Species: Fauveliopsis sp SD1 Authority: Langan, 2000 Common Synonyms: Taxon: Polychaeta: Fauveliopsidae

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Voucher Specimen(s):

Station	Date	Storage Location/#
B12 (2) (320 ft)	5Apr96	DLZ/225
2137(1) (157 ft)	15Jul96	KL/P-30
2145(1) (384 ft)	2Jul97	KL/P-30

Characters: (based on examination of 11 specimens)

1. Setigers number 21 to 28 (usually 26-28).

2. Length measurements 2.7mm-4.5mm. Number of setigers is not correlated with length of the specimen.

3. The first 3 setigers have 2 curved notopodial spines and 2 curved neuropodial spines that are directed forward. The 2 medial spines are thicker than the outer ones.

4. Setigers 4 through 10: There is a gradual transition from 2 capillary setae/ramus (setiger 4) to 1 medial spine and 1 capillary seta/ramus. (The lateral capillary setae gradually becomes thicker). These spines and setae are less curved than those in the first three setigers.

5. Setigers 10 to posterior end: There is 1 spine and 1 capillary seta/ramus (see Fig. 2).

6. In the last 3 setigers, the spines and capillary setae are shorter than in the rest of the setigers.

7. There are ovate interramal cirri throughout; in the anterior and median, the cirri are in a medial position between the setal fascicles (see Fig. 2). In the posterior, the cirri are smaller and closer to the notopodium.

 The first 3 setigers are slightly wider than setigers 4-9. Setigers 4-9 are differentiated from one another by dorsal-ventral intersegmetal constrictions and deeper lateral grooves just anterior to the parapods (see Fig. 1).

Illustrations: (K. Langan)





Related Species & Other Comments:

F. armata - Reported from bathyal depths off central Oregon. This species differs from *F*. sp SD 1 in that the posterior spines are strongly curved and thicker than the median spines. See Fauchald and Hancock 1981.

F. glabra - Reported from Southern California in moderate to basin depths. In *F. glabra*, the first setigerous segment has shorter setae, and the anterior setae are slenderer. Also, the spines of the last 3 segments are thicker. See Hartman 1960. Note: Riser 1987 cautions that "the orientation of *F. glabra* by Hartman (1965), Hartman and Fauchald (1971) and Katzmann and Laubier (1974) seems to be reversed". The orientation in the original description (Hartman 1960) may be reversed as well (K. Langan-Cranford). Taxon: Polychaeta: Fauveliopsidae Date: May, 2000 By: K. Langan



Figure 2

F. magna - Reported from bathyal depths off central Oregon. The first 30 parapodia have a single curved spine and single capillary seta in each ramus. The spines of the first 2 setigers are strongly curved and directed forward. In the last 11 setigers, there is an increasing number of setae. See Fauchald and Hancock 1981.

Comments: 1) Petersen 1998 cautions that several species of Fauveliopsidae "have had the anterior end interpreted as the posterior end". 2) *Fauveliopsis* sp SD 1 is commonly found in vacated gastropod and scaphopod shells.

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