca annulipes*. The ovigerous females of *Uca urvillei* and *Uca annulipes* were collected from Sandspit on 13 July 2002. Larvae were hatched on 20 July 2002 and 24 July 2002 respectively, at room temperature 30-32 °C, in filtered seawater of a salinity of 35‰-37‰ and pH 7.8. The first zoeae of 2 species from the Pakistan coast are described and illustrated, and a comparison is made between these 2 species of *Uca* obtained from the Pakistan coast and *Uca tangeri* studied by Paula from the Portuguese coast.

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