

Key to the West Coast *Magelona*

adapted from Dean Pasko 1991 which was adapted from Hobson and Banse

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 - b. Lateral pouches present only in posterior regions. Anterior margin of prostomium truncate forming straight line (see Figure 4.).....*M. riojai* Jones
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(*M. pitelkai* [not Hartman] in CPF, see Jones 1978)
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 - b. Prostomium with anterior horns; proximal sides nearly straight, parallel (see Figure 9.). Length:width = 1.1:1. Notopodial lateral lamellae of setiger 9 transversely flattened, tapered. No interlamellae. Ventral methyl green stain starts on posterior half of setiger 4, darkest from setiger 5 and 6 fading through setiger 8 or 9.....*M. hartmanae* Jones
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 - b. Noto and neuropodial hooded hooks of posterior region in single series (example in Figure 15).