

Pleurogonium sp. A

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Class Malacostraca, Subclass Eumalacostraca, Order Isopoda, Family Paramunnidae

DIAGNOSTIC CHARACTERS:

Pereonal coxae visible in dorsal view with single projecting spine

Body broad-ovate

Cephalon somewhat recessed into first pereonite

Cephalon without eyes or eye stalks

Pereon and pleotelson with rounded lateral margins lacking large teeth or serrations

Pereonite 1 of males distinctly longer and more robust than that of females

Cuticle on body and limb rough with apparent microscales on all surfaces

Antennulae with large curved antero-lateral projection on distal margin (Antler-like)

Mandible lacking plap; molar process thin, finger-like, with rounded distal tip having two distal spines and one seta

ILLUSTRATION:

