



CITY OF SAN DIEGO VOUCHER SHEET

Species: *Tellina (Angulus) meropsis*

Authority: Dall, 1900

Common Synonyms:

Bivalvia sp. SD2 Pt. Loma, 1996

Taxon: Bivalvia: Tellinidae

Date: December, 1997

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Voucher Specimen(s):

Station	Date	Storage Location	Voucher#
I4(2)	1/30/96	Main	M-82
I23(2)	7/3/96	Main	M-82

Characters:

1. Off white; semi-transparent
2. Large, external ligament
3. Many fine, closely spaced, commarginal ridges
4. Slight amount of sand adhering to shell surface (mostly in the commarginal ridges)

Illustrations on reverse

Full Description:(Coan, Scott, & Bernard (Draft), 1995)

Shell subtrigonal, inflated; posterior end truncate, with an inconspicuous fold. Sculpture absent or of weak commarginal striae. Color white. Length to 20 mm.

Related Species:(Coan, Scott, & Bernard (Draft), 1995)

It is similar to the Caribbean *T. (Angulus) mera* Say, 1834, but is more rounded, shorter posteriorly, and heavier. [*T. idae*'s] shell subelliptical, longer posteriorly, thin compressed, posterior end pointed, twisted, with two strong radial ribs.

Comments:

ID confirmed by Paul Scott (4-18-97)

References:

Coan, E.V., P. Scott, & F. R. Bernard. 1995. *Bivalve Seashells of Western North America: Marine Bivalve Mollusks from Arctic Alaska to Baja California* (Draft) Pg. 1-504.

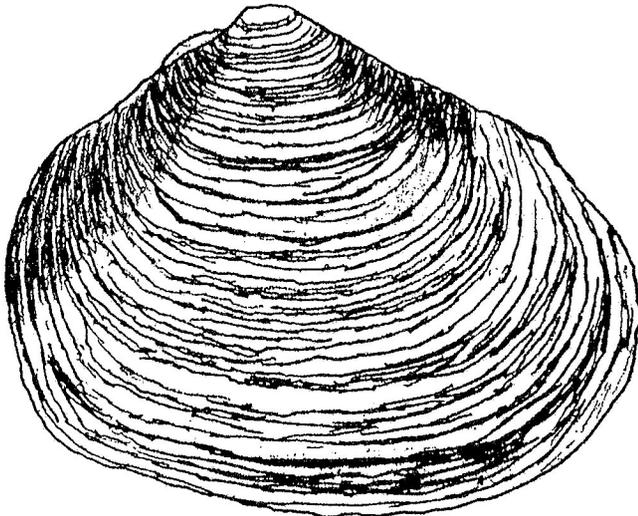
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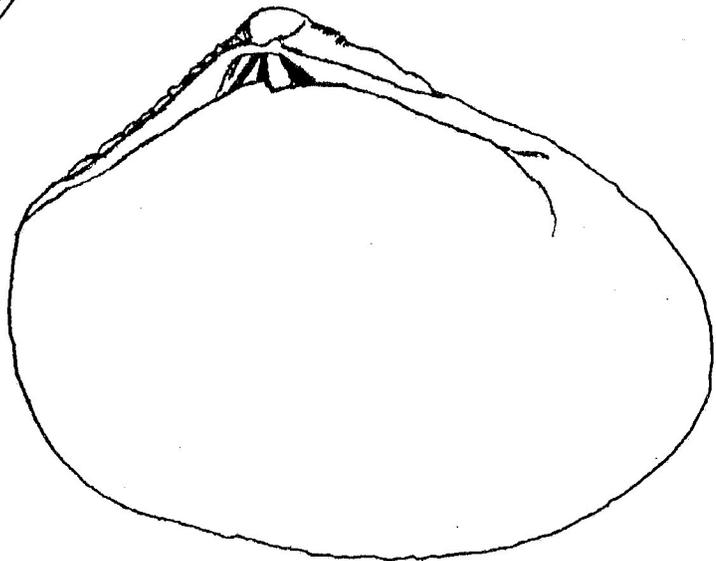
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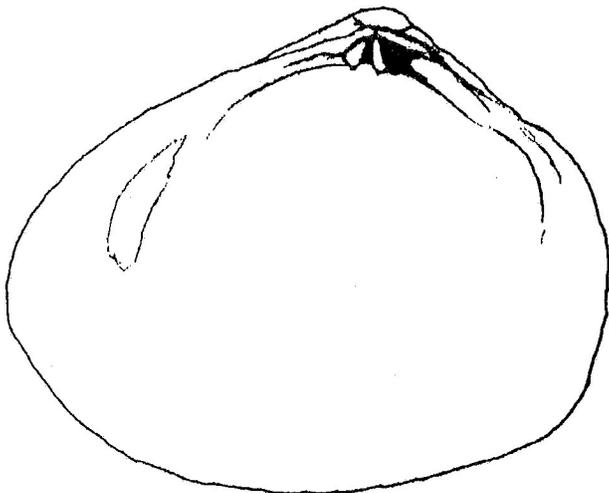
Illustrations: (M. Lilly, 1996)



Lateral view of right valve



Internal view of left valve



Internal view of right valve

Distribution—(Coan, Scott, & Bernard (Draft), 1995)

Pt. Loma: I4(2) 62 ft. sandy, I23(2) 68 ft. sandy

Geographic: Sporadically north to Pacific Grove, California; established distribution from Carpinteria, California to Santa Elena, Ecuador.

Habitat: In the intertidal zone to 50 m, usually in sand, in bays on protected coasts.