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Literature:

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Diagnostic characters:

1. Gnathopod 1 palm transverse (Fig. 1).
2. Dactyl of gnathopod 2 long, at least 0.3 times length of article 6 (Fig. 2).
3. Posterior margin of article 2 of pereopod 7 with long setae (Fig. 3).

Related species and character differences:

Synchelidium rectipalmmum resembles S. shoemakeri but differs in the transverse palm of gnathopod 2, long dactyl of gnathopod 2, and long setae on pereopod 7.

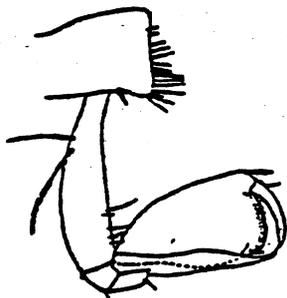


Fig. 1. Gnathopod 1
(From Mills, 1962).

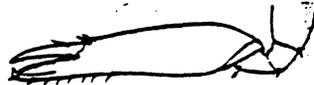


Fig. 2. Gnathopod 2
(From Barnard, 1975).

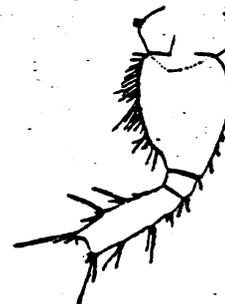


Fig. 3. Articles 2,
3, and 4 of pereopod

Distribution:
Puget Sound to San Diego

