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Introduction

The terms 'shrimp' and 'prawn' do not reflect any zoological division, prawns being merely large shrimps. The group Natantia, i.e. the swimming forms of the decapod Crustacea may, however, be divided into three sections, the Penaeids, the Carids, and the Stenopodids. All are characterized by the possession of a carapace fused dorsally to the thorax, five pairs of walking legs (pereopods) and a well-developed abdomen, which together with its appendages, the five pairs of pleopods or swimmerets and the tail fan, forms the main swimming organ. In this the shrimps and prawns differ from the crayfish and lobsters, which usually crawl on the bottom and can only swim backwards for short distances.

Eggs are produced in all the forms; in the carids and stenopodids, these are attached to the pleopods of the female, where they undergo development. In the penaeids the eggs are released into the surrounding water. The penaeids are further distinguished from the other groups in the male possessing a plate-like and often

complicated copulatory organ, the petasma. The two halves of this organ are outgrowths of the first pair of pleopods, and are usually joined in the midline by a row of hooklets.

The Natantia are strictly confined to water. The vast majority are found in the sea, where they fill numerous ecological niches. Many forms are planktonic during their larval stages, but the tiny and delicate *Lucifer* of the Penaeidea remains planktonic when adult. A great many species are bathypelagic, inhabiting the middle and deep water masses. These forms are characteristically coloured a bright red, or are wholly or partially transparent, and often possess some form of light organ, either photophores or modified gastro-hepatic glands. Some forms such as the penaeid *Solenocera* and the carid *Nematocarcinus* are bottom dwelling, while a great many inhabit the shallower regions of the sea. The edible prawns of the genus *Penaeus* are usually taken in relatively shallow waters, the developing forms often entering estuaries and lagoons to feed. The intertidal region has numerous examples of the shrimps, many being found in sea-weeds, and often taking on the

colour of their surroundings, e.g. *Hippolyte*. Several forms, especially amongst the pontoniids, have entered into a commensal relationship with other invertebrates such as corals, sponges, sea anemones, and clams, while amongst the alpheidids, some species live with gobiid fish. Some forms such as the very common sand shrimp *Palaemon pacificus* are tolerant of varying salinities, and may be found in truly marine habitats, as well as in estuaries. True fresh-water forms are found amongst two families, the Atyidae and the Palaemonidae, the latter including the large river prawns.

Amongst the penaeids, several forms are of commercial importance, being used as food and occasionally as fishing bait. In southern Africa, the genus *Penaeus* is of greatest importance, while *Hymenopenaeus*, *Plesiopenaeus*, and *Trachypenaeus* are of lesser importance.

As far as possible, the keys and their accompanying figures have been drawn from actual specimens. Many of the terms used are explained in figures 2 and 14 of a generalized carid and penaeid prawn. Records of the species have been taken from

several sources, the most important being Barnard, 1950 (*Annals of the South African Museum*, vol. 38). As with most keys, the present one does not make provision for new species or records, and this must be borne in mind when the keys are used. Animals included have been taken in the South African region, i.e. south of the Kunene River mouth (17.15S., 11.45E.) on the west, and south of Inhambane, Moçambique (23.51S., 35.29E.) on the east.

Where a key character ends with a generic name only, and no specific name, this indicates that the genus contains more than one species in the southern African region, and that a key to the species is provided. If a genus contains a single species, this specific name is given with the generic name, e.g. *Macropetasma africana*.

Where either a character in the key, or a specific name is followed by a digit and letter in parentheses, these refer to illustrations, e.g. *Hippolyte palliola* (29K, L) refers to figure 29.

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Key to the divisions of the Macrura Natantia

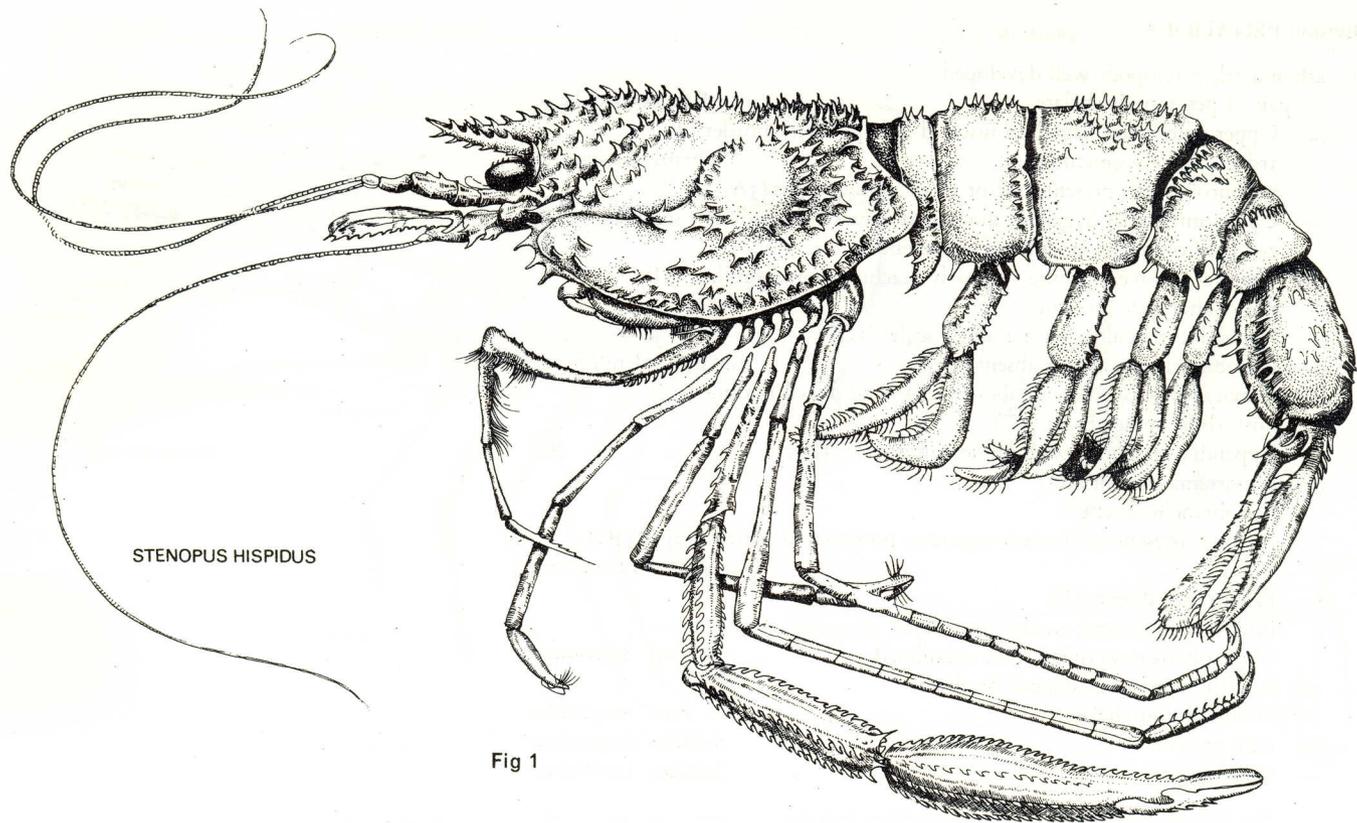
- 1. 3rd pair of pereiopods chelate
 - Pleurae of 2nd abdominal segment not overlapping those of 1st and 3rd
 - Abdomen lacking sharp bend or hump 2
- 3rd pair of pereiopod non-chelate
 - Pleurae of 2nd abdominal segment overlapping 1st and 3rd
 - Abdomen usually with bend or hump *caridea* (14)
- 2. One or both of 3rd pereiopods larger than 1st and 2nd pair
 - Male lacking petasma
 - Eggs carried by female *stenopodidea* (1)
- 3rd pereiopods not larger than 1st or 2nd pair
 - Petasma present in male
 - Eggs not carried by female *penaeidea* (2)

Division STENOPODIDEA

Family STENOPODIDAE

Genus STENOPUS

- 1. Carapace and abdomen spinose, carpi of 4th and 5th pereiopods
 - multiarticulate *hispidus* (1)

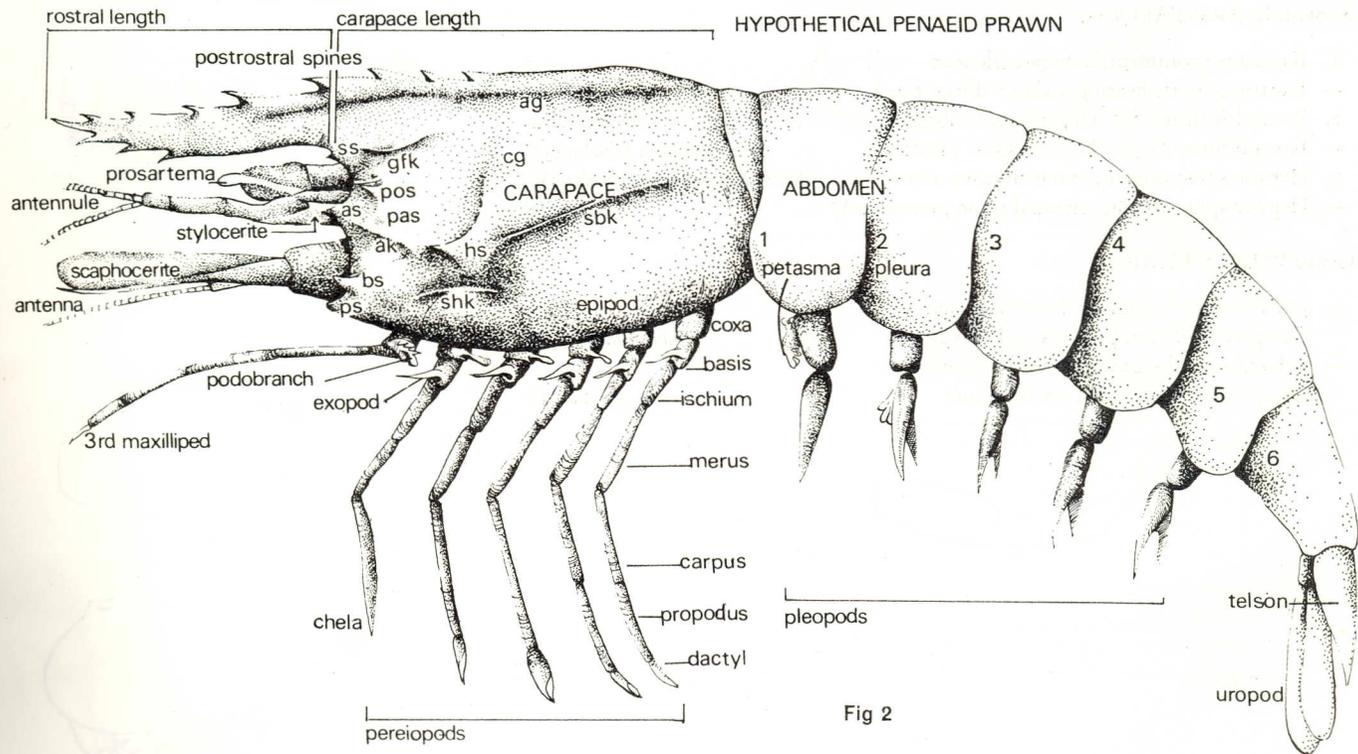


STENOPUS HISPIDUS

Fig 1

Division PENAEIDEA

- 1. 4th and 5th pereopods well developed
 - 1st pair of pereopods chelate Fam. Penaeidae
 - (a) Upper antennular flagellum inserted near posterior border of 3rd peduncle segment (3A) Subfam. Aristaeinae
 - 7 pleurobranchs present, one or more podobranchs (3A)
 - Upper antennular flagellum inserted at apex of 3rd peduncle segment (B)
 - 2-6 pleurobranchs, podobranchs present or absent
 - (b) Cervical groove reaching or nearly reaching dorsal midline (3B)
 - Postorbital spine present
 - Appendix masculina with 2 apical scales (3G)
 - Podobranchs present or absent Subfam. Solenocerinae
 - Cervical groove reaching about halfway to dorsal midline (3C)
 - Postorbital spine absent (3C)
 - Appendix masculina with single apical scale (3F) (C)
 - (c) Prosartema present (3D)
 - Podobranchs absent
 - Exopods present on thoracic segments posterior to 1st maxilliped (3C)
 - Subfam. Penaeinae
 - Prosartema absent (3E)
 - Podobranch present on 2nd maxilliped
 - No exopods posterior to 2nd maxilliped .. Subfam. Sicyoninae
- 4th and 5th pereopods reduced or absent
 - 1st pereopod non-chelate Fam. Sergestidae
 - (a) Gills present Subfam. Sergestinae
 - Gills absent Subfam. Luciferinae



HYPOTHETICAL PENAID PRAWN

Fig 2

Abbreviations used

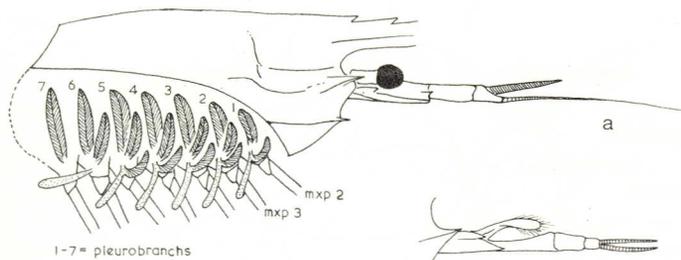
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| ag | adrostral groove | bs | branchiostegal spine | pas | post-antennal spine | sbk | supra-branchial keel |
| ak | antennal keel | cg | cervical groove | pos | post-orbital spine | shk | sub-hepatic keel |
| as | antennal spine | gfk | gastro-frontal keel | ps | pterygostomial spine | ss | supra-orbital spine |
| | | hk | hepatic keel | | | | |

Subfamily ARISTAEINAE

- | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Rostrum prominent, elongate, slender | 2 |
| — Rostrum short, bearing a single dorsal tooth | 3 |
| 2. Rostral formula 3/0. Hepatic spine absent | <i>Plesiopenaeus</i> |
| — Rostral formula 9/0. Hepatic spine present | <i>Aristeomorpha foliacea</i> (3J) |
| 3. Hepatic spine present, antennal spine absent | <i>Bentheogenmema intermedia</i> (3K) |
| — Hepatic spine absent, antennal spine present (4A) | <i>Gennadas</i> |

Genus PLESIOPENAEUS

- | | |
|--|--------------------------|
| 1. 3rd abdominal segment dorsally keeled | <i>edwardsianus</i> (3H) |
| — 3rd abdominal segment dorsally rounded | <i>nitidus</i> (3I) |



1-7= pleurobranchs

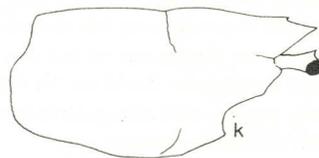
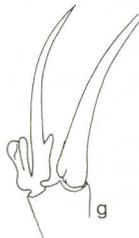
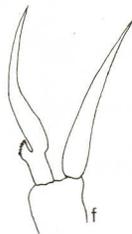
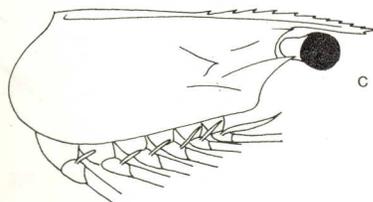
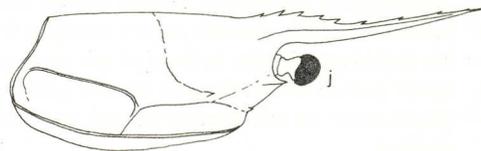
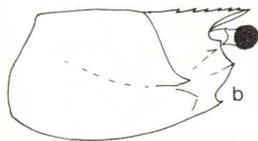
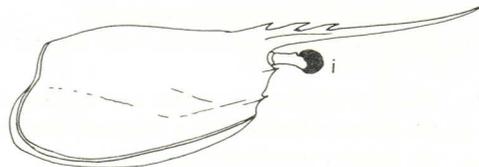
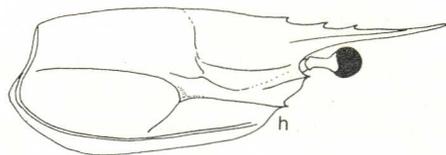
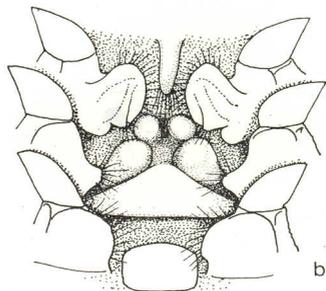
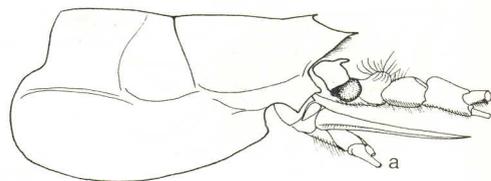


Fig3

Genus GENNADAS (Adult Females)

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| 1. | Posteriorly directed tongue-like process on 5th thoracic sternite .. | <i>tinayrei</i> (4B) | |
| — | No tongue-like process on 5th thoracic sternite | | 2 |
| 2. | Shield on 8th thoracic sternite bearing 2 anteriorly directed projections | <i>bouvieri</i> (4C) | |
| — | Shield on 8th thoracic sternite absent, or if present, lacking separated, anteriorly directed lateral projections | | 3 |
| 3. | Shield of 8th thoracic sternite with anterior flap reaching 6th sternite | <i>scutatus</i> (4D) | |
| — | Shield of 8th thoracic sternite not reaching 6th sternite | | 4 |
| 4. | 7th thoracic sternite with 2 anteriorly directed projections | | 5 |
| — | 7th thoracic sternite lacking 2 projections | | 6 |
| 5. | Projections of 7th thoracic sternite apically simple | <i>valens</i> (4E) | |
| — | Projections of 7th thoracic sternite apically notched | <i>gilchristi</i> (4F) | |
| 6. | Leaf-like medially directed process arising in front of 4th pereiopods | <i>parvus</i> (4G) | |
| — | No leaf-like projection in front of 4th pereiopods | | 7 |
| 7. | Shield present on 8th thoracic sternite, posteriorly notched | | 8 |
| — | Shield absent on 8th thoracic sternite, or if present, not posteriorly notched | | 10 |
| 8. | Shield on 8th thoracic sternite anteriorly rounded | <i>brevirostris</i> (4H) | |
| — | Shield on 8th thoracic sternite anteriorly emarginate or notched | | 9 |
| 9. | Large concave depression on 6th thoracic sternite | <i>incertus</i> (4I) | |
| — | No large concave depression on 6th thoracic sternite, but broadly rectangular shield on 7th thoracic sternite | <i>talismani</i> (4J) | |
| 10. | 6th thoracic sternite with triangular/sub-triangular/truncated triangular shield with anteriorly directed apex | | 11 |
| — | 6th thoracic sternite lacking shield, or with sub-circular shield | | 12 |



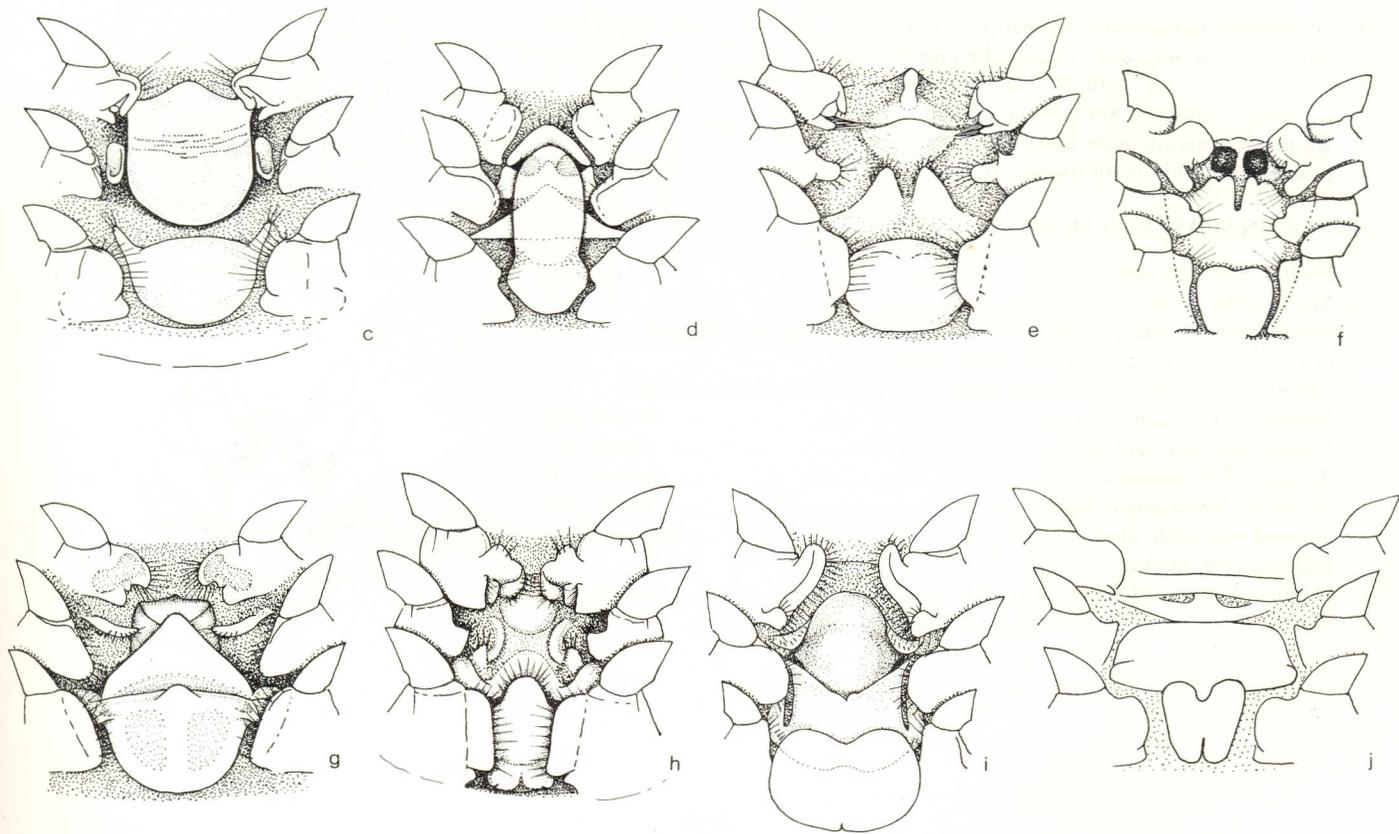
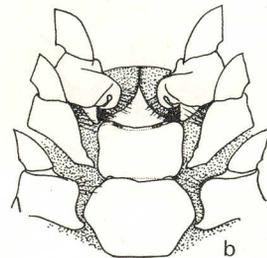
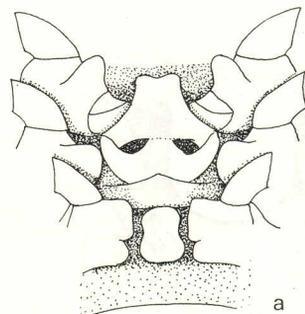


Fig4

11.	7th thoracic sternite with W-shaped process	..	..	..	..	<i>clavicarpus</i> (5A)
—	7th thoracic sternite with rectangular process	..	..	..	..	<i>kempi</i> (5B)
12.	6th thoracic sternite with W-shaped process,					
	no obvious shield on 8th thoracic sternite	..	..	..	..	<i>capensis</i> (5C)
—	6th thoracic sternite with sub-circular shield,					
	pentagonal shield on 8th thoracic sternite	..	..	..	..	<i>elegans</i> (5D)

Genus GENNADAS (Adult Males)

1.	Median lobe undivided	..	..	..	..	..	2
—	Median lobe divided	..	..	..	..	..	5
2.	External lobe divided, division indicated by widely separated (<i>elegans</i>)						
	or closely approximate (<i>tinayrei</i>) blunt lobules	..	..	..	..	..	3
—	External lobe undivided, or with small acute process on median margin						4
3.	Median lobe broadly convex	..	..	..	..	<i>tinayrei</i> (5E)	
—	Median lobe low, narrow	..	..	..	..	<i>elegans</i> (5F)	
4.	Accessory lobe bipartite	..	..	..	..	<i>capensis</i> (5G)	
—	Accessory lobe a single flap	..	..	..	..	<i>kempi</i> (5H)	
5.	External lobe undivided	..	..	..	..	<i>brevirostris</i> (5I)	
—	External lobe divided	..	..	..	..	..	6
6.	Lobules of external lobe elongate, sub-equal and slender	<i>incertus</i> (5J)	
—	Lobules of external lobe not elongate, sub-equal, slender	7



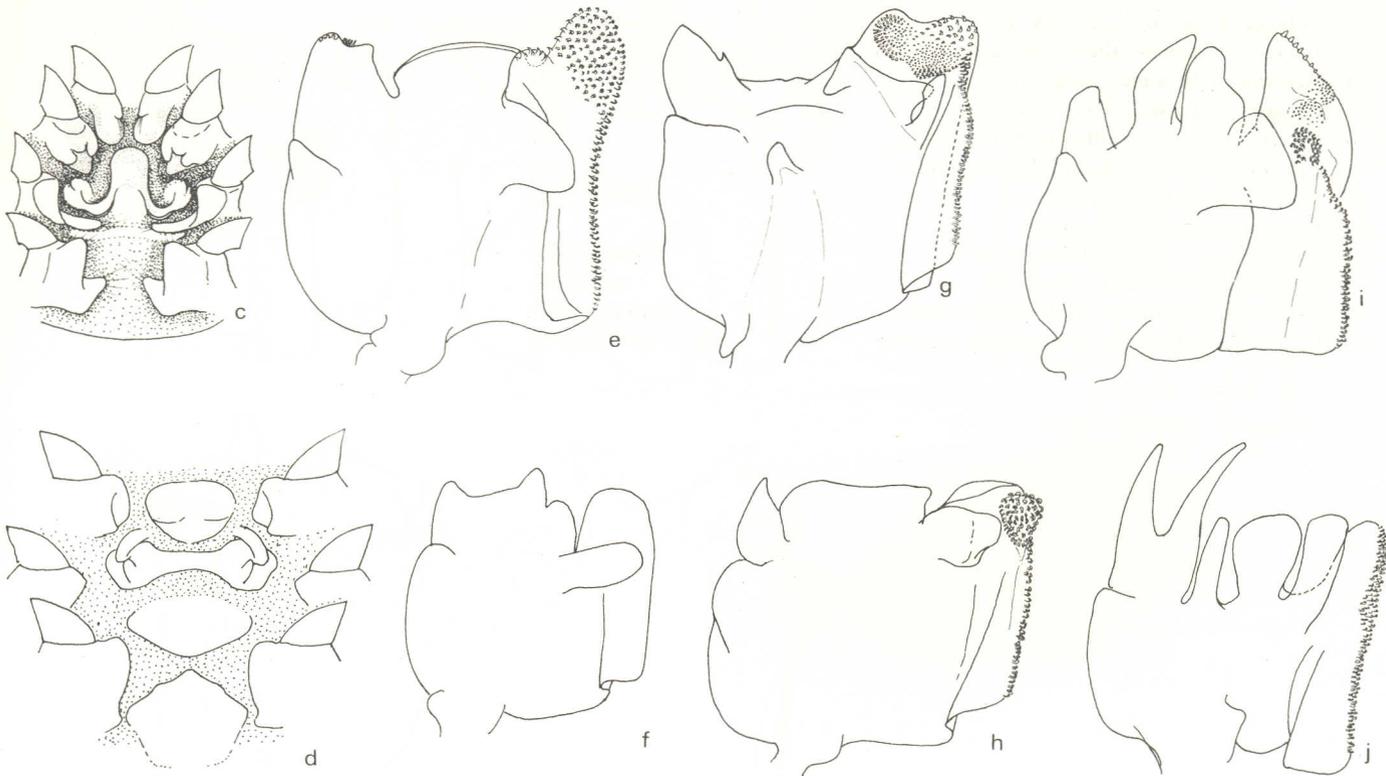
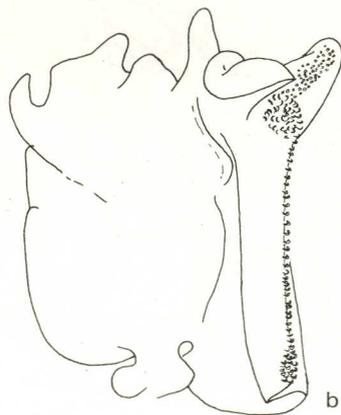
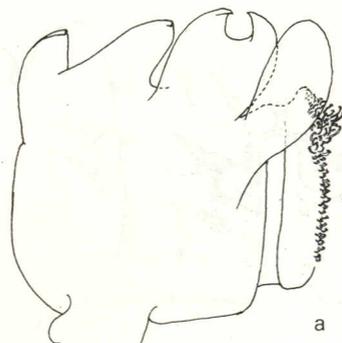
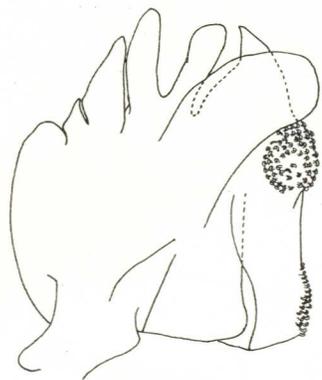


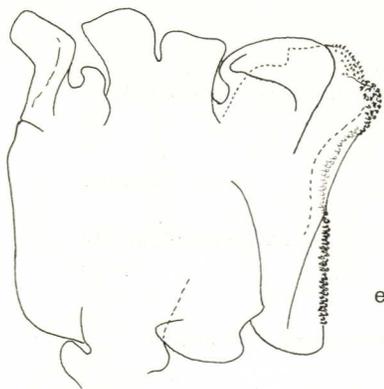
Fig5

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| 7. | Lobules of median lobe hooked | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | <i>bouvieri</i> (6A) |
| — | Lobules of median lobe not hooked | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 8 |
| 8. | Accessory lobe a mere ridge | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | <i>parvus</i> (6B) |
| — | Accessory lobe well developed | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 9 |
| 9. | External lobule of median lobe slender | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 10 |
| — | External lobule of median lobe not slender | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 11 |
| 10. | Apex of internal lobe acute | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | <i>gilchristi</i> (6C) |
| — | Apex of internal lobe rounded | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 12 |
| 11. | Inner lobule of median lobe slender | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | <i>talismani</i> (6D) |
| — | Inner lobule of median lobe blunt | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | <i>valens</i> (6E) |
| 12. | Inner lobule of median lobe apically acute | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | <i>clavicularpus</i> (6F) |
| — | Inner lobule of median lobe apically truncate | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | <i>scutatus</i> (6G) |

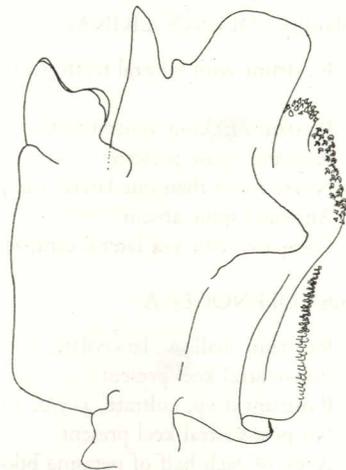




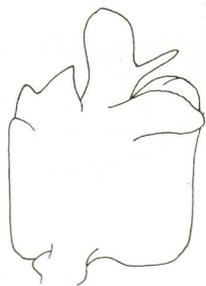
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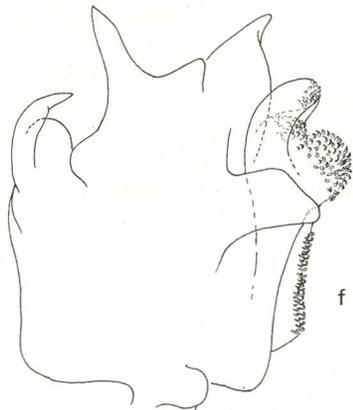
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Fig 6

Subfamily SOLENOCERINAE

1. Rostrum with ventral teeth (rostral formula 10/2)
Hymenopenaeus triarthrus (7A, D)
- Rostrum lacking ventral teeth 2
2. Antennal spine present
 Never more than one lateral carapace keel *Solenocera*
- Antennal spine absent
 Carapace with 3-4 lateral carapace keels *Haliporus villosus* (7B)

Genus SOLENOCERA

1. Rostrum shallow, lanceolate, 5-7/0, 3-4 post-orbital rostral teeth present
 Post-rostral keel present 2
- Rostrum deep, cultrate, 4-5/0, 2 post-orbital rostral teeth
 No post-rostral keel present *comatum* (7C, E)
2. Apex of each half of petasma bilobed 3
- Apex of each half of petasma trilobed *algoense* (7F, G)
3. Antennule $1\frac{2}{3}$ length of carapace (including rostrum)
 5th pereopod reaching to end of eyes *siphonoceros* (7H, I)
- Antennule twice length of carapace (including rostrum)
 5th pereopod reaching to end of antennular peduncle *africanum* (7J, K)

Subfamily PENAEINAE

1. Ventral rostral teeth usually present *Penaeus*
- Ventral rostral teeth absent 2
2. Exopods present on pereopods
 Carapace with or without longitudinal sutures 3
- Exopods absent from pereopods
 Carapace with longitudinal sutures *Parapenaeus*

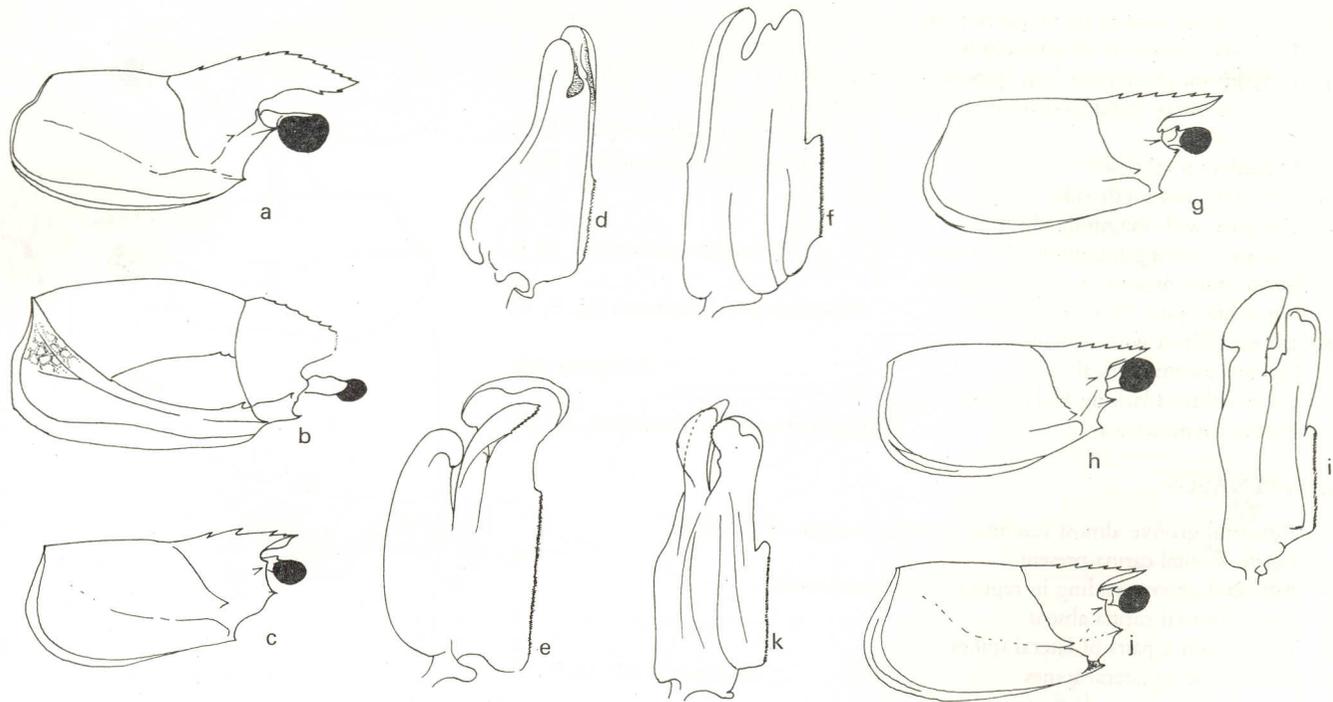
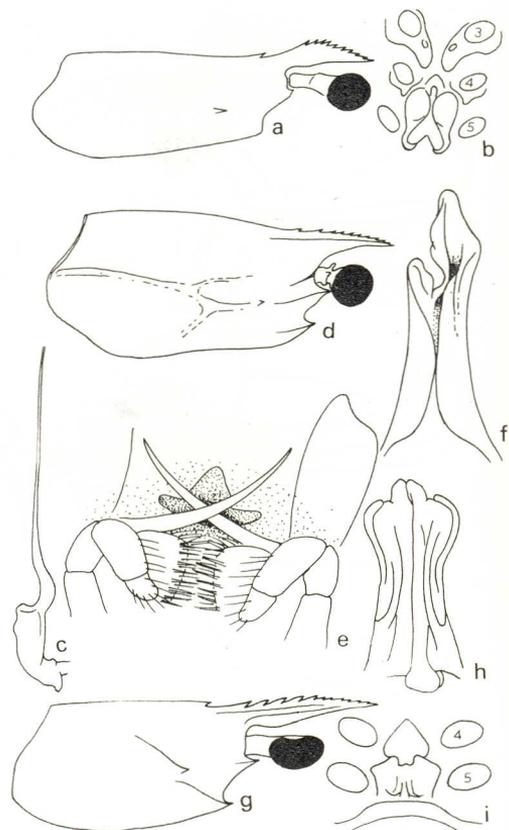


Fig7

3. Exopods not present on all pereopods 4
 — Exopods present on all pereopods 5
 4. Exopods on pereopods 1-4, epipods on pereopods 1-3 *Metapenaeus*
 — Exopods on 1st pereopods only, epipods on pereopods 1-3
 Macropetasma africana (8A, B, C)
 5. Mandibles scythe-like *Funchalia woodwardi* (8D, E, F)
 — Mandibles not scythe-like 6
 6. Carapace with longitudinal sutures 7
 — Carapace lacking longitudinal sutures *Penaeopsis rectacuta* (8G, H, I)
 7. Ischial spine present on 1st pereopod 8
 — No ischial spine on 1st pereopods *Parapenaeopsis acclivirostris* (8J, K, L)
 8. 3rd maxilliped with basal spine
 Petasma assymetrical *Metapenaeopsis*
 — 3rd maxilliped lacking basal spine
 Petasma symmetrical *Trachypenaeus curvirostris* (8M, N, O)

Genus PENAEUS

1. Adrostral groove almost reaching posterior margin of carapace
 Gastro-frontal carina present 2
 — Adrostral groove ending in region of 1st rostral tooth
 Gastro-frontal carina absent 4
 2. Telson with 3 pairs of lateral spines 3
 — Telson lacking lateral spines *canaliculatus* (8P, Q, R, S)
 3. Lateral telson spines short
 Rostral formula 8-10/I-2, anterior portion of thelycum rounded
 *japonicus* (8T, U, V, W)
 — Lateral telson spines long, easily visible
 Rostral formula 9-12/I, anterior portion of thelycum bifurcate
 *latisulcatus* (8X, Y, Z, AA)



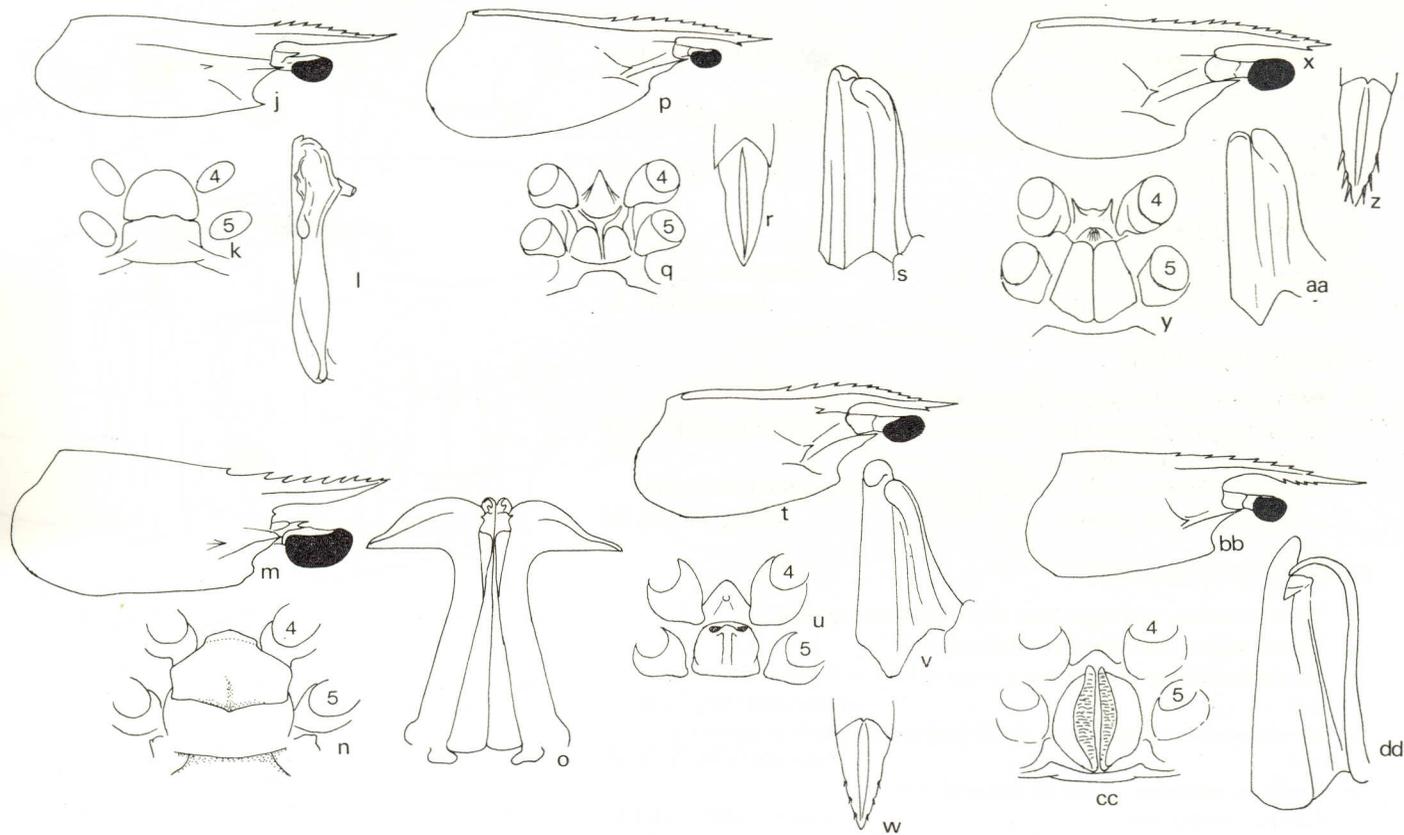


Fig8

4. Sub-hepatic carina present 5
 — Sub-hepatic carina absent *indicus* (8BB, CC, DD)
 5. Antennular flagellum shorter than peduncle
 5th pereopod with exopod *semisulcatus* (9A, B, C)
 — Antennular flagellum longer than peduncle
 5th pereopod lacking exopod *monodon* (9D, E, F)

Genus PARAPENAEUS

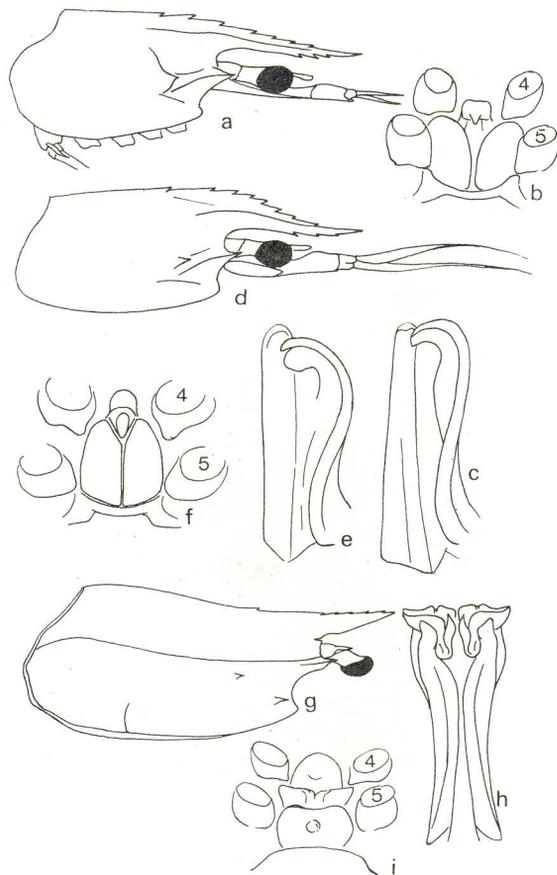
1. Branchiostegal spine sub-marginal *investigatoris* (9G, H, I)
 — Branchiostegal spine marginal *fissurus* (9J, K, L)

Genus METAPENAEUS

1. Prominent suprabranchial ridge present
 Almost entire carapace finely tomentose *monoceros* (9M, N, O)
 — No suprabranchial ridge
 Carapace tomentose only around epigastric tooth, post-antennal spine,
 and in post-orbital groove *stebbingi* (9P, Q, R)

Genus METAPENAEOPSIS

1. Telson equal to, or longer than 6th abdominal segment 2
 — Telson shorter than 6th abdominal segment 3
 2. 6th abdominal segment almost 3 times as long as depth at posterior
 end *andamanensis* (9S, T, U, V)
 — 6th abdominal segment 1½–2 times longer than depth at posterior
 end *mogiensis* (9W, X, Y, Z)
 3. Rostrum extending to end of antennal scale
 Carapace tomentose *philippi* (9AA, BB, CC)
 — Rostrum not reaching to end of antennal scale
 Carapace tomentose *quinquedentatus* (9DD, EE, FF)



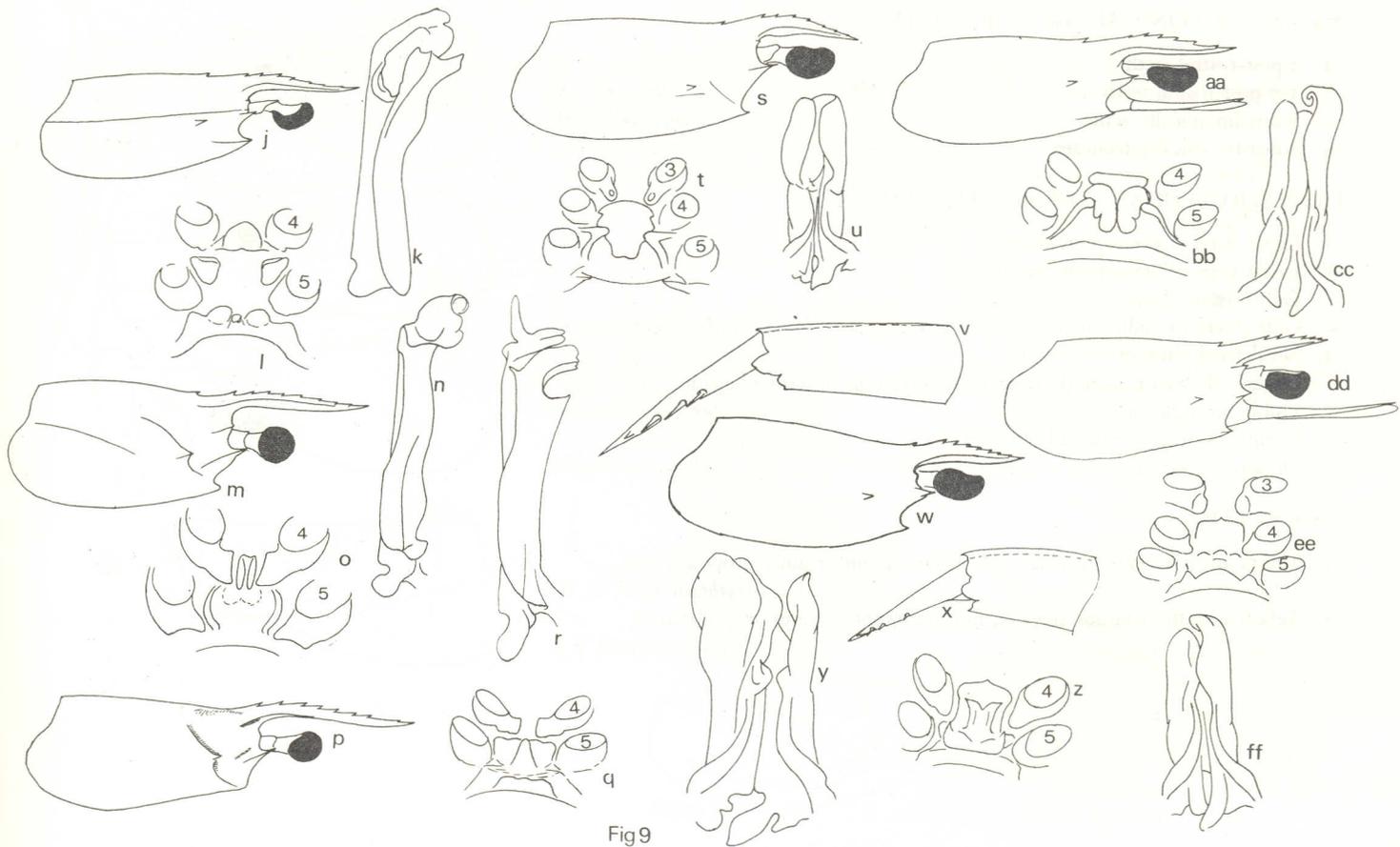


Fig9

Subfamily SICYONINAE Genus SICYONIA

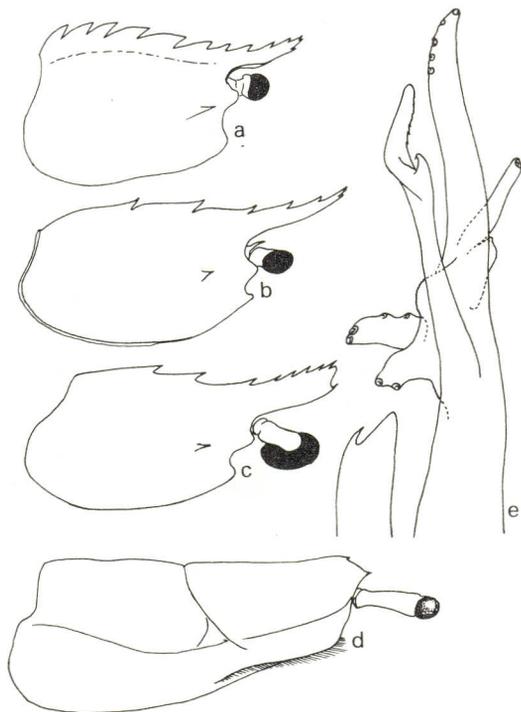
1. 2 post-rostral teeth	2
— 5-7 post-rostral teeth	<i>lancifer</i> (10A)
2. Rostrum apically acute	<i>longicauda</i> (10B)
— Rostrum apically truncate	<i>truncata</i> (10C)

Family SERGESTIDAE Subfamily SERGESTINAE

1. Last 2 pairs of pereopods absent	<i>Acetes</i>
— Last 2 pairs of pereopods present	2
2. Gills present above 4th pereopods	3
— Gills absent or rudimentary above 4th pereopods	<i>Petalidium foliaceum</i> (10D, E)
3. No dermal photophores present	
Organs of Pesta present (luminous modifications of gastro-hepatic gland, visible through the carapace)	<i>Sergestes</i> (<i>Sergestes</i>)
— Dermal photophores usually present	
Organs of Pesta absent	<i>Sergestes</i> (<i>Sergia</i>)

Genus ACETES .

1. Telson apically acute, reaching beyond midpoint of inner uropod ramus	<i>erythraeus</i> (10F, G, K)
— Telson apically truncate, not reaching midpoint of inner uropod ramus	<i>natalensis</i> (10H, I, J)



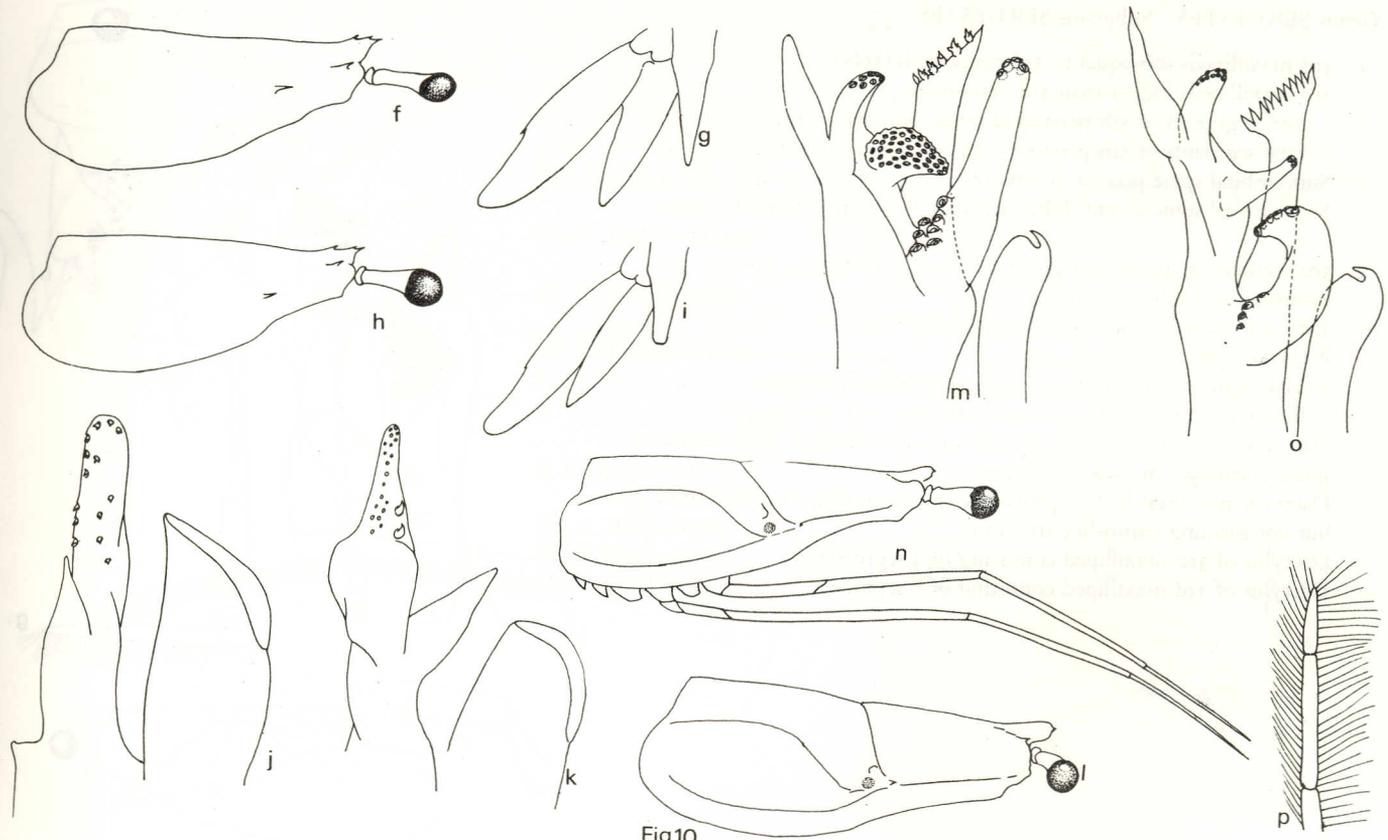
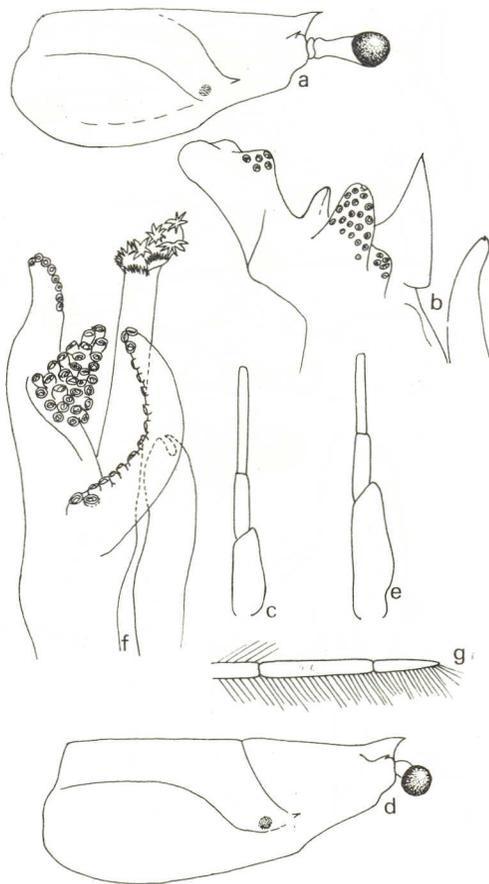


Fig10

Genus SERGESTES Subgenus SERGESTES

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| 1. | 3rd maxillipeds sub-equal to 3rd pereopods (10N) | | 2 |
| — | 3rd maxillipeds longer than 3rd pereopods (11N) | | 5 |
| 2. | 2 distal segments of 5th pereopod setose on both margins (10P) | .. .. . | 3 |
| — | 2 distal segments of 5th pereopod setose on only one margin (11G) | .. .. . | 4 |
| 3. | Supraorbital spine present, lobus armatus of petasma straight <i>disjunctus</i> (10L, M) | | |
| — | Supraorbital spine absent, lobus armatus of petasma strongly curved
<i>corniculum</i> (10N, O, P) | | |
| 4. | 3rd segment of antennular peduncle equal to or longer than 1st | | |
| | Petasma lobes short, stumpy | <i>atlanticus</i> (11A, B, C) | |
| — | 3rd segment of antennular peduncle shorter than 1st | | |
| | Petasma lobes elongate | <i>arcticus</i> (11D, E, F, G) | |
| 5. | 2 distal segments of 5th pereopod setose on both margins | 6 | |
| — | 2 distal segments of 5th pereopod setose on only one margin | 7 | |
| 6. | Dactylus and distal half of propodus of 3rd maxilliped with numerous spines forming comb-like structure | <i>pectinatus</i> (11H, I, J) | |
| — | Dactylus and distal half of propodus of 3rd maxilliped armed with spines but not forming comb-like structure | <i>sargassi</i> (11K, L, M) | |
| 7. | Dactylus of 3rd maxilliped consisting of 4 segments | <i>armatus</i> (11N, O, P) | |
| — | Dactylus of 3rd maxilliped consisting of 6 segments | <i>orientalis</i> (11Q, R, S) | |



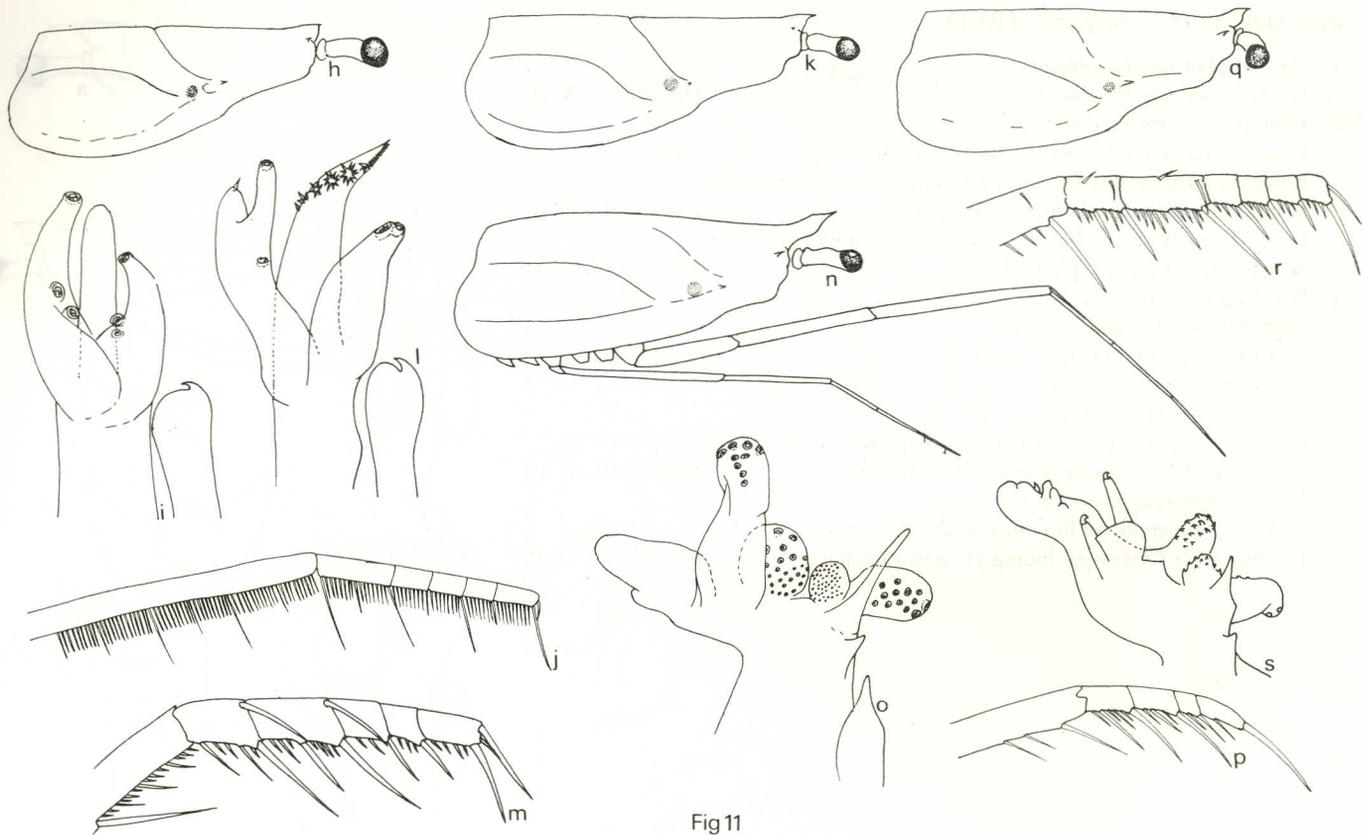
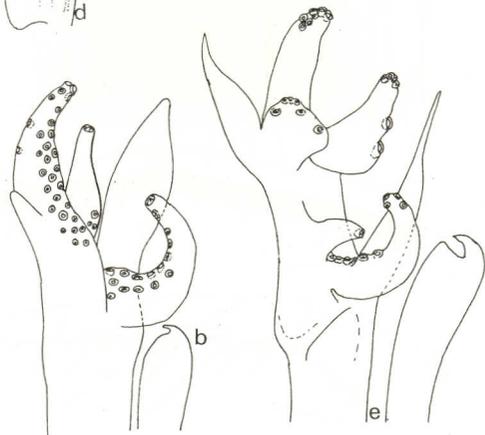
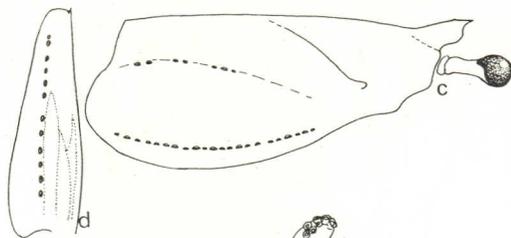
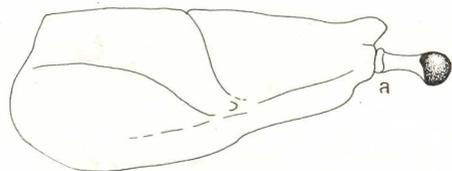


Fig 11

Genus SERGESTES Subgenus SERGIA

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|---|--------------------------------|
| 1. Dermal photophores present | 2 |
| — Dermal photophores absent | <i>laminatus</i> (12A, B) |
| 2. Photophores bearing cuticular lenses | 3 |
| — Photophores lacking lenses, of the opaque-spot type | 4 |
| 3. Lower branchiostegite bearing row of at least 18 photophores | |
| Sclerite bearing about 12 photophores | <i>prehensilis</i> (12C, D, E) |
| — Lower branchiostegite bearing row of 9–10 minute photophores | |
| Sclerite bearing 7 photophores | <i>scintillans</i> (12F, G, H) |
| 4. Rostrum elongate/lanceolate | <i>creber</i> (12I, J) |
| — Rostrum not elongate/lanceolate | 5 |
| 5. Rostrum strongly bidentate or bifid | 6 |
| — Rostrum with single apical tooth | 7 |
| 6. Strong post-cervical groove present | |
| Coxa of 3rd pereiopod in female with apically acute leaf-shaped process | |
| Petasma of 6 lobes (excluding processus uncifer) | <i>regalis</i> (12K, L, M) |
| — No post-cervical groove present | |
| Coxa of 3rd pereiopod in female with blunt process | |
| Petasma with 8 lobes (excluding processus uncifer) | <i>potens</i> (12N, O, P) |



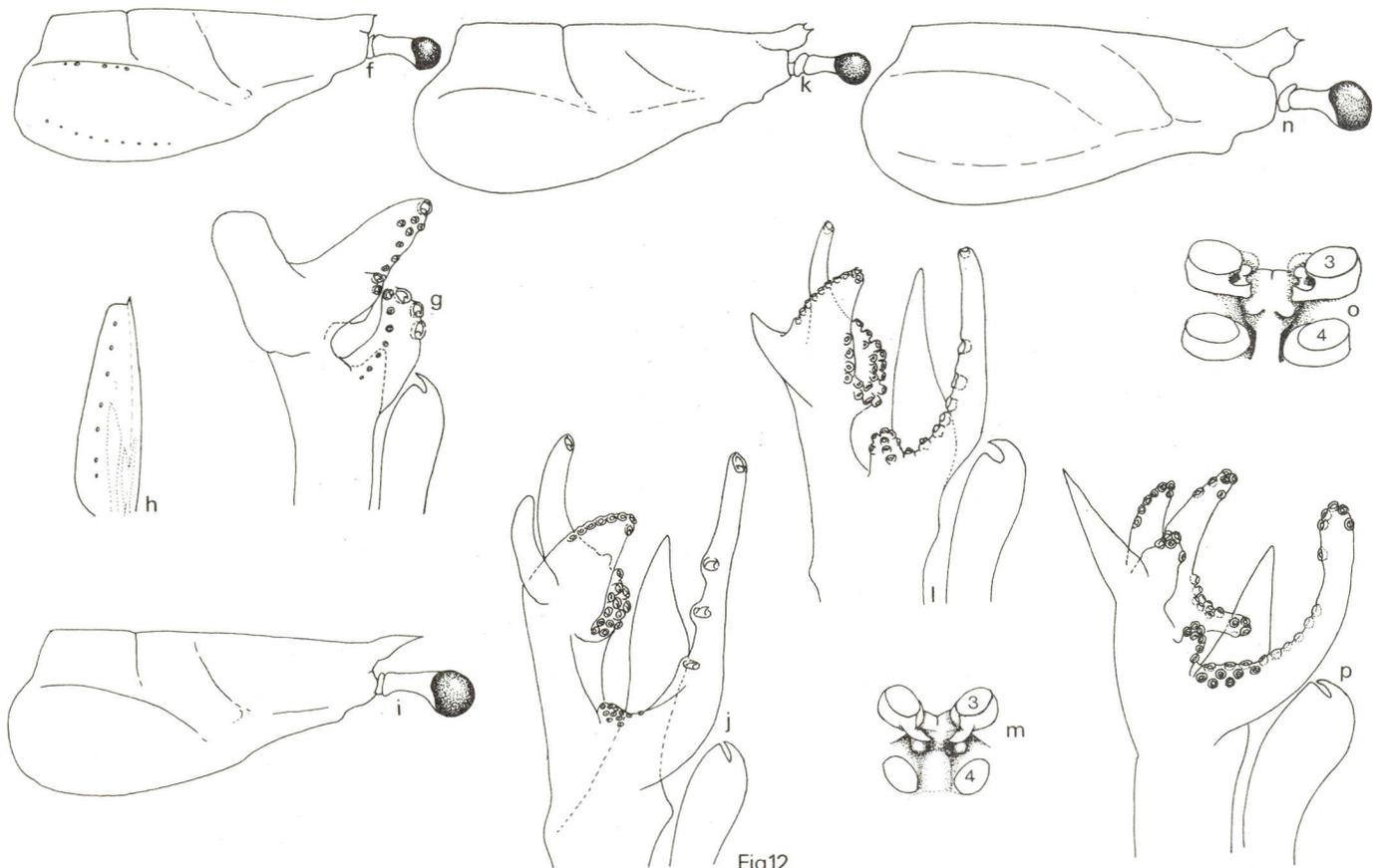


Fig12

7. Rostrum broadly rounded

Outer uropod ramus with two groups of photophores . . . *grandis* (13A, B, C)

— Rostrum not broadly rounded, with hint of dorsal denticle

Outer uropod ramus with single continuous row of small photophores
splendens (13D, E, F)

Subfamily LUCIFERINAE Genus LUCIFER

1. Eyestalk less than half the distance between bases of eyes and labrum . . . 2

— Eyestalk more than half the distance between bases of eyes and labrum 3

2. Petasma terminally expanded, processus ventralis brush-like *penicillifer* (13H, I)

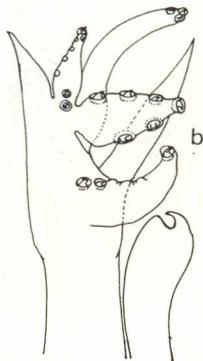
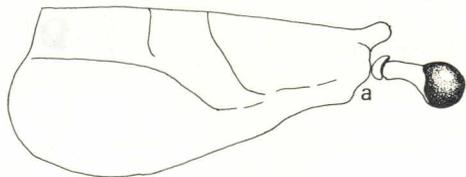
— Petasma terminally acute, with needle-like processus ventralis *chacei* (13J, K)

3. Telson in male with ventral process some distance from apex

Petasma with processus ventralis having transverse area between horns
typus (13L, M, N)

— Telson in male with ventral process ending at apex

Petasma with processus ventralis lacking transverse area between two horns
orientalis (13O, P, Q)



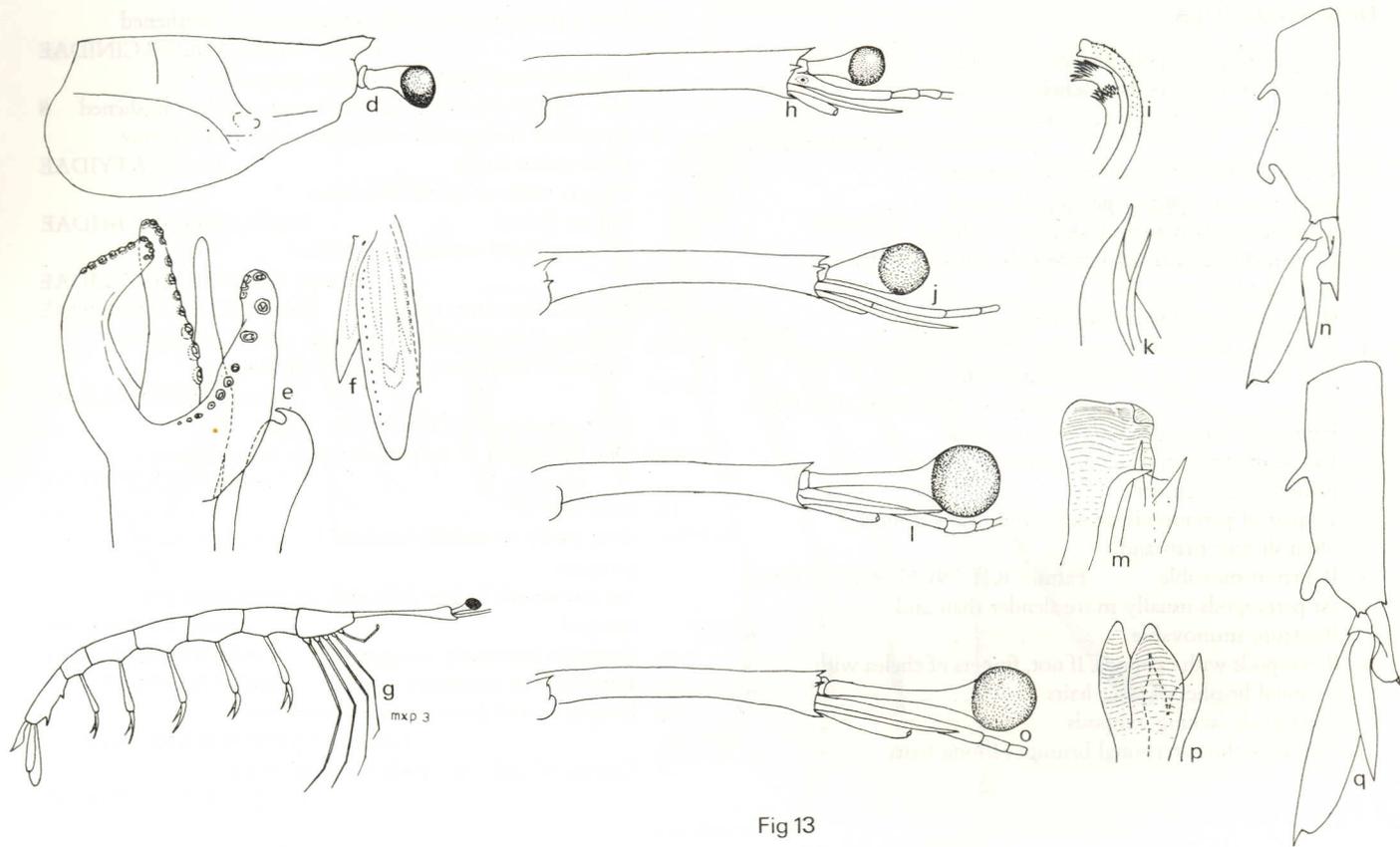
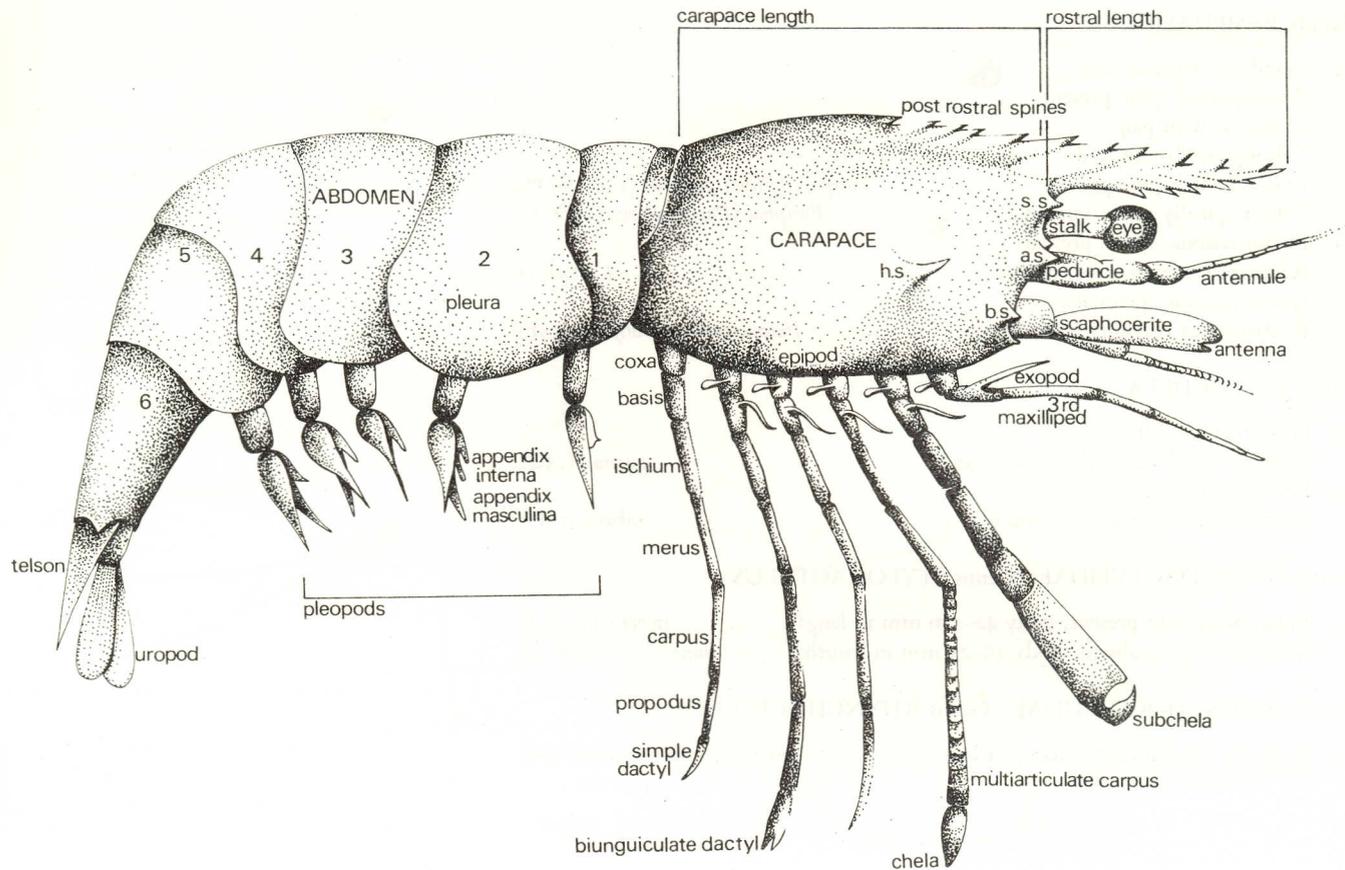


Fig 13

Division CARIDEA

- 1. 1st pair of pereiopods chelate or simple 2
- 1st pair of pereiopods subchelate 14
- 2. Cutting edges of all chelae pectinate
 Family PASIPHAEIDAE
- Cutting edges of chelae not all pectinate 3
- 3. Carpus of 2nd pair of pereiopods entire
 1st pereiopods with well-developed chelae 4
- Carpus of 2nd pair of pereiopods usually subdivided
 into 2 or more segments
 If not, 1st pereiopods not chelate 10
- 4. Fingers of chelae long and slender
 Last 2 segments of 2nd maxilliped side by side
 Family STYLODACTYLIDAE
- Fingers of chelae not long and slender
 Last segment of 2nd maxilliped terminal on
 penultimate segment 5
- 5. 1st pair of pereiopods stronger and heavier, though
 often shorter than 2nd
 Rostrum movable Family RHYNCHOCINETIDAE
- 1st pereiopods usually more slender than 2nd
 Rostrum immovable 6
- 6. Pereiopods with exopods. If not, fingers of chelae with
 terminal brushes of long hairs 7
- Pereiopods lacking exopods
 Chelae without terminal brushes of long hairs 9

- 7. Last 3 pairs of pereiopods conspicuously lengthened
 Family NEMATOCARCINIDAE
 Carpus several times longer than propodus
- Last 3 pairs of pereiopods not conspicuously lengthened 8
- 8. Fingers of chelae with conspicuous terminal brushes
 Fresh-water forms Family ATYIDAE
- Fingers without terminal brushes
 Marine forms Family OPLOPHORIDAE
- 9. 3rd maxilliped expanded, leaf-like
 Family GNATHOPHYLLIDAE
- 3rd maxilliped not expanded Family PALAEMONIDAE
- 10. Chelae of 1st pereiopods distinct, at least on one side 11
- Chelae of 1st pereiopods minute or absent
 Family PANDALIDAE
- 11. Both pereiopods of the 1st pair chelate 12
- One pereiopod of 1st pair chelate, the other simple
 Family PROCESSIDAE
- 12. Eyes free 13
- Eyes partly or entirely covered by orbital hoods of
 carapace
 1st pereiopods longer than 2nd, often swollen and
 unequal Family ALPHEIDAE
- 13. Eyestalks extremely elongate Family OGYRIDIDAE
- Eyestalks not extremely elongate Family HIPPOLYTIDAE
- 14. Carpus of 2nd pereiopods multiarticulate
 Family GLYPHOCRANGONIDAE
- Carpus of 2nd pereiopods not subdivided
 Family CRANGONIDAE



HYPOTHETICAL CARID PRAWN

Fig 14

pereiopods

Family PASIPHAEIDAE

- 1. Mandible without palp
 - Post-antennal spine present 2
 - Mandible with palp 3
- 2. Telson apically notched
 - Post-antennal spine present *Pasiphae (Phye) pacificus* (15A, B, C)
 - Telson apically truncate/rounded *Pasiphae (Pasiphae) sp.* (15D, E)
- 3. Dorsal telsonic spines present
 - Rostrum reaching beyond eyes *Leptocheila*
 - Dorsal telsonic spines absent
 - Rostrum not reaching beyond eyes *Parapasiphae sulcatifrons* (15F)

Genus LEPTOCHELA

- 1. Post-antennal spine present
 - Rostrum reaching well beyond eyes *pugnax* (15G)
 - Post-antennal spine absent
 - Rostrum reaching just beyond eyes *robusta* (15H)

Family STYLODACTYLIDAE Genus STYLODACTYLUS

- 1. Mandibular palp present, body 42–150 mm in length *stebbingi* (15I, J)
- Mandibular palp absent, body 19–25 mm in length *bimaxillaris* (15K, L)

Family RHYNCHOCINETIDAE Genus RHYNCHOCINETES

- 1. Rostrum movable, articulated at base *Rhynchocinetes durbanensis* (15M)

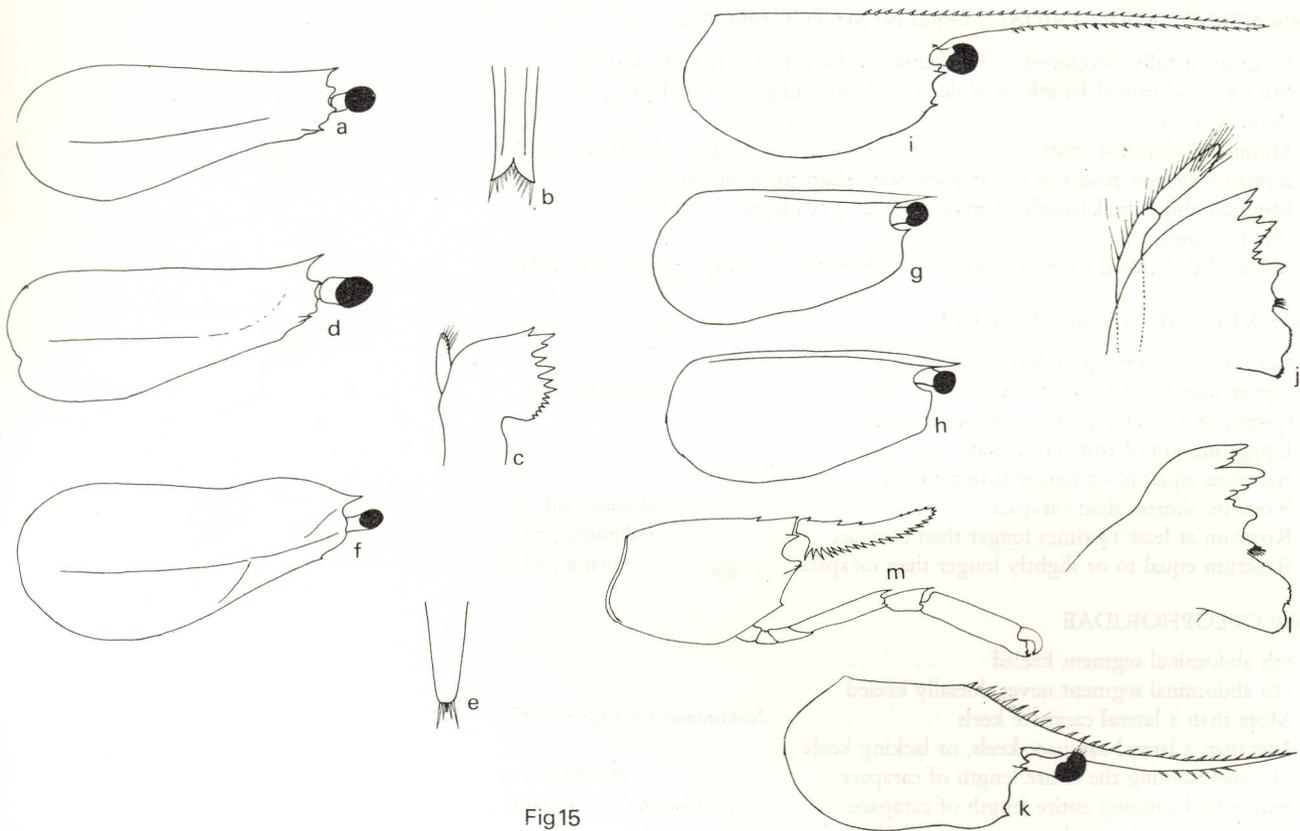


Fig15

Family NEMATOCARCINIDAE Genus NEMATOCARCINUS

1. Rostrum if fully developed and undamaged, longer than rest of carapace
 Minimal abdominal length of male with 2 appendages on 2nd pleopod
 about 63 mm
 Minimal abdominal length of ovigerous female about 65 mm *longirostris* (16A)
- Rostrum shorter than rest of carapace, with slight sinuosity at base
 Minimal abdominal length of male with 2 appendages on 2nd pleopod
 about 42 mm
 Minimal abdominal length of ovigerous female about 58 mm *parvidentatus* (16B)

Family ATYIDAE Genus CARIDINA

1. Carpus of 1st pereopod deeply excavate
 Upper margin of rostrum smooth *typus* (16C, D)
- Carpus of 1st pereopod not deeply excavate
 Upper margin of rostrum dentate 2
2. Rostrum equal to or longer than carapace 3
- Rostrum shorter than carapace *africana* (16E, F)
3. Rostrum at least $1\frac{1}{2}$ times longer than carapace *indistincta* (16G)
- Rostrum equal to or slightly longer than carapace *nilotica* (16H)

Family OPLOPHORIDAE

1. 6th abdominal segment keeled 2
- 6th abdominal segment never dorsally keeled 3
2. More than 2 lateral carapace keels *Notostomus westergreni* (16J)
- Less than 2 lateral carapace keels, or lacking keels 3
3. No keel running the entire length of carapace *Acanthephyra*
- Single keel running entire length of carapace *Meningodora mollis* (16I)
4. At least one abdominal segment dorsally keeled
- Eyes well developed and pigmented 5

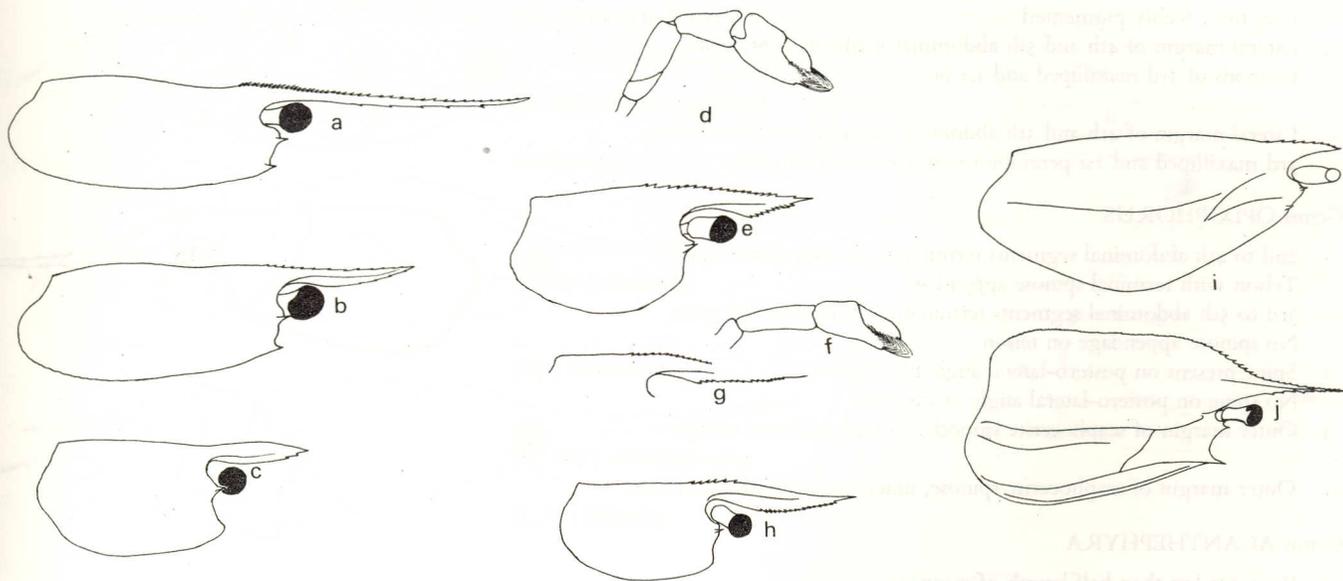


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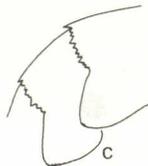
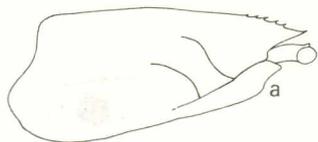
- No dorsally keeled abdominal segments
Eyes tiny, feebly pigmented *Hymenodora gracilis* (17A)
- 5. Lateral margin of 4th and 5th abdominal segments denticulate
Exopods of 3rd maxilliped and 1st pereopod not foliaceous
Systemaspis debilis (17B, C)
- Lateral margin of 4th and 5th abdominal segments not denticulate
3rd maxilliped and 1st pereopod with foliaceous exopods . . . *Oplophorus*

Genus OPLOPHORUS

- 1. 2nd to 4th abdominal segments terminating in long dorsal spine
Telson with terminal spinose appendage *spinicauda* (17D, E)
- 3rd to 5th abdominal segments terminating in long dorsal spine
No spinose appendage on telson 2
- 2. Spine present on postero-lateral angle of carapace *gracilirostris* (17F)
- No spine on postero-lateral angle of carapace 3
- 3. Outer margin of scaphocerite smooth, no barb on inner margin
novaezeelandiae (17G, H)
- Outer margin of scaphocerite spinose, inner margin with distal barb
grimaldii (17I, J)

Genus ACANTHEPHYRA

- 1. Rostrum less than half length of carapace 2
- Rostrum more than half length of carapace 4
- 2. Rostrum dorsally elevated *stylorostrata* (17K)
- Rostrum not dorsally elevated 3
- 3. 3rd abdominal segment with leaf-like dorsal tooth *brevirostris* (17M)
- 3rd abdominal segment without leaf-like dorsal tooth *gracilipes* (17L)
- 4. 3-6 lateral telsonic spines 5
- More than 6 lateral telsonic spines 7
- 5. Carapace with 2 lateral keels *corallina* (17N)
- No carapace keels 6



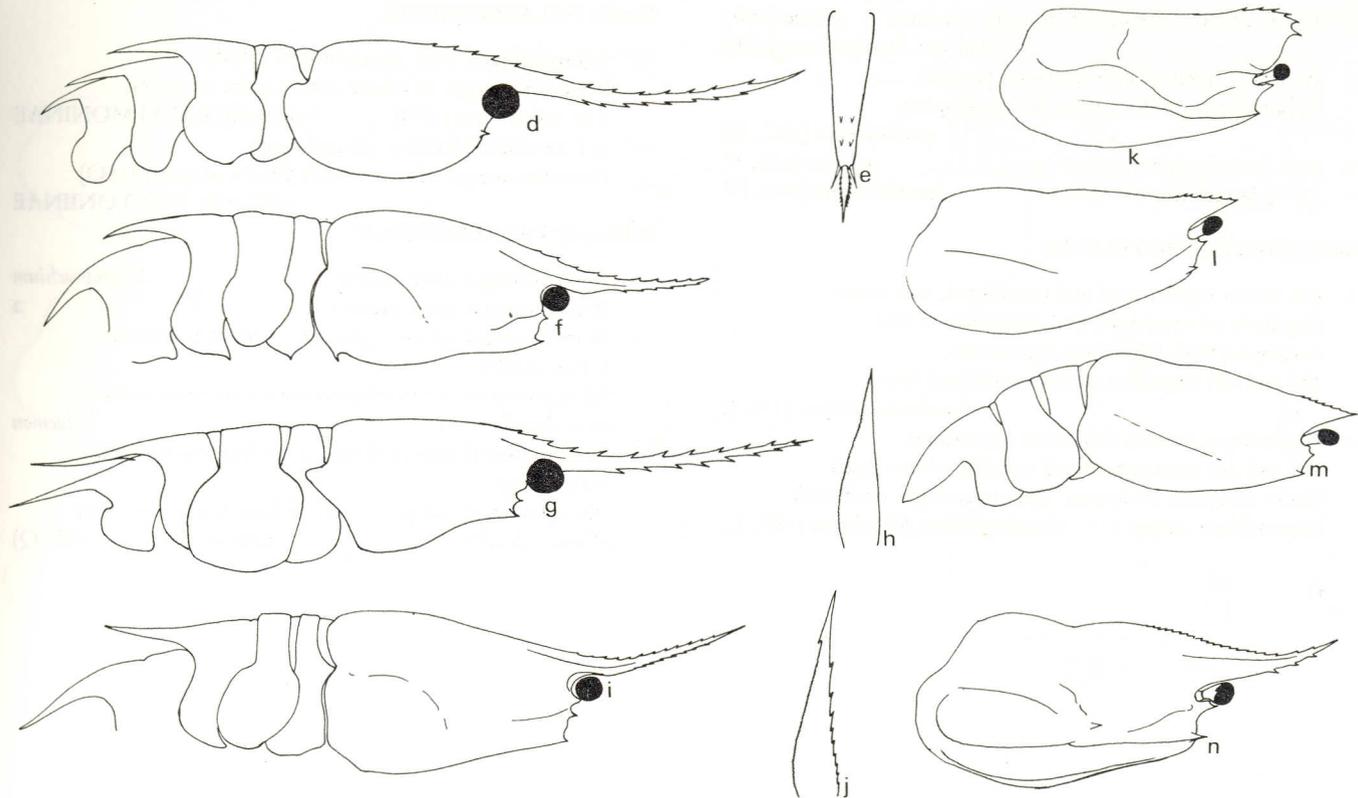


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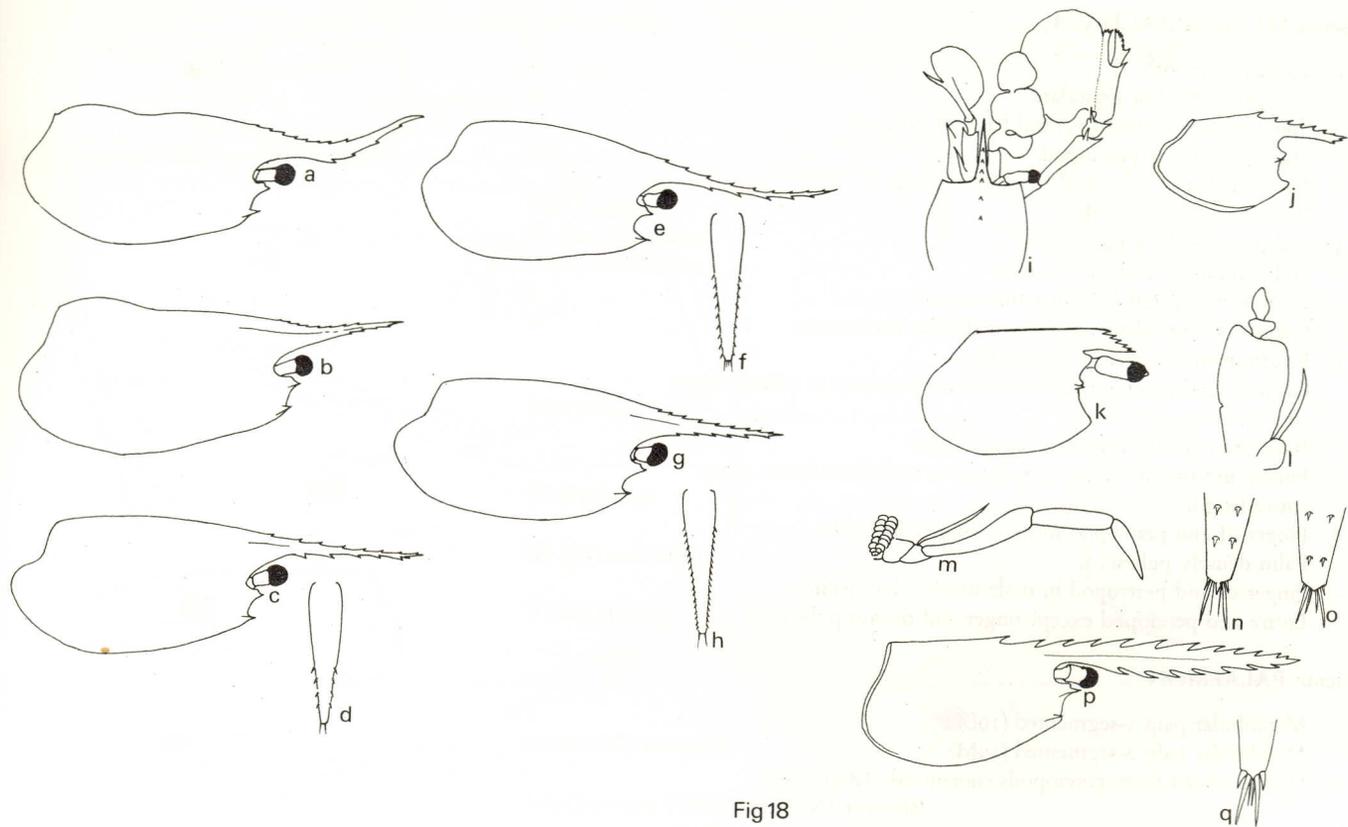


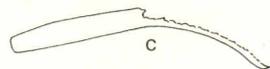
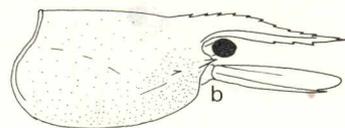
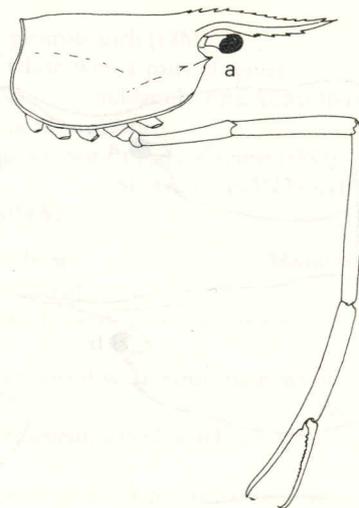
Fig 18

Genus MACROBRACHIUM

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| 1. Carapace smooth | 2 |
| — Carapace pitted or granulate | 4 |
| 2. Spine present between ventral bases of uropods | |
| Scales present on pereopods | 3 |
| — No spine between ventral bases of uropods | |
| Pereopods lacking scales | <i>equidens</i> (19A) |
| 3. 2nd pereopods elongate, stout | <i>lepidactylus</i> (19E, F) |
| — 2nd pereopods elongate, slender | <i>vollenhoveni</i> (19G) |
| 4. Carpus of large chela longer than merus | 5 |
| — Carpus of large chela equal to or smaller than merus | 6 |
| 5. Rostrum shorter than scaphocerite | |
| Chela of 2nd pereopod in male denticulate only at base of finger and thumb | <i>idae</i> (19D) |
| — Rostrum equal to scaphocerite in length | |
| Finger and thumb of 2nd pereopod in male denticulate along entire length | <i>rudis</i> (19B, C) |
| 6. Finger of 2nd pereopod in male longer than palm | |
| Palm densely pubescent | <i>scabriculum</i> (19J, K) |
| — Finger of 2nd pereopod in male shorter than palm | |
| Entire 2nd pereopod except finger and thumb pubescent | <i>petersi</i> (19H, I) |

Genus PALAEMON

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|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Mandibular palp 3-segmented (19L) | 2 |
| — Mandibular palp 2-segmented (19M) | <i>Palaemon</i> (<i>Palaemon</i>) |
| 2. Dactyli of last three pereopods enormously lengthened | |
| <i>Palaemon</i> (<i>Nematopalaemon</i>) <i>tenuipes</i> (19N) | |
| — Dactyli of last three pereopods not enormously lengthened | |
| <i>Palaemon</i> (<i>Palaemon</i>) | |



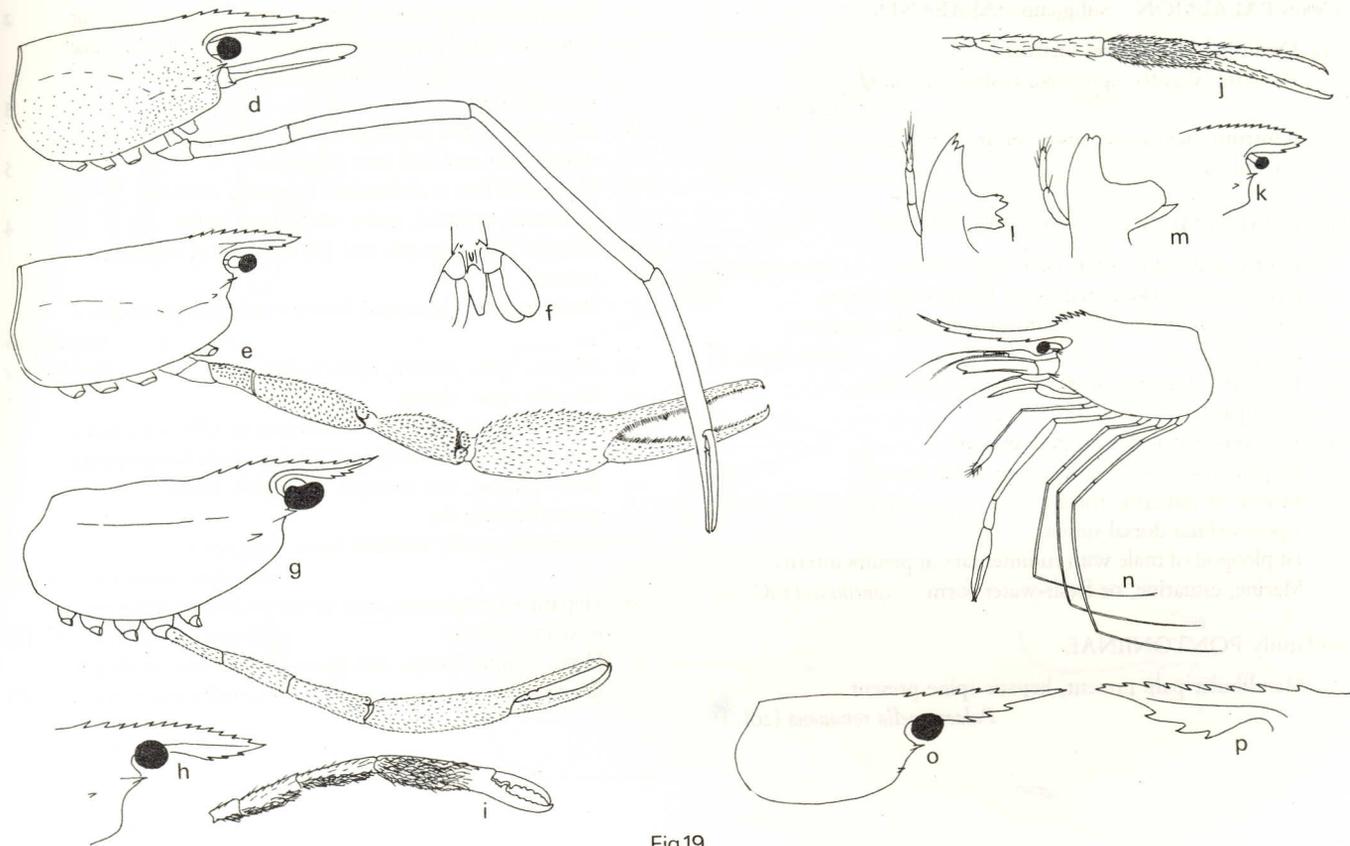


Fig 19

Genus PALAEMON Subgenus PALAEANDER

1. Distal half of rostrum unarmed
 Rostrum slightly upturned, rostral formula 6/3
maculatus (19O)
- Rostrum denticulate over entire length, rostral
 formula 9/3 *elegans* (19P)

Genus PALAEMON Subgenus PALAEMON

1. Rostrum straight, 10/4, fresh-water form *capensis* (20E)
- Rostrum upcurved, marine or fresh-water forms .. 2
2. Fused part of outer flagellum of antennule equal to
 free part *debilis* (20A, F)
- Free part of antennule 3½–4 times longer than
 fused part 3
3. 2–3 post-orbital dorsal spine present
 1st pleopod of male lacking appendix interna
 Marine or estuarine form .. *pacificus* (20B, G, H)
- 2 post-orbital dorsal spines
 1st pleopod of male with rudimentary appendix interna
 Marine, estuarine, or fresh-water form *concinuus* (20C, D)

Subfamily PONTONIINAE

1. Mandibular palp present, hepatic spine present
Palaemonella rotumana (20I, J)

- Mandibular palp absent, hepatic spine present or absent 2
2. Dactylus of 3rd pereopod without basal protruberance
 If basal part of dactylus broadened, latter portion folds
 into slit of propodus 3
- Dactylus of 3rd pereopod with basal protruberance,
 which does not fold into propodus 5
3. Pleurae of first 5 abdominal segments rounded
 or bluntly pointed, never with sharp point 4
- Pleurae of at least 4th and 5th abdominal segments
 pointed
 Body strongly depressed, lower rostral margin toothed
Harpiliopsis
4. Hepatic spine present, immovable .. *Periclimenes*
- Hepatic spine absent 7
5. Body strongly depressed. Rostrum usually with teeth
 Basal protruberance of last 3 pereopods hoof-shaped 6
- Body clumsy, not strongly depressed. Basal
 protruberance flat
 Rostrum usually without teeth, depressed
Conchodytes tridacnae (20K, L)
6. Hepatic spine present. 2nd pereopods very different
 in shape and size *Jocaste lucina* (20M, N, O)
- Hepatic spine absent. 2nd pereopods similar in shape,
 not in size *Coralliocaris graminea* (20P)

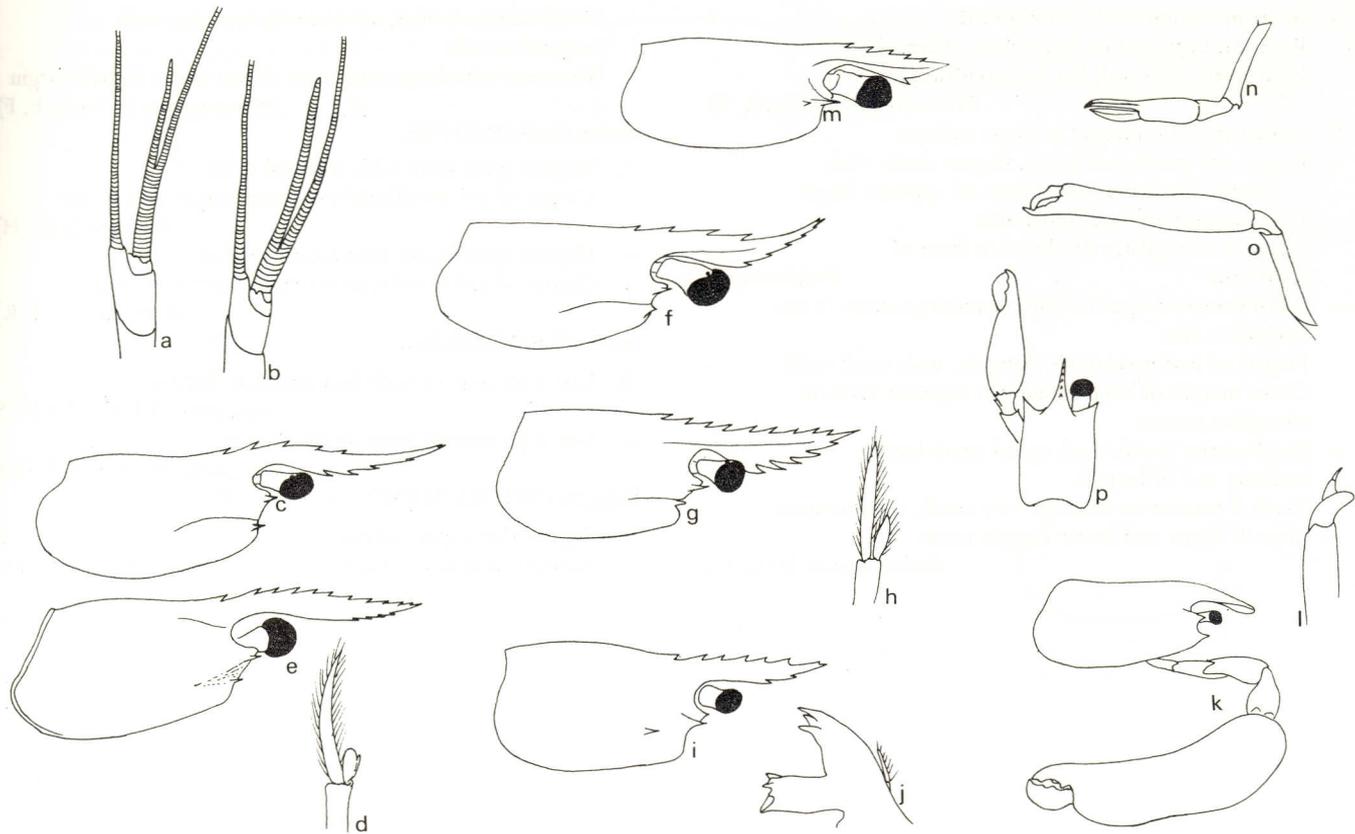


Fig 20

7. Rostrum compressed, bearing teeth 8
 — Rostrum depressed or cylindrical, unarmed
 Body very depressed, last 3 dactyls simple
Platycaris latirostris (21A, B)
8. 2nd pereopods unequal in shape and size
 Larger 2nd pereopod heavy, fingers short, with
 1-3 teeth, one fitting into cavity of opposite finger
 Outer margin of basal antennular
 segment triangularly produced in front of
 stylocerite *Periclimenaeus*
 — 2nd pereopods equal in shape, sometimes more or less
 unequal in size
 Fingers of 2nd pereopods elongate, with small teeth
 Outer margin of basal antennular segment without
 triangular process 9
 9. Sphocerite broad, oval, apical tooth hardly
 reaching end of lamella
 Teeth if present on rostrum very small, close to apex,
 most of upper and lower margin entire
Anchistus custos (21C, D)

- Sphocerite slender, apical tooth reaching well
 beyond lamella
 Rostrum with large teeth over almost entire dorsal margin
Ischnopontonia lophos (21E, F)

Genus HARPILIOPSIS

1. Hepatic spine level with antennal spine
 Carpus of 3rd maxilliped 3-4 times longer than broad
beaupresi (21G, H)
 — Hepatic spine lower than antennal spine
 Carpus of 3rd maxilliped 6 times longer than wide
depressus (21I, J, K)

Genus PERICLIMENES

1. Last 3 pereopods with biunguiculate dactyli
 Subgenus PERICLIMENES
 — Last 3 pereopods with simple dactyli
 Subgenus HARPILIUS

Subgenus PERICLIMENES

1. Supra-orbital spine absent 2
 — Supra-orbital spine present *commensalis* (21L)

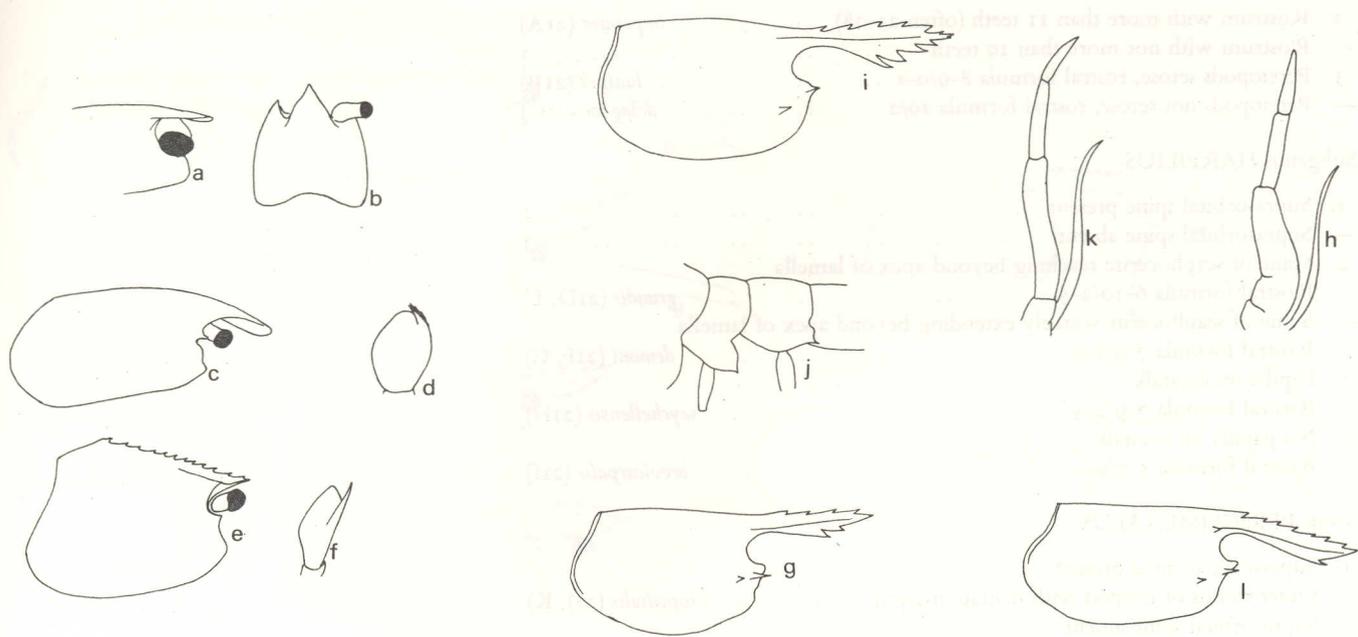


Fig21

- 2. Rostrum with more than 11 teeth (often 23-28) *imperator* (21A)
- Rostrum with not more than 10 teeth 3
- 3. Pereiopods setose, rostral formula 8-9/0-1 *lanipes* (21B)
- Pereiopods not setose, rostral formula 10/2 *delagoae* (21C)

Subgenus HARPILIUS

- 1. Supra-orbital spine present 2
- Supra-orbital spine absent 3
- 2. Spine of scaphocerite reaching beyond apex of lamella
 - Rostral formula 6-10/2-5 *grandis* (21D, E)
- Spine of scaphocerite scarcely extending beyond apex of lamella
 - Rostral formula 7-9/1-3 *demani* (21F, G)
- 3. Papilla on eyestalk
 - Rostral formula 7-9/2-5 *seychellensis* (21H)
- No papilla on eyestalk
 - Rostral formula 5-7/0-2 *brevicarpalis* (21I)

Genus PERICLIMENAEUS

- 1. Supra-orbital spine present
 - Outer ramus of uropod with dentate margin *uropodialis* (21J, K)
- Supra-orbital spine absent
 - Outer ramus of uropod with smooth margin 2
- 2. Rostral formula 2-3/0 *tridentatus* (21L, M, N)
- Rostral formula 10/3 *natalensis* (21O)

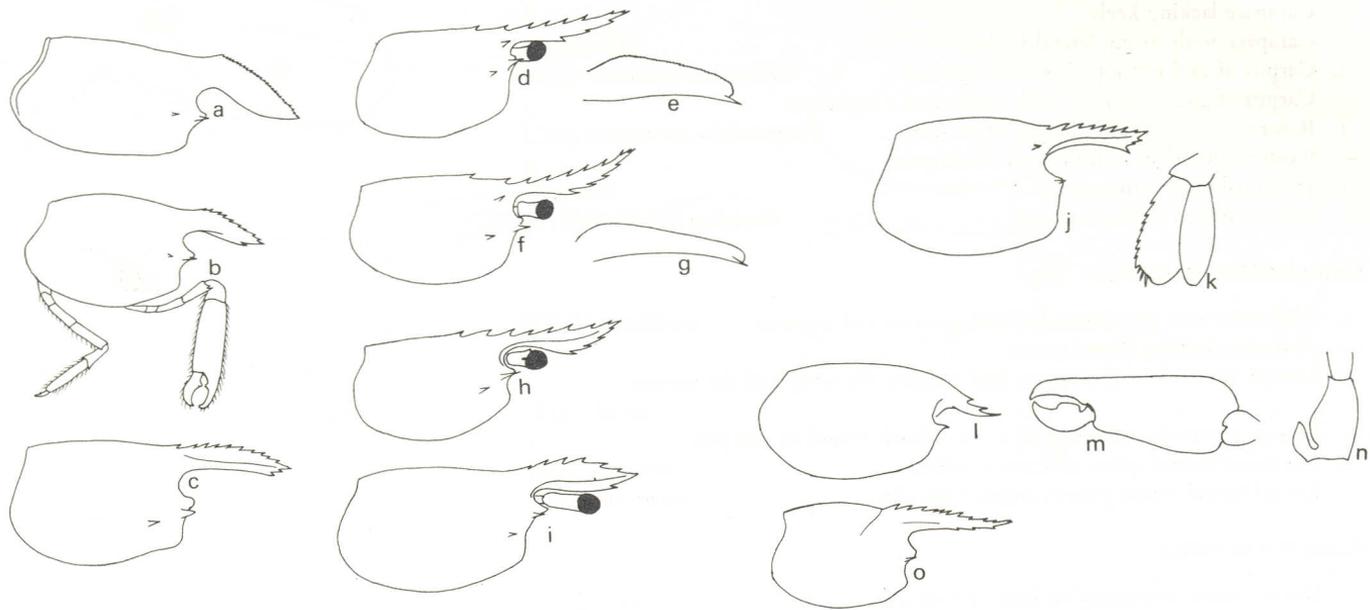


Fig 22

Family PANDALIDAE

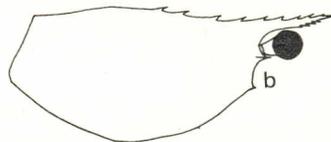
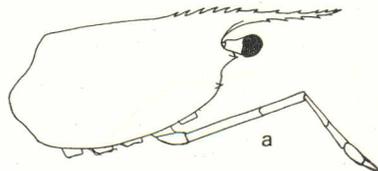
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| 1. Carapace lacking keels | 2 |
| — Carapace with strong lateral keels | <i>Heterocarpus</i> |
| 2. Carpus of 2nd pereopod with 2 segments .. | <i>Chlorotocus crassicornis</i> (23A) |
| — Carpus of 2nd pereopod with more than 2 segments | 3 |
| 3. Rostrum about 3 times length of carapace .. | <i>Parapandalus zurstrasseni</i> (23C) |
| — Rostrum less than twice length of carapace | 4 |
| 4. 3rd maxilliped with exopod | <i>Plesionika</i> |
| — 3rd maxilliped lacking exopod | <i>Pandalina brevivirostris</i> (23B) |

Genus HETEROCARPUS

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|---|---------------------------|
| 1. Abdomen with prominent hooked spine on 3rd segment | <i>woodmasoni</i> (23D) |
| — Abdomen lacking dorsal spines | 2 |
| 2. Lowest ventro-lateral carapace keel running the length of the carapace | <i>dorsalis</i> (23E) |
| — Lowest ventro-lateral keel half to two-thirds length of carapace .. | 3 |
| 3. No dorsal rostral spines anterior to orbits | <i>laevigatus</i> (23F) |
| — Dorsal rostral spines present anterior to orbits | <i>tricarinatus</i> (23G) |

Genus PLESIONIKA

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|---|---------------------------|
| 1. Dorsal rostral teeth only on base of rostrum | <i>martia</i> (23H) |
| — Dorsal rostral teeth along length of rostrum | 2 |
| 2. Rostrum equal to or longer than carapace | |
| Rostral formula 15/15-18 | <i>longirostris</i> (23I) |
| — Rostrum two-thirds carapace length | |
| Rostral formula 11/4-5 | <i>acanthonotus</i> (23J) |



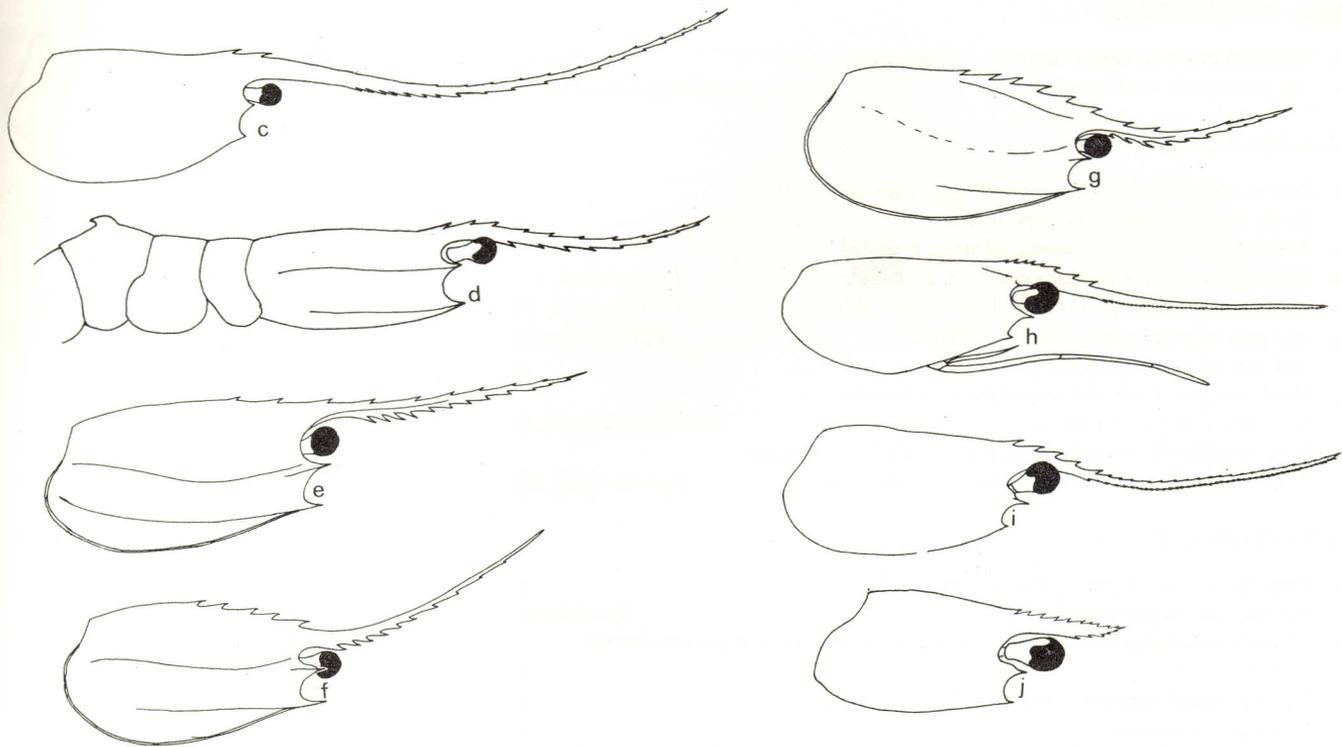


Fig 23

Family PROCESSIDAE

1. 1st pereopods lacking exopod *Processa*
 — 1st pereopods with exopod *Nikoides danae* (24A)

Genus PROCESSA

1. Lower edge of 5th abdominal pleuron with minute tooth
 Body and 3rd to 5th pereopods stout 2
 — Lower edge of 5th abdominal pleuron rounded 3
 2. Stylocerite of 1st antenna pointed on inner side *longipes* (24B, C)
 — Stylocerite of 1st antenna rounded on inner side *barnardi* (24D, E, F)
 3. 2nd pair of pereopods equal or subequal *aequimana* (24G)
 — 2nd pair of pereopods unequal 4
 4. Hind margin of 5th abdominal pleuron circular
 Rostrum narrow, slender in dorsal view *austroafricana* (24H, I)
 — Hind margin of 5th abdominal pleuron slightly elongate
 Rostrum broad at base, triangular in dorsal view *japonicus* (24J, K)

Family ALPHEIDAE

1. Epipods present on 1st 2 pairs of pereopods 2
 — No epipods on pereopods *Synalphaeus*
 2. 6th abdominal segment with movable plate articulating at postero-lateral
 corner 3
 — 6th abdominal segment without articulating plate 5
 3. Rostrum prominent 4
 — Rostrum indistinct or absent *Betaeus jucundus* (24L)
 4. Epipods on 1st 3 pairs of pereopods
 Carpus of 2nd pereopod 5-segmented *Athanas*
 — Epipods on 1st 2 pairs of pereopods *Arete indica* (24M)

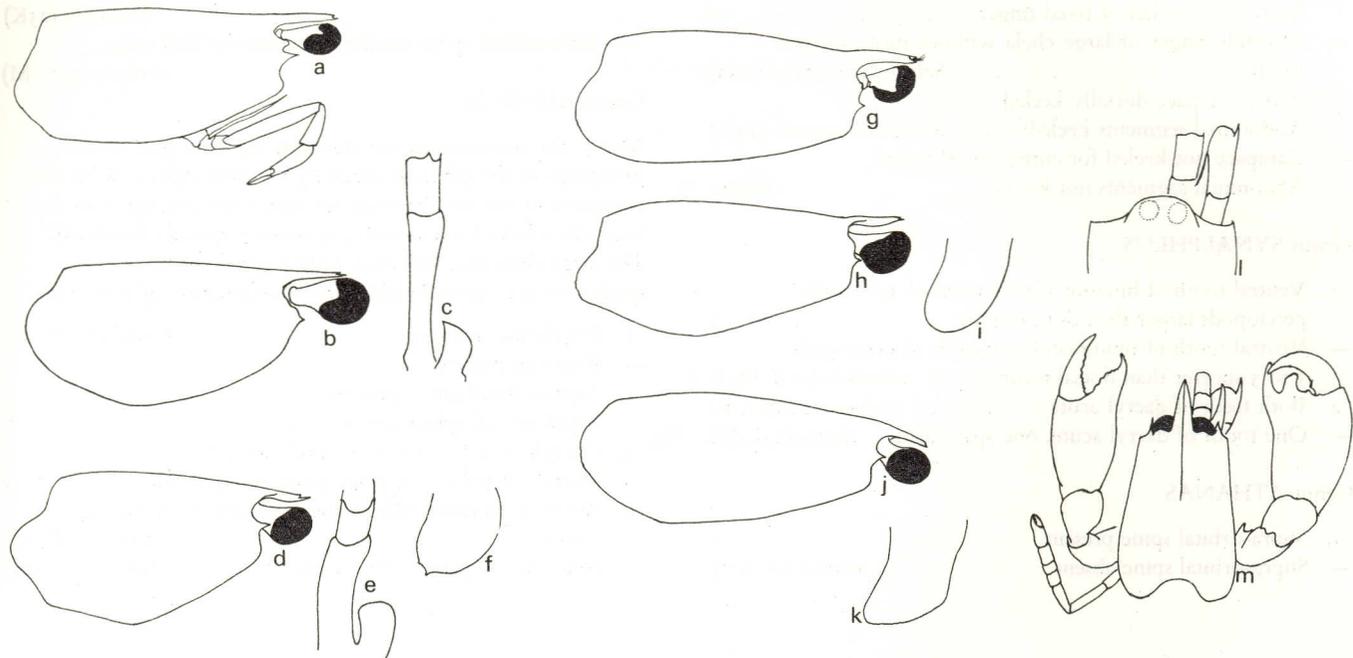


Fig 24

- 5. Movable finger of large chela with molar-shaped tooth fitting into socket of fixed finger 6
- Movable finger of large chela without molar-shaped tooth *Salmoneus rostratus* (25A)
- 6. Entire carapace dorsally keeled
- Abdominal segments keeled *Racilius compressus* (25C)
- Carapace not keeled for entire dorsal length
- Abdominal segments not keeled *Alpheus*

Genus SYNALPHEUS

- 1. Ventral tooth of biunguiculate dactyli of 3rd to 5th pereiopods larger than dorsal tooth 2
- Ventral tooth of biunguiculate dactyli of pereiopods 3 to 5 shorter than dorsal tooth *anisocheir* (25B, H, I)
- 2. Both teeth of dactyl acute *jedanensis* (25D, E)
- One tooth of dactyl acute, one spatulate *charon* (25F, G)

Genus ATHANAS

- 1. Supra-orbital spine present 2
- Supra-orbital spine absent *mimikoensis* (25J)

- 2. Extra-orbital spine smaller than infra-orbital spine *djibotensis* (25K)
- Infra-orbital spine smaller than extra-orbital spine *nitescens* (25L, M)

Genus ALPHEUS

Merely for convenience, no attention has been paid to the groupings of the genus as given by De Man (1911). With the exception of the last three species, characters dealing with the large chela have been avoided, as these frequently break off. The large chela has, however, been figured for most of the species, so as to provide additional confirmation of a species.

- 1. No distinct rostrum *frontalis* (25N, O)
- Rostrum present 2
- 2. Supra-orbital spines present 3
- Supra-orbital spines absent 8
- 3. Dactyli of 3rd to 5th pereiopods simple 4
- Dactyli of 3rd to 5th pereiopods biunguiculate 5
- 4. Anterior carapace villose, and with minute scattered spines *villosus* (25P, Q)
- Anterior carapace lacking hairs *deuteropus* (25R)

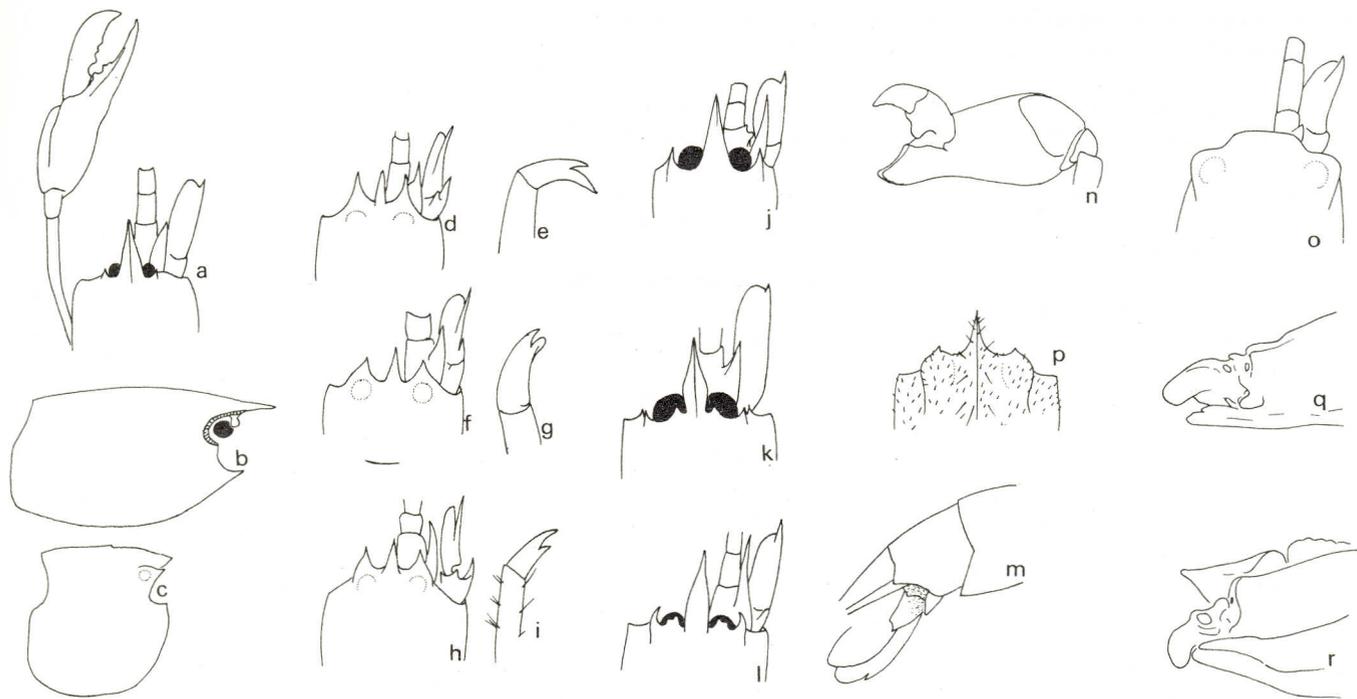
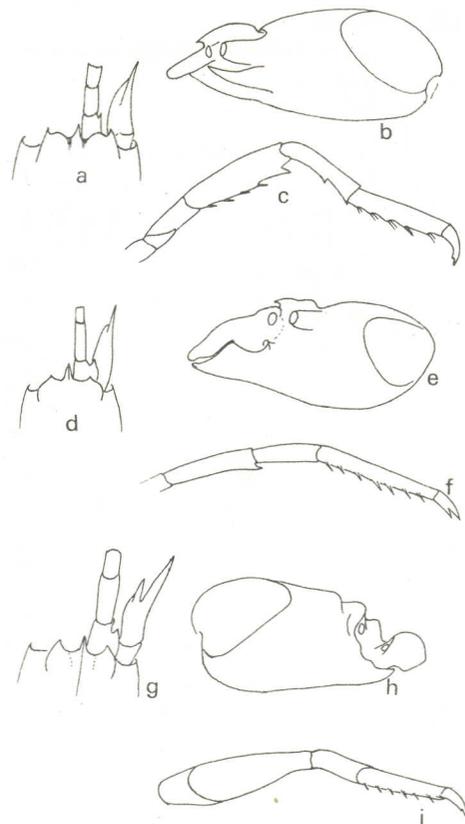


Fig 25

5. Merus of 3rd pereiopod with ventral apical tooth 6
 — Merus of 3rd pereiopod lacking ventral apical tooth 7
6. Merus of 3rd pereiopod with 3-6 ventral spines .. *collumianus* (26A, B, C)
 — Merus of 3rd pereiopod lacking spines other than ventral apical spine
waltervadi (26D, E, F)
7. Dactyl of 3rd pereiopod slender *bullatus* (26G, H, I)
 — Dactyl of 3rd pereiopod stumpy, with blunt spines at base *lottini* (26J, K, L)
8. Dactyls of 3rd to 5th pereiopods simple 9
 — Dactyli of 3rd to 5th pereiopods biunguiculate .. *macrochirus* (26M, N)
9. Telson constricted in distal half *notabilis* (26O, P)
 — Telson not markedly constricted 10
10. Base of rostrum flanked by flat tooth on either side *dissodontonotus* (26Q, R)
 — No flanking teeth at base of rostrum 11
11. Merus of 3rd pereiopod armed with ventral apical tooth 12
 — Merus of 3rd pereiopods unarmed 16
12. 2nd segment of carpus of 2nd pereiopod at least twice as long as 1st .. 13
 — 2nd segment not longer than first 14
13. 2nd segment of carpus of 2nd pereiopod 4 times longer than 1st
obesomanus (26S, T, U)
 — 2nd segment of carpus of 2nd pereiopod twice length of 1st
longecarinatus (26V, W, X)
14. Anterior orbital margin (i.e. of orbital hoods) regularly rounded
hippotoe (26Y, Z)
 — Anterior orbital margin not regularly rounded, but with a prominence 15
15. Broad arcuate setiferous prominence between the obtuse tips of orbital
 hoods and rostrum *insignis* (26AA)
 — No broad arcuate setiferous prominence between orbital hoods and
 rostrum *parvirostris* (26BB, CC)



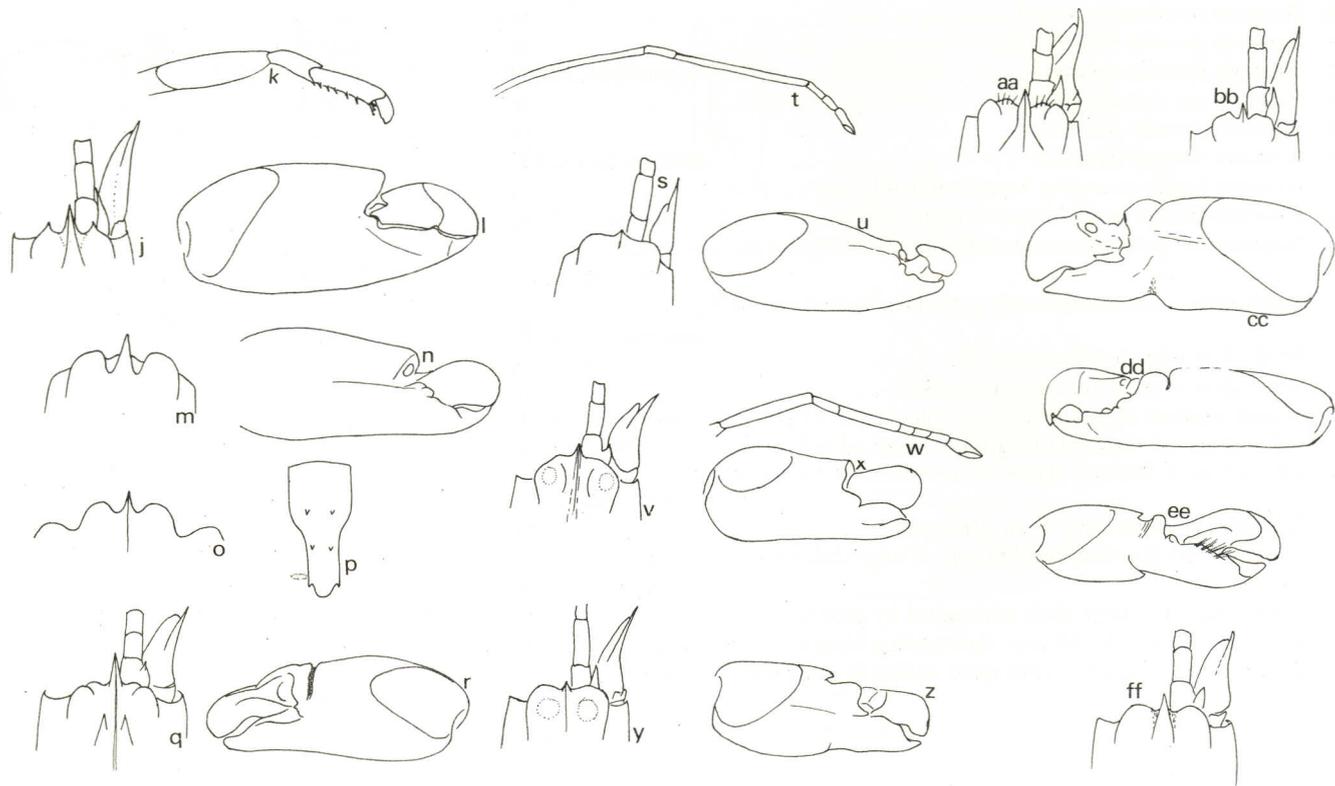
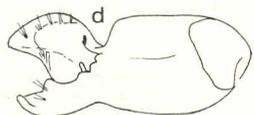
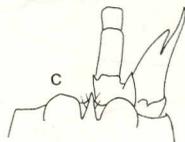
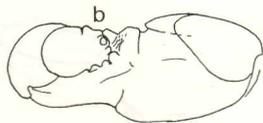
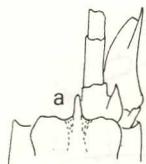


Fig26

16. Rostrum not dorsally keeled 17
 — Rostrum dorsally keeled 21
 17. Rostrum dorsally concave *gracilipes* (26DD)
 — Rostrum not dorsally concave 18
 18. Rostrum dorsally rounded 19
 — Rostrum dorsally flattened *bisincisus* (26EE, FF)
 19. Rostrum barely extending beyond orbital hoods 20
 — Rostrum extending well beyond orbital hoods *strenuus* (27A, B)
 20. Scaphocerite spine prominent, extending well beyond end of lamella
 luciae (27C, D)
 — Scaphocerite spine small, barely extending beyond end of lamella
 malabaricus (27E, F)
 21. Small chela of male balaeniceps-like 23
 — Small chela of male not balaeniceps-like 22
 22. Second segment of antennule $2\frac{1}{2}$ -3 times length of 3rd *rapacida* (27G, H, I)
 — 2nd segment of antennule $1-1\frac{1}{2}$ times length of 3rd *laeviuscula* (27J, K)
 23. Pair of ventral flattened spines between bases of 1st pereopods
 nonalter (27L, M, N, O)
 — No spines between bases of 1st pereopods 24
 24. Lower margin (i.e. with fixed finger) of large chela uninterrupted by
 groove *rapax* (27P, Q)
 — Lower margin of large chela interrupted by groove 25
 25. Both margins of palm of large chela ending bluntly *crassimanus* (27R, S, T)
 — Both margins of palm of large chela ending in acute spine *edwardsii* (27U, V)



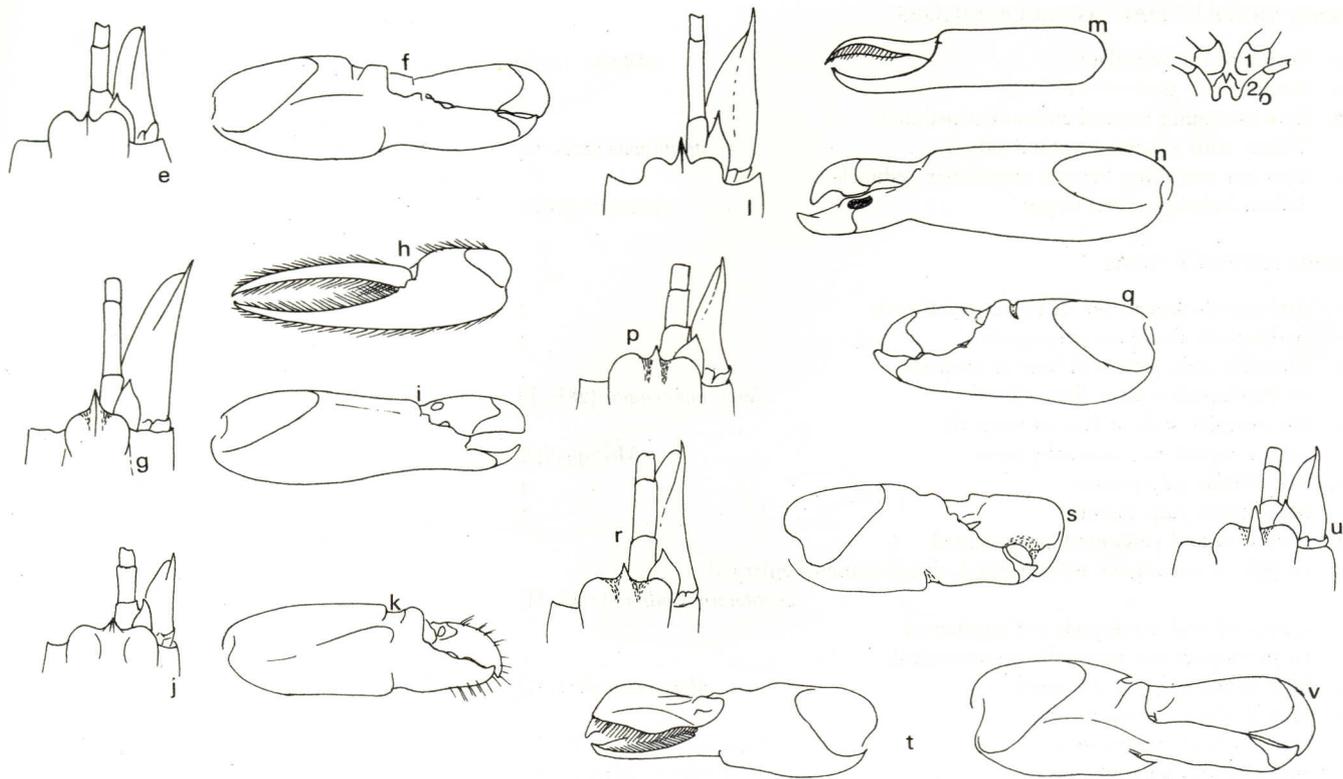


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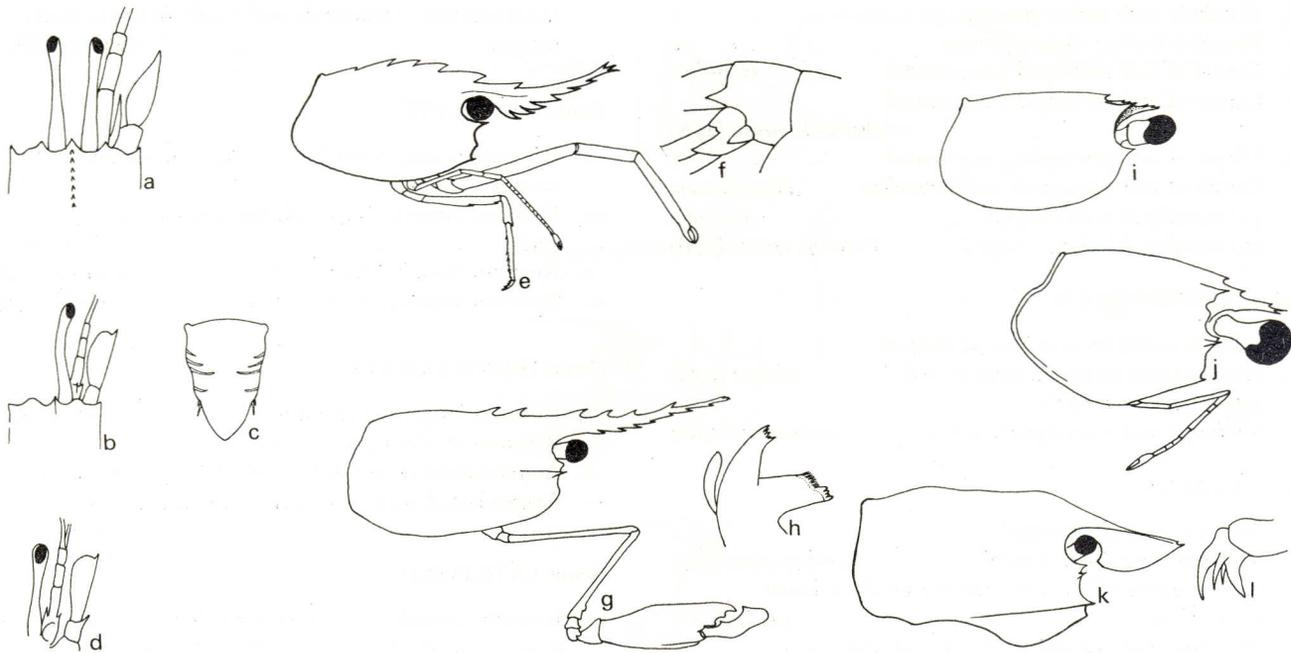


Fig 28

- 8. Mandible with incisor process 9
- Mandible lacking incisor process 10
- 9. Carpus of 2nd pereopod 3-segmented *Hippolyte*
- Carpus of 2nd pereopod 6-segmented

Thor amboinensis (29A)

- 10. Carpus of 2nd pereopod 3-segmented 11
- Carpus of 2nd pereopods multiarticulate *Hippolyzmata*
- 11. 3rd maxilliped with exopod *Latreutes*
- 3rd maxilliped lacking exopod *Tozeuma armata* (29B)

Genus MERHIPPOLYTE

- 1. 3 dorsal rostral teeth at base of rostrum
- Proximal ventral rostral teeth crowded *calmani* (29C)
- 4-6 dorsal rostral teeth
- Ventral rostral teeth equally spaced *agulhasensis* (29D)

Genus EUALUS

- 1. Rostrum ventrally toothed 2
- Rostrum ventrally unarmed *makrognathus* (29E)
- 2. Basal segment of antennule lacking tooth on lower inner margin *pax* (29F, G)
- 4th segment of 3rd and 4th pereopods lacking comb-like teeth

- Basal segment of antennule with tooth on lower inner margin *ctenifera* (29H, I, J)

Genus HIPPOLYTE

- 1. Rostrum bearing ventral teeth, usually more than half carapace length 2
- Rostrum ventrally unarmed, less than half carapace length *palliola* (29K, L)
- 2. Rostrum apically tridentate *kraussiana* (29M)
- Rostrum with single apical point *ventricosa* (29N)

Genus HIPPOLYSMATA

- 1. Rostrum longer than carapace *tugelae* (29O, P)
- Rostrum shorter than carapace 2
- 2. Antero-lateral corner of carapace bearing spine *vittata* (29Q)
- Antero-lateral corner of carapace lacking spine *kukenthali* (29R)

Genus LATREUTES

- 1. Rostrum dorsally and ventrally toothed *mucronatus* (29S)
- Rostrum toothed only near apex, relatively less deep than previous species *pygmaeus* (29T)

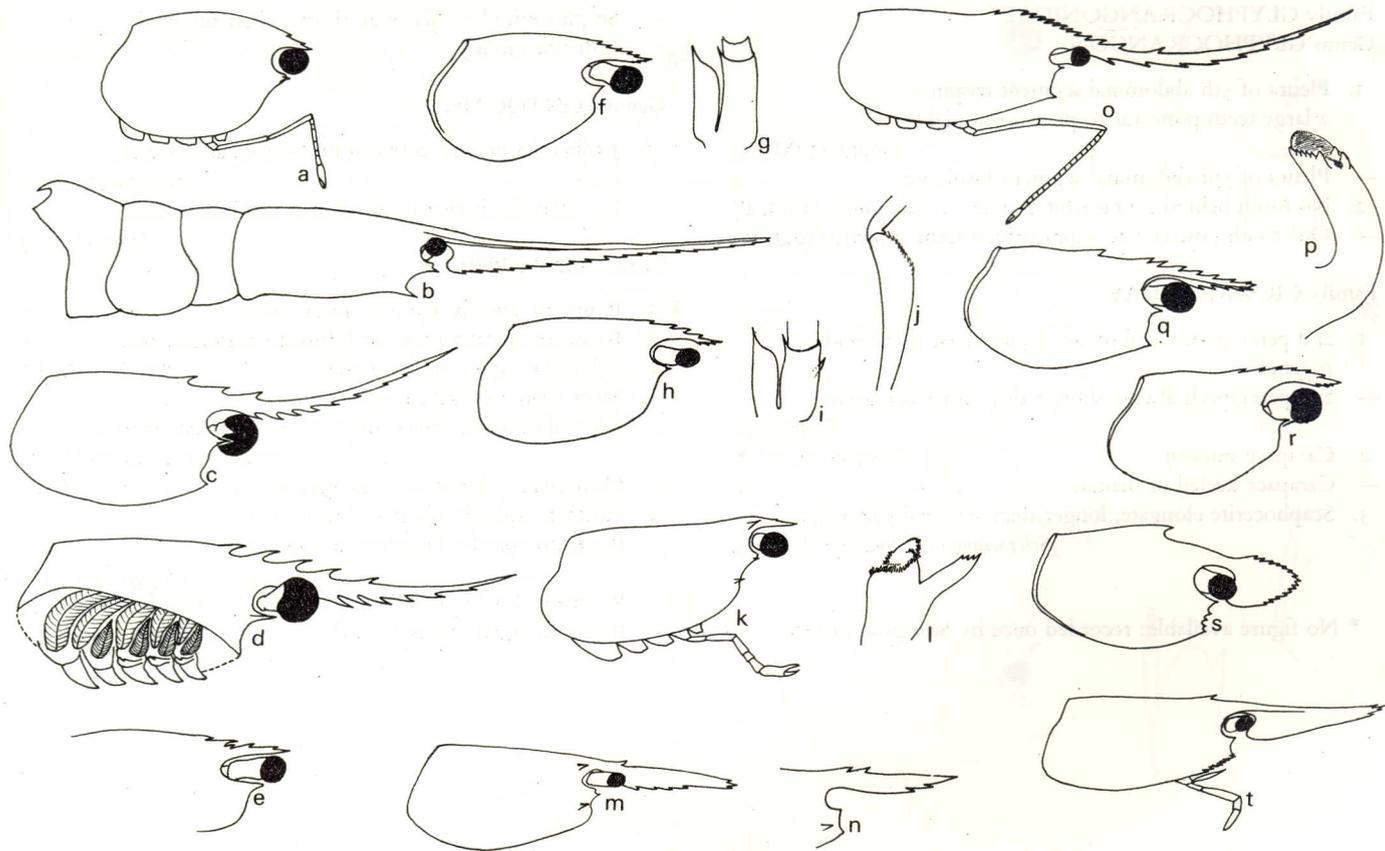


Fig 29

Family GLYPHOCRANGONIDAE

Genus GLYPHOCRANGON

- 1. Pleura of 5th abdominal segment trispinose
2 large teeth posterior to pterygostomial spine
sculptus (30M, N)
- Pleura of 5th abdominal segment bispinose 2
- 2. No tooth behind supra-orbital spine .. *longirostris* (30O, P)
- One tooth posterior to supra-orbital spine *dentatus* (30Q, R)

Family CRANGONIDAE

- 1. 2nd pereopods equal or sub-equal to 1st pereopods
in length 2
- 2nd pereopods always shorter than other pereopods
Pontophilus
- 2. Carapace smooth *Crangon capensis**
- Carapace keeled or dentate 3
- 3. Scaphocerite elongate, longer than antennal peduncle
Sclerocrangon bellmarleyi (30S, T)

* No figure available: recorded once by Stimpson in 1860.

- Scaphocerite broadly oval, shorter than antennal
peduncle (30W) *Pontocaris*

Genus PONTOCARIS

- 1. 3 tubercles present between mid-dorsal and lateral
keels *cataphractus* (30V)
- No tubercles between mid-dorsal and lateral keels
lacazei (30U)

Genus PONTOPHILUS

- 1. Rostrum apically acute in dorsal view 2
- Rostrum apically blunt or bifurcate in dorsal view 4
- 2. 2 dorsal carapace spines present .. *gracilis* (30A, B)
- More than 2 dorsal carapace spines 3
- 3. 3 dorsal carapace spines, most anterior always smallest
occidentalis var. *indica* (30C, D)
- More than 3 dorsal carapace spines .. *pilosus* (30E, F)
- 4. Rostrum apically blunt in dorsal view 5
- Rostrum apically bifurcate in dorsal view
sculptus (30G, H)
- 5. Rostrum shorter than basal width .. *megalochair* (30I, J)
- Rostrum equal to basal width .. *hendersoni* (30K, L)

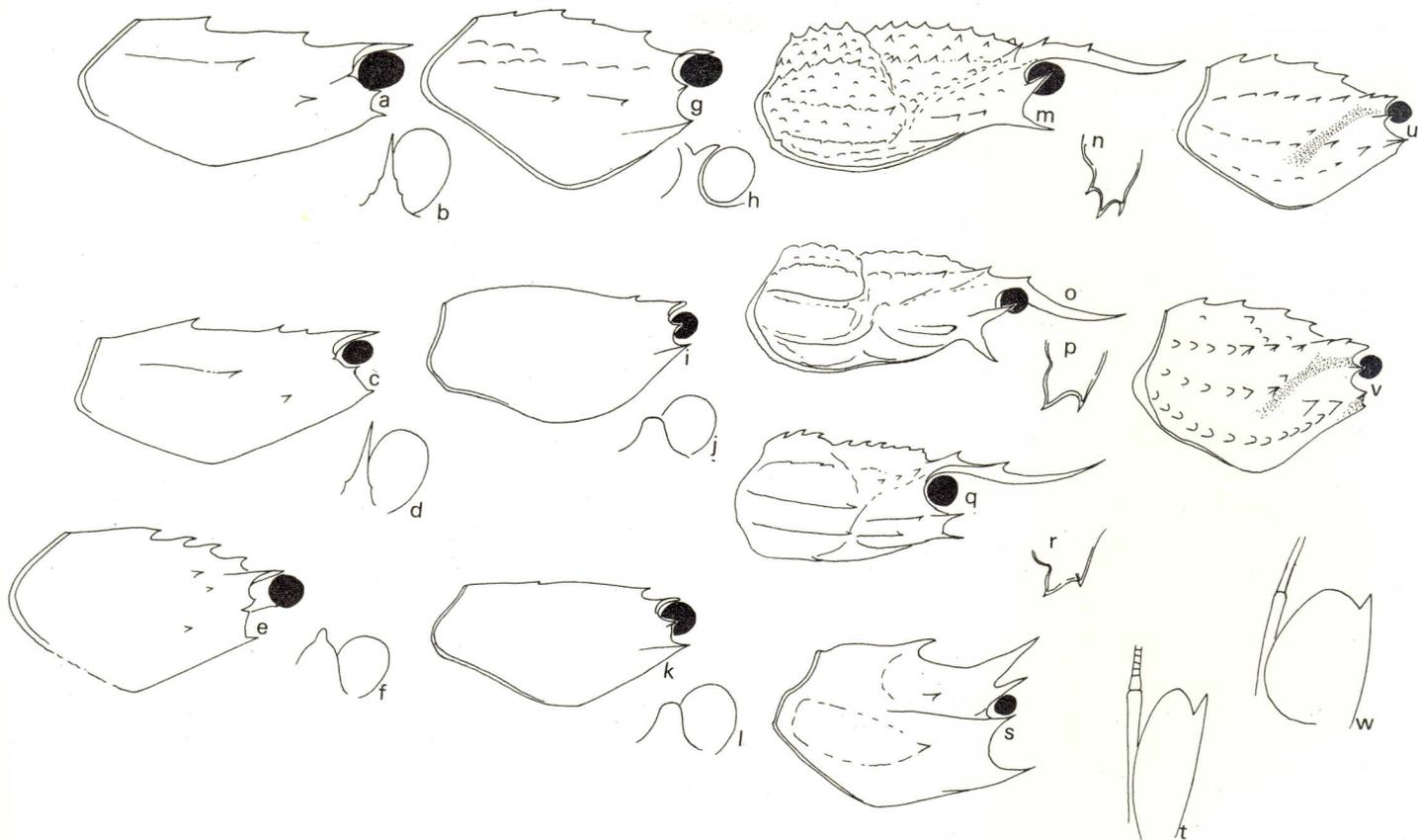


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