

Desdimelita californica

Diagnostic Characters:

Peraeon generally smooth

Abdomen often mid-dorsally toothed or mucronate, rarely spinose or setose or laterally toothed

Head, anterior lobe rounded, inferior antennal sinus reduced, often notch-like

Eye generally small, rounded, pigmented

Antenna 2 shorter than antenna 1

G1 and G2 in males, markedly unequal, G2 propod and dactyl large, carpus short

E3 produced

Urosome 1 with 3 or 5 postero-dorsal teeth or cusps

G1, male, propod elongate

Urosome 2, postero-dorsal teeth strong, conspicuous

G2, male, palm with hinge tooth variously developed

Illustration:

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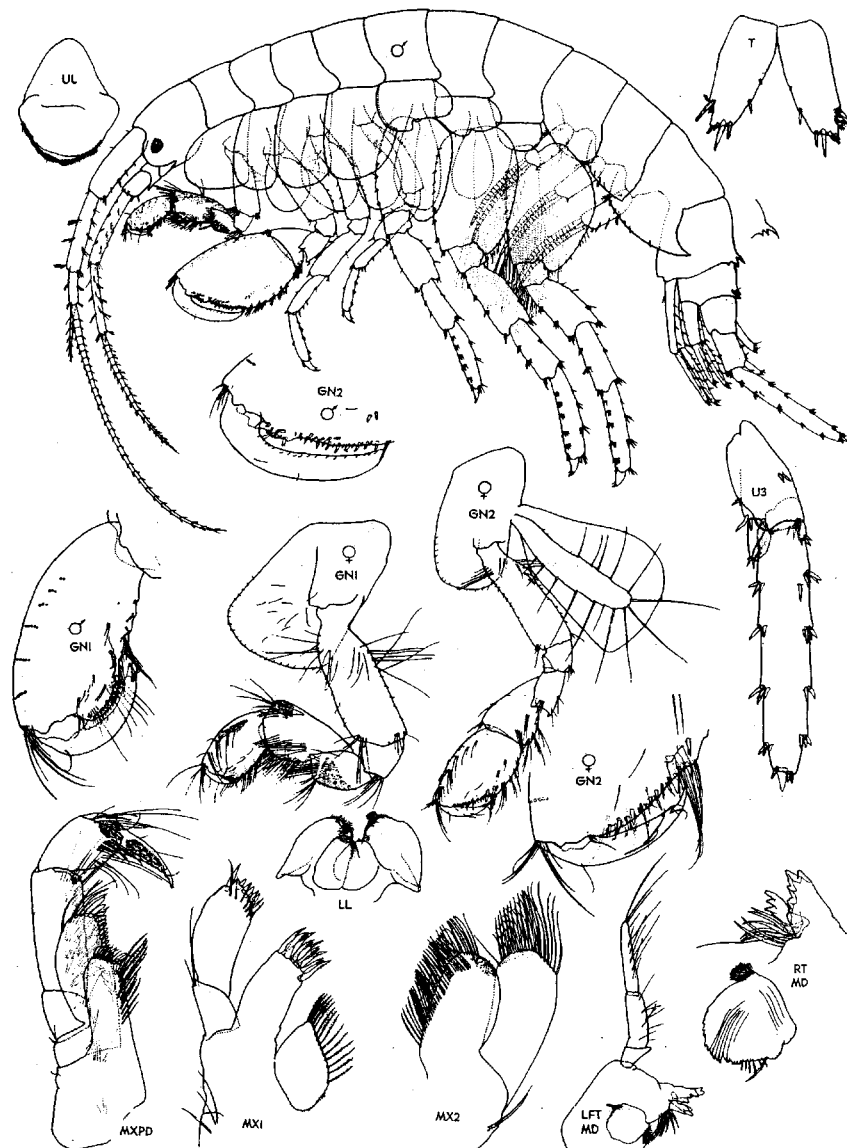


FIG. 27. *Desdimelita californica* (Alderman). Prince of Wales I., southeastern Alaska. Male (10.0 mm); female 7.0 mm).