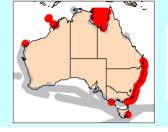
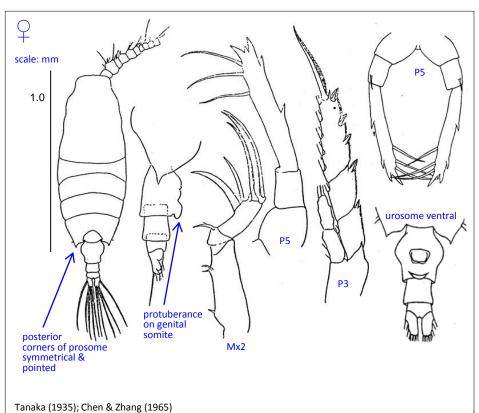
# Candacia catula

(Giesbrecht, 1889)



Phylum Order Family Arthropoda Calanoida Candaciidae





# **Synonyms**

Candace catula Giesbrecht, 1889

#### Size

Female: 1.4 - 1.67 mm

# **Genus notes**

- Body relatively robust, cephalosome rectangular in dorsal view, gives appearance of 'shoulders'
- May be darkly pigmented
- Cephalosome and pedigerous somite1 separated, pedigerous somites 4-5 fused and extended into pointed, often asymmetrical processes; rarely rounded
- Right A1 of male with teeth present on one or more segments at the bend in the geniculate region
- Rostrum atrophied
- Female P5 terminal segments with one or more spine processes, a finger-like process or a single long setae; setae may or may not be present on the inner lateral margins
- Male right P5 is chelate or ends in a long feather like seta
- Female urosome 3-segmented, genital somite often spinose or asymmetrical, without seminal receptacles, somite 2 often asymmetrical; male 5segmented
- Caudal rami short with 6 setae

### **Female**

- A1 23-segmented, with proximal 6 segments swollen
- Posterior prosome symmetrical and pointed
- P2-4 exopod terminal spine more than half the length of the segment
- P5 symmetrical, segment 3 long with 2 outer marginal spines and 3 inner marginal setae; apex with 3 teeth
- Genital somite symmetrical with both sides swollen, no spines or processes but with a backward projecting protuberance on the ventral surface
- Caudal rami nearly twice as long as wide

# Distribution

- Epipelagic; open ocean
- Tropical and subtropical
- Pacific and Indian Oceans; more recently recorded from the Atlantic

# **Ecology**

- Specialised predator, grasping prey with large and robust maxillae
- Larvaceans are major prey item



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Tanaka (1935); Chen & Zhang (1965); Greenwood (1978)

(Giesbrecht, 1889)

uosome ventral and lateral, note no protuberances on scale: mm genital somite 1.0 points slightly asymmetric last prosome somite pointed, but not prominently Α1

**Phylum** Order **Family** 

Arthropoda Calanoida Candaciidae

Size

Male: 1.3 - 1.62 mm

- Right A1 geniculate with 6 terminal segments
- Last prosome somite pointed, but not prominently
- Points are slightly asymmetricalP5 chelate on left, segment 3 terminal spine long and curved
- Unusual among Candacia males in having no processes or protuberances on the genital somite
- Urosome somite 2 symmetrical

### Source

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