CLASS HOLOTHOROIDEA

Subclass Apodacea

Diagnosis. Up to 25 digitate to pinnate tentacles, tube feet absent or highly reduced. (e.g., Caudina, Euapta, Leptosynapta, Molpadia, Synapta, Trochoderma.)

Order Apodida

Diagnosis. Body cylindrical, worm-like, smooth, rough or warty surface, tube feet absent, respiratory trees absent, 10-25 digitate or pinnate tentacles, ossicles include wheels and anchors.

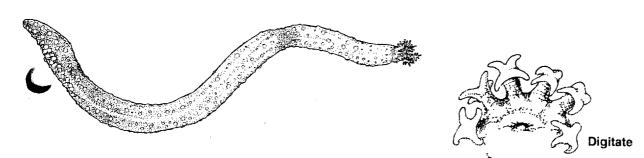
Family Chiridotidae

Diagnosis. Tentacle stalks short, widened distally, 3-10 digits on each side of the distal end. Ossicles as 6-spoked wheels.

Chiridota sp.

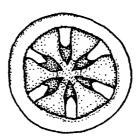
General Body Design:

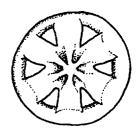
General Tentacle Morphology:



Larvae Morphology:

General Ossicle Morphology:





Pinnate

General Ring Canal Morphology:

