

CLASS OPHIUROIDEA

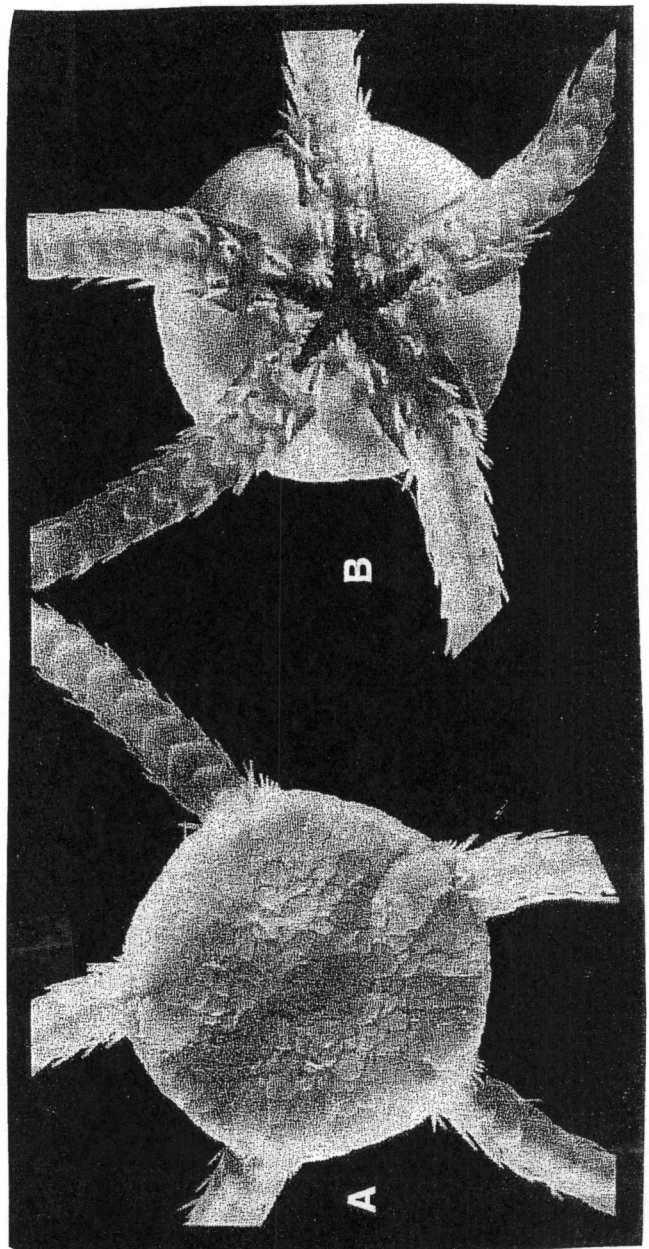
Order Ophiurida

Family Ophiuridae

Ophiura leptoctenia

General Description:

Character	<i>Ophiura leptoctenia</i>
Pattern of Aboral Disk	Very large scales Bumpy disc
Radial Shield Pattern	Spaced buttons
Pattern of Oral Disk	Large scales
Hyaline Forks	Spikes on disk
Arm Insertion to Disk	Into disc
Number of Oral Papillae	spikes
Arrangement of Papillae	Spikes on Each side
Infradental Papillae	1
Oral Shield Pattern	N/A
Adoral Shield Spine	N/A
Tooth Pattern	Spikes
Number of Tentacle Spines	N/A
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Number of Tentacle Scales	N/A
Pattern of Dorsal (top) Tentacle	2 spiniform Half Triangle
Pattern of Ventral (bottom) Tentacle	Half circle
Cushion btwn Tentacle Plates	No
Color of Animal Preserved	N/A



- Second pair of buccal podia open onto the oral surface & not into mouth angles.
- Presence of arm combs - spiny
- Disk scaled