

SCAMIT CODE: None

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SYNONYMY: None

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**LITERATURE:**

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**DIAGNOTIC CHARACTERS:**

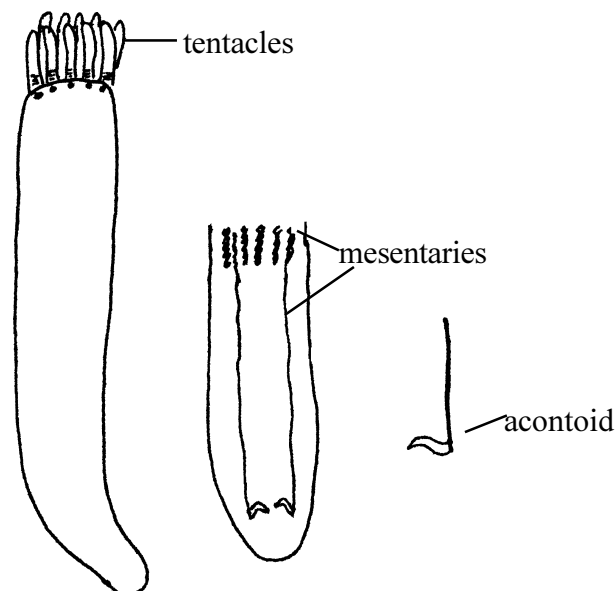
Small to medium sized cerianthid anemone.

Column creamed colored with brown mottling to varying degrees - sometimes forming light brown longitudinal bands.

12 tentacles, each with thin brown/reddish transverse bands at their base.

Small, but distinct spots on column just below tentacle.

Mesenteries: 2 continue to end of body each with acontoid ("flag") distally, all other mesenteries stop approximately one-half to one-third the length of the column.



**RELATED SPECIES AND CHARACTER DIFFERENCES:**

This species can be distinguished from *Pacycerianthus* sp which also have beige/brown coloration with similar mesentary pattern, except without acontoids distally on two longest mesenteries or pigment spots on body.

**DEPTH RANGE:** 60 - 100 m

**DISTRIBUTION:** Pt. Conception to San Diego, CA.

**NOTES:** Identification cannot be based on body pigment alone. The posterior end must be opened to confirm the presence of the acontoids.