

Species: Colanthurus squamosissimus

Museum Number: 265

Describer: Menzies

Date: 1951

Family: Anthuridae

Common Name: Isopod

Source: Marine Isopods on Coastal Shelf Bottoms of Southern California: Systematics and Ecology. Pacific Naturalist, Vol 1, No. 11. 1959

Synonymy: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: Marin County, CA to So. CA coastal shelves, from Point Conception to Mexican border, 10 - 15 fms.

**Distinguishing Characteristics:**

Rostral process very slightly exceeding forward extent of anterolateral angles. Eyes large, composed of about 14 ocelli. Endopodite of uropod extending to or very slightly beyond telson tip. Tip of stylus of male second plepod with a simple, swollen, non-setiferous tip. Lateral pleotelson borders smooth; posterior border widely convex. Seventh pereaeon segment narrower and shorter than first pleon segment. Seventh pair of pereaeopods lacking. Statocysts absent.

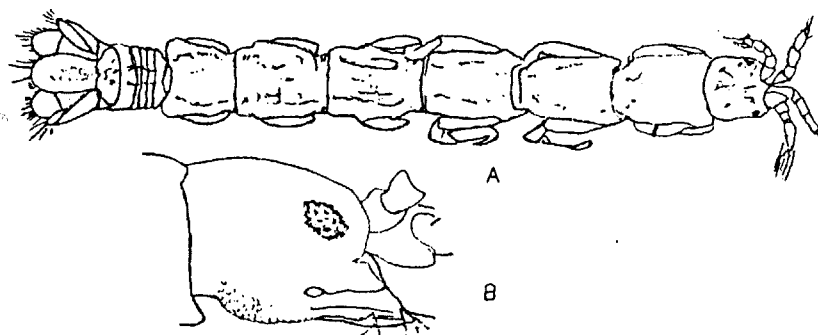


Fig. 9. *Colanthurus squamosissimus* Menzies. A.B. Male, 4.4 mm. A. dorsal view; B. head, lateral. After Menzies 1951.