

Key to the Genera of Crangonid Shrimps
(modified from Holthuis, 1947)

1. 2nd pereopods lacking..... Paracrangon
(rostrum elevated, carapace w/ 4 spines of
unequal size and spacing)
2nd pereopods present.....2
2. Dactyls of 4th & 5th pereopods flattened and broad.....
..... Argis
(rostrum lacking, anterior portion of carapace pushed
forward and upward to form a protective shield for
the eyes, if carapace has 4 spines on median line
they are equally spaced)
Dactyls of 4th & 5th pereopods normal, not flattened....3
3. Carapace lacks median gastric spines..... Lissocrangon
Carapace has at least one median gastric spine.....4
4. Eyes nearly lacking pigmentation, 2nd pereopods much
shorter than other legs..... Pontophilus
Eyes pigmented, 2nd pereopod at least subequal in length
to other legs.....5
5. 3rd maxillipeds without an arthrobranch..... Sclerocrangon
3rd maxillipeds w/ an arthrobranch.....6
6. Single median gastric spine.....7
More than one median gastric spine.....8
7. 6th abdominal segment smooth, lacking dorsal carina.....
..... Crangon(Crangon)
6th abdominal segment w/ two prominent dorsal carina.....
..... Crangon(Steiocrangon)
8. Gastric region depressed below the general level of the
carapace..... Crangon(Group II)
Gastric region not depressed below the general level of
the carapace.....9
9. Two median gastric spines positioned on the anterior half
of the carapace..... Neocrangon
Two median gastric spines positioned so that posterior spine
is at the center of carapace..... Crangon intermedia
(incertae sedis)