

# Caprella mendax

## Diagnostic Characters:

- Body smooth, except pereonite II, which has a single ventral spine between the bases of the second gnathopods and a small spine at the base of each second gnathopod.
- G2 propodus with proximal grasping spine with small accessory spine, distal triangular projection with poison spine just proximal to it.
- Gills elliptical.

## Illustration:

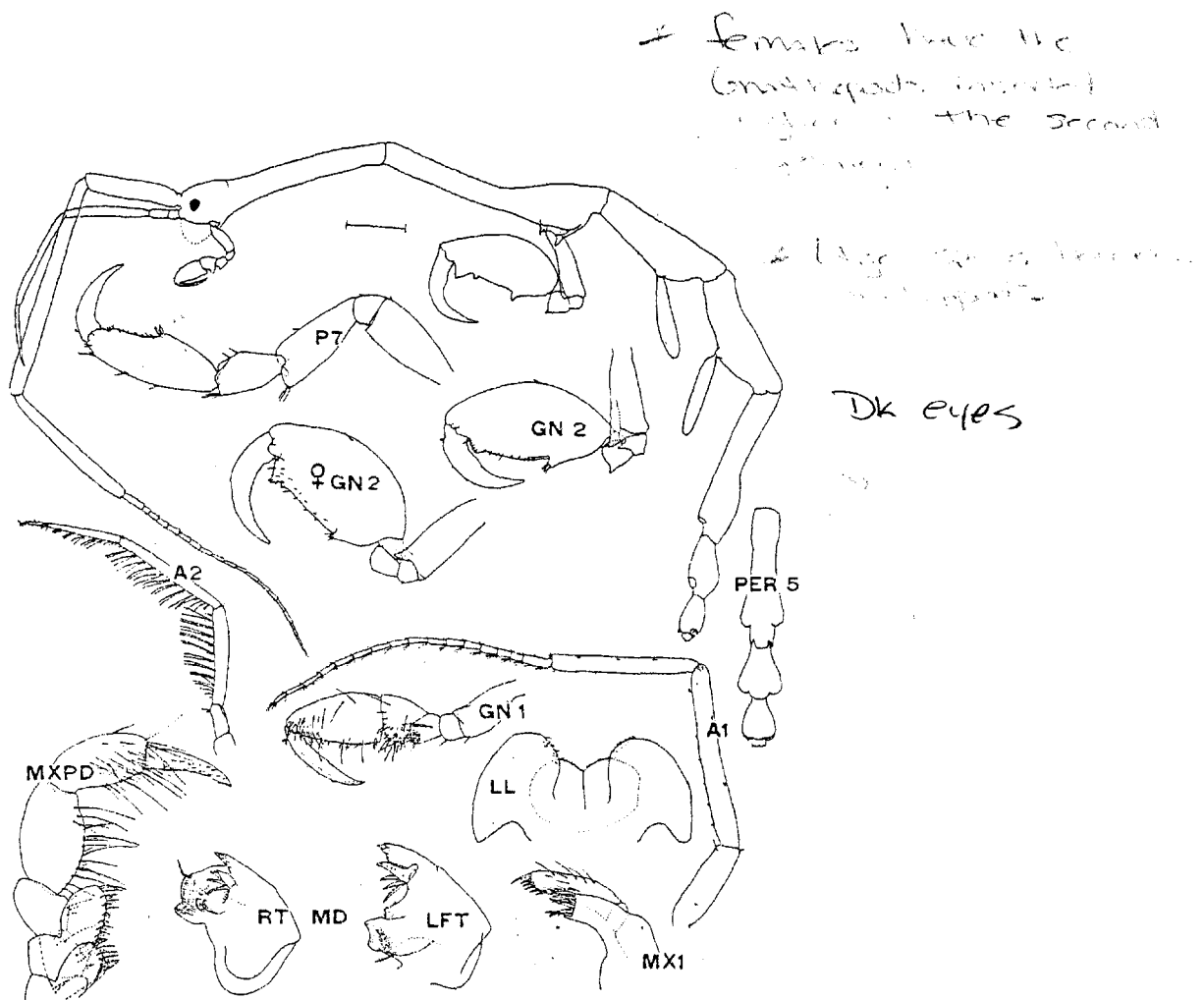


FIGURE 18 — *Caprella mendax*. Male, lateral view, and dorsal view of pereonite V. Subadult male, appendages. Female gnathopod 2.