

Prototrygaeus jordanae

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Class Pycnogonida, Order Pelmata, Family Ammontheidae

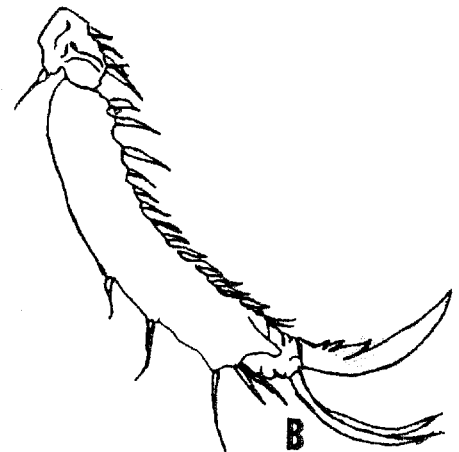
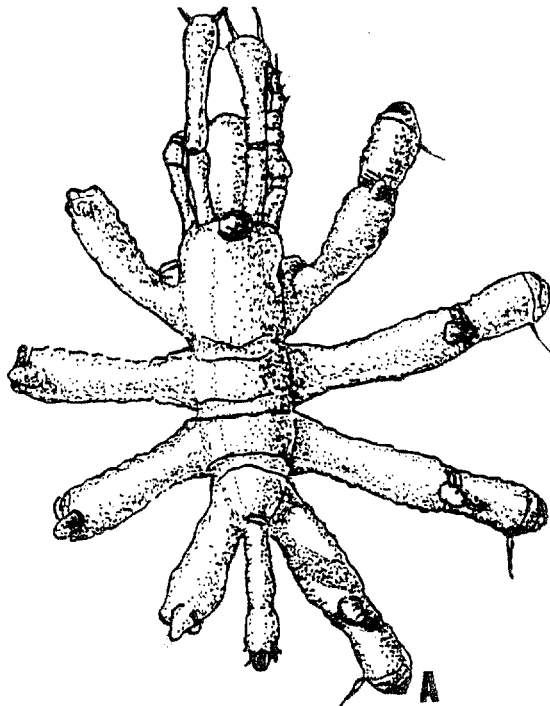
DIAGNOSTIC CHARACTERS:

Body: Thorax slender, longer than wide.
 Lateral processes slender, each as long as thorax
Thorax segmentation incomplete.
 Abdomen about as long as cephalon.
 ✦ **Neck is very short but broad and differentiated from cephalon.**
 Ocular tubercle shorter than abdomen.
 2 pairs of eyes near top of ocular tubercle.

Proboscis: Nearly twice as long as the cephalon.
 It is inserted ventrally with insertion overhung by anterior edge of cephalon
 Sharply angled down, cylindrical and blunt.

ILLUSTRATION:

* Short distyl on GI



* Eyes are at very top and look connected as one mass