Diagnostic Characters of Acidostoma hancocki

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CSDOC, MBC Specimens.

1.	Eyes absent, integument
	thick; antennae short,
	subequal

Eye present, prominant in live specimens, difficult to see in preserved specimens

2. Ant. 1, seg. 1 of flagellum has stout bladelike spine on inner distal angle

Yes

3. Mandible has peculiar short molar process, appears to be a stumpy second segment

Present, but difficult to see

4. Maxilla 1, inner plate... with minute second segment at tip

Not visible

5. Gnathopod l simple, hind margin of segment 6 minutely serrate

Yes in female, no in male

6. Gnathopod 2, dactylos appears to be present in the form of a minute tooth masked by surrounding long spine-setae

Yes, seen only at high magnification

7. Epimeral plate 3, posterodistal angle upturned in small but distinct tooth Yes

Additional comments

Males have extremely hirsute ant. 1, tend to have more setae on gnathopods and mouthparts than females. Males also appear to have thinner integument.



