The Avengers #19 (Marvel, 1965) First appearance of the Swordsman. Origin of Hawkeye. Jack Kirby cover. Don Heck and Dick Ayers art.

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Swordsman (Jacques Duquesne) is a fictional character in the Marvel Comics universe. His first appearance was in Avengers Vol. 1 #19 (Aug. 1965) and was created by Stan Lee and Don Heck. The Swordsman was introduced as an enemy of Hawkeye and the Avengers. The character has since appeared as both a supervillain and a superhero. The Swordsman first appeared as a supervillain in Avengers Vol. 1 #19 (1965). He went on to appear in Avengers Vol. 1 #20, 30, 38, 65, 78 and 79 (1965–1970). The Swordsman changed his ways and became a superhero in Avengers Vol. 1 #100 (1972) and later became a member of the Avengers in Avengers Vol. 1 #112-130 (1973–1974), Defenders Vol. 1 #9-11 (1973), Captain Marvel Vol. 1 #32-33 (1974), Fantastic Four Vol. 1 #150 (1974), Giant-Size Avengers Vol. 1 #2 (1974) and Avengers Spotlight #22 (1989). Later, the Cotatipossessed Swordsman appeared in Avengers Vol. 1 #134, 135, 157, 160 (1975–1977), Giant-Size Avengers Vol. 1 #4 (1975) and West Coast Avengers Vol. 2 #39 (1988). The Swordsman has been a member of various supervillain groups. The character has appeared as a member of the Lethal Legion in Avengers Vol. 1 #78-79 (1970) and Iron Man Annual #7 (1984), the Emissaries of Evil in Alpha Flight Special Vol. 2 #1 (1992), and the Legion of the Unliving in Avengers Annual #16 (1987), Avengers West Coast Vol. 2 #61 (1990) and Avengers Vol. 3 #10-11 (1998). The Swordsman also battled Captain America in Tales of Suspense #88 (1967) and Captain America #105 (1968).

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