

Nephasoma pellucidus?

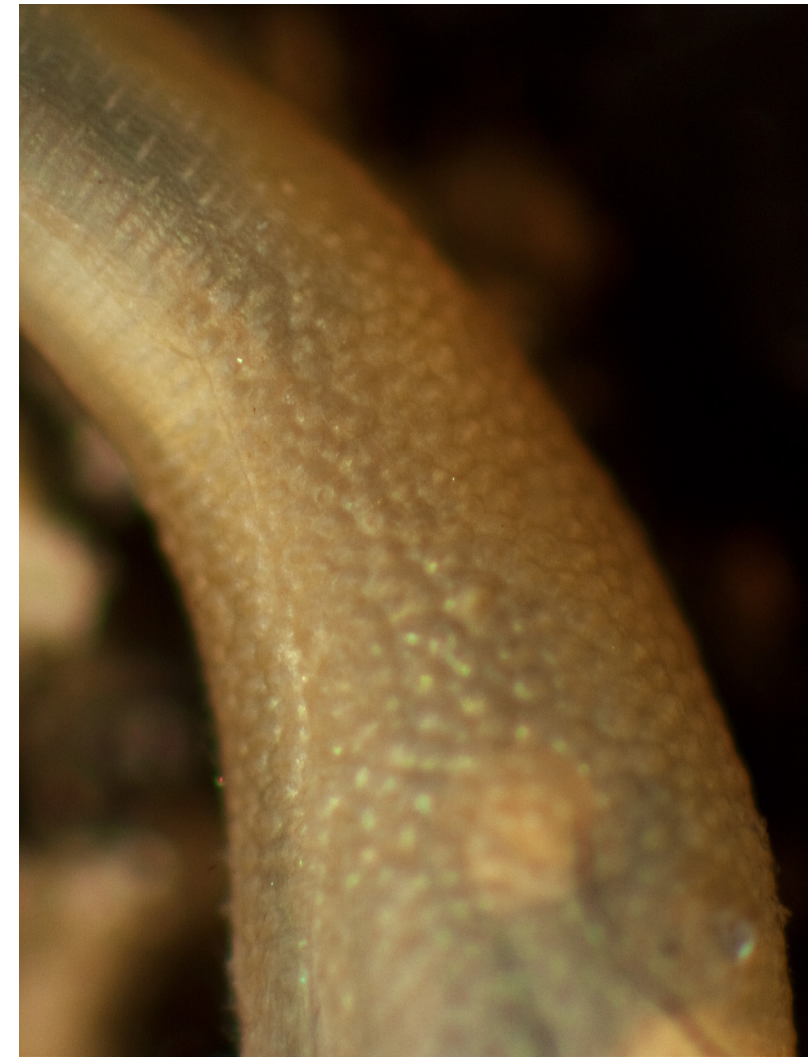
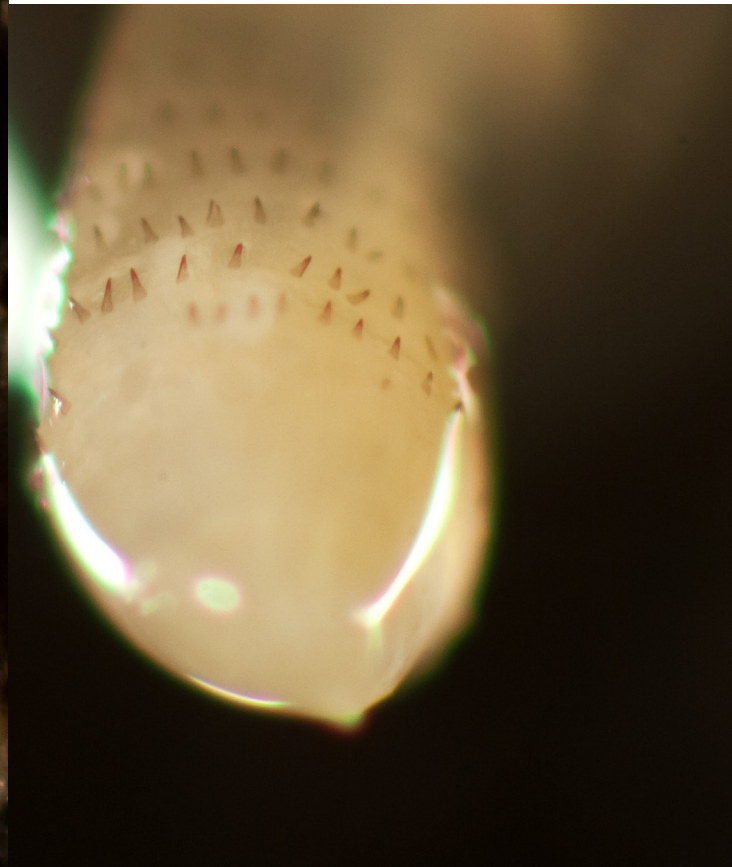
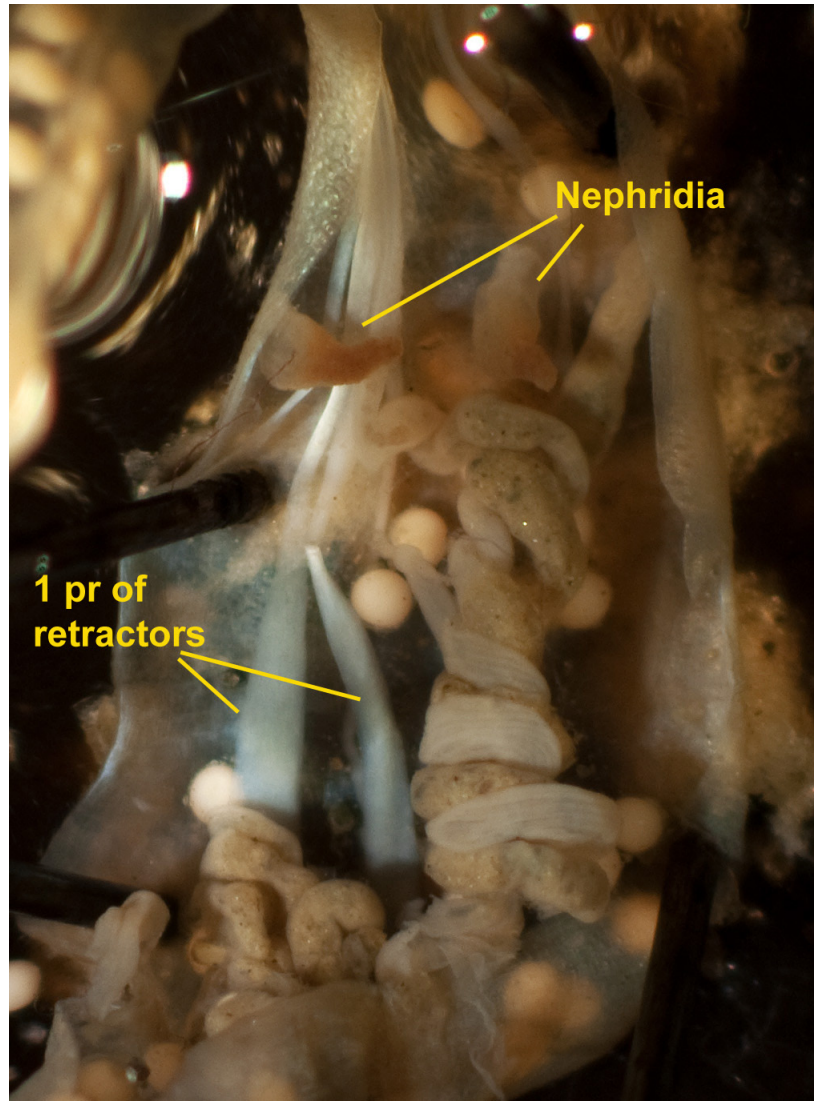


Two specimens collected at B'13 station 9474 (near Pt. Conception), 23 June 2014, 87m.

Hooks present on introvert in rings; 1 pair of retractor muscles; no microvilli on contractile vessel; approximately 12-14 simple tentacles; papillae present on posterior and neck; nephridia in line with position of anus or just slightly anterior.

N. pellucidus is described as being a shallow water species and as having "large dark uniformly distributed papillae". Both those things give me pause.

The larger animal is approximately 19mm and the smaller animal is 10 mm in length.



Papillae are present but are rather small and clear. Not sure if this is a preservation artifact.

