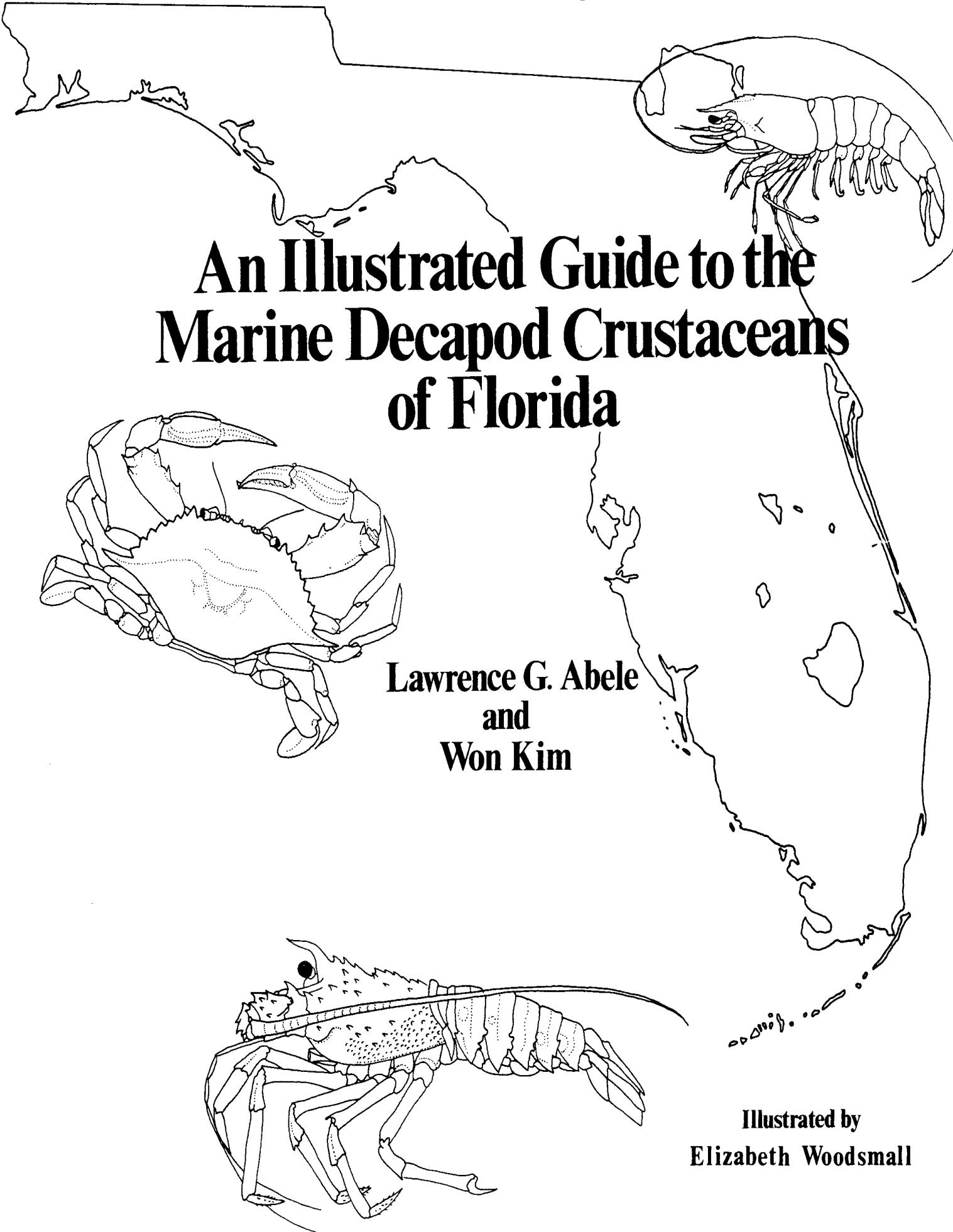


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**Infraorder Anomura****Family Coenobitidae**

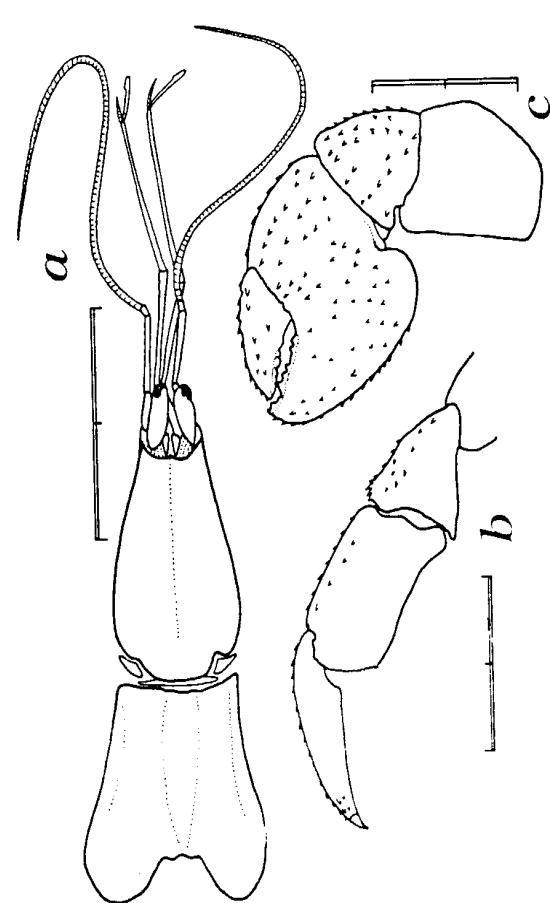
**Genus *Coenobita*** Latreille, 1826  
[Adapted from Chace and Hobbs, 1969]

Eyestalks flattened on mesial surface; antennular peduncle five times as long as eyestalks, flagellum blunt tipped; antennal peduncle originating below eyestalk; chelipeds unequal, left much larger than right, studded with closely appressed, dark-tipped spines; third left pereopod (second walking leg) with propodus and dactylus very broad, flattened, and smooth, with inferior margins rather sharp and obscurely serrate ..... *C. clypeatus*

*Coenobita clypeatus*

- a. anterior region, dorsal view
- b. second left walking leg
- c. left cheliped

(after Provenzano, 1959)



## Family Diogenidae

Key to genera and species

[Adapted from Provenzano, 1959, with additions]

1. Abdomen secondarily straightened for housing in rock cavities or sponges; chelae and distal segments of walking legs forming opercular face ..... *Cancellus*
- Abdomen coiled for housing in gastropod shells; chelae and distal segments of walking legs not forming opercular face ..... 2
2. (1) Paired appendages present on first two abdominal somites of male and on first somite only of female ..... *Paguristes*
  - No paired appendages on anterior abdominal somites of either sex..... 3
3. (2) Chelipeds similar and subequal; fingers moving horizontally ..... 4
  - Chelipeds dissimilar and unequal; fingers moving obliquely or nearly vertically ... 5
4. (3) Finger tips spooned; antennal flagellum long and not hairy..... *Clibanarius*
  - Finger tips acuminate; antennal flagellum short and very hairy..... *Isocheles wurdemanni*
5. (3) Chelipeds not markedly unequal, right slightly larger than left..... *Petrochirus diogenes*
  - Chelipeds markedly unequal, left much larger than right..... 6
6. (5) Major palm tuberculate, with appressed setae..... *Dardanus*
  - Major palm smooth, without hairs..... *Calcinus tibicen*

**Genus *Cancellus* H. Milne Edwards, 1836**

Key to species  
[Adapted from Mayo, 1973]

Ocular scale with more than one terminal tooth or spine; fifth coxal segments of male flattened; overall color of live or recently preserved specimens green ..... *C. viridis*

Ocular scale with one triangular tooth; fifth coxal segments of male concave and expanded; overall color cream with purple, dark red, or brown ..... *C. ornatus*

**Genus *Clibanarius* Dana, 1851**

Key to species  
[Adapted from Provenzano, 1959]

1. Dactyli of walking legs shorter than propodi..... 2  
Dactyli of walking legs not shorter than propodi..... 3
2. (1) Legs with broad longitudinal light stripe on dark background..... *C. antillensis*  
Legs without any longitudinal stripes, instead banded with orange at proximal ends of propodi and dactyli; dominant color blue ..... *C. tricolor*
3. (1) Propodi with dark stripe laterally, bordered on each side by light stripe of similar width ..... *C. cubensis*  
Propodi with 4 thin light stripes laterally, separated by broad dark stripes ..... *C. vittatus*

**Genus *Dardanus* Paulson, 1875**

## Key to species

[Adapted from Williams, 1984, with addition]

1. Propodus of third left pereopod (second left walking leg) not hairy, without lateral longitudinal ridge or groove; rugae arranged in herringbone pattern ... *D. insignis*  
Propodus of third left pereopod conspicuously hairy, with lateral longitudinal ridge paralleled by groove; ridge crossed by rugae ..... 2
2. (1) Dactylus of third left pereopod with shallow ventral groove; cornea widely rounded ..... *D. fucosus*  
Dactylus of third left pereopod without shallow ventral groove; cornea barely expanded, convex ..... *D. venosus*

### Genus *Paguristes* Dana, 1852

#### Key to species

[Based on Provenzano, 1959, and McLaughlin and Provenzano, 1974a]

1. Rostrum broadly rounded or pointed, but not advanced beyond level of lateral projections on front of anterior shield of carapace ..... 2  
Rostrum slender and definitely advanced beyond level of lateral projections on front of anterior shield of carapace ..... 6
2. (1) Eye scales adjacent, ending in more than 1 terminal spine..... *P. hummi*  
Eye scales separated, ending in acuminate tip..... 3
3. (2) Anterolateral sides of anterior shield of carapace definitely spiny ..... 4  
Anterolateral sides of anterior shield of carapace not spiny..... 5
4. (3) Cornea narrow and tapering anteriorly to blunt point; anterolateral sides of anterior shield of carapace with about 3 transverse rows of spinules; second antennal segment with two spines on anterior margin, one on each side of base of antennal acicle ..... *P. oxyophthalmus*  
Cornea broad and not tapering anteriorly; anterolateral sides of anterior shield of carapace roughened by scattered spiny granules; second antennal segment with several spines on lateral margin ..... *P. lymani*
5. (3) Rostrum very poorly developed, obtusely triangular or broadly rounded, or often obsolete ..... *P. laticlavus*  
Rostrum short, obtusely pointed, slightly less advanced than more acute lateral projections ..... *P. moorei*
6. (1) Anterior shield of carapace not noticeably longer than broad..... 7  
Anterior shield of carapace noticeably longer than broad..... 12
7. (6) Antennular peduncles extending beyond eyestalks..... 8  
Antennular peduncles not extending beyond eyestalks..... 9
8. (7) Dorsal surface of carapace with numerous small spines or spinules and tufts of setae laterally ..... *P. inconstans*  
Dorsal surface of carapace hairy towards sides..... *P. triangulatus*
9. (7) Upper surface of hands of chelipeds with hairs inconspicuous, not obscuring spines ..... 10  
Upper surface of hands of chelipeds with hairs conspicuous, at least obscuring surface ..... 11

10. (9) Fifth antennal segment bearing 3 spines on basal part of outer margin; antennal acicle with 2-3 spines on inner margin ..... *P. grayi*  
 Fifth antennal segment bearing 2 spines on basal part of outer margin; antennal acicle with no spines on inner margin ..... *P. erythrops*
11. (9) Antennal peduncles slightly exceeding acicles..... *P. sericeus*  
 Antennal peduncles reaching just beyond middle of eyestalks..... *P. puncticeps*
12. (6) Antennal peduncle not overreaching middle of eyestalks..... *P. spinipes*  
 Antennal peduncle overreaching middle of eyestalks..... 13
13. (12) Rostrum slender, its sides parallel from base to near acute tip..... 14  
 Rostrum broad at base, its sides converging to tip..... 15
14. (13) Terminal segment of antennal peduncle armed with two spines; carapace triangular in shape in dorsal view ..... *P. tenuirostris*  
 Terminal segment of antennal peduncle without spines; carapace rectangular in shape in dorsal view ..... *P. cadenati*
15. (13) Shield with dorsolateral surface and margins unarmed or with very few, minute spinules ..... 16  
 Shield with dorsolateral surface and margins armed with numerous small spines or spinulose tubercles ..... 19
16. (15) Dorsal margins of meri of chelipeds unarmed..... *P. hernancortezi*  
 Dorsal margins of meri of chelipeds with spinules or spinulose protuberances.... 17
17. (16) Rostrum greatly exceeding lateral projections, slender, acute, strongly depressed distally, terminating in small spine ..... *P. anomalus*  
 Rostrum considerably exceeding lateral projections, terminating acutely or subacutely but not in a small spine ..... 18
18. (17) Fifth antennal segment with two dorsal spines..... *P. wassi*  
 Fifth antennal segment with few tufts of short setae, with no spines..... *P. limonensis*
19. (15) Chelipeds virtually devoid of setae..... *P. starcki*  
 Chelipeds covered with tufts of short, plumose setae..... 20

20. (19) Dorsomesial margins of carpi of chelipeds with 4 or 5 strong spines; ocular peduncles with distinct, often irregular dark bands distally (brood pouch of female large, subovate or subquadrate) ..... *P. tortugae*

Dorsomesial margins of carpi of chelipeds with 6 or more moderately small spines; ocular peduncles without distinct dark bands distally (brood pouch of female very small, subtriangular) ..... *P. invisisacculus*

*Cancellus viridis*

holotype male:

- a. anterior region, dorsal view
- b. fifth coxal segments

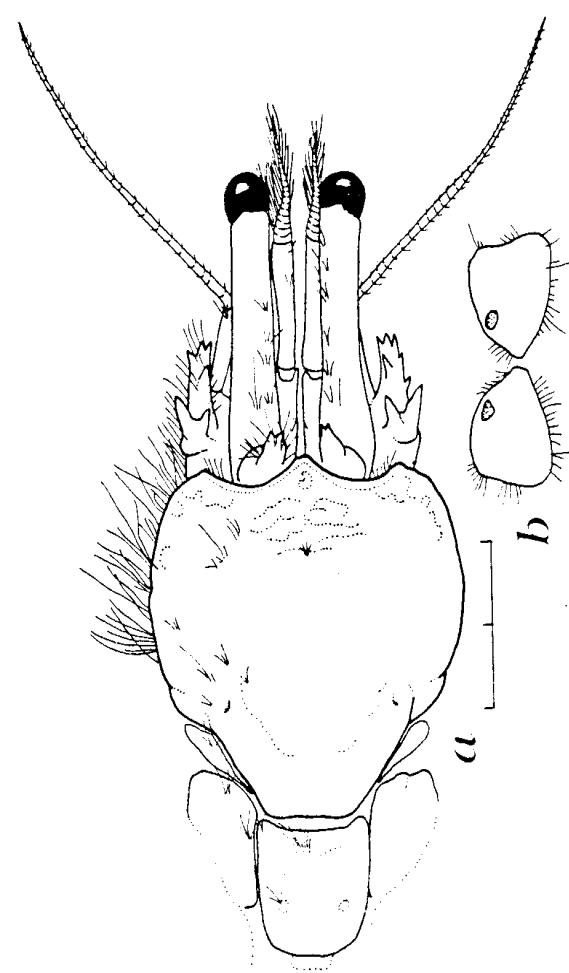
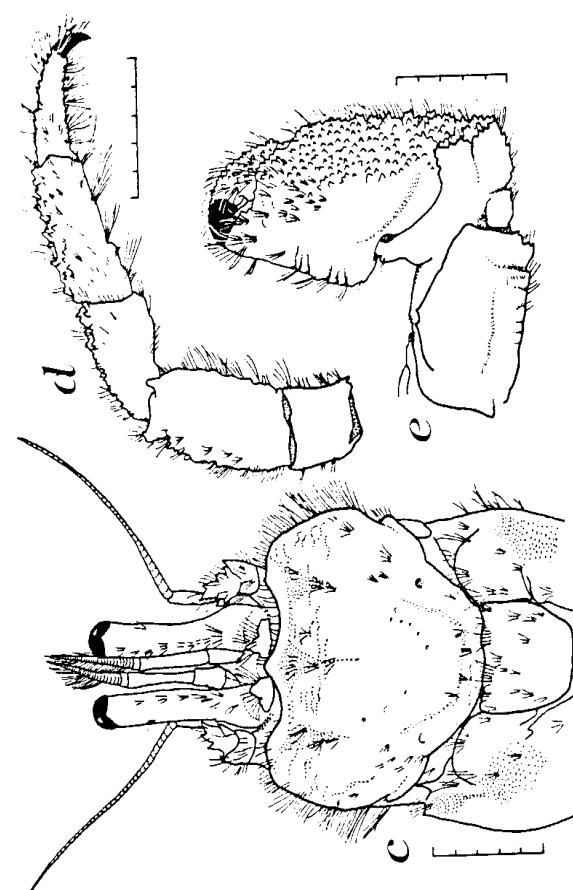
(after Mayo, 1973)

*Cancellus ornatus*

male:

- c. anterior region, dorsal view
- d. left third pereopod
- e. left cheliped, lateral view

(after Mayo, 1973)



*Clibanarius antennensis*

- a. anterior part of body and pereopods, dorsal view  
(after Benedict, 1901)

*Clibanarius tricolor*

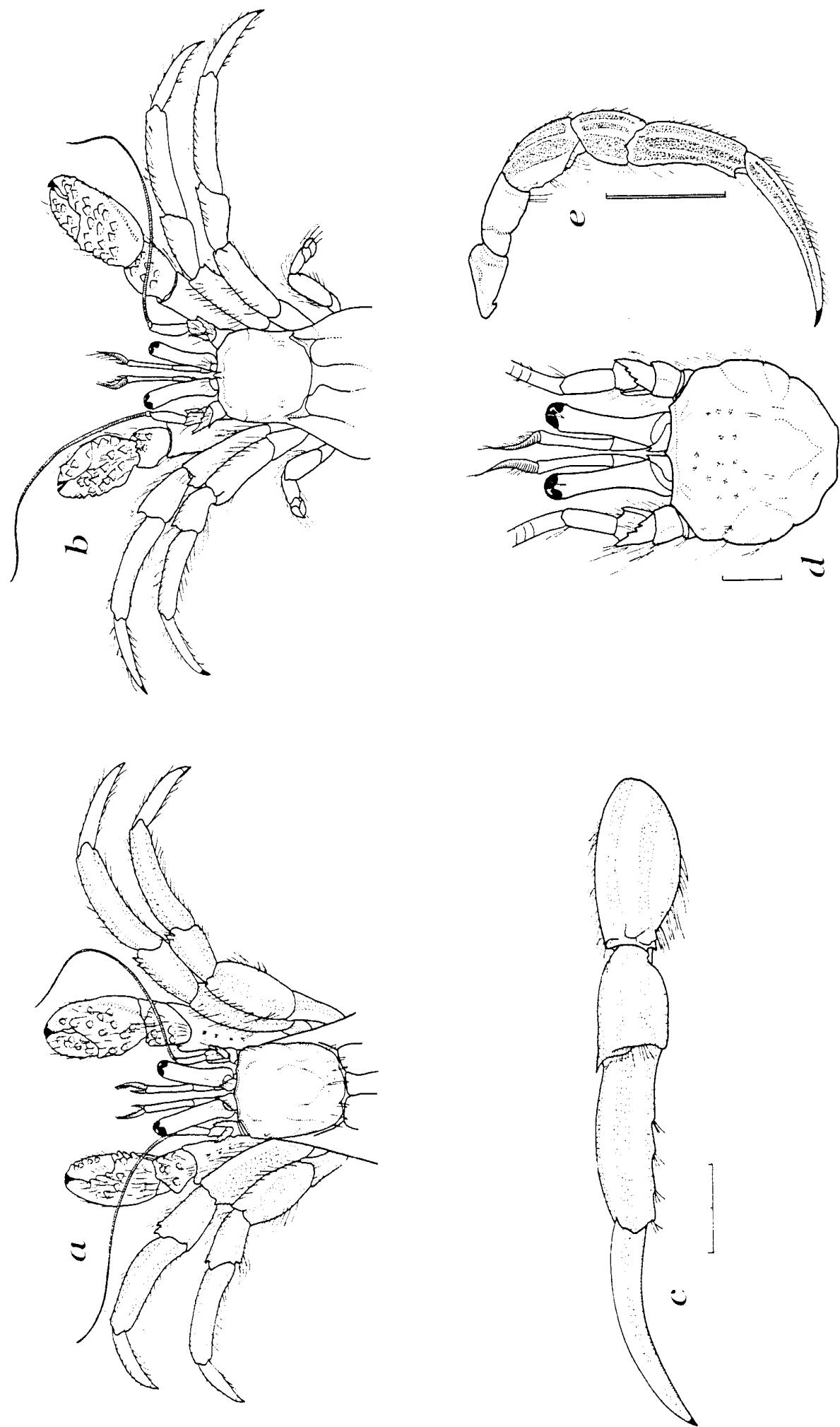
- b. anterior part of body and pereopods, dorsal view  
(after Benedict, 1901)

*Clibanarius cubensis*

- c. walking leg  
(after Provenzano, 1959)

*Clibanarius vittatus*

- d. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- e. third pereopod  
(after Holthuis, 1959)



*Dardanus insignis*

a. anterior part, dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1965a)

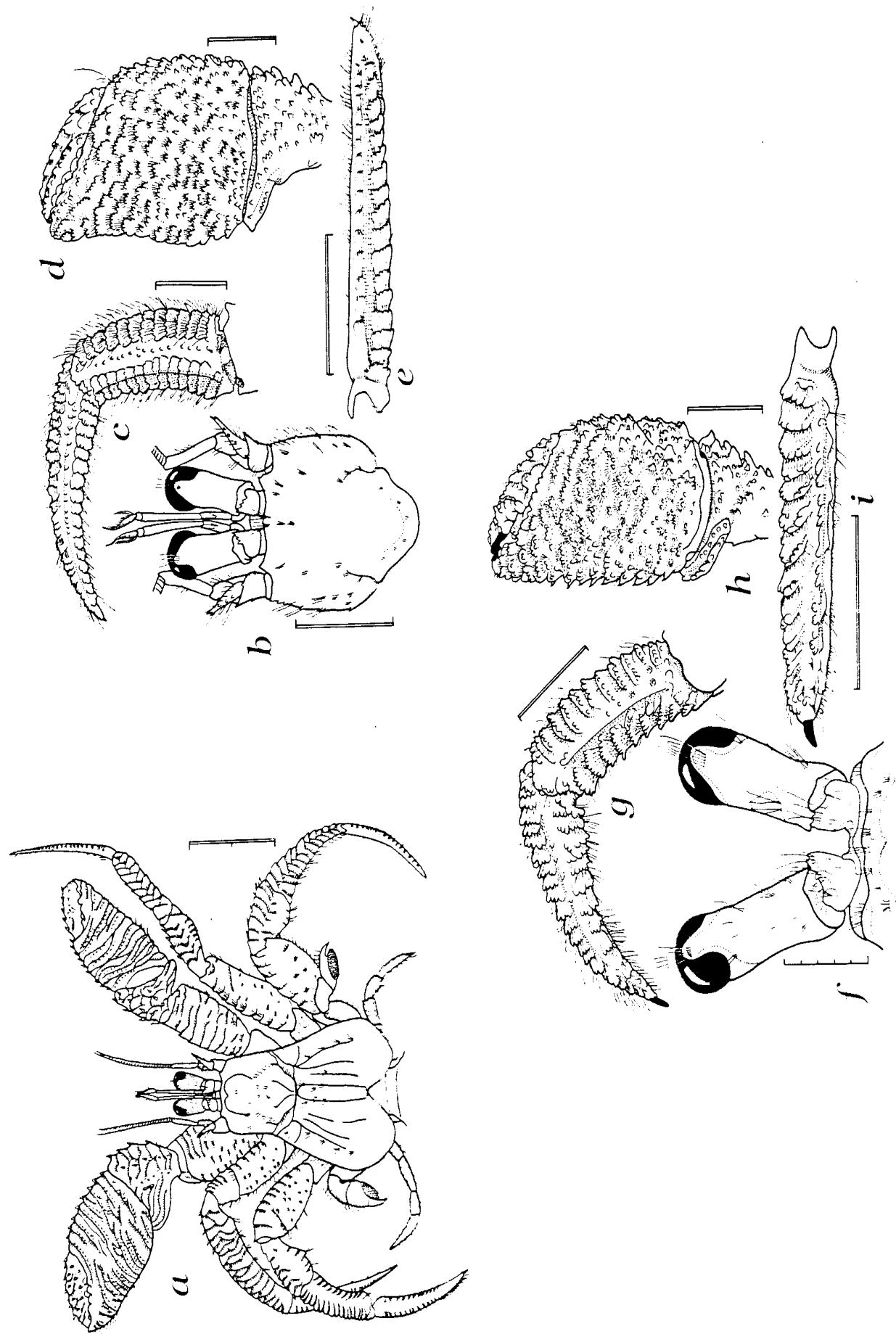
*Dardanus fucosus*

- b. anterior part, dorsal view (male)
- c. lateral view of third left pereopod (holotype male)
- d. lateral view of major chela (holotype male)
- e. ventral view of dactylus of third pereopod (holotype male)
- f. (b, after Williams, 1984; c-e, after Biffar and Provenzano, 1972)

*Dardanus venosus*

lectotype male:

- f. eyestalks
- g. lateral view of third left pereopod
- h. lateral view of major chela
- i. ventral view of dactylus of third pereopod  
(after Biffar and Provenzano, 1972)



*Paguristes hummi*

- a. anterior part of body and chelipeds, dorsal view  
(after Provenzano, 1959)

*Paguristes oxyophthalmus*

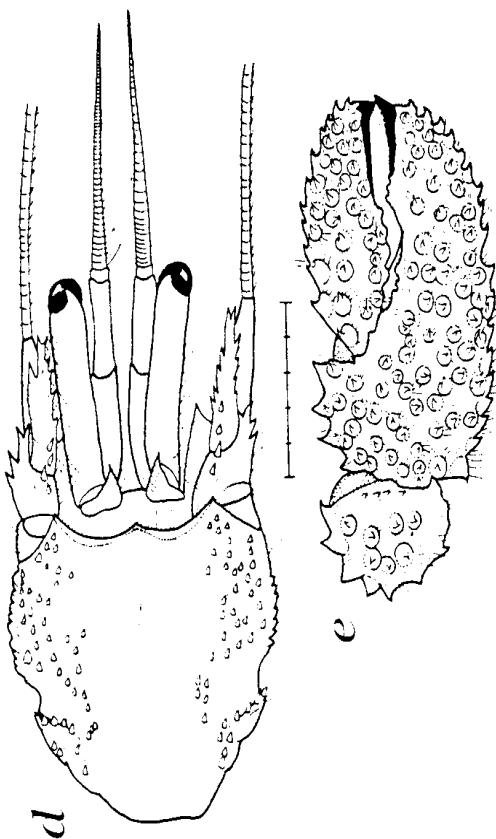
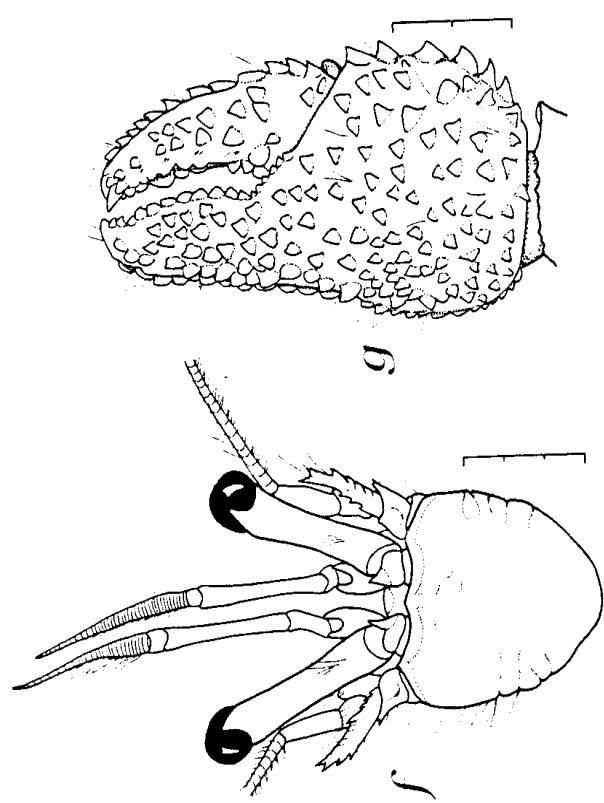
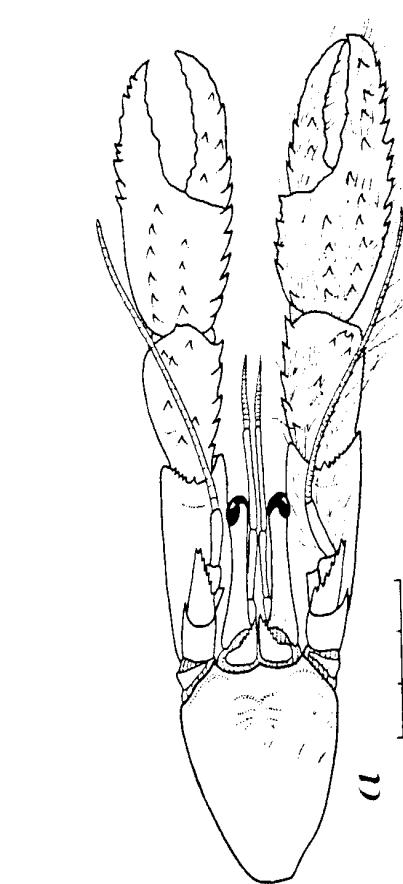
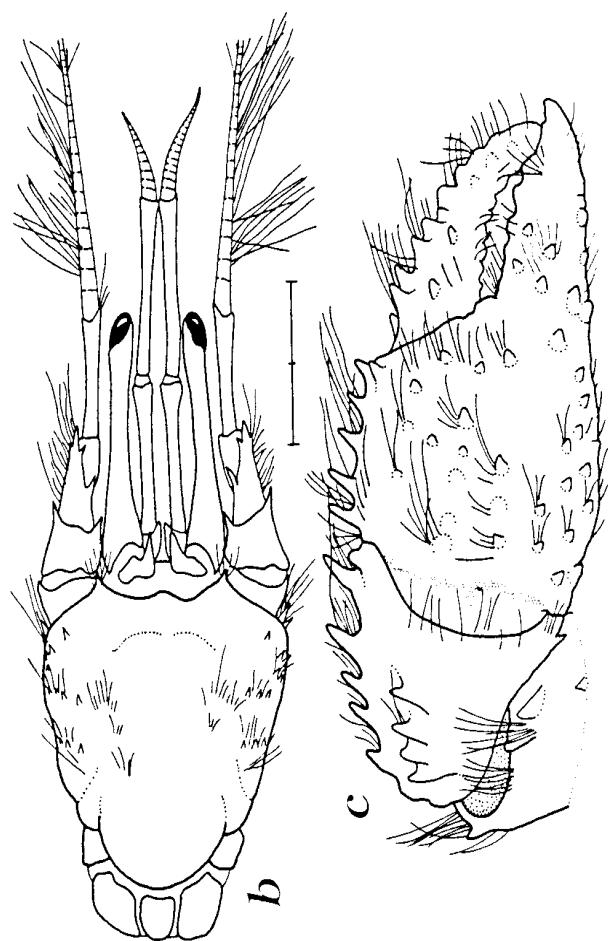
- b. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- c. cheliped  
(after Holthuis, 1959)

*Paguristes lymani*

- d. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- e. right chela and carpus, external view  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Paguristes laticlavus*

- male:
- f. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- g. left chela, external view  
(after McLaughlin and Provenzano, 1974b)



*Paguristes moorei*

holotype female:

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- b. right chela and carpus, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Paguristes inconstans*

holotype male:

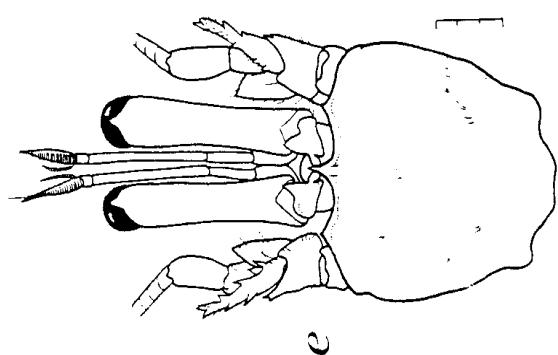
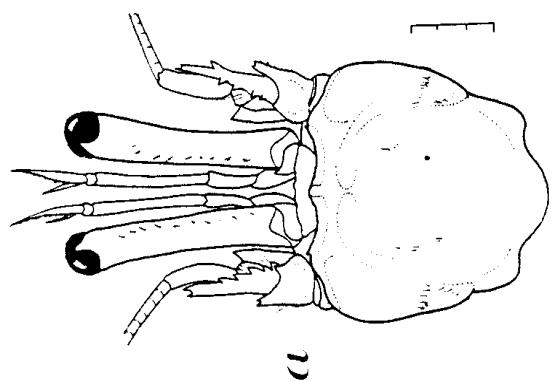
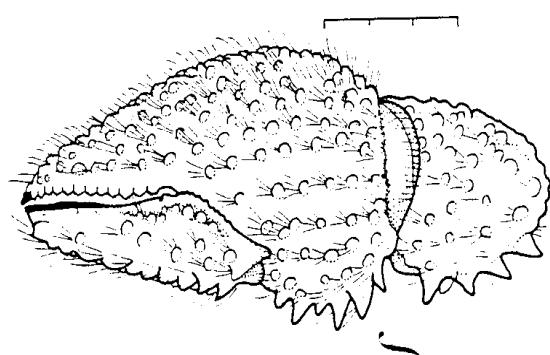
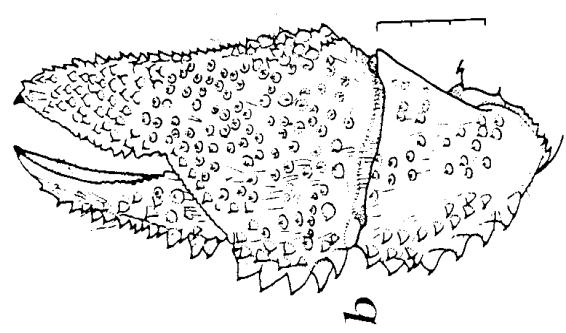
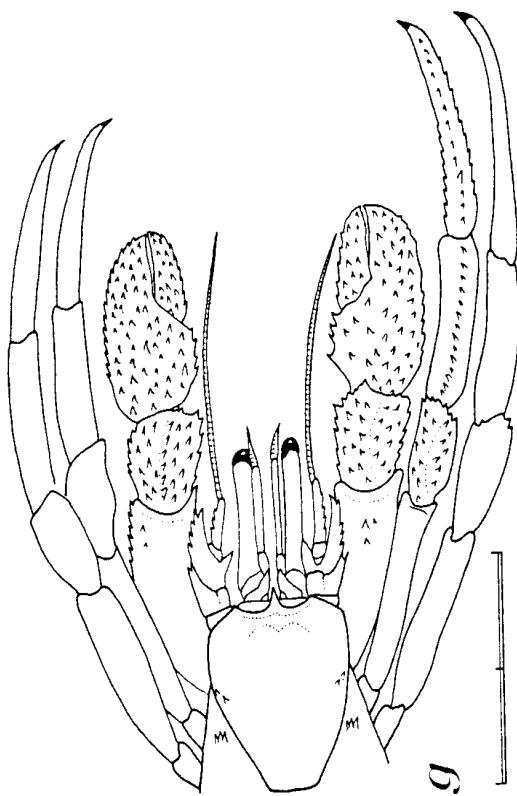
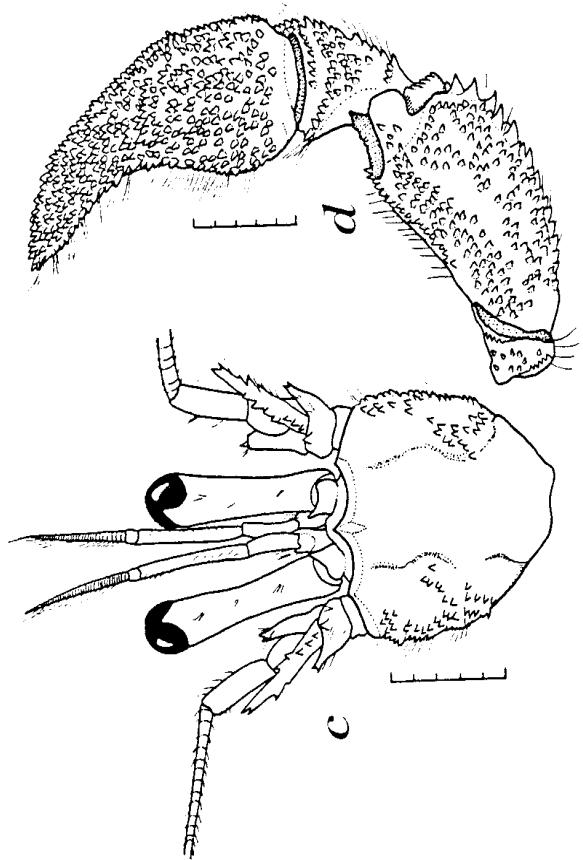
- c. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- d. left cheliped, lateral view  
(after McLaughlin and Provenzano, 1974b)

*Paguristes triangulatus*

- e. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- f. right chela and carpus, external view  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Paguristes grayi*

- g. anterior part of body and pereopods, dorsal view  
(after Provenzano, 1959)



*Paguristes erythropus*

holotype female:

- a. cheliped
- b. anterior part of body, dorsal view  
(after Holthuis, 1959)

*Paguristes serviceus*

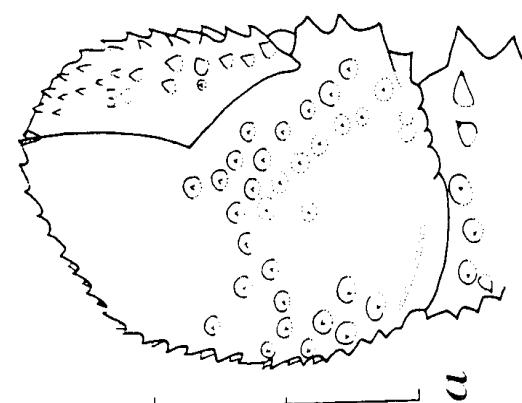
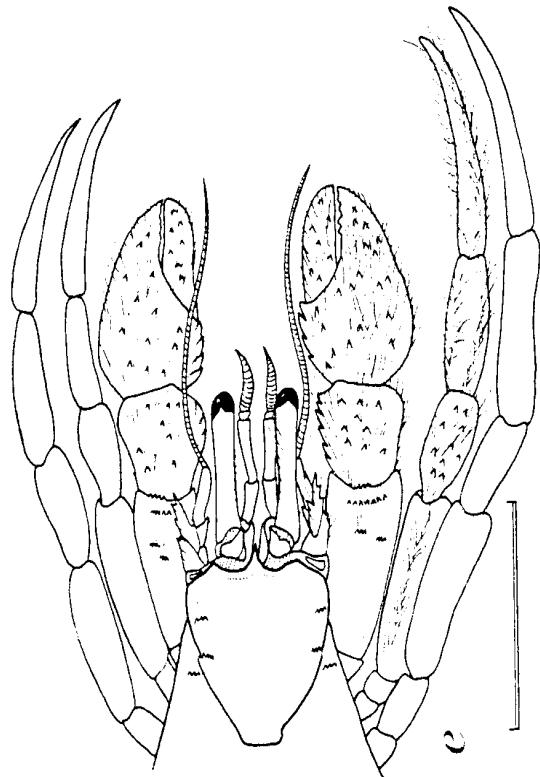
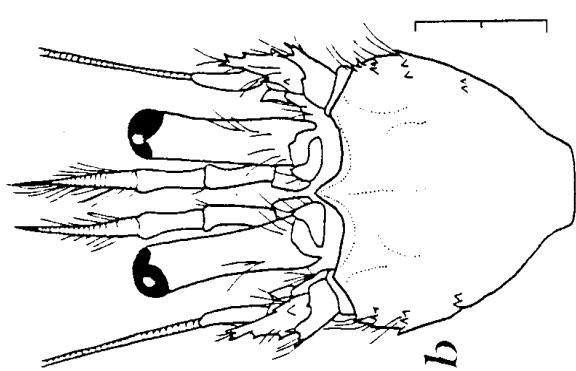
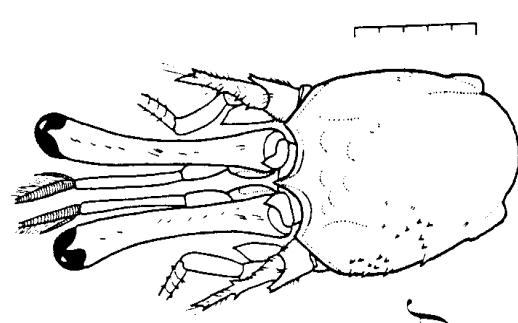
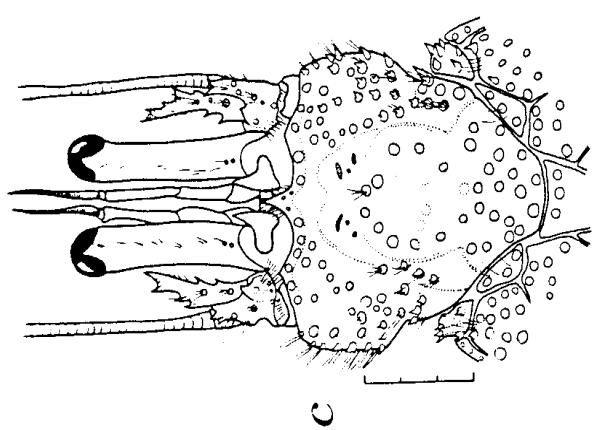
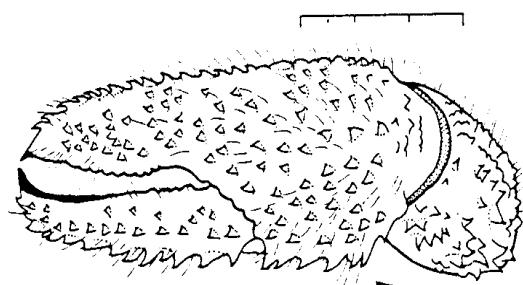
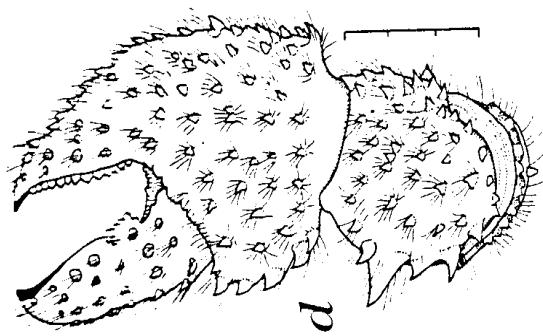
- c. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- d. right chela and carpus, external view  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Paguristes puncticeps*

- e. anterior part of body and pereopods, dorsal view  
(after Provenzano, 1959)
- f. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- g. right chela and carpus, external view  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Paguristes spinipes*

- f. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- g. right chela and carpus, external view  
(after Williams, 1965a)



*Paguristes tenuirostris*

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view  
(after Benedict, 1901)

*Paguristes cadenati*

- b. anterior part of body, dorsal view  
c. left cheliped  
d. left third pereopod  
(after Forest, 1954)

*Paguristes hernancortezii*

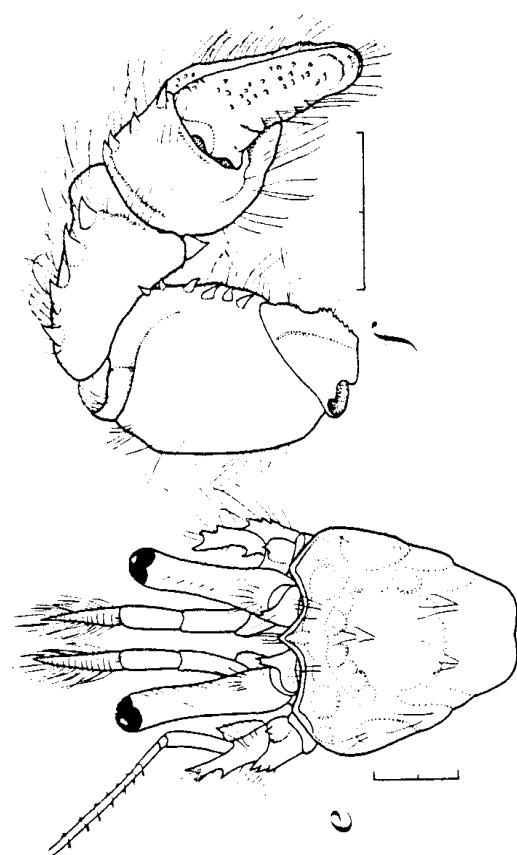
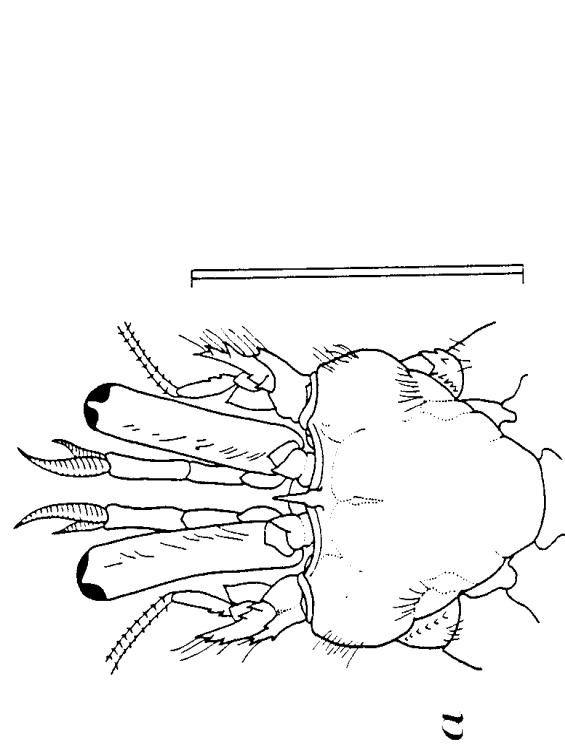
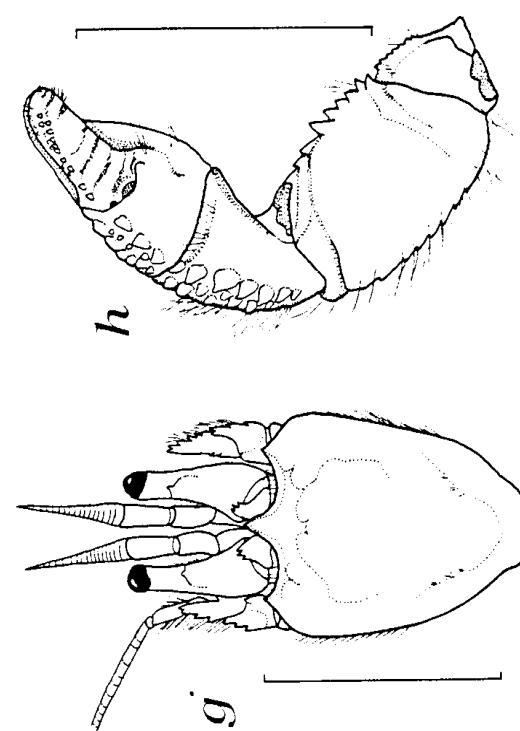
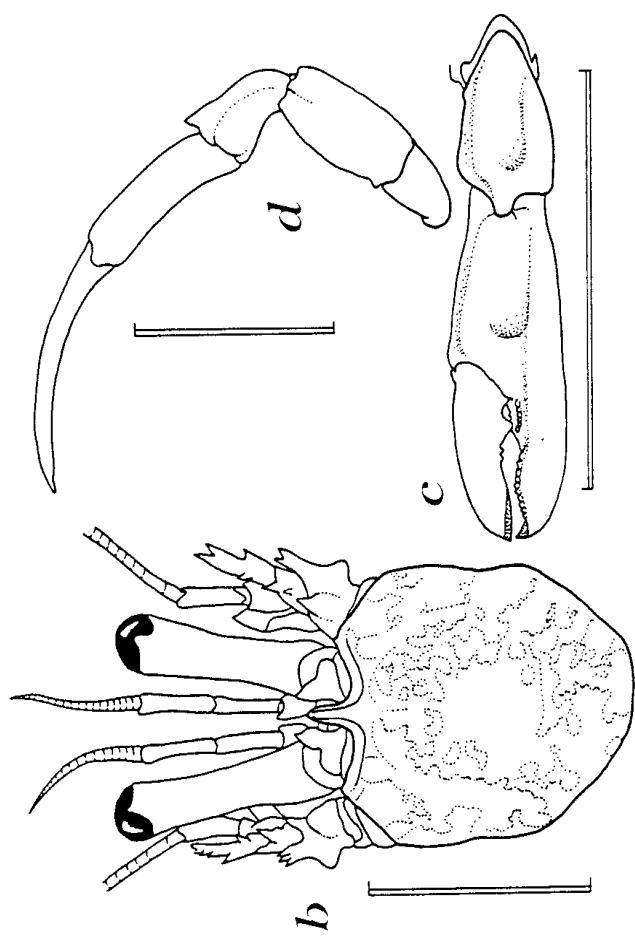
holotype male:

- e. anterior part of body, dorsal view  
f. left cheliped, mesial view  
(after McLaughlin and Provenzano, 1974a)

*Paguristes anomalus*

male:

- g. anterior part of body, dorsal view  
h. left cheliped, mesial view  
(after McLaughlin and Provenzano, 1974a)



*Paguristes wassi*

holotype male:

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- b. left third pereopod, lateral view

(after Provenzano, 1961)

*Paguristes limonensis*

c. anterior part of body, dorsal view

- d. left cheliped, lateral view

(after McLaughlin and Provenzano, 1974b)

*Paguristes starcki*

holotype male:

- e. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- f. left chela, dorsal view

(after Provenzano, 1965)

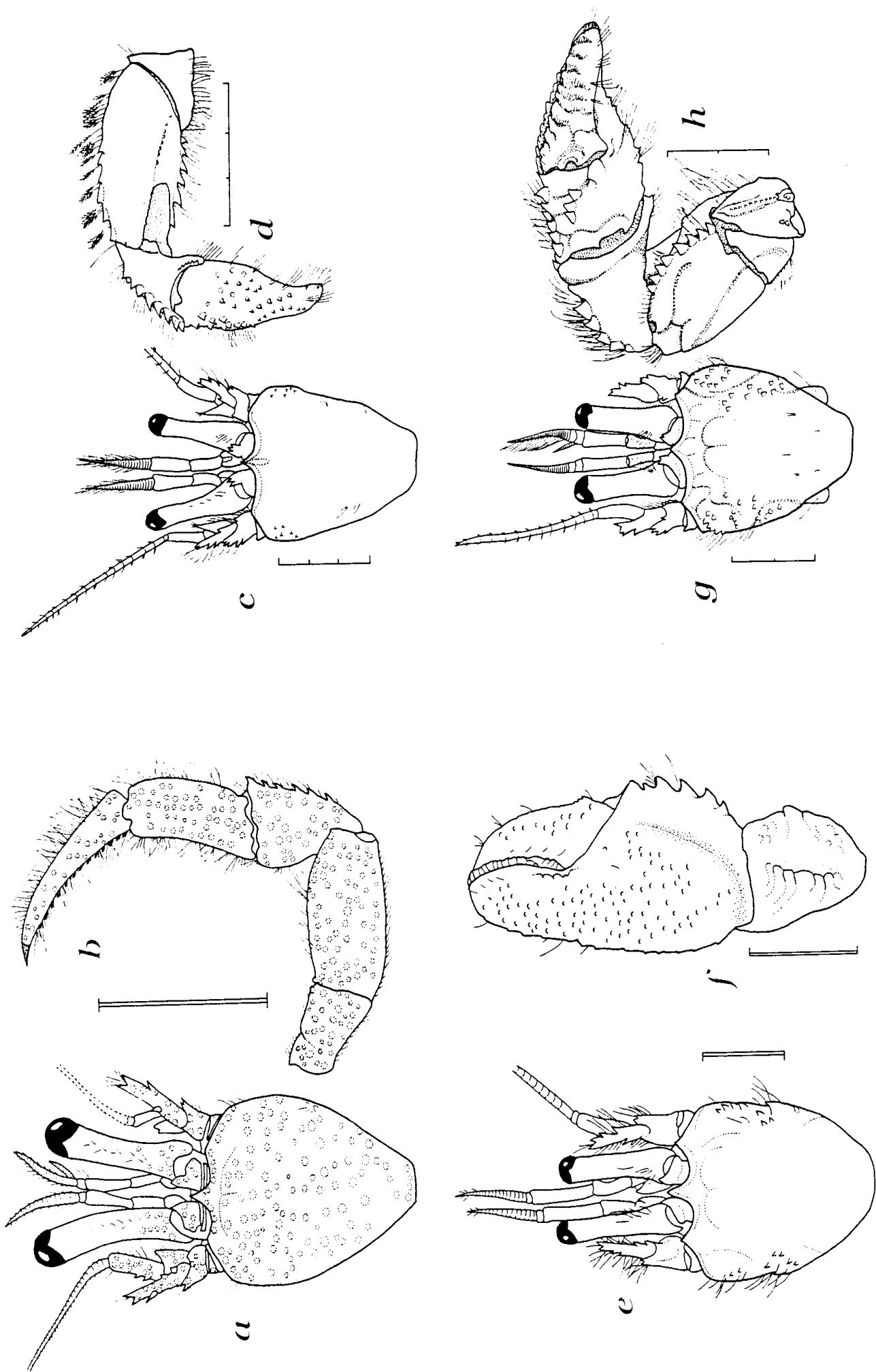
*Paguristes tortugae*

male:

- g. anterior part of body, dorsal view

- h. left cheliped, mesial view

(after McLaughlin and Provenzano, 1974a)



*Paguristes invisisacculus*

holotype male:

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - b. left cheliped, mesial view
- (after McLaughlin and Provenzano, 1974a)

*Calcinus tibicen*

- c. anterior part of body and pereopods,  
dorsal view

(after Provenzano, 1959)

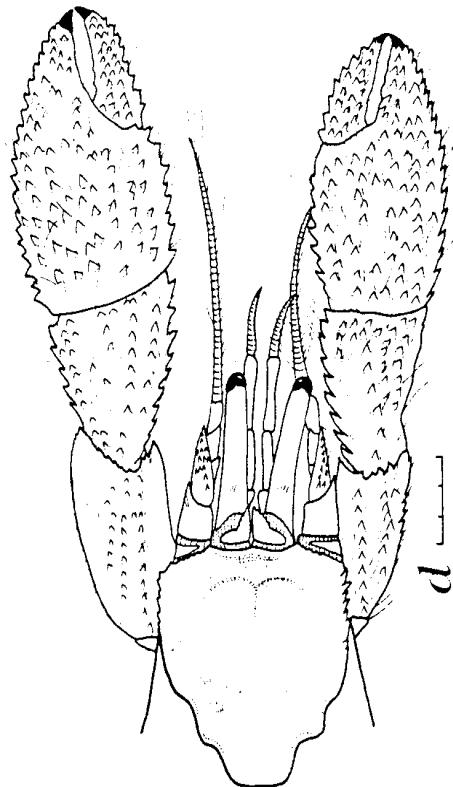
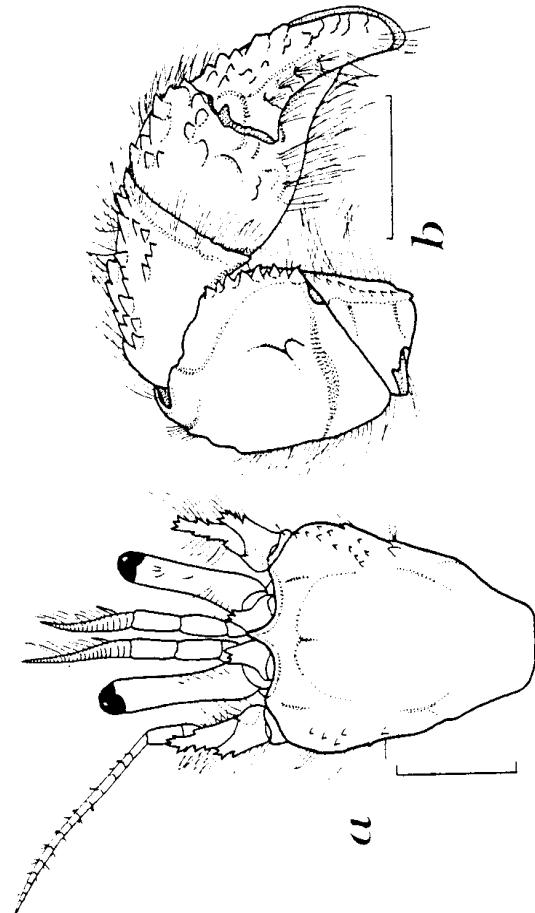
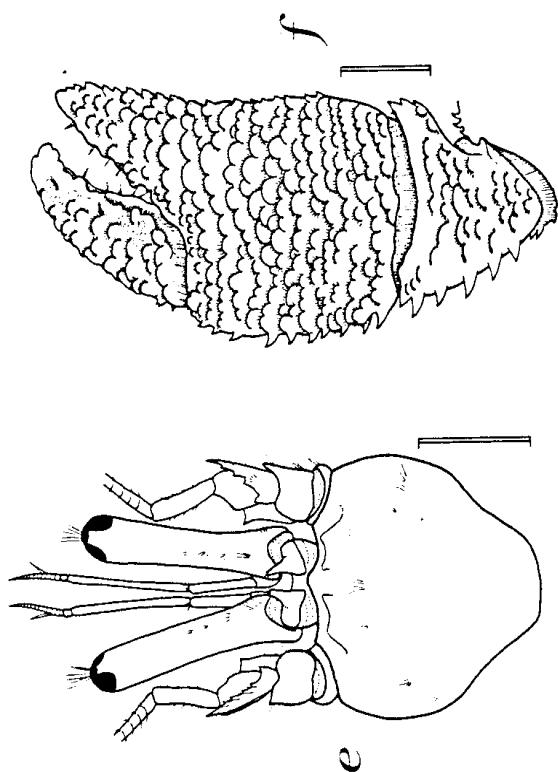
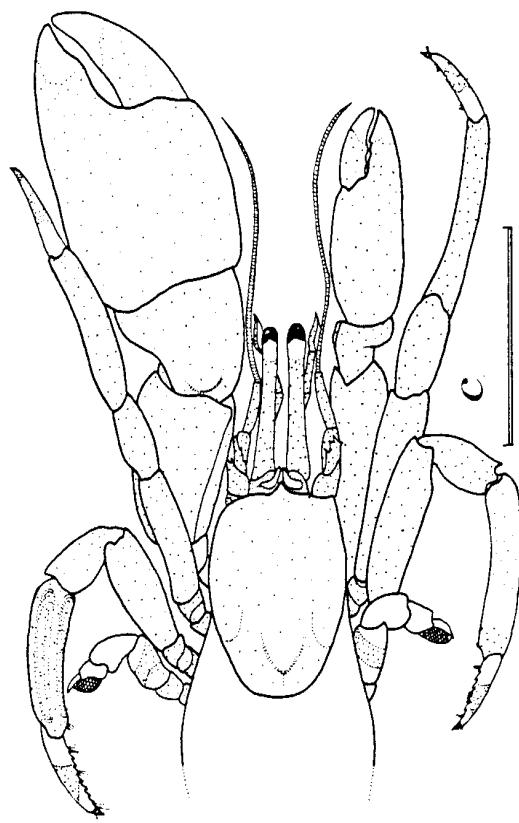
*Isocheles wurdemanni*

female:

- d. anterior part of body and chelipeds, dorsal view
- (after Provenzano, 1959)

*Petrochirus diogenes*

- e. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - f. right chela and carpus, external view
- (after Williams, 1984)





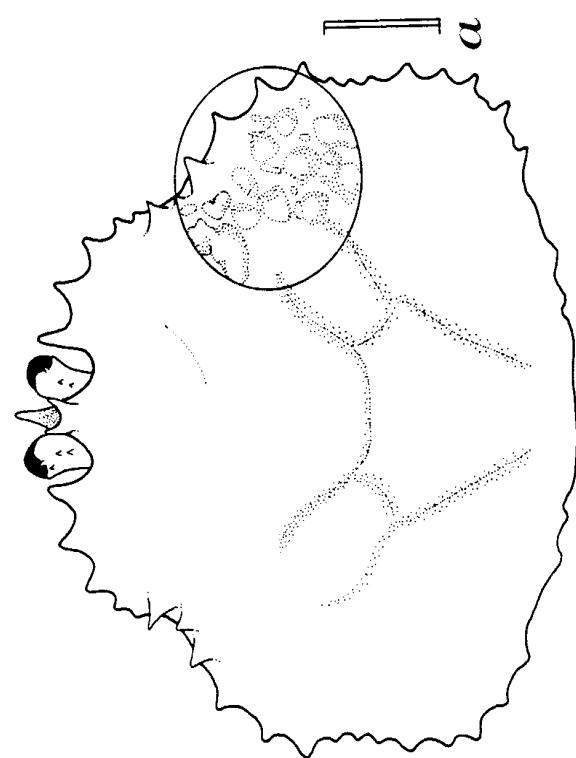
**Family Lithodidae****Genus *Paralomis* White, 1856**

Gastric region with no spines; carapace with strong lateral spines; lateral cardiac furrows not meeting posteriorly; median rostral spine with no central tooth; walking legs moderately compressed [from Chace, 1939] ..... *P. cubensis*

*Paralomis cubensis*

a. carapace, dorsal view

(after specimen at SI-NMNH, USNM 213542)





## Family Paguridae

### Key to genera and species

[Based on McLaughlin, 1981a, and Williams, 1984]

1. Form cancriform; 10 pairs of gills present..... *Ostraconotus spatulipes*
- Form not cancriform; 11 or 13 pairs of gills present ..... 2
2. (1) Ischium of third maxilliped without mesioventral accessory spine near anterior end of mesial dentate crest ..... *Iridopagurus*
- Ischium of third maxilliped with mesioventral accessory spine near anterior end of mesial dentate crest ..... 3
3. (2) Paired pleopods on first abdominal somite of male (next four somites have unequally biramous appendage on left side) .... *Tomopaguropsis problematica*
- No paired appendages on first abdominal somite in male..... 4
4. (3) Sexual tube well developed in male..... 5
- No sexual tube in male..... 7
5. (4) Right tube long, filiform at extremity..... *Nematopaguroides pusillus*
- Right tube not filiform at its extremity..... 6
6. (5) Tube directed toward exterior (laterally) turning dorsally over anterior part of abdomen; chelipeds very unequal; third pereopods of right and left sides similar .... *Catapagurus sharrei*
- Tube directed laterally, not turned over abdomen; chelipeds subequal; third pereopod of left side modified ..... *Solenopagurus lineatus*
7. (4) No paired pleopods on first abdominal somite of female (except *P. piercei*)..... *Pagurus*
- Paired pleopods on first abdominal somite of female..... 8
8. (7) Thirteen pairs of gills present..... *Pylopaguropsis atlantica*
- Eleven pairs of gills present..... 9
9. (8) Propodi of fourth pereopods with single row of scales..... 10
- Propodi of fourth pereopods with two or more rows of scales..... 13
10. (9) Uropods symmetrical or nearly so..... *Pylopagurus discoidalis*
- Uropods markedly asymmetrical..... 11

11. (10) Spines of chelae with basal rosettes..... *Rhodochirus rosaceus*  
Spines of chelae without basal rosettes..... 12
12. (11) Dactylus and immovable finger of left chela "spoon-shaped"..... *Tomopagurus*  
Dactylus and immovable finger of left chela not "spoon-shaped" (right chela  
operculate; preungual process present) ..... *Phimochirus*
13. (9) Uropods symmetrical or nearly so, with protopods produced posteriorly.....  
..... *Agaricochirus*  
Uropods markedly asymmetrical, with protopods not produced posteriorly..... 14
14. (13) Left chela triangular in cross-section, dactylus and immovable finger not  
dorsoventrally flattened ..... *Anisopagurus*  
Left chela not triangular in cross-section, dactylus and immovable finger  
dorsoventrally flattened ..... *Manucomplanus corallinus*

**Genus *Agaricochirus* McLaughlin, 1981**

## Key to species

[Adapted from McLaughlin, 1982]

1. Tergite of fifth abdominal somite with distinct patch of short, stiff setae (anterior lobe of sternite of third pereopods well developed, subquadrate) .....*A. gibbosimanus*  
Tergite of fifth abdominal somite without distinct patch of short, stiff setae..... 2
2. (1) Dorsolateral margin of carpus of right cheliped with row of strong spines, at least distally .....*A. alexandri*  
Dorsolateral margin of carpus of right cheliped with row of low protuberances or unarmed ..... 3
3. (2) Dorsal surface of dactylus of right cheliped with longitudinal ridge of broad tubercles; margins of mushroom-shaped tubercles unarmed .....*A. boletifer*  
Dorsal surface of dactylus of right cheliped with longitudinal rows of simple tubercles; margins of mushroom-shaped tubercles armed with tiny spines .....*A. acanthinus*

**Genus *Anisopagurus* McLaughlin, 1981**

## Key to species

- Eye scales armed with 4-5 spines on medial margin.....*A. pygmaeus*
- Eye scales with apical spine.....*A. bartletti*

### Genus *Iridopagurus* De Saint Laurent-Dechancé, 1966

#### Key to species

[From McLaughlin, personal communication]

1. Distodorsal margin of merus of left cheliped with strong spine..... *I. iris*
- Distodorsal margin of merus of left cheliped glabrous..... 2
2. (1) Chelipeds with dense patch of setae on dorsolateral distal surface of palm and proximal surface of immovable finger ..... *I. caribensis*
- Chelipeds without dense patch of setae on dorsolateral distal surface of palm and immovable finger ..... 3
3. (2) Right chela with row of spines on dorsomesial margin and dorsal midline proximally; 4th pereopod with preungual process ..... *I. globulus*
- Right chela with numerous irregular rows of spines on dorsal surface; 4th pereopod without preungual process ..... 4
4. (3) Chelae with palms ovate, dorsal surfaces with reticulated color pattern; dactyli of 2nd and 3rd pereopods with 3-8 corneous spinules on inferior margins ..... *I. reticulatus*
- Chelae with palms subrectangular, dorsal surfaces with colored band across fingers proximally; dactyli of 2nd and 3rd pereopods with 8-12 corneous spinules on inferior margins ..... *I. violaceus*

### Genus *Pagurus* Fabricius, 1775

#### Key to species

[Based on Lematre et al., 1982, and Williams, 1984]

1. Ocular acicles with several terminal submarginal or marginal spines..... 2
- Ocular acicles with single terminal submarginal spine (rarely 1 or 2 accessory mesial marginal spinules) ..... 4
2. (1) Chelae with short setae forming dense mat-like covering on dorsal surfaces..... *P. provenzanoi*
- Chelae glabrous or with short to long setae, but setae not forming dense mat-like covering on dorsal surfaces ..... 3

3. (2) Left chela with longitudinal row of moderately strong or strong spines in proximity to dorsolateral margin; antennal flagella with setae less than 1 article in length ..... *P. brevidactylus*
- Left chela without longitudinal row of moderately strong or strong spines in proximity to dorsolateral margin; antennal flagella with setae 1-2 articles in length .... *P. carolinensis*
4. (1) Width of major chela at least length (except *P. maclaughlinae*)..... 5  
 Width of major chela less than length (except *P. maclaughlinae*)..... 7
5. (4) Dactylus of major chela with sharply produced angle on mesial margin..... *P. pollicaris*  
 Dactylus of major chela without sharply produced angle on mesial margin..... 6
6. (5) Chelipeds with palms dented on dorsal surfaces, covered with small, closely crowded granules ..... *P. impressus*  
 Palm of major chela bearing irregular rows of spines on dorsal surface; palm of minor chela bearing single or double rows of spines on dorsal midline ..... *P. maclaughlinae*
7. (4) Rostrum distinct, usually produced as small lobe..... *P. marshi*  
 Rostrum not distinct or produced as small lobe..... 8
8. (7) Antennal flagella with long, usually uniformly paired setae, 3-8 articles in length, at least every second article proximally ..... 9  
 Antennal flagella with short, or irregularly short and long, not uniformly paired, setae over entire length ..... 11
9. (8) Dactyli of pereopods without row of corneous spines on inferior margins (rarely with 1-3 minute spinules) ..... *P. gymnodactylus*  
 Dactyli of pereopods with row of corneous spines on inferior margins..... 10
10. (9) Antennal flagella short, not overreaching left chela; carpus of 2nd right pereopod with dorsal row of spines ..... *P. annulipes*  
 Antennal flagella long, overreaching right chela; carpus of 2nd right pereopod without dorsal row of spines, rarely 1 or 2 spines in large individuals (shield length 2.5 mm) ..... *P. criniticornis*
11. (8) Palm of small (left) chela triangular in cross section, upper surface divided by longitudinal ridge into 2 obliquely sloping facets ..... 12  
 Palm of small (left) chela not triangular in cross section, either oval or flattened... 13

12. (ll) Eyestalks moderately to noticeably stout with definitely dilated corneas; minor chela simply ornamented dorsally with numerous rounded, slightly appressed to spiniform tubercles ..... *P. politus*
- Eyestalks slender, curved slightly outward, cornea only very slightly dilated; major chela with prominent, sometimes strongly elevated median single or double rows of spines ..... *P. stimpsoni*
13. (ll) Eye scales triangular; eyestalks equally swollen at base and cornea; rostrum obtuse but definitely exceeding obsolescent lateral projections; major chela 3 or more times longer than wide ..... *P. piercei*
- Eye scales rounded distally; eyestalks with cornea dilated, broader than base; rostrum obtuse but about equalling lateral projections; major chela 2.5 (or less) times longer than wide ..... 14
14. (l3) Chelipeds subcylindrical, relatively smooth on lateral surface; palm lightly crested and minutely dentate along lateral margin, dorsal surface minutely granulate and with 2 incomplete rows of subspinous tubercles and scattered smaller ones; dorsal surface of eye scale shallowly excavated ..... *P. longicarpus*
- Chelipeds not subcylindrical, relatively spiny on lateral surface and setose; palm with more or less diagonal rows of spines on dorsal surface and with irregularly but closely set plates near base of immovable finger and occasionally on dactylus, spine or tubercle usually arising from center of each plate; not shallowly excavated on dorsal surface ..... *P. defensus*

### Genus *Phimochirus* McLaughlin, 1981

#### Key to species

[Adapted from McLaughlin, 1981b]

1. Palm of right chela with dorsal tuberculate median ridge formed by shallow mesial and lateral depressions ..... *P. randalli*
- Palm of right chela without dorsal tuberculate median ridge formed by shallow mesial and lateral depressions ..... 2
2. (1) Dorsal surface of palm and immovable finger of right chela with strong or moderately strong tubercles, at least distally (exopod of left uropod without dense tuft of long setae) ..... *P. holthuisi*
- Dorsal surface of palm and immovable finger of right chela smooth, granular, or weakly tuberculate ..... 3
3. (2) Dorsal surface of carpus of right cheliped unarmed ..... *P. leurocarpus*
- Dorsal surface of carpus of right cheliped tuberculate, spinose, or spinulose (palm of left chela with dorsomedial row of small spines or tubercles extending to base of dactylus) ..... *P. operculatus*

### Genus *Tomopagurus* A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1893

#### Key to species

[Adapted from McLaughlin, 1981a]

1. First antennal segment with prominent, often hooked, lateral spine ..... 2
- First antennal segment without prominent, often hooked, lateral spine ..... 4
2. (1) Propodus and dactylus of left third pereopod with lateral faces densely setose ..... 3
- Propodus and dactylus of left third pereopod with lateral faces not densely setose.... *T. rubropunctatus*
3. (2) Carpus of right second pereopod with one spine on dorsal margin ..... *T. cokeri*
- Carpus of right second pereopod with more than one spine on dorsal margin ..... *T. wassi*
4. (1) Dorsal surface of right chela with prominent acute spines ..... *T. cubensis*
- Dorsal surface of right chela with spinulose or blunt tubercles (carpus of second right pereopod with one or two strong spines on dorsal margin distally) ..... *T. chacei*

*Agaricochirus gibbosimanus*

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - b. right chela, dorsal view
  - c. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - d. right chela, dorsal view
  - e. left chela and anterior portion of carpus, dorsal view
- (a, after McLaughlin, 1982; b, after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1893)

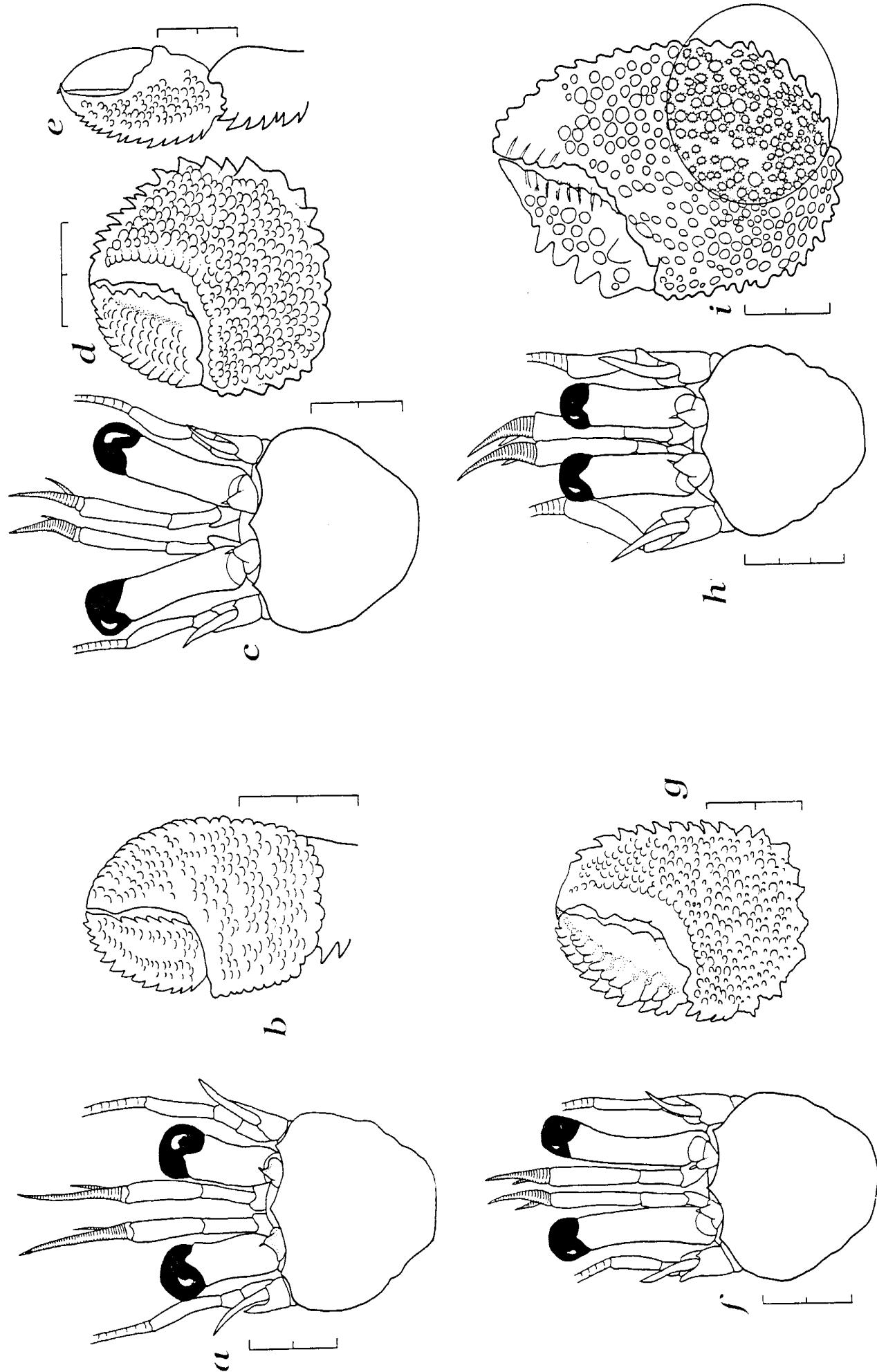
*Agaricochirus alexandri*

- c. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - d. right chela, dorsal view
  - e. left chela and anterior portion of carpus, dorsal view
- (c, after McLaughlin, 1982; d, e, after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1893)

*Agaricochirus boletifer*

- f. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - g. right chela, dorsal view
  - h. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - i. right chela, dorsal view
- (f, after McLaughlin, 1982; g, after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1893)
- (after McLaughlin, 1982)

*Agaricochirus acanthinus*

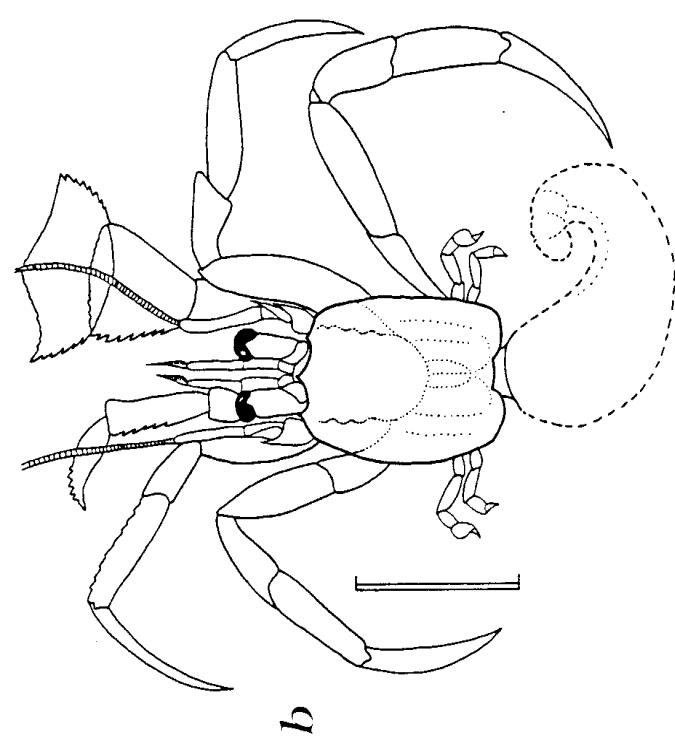


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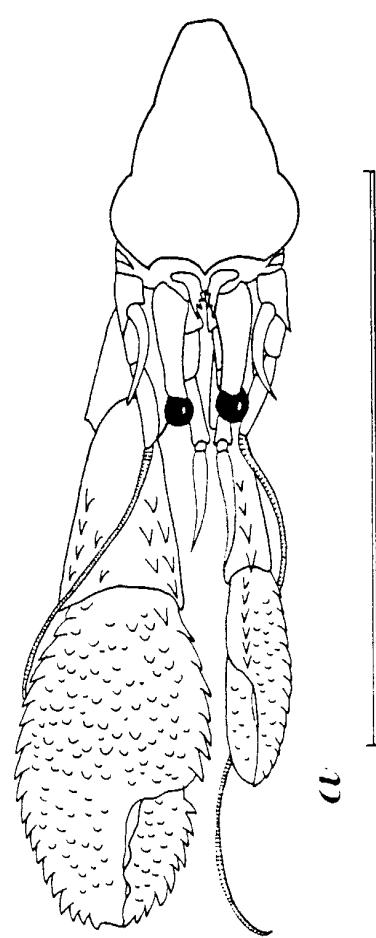
a. anterior part of body and chelipeds, dorsal view  
(after Provenzano, 1959)

*Anisopagurus bartletti*

b. dorsal view  
(after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1893)



b



c

*Iridopagurus iris*

male:

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- b. right cheliped, dorsal view
- c. left second pereopod, inner face

(after De Saint Laurent-Dechancé, 1966)

*Iridopagurus caribensis*

male:

- d. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- e. right cheliped, dorsal view
- f. left second pereopod, inner face

(after De Saint Laurent-Dechancé, 1966)

*Iridopagurus globulus*

holotype male:

- g. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- h. right cheliped, dorsal view
- i. left second pereopod, inner face

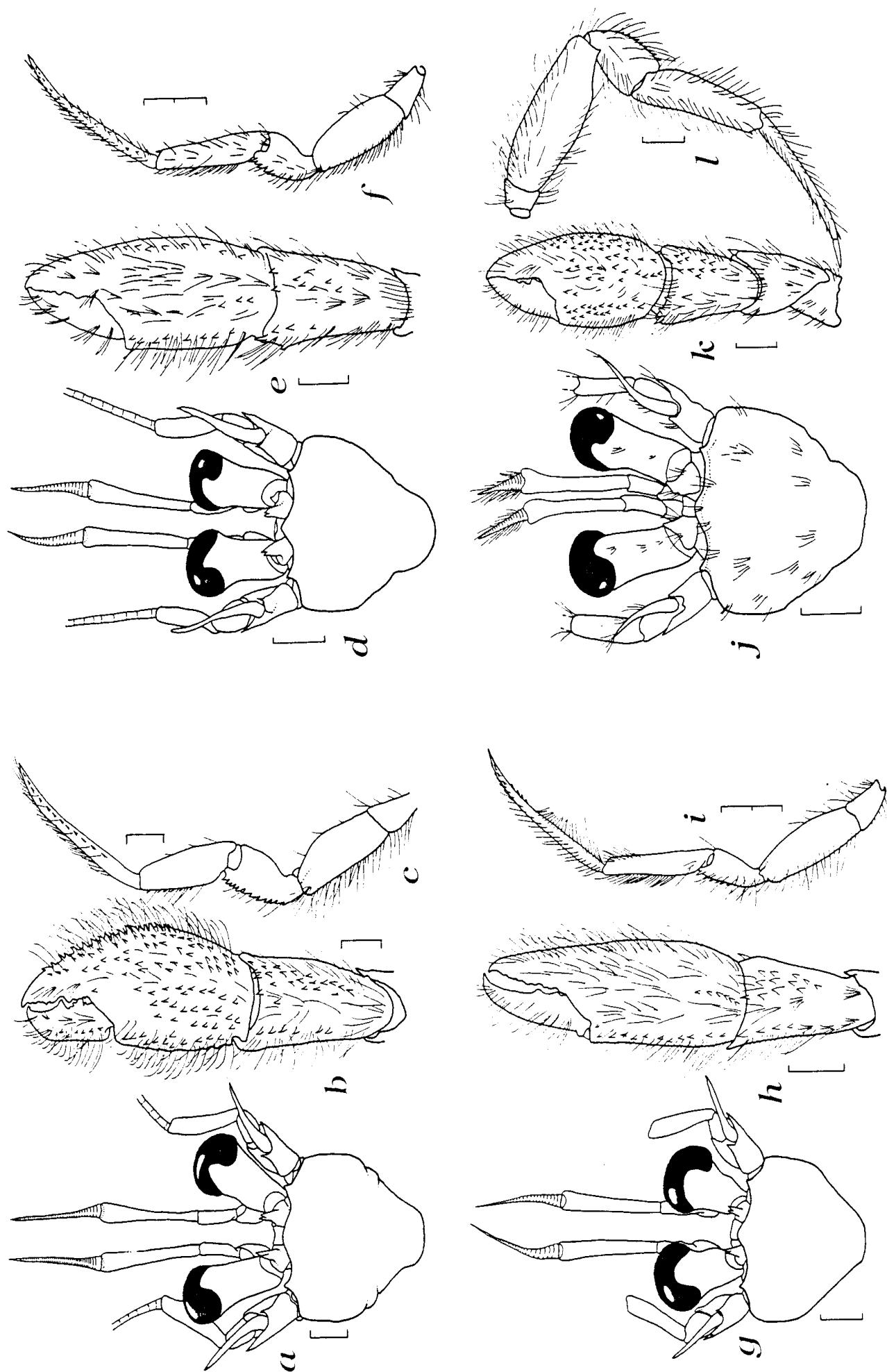
(after De Saint Laurent-Dechancé, 1966)

*Iridopagurus reticulatus*

j. anterior part of body, dorsal view

- k. right cheliped, dorsal view
- l. right second pereopod, lateral view

(after García-Gómez, 1983)

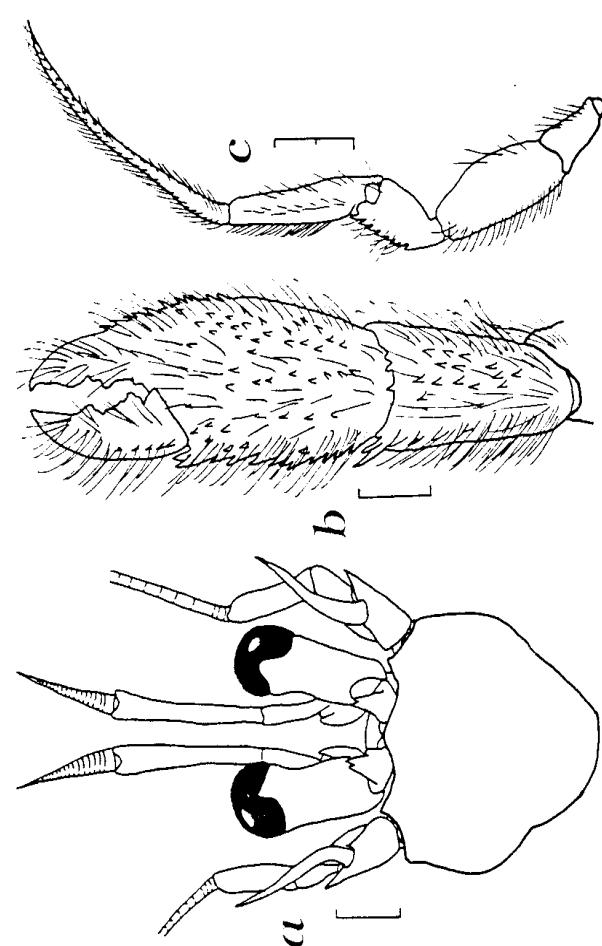


*Iridopagurus violaceus*

holotype female:

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- b. right cheliped, dorsal view
- c. left second pereopod, inner face

(after De Saint Laurent-Dechancé, 1966)



***Pagurus provenzanoi***

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view (holotype male)
  - b. right cheliped, dorsal view
  - c. left cheliped, dorsal view (female)
- (after Forest and De Saint Laurent, 1967)

***Pagurus brevidactylus***

male:

- d. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- e. left cheliped, dorsal view

(after McLaughlin, 1975)

***Pagurus carolinensis***

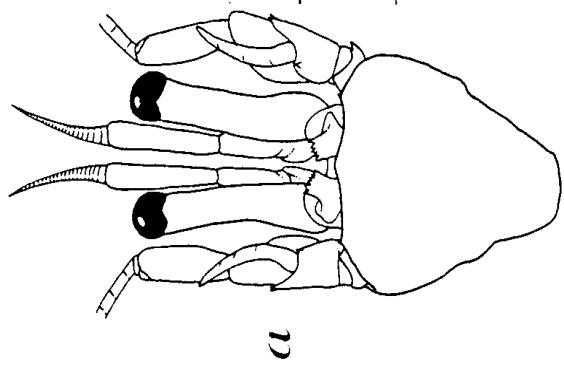
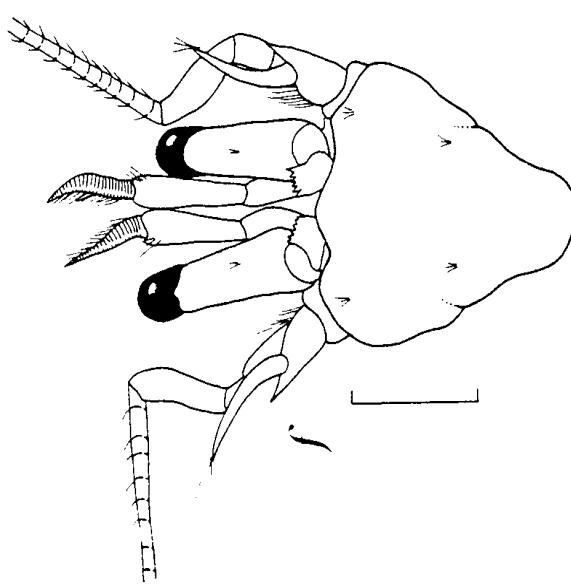
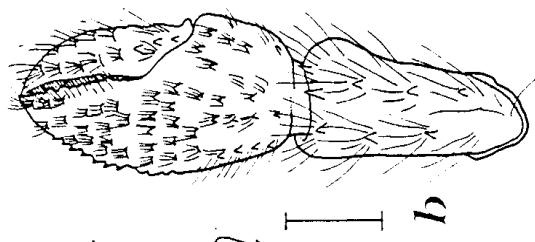
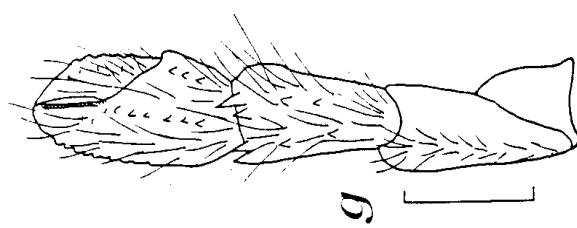
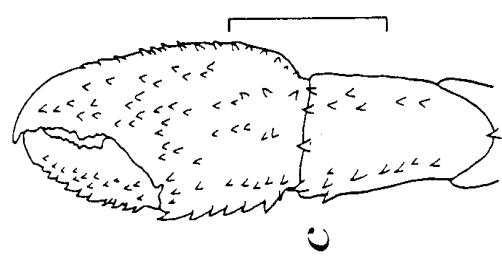
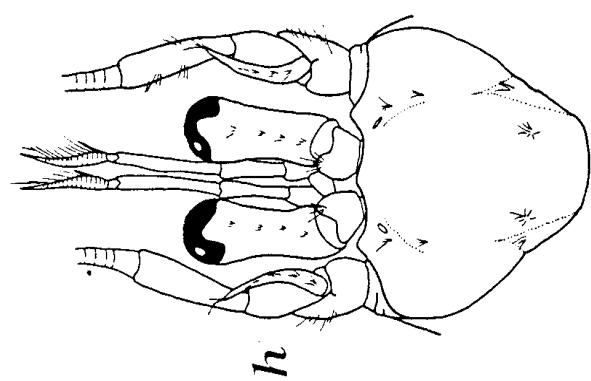
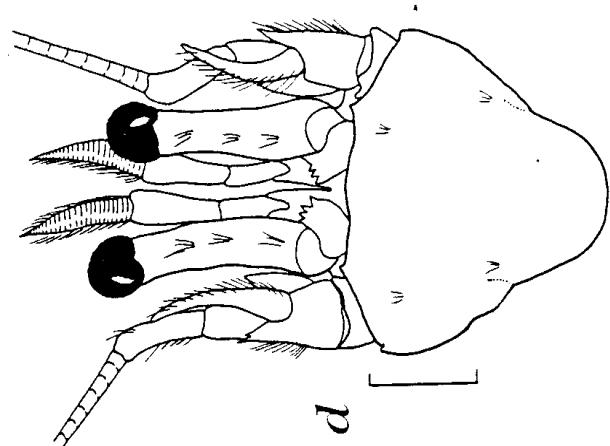
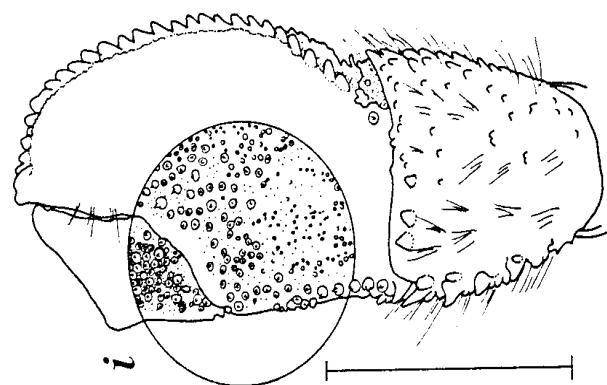
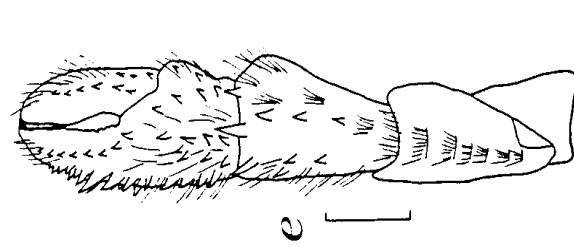
male:

- f. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - g. left cheliped, dorsal view
- (after McLaughlin, 1975)

***Pagurus pollicaris***

female:

- h. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - i. right cheliped, dorsal view
- (after Williams, 1984)



***Pagurus impressus***

ovigerous female:

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - b. right cheliped, dorsal view
  - c. left cheliped, dorsal view
- (after Williams, 1984)

***Pagurus maclaughlinae***

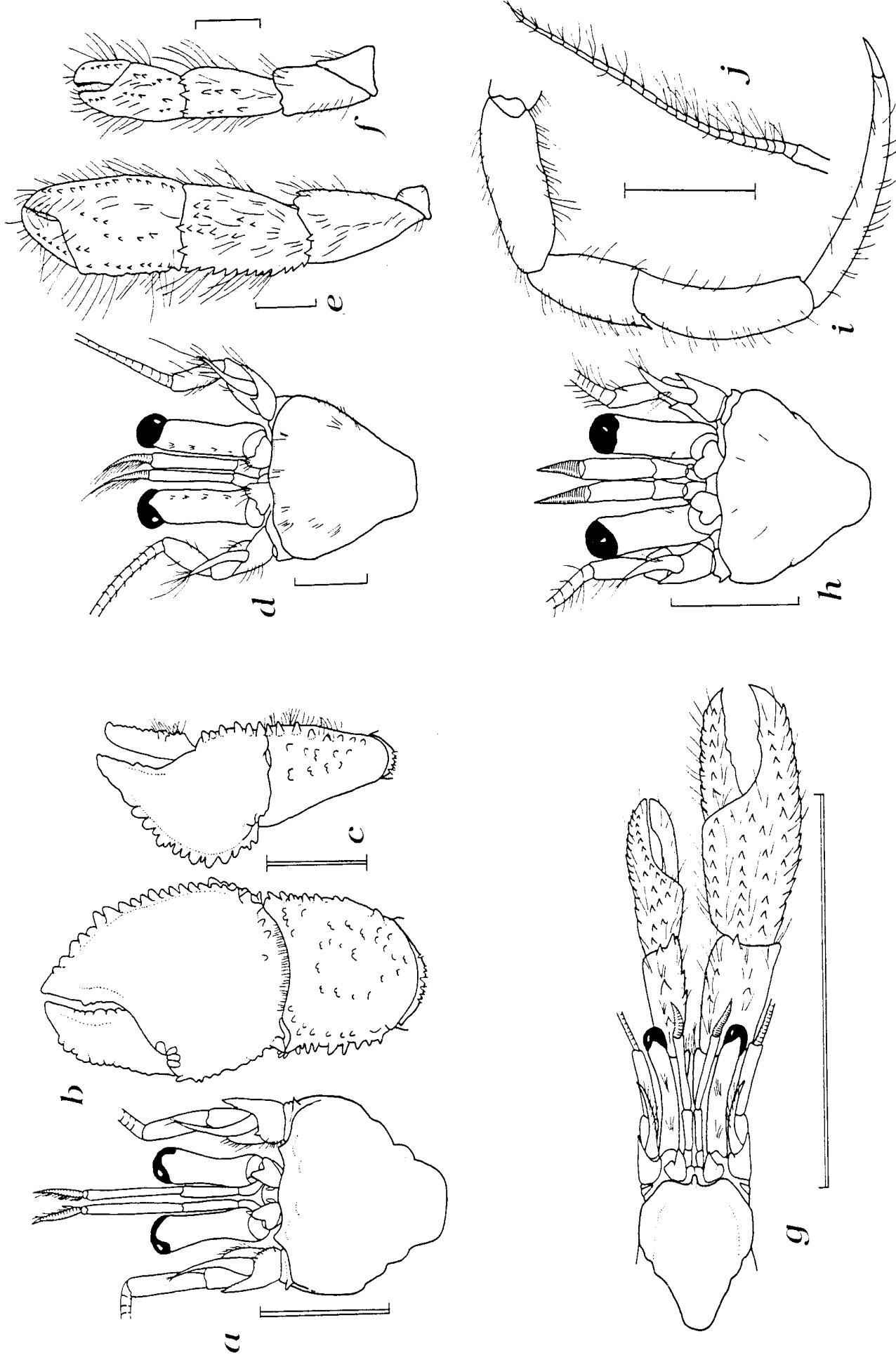
- d. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - e. left cheliped, dorsal view
  - f. right cheliped, dorsal view
- (after García-Gómez, 1982)

***Pagurus marshi***

- g. anterior part of body and chelipeds, dorsal view
- (after Provenzano, 1959)

***Pagurus gymnodactylus***

- h. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - i. right second pereopod, mesial view
  - j. antennal flagellum, lateral view
- (after Lemaître, 1982)



***Pagurus annulipes***

a. anterior part of body, dorsal view

b. carpus of right second pereopod (male, shield length, 1.3 mm)

c. carpus of right second pereopod (male, shield length, 2.5 mm)

(after Lemaire, 1982)

***Pagurus criniticornis***

male:

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- b. carpus of right second pereopod (male, shield length, 1.3 mm)
- c. carpus of right second pereopod (male, shield length, 2.5 mm)
- d. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- e. second pereopod, lateral view

(after Forest and De Saint Laurent, 1967)

***Pagurus politus***

male:

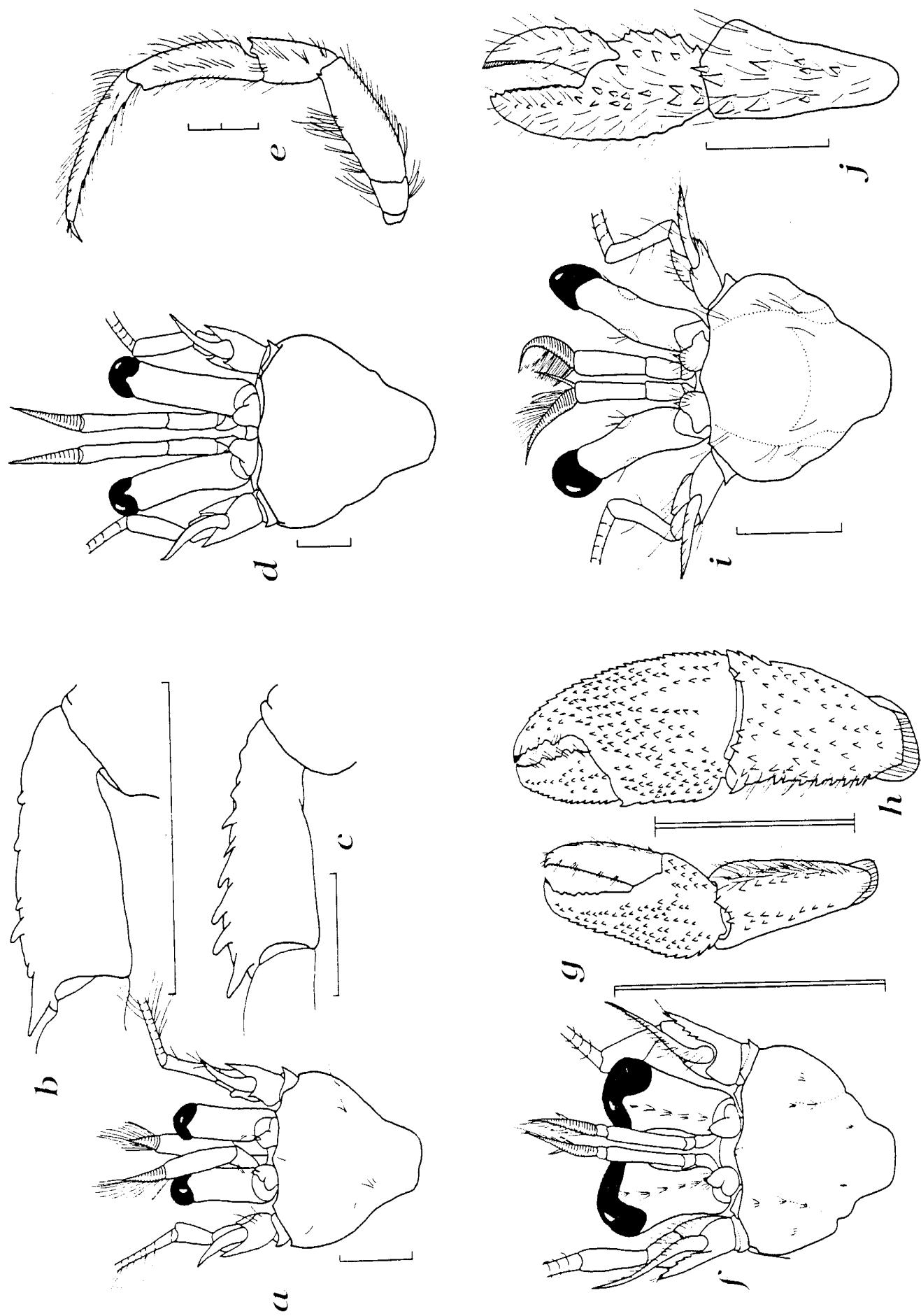
- f. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- g. right cheliped, dorsal view
- h. left cheliped dorsal view

(after Williams, 1984)

***Pagurus stimpsoni***

- i. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- j. left cheliped, dorsal view

(after Wass, 1963, as *P. hendersoni*)



*Pagurus piercei*

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - b. major chela, dorsal view
- (after Wass, 1963)

*Pagurus longicarpus*

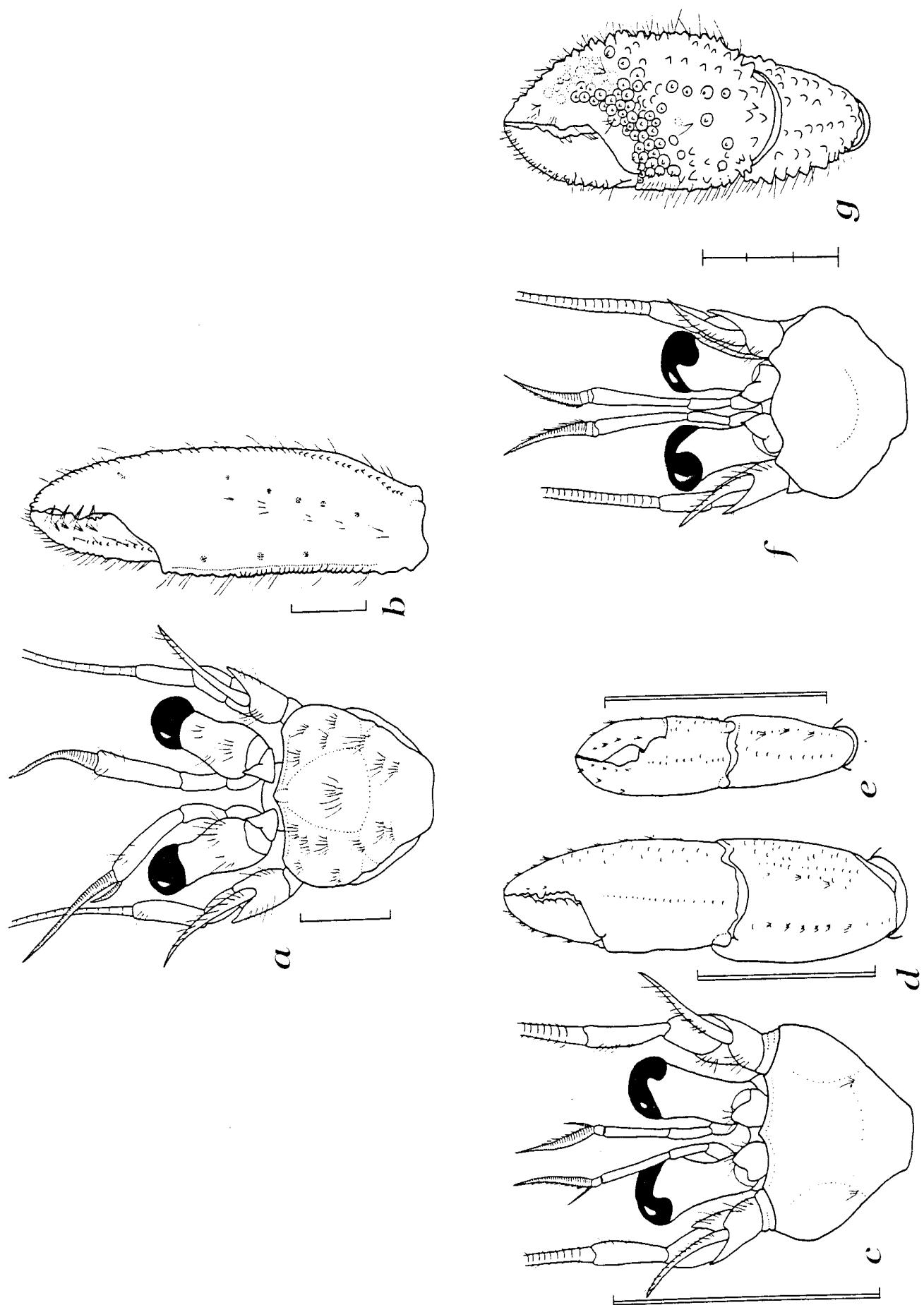
male:

- c. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - d. right cheliped, dorsal view
  - e. left cheliped, dorsal view
- (after Williams, 1984)

*Pagurus defensus*

female:

- f. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - g. right cheliped, dorsal view
- (after Williams, 1984)



*Phimochirus randalli*

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- b. major chela, dorsal view (holotype male)
- (a, after McLaughlin, 1981b; b, after Provenzano, 1961)
- c. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- d. major chela, dorsal view (holotype male)
- (c, after McLaughlin, 1981b; d, after Provenzano, 1961)

*Phimochirus holthuisi*

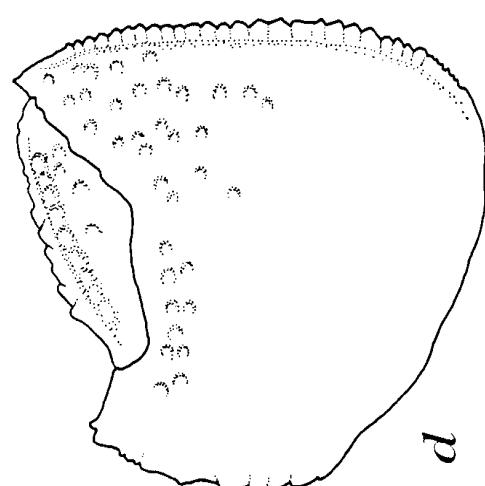
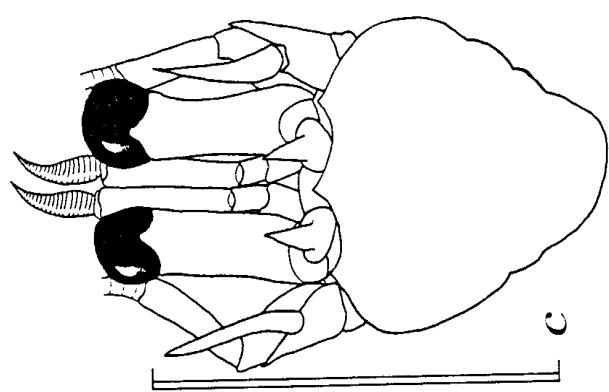
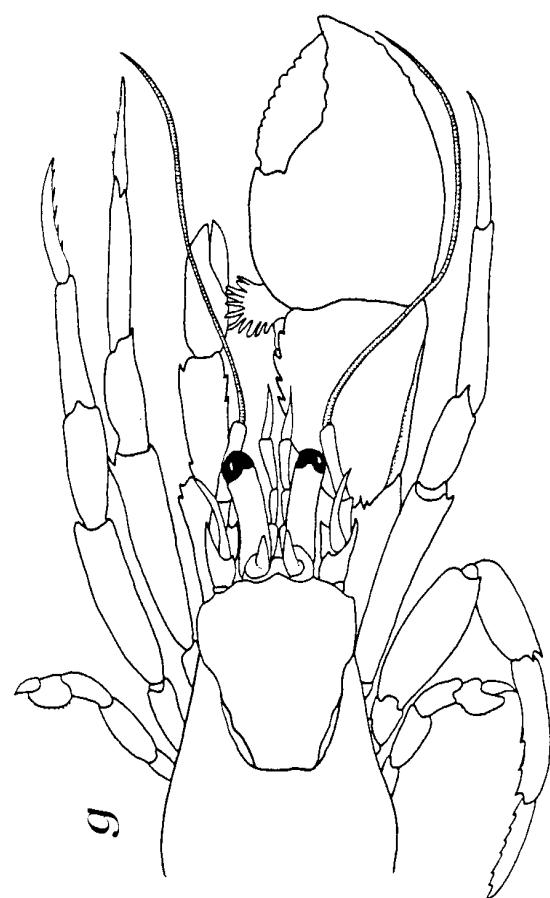
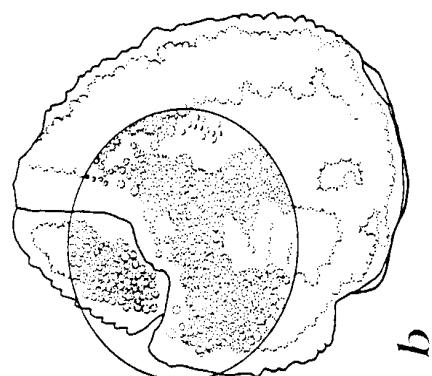
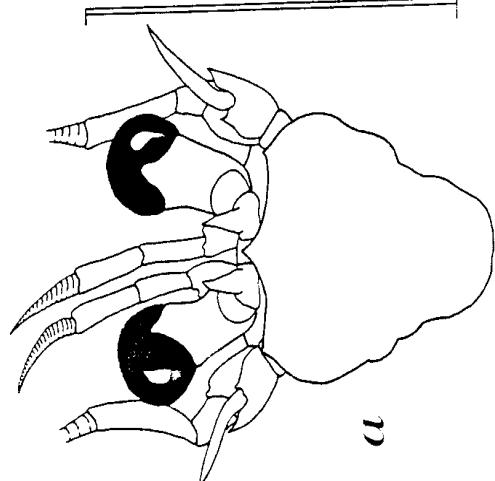
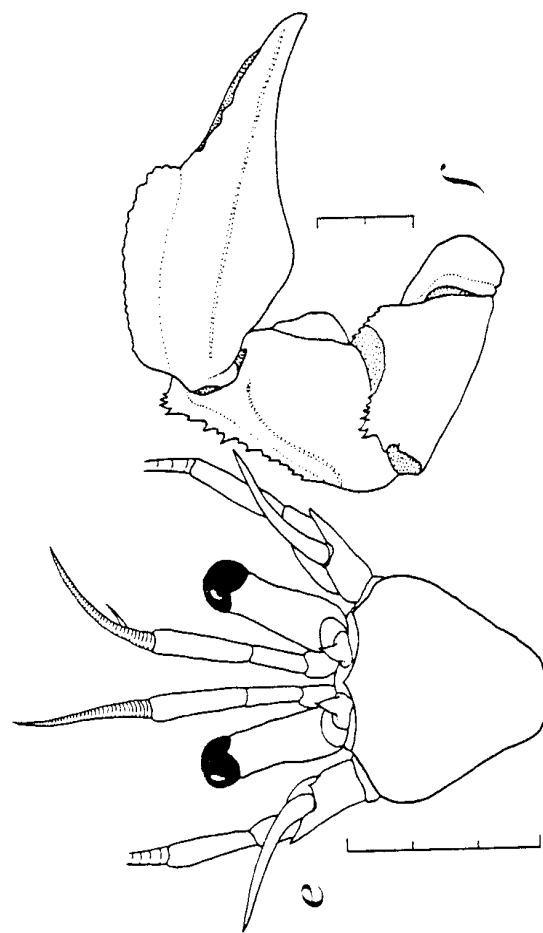
- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- b. major chela, dorsal view (holotype male)
- (a, after McLaughlin, 1981b; b, after Provenzano, 1961)
- c. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- d. major chela, dorsal view (holotype male)
- (c, after McLaughlin, 1981b; d, after Provenzano, 1961)

*Phimochirus leurocarpus*

- e. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- f. right cheliped, lateral view
- (after McLaughlin, 1981b)
- g. anterior part of body and pereopods
- (after Provenzano, 1959)

*Phimochirus opercularis*

- g. anterior part of body and pereopods
- (after Provenzano, 1959)

*d**c**g**b**a**e*

***Tomopagurus rubropunctatus***

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - b. major chela, dorsal view
  - c. third right pereopod
  - d. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - e. right chela and carpus, dorsal view
  - f. second right pereopod
- (a, after McLaughlin, 1981a; b, c, after Wass, 1963,  
as *Pagurus rubrolineatus*)

***Tomopagurus cokeri***

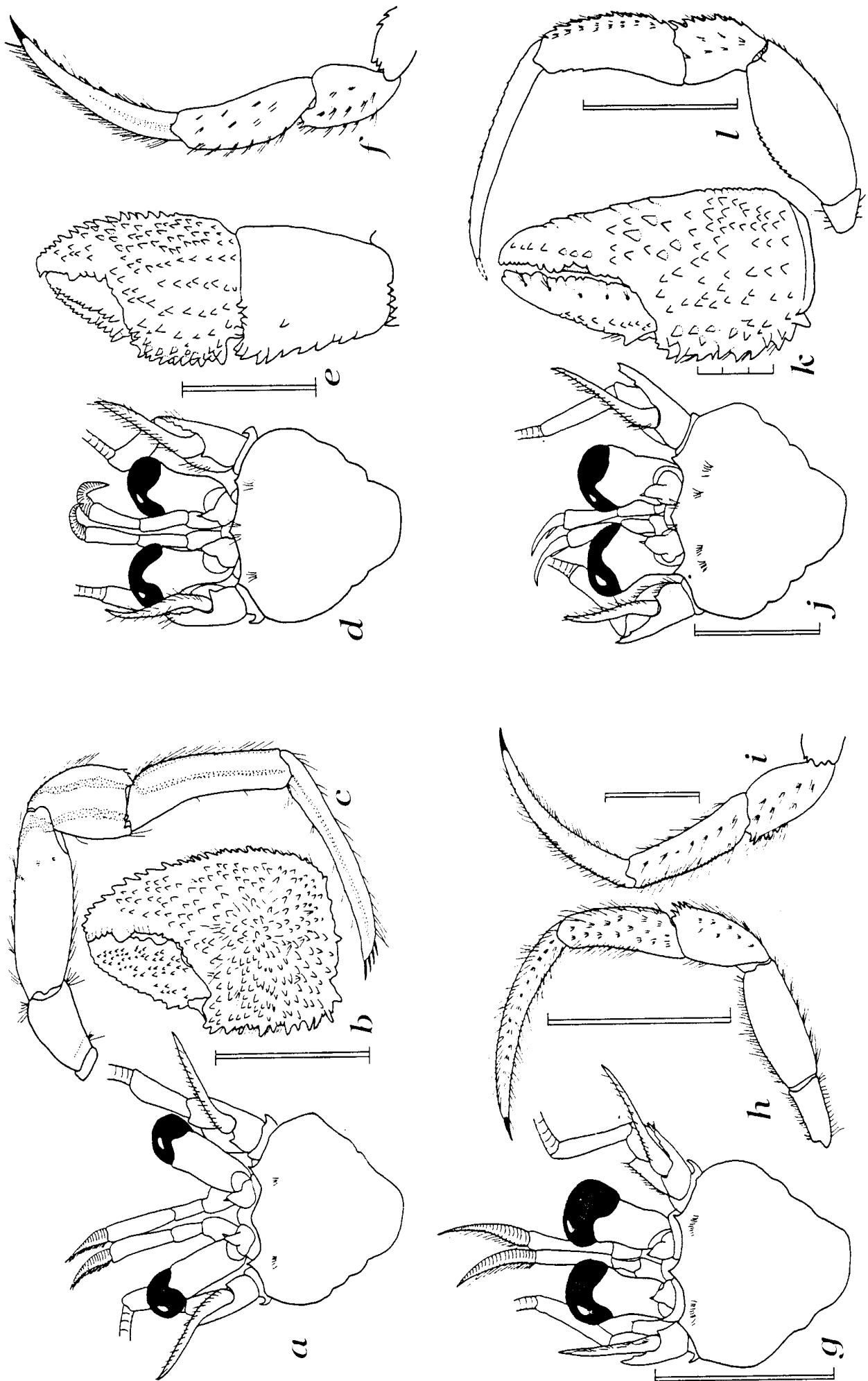
- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - b. major chela, dorsal view
  - c. third right pereopod
  - d. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - e. right chela and carpus, dorsal view
  - f. second right pereopod
- (after McLaughlin, 1981a)

***Tomopagurus wassi***

- g. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - h. third left pereopod
  - i. second right pereopod
  - j. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - k. major chela, dorsal view
  - l. second left pereopod
- (a, after McLaughlin, 1981a; b, c, after Wass, 1963)

***Tomopagurus cubensis***

- j. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - k. major chela, dorsal view
  - l. second left pereopod
- (a, after McLaughlin, 1981a; b, c, after Wass, 1963)



***Tomopagurus chacei***

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - b. major chela, dorsal view
- (a, after McLaughlin, 1981a; b, after Wass, 1963)
- c. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - d. thorax and sexual tube, ventral view
  - e. left cheliped, dorsal view
  - f. right cheliped, dorsal view

(after Forest and De Saint Laurent, 1967)

***Catapagurus sharrei***

- c. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- d. thorax and sexual tube, ventral view
- e. left cheliped, dorsal view
- f. right cheliped, dorsal view

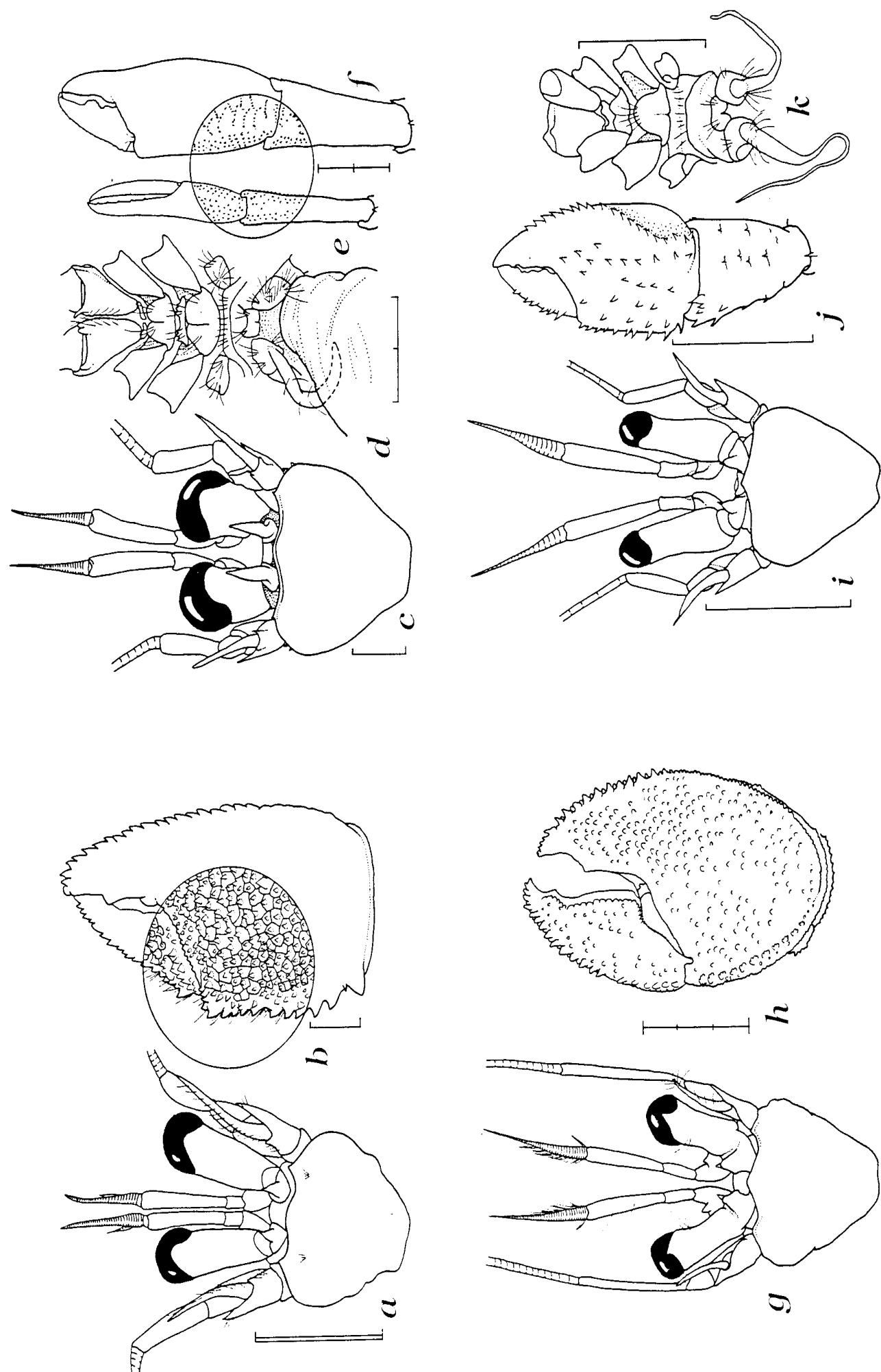
(after Forest and De Saint Laurent, 1967)

***Manucomplanus corallinus***

- g. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - h. right chela, dorsal view
- (after Williams, 1984)

***Nematopaguroides pusillus***

- i. anterior part of body, dorsal view
  - j. chela and carpus of right cheliped, dorsal view
  - k. thorax and sexual tubes, ventral view
- (after Forest and De Saint Laurent, 1967)



*Ostraconotus spatulipes*

a. dorsal view

(after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1893)

*Pylopaguropsis atlantica*

b. anterior part of body, dorsal view

c. chela, carpus, and merus of major cheliped

(after Vass, 1963)

*Pylopagurus discoidalis*

d. anterior part of body, dorsal view

e. right chela, dorsal view, showing color pattern

(after Williams, 1984)

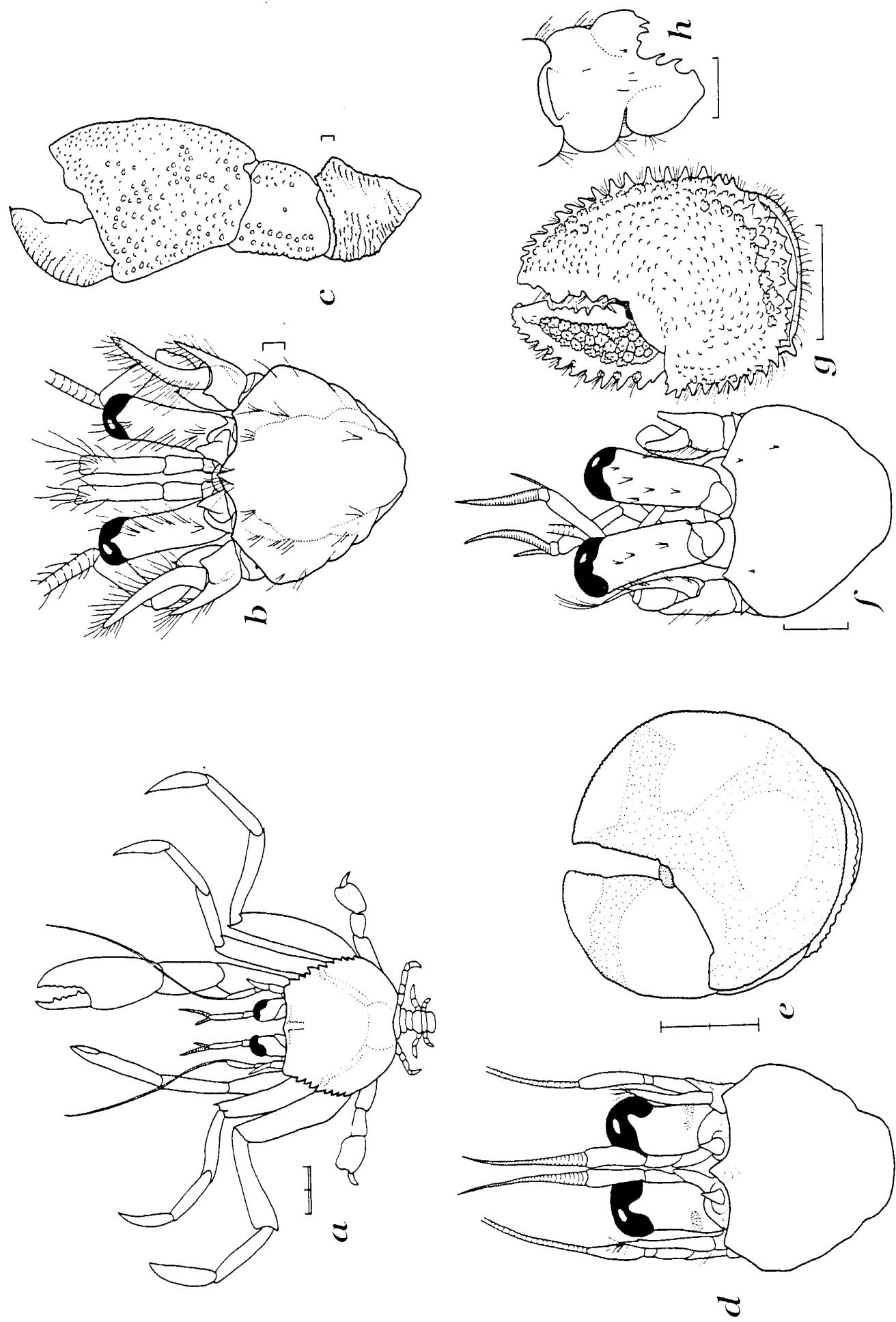
*Rhodochirus rosaceus*

f. anterior part of body, dorsal view

g. right chela, dorsal view

h. telson

(after Williams, 1984)



*Solenopagurus lineatus*

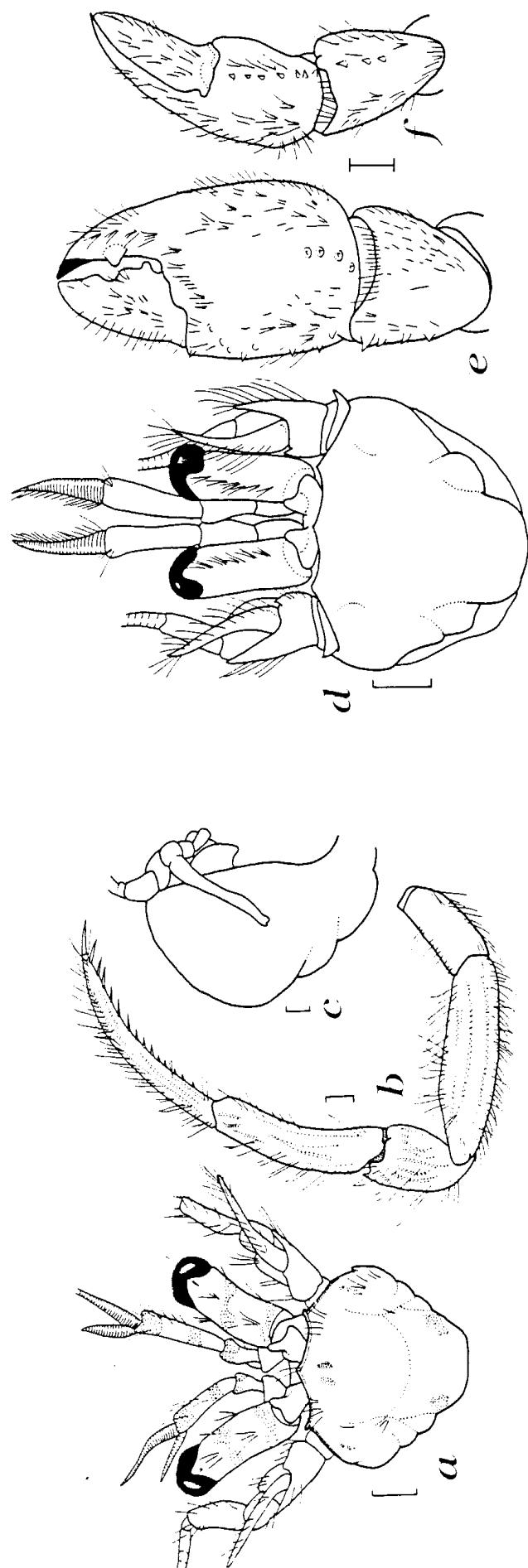
- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- b. third pereopod
- c. sexual tube extending over abdomen

(after Vass, 1963)

*Tomopagurus problematicus*

- d. anterior part of body, dorsal view
- e. chela and carpus of right cheliped, dorsal view
- f. chela and carpus of left cheliped, dorsal view

(after Williams, 1984)



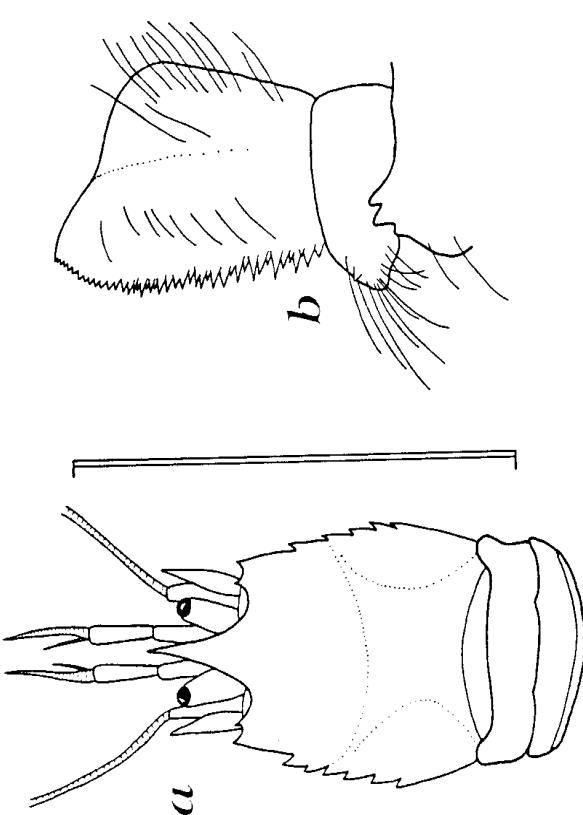


**Family Chirostylidae****Genus *Uroptychus* Henderson, 1888**

Carapace broader than long, with lateral margins dentate or spinose; gastric region with no spines; cornea much smaller than eyestalk ..... *U. armatus*

***Uroptychus armatus***

- a. anterior part of body, dorsal view (male)
- b. merus and ischium of left third maxilliped  
(after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1897)





## Family Galatheidae

Key to genera and species  
[Adapted from Chace, 1942b]

1. Integument hard, well calcified; transverse ciliated lines on carapace feeble or absent; exopod of first maxilliped without lash ..... *Munidopsis*
- Integument pliable, not strongly calcified; well developed transverse ciliated lines on carapace; exopod of first maxilliped with simple lash ..... 2
2. (1) Rostrum triangular and flattened or concave above ..... *Galathea rostrata*
- Rostrum not triangular with long, slender spine (side walls of carapace not visible in dorsal view) ..... *Munida*

## Genus *Munida* Leach, 1820

Key to species  
[Adapted from Chace, 1942b]

1. Posterior margin of carapace unarmed; no median spines on cardiac region ..... 2
- Ridge along posterior margin of carapace armed with spines; one or more median spines on cardiac region ..... 11
2. (1) Rostral spines armed laterally with distinct spinules ..... *M. spinifrons*
- Rostral spine not distinctly spinose on margins ..... 3
3. (2) Inner terminal spine of basal segment of antennular peduncle much shorter than outer one ..... 4
- Inner terminal spine of basal segment of antennular peduncle nearly or quite twice as long as outer one ..... 7
4. (3) Intermediate spines present between large gastric pair situated directly behind supraoculars ..... 5
- No intermediate spines between large gastric pair ..... 6
5. (4) No spines on dorsal surface of triangular area of carapace behind anterior branch of cervical groove ..... *M. miles*
- One or two spines on each triangular area between branches of cervical groove, and widely separated pair behind posterior branch of cervical groove, one on either side of cardiac region ..... *M. sanctipauli*

6. (4) Supraocular spines extending beyond eyes; second and third abdominal somites armed with spines ..... *M. valida*
- Supraocular spines not reaching as far as eyes; third abdominal somite unarmed.....  
..... *M. forceps*
7. (3) Usually two or more spines on ridge behind cervical groove..... 8
- No spines on ridge behind cervical groove..... 10
8. (7) Abdominal somites unarmed (two to four spines on ridge behind cervical groove)...  
..... *M. irrasa*
- Second abdominal somite armed with spinules..... 9
9. (8) Supraocular spines reaching to or beyond cornea; medium-sized to large species....  
..... *M. iris iris*
- Supraocular spines not reaching to cornea; very small species..... *M. pusilla*
10. (7) Second abdominal somite usually armed with few spinules..... *M. angulata*
- Abdominal somites unarmed (spine at anterolateral angle of carapace long, followed by six small lateral spines) ..... *M. simplex*
11. (1) Rostral spine slightly shorter than supraocular spines..... *M. longipes*
- Rostral spine distinctly longer than supraoculars..... 12
12. (11) Transverse striae of carapace armed with many small spinules; posterior margin of carapace armed with six to fifteen spines; basal joint of antennular peduncle with from three to five lateral spines in addition to terminal pair; thoracic sternum with small marginal spine at insertion of each appendage ..... *M. affinis*
- Transverse striae of carapace at most tuberculate or beaded; posterior margin of carapace armed with two to six spines; basal segment of antennular peduncle with no or two lateral spines in addition to terminal pair; thoracic sternum unarmed (strong median spine on posterior portion of fourth abdominal somite; supraocular spines reaching to distal margin of cornea or beyond; transverse striae on carapace very numerous, discontinuous and obscure) ..... *M. stimpsoni*

**Genus *Munidopsis* Whiteaves, 1874**

Key to species  
[Adapted from Mayo, 1974]

1. Dorsal surface of carapace without distinct spines or pair of tubercles on gastric region (rostrum slightly decurved; antennular spines adjacent or overlapping in dorsal view; no distinct protuberance beneath frontal margin lateral to eye) ..... *M. polita*
- Dorsal surface of carapace with distinct spines or at least one pair of tubercles on gastric region ..... 2
2. (1) Rostrum broad, spade-shaped; frontal margin of carapace with postantennal spine... *M. platirostris*  
.....  
Rostrum narrow, not simply spine-like, but with distal constriction, often with obtuse teeth at base of constriction; frontal margin of carapace without postantennal spine (gastric region of carapace without distinct pair of sharp spines, but with pair of obscure tubercles or spinules; lateral submarginal depressions distinct on carapace) ..... *M. armata*

***Munida spinifrons***

a. dorsal view

(after Henderson, 1888)

***Munida miles***

b. dorsal view

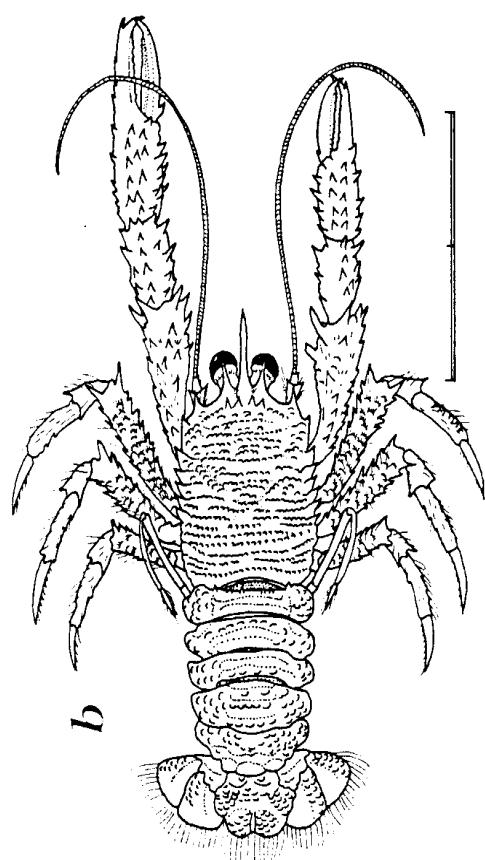
(after Benedict, 1902, as *M. decora*)***Munida sanctipauli***

c. dorsal view

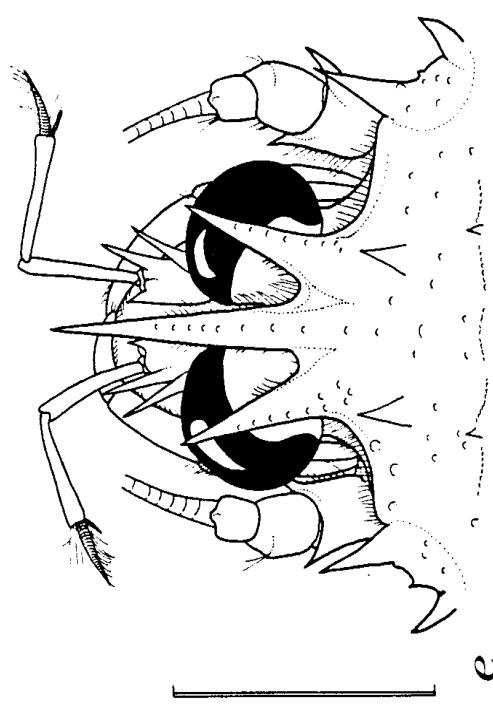
d. antennular peduncle, ventrolateral view

(c, after Henderson, 1888; d, after specimen at  
SI-NMMNH, USNM 11487)***Munida valida***e. frontal region and appendages,  
dorsal view (male)

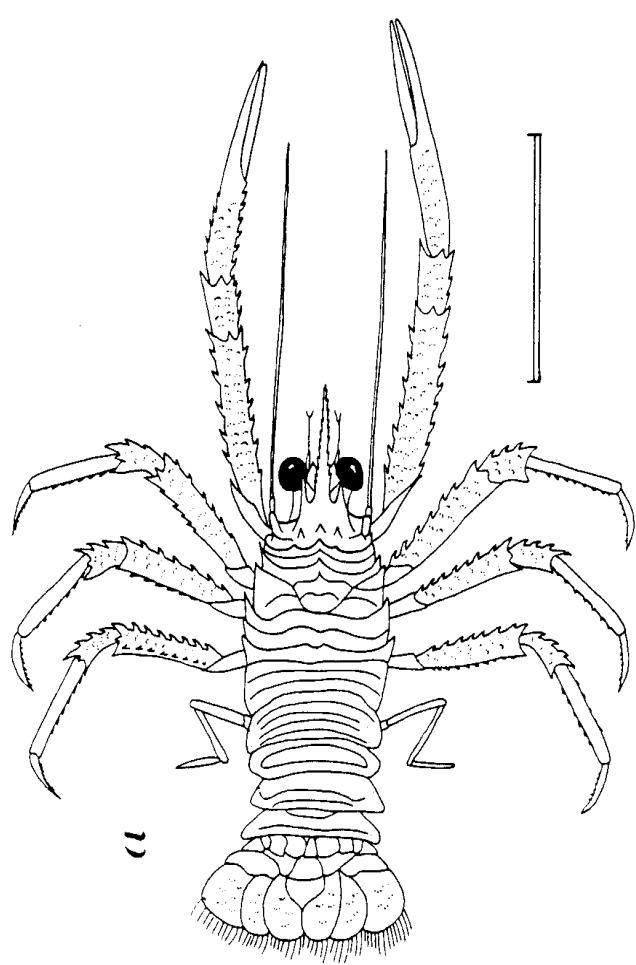
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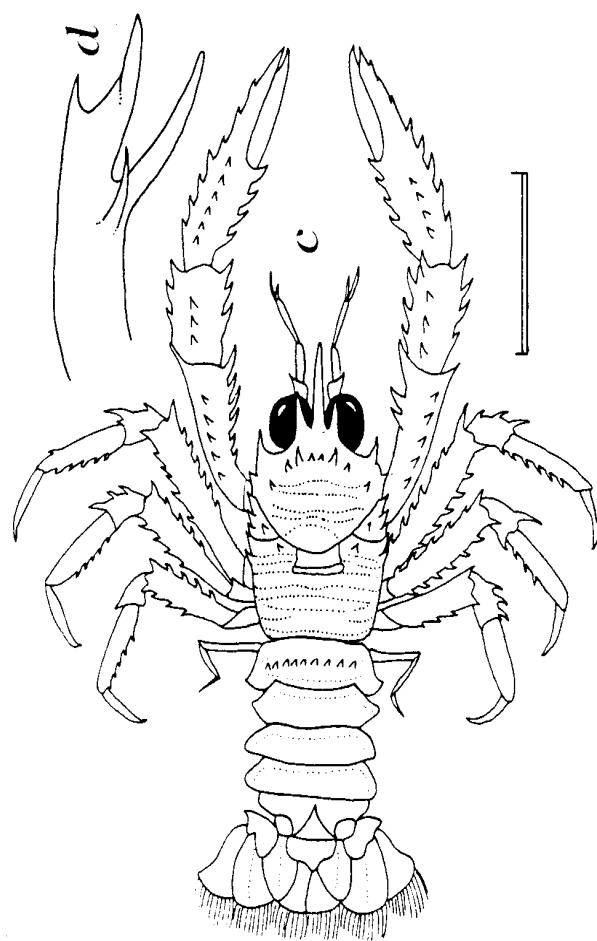
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***Munida forceps***

a. dorsal view (male)

(after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1897)

***Munida irrasa***

male:

b. frontal region and appendages, dorsal view

c. right chela, external view

(after Williams, 1984)

***Munida iris iris***

female:

d. frontal region and appendages, dorsal view

e. second, third, and part of fourth abdominal  
somites, dorsal view

(after Williams, 1984)

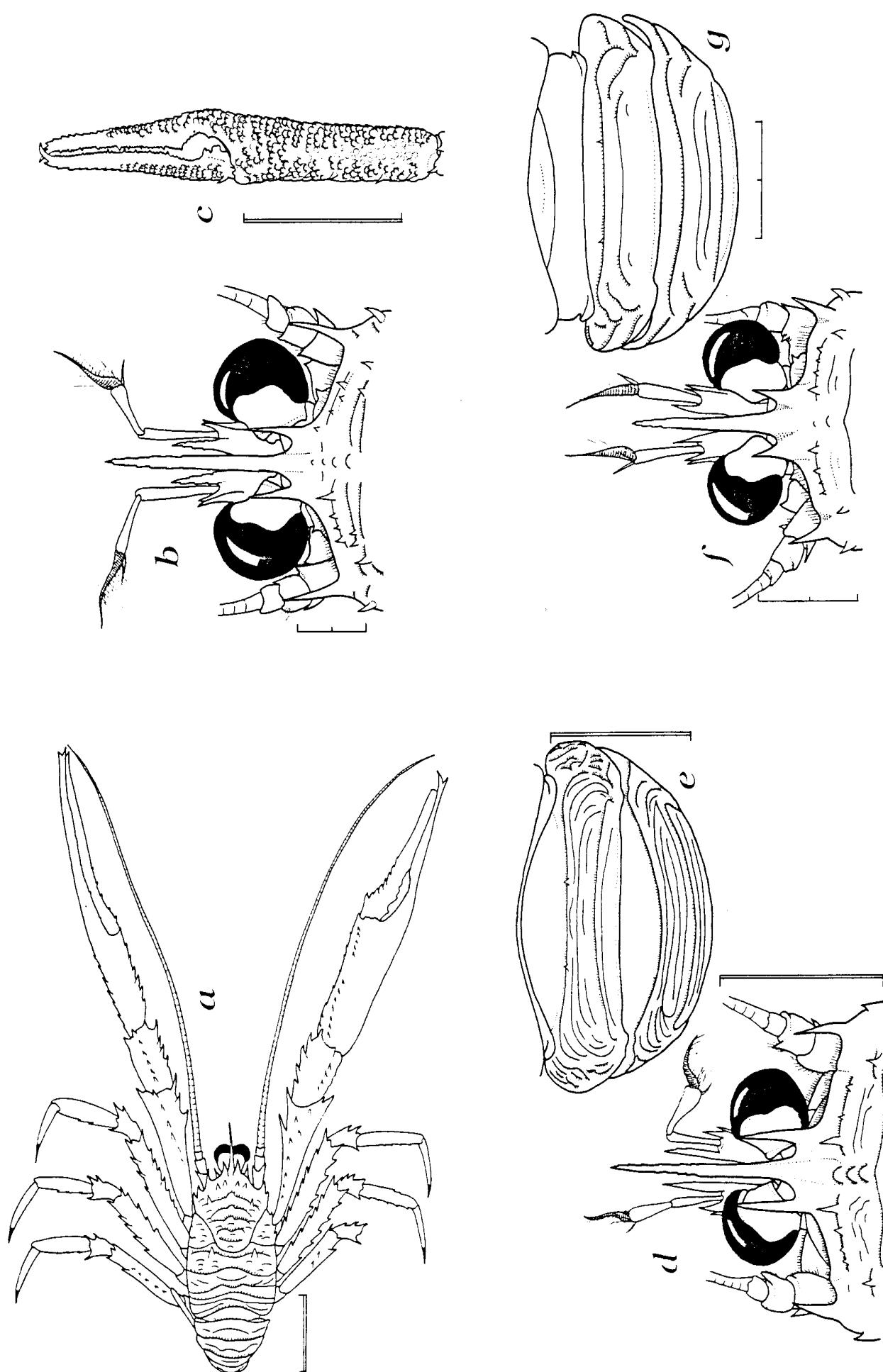
***Munida pusilla***

ovigerous female:

f. frontal region and appendages, dorsal view

g. first, second, and third abdominal somites,  
dorsal view

(after Williams, 1984)



*Munida angulata*

a. dorsal view

(after Benedict, 1902)

*Munida simplex*

b. dorsal view

(after Benedict, 1902)

*Munida longipes*

c. dorsal view (male)

(after Williams, 1984)

*Munida affinis*

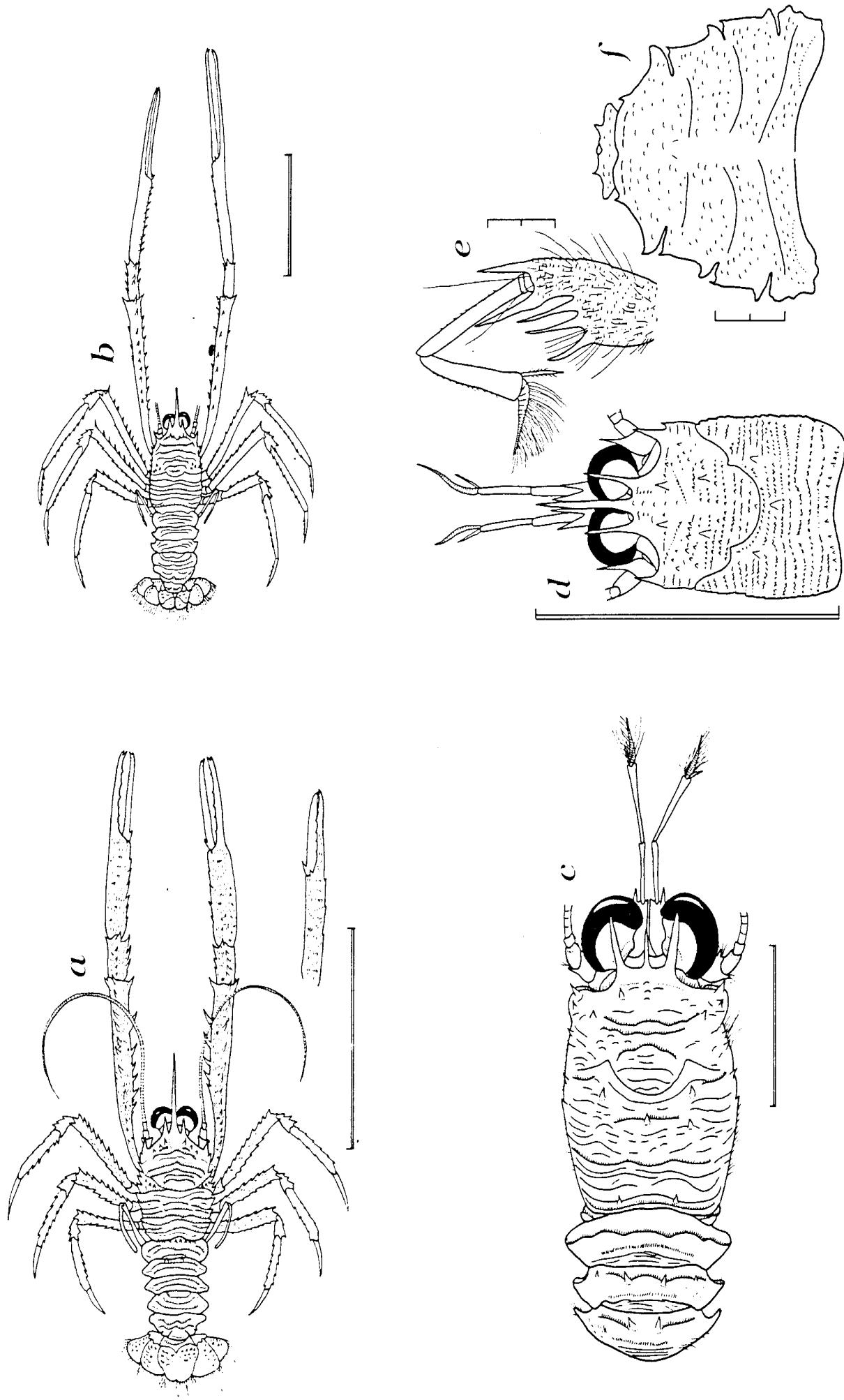
male:

d. frontal region and appendages, dorsal view

e. left antennule

f. sternum

(d, after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1897;  
e, f, after Chace, 1942b)



*Munida stimpsoni*

male:

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- a. carapace, dorsal view
- b. right antennule  
(after Chace, 1942b)

*Munidopsis polita*

c. dorsal view

(after Mayo, 1974)

*Munidopsis platirostris*

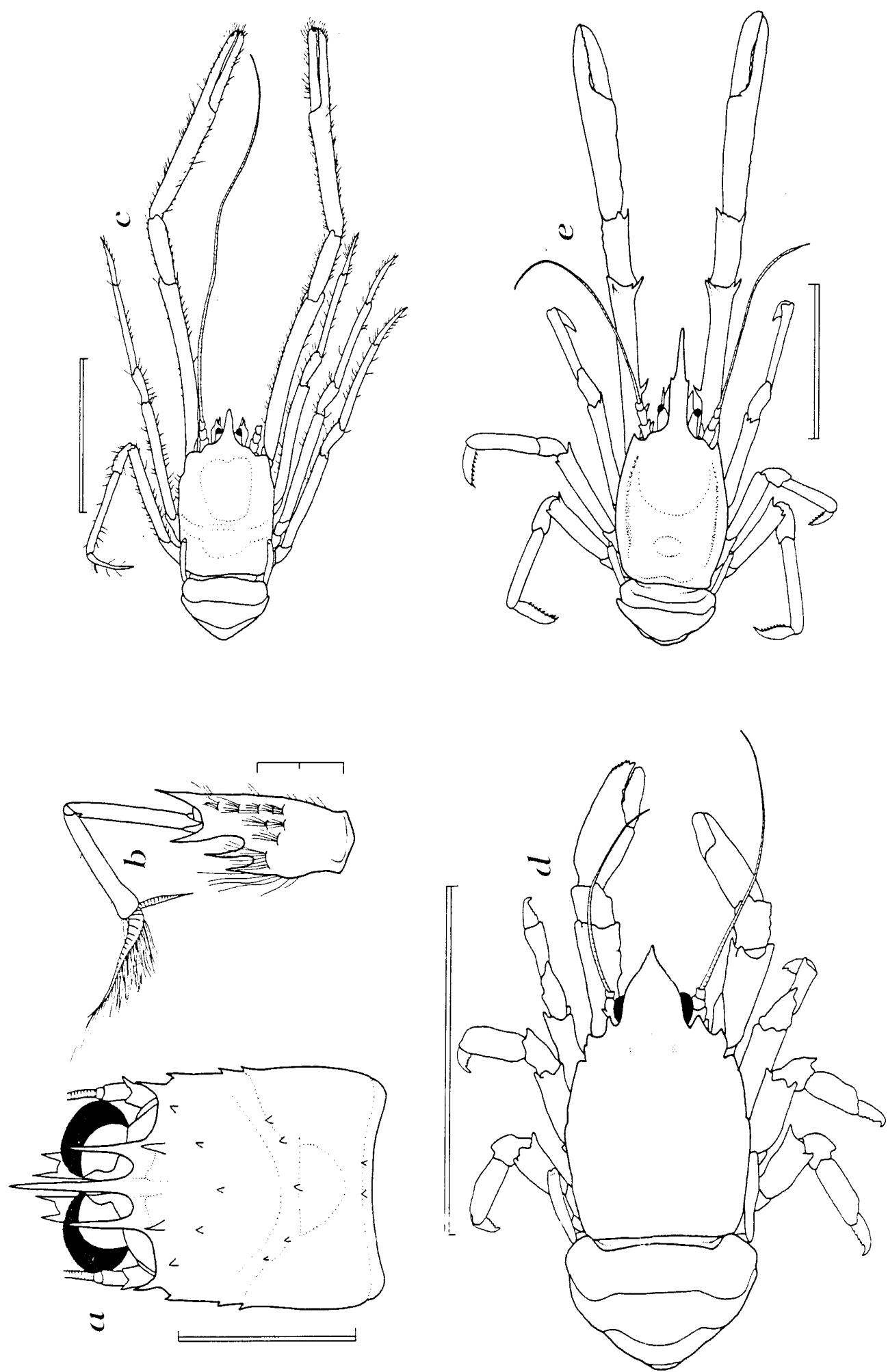
d. dorsal view

(after Mayo, 1974)

*Munidopsis armata*

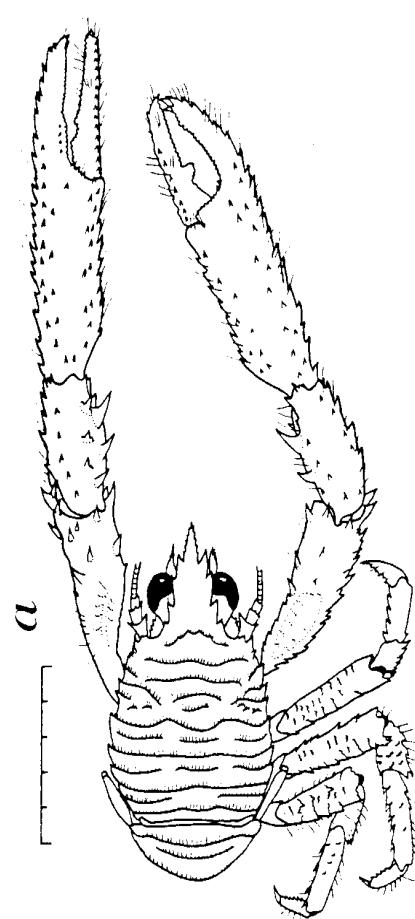
e. dorsal view

(after Mayo, 1974)



*Galathea rostrata*

a. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)



## Family Porcellanidae

Key to genera and species  
[Based on Gore and Abele, 1976]

1. Carapace at least 1.5 times as long as broad; form elongate, "Hippa"-like; large orbit-like concavity on hepatic margin, its outer angle marked by tooth ..... *Euceramus praelongus*
- Carapace less than or nearly 1.5 times as long as broad; form not elongate, or "Hippa"-like; no large orbit-like concavity on hepatic margin ..... 2
2. (1) Basal segment of antennae short, not strongly produced forward to meet anterior margin of carapace, movable segments with free access to orbit ..... 3
  - Basal segment of antennae strongly produced forward and broadly in contact with anterior margin of carapace, movable segments thus far removed from orbit ..... 6
3. (2) Posterior portions of side walls of carapace lacking or consisting of one or more small pieces, separated by membranous interspaces behind epibranchial regions ... 4
  - Posterior portions of side walls of carapace entire, without small pieces or membranous areas behind epibranchial regions ..... 5
4. (3) Side walls of carapace incomplete; portion posterior to epibranchial or mesobranchial area occupied by membrane ..... *Neopisosoma angustifrons*
  - Side walls of carapace consisting of one or more pieces separated by membranous interspaces in epibranchial or mesobranchial area (front triangular or transverse in dorsal view, never with projecting teeth; carapace more or less subquadrate; chelipeds very robust and thick) ..... *Pachycheles*
5. (3) Basal segment of antennule not laterally expanded; basal antennal segment neither produced inward nor forming partial suborbital margin; front triangular, prominent; carapace with distinct frontal, epibranchial and mesobranchial spinules; cheliped with fingers distorted, gaping, deeply grooved along cutting edges, spooned and truncate at tips; telson 7-plated ..... *Parapetrolisthes tortugensis*
  - Basal antennular segment as above; basal antennal segment either not produced inward or, if with distinct inward projection, forming only partial suborbital margin; front triangular or trilobate, usually prominent; carapace without mesobranchial spinules; cheliped fingers normal, not grooved along cutting edges or spooned at tips; telson almost invariably 7-plated ..... *Petrolisthes*
6. (2) Dactyli of walking legs ending in 2 or more large, strong, fixed spines; carapace markedly broader than long, front nearly transverse in dorsal view ..... *Polyonyx gibbesi*
  - Dactyli of walking legs ending in single spines, usually with accessory movable spinules on posterior margins ..... 7

7. (6) Front prominent, tridentate or trilobate in dorsal view; carapace only slightly longer than broad (lateral margins of carapace unarmed posterior to epibranchial angle; fingers on chelipeds not twisted out of plane with palm, more or less normal) .....  
..... *Porcellana*

Front deflexed, appearing rounded or faintly trilobate in dorsal view; carapace about as broad as long (basal segments of antennules very small, recessed behind front, latter projecting shelflike over antennules) ..... *Megalobrachium*

### Genus *Megalobrachium* Stimpson, 1858

Key to species  
[Adapted from Gore and Abele, 1976]

Telson of abdomen with 5 plates (carapace, chelipeds, and walking legs tuberculate; lateral margins rounded, dentate; frontal, postfrontal, and protogastric lobes, viewed frontally, appearing low, rounded, indistinct, usually smooth, rarely granular) ..... *M. soriatum*

Telson of abdomen with 7 plates (carapace and chelipeds thickly covered with coarse hairs; chelipeds heavily and evenly granulate; protogastric regions, viewed frontally, appearing distinct and clearly elevated above frontal and hepatic regions; propodi of walking legs more slender, from 2.8 to 3 times longer than wide) .....  
..... *M. poeyi*

### Genus *Pachycheles* Stimpson, 1858

Key to species  
[Adapted from Haig, 1956]

1. Chelipeds thickly covered with stiff bristles..... *P. pilosus*  
No stiff bristles on chelipeds..... 2
2. (1) Chelipeds smooth except for rugosity on outer margin of carpus..... *P. riisei*  
Chelipeds rough over entire surface..... 3
3. (2) Chelipeds with high longitudinal ridges; in between ridges rows of deep pits present ..... *P. rugimanus*  
Chelipeds with longitudinal rows of large flattened tubercles..... 4
4. (3) Fingers of chelipeds neither gaping nor full of pubescence; space between tubercles of chelipeds glabrous or nearly so; tubercles low, rows irregular ... *P. ackleianus*  
Fingers of major cheliped gaping and full of pubescence; space between tubercles filled with pubescence; tubercles heavy, in regular rows ..... *P. monilifer*

## Genus *Petrolisthes* Stimpson, 1858

Key to species  
[Based on Haig, 1956]

1. Telson of abdomen with 5 plates (3 or 4 teeth on carpus of chelipeds pointed, denticulate; outer margin of manus with longitudinal groove; carapace, chelipeds, and gape of fingers lightly pubescent) ..... *P. jugosus*
- Telson of abdomen with 7 plates..... 2
2. (1) Carpus of cheliped armed with 4 teeth or lobes; no spines (except epibranchial spine) on lateral margins of carapace (carapace very rough with prominent, transverse piliferous rugae) ..... *P. galathinus*
- Carpus of cheliped armed with 3 low, wide-set, spine-tipped teeth..... 3
3. (2) Carapace transversely rugose; epibranchial spine present ..... *P. armatus*
- Surface of carapace more or less smooth, not rugose; no epibranchial spine..... *P. politus*

## Genus *Porcellana* Lamarck, 1801

Key to species  
[Adapted from Haig, 1956]

1. Median lobe of front rounded, not surpassing internal orbital angles; chelae without hairs; length and breadth of carapace about equal ..... *P. stimpsoni*
- Median lobe of front pointed, surpassing internal orbital angles; chelae with fringe of hairs on outer margin; carapace longer than broad ..... 2
2. (1) Inner angle of carpus of cheliped with broad lobe; epibranchial angle low, rounded, lobe-like, sometimes spine-tipped ..... *P. sayana*
- Inner angle of carpus with low, spine-tipped lobe; epibranchial angle with sharp spine ..... *P. sigsbeiana*

*Megalobrachium soriatum*

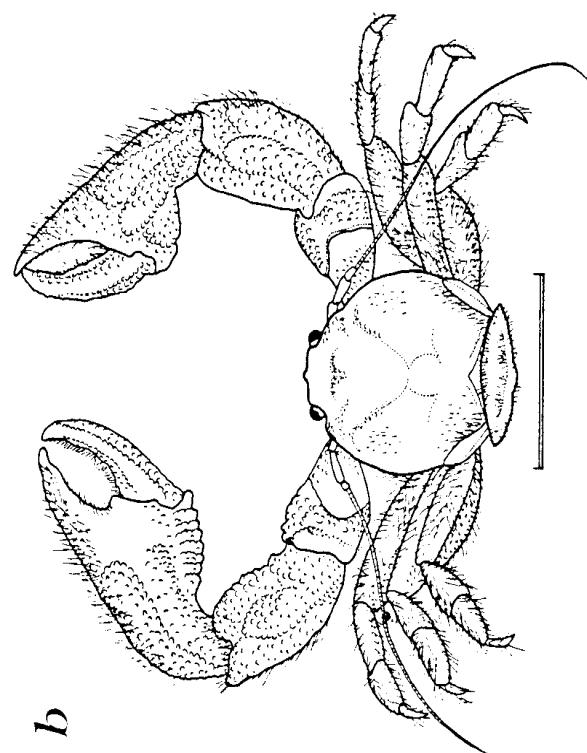
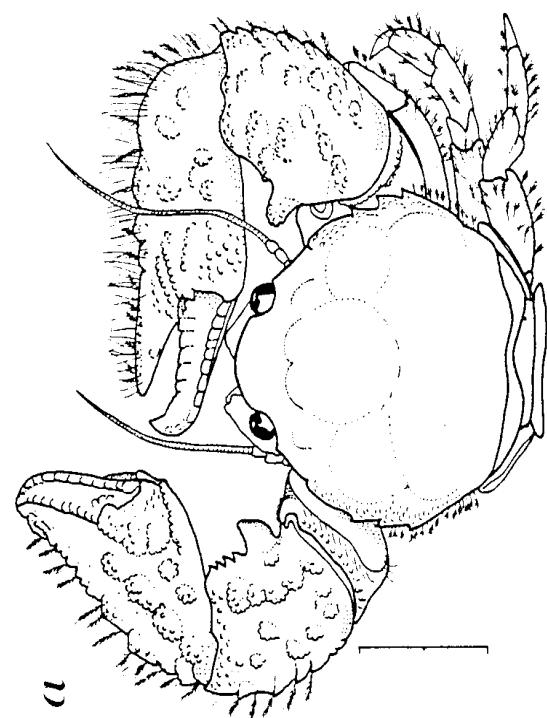
a. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1965a)

*Megalobrachium poeyi*

b. dorsal view

(after Benedict, 1901)

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*Pachycheles pilosus*

a. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1965a)

*Pachycheles riisei*

b. dorsal view

(after Benedict, 1901, as *Pisosoma glabra*)*Pachycheles rugimanus*

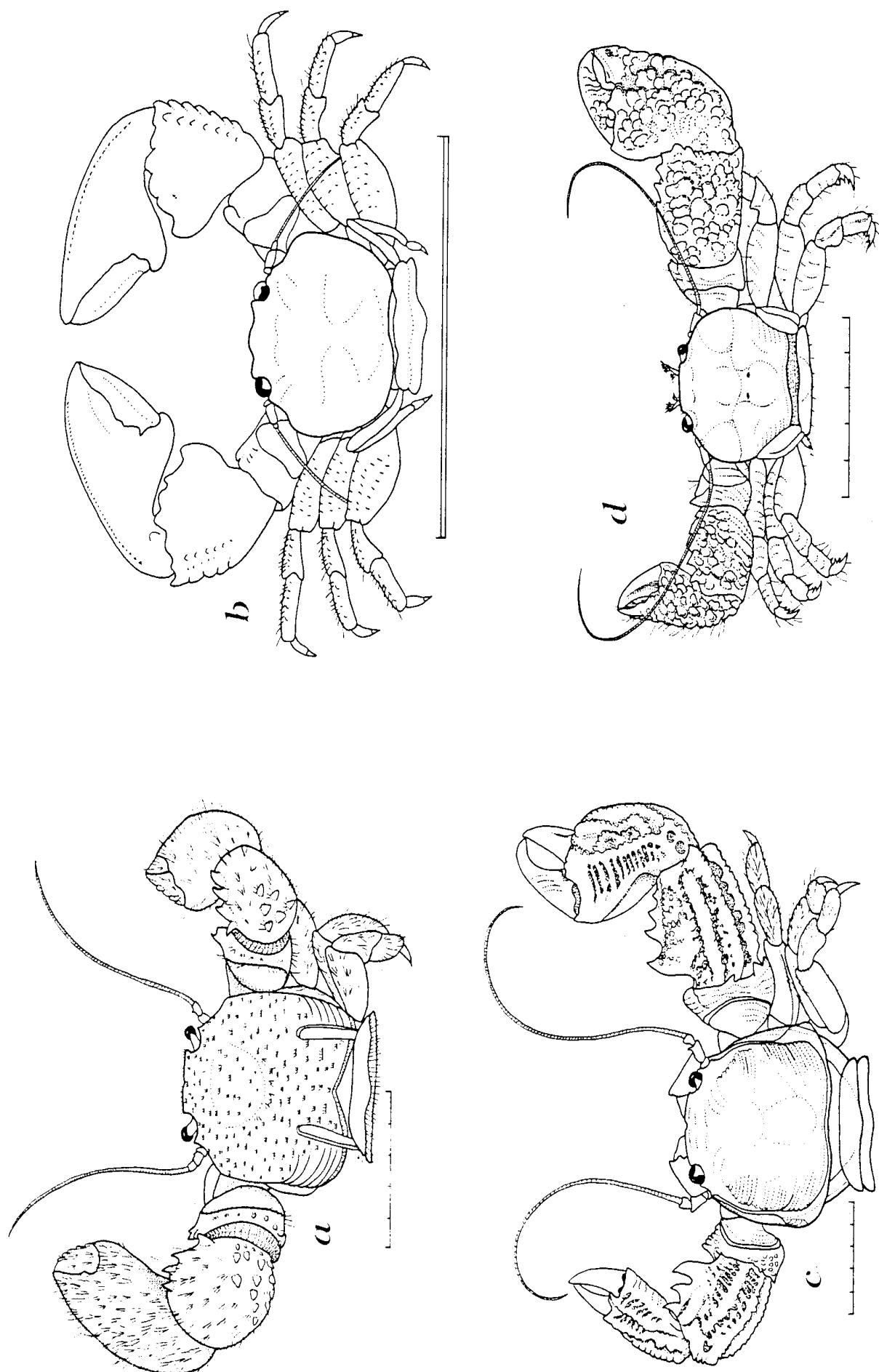
c. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1965a)

*Pachycheles ackleianus*

d. dorsal view (male)

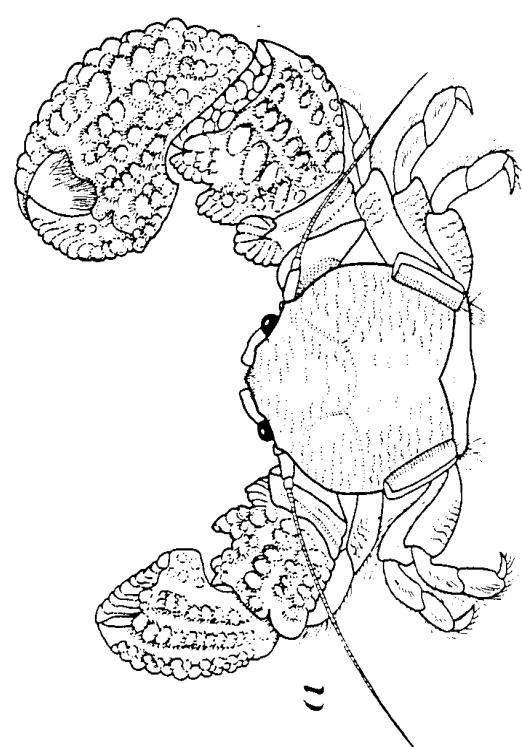
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*Pachycheles monifer*

a. dorsal view

(after Dana, 1855)



***Petrolisthes jugosus***

a. dorsal view (male)

(after Gore and Abele, 1976)

***Petrolisthes galathinus***

b. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1984)

***Petrolisthes armatus***

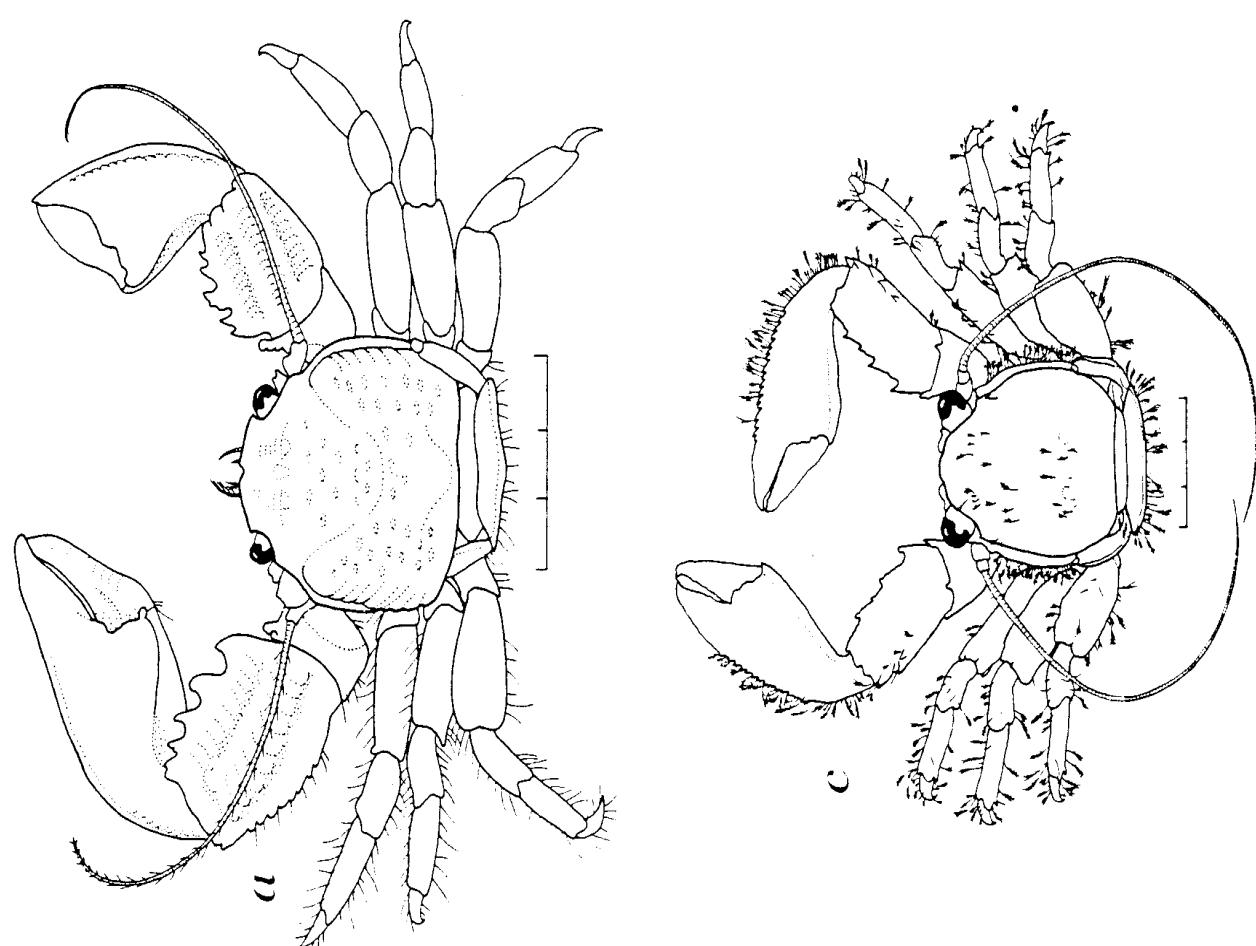
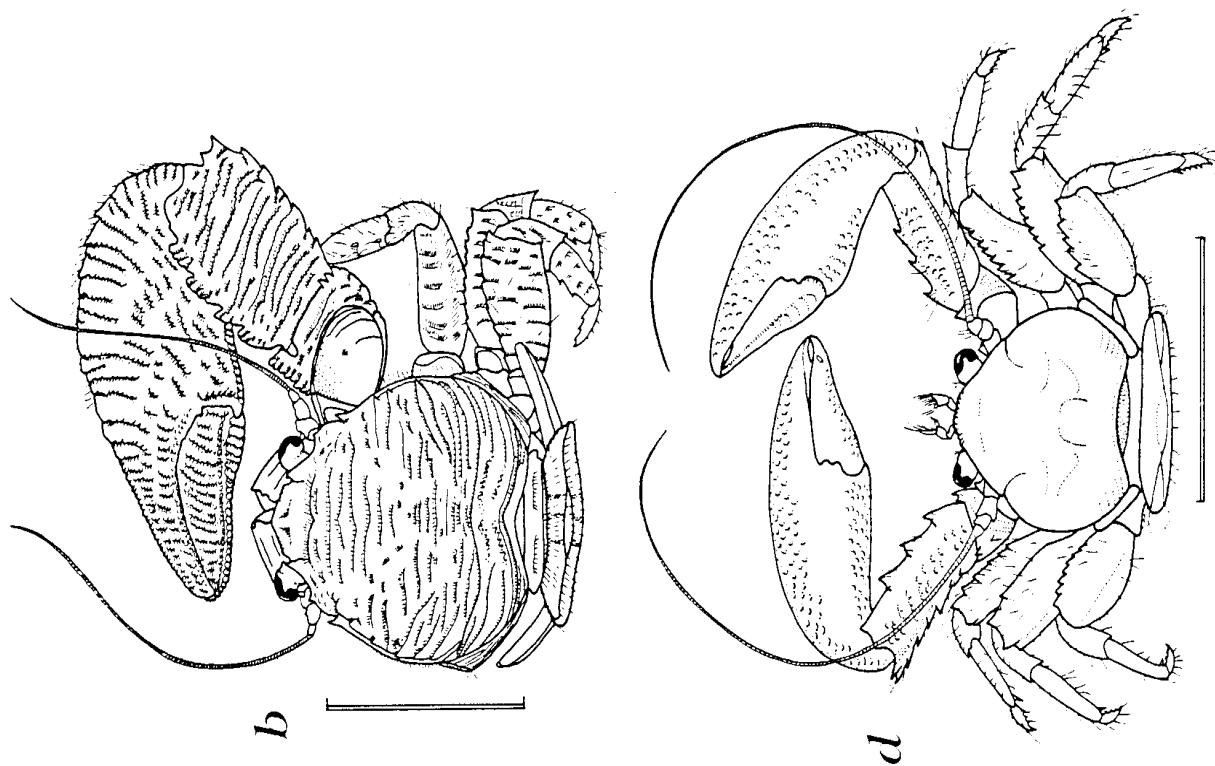
c. dorsal view

(after drawing at SI-NMMNH)

***Petrolisthes politus***

d. dorsal view (ovigerous female)

(after Gore, 1974)



*Porcellana stimpsoni*

a. dorsal view

(after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1923)

*Porcellana sayana*

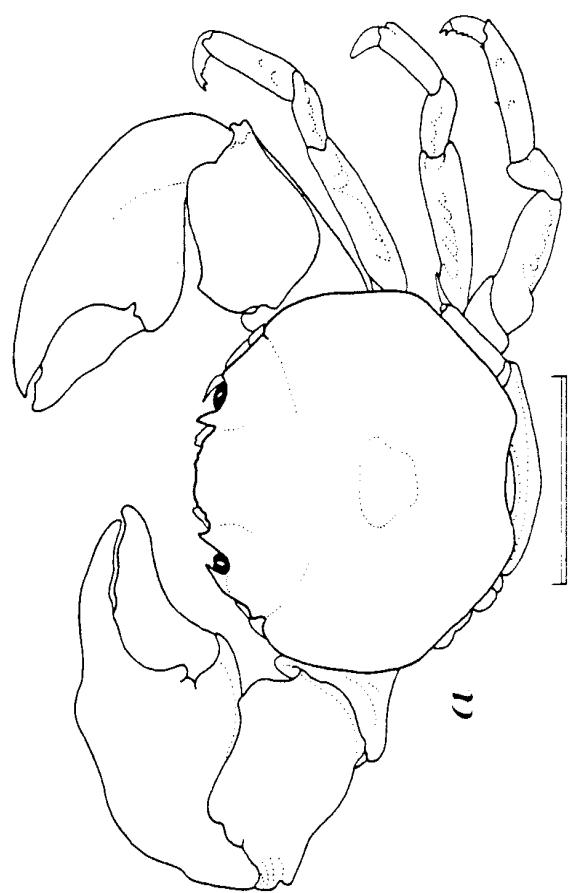
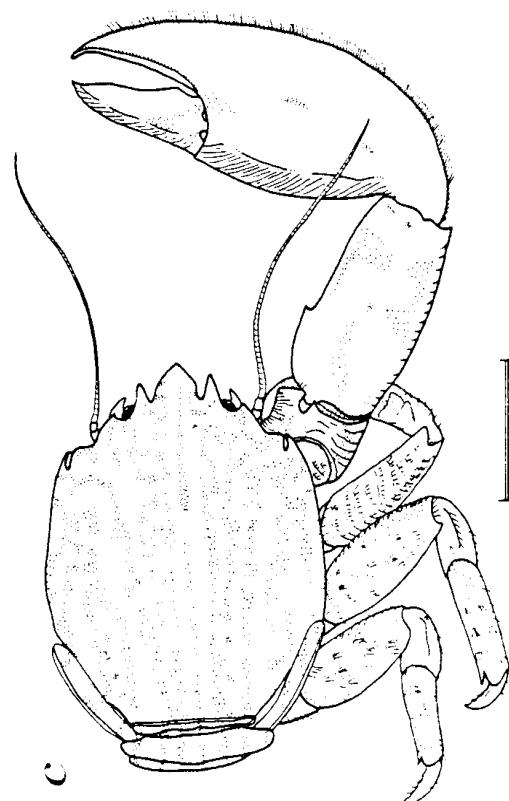
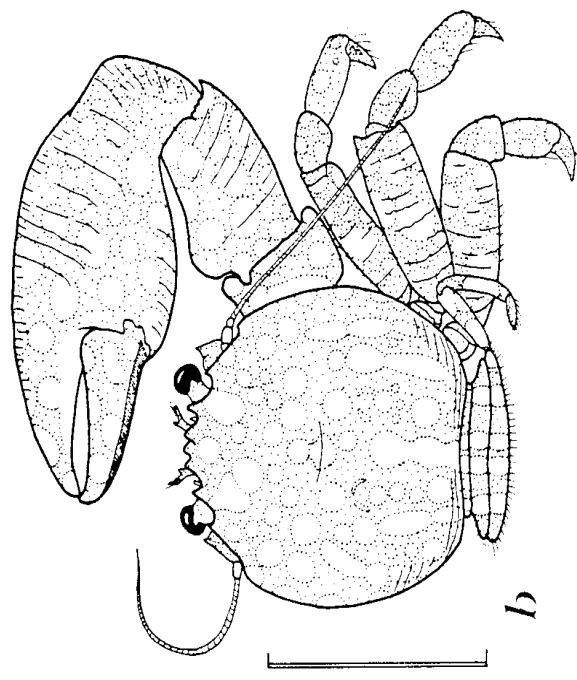
b. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1965a)

*Porcellana signsbeiana*

c. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1965a)



*Euceramus praelongus*

- a. dorsal view
- b. dorsal view  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Neopisosoma angustifrons*

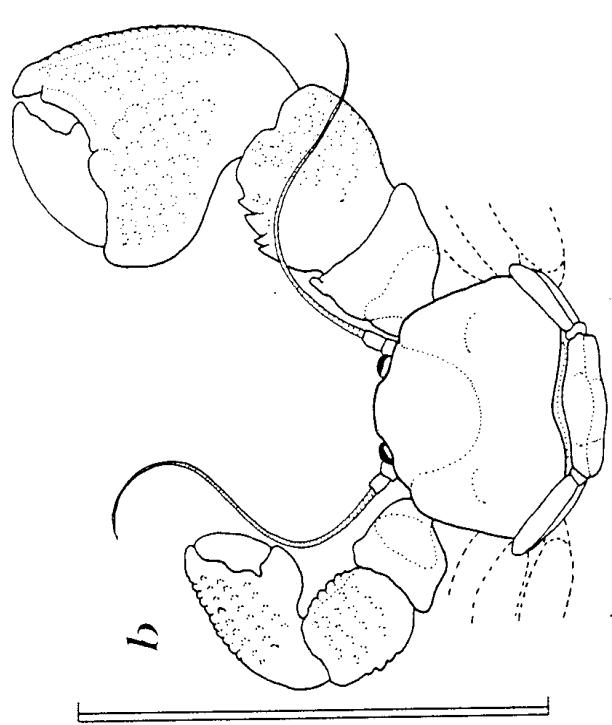
- b. dorsal view
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(after Benedict, 1901)

*Parapetrolytes tortugensis*

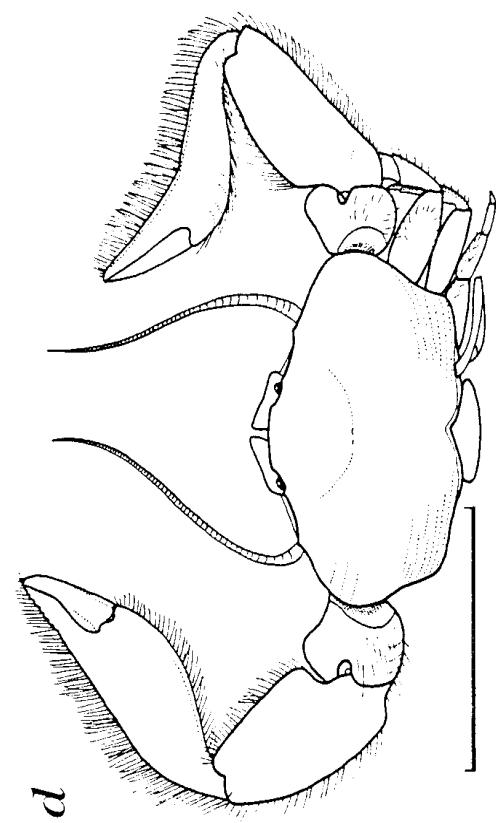
- c. dorsal view
- d. dorsal view (female)  
(after Glassell, 1945)

*Polyonyx gibbesi*

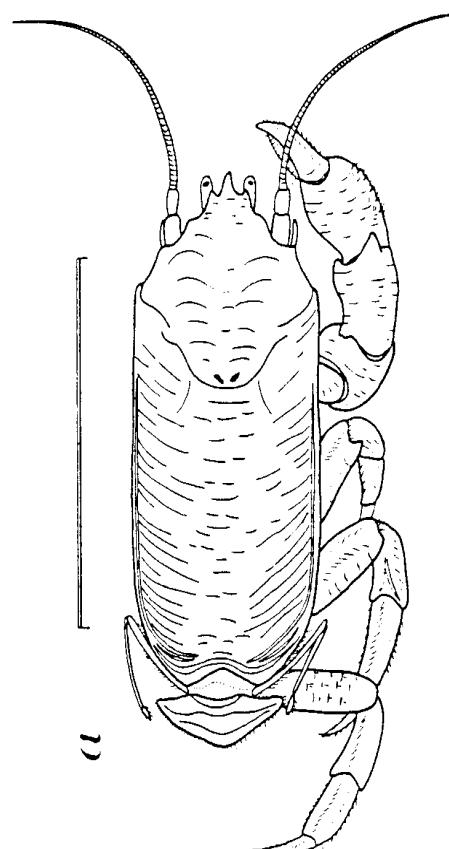
- d. dorsal view
- e. dorsal view  
(after Williams, 1984)



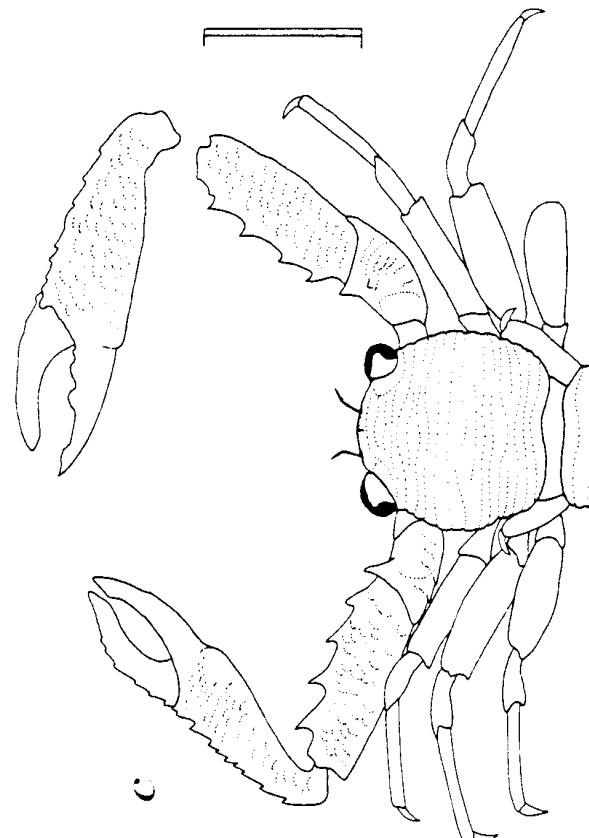
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## Family Albuneidae

### Key to genera and species

1. Eyestalks small and fused together; anterior margin of carapace with two submedian teeth separated by concavity ..... *Zygopa michaelis*
- Eyestalks elongate or broad, separate from each other; anterior margin of carapace with single median tooth (rostrum) ..... 2
2. (1) Eyestalks narrow, triangular..... *Albunea*
  - Eyestalks broad, oval..... *Lepidopa*

### Genus *Albunea* Weber, 1795

#### Key to species [Adapted from Williams, 1984]

- Dactyli of second and third pereopods with blunt, rectangular lobes at bases of anterior borders ..... *A. gibbesii*
- Dactyli of second pereopods with asymmetrically mucronate spurs, third pereopods with acute, falciform spurs at bases of anterior borders ..... *A. paretii*

### Genus *Lepidopa* Stimpson, 1858

#### Key to species

- Eye-plates squarish, distal edge carrying many teeth (20 or more in large individuals), teeth close together, almost touching ..... *L. benedicti*
- Eye-plates roundish, distal edge rounded and smooth ..... *L. websteri*

*Albunea gibbesii*

a, b, c. dactyli of second to fourth pereopods  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Albunea paretti*

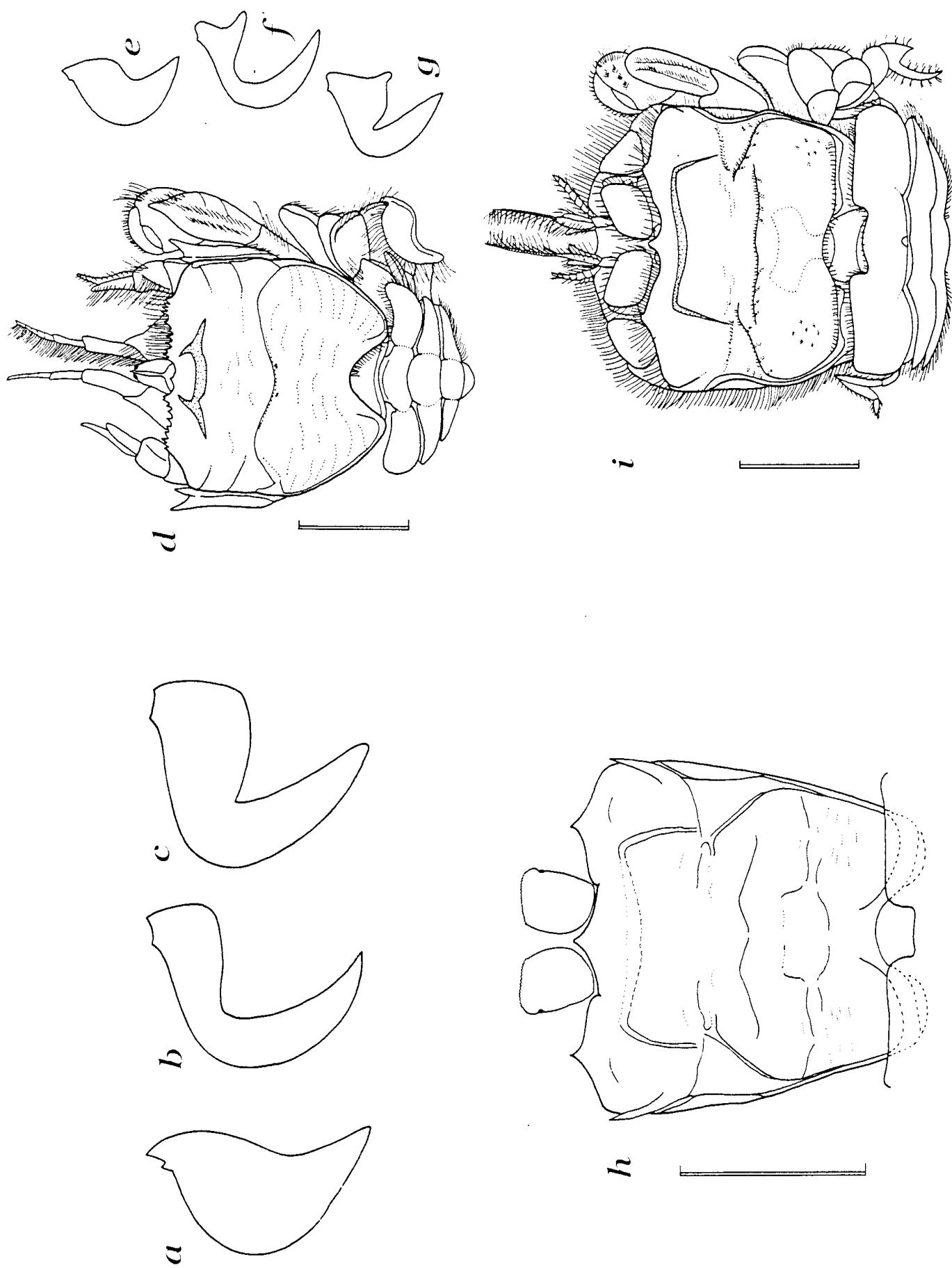
d. dorsal view  
e, f, g. dactyli of second to fourth pereopods  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Lepidopa benedicti*

h. carapace and eyes, dorsal view  
(after Holthuis, 1960)

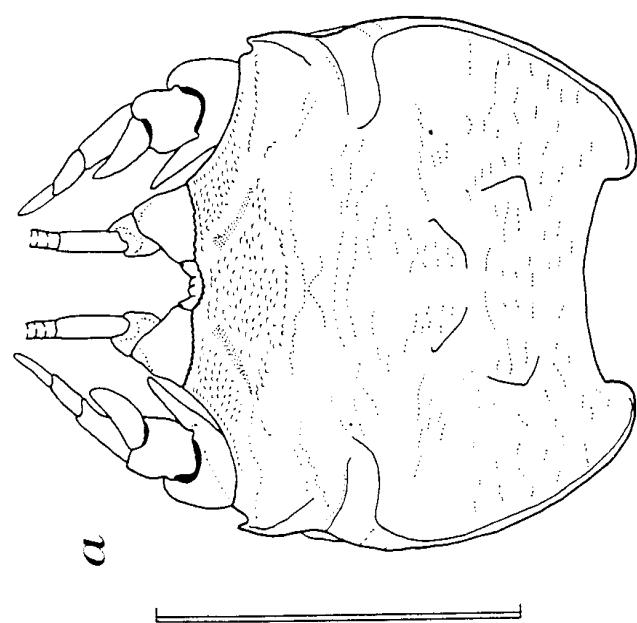
*Lepidopa websteri*

i. dorsal view  
(after Williams, 1965a)



*Zygorpa michaelis*

a. carapace and anterior region, dorsal view  
(after Holthuis, 1960)





## Family Hippidae

Key to genera and species  
[Adapted from Haig, 1974]

- Antennal flagella very long; dactyli of first pereopods oval and lamellate... *Emerita*  
Antennal flagella short; dactyli of first pereopods styliform, not multiarticulate.....  
..... *Hippa cubensis*

### Genus *Emerita* Scopoli, 1777

Key to species  
[From Felder, 1973]

1. Dactyli of first thoracic pereopods rounded or obtuse distally..... *E. talpoida*  
Dactyli of first pereopods subacute or sharply pointed distally..... 2
2. (l) Lateral epimeral expansion of carapace (lower postero-lateral area) marked to inferior margin with transverse lines continued from posterior dorsum of carapace ..  
..... *E. benedicti*  
Lateral epimeral expansion of carapace smooth and punctate, light traces of transverse lines of dorsum showing only on upper part of epimeral expansion .....  
..... *E. portoricensis*

*Emerita talpoida*

- a. lateral view (female)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Emerita benedicti*

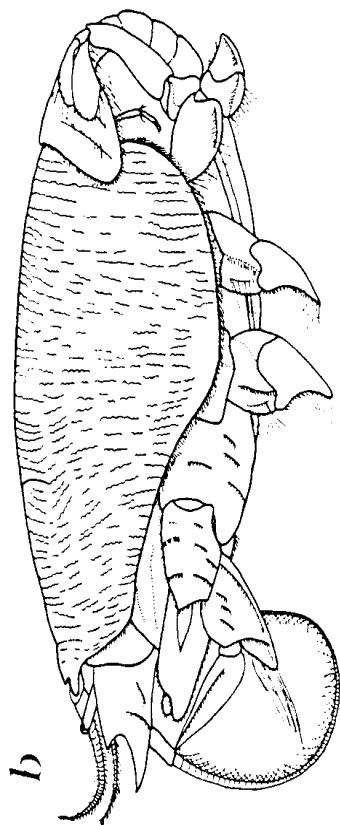
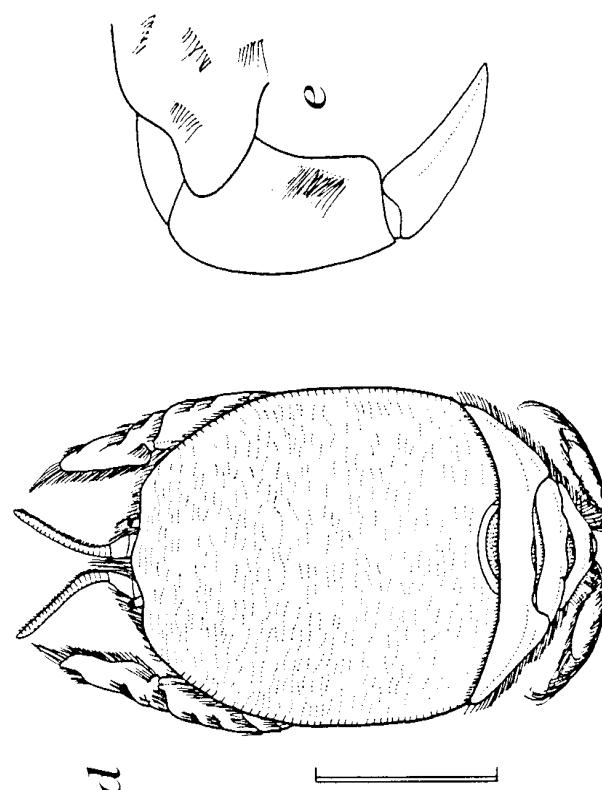
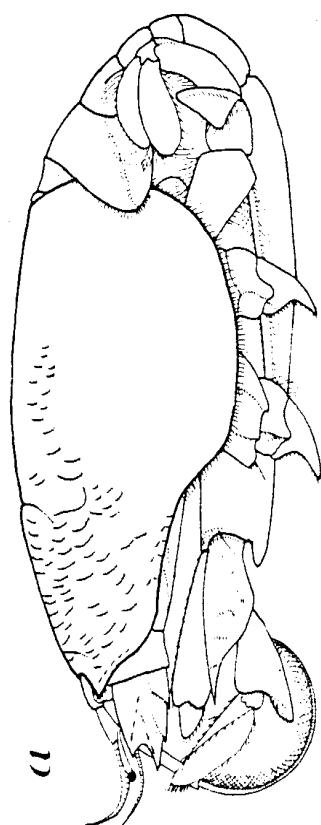
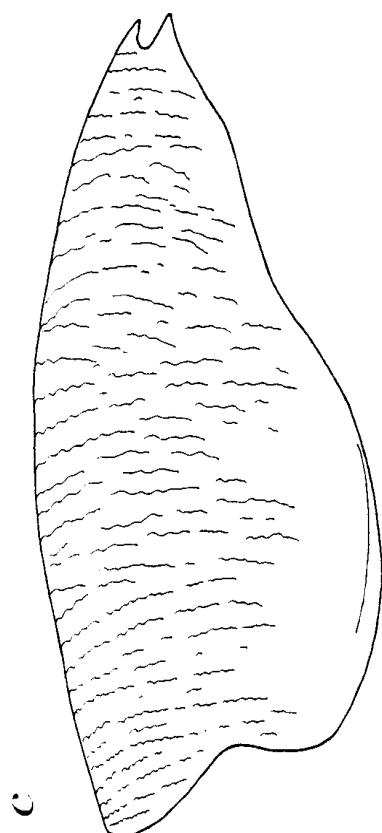
- b. lateral view (female)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Emerita portoricensis*

- c. carapace, lateral view  
(after Felder, 1973)

*Hippa cubensis*

- female:  
d. dorsal view  
e. left first pereopod  
(after Monod, 1956)

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**Infraorder Brachyura****Family Dromiidae**

Key to genera and species  
[Adapted from Felder, 1973]

1. Carapace dorsally firm, hard and covered with short hairs..... 2  
Carapace with soft, membranous, naked or sparsely haired mid dorsal area..... *Hypoconcha*
2. (1) Carapace broader than long; fronto-orbital width in adult 1/3 or less of carapace width ..... *Dromia erythropus*  
Carapace longer than broad; fronto-orbital width in adult 1/2 or more of carapace width ..... *Dromidia antillensis*

**Genus *Hypoconcha* Guérin-Méneville, 1854**

Key to species  
[Adapted from Williams, 1984]

1. Ventral surface of carapace with 3 granulated nodules forming triangle on either side; not hairy ..... *H. sabulosa*  
Ventral surface of carapace often granulate or spiny but without 3 nodules forming triangle on either side; often hairy ..... 2
2. (1) Ventral surface of carapace visibly granulate; posterior side of orbit raised but never conspicuously spined ..... *H. arcuata*  
Ventral surface of carapace with scattered, sharp granules or spines often partly or wholly concealed by thick pubescence; posterior side of orbit surmounted by strong spine ..... *H. spinosissima*

*Hypochoncha sabulosa*

a. anterior part, ventral view

(after Williams, 1984)

*Hypochoncha arcuata*

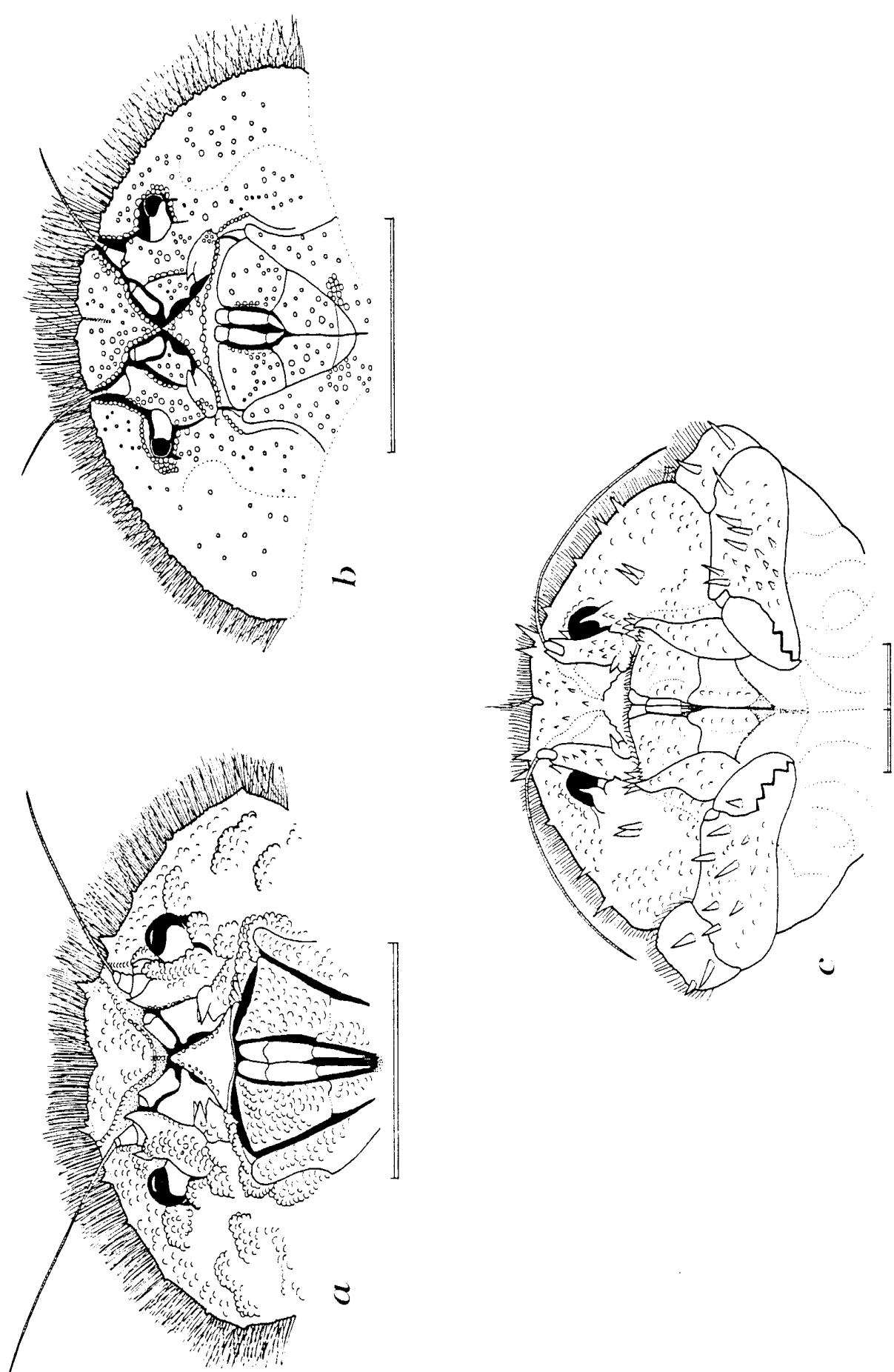
b. anterior part, ventral view

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*Hypochoncha spinosissima*

c. ventral view (holotype female)

(after Rathbun, 1937)



*Dromia erythropus*

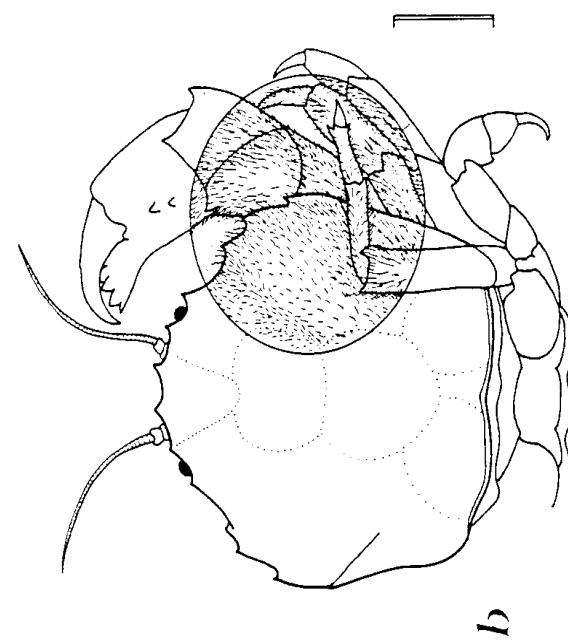
a. outline of carapace and eyes, dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1937)

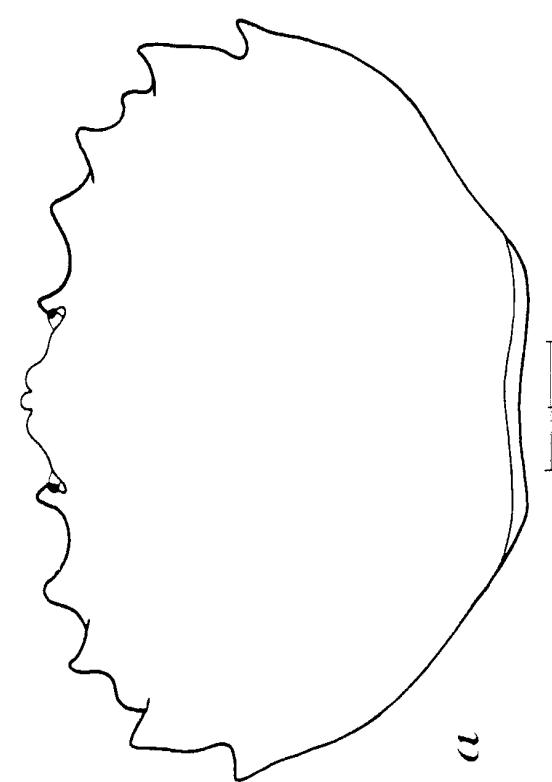
*Dromia antillensis*

b. dorsal view (male)

(after Williams, 1984)



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## Family Homolodromiidae

### Genus *Dicranodromia* A. Milne Edwards, 1880

Carapace ovoid; antennules folding under rostral teeth; walking legs short; eyes large and deep in orbital cavity; last two pairs of pereopods subcheliform, propodus not forming a distinct digit [from Rathbun, 1937] ..... *D. ovata*

## Family Cymonomidae

Key to genera and species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1937]

Eyes without pigment; antennules large, unconcealed; merus of outer (third) maxilliped produced forward far beyond carpal articulation ..... *Cymonomus quadratus*

Eyes normally developed; antennules folding under front; merus of outer maxilliped not overreaching palp ..... *Cymopolus agassizi*

*Dicranodromia ovata*

a. dorsal view

(after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1902)

*Cymonous quadratus*

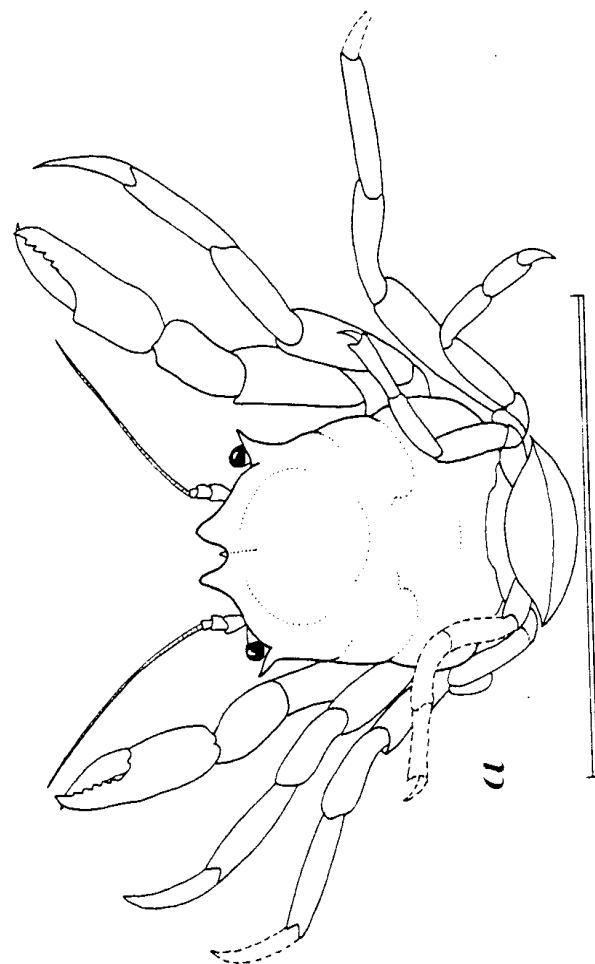
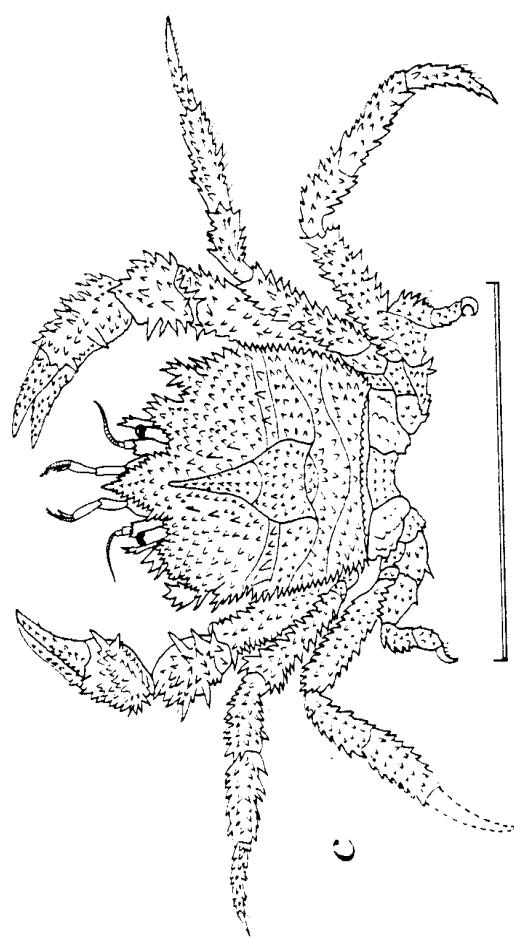
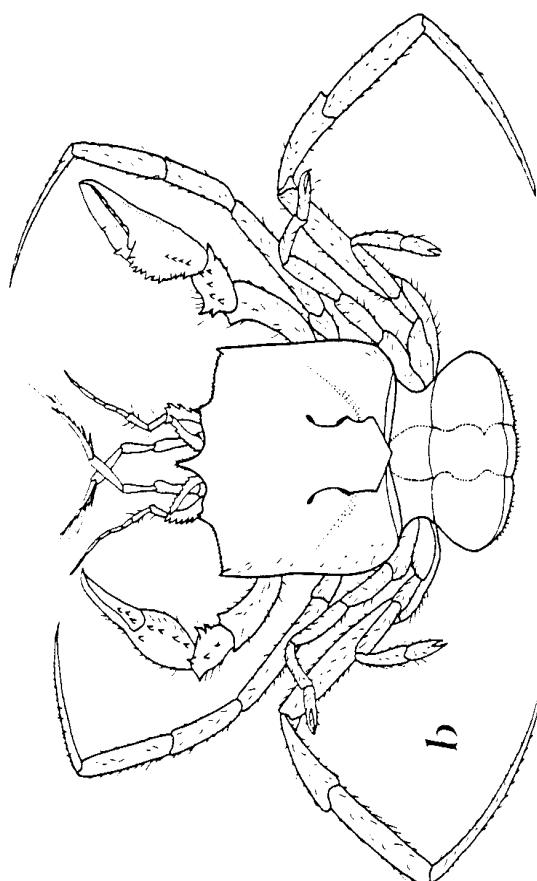
b. dorsal view

(after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1902)

*Cymopolus agassizi*

c. dorsal view

(after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1902)





**Family Cyclodorippidae**

## Key to genera and species

- Antennules small, completely retractile; antennae very short, with valviform peduncle ..... *Clythrocerus*
- Antennules long, incapable of folding into antennular cavity; antennae with narrow peduncle ..... *Tymolus antennaria*

**Genus *Clythrocerus* A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1899**

## Key to species

[Adapted from Rathbun, 1937]

1. Two lateral teeth or spines behind orbital tooth (distance between lateral spines less than between foremost tooth and orbital tooth; spine present above and between lateral spines; three frontal teeth) ..... *C. stimpsoni*
- Only one lateral tooth or spine behind orbital tooth..... 2
2. (1) Front with two teeth (carapace thick, smooth, and shining)..... *C. nitidus*
- Front with three teeth (carapace and appendages densely granulate; margins of carapace spinulous) ..... *C. granulatus*

*Clythrocerus stimpsoni*

- a. outline of carapace, dorsal view (holotype female)  
(after Rathbun, 1937)

*Clythrocerus nitidus*

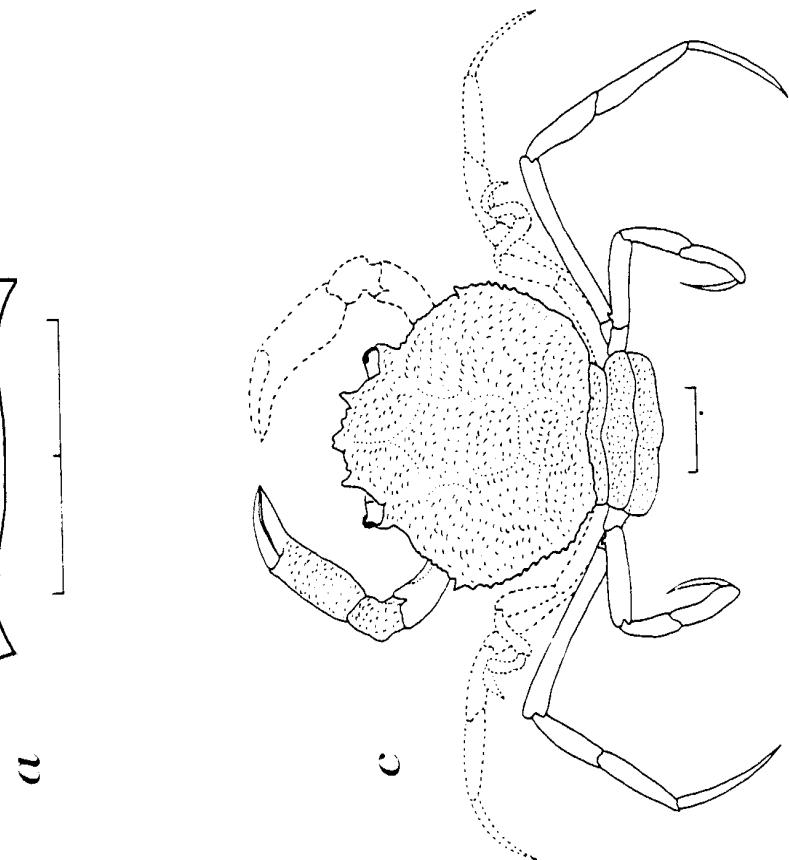
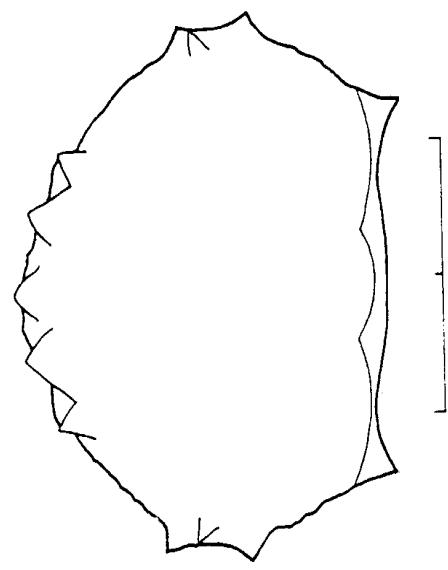
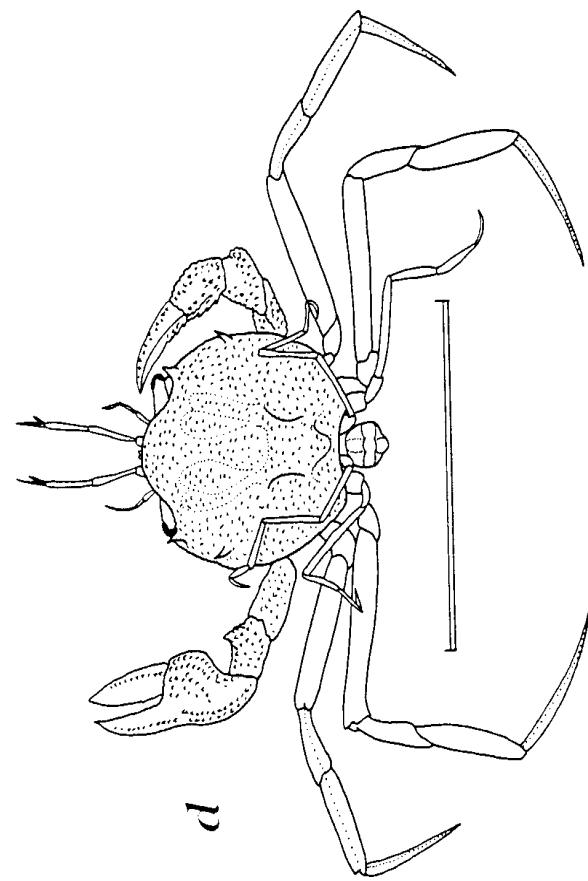
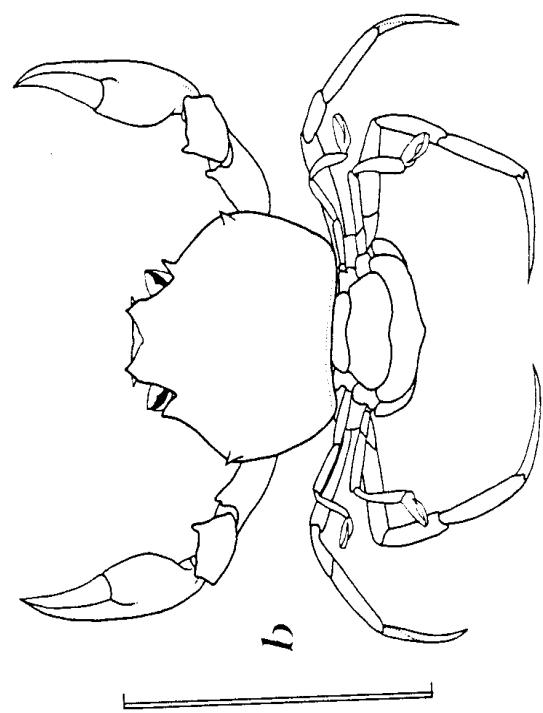
- b. dorsal view (female)  
(after Rathbun, 1937)

*Tymolus antennaria*

- d. dorsal view  
(after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1902)

*Clythrocerus granulatus*

- c. dorsal view (holotype female)  
(after Rathbun, 1937)





**Family Homolidae****Genus *Homola* Leach, 1815**

Carapace broadest anteriorly; second segment of antennal peduncle with antero-external spine; rostrum bidentate [from Rathbun, 1937] ..... *H. barbata*

**Family Latreilliidae****Genus *Latreillia* Roux, 1830**

Each of last pair of pereopods (fourth walking legs) with propodus clearly more than half length of carpus and bearing conspicuous, featherlike row of long hairs along full length of that segment on each side; dorsal spine absent on "neck"; last pereopod with propodus decidedly shorter than carpus; dactylus closing against subdistal spinules to form subchela; propodus of last pereopod 0.44-0.61 length of carpus; length of carapace about 1/3 length of merus of walking leg [from Williams, 1982] ..... *L. manningi*

*Homola barbata*

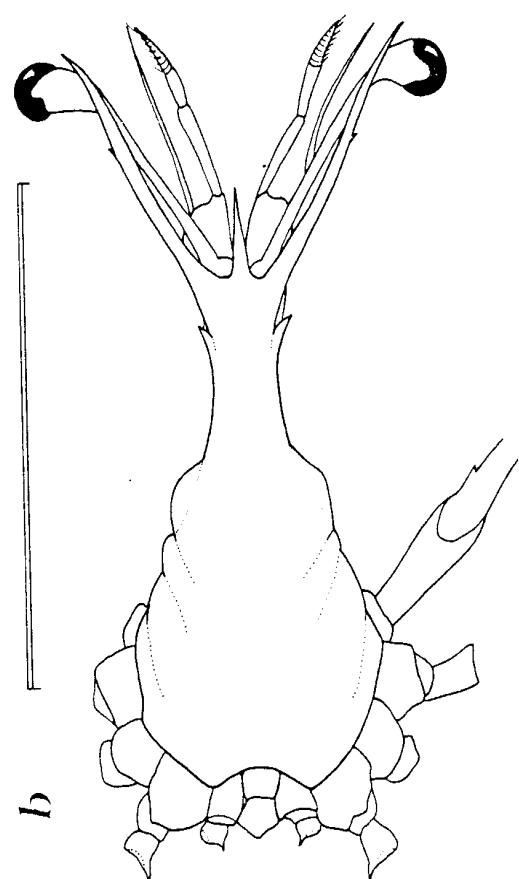
a. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1984)

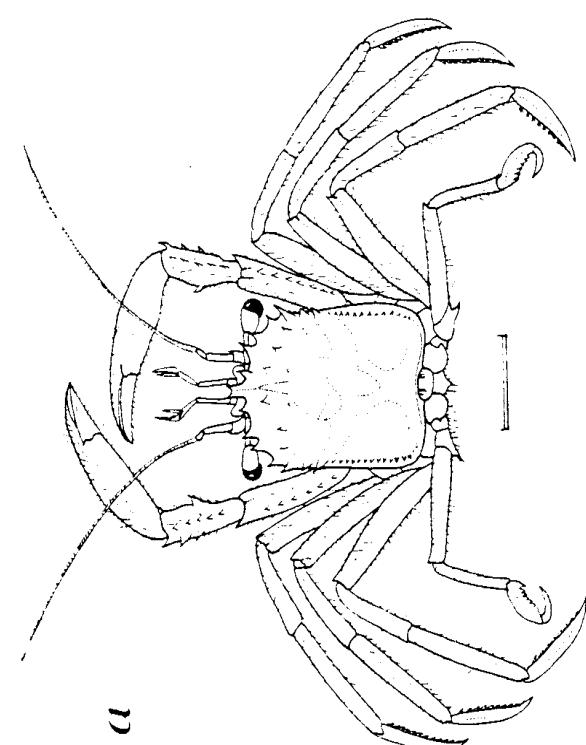
*Latrellia manningi*

b. dorsal view (male)

(after Williams et al., 1968)



b



c



## Family Raninidae

Key to genera and species

[Based on Rathbun, 1937, and Williams, 1984]

1. Fronto-orbital border more than half width of carapace..... 2
- Fronto-orbital border less than half width of carapace..... 3
2. (1) Orbita of moderate size, slightly oblique and situated on anterior border of carapace, ocular peduncle folded almost transversely or longitudinally; last pair of pereopods slender ..... *Raninoides*  
  - Orbits large, deep cavities in lower side of carapace forming inverted V with point at rostrum, ocular peduncles folded strongly and obliquely downward and backward; last pair of pereopods not slender ..... *Ranilia*
3. (1) Carapace smooth; chelae broad and flat..... *Lyreidus nitidus*  
  - Carapace eroded; chelae elongate, manus swollen, fingers long and slender..... *Symethis variolosa*

### Genus *Ranilia* H. Milne Edwards, 1837

Key to species

[Adapted from Williams, 1984]

- Hand of cheliped with spine on upper margin..... *R. muricata*
- Hand of cheliped without spine on upper margin..... *R. constricta*

### Genus *Raninoides* H. Milne Edwards, 1837

Key to species

[Based on Rathbun, 1937]

- Spine at distal end of merus of cheliped; four spines on lower margin of manus..... *R. loevius*
- No spine at distal end of merus of cheliped; five or six spines on lower margin of manus ..... *R. louisianensis*

*Ranilia muricata*

- a. dorsal view (ovigerous female)  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Ranilia constricta*

female:

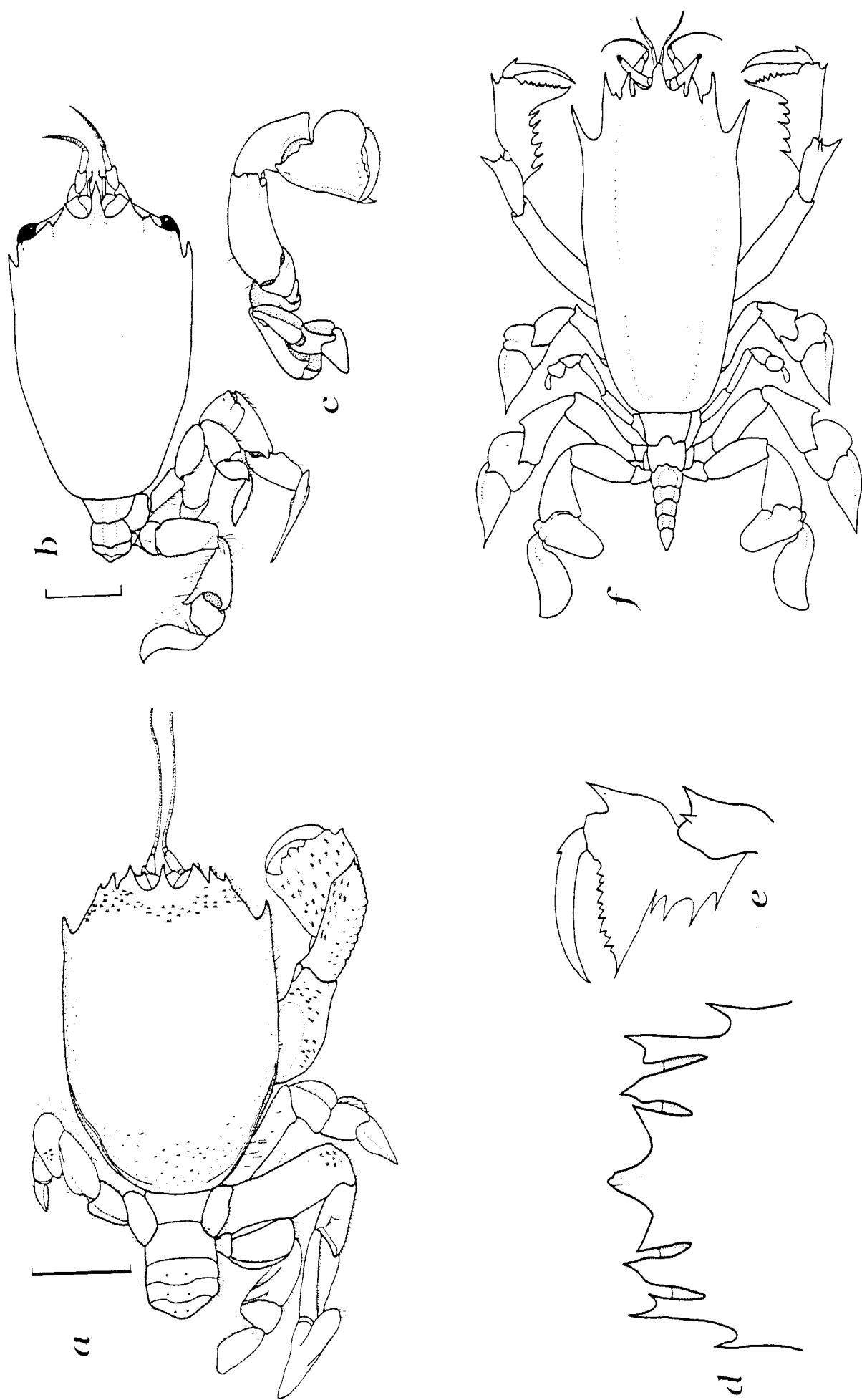
- a. dorsal view  
b. right cheliped and first walking leg  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Raninoidea loevis*

- d. anterior part of carapace, dorsal view  
e. distal half of right cheliped, upper surface  
(after Rathbun, 1937)

*Raninoidea louisianensis*

- f. dorsal view (holotype male)  
(after Rathbun, 1937)



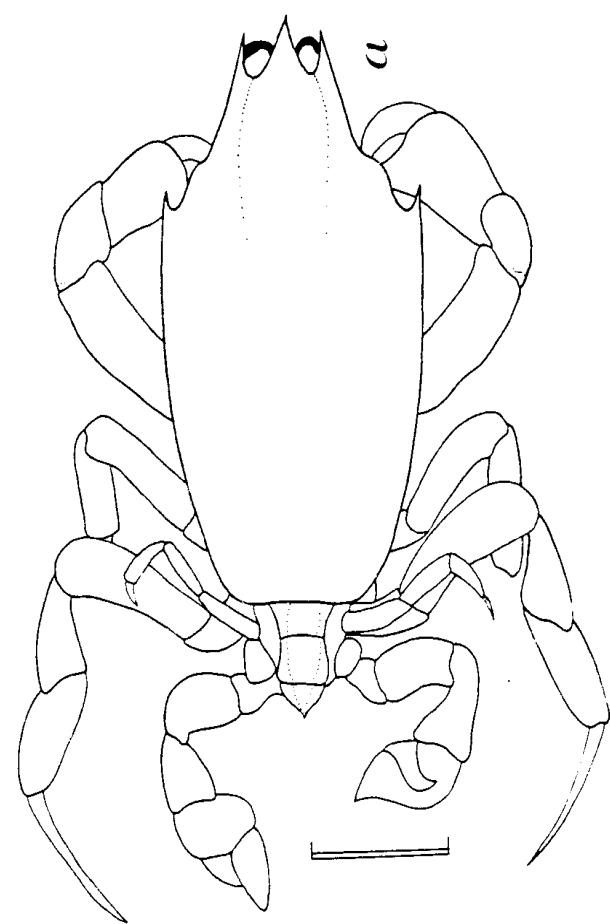
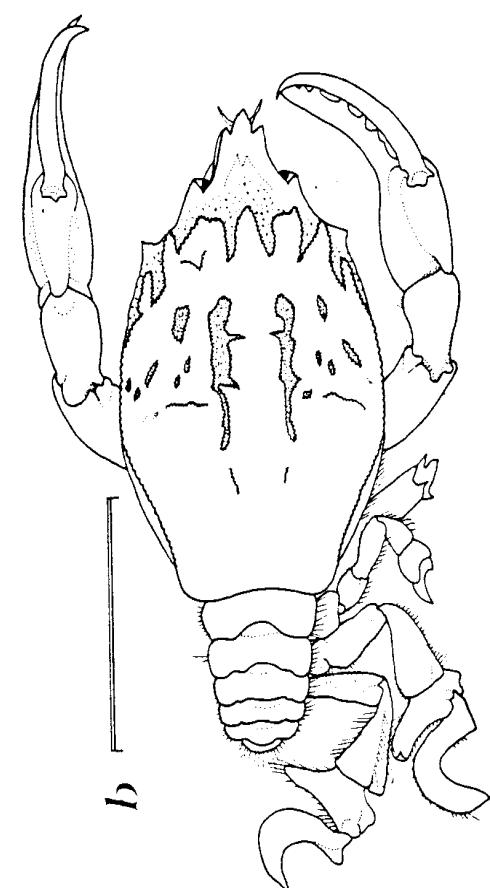
*Lyreodus nitidus*

a. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1937, as *L. bairdii*)*Symethis variolosa*

b. dorsal view (female)

(after Williams, 1984)





**Family Dorippidae****Genus *Ethusa* Roux, 1828**

Key to genera and species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1937]

1. Eyestalks long, extending laterally beyond outer orbital spine (outer orbital spine directed obliquely forward) ..... *E. mascarone americana*  
Eyestalks short, not extending beyond outer orbital spine..... 2
2. (1) Dactyli of first and second walking legs not flattened..... *E. tenuipes*  
Dactyli of first and second walking legs flattened above..... 3
3. (2) Carapace as broad as, or broader than, long..... *E. microphthalmia*  
Carapace longer than broad..... *E. truncata*

*Ethusa mascarone americana*

- a. dorsal view  
(from Abele's personal drawing)

*Ethusa tenuipes*

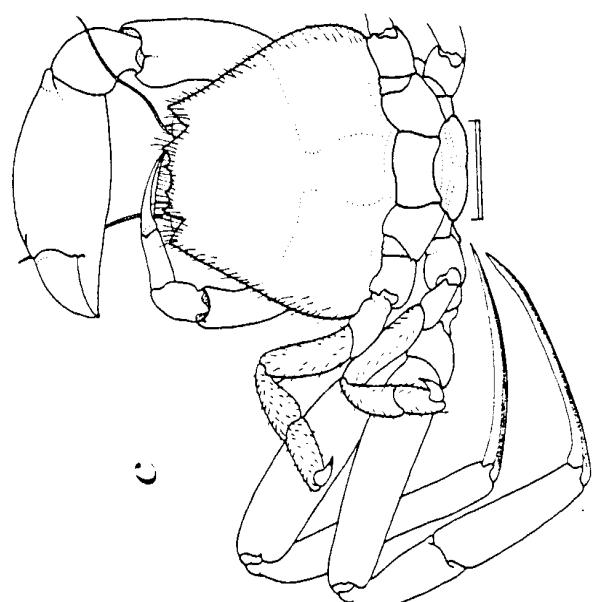
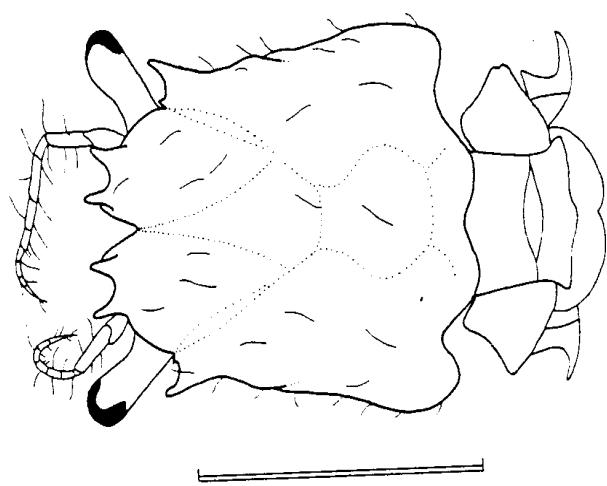
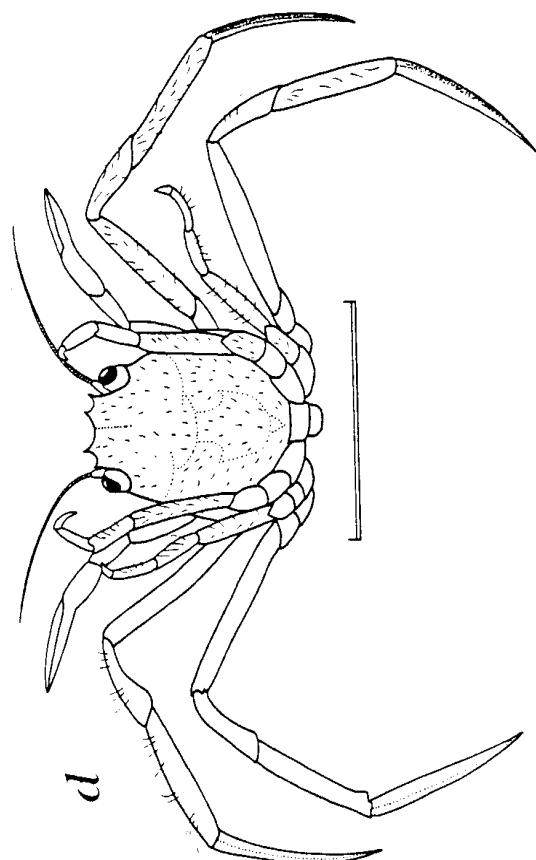
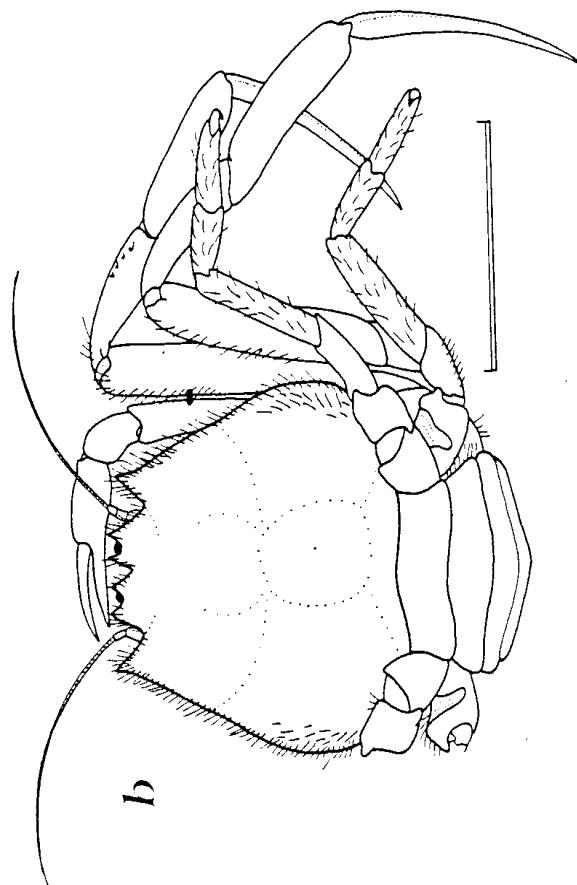
- b. dorsal view (female)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Ethusa microphthalma*

- c. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Ethusa truncata*

- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1937)





## Family Calappidae

Key to genera and species  
[Based on Williams, 1984]

1. Chelae dissimilar; large tooth on dactylus and pair of protuberances on propodus of major chela ..... 2
- Chelae essentially symmetrical, no unusually enlarged teeth or protuberances..... 4
2. (1) Posterolateral region of carapace expanded into dentate, winglike projection..... *Calappa*  
Posterolateral region of carapace not expanded into dentate, winglike projection.... 3
3. (2) Merus of cheliped with very long, outstanding spine..... *Acanthocarpus*  
Merus of cheliped without long spine; carapace subcircular, small spine at lateral angle ..... *Cycloes bairdii*
4. (1) Carapace considerably broader than long, regularly convex above..... *Hepatus*  
Carapace nearly as long as broad, dorsal surface uneven..... *Osachila*

## Genus *Acanthocarpus* Stimpson, 1871

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1937]

- Carapace narrowing in posterior half; short spine on posterolateral margin..... *A. alexandri*
- Carapace subcircular; long spine on posterolateral margin..... *A. bispinosus*

### Genus *Calappa* Weber, 1795

#### Key to species

[Based on Williams, 1984, and Rathbun, 1937]

1. Orbita completely separated from antennular sockets (surface quite rough, covered with rounded protuberances and granulate) ..... *C. angusta*
- Orbita not separated from antennular sockets..... 2
2. (1) Carapace with prominent horizontal tooth at each end of posterior margin (sharp spine at angle of posterolateral wing and another at proximal end of manus) ..... *C. sulcata*  
.....
- Carapace without spine at either end of posterior margin..... 3
3. (2) Deep hollow between gastric and hepatic regions (posterior third of carapace covered with short transverse granulated lines) ..... *C. gallus*  
No deep hollow between gastric and hepatic regions..... 4
4. (3) Darker part of color pattern on carapace in interlacing bands on anterior half, becoming obliquely longitudinal stripes and fading somewhat on posterior half ..... *C. flammea*  
.....
- Darker part of color pattern on anterior of carapace in becoming reticular in pattern at midlength but fading posteriorly ..... *C. ocellata*

### Genus *Hepatus* Latreille, 1802

#### Key to species

[Adapted from Williams, 1984]

- Carapace covered with large, usually discrete spots (spots may be interconnected or form irregular, transverse stripes, proportionately small in juveniles); front noticeably tuberculate and truncate ..... *H. epheliticus*
- Carapace covered with small spots often aligned in transverse rows; front slightly tuberculate and obtusely bidentate ..... *H. pudibundus*

**Genus *Osachila* Stimpson, 1871**

Key to species  
[Based on Rathbun, 1937]

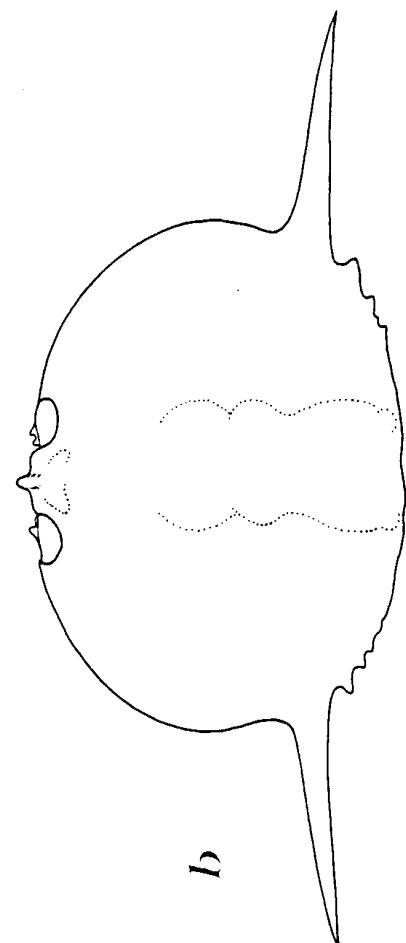
1. Dorsal surface of carapace wholly eroded; cardiac elevation pointed behind.....*O. antillensis*
- Dorsal surface of carapace partly eroded, including elevations; cardiac elevation rounded behind ..... 2
2. (1) Posterolateral margin of carapace shorter than anterolateral, thickened and raised, bearing 3 lobes including lateral angle, third lobe obsolescent ..... *O. semilevis*  
Posterolateral margin of carapace about as long as anterolateral margin, not thickened and raised, bearing 4 lobes including angle, second lobe smallest ..... *O. tuberosa*

*Acanthocarpus alexandri*

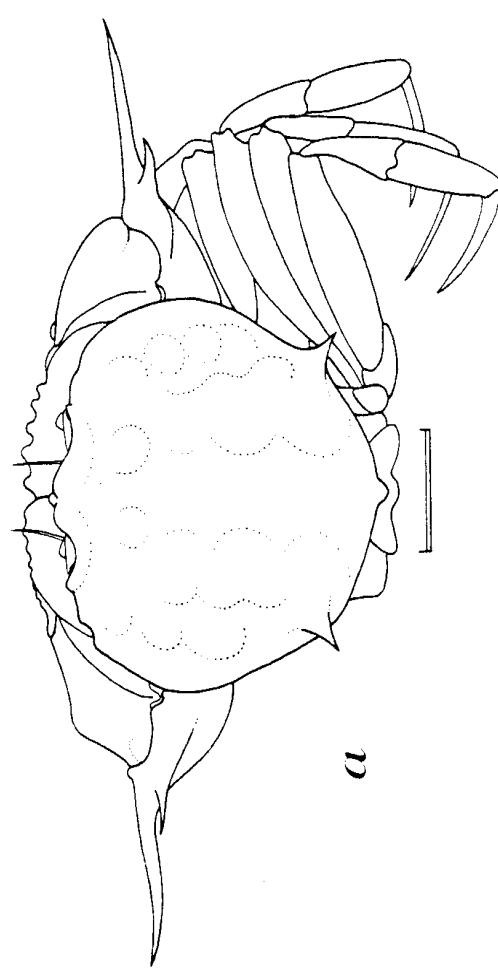
a. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Acanthocarpus bispinosus*

b. carapace, dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1937)



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*Calappa angusta*

a. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1965a)

*Calappa sulcata*

female:

b. dorsal view

c. major chela, external view

(after Williams, 1965a)

*Calappa gallus*

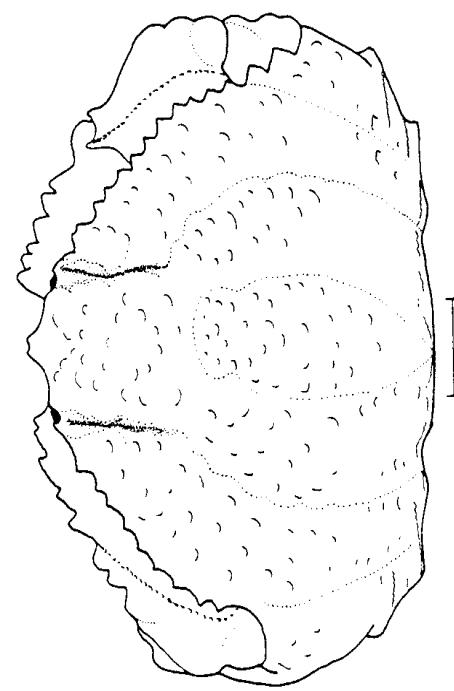
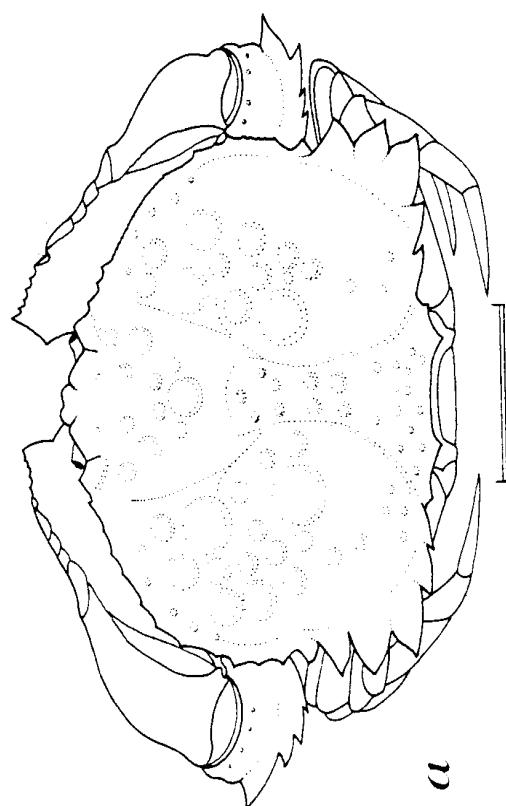
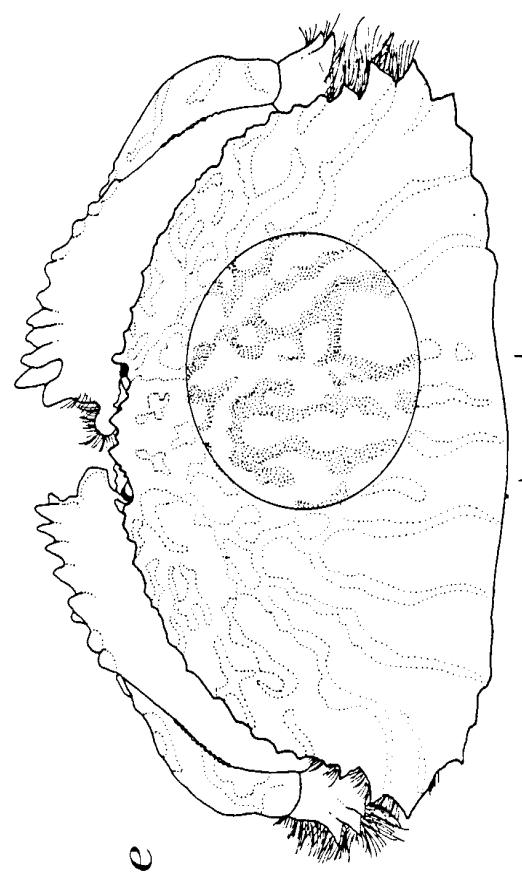
d. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1937)

*Calappa flammnea*

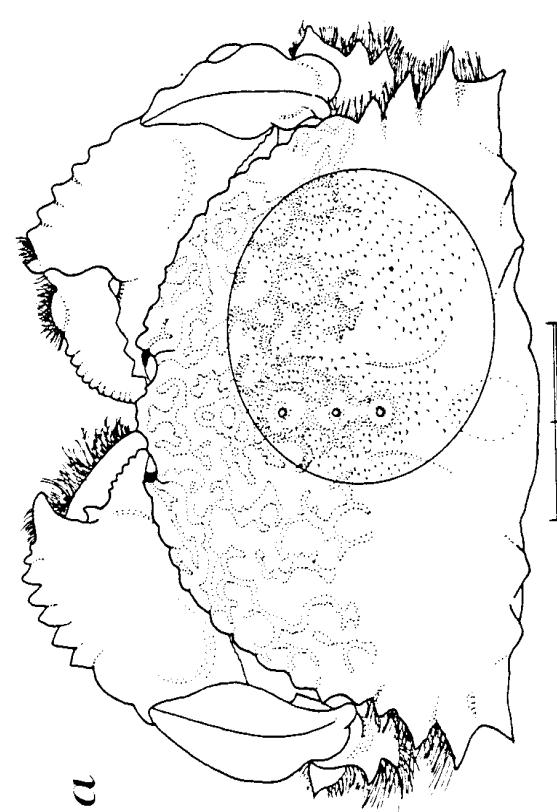
e. dorsal view (female)

(after Holthuis, 1958)



*Calappa ocellata*

a. dorsal view (male)  
(after Holthuis, 1958)



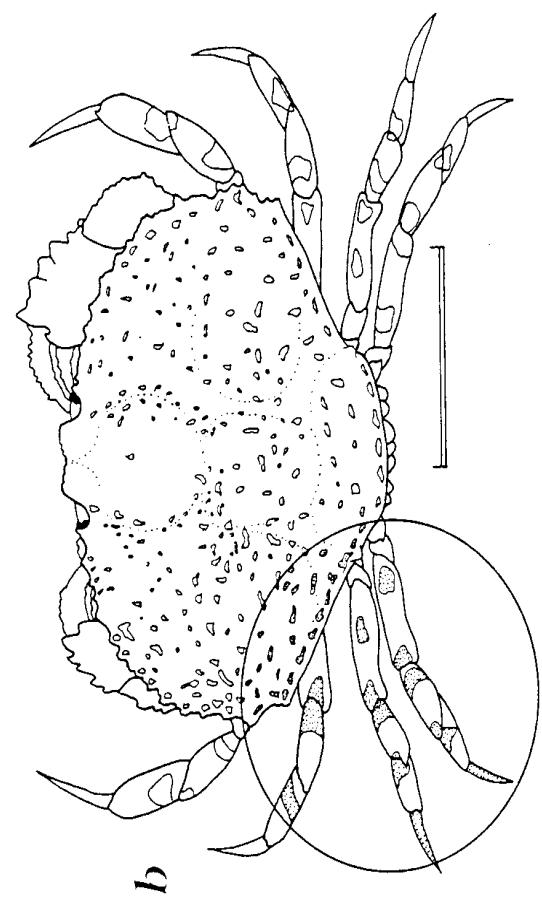
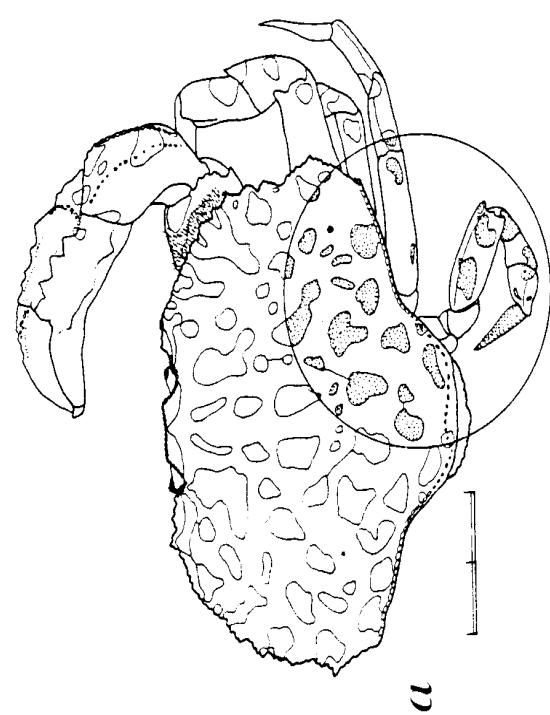
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*Hepatus epheliticus*

a. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Hepatus pudibundus*

b. dorsal view (female)  
(after Holthuis, 1959)

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*Osachila antillensis*

a. dorsal view (holotype female)  
(after Rathbun, 1937)

*Osachila semilevis*

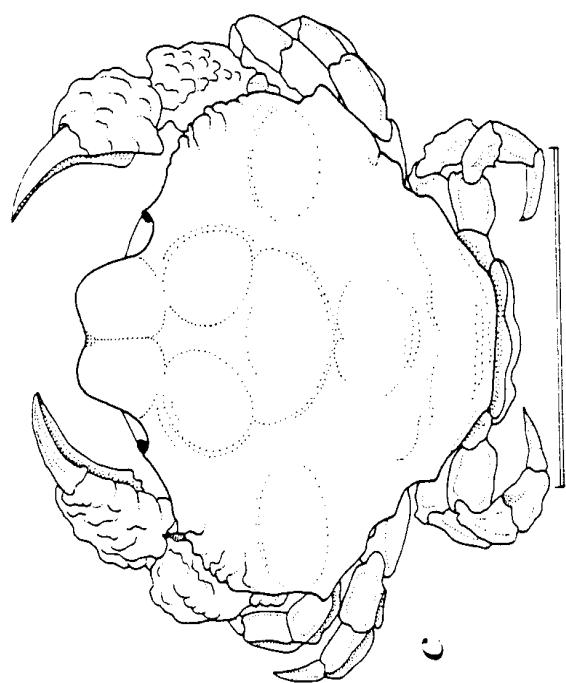
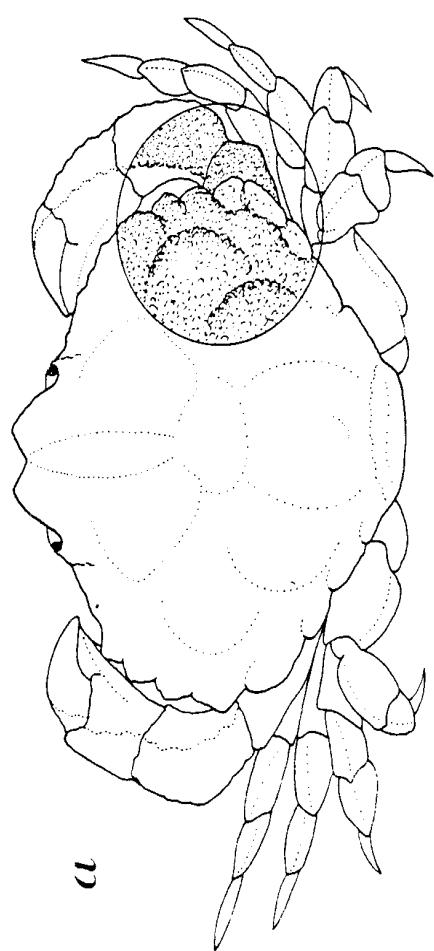
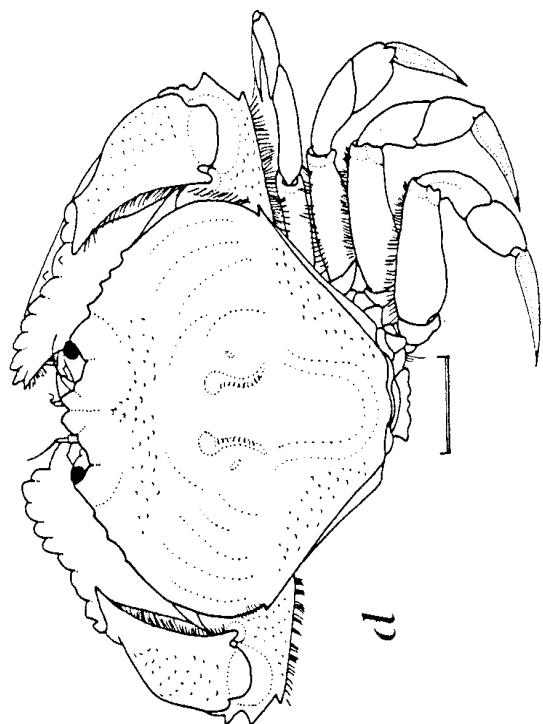
b. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Osachila tuberosa*

c. dorsal view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Cycloes bairdii*

d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)





## Family Leucosiidae

Key to genera and species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1937]

1. Merus of outer (third) maxilliped half or more than half length of ischium measured along inner border; fingers stout, gradually narrowing from base to tip ..... 2  
Merus of outer maxilliped less than half length of ischium measured along inner border; fingers slender, of subequal width throughout ..... 7
2. (1) Pterygostomian margin terminating anteriorly in circular depression behind orbit; surface of carapace uneven; chelipeds of moderate length ..... 3  
Pterygostomian margin not terminating in circular depression and often obscure; carapace almost hemispherical, surface only slightly uneven; chelipeds often elongate ..... 6
3. (2) Carapace broadly elliptical, sides expanded ..... *Uhlia limbatus*  
Carapace narrower, pentagonal to octagonal, surface very uneven ..... 4
4. (3) Deep hollows or caves within posterior half of carapace ..... *Speloeophorus*  
No deep hollows or caves within posterior half of carapace ..... 5
5. (4) Upper surface of carapace deeply excavate ..... *Lithadia*  
Upper surface of carapace uneven but not deeply excavate ..... *Ebalia*
6. (2) Chelipeds rather massive; abdominal segments 3-5 fused in male ..... *Persephona*  
Chelipeds long and slender; abdominal segments 3-6 fused in male; cardiac and intestinal regions indicated ..... *Myropsis quinquespinosa*
7. (1) Posterior half of carapace with seven spines; anterior half of carapace with three spines on each side ..... *Callidactylus asper*  
Posterior half of carapace with three spines; anterior half of carapace with no spines or with one spine on each side ..... *Iliacantha*

### Genus *Ebalia* Leach, 1817

Key to species  
[Adapted from Williams, 1984]

- Carapace octagonal..... *E. cariosa*
- Carapace hexagonal or subglobular..... *E. stimpsonii*

### Genus *Iliacantha* Stimpson, 1871

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1937]

- 1. Short, blunt spine on subhepatic margin (posterior margin between lateral spines invisible in dorsal view; carapace with many large granules) ..... *I. sparsa*
- No spine on subhepatic margin..... 2
- 2. (1) Fingers of chela about half as long as palm..... *I. intermedia*
- Fingers longer than palm..... 3
- 3. (2) Spines of posterior margin subtriangular, blunt..... *I. subglobosa*
- Spines of posterior margin conical, acute..... *I. iodactylus*

### Genus *Lithadia* Bell, 1855

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1937]

- Anterior median carina present on carapace (branchial region almost entirely swollen; rostrum slightly concave) ..... *L. cadaverosa*
- No anterior median carina (highest point a small branchial pyramid either side in line with widest part of carapace) ..... *L. granulosa*

**Genus *Persephona* Leach, 1817**

## Key to species

[Adapted from Felder, 1973]

Carapace with several tubercles or enlarged granules on each side, one at widest part of carapace, another less than half way from there to hepatic protuberance, and usually one on subhepatic protuberance (less obvious in females than in males); coarse granules on lateral areas of carapace not arranged in single marginal line; fresh specimens usually with carapace uniform blue-gray color ..... *P. crinita*

Carapace without singularly enlarged granules or tubercles on sides, but with distinct single line of coarse granules defining lateral margin; fresh specimens usually with red blotches and patterns on cream-colored carapace ..... *P. mediterranea*

**Genus *Speloeophorus* A. Milne Edwards, 1865**

## Key to species

[Adapted from Rathbun, 1937]

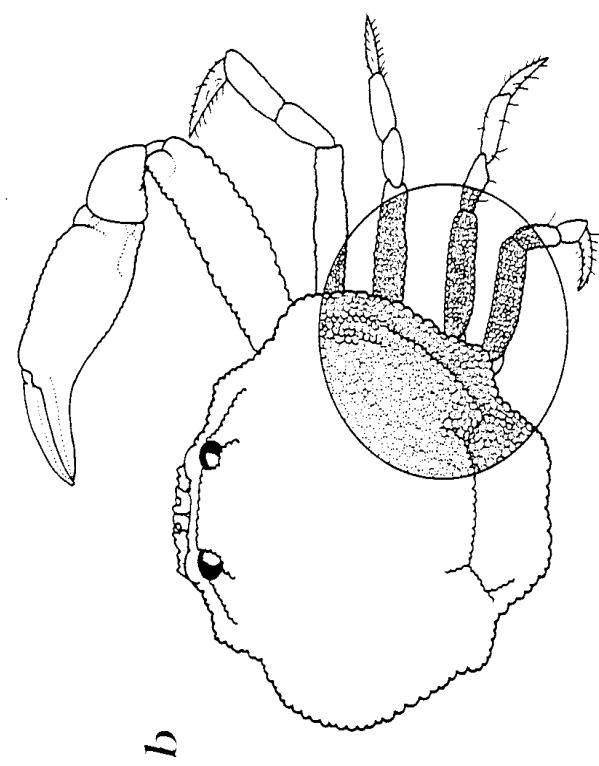
1. Deep cavity of carapace with only 2 openings, not visible dorsally; carapace hexagonal ..... *S. nodosus*
- Deep cavity of carapace with 4 openings, visible dorsally; carapace octagonal..... 2
2. (1) Dorsal pair of openings small; carapace highest at anterior end of branchial elevation ..... *S. pontifer*  
Dorsal pair of openings large; carapace highest near middle of branchial elevation, narrower than in *S. pontifer* ..... *S. elevatus*

*Ebalia cariosa*

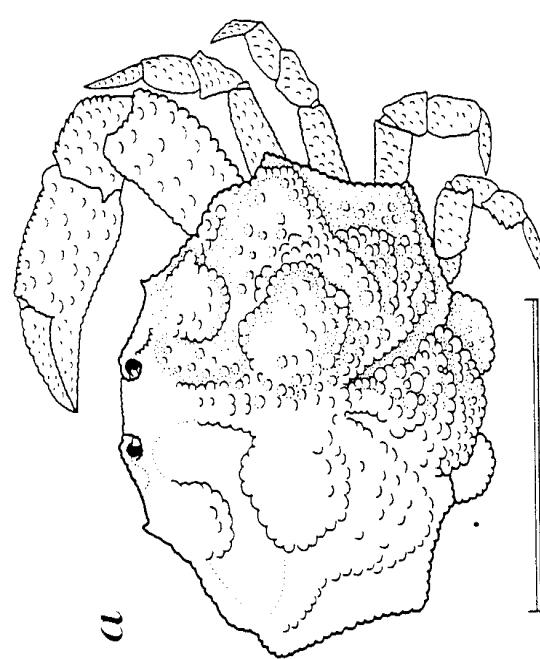
a. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1984)

*Ebalia stimpsonii*b. dorsal view (female)  
(after Williams, 1984)



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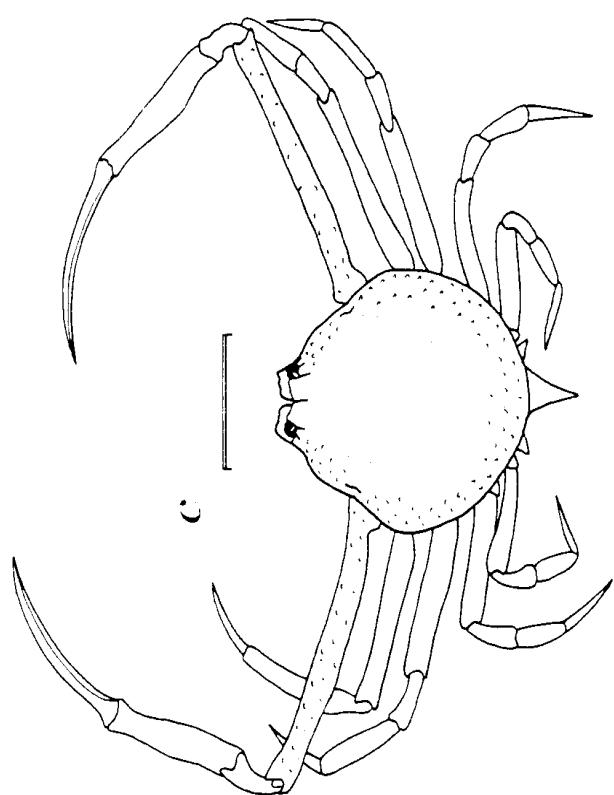
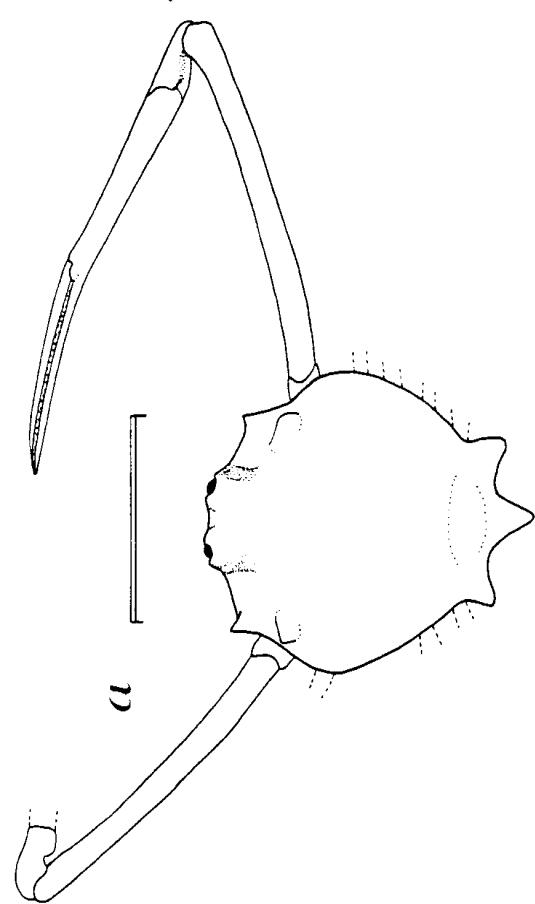
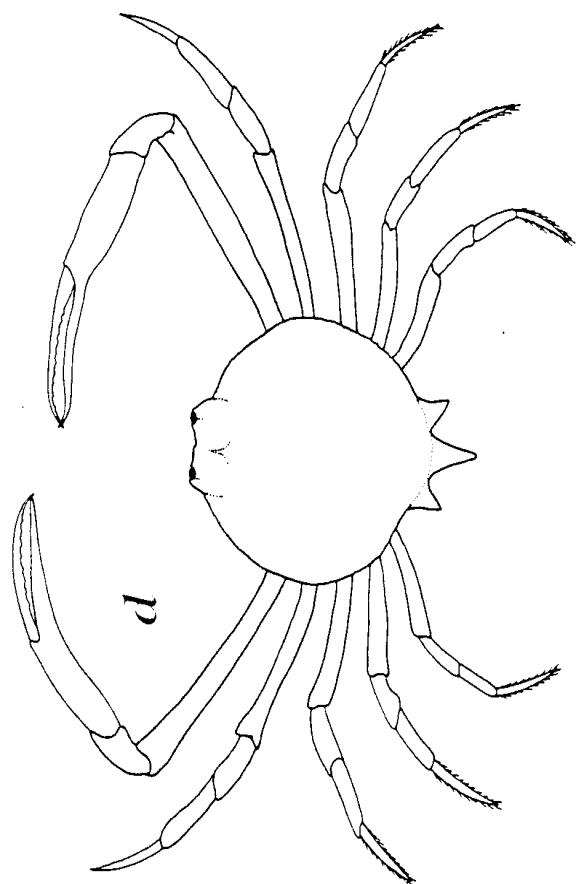
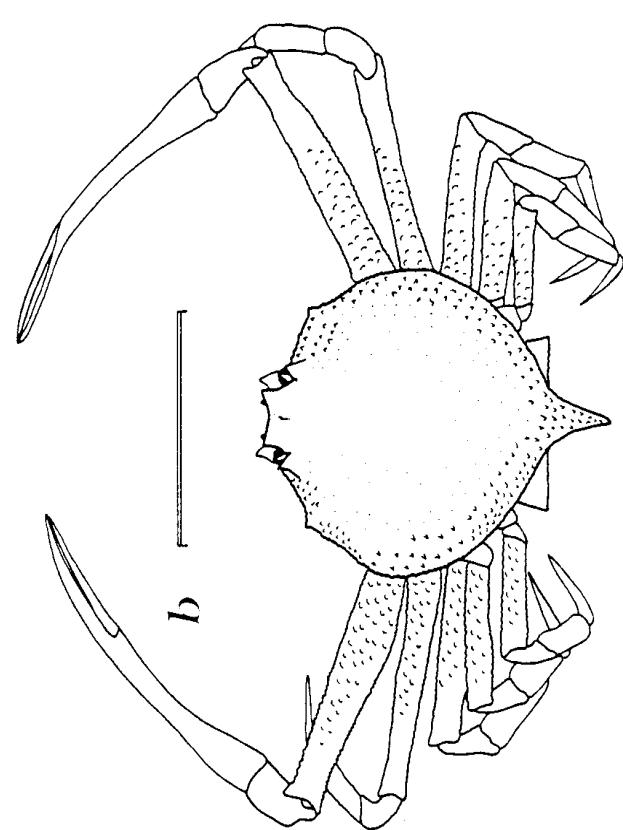
*Iliacantha sparsa*

- a. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1937)
- b. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Iliacantha intermedia*

- c. dorsal view (female)  
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- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1937)

*Iliacantha liodactylus*



*Lithadia granulosa*

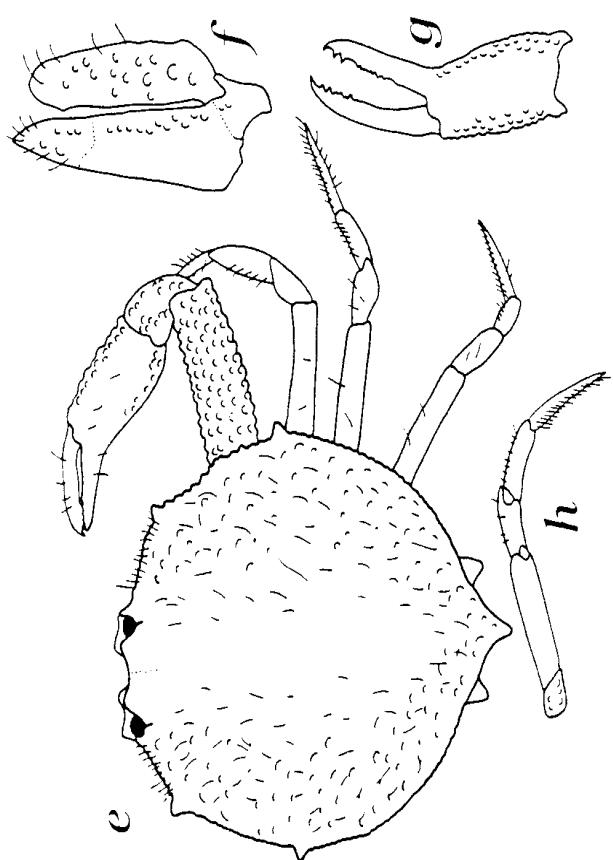
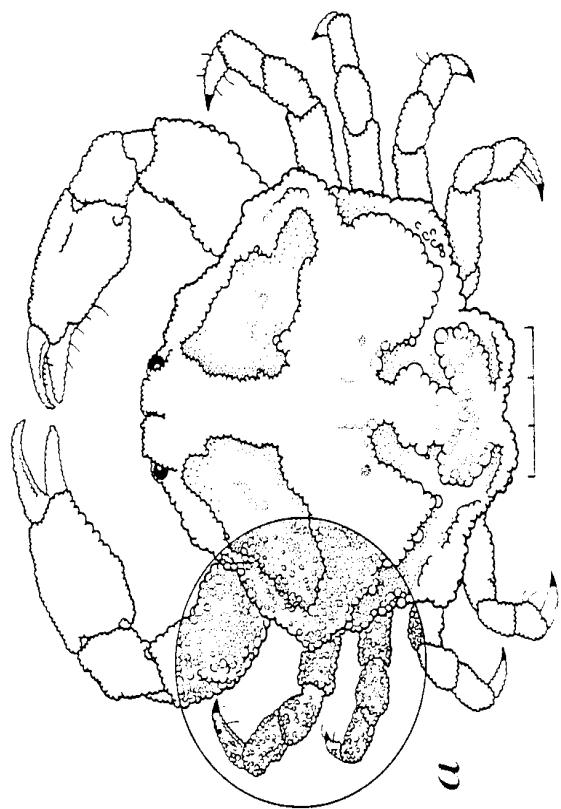
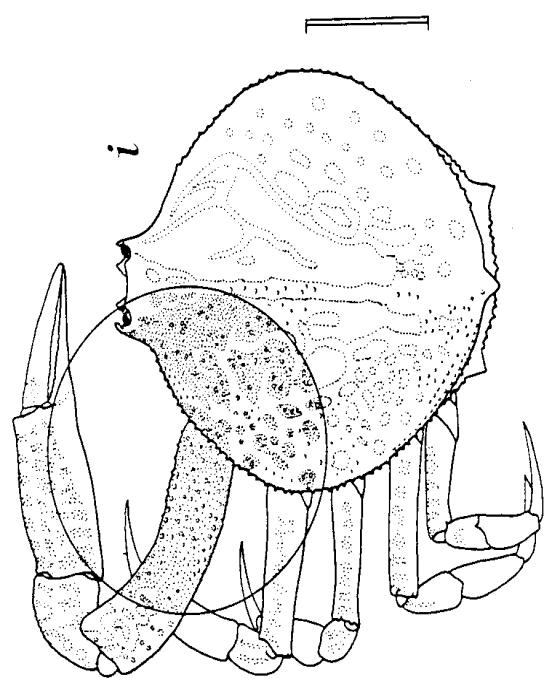
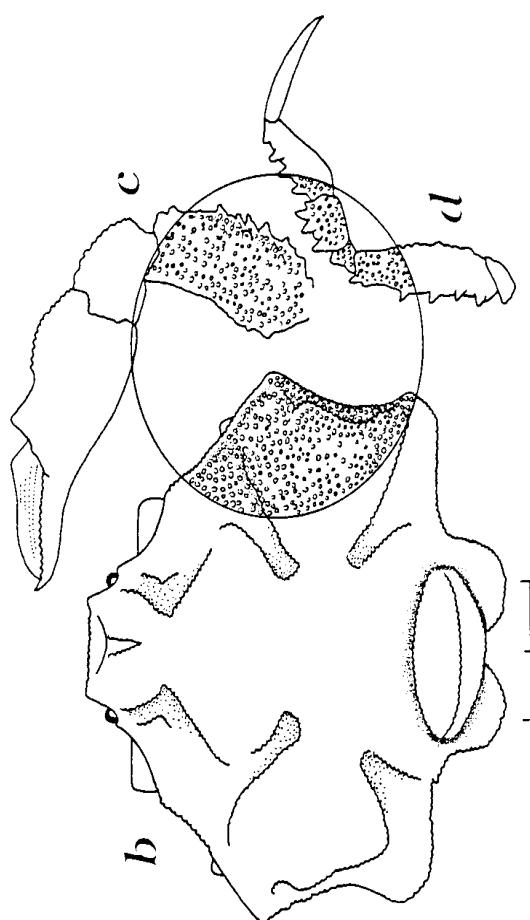
- female:
- a. dorsal view  
(after drawing at SI-NMNH)
  - b. carapace, dorsal view
  - c. left cheliped, external view
  - d. first right walking leg  
(after Rathbun, 1937)

*Persephona crinita*

- e. dorsal view
- f. left outer (third) maxilliped
- g. right chela, external view
- h. walking leg, external view  
(from Abele's personal drawings)

*Persephona mediterranea*

- i. dorsal view  
(after Williams, 1965a)



*Spelaeophorus nodosus*

a. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1965a)

*Spelaeophorus pontifer*

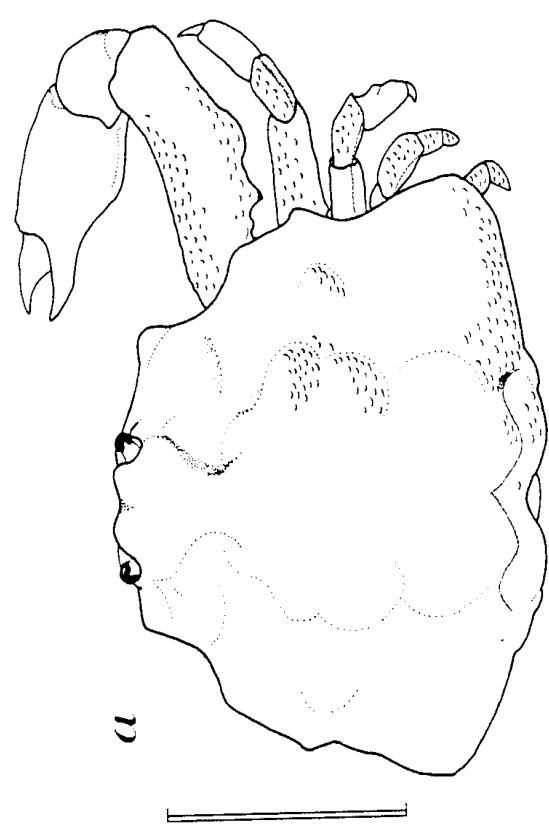
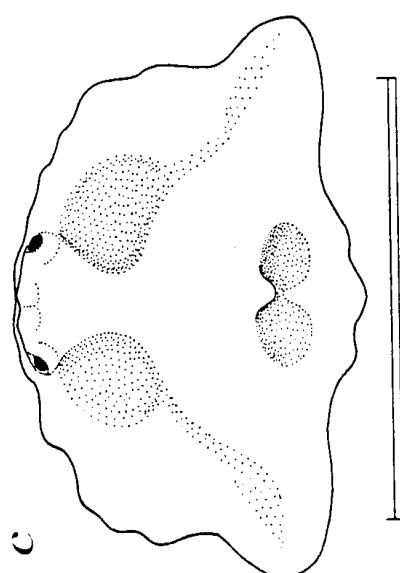
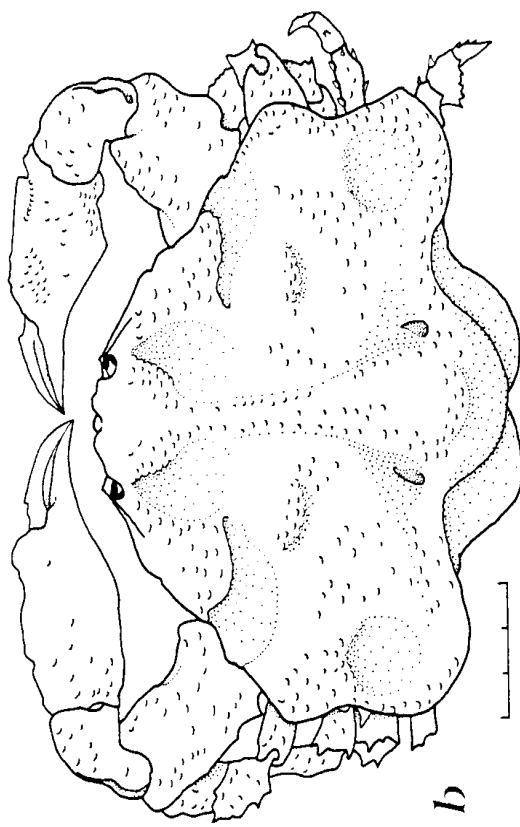
b. dorsal view (female)

(after Williams, 1965a)

*Spelaeophorus elevatus*

c. carapace, dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1937)



*Callidactylus asper*

a. dorsal view (male)

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*Myropsis quinquespinosa*

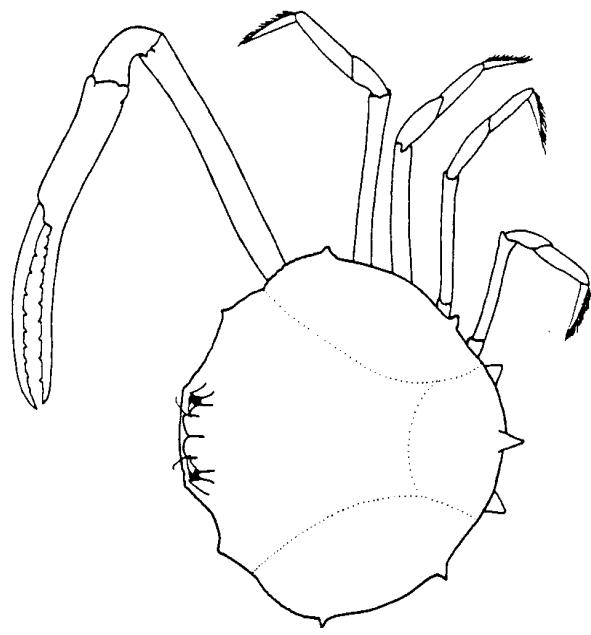
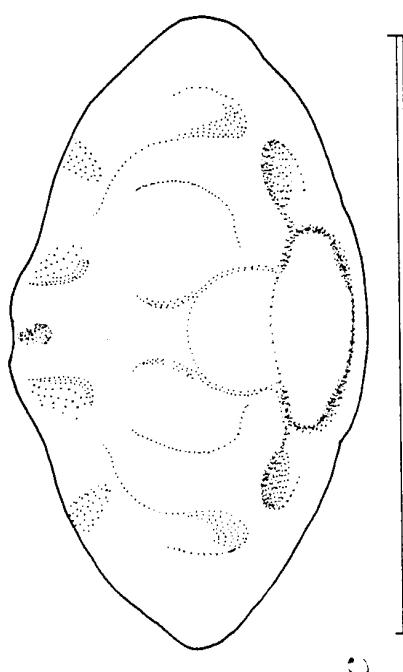
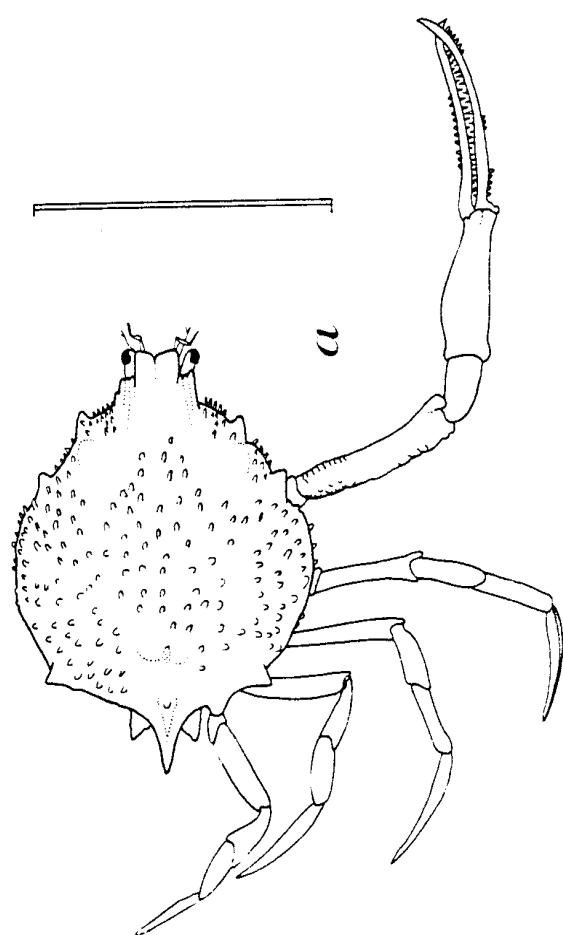
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*Uhlias limbatus*

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## Family Majidae

Key to genera and species  
[Based on Garth, 1958, and Rathbun, 1925]

1. Eyes either without orbits or with incomplete or commencing orbits..... 2
- Eyes with nearly complete or complete orbits; basal antennal segment very broad....  
..... 28
2. (1) Eyes without orbits; eyestalks generally long, either nonretractile or retractile against sides of carapace or against acute postocular spine affording no concealment; basal antennal segment extremely slender and usually long ..... 3
- Eyes with incomplete or commencing orbits; basal antennal segment not extremely slender ..... 15
3. (2) Spine intercalated between pre- and postorbital spines..... *Achaeopsis thomsoni*
- No spine intercalated between pre- and postorbital spines..... 4
4. (3) Seven free abdominal segments in both sexes; rostrum double.....  
..... *Anomalothir furcillatus*
- Six free abdominal segments in male, five in female..... 5
5. (4) Rostrum double..... 6
- Rostrum single..... 10
6. (5) Interantennular spine absent or inconspicuous..... *Collodes*
- Interantennular spine present and conspicuous..... 7
7. (6) Eyestalks slender; 3 erect median spines..... *Arachnopsis filipes*
- Eyestalks not slender..... 8
8. (7) Seven long capitate spines..... *Aepinus septemspinosus*
- Fewer than 7 carapace spines..... 9
9. (8) Spine of basal antennal segment equally advanced with front..... *Euprognatha*
- Spine of basal antennal segment not equally advanced with front.....  
..... *Batrachonotus fragosus*
10. (5) Merus of outer (third) maxilliped as broad as ischium; palp of moderate size..... 11
- Merus of outer maxilliped often narrower than ischium; palp large and coarse..... 13

11. (10) Postorbital tooth large, curving around eye..... *Pyromaias*  
                  Postorbital tooth small or, if large, not curving around eye..... 12
12. (11) Carapace rough with spines and tubercles; legs not subprehensile.....  
                  ..... *Anasimus latus*  
                  Carapace smooth; legs subprehensile..... *Inachoides forceps*
13. (10) Rostrum considerably less than postrostral length, basal antennal segment often  
                  longitudinally sulcate ..... *Podochela*  
                  Rostrum approaching or surpassing postrostral length, basal antennal segment not  
                  longitudinally sulcate ..... 14
14. (13) Carapace nodulous; long spine at end of merus of each walking leg; rostrum few  
                  spined ..... *Metoporhaphis calcarata*  
                  Carapace smooth; spines at ends of meri of walking legs no longer than others;  
                  rostrum multispinose ..... *Stenorhynchus seticornis*
15. (2) Eyes with commencing orbits having, in addition to supraocular spine, large,  
                  cupped postocular process into which eyes retract; eyestalks short ..... 16  
                  Eyes without true orbits, lacking postocular cup..... 21
16. (15) Intercalated spine present..... 17  
                  Intercalated spine absent..... 18
17. (16) First pair of walking legs much longer than remaining pairs..... *Chorinus heros*  
                  Walking legs diminishing regularly from first to last pair..... *Nibilia antilocapra*
18. (16) Supraocular eave and postocular process closely approximated..... *Libinia*  
                  Supraocular eave and postocular process not closely approximated..... 19
19. (18) Rostrum bifid for not more than half its length or at tip only..... *Pelia mutica*  
                  Rostrum bifid for more than half its length..... 20
20. (19) Two rows of spines on walking legs..... *Olopisa spinipes*  
                  Walking legs without two rows of spines..... *Rochinia*
21. (15) Eyestalks long; orbit partially protected by hornlike supraocular spine or by jagged  
                  postocular tooth or by both; body often truncate in front ..... 22  
                  Eyestalks short, little movable, and either concealed by supraocular spine or sunk  
                  in sides of rostrum; basal antennal segment truncate-triangular ..... 25

22. (21) Eyes furnished with orbits completely enclosed, often outstanding and tubular. 23  
Orbit unprotected below; eyes protected above by lamellate projection consisting of supraocular eave and outgrowth of hepatic region ..... 24
23. (22) Rostrum long, greatly advanced beyond orbits; preocular spine twice length of remainder of orbit; legs filiform; first movable segment of antenna cylindrical ..... *Picroceroides tubularis*  
Rostrum short, little if at all advanced beyond orbits; preocular spine not long; legs moderately robust; first movable segment of antenna flattened ..... *Pitho*
24. (22) Basal prolongation of exopod of third maxilliped curving forward and usually lodged in groove of ischium of endognath; abdomen 7-segmented in both sexes ...  
..... *Tyche emarginata*  
Basal prolongation of exopod of third maxilliped not recurving; merus of endognath strongly arched, brilliantly glistening, and porcellanous; abdomen of female with segments 4-6 coalesced ..... *Stilbomastax margaritifera*
25. (21) Rostrum double..... 26  
Rostrum single or secondarily divaricate..... 27
26. (25) Seven free abdominal segments in both sexes..... *Sphenocarcinus corrosus*  
Six free abdominal segments in both sexes; legs subchelate.....  
..... *Acanthonyx petiverii*
27. (25) Six free abdominal segments in male, five in female..... *Epialtus*  
Five free abdominal segments in male..... *Mocosoa crebripunctata*
28. (1) Intercalated spine present; orbits sometimes projecting beyond general outline of carapace, but never tubular ..... 29  
Intercalated spine absent; orbits tubular..... 32
29. (28) Orbita not projecting laterally beyond general outline of carapace; carapace subtriangular; legs cristate ..... 30  
Orbits projecting laterally somewhat beyond general outline of carapace..... 31
30. (29) Carapace very high on median line; basal segment of antenna broader than long....  
..... *Hemus cristulipes*  
Carapace not noticeably high on median line, lobulate; basal segment of antenna no broader than long ..... *Thoe puella*

31. (29) Rostrum small; carapace ovate, usually broader than long..... *Mithrax*  
Rostrum of good size, usually with two strong horns; carapace broadly pyriform;  
basal antennal segment armed with prominent spine at anteroexternal angle ..  
..... *Microphrys*
32. (28) Lateral margin of carapace armed with series of strong spines; basal antennal  
segment very broad ..... 33  
Lateral margin of carapace not armed with series of strong spines, but with spine,  
usually strong, at lateral angle of carapace ..... 34
33. (32) Basal antennal segment quadridentate; postocular tooth large, quadrangular,  
armed with two teeth or spines ..... *Coelocerus spinosus*  
Basal antennal segment with fewer than four spines or teeth; postocular tooth of  
moderate size, triangular, armed with only one spine ..... *Stenocionops*
34. (32) Orbita strongly projecting; rostral horns short; carapace broad... *Macrocoeloma*  
Orbita little projecting; rostral horns long and slender; carapace narrow.....  
..... *Leptopisa setirostris*

**Genus *Collodes* Stimpson, 1860**

## Key to species

[Adapted from Rathbun, 1925]

1. Carapace with median spines..... 2
- Carapace without median spines..... 4
2. (1) Rostrum simple, not bifid (basal antennal segment with inner crest armed with three spiniform teeth) ..... *C. obesus*  
Rostrum bifid..... 3
3. (2) Walking legs hairy (granules evenly distributed on branchial region).....  
..... *C. trispinosus*  
Walking legs naked..... *C. nudus*
4. (1) Interantennular spine advanced as far as rostrum; chelipeds slender.....  
..... *C. leptochelus*  
Interantennular spine not advanced as far as rostrum (carapace mostly granulate; basal antennal segment with conspicuously dentate crests) ..... *C. robustus*

**Genus *Epialtus* H. Milne Edwards, 1834**

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1925]

1. Rostrum simple, margin entire or nearly so..... 2  
Rostrum either bilobed or bidentate..... 4
2. (1) Rostrum dorsally carinate; carapace widest at hepatic regions; cardiac region conical.  
..... *E. kingsleyi*  
Rostrum not dorsally carinate..... 3
3. (2) Carapace with very shallow sinus between lateral lobes; hand of male high;  
preorbital angles obtuse; tip of rostrum rounded ..... *E. bituberculatus*  
Carapace with deep sinus between lateral lobes; hand of male elongate; preorbital  
angles sharp (rostrum very narrow, sides parallel, tip subtruncate, with faint  
indication of two lobes) ..... *E. longirostris*
4. (1) Rostrum short; carapace in front of anterior margin of hepatic lobe much shorter  
than behind same region; hepatic lobe much larger than branchial lobe (hepatic lobe  
not directed forward; rostrum narrowing anteriorly; tuft of hair present on propodi  
of legs) ..... *E. dilatatus*  
Rostrum long; hepatic and branchial lobes more nearly equal; tuft of hair present on  
propodi of legs (carapace widest across branchial regions; length in front of hepatic  
lobes nearly as great as behind same line) ..... *E. dilatatus forma elongata*

**Genus *Euprognatha* Stimpson, 1871**

## Key to species

[Adapted from Rathbun, 1925]

Interantennular spine very short; sternum forming wide border around posterolateral portions of carapace ..... *E. gracilipes*

Interantennular spine long; sternum forming narrow border around posterolateral portions of carapace; antennal spines diverging anteriorly; immovable finger without noticeably enlarged tooth ..... *E. rastellifera*

**Genus *Libinia* Leach, 1815**

## Key to species

[Adapted from Rathbun, 1925]

1. Median line of carapace with about 9 spines, 5 behind cervical groove.....  
..... *L. emarginata*
- Median line of carapace with about 6 spines..... 2
2. (1) Fork of rostrum in adult shallow, tips of horns blunt; lateral marginal spines in young of good size, subequal ..... *L. dubia*  
Fork of rostrum in young deeper than in *L. dubia*. horns acute, curved toward each other; lateral marginal spines in young small except very long and slender posterior one ..... *L. erinacea*

### Genus *Macrocoeloma* Miers, 1879

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1925]

1. Carapace with fewer than 7 spines on its posterior half or, if with 7 spines, some of them small ..... 2
  - Carapace with 7 strong spines on its posterior half..... 8
2. (1) Basal antennal segment armed with only one spine or sharp tubercle..... 3
  - Basal antennal segment armed with 2 or more spines; orbits elongate-tubular..... 7
3. (2) Rostral horns separated by interspace; interspace narrow or pointed at base..... 4
  - Rostral horns separated by interspace; interspace broad and rounded at base..... 6
4. (3) Posterolateral projections narrow, spinelike..... *M. trispinosum trispinosum*
  - Posterolateral projections broad, bladelike..... 5
5. (4) Posterolateral projections very broad, their margins continuous with marginal lines of carapace ..... *M. trispinosum nodipes*
  - Posterolateral projections less broad, their margins making angle with marginal lines of carapace ..... *M. trispinosum* variety
6. (3) Carapace deeply sculptured or areolated between two posterolateral spines; rostral spines short and stout (posterolateral spines directed obliquely backward) ..... *M. subparallelum*
  - Carapace not unusually sculptured between epibranchial spines; rostral horns longer and slenderer ..... *M. diplacanthum*
7. (2) Rostral spines separated by U-shaped sinus..... *M. eutheca*
  - Rostral spines separated by V-shaped sinus; basal antennal segment armed with 2 spines forming oblique line, outer spine more or less distant from orbital margin .... *M. laevigatum*
8. (1) Basal antennal segment armed with only one spine..... *M. cinctocerum*
  - Basal antennal segment armed with two spines in transverse line..... *M. septemspinosum*

### Genus *Microphrys* H. Milne Edwards, 1851

Key to species  
[Adapted from Williams, 1984]

- Carapace with 2 lateral laminiform processes, 2 strong branchial spines.....  
..... *M. antillensis*
- Carapace without lateral laminiform processes, 1 strong branchial spine.....  
..... *M. bicornutus*

### Genus *Mithrax* Desmarest, 1823

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1925]

- 1. Carapace without smooth, oblique, branchial sulci..... 2
- Carapace with smooth, oblique, branchial sulci; rostral horns very short; minor teeth of orbit tuberculiform, inconspicuous ..... 14
- 2. (1) Palm armed above with spines or spinules..... 3
- Palm not armed above with spines or spinules..... 7
- 3. (2) Two spines only on basal segment of antenna..... *M. spinosissimus*
- Three spines on basal segment of antenna..... 4
- 4. (3) Carapace paved with flattened granules, concealed by short hair.....  
..... *M. verrucosus*, young
- Carapace not paved with flattened granules..... 5
- 5. (4) Carapace as wide between tips of third anterolateral spines as between tips of fourth spines; carapace closely granulate and tuberculate and densely pilose .. *M. pilosus*
- Carapace widest between tips of fourth anterolateral spines (not counting orbital spine) ..... 6
- 6. (5) Three or four supraorbital spines, exclusive of preorbital and exorbital spines; propodi of legs very long and slender ..... *M. cornutus*
- Two supraorbital spines only, exclusive of preorbital and exorbital spines; propodi of legs moderate (size small) ..... *M. acuticornis* (over 18 mm long)

7. (2) Rostral horns sharp or acute (rostral horns very short; only two anterolateral spines) ..... *M. holderi*
- Rostral horns blunt, either subtruncate or tuberculiform..... 8
8. (7) Carapace paved with close-set granules or tubercles..... 9
- Carapace not paved with close-set granules or tubercles..... 10
9. (8) Carapace paved with convex tubercles, each granulate.....  
..... *M. hemphilli*, mature
- Carapace paved with flat, tessellated granules (lateral margins of carapace spinous; carpus of cheliped nearly smooth above, three tubercles on inner edge) .....
- ..... *M. verrucosus*
10. (8) Spine on, or just above, posterolateral margin of carapace..... 11
- Tubercle, instead of spine, on, or just above, posterolateral margin of carapace... 12
11. (10) Two parallel and nearly transverse rows of well marked tubercles and spines on posterolateral region ..... *M. caribbaeus*, small or medium size
- One row of not more than two or three well marked tubercles and spines on posterolateral region; prehensile edges of fingers of very old specimens entire; not crenulated, in gape, except on tubercle ..... *M. hispidus*
12. (10) Carapace very wide, anterior, marginal, branchial lobe strikingly protuberant; posterolateral slope of carapace smooth, behind row of two conical tubercles leading obliquely inward from spine at lateral angle; rostral sinus V-shaped .....
- ..... *M. tortugae*
- Carapace narrower, anterior, branchial protuberance not strikingly prominent; posterolateral slope of carapace rough, with few tubercles or granules ..... 13
13. (12) Well marked, posterolateral tubercle present, outermost of transverse row of three, this row having similar row in front of it; prehensile edges of fingers crenulated along gape; rostral sinus U-shaped ..... *M. caribbaeus*, large
- Almost transverse row of two large tubercles leading inward from spine at lateral angle; tubercles behind and immediately in front of it all very small or granules; rostral sinus V-shaped in young, U-shaped in old ..... *M. pleuracanthus*
14. (1) Carapace longer than broad..... *M. cinctimanus*
- Carapace broader than long..... 15
15. (14) Anterolateral margins cut into rounded lobes only..... 16
- Anterolateral margins cut into spines or angular lobes or spines and lobes..... 17

16. (15) Anterolateral margin cut into three lobes (posterior part of carapace nodose, not eroded; inner margin of cheliped not laminate) ..... *M. coryphe*
- Anterolateral margin cut into four lobes; carpus of cheliped smooth, margin not laminate or dentate ..... *M. sculptus*
17. (15) Four anterolateral protuberances behind orbit; carpus of cheliped smooth above and with one inner tooth ..... *M. forceps*
- Three anterolateral protuberances behind orbit; carpus of cheliped obscurely tuberculate (palm without tubercle on outer surface at articulation with carpus) ..... *M. ruber*

### Genus *Pitho* Bell, 1835

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1925]

1. Second and third lateral teeth, exclusive of tooth at orbital angle, partially united at base ..... 2
  - Second and third lateral teeth not united at base..... 5
2. (1) First movable segment of antenna much wider than long, its outer lobe strongly produced laterally; lateral teeth of carapace blunt-tipped in adult ..... *P. aculeata*
  - First movable segment of antenna little, if at all, wider than long, its outer lobe produced as much anteriorly as laterally; lateral teeth of carapace acute ..... 3
3. (2) Lateral teeth subequal in size; carapace subcircular, front narrow..... *P. laevigata*
  - Lateral teeth not subequal..... 4
4. (3) Last two lateral teeth not much, if at all, smaller than others (second lateral tooth very small, much smaller than first and third teeth) ..... *P. anisodon*
  - Last two lateral teeth much reduced, at least in male (first movable segment of antennal slightly wider than long; lateral teeth sharper in female than in male, last two teeth more prominent than in male) ..... *P. lheminieri*
5. (1) Lateral teeth five (exceptionally four), dentiform, their edges denticulate..... *P. mirabilis*
  - Lateral teeth four, long and narrow, spiniform (rostral teeth acutely pointed)..... *P. quadridentata*

**Genus *Podochela* Stimpson, 1860**

## Key to species

[Adapted from Rathbun, 1925]

1. Postorbital protuberance a large lobe..... 2  
Postorbital protuberance a granule or wanting..... 3
2. (1) Supraorbital margin armed with two long spines; sternal segments of male elevated, flat, closely and finely granulate; palm of adult male not inflated; rostrum long, spiniform, arched upward ..... *P. curvirostris*  
Supraorbital margin armed with series of spinules or small spines; sternal segments of male not closely and finely granulate (palm of adult male not inflated; fingers contiguous; sternum of male laminate, each lamina overlapping one behind it; surface sparingly granulate with scattered, pointed granules; prominent lobe behind and below postorbital lobe; rostrum short, pointed) ..... *P. lamelligera*
3. (1) Rostrum long, ending in spine; palm inflated in male (rostrum less than half as long as postrostral portion of carapace; gape between fingers of adult male subtriangular, deep at proximal end; size small, not over 13 mm long) ..... *P. gracilipes*  
Rostrum short, not ending in spine..... 4
4. (3) Rostrum thick, subtriangular, not hollow beneath (propodus of first walking leg four or more times as long as dactylus; propodi of last two legs considerably longer than dactyli and slightly curved) ..... *P. macrodera*  
Rostrum thin, hood-shaped, hollow beneath..... 5
5. (4) Dactyli of last three walking legs curved, short, contained twice, or more than twice, in their respective propodi; cardiac prominence low ..... *P. riisei*  
Dactyli of last three walking legs less curved and longer, those of last two pairs contained less than twice in their respective propodi; cardiac prominence higher and more acute or ending in short spine ..... *P. sidneyi*

### Genus *Pyromaiia* Stimpson, 1871

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1925]

Rostrum tapering regularly to tip; chelipeds and walking legs covered with short, soft pubescence; no spines at proximal ends of meri of walking legs ..... *P. cuspidata*

Rostrum triangular at base, then narrowing to slender spine; chelipeds and walking legs not noticeably pubescent; erect spine at proximal end of merus of each walking leg; short fringe of hair on each side of dactyli ..... *P. arachna*

### Genus *Rochinia* A. Milne Edwards, 1875

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1925]

1. Median spines six; gastric spines six; two spines on basal antennal segments..... *R. crassa*
- Median spines or tubercles fewer than six; gastric spines or tubercles fewer than six ..... 2
2. (1) Spines of carapace and rostrum long and slender; spine at angle of buccal cavity.... *R. hystrix*  
Spines or tubercles of carapace short or of moderate length; no spine at angle of buccal cavity ..... 3
3. (2) Dorsal tubercles mostly large and flat-topped..... *R. umbonata*  
Dorsal tubercles or spines acute, not large and flat-topped..... *R. tanneri*

**Genus *Stenocionops* Desmarest, 1823**

## Key to species

[Adapted from Rathbun, 1925]

1. Hepatic region not enlarged or produced beyond general outline of carapace; armed with not more than one large spine ..... 2  
Hepatic region enlarged and produced separately from curve of branchial region. 4
2. (1) Marginal spines behind orbit three (carapace widest between tips of anterior branchial spines) ..... *S. spinimana*, young  
Marginal spines behind orbit more than three ..... 3
3. (2) Dorsal surface almost unarmed except for median intestinal spine.....  
..... *S. furcata furcata*  
Dorsal surface armed with spines; fewer than eight median spines.....  
..... *S. furcata coelata*
4. (1) Median spines of carapace 12 or 13; marginal hepatic spines 3.....  
..... *S. spinimana*, adult  
Median spines of carapace 10; marginal hepatic spines 2..... *S. spinosissima*

*Colloides obesus*

female:

- a. dorsal view
- b. carapace, lateral view

(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Colloides trispinosus*

male:

- c. dorsal view
- d. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod), sternal view

(after Williams, 1984)

*Colloides leptochelus*

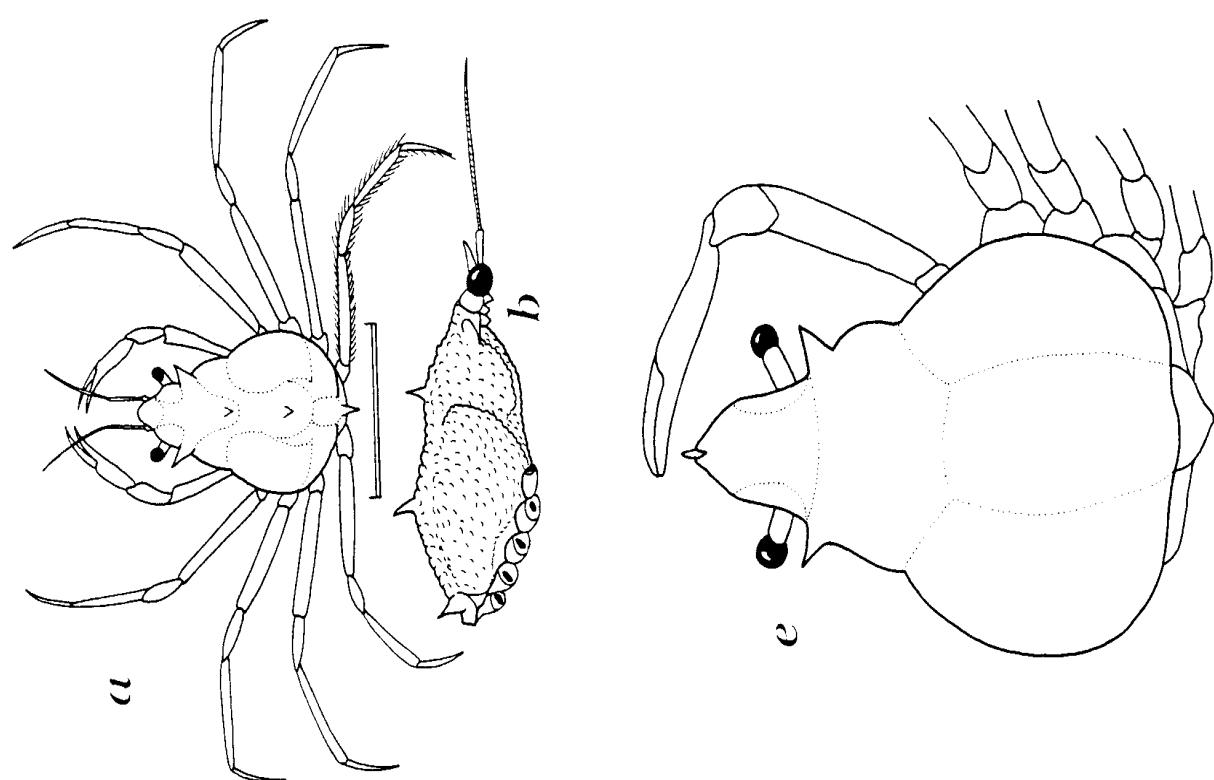
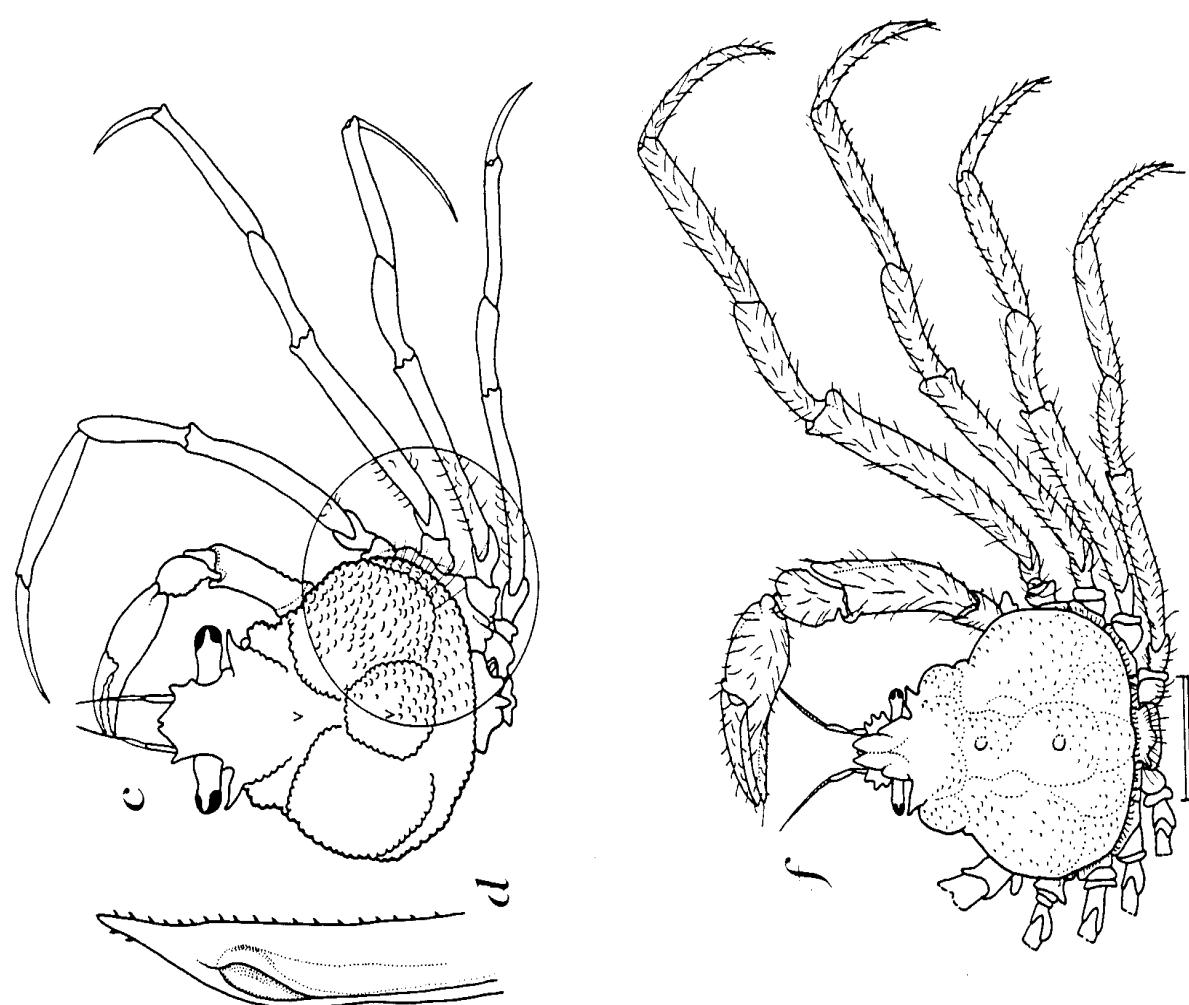
e. dorsal view

(after Felder, 1973)

*Colloides robustus*

f. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1925)



*Epialtus kingsleyi*

holotype male:

- a. carapace, dorsal view
- b. left cheliped, external view

(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Epialtus bituberculatus*

c. dorsal view

(after drawing at SI-NMNH)

*Epialtus longirostris*

d. carapace, dorsal view (female)

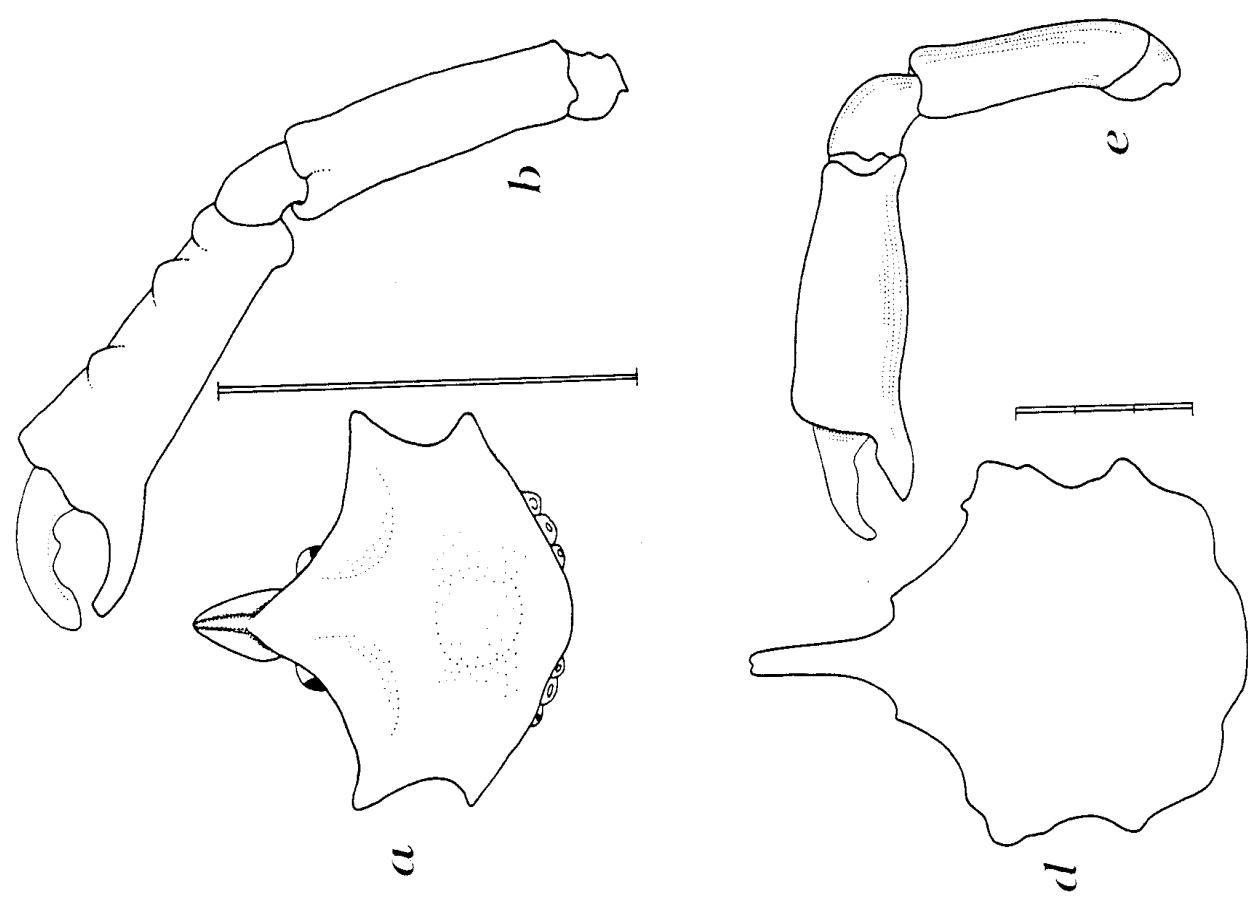
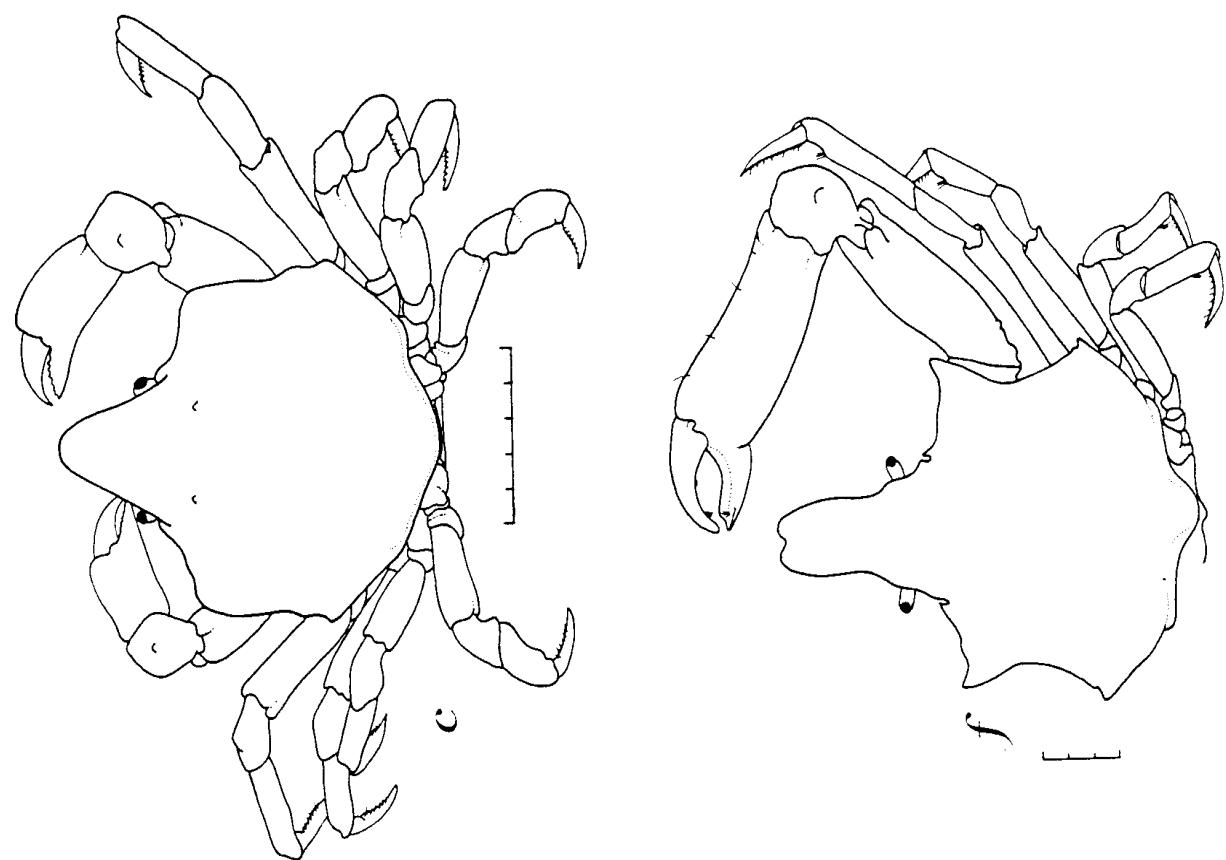
e. left cheliped (male)

(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Epialtus dilatatus*

f. dorsal view (male)

(after Williams, 1965a)



*Epiactus dilatatus forma elongata*

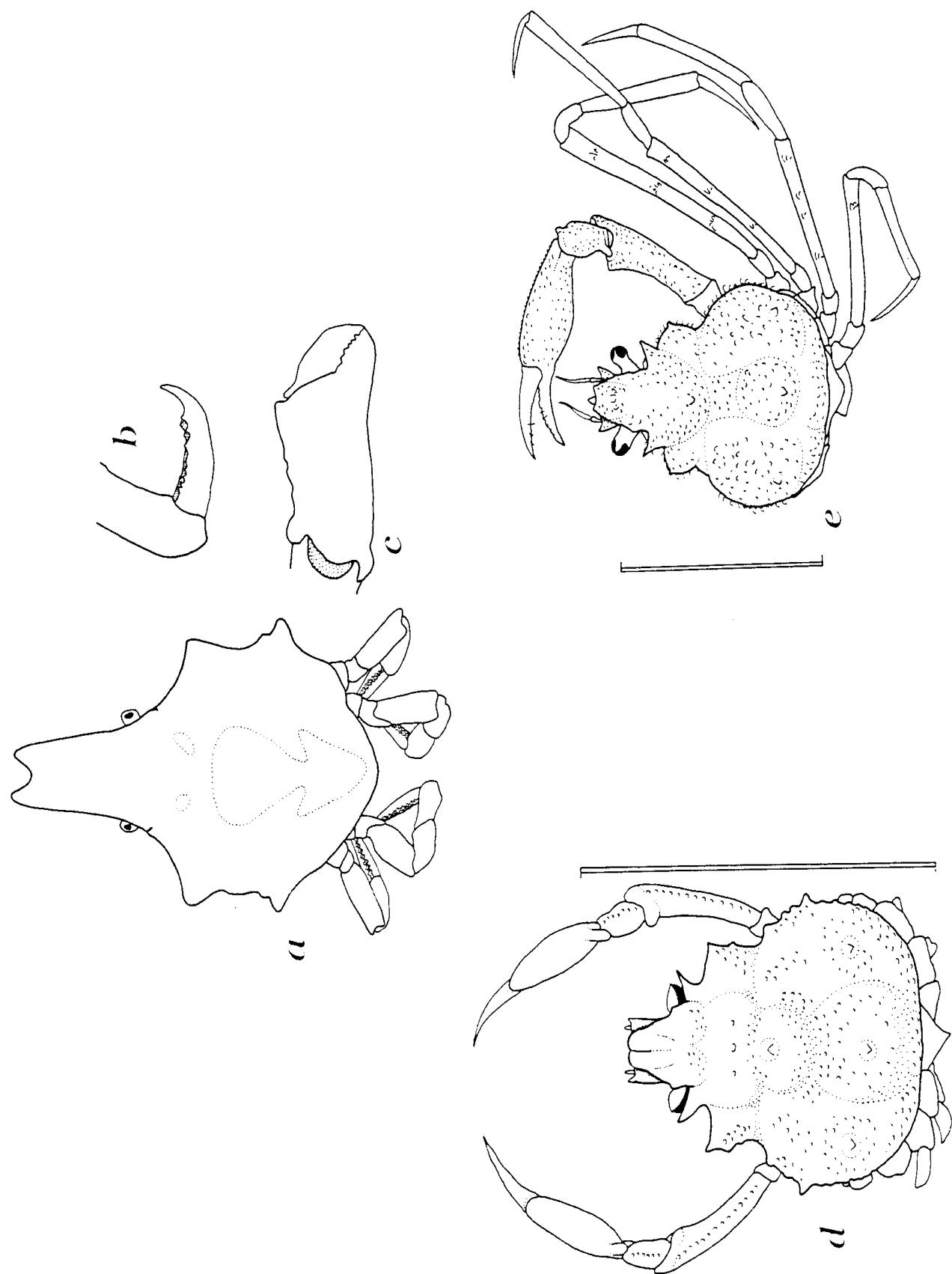
- a. dorsal view
- b. dactylus of walking leg
- c. chela, external view

(from Abele's personal drawings)

*Eupognatha rastellifera*

- d. dorsal view (male)
- e. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Eupognatha gracilipes*



*Libinia emarginata*

male:

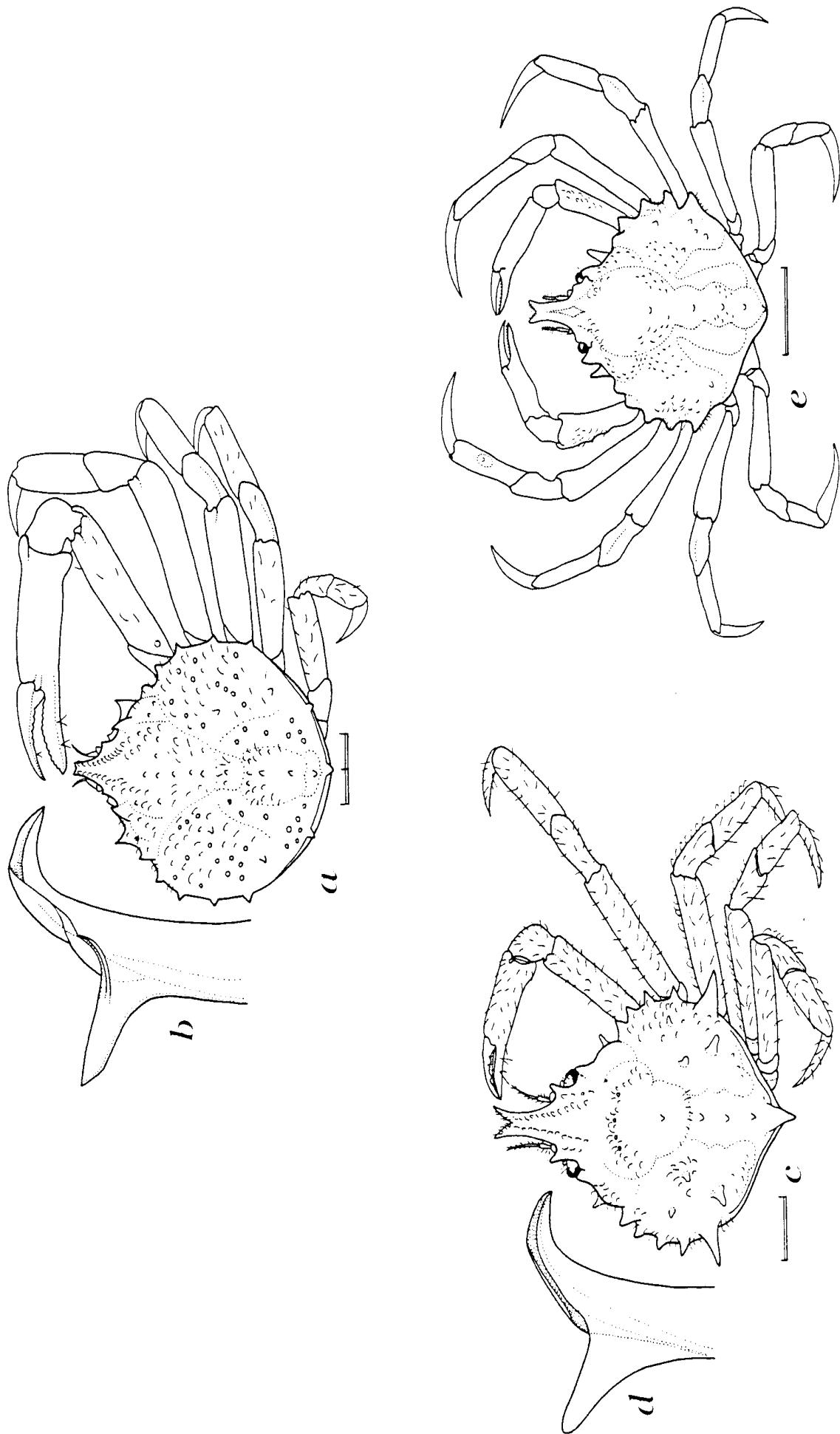
- a. dorsal view
- b. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod), lateral view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Libinia dubia*

male:

- c. dorsal view
- d. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
lateral view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Libinia erinacea*e. dorsal view  
(after drawing at SI-NMNH)



***Macrocoeloma trispinosum trispinosum***

- a. dorsal view (small male)
  - b. right chela, external view (adult male)
  - c. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod), lateral view (male)
- (after Williams, 1984)

***Macrocoeloma trispinosum nodipes***

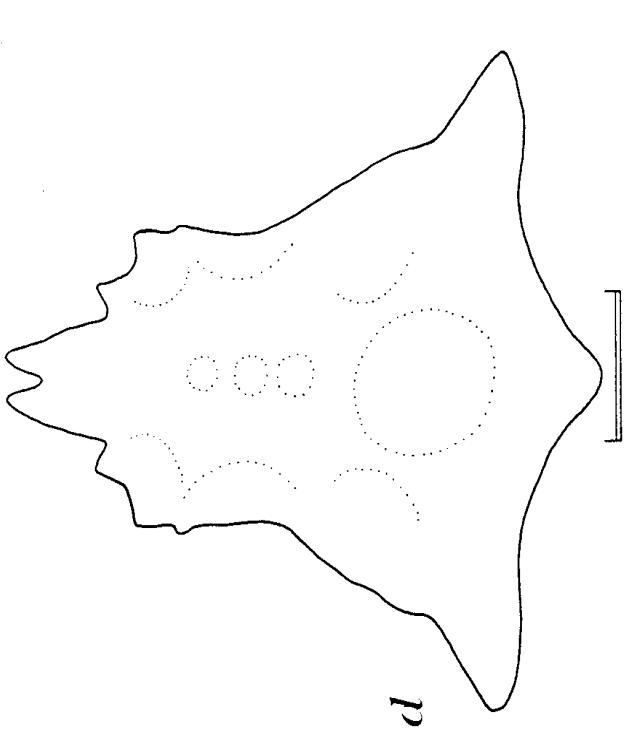
- d. carapace, dorsal view (male)
- (after Rathbun, 1925)

***Macrocoeloma trispinosum*, variety**

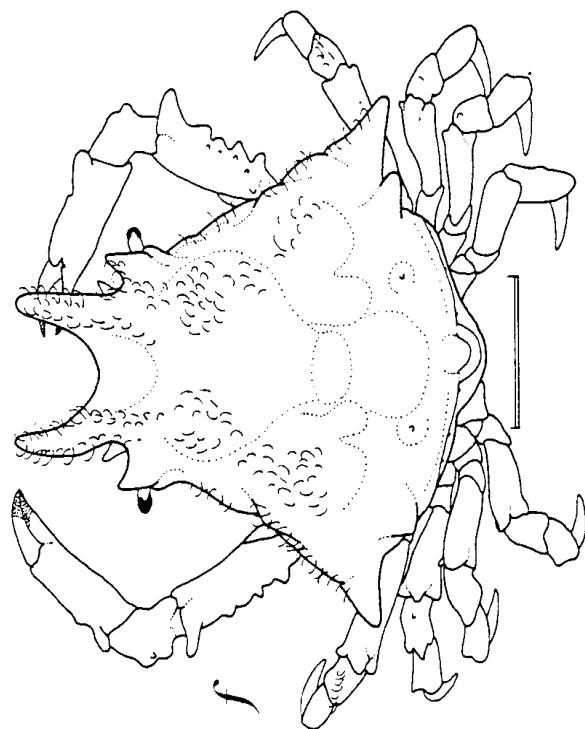
- e. carapace, dorsal view (male)
  - f. dorsal view
- (after Rathbun, 1925)

***Macrocoeloma subparallelum***

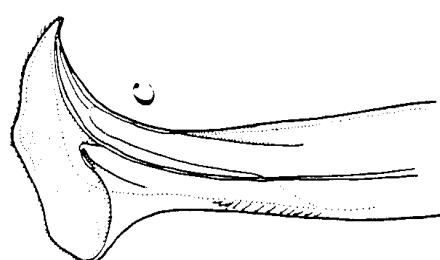
- f. dorsal view
- (after drawing at SI-NMNH)



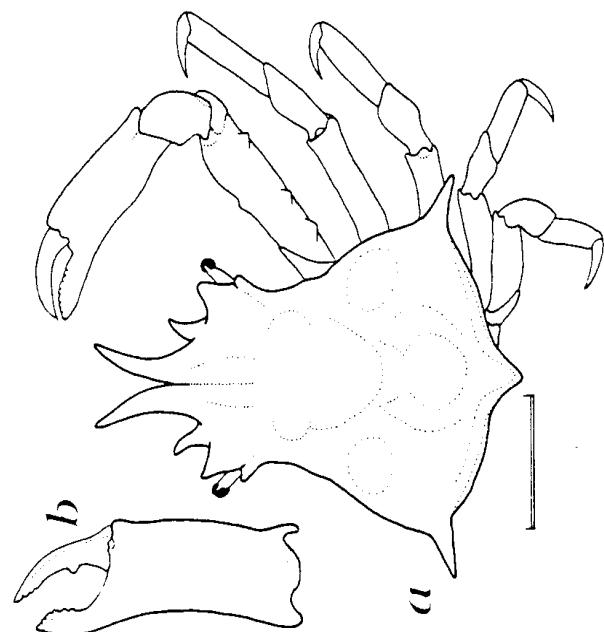
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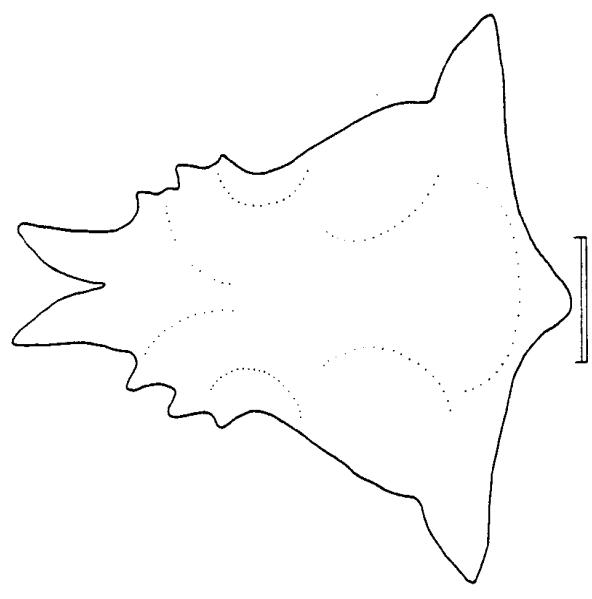


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***Macrocoeloma diplacanthum***

a. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1925)

***Macrocoeloma eutheca***

male:

b. dorsal view

c. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod), lateral view  
(after Williams, 1984)***Macrocoeloma laevigatum***

d. basal antennal segment (male)

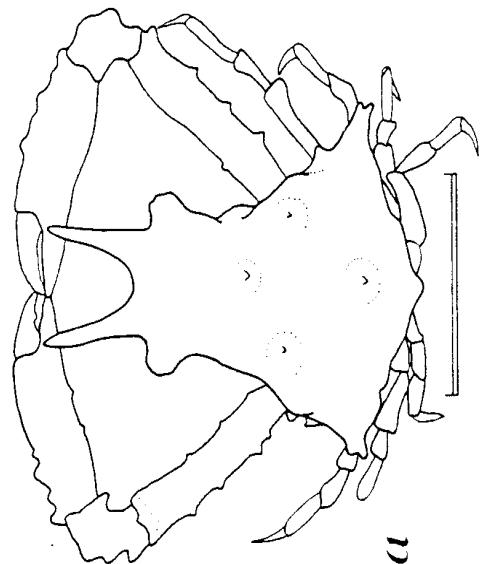
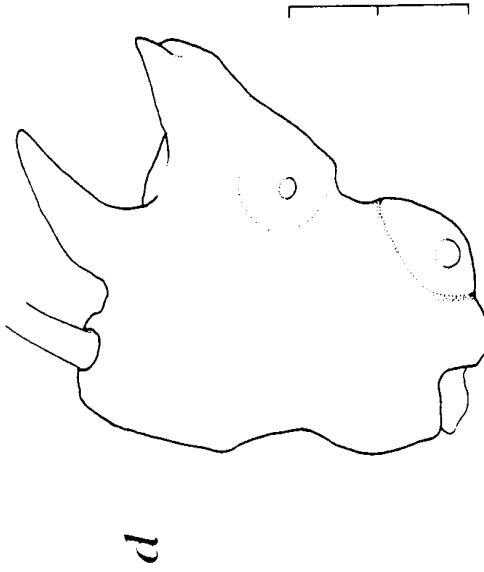
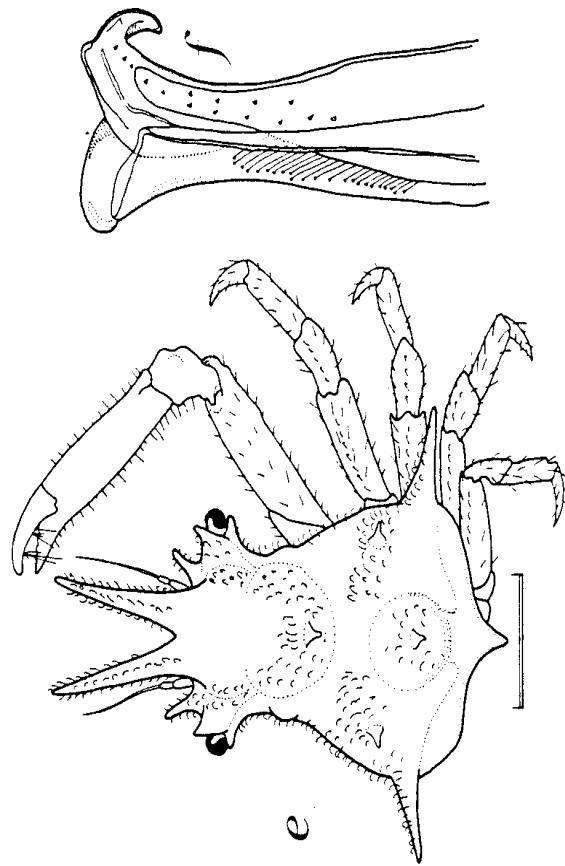
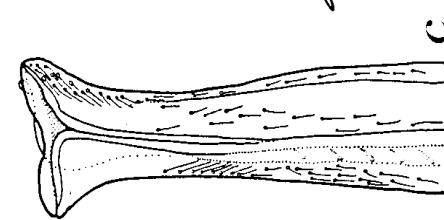
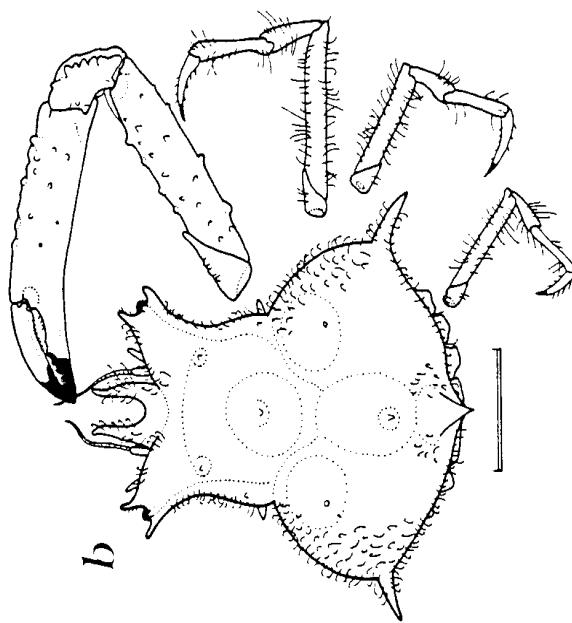
(after Rathbun, 1925)

***Macrocoeloma campptocerum***

male:

e. dorsal view

f. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod), lateral view  
(after Williams, 1984)



***Macrocoeloma septemspinosum***

a. dorsal view

(after drawing at SI-NMNH)

***Microphrys antillensis***

male:

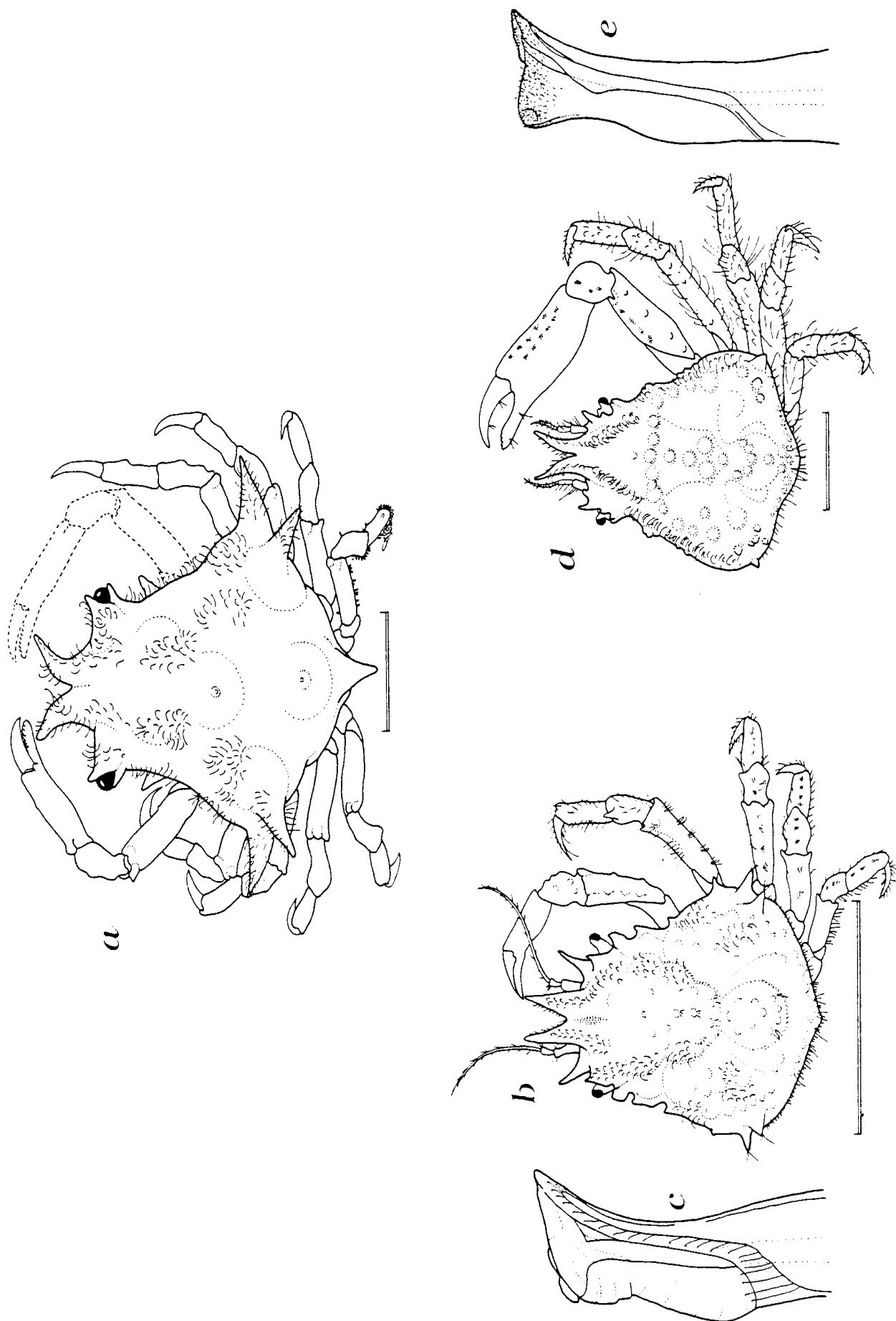
b. dorsal view

c. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod), sternal view  
(after Williams, 1984)***Microphrys bicornutus***

male:

d. dorsal view

e. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view  
(after Williams, 1984)



*Mithrax spinosissimus*

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod), sternal view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Mithrax pilosus*

male:

- c. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Mithrax cornutus*

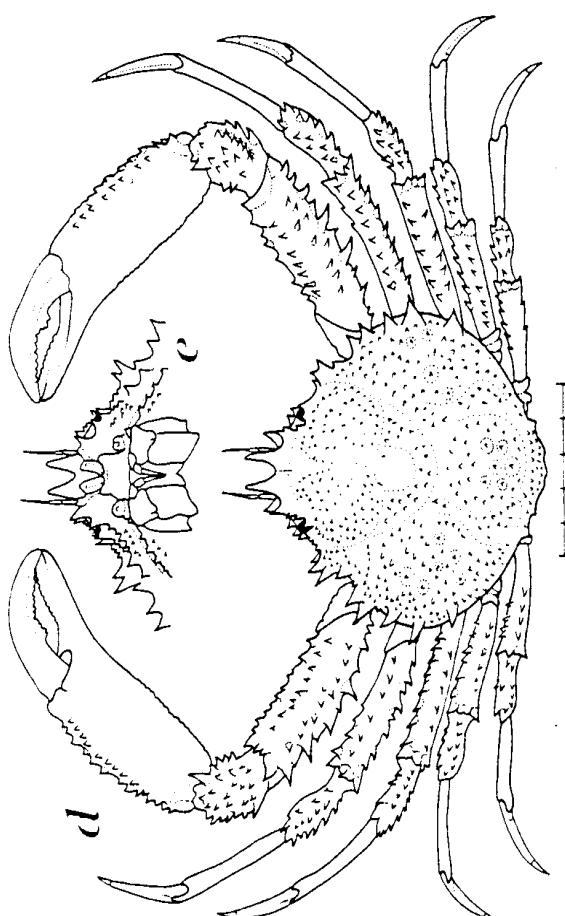
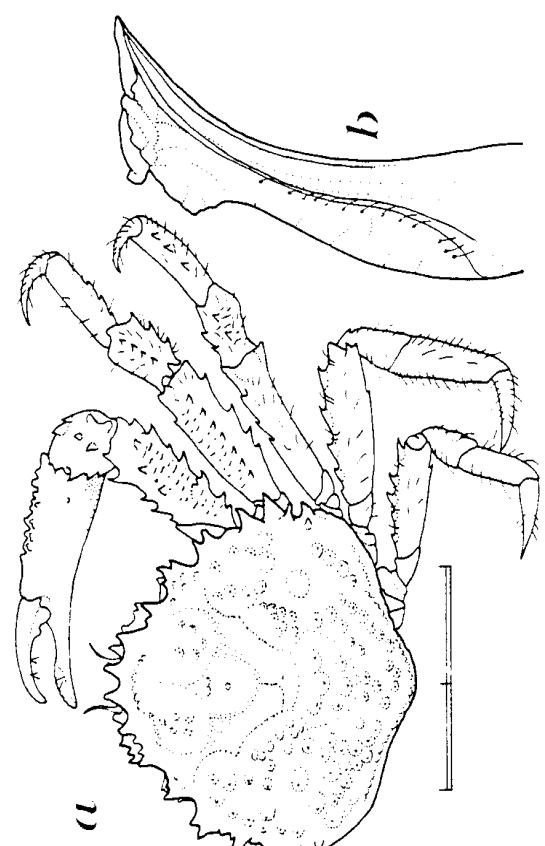
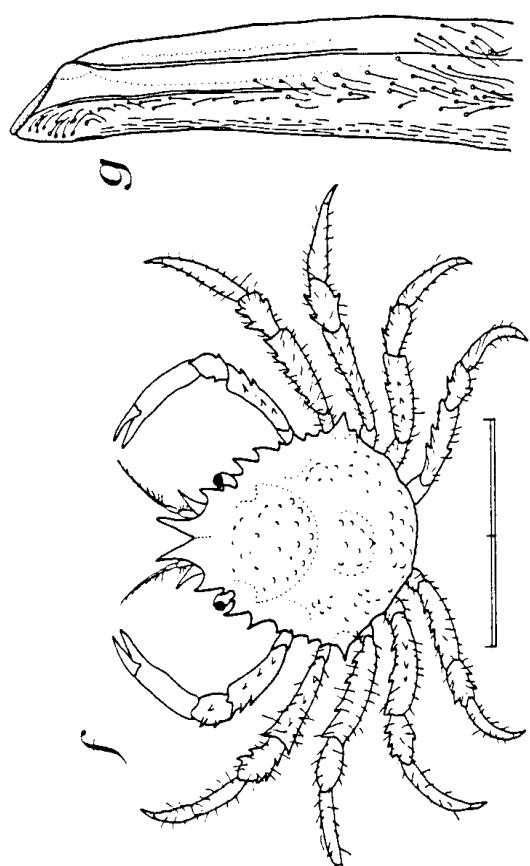
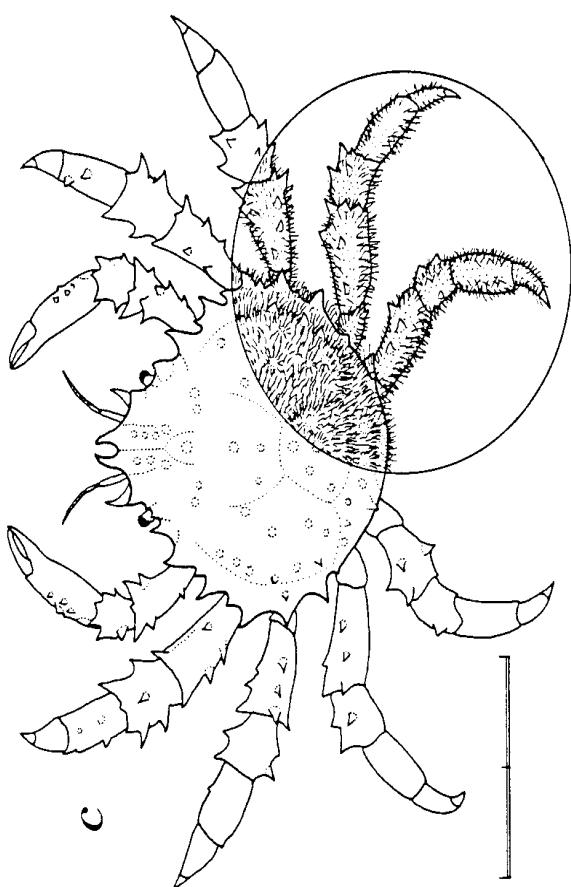
male:

- d. dorsal view
- e. anterior part, ventral view  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Mithrax acuticornis*

male:

- f. dorsal view
- g. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view  
(after Williams, 1984)



*Mithrax holderi*

- a. dorsal view (female)
- (after Rathbun, 1925)

*Mithrax hemphilli*

- b. dorsal view (female)
- (after Rathbun, 1925)

*Mithrax verrucosus*

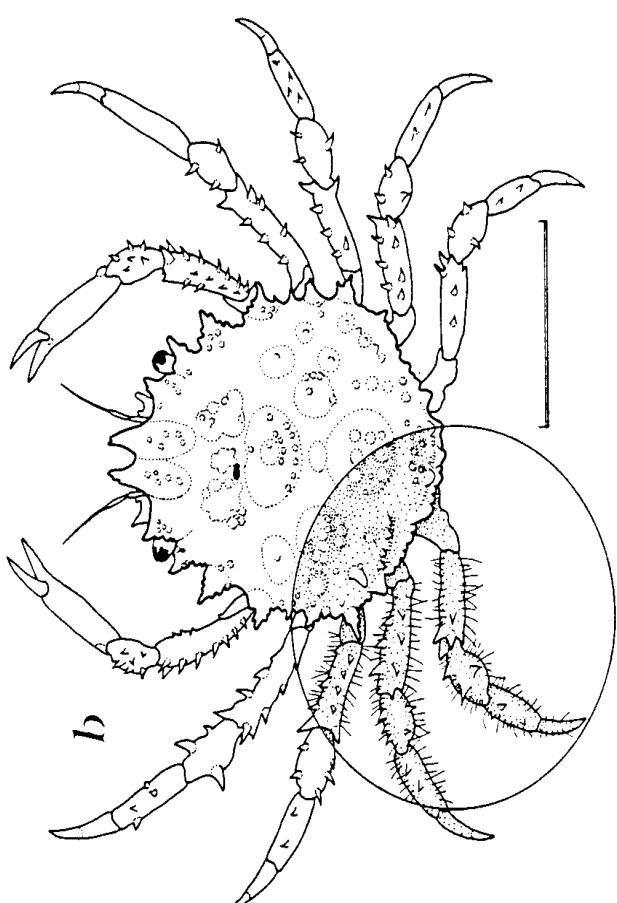
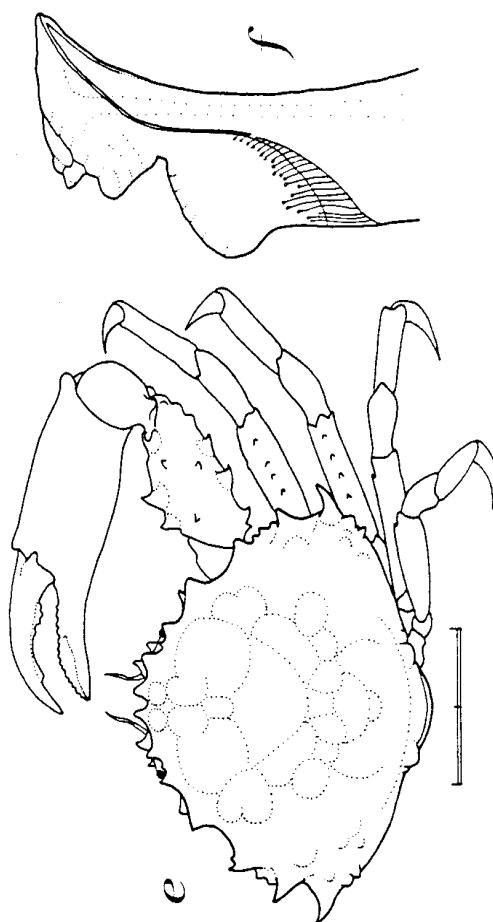
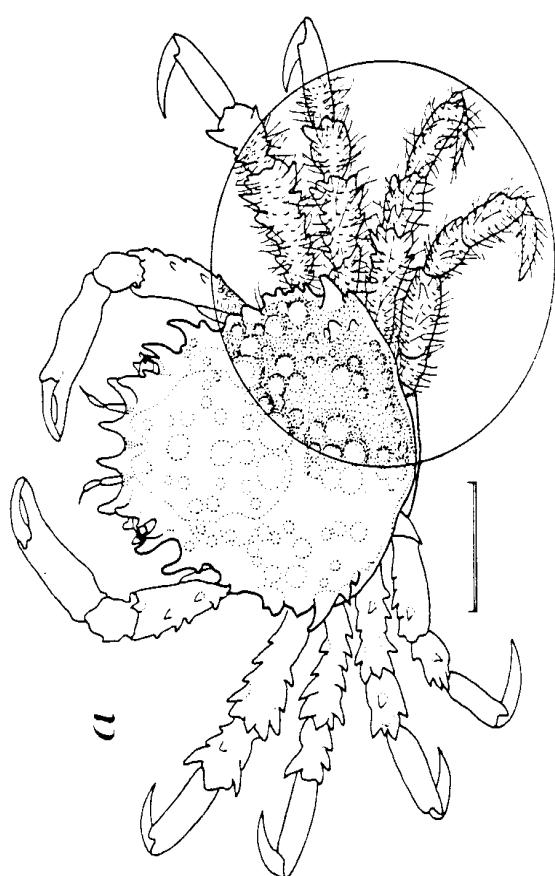
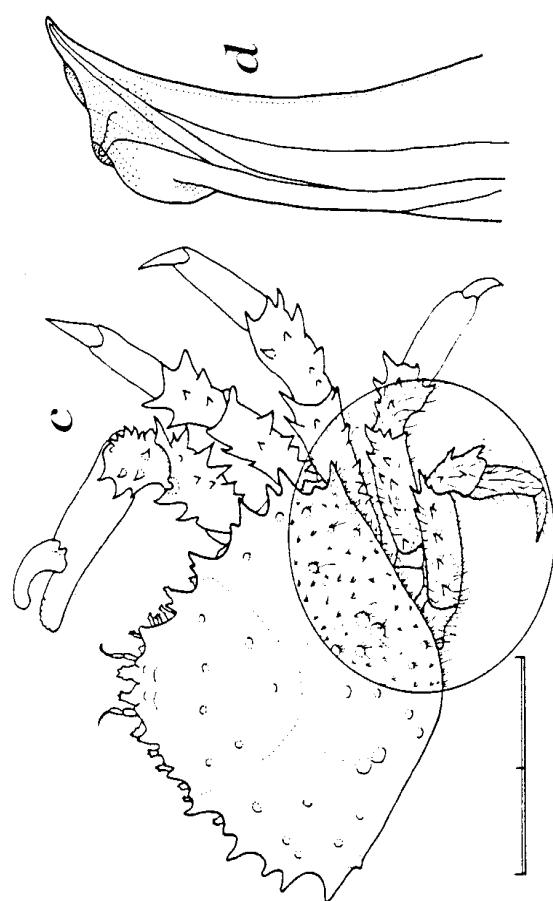
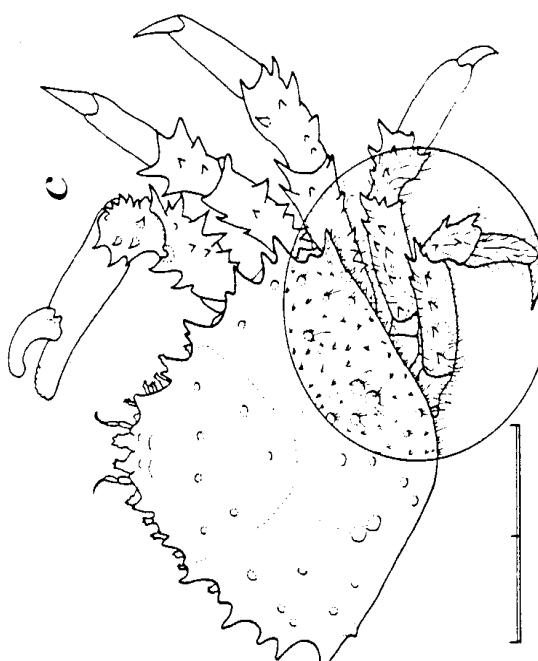
male:

- c. dorsal view
  - d. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view
  - e. dorsal view
  - f. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view
- (after Williams, 1984)

*Mithrax hispidus*

male:

- e. dorsal view
  - f. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view
- (after Williams, 1984)

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*Mithrax tortugae*

- a. dorsal view (female)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Mithrax caribbaeus*

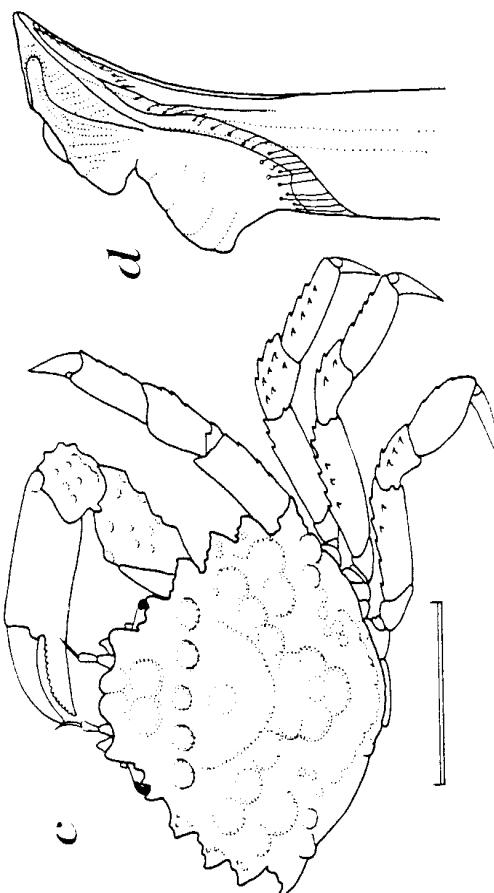
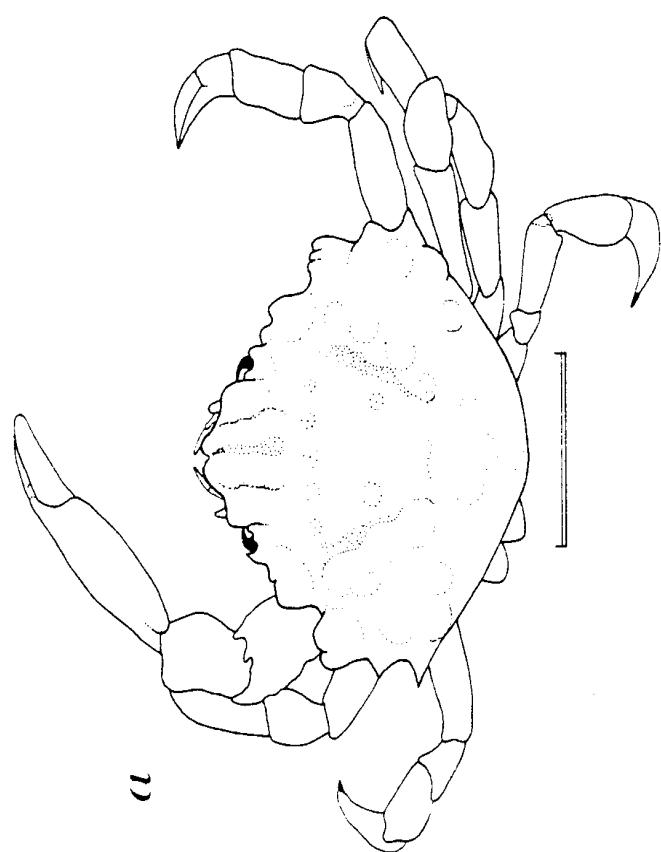
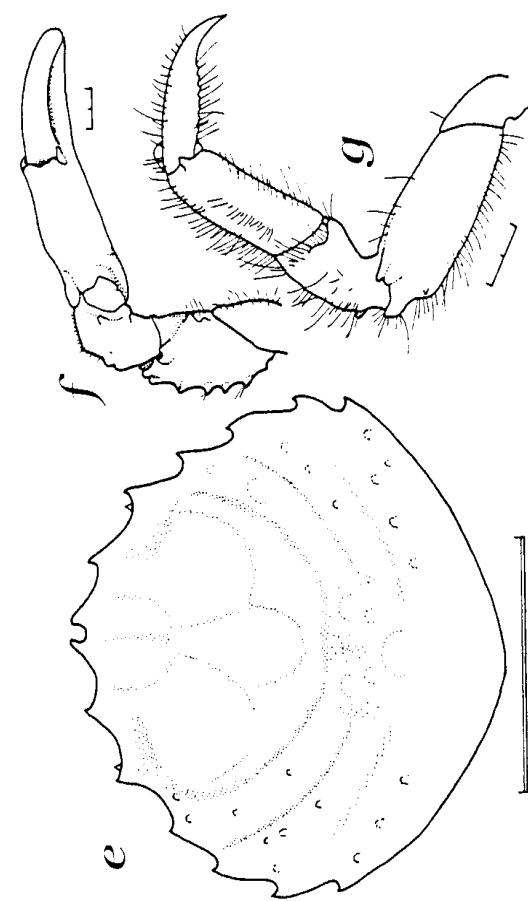
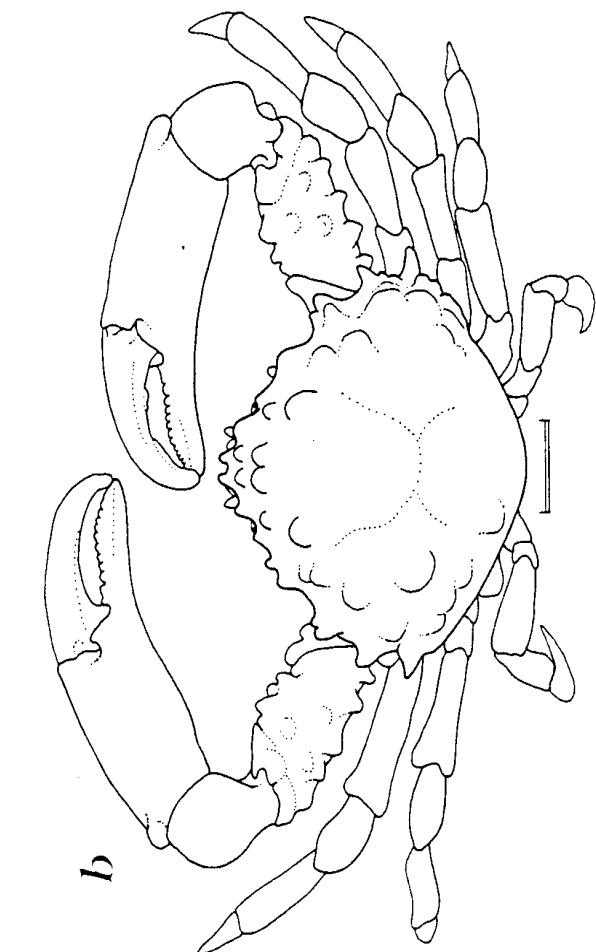
- b. dorsal view (holotype male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Mithrax pleuracanthus*

- c. dorsal view
- d. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Mithrax cinctimanus*

- male:
- e. outline of carapace, dorsal view
- f. left cheliped
- g. fifth pereopod  
(e, after Rathbun, 1925; f, g,  
after Manning, 1970)



*Mithrax coryphe*

a. dorsal view

(after drawing at SI-NMNH)

*Mithrax sculptus*

b. dorsal view

(after drawing at SI-NMNH)

*Mithrax forceps*

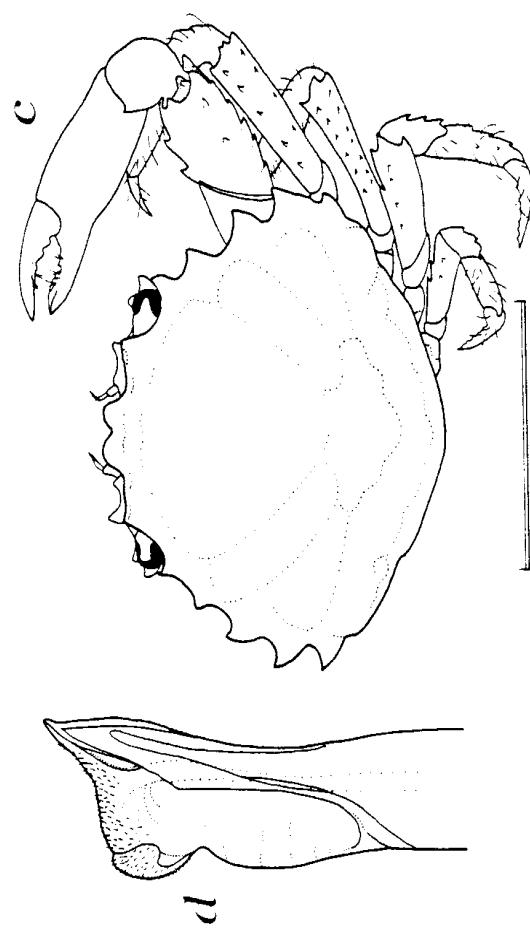
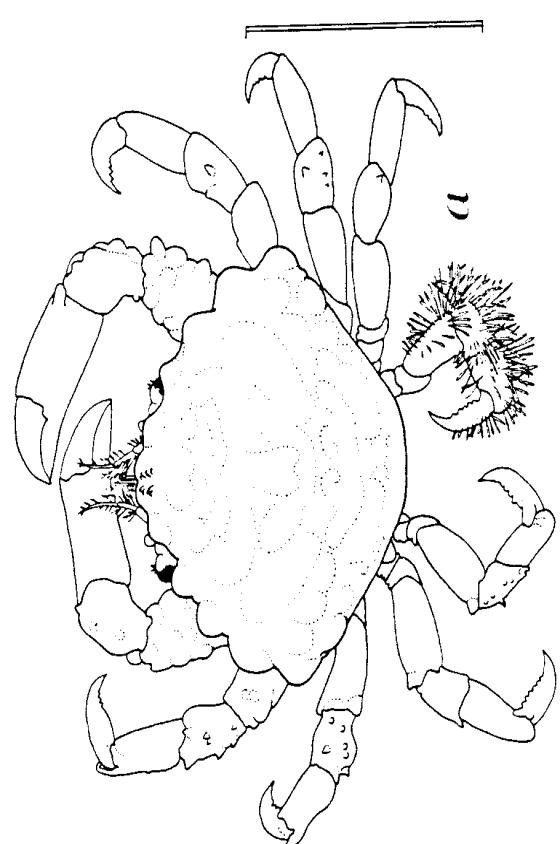
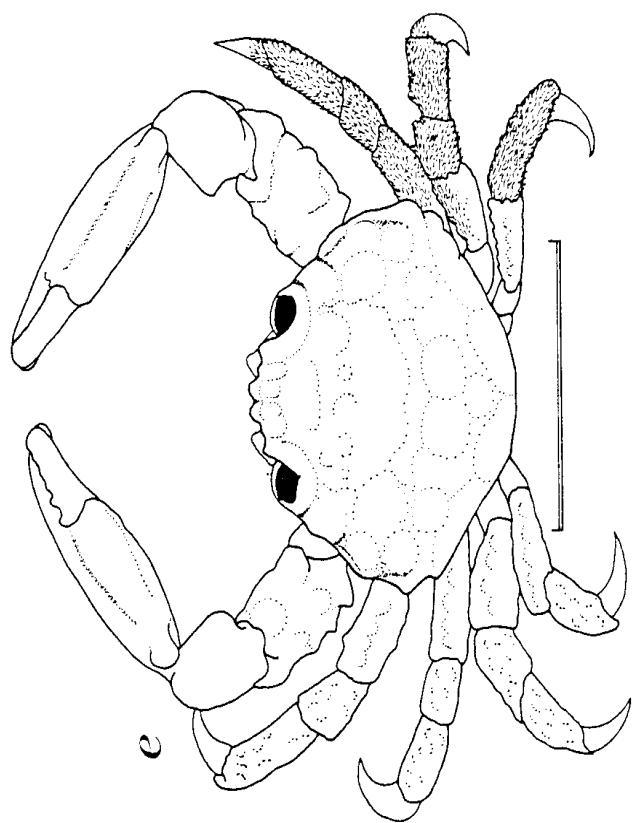
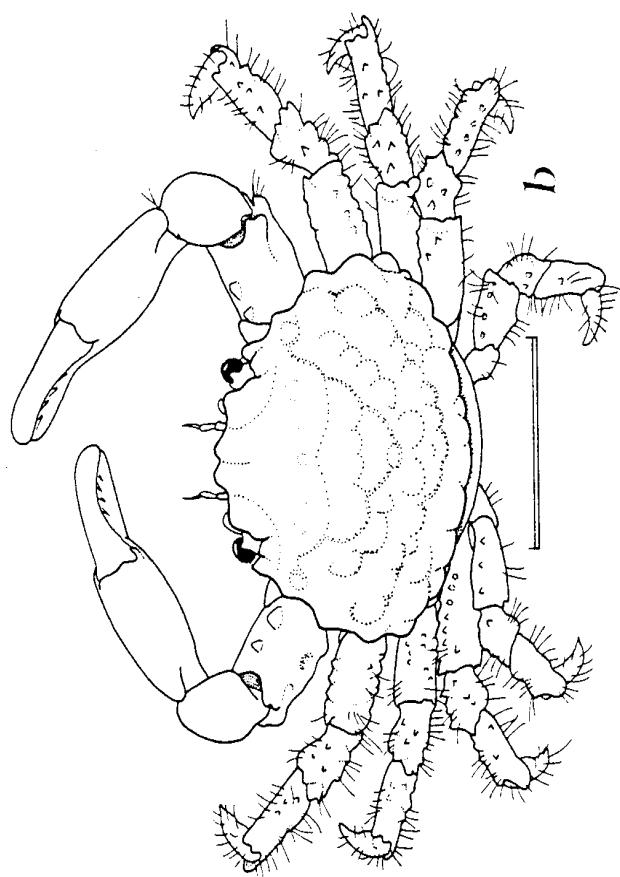
male:

c. dorsal view

d. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view  
(after Williams, 1984)*Mithrax ruber*

e. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1925)



*Pitho aculeata*

- a. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Pitho laevigata*

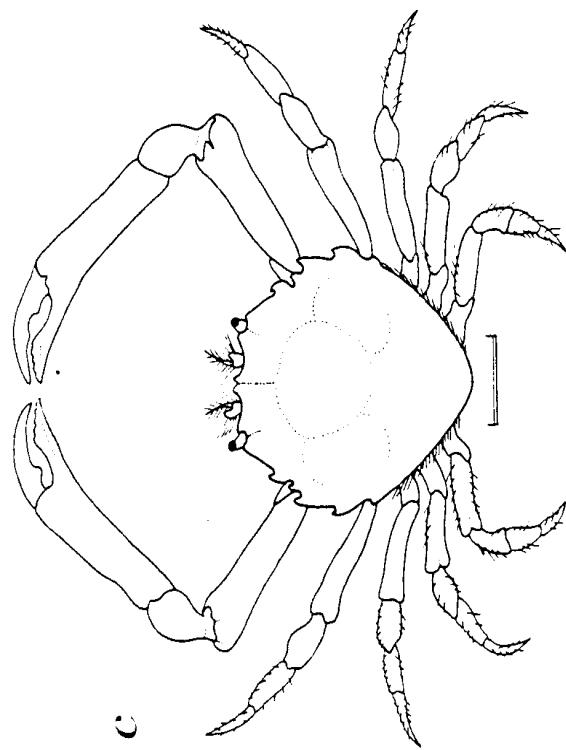
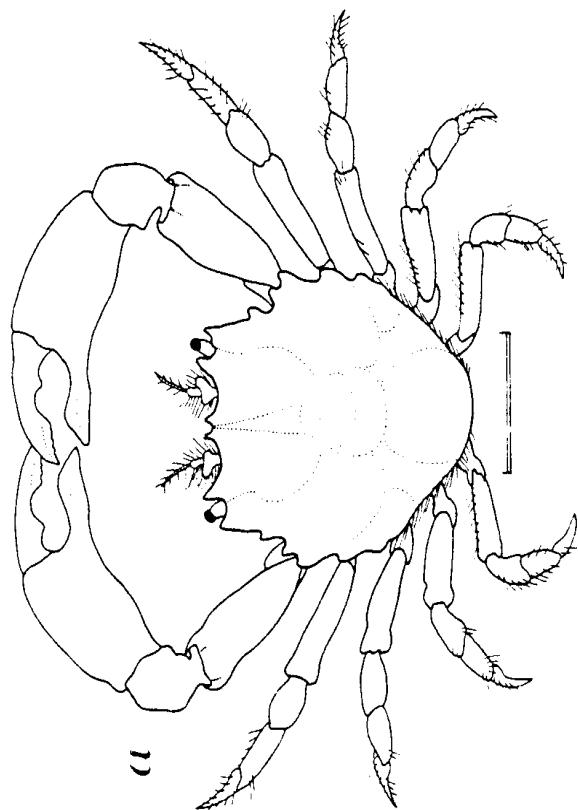
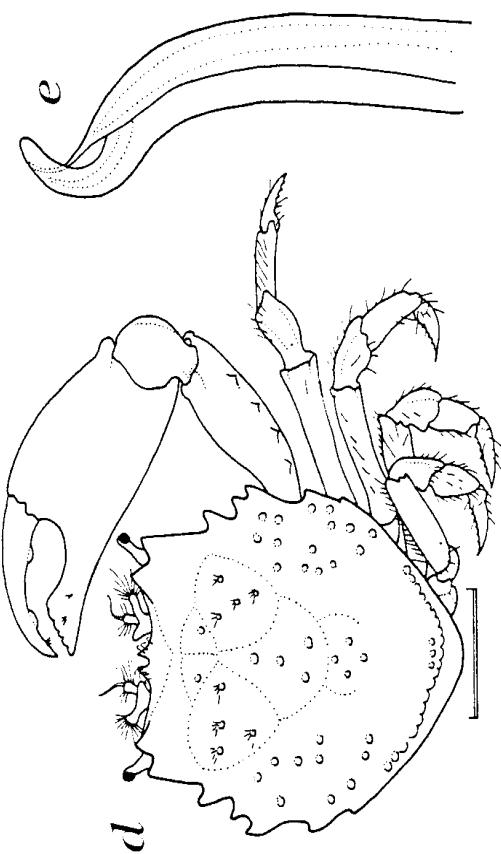
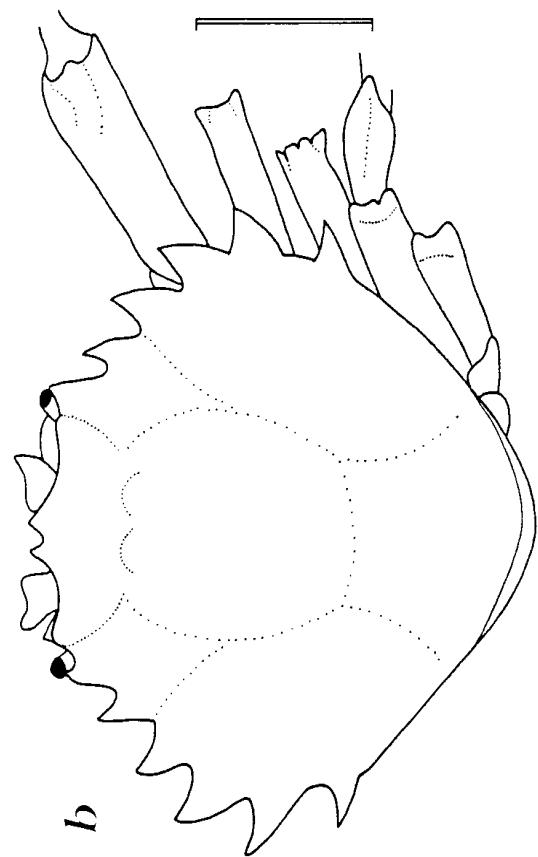
- b. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Pitho anisodon*

- c. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Pitho lheminieri*

- male:
  - d. dorsal view
  - e. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
abdominal view  
(after Williams, 1984)



*Pitho mirabilis*

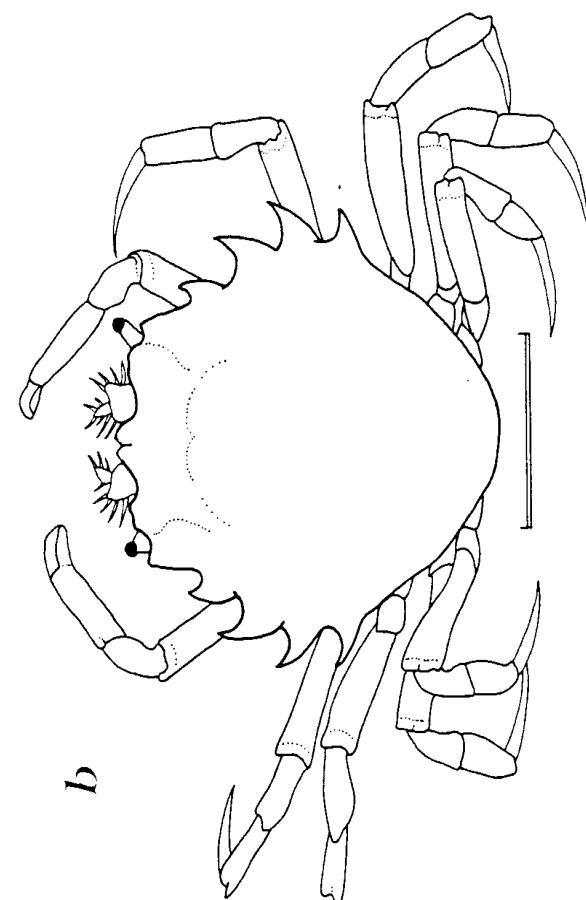
a. dorsal view (female)

(after Rathbun, 1925)

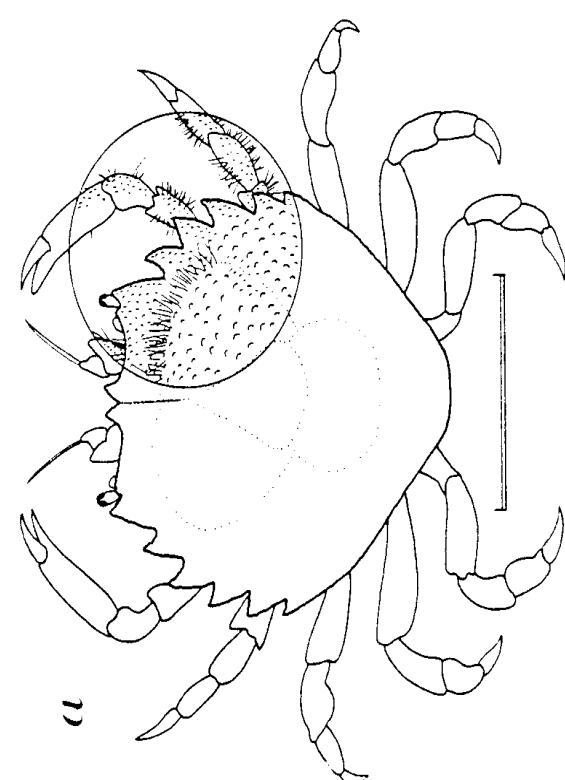
*Pitho quadridentata*

b. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1925)



b



c

*Podochela curvirostris*

- male:
- a. dorsal view
  - b. carapace, lateral view
  - c. sternum and abdomen  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Podochela lamelligera*

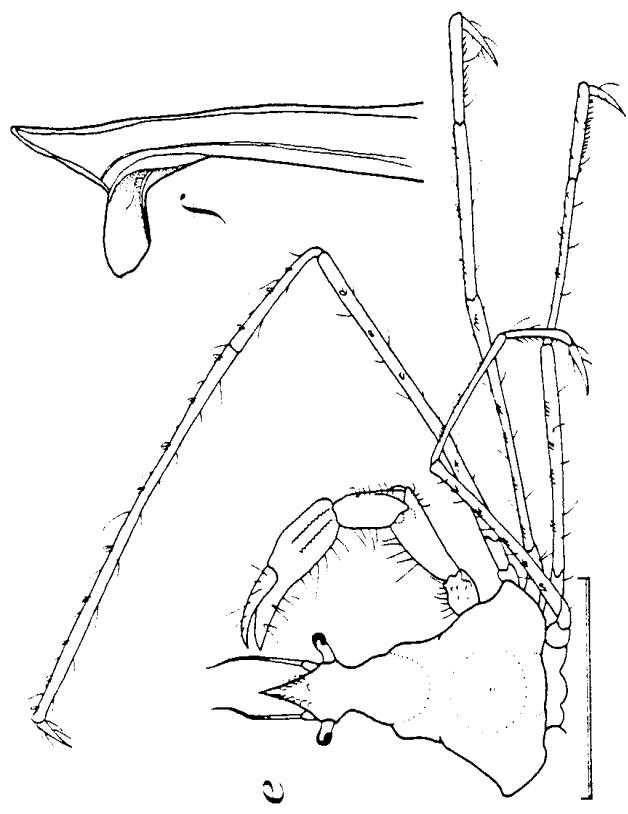
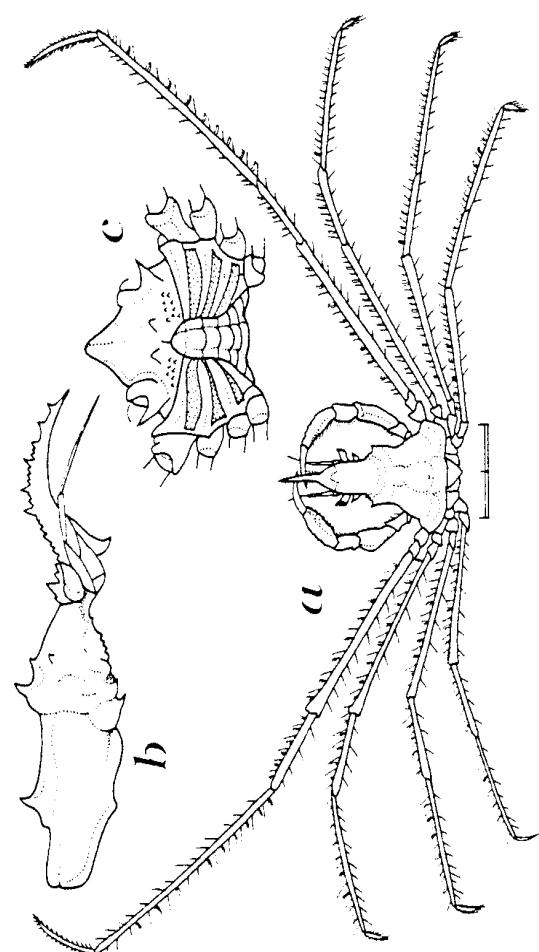
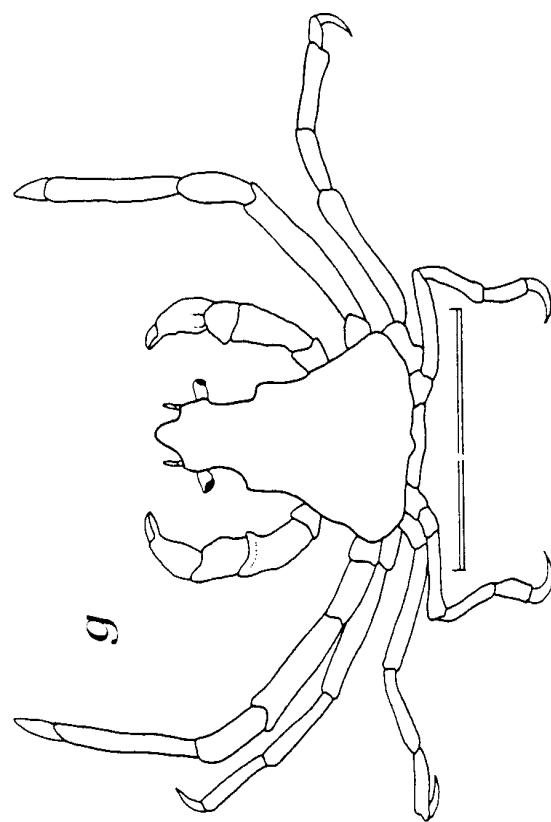
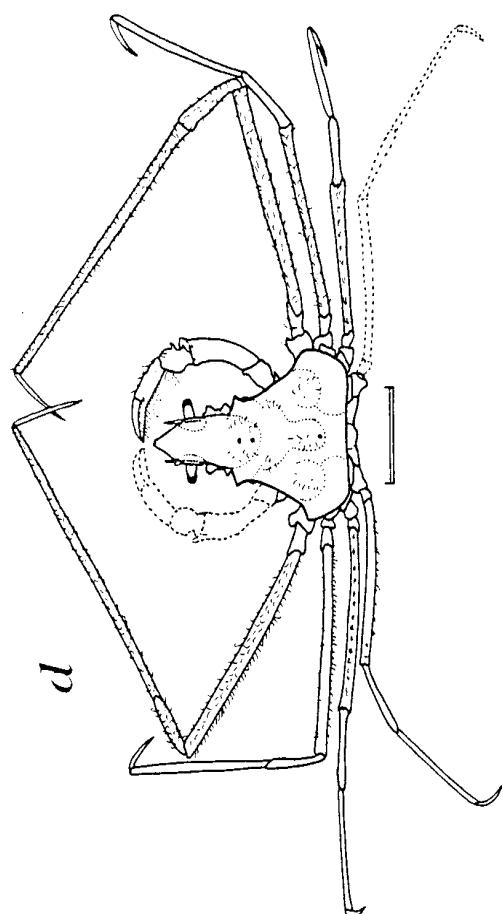
- d. dorsal view
- (after drawing at SI-NMNH)

*Podochela gracilipes*

- e. dorsal view
- f. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Podochela macrodera*

- g. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)



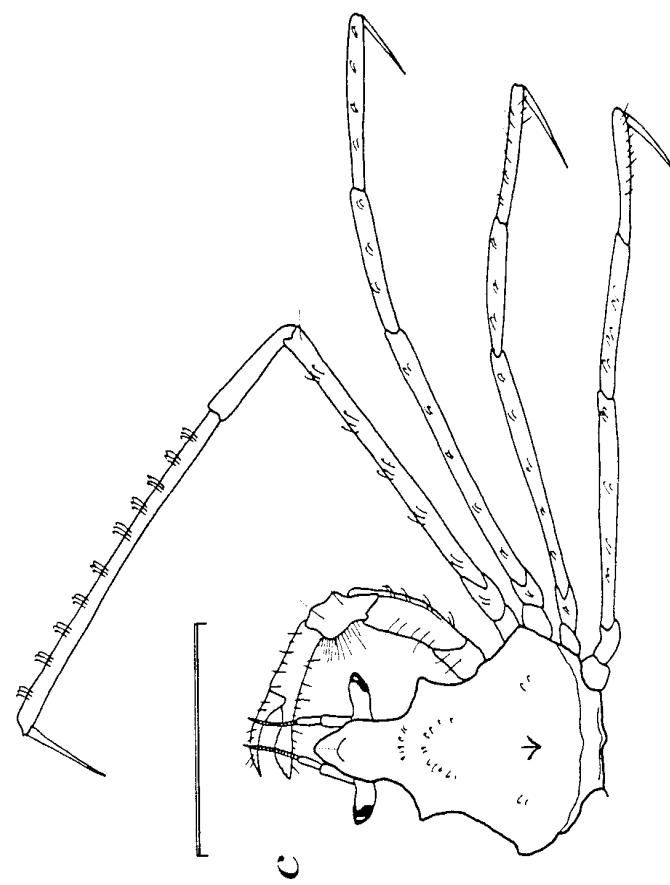
*Podochela riisei*

a. dorsal view

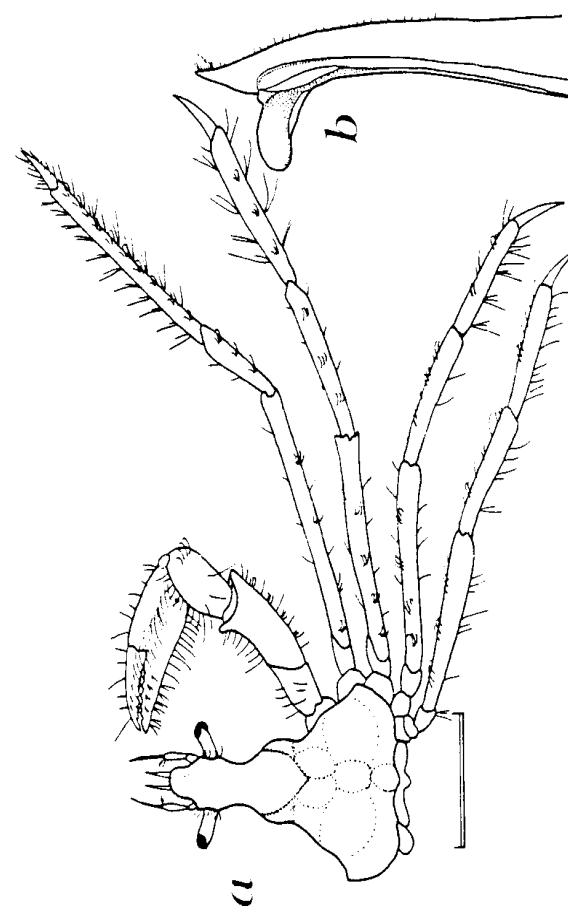
b. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view  
(after Williams, 1984)*Podochela sidneyi*

c. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1984)



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*Pyromia cuspidata*

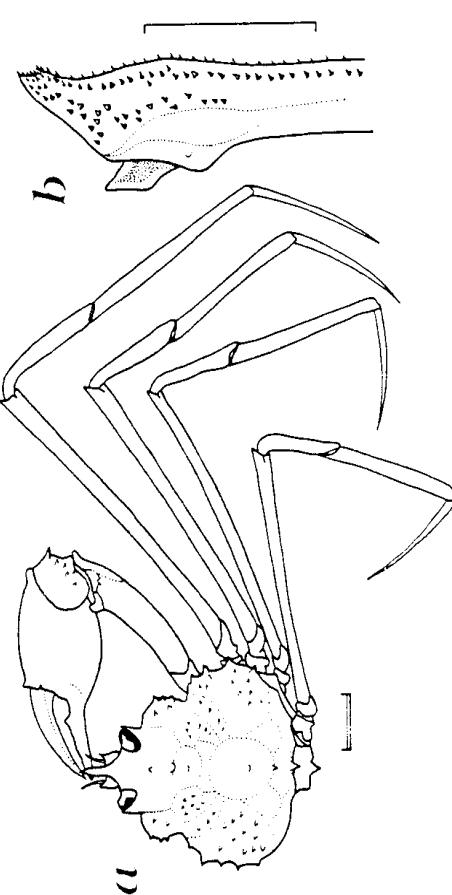
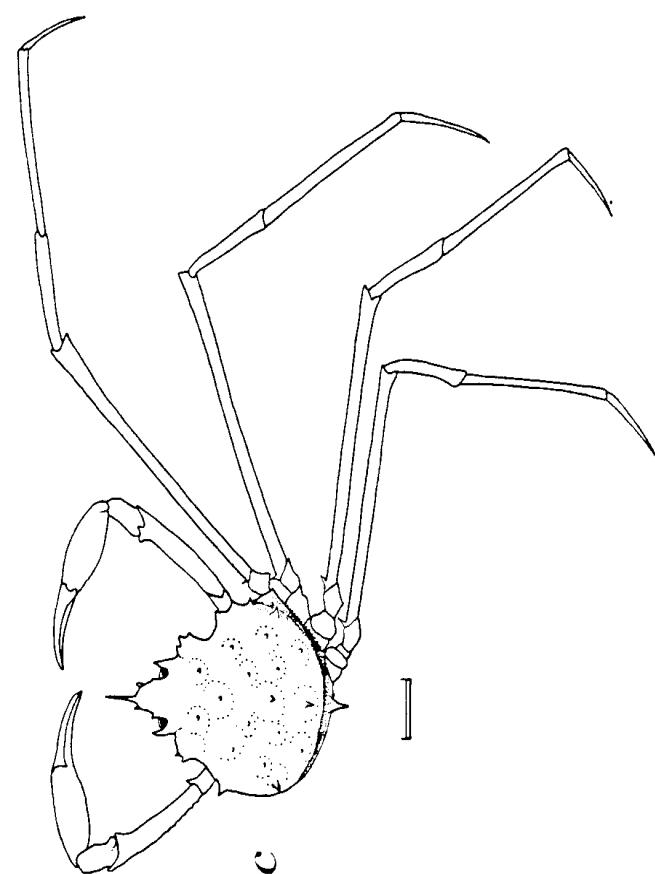
male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view

(after Williams, 1984)

*Pyromia arachna*

- c. dorsal view (holotype male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)



***Rochinia crassa***

- a. dorsal view (female)
- b. anterior part, ventral view (female)
- c. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

***Rochinia hystrix***

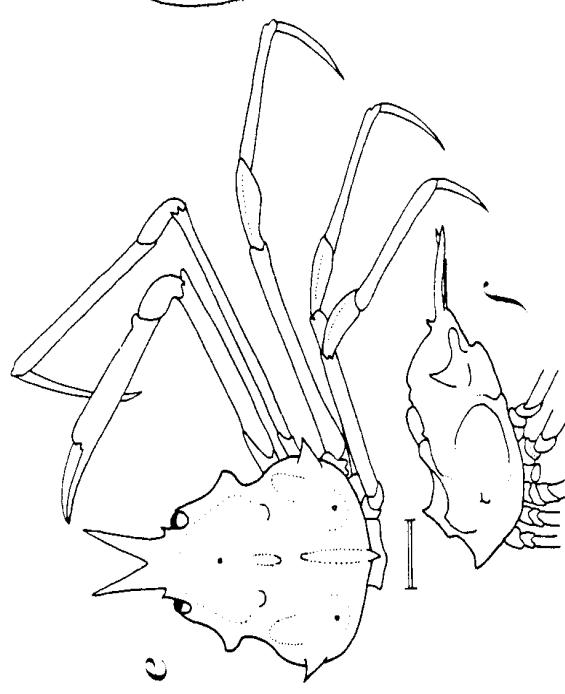
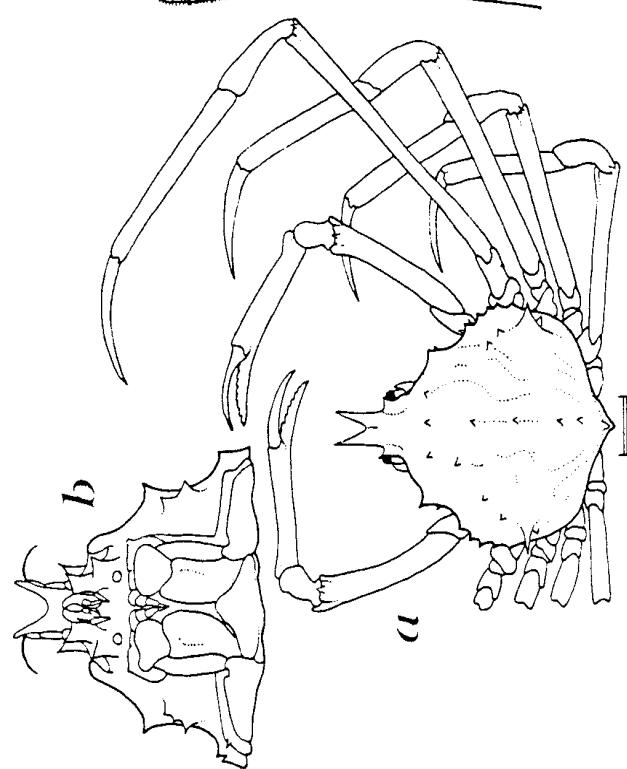
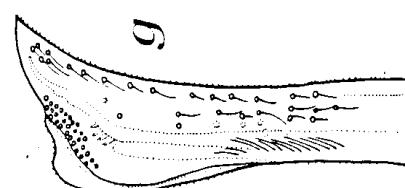
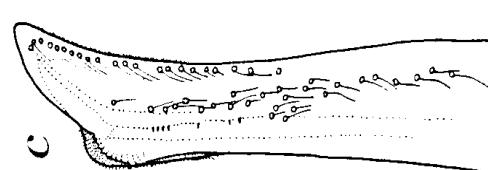
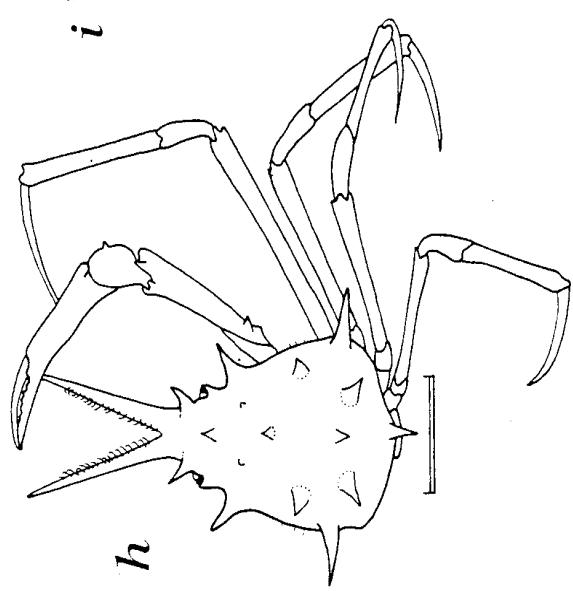
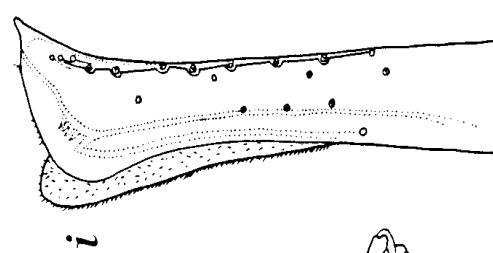
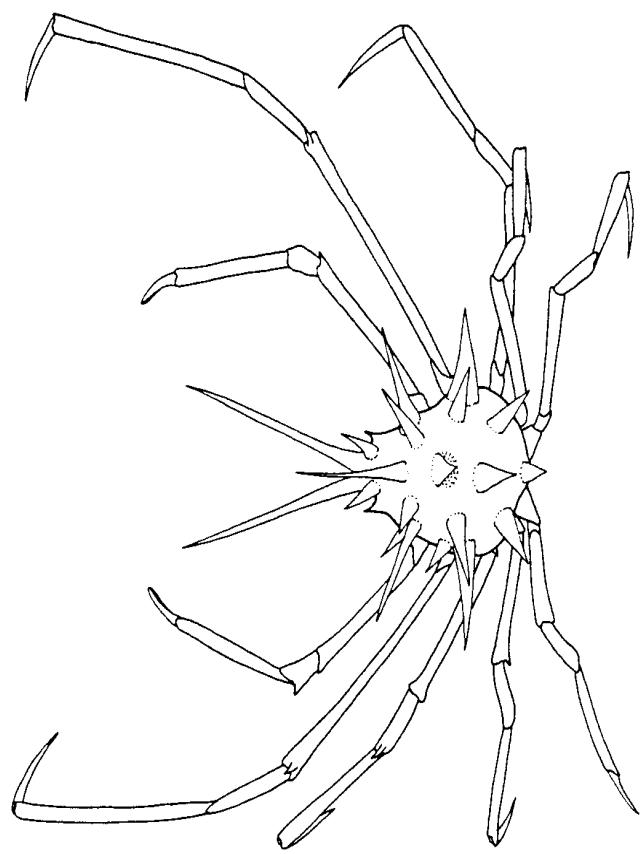
- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

***Rochinia umbonata***

- male:
  - e. dorsal view
  - f. carapace, lateral view
  - g. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view  
(after Williams, 1984)

***Rochinia tanneri***

- male:
  - h. dorsal view
    - i. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view  
(after Williams, 1984)



***Stenocionops furcata furcata***

a. carapace, dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1925)

***Stenocionops furcata coelata***

male:

b. dorsal view

c. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view

(after Williams, 1984)

***Stenocionops spinimana***

holotype male:

d. dorsal view

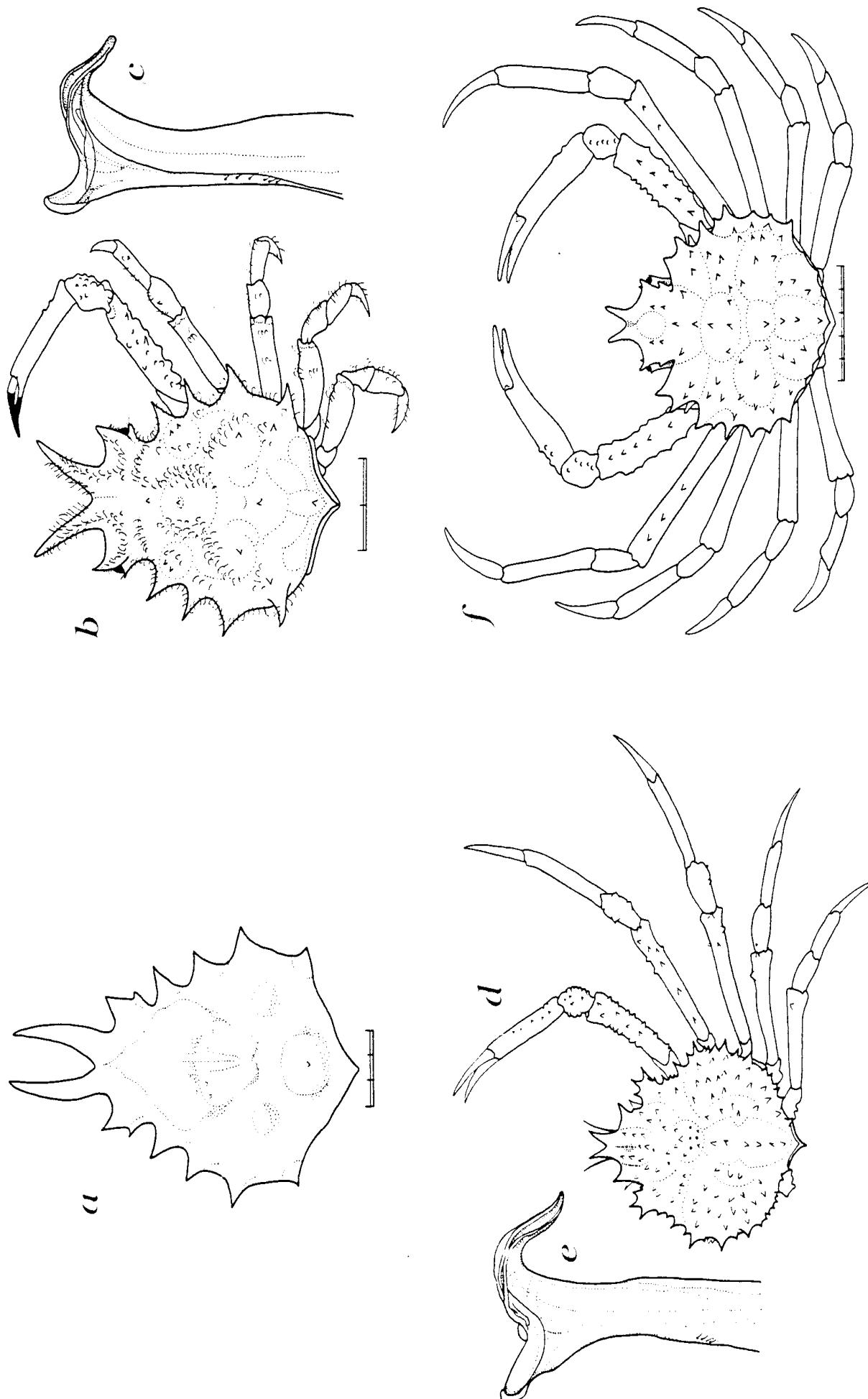
e. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view

(after Williams, 1984)

***Stenocionops spinosissima***

f. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1925)



*Acanthonyx petiverii*

a. dorsal view

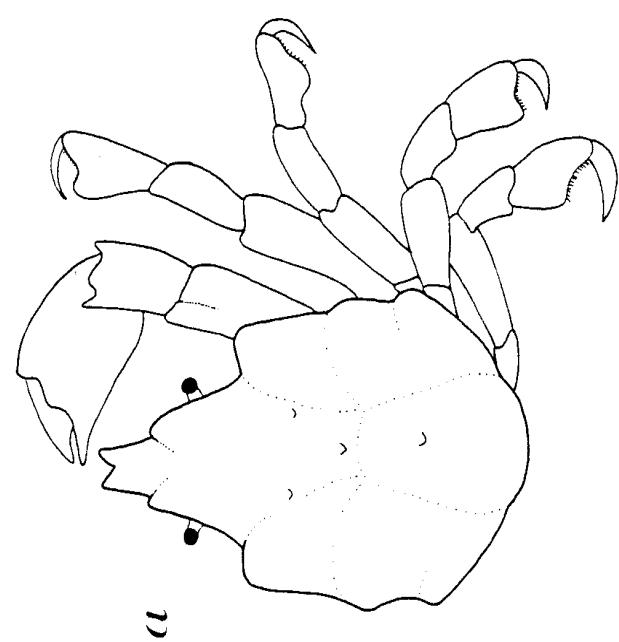
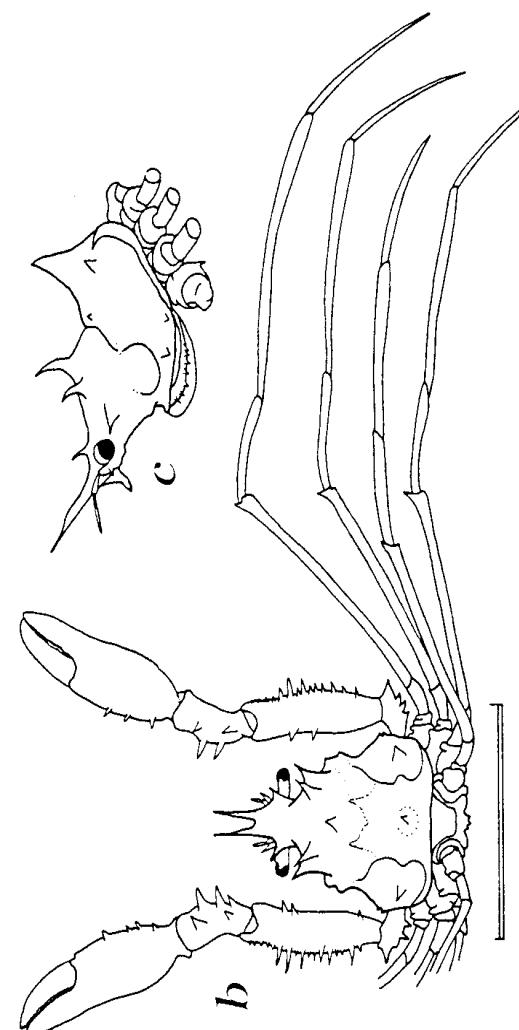
(after Felder, 1973)

*Achaeopsis thomsoni*

b. dorsal view

c. carapace, lateral view

(after Rathbun, 1925)



*Aepinus septemspinosus*

male:  
a. carapace, dorsal view  
b. left chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Anasimus latus*

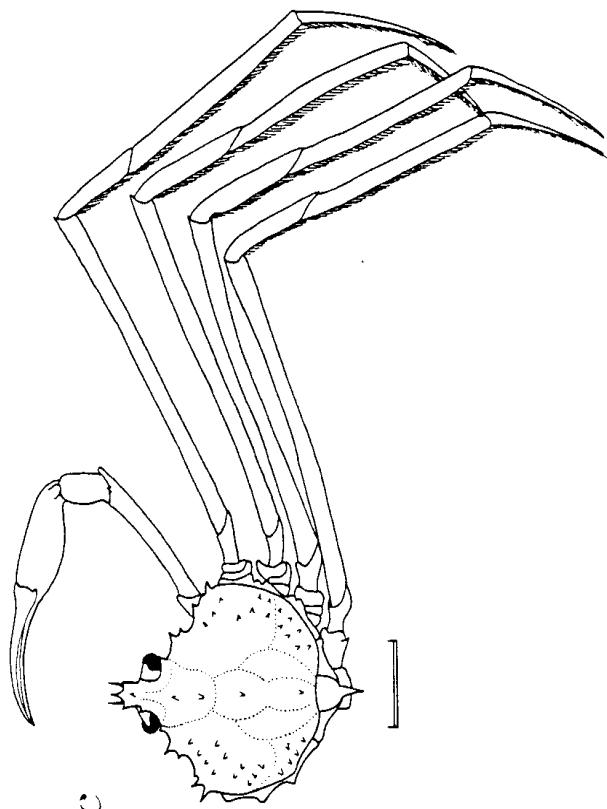
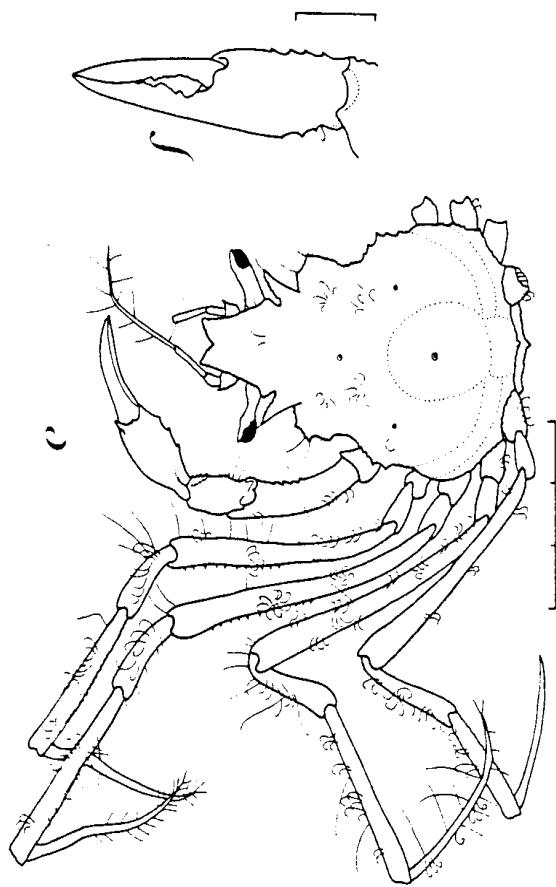
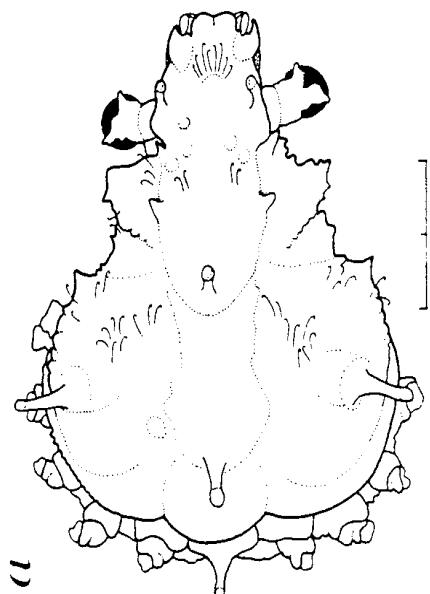
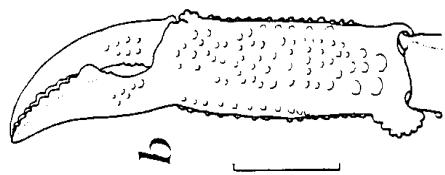
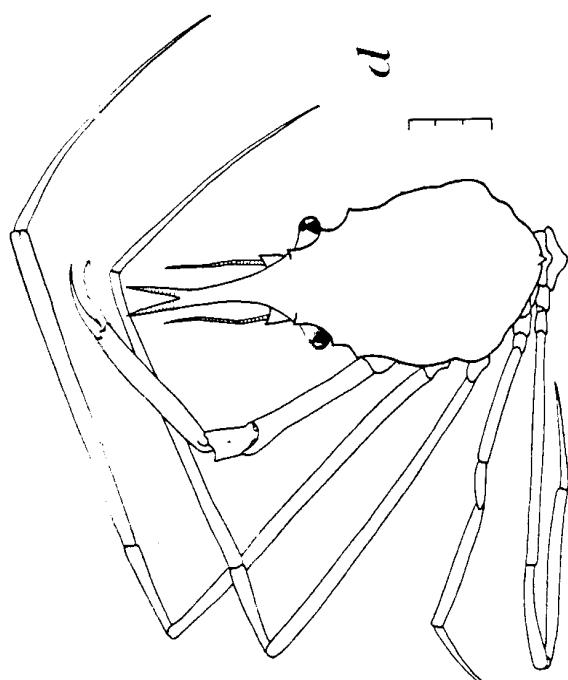
c. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Anomalothir furcillatus*

d. dorsal view (female)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Arachnopsis filipes*

male:  
e. dorsal view  
f. left chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)

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*Batrachonotus fragosus*

- a. dorsal view
- b. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Chorinus heros*

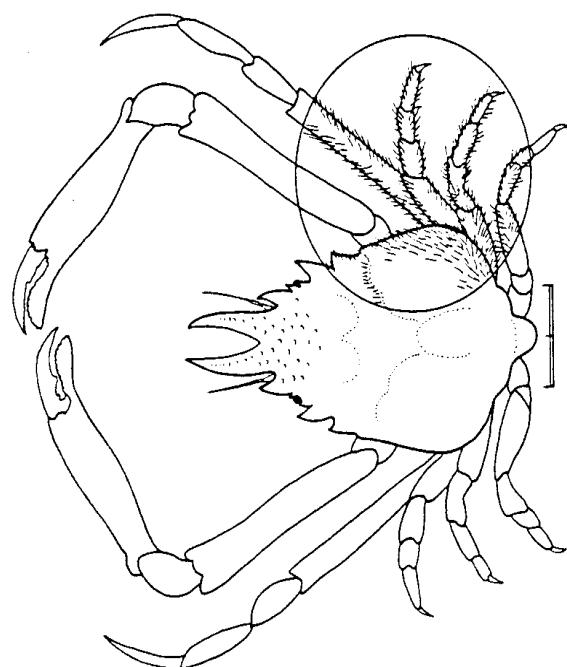
- a. dorsal view
- b. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Coelocerus spinosus*

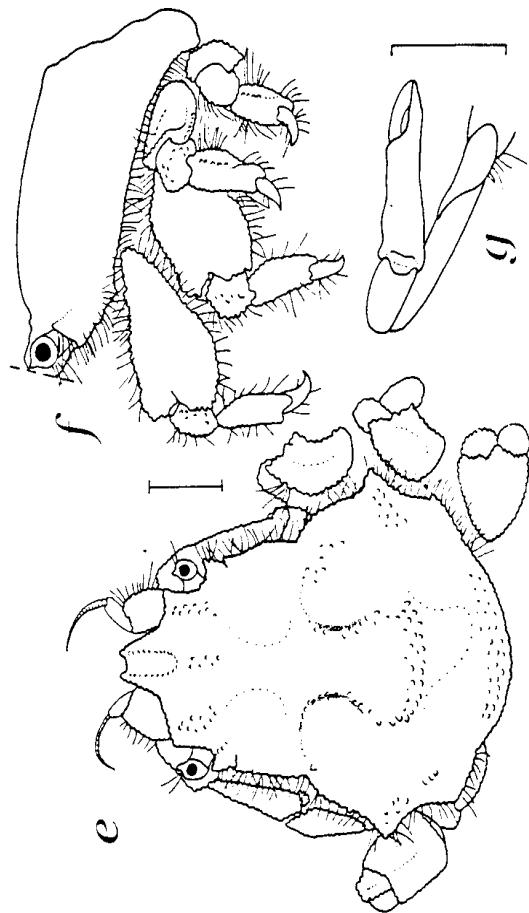
- c. dorsal view (female)
- d. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
lateral view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Henus cristulipes*

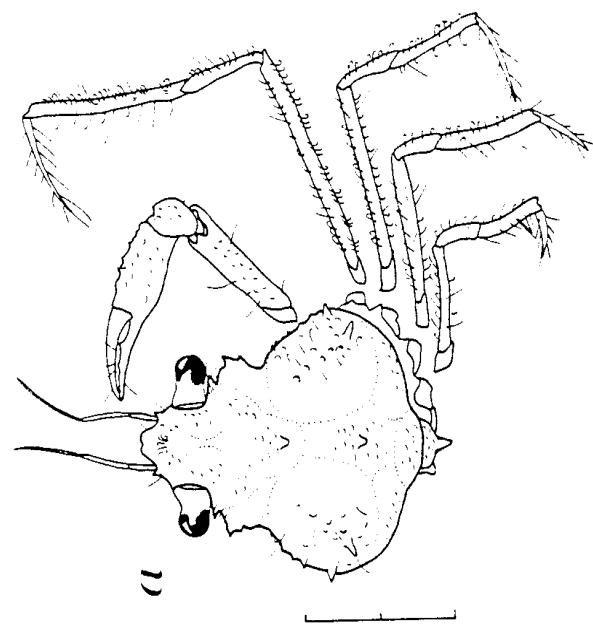
- female:
- e. dorsal view
- f. lateral view
- g. right cheliped  
(after Williams, 1984)



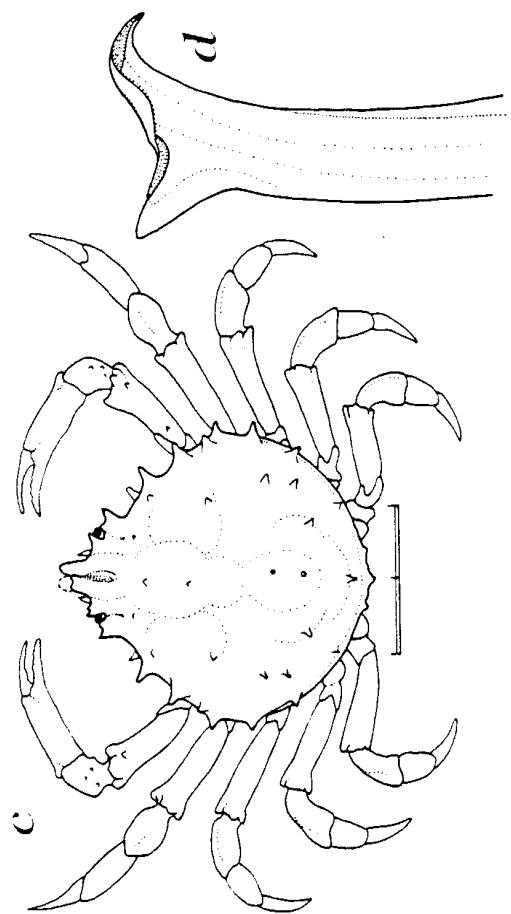
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*Inachoides forceps*

- a. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)
- b. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

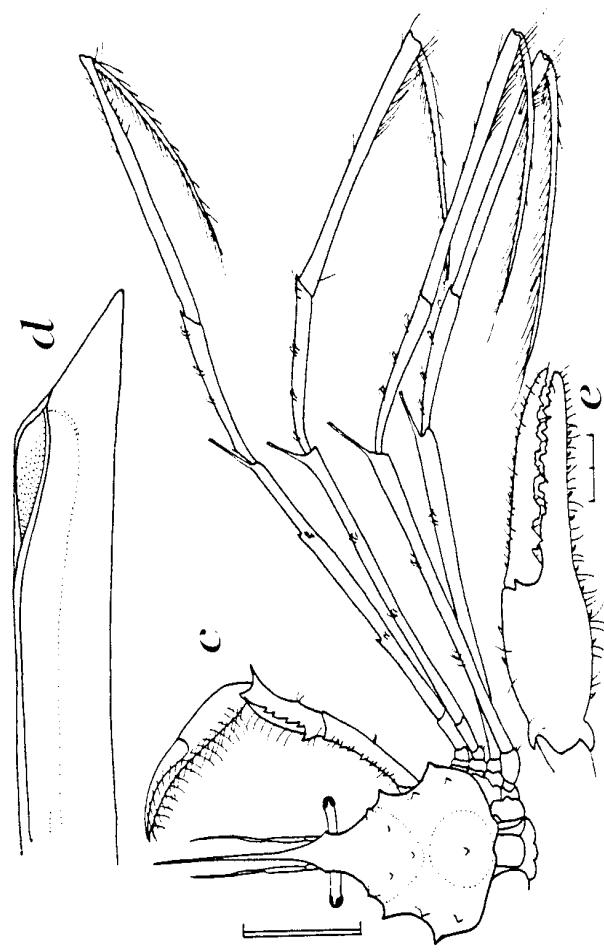
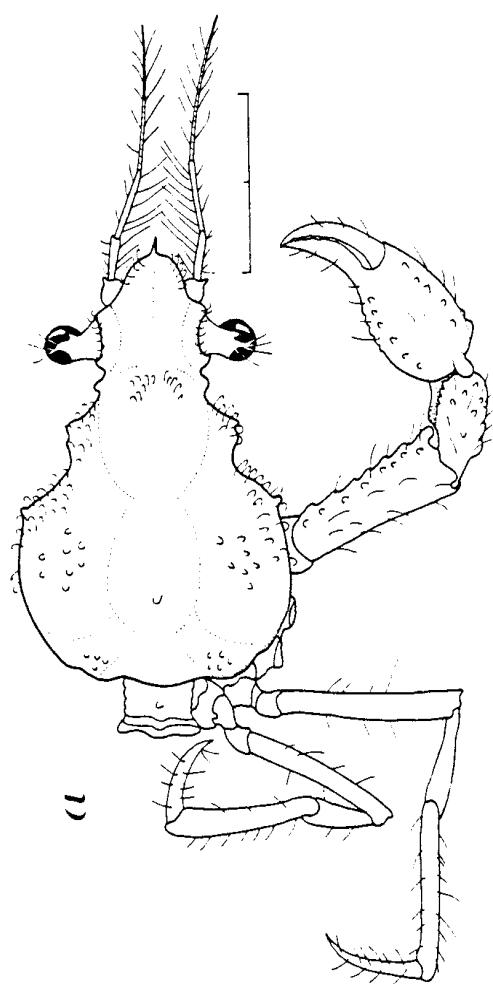
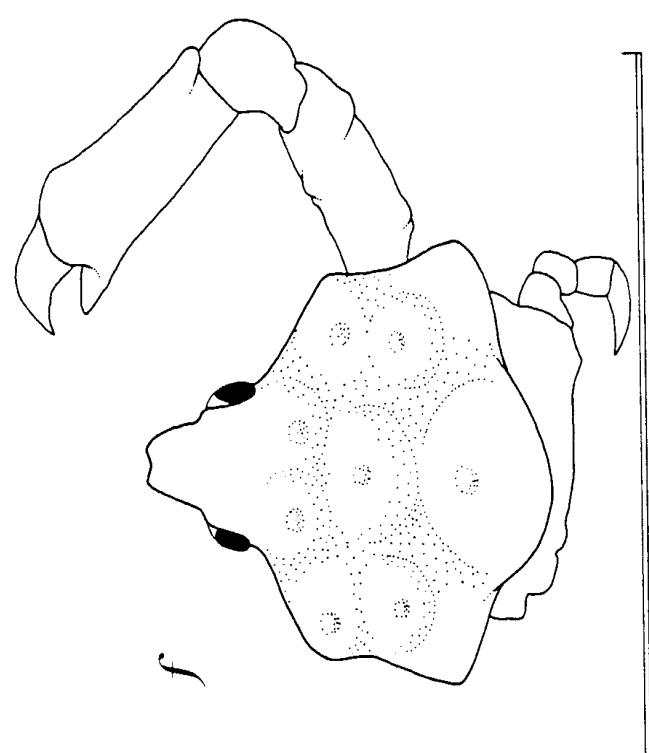
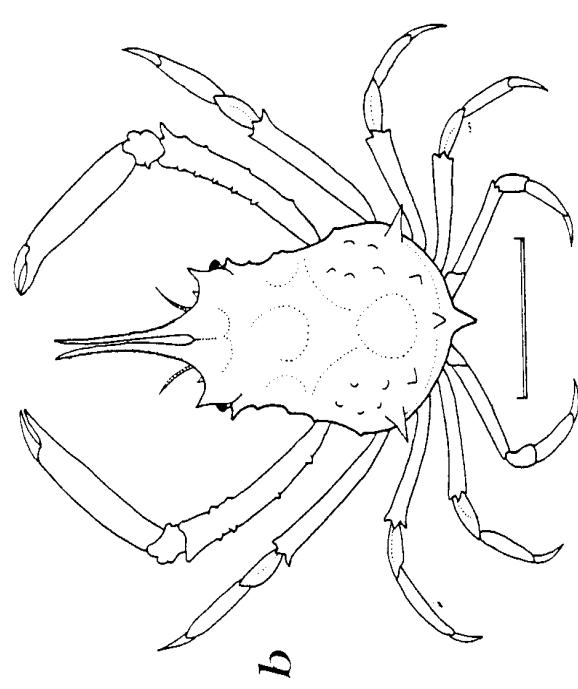
*Leptopisa setirostris*

- c. dorsal view  
(after Williams, 1984)
- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Metoporaphis calcara*

- e. right chela, external view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)
- f. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Mocosoa crebripunctata*



*Nibilia antilocapra*

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
abdominal view

(after Williams, 1984)

*Oplopisa spinipes*

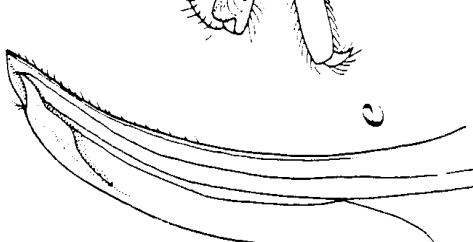
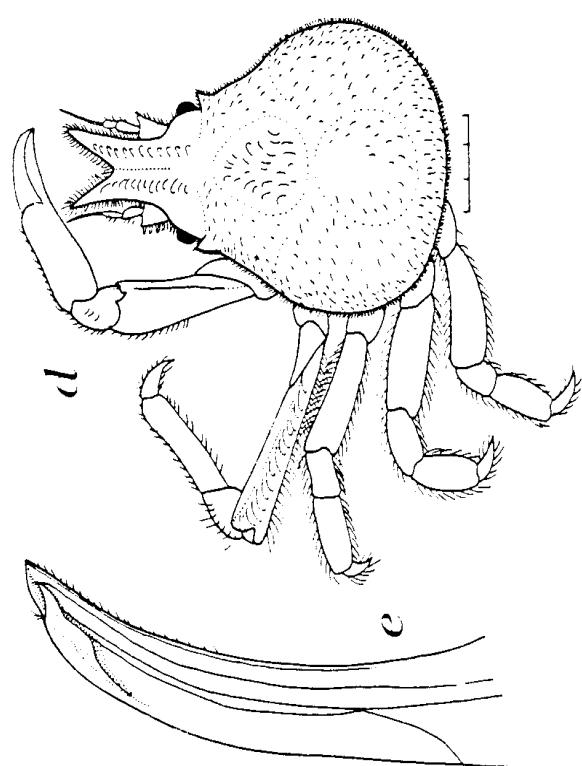
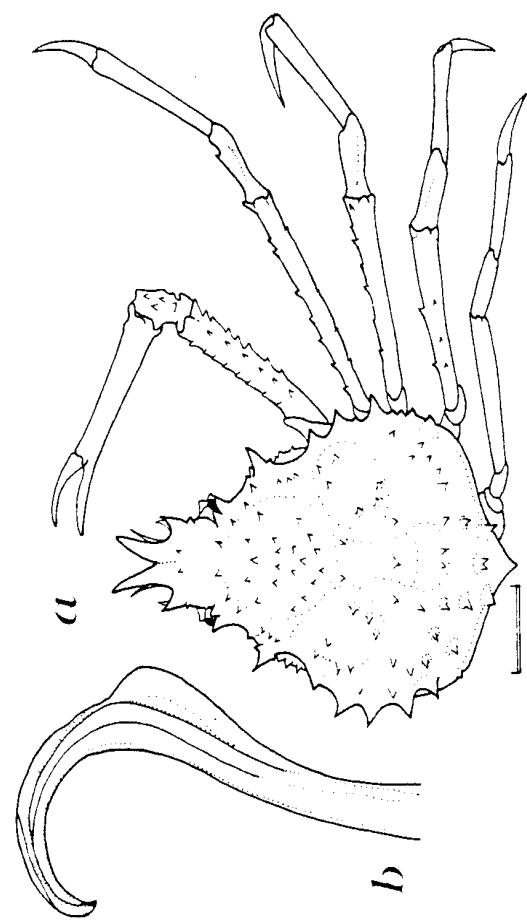
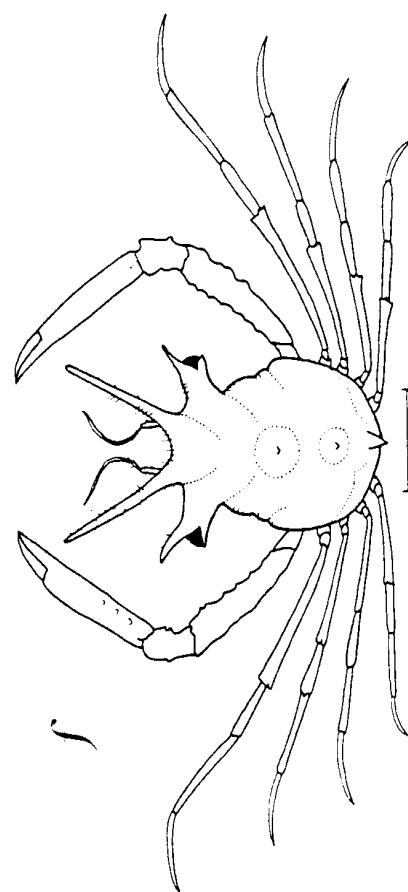
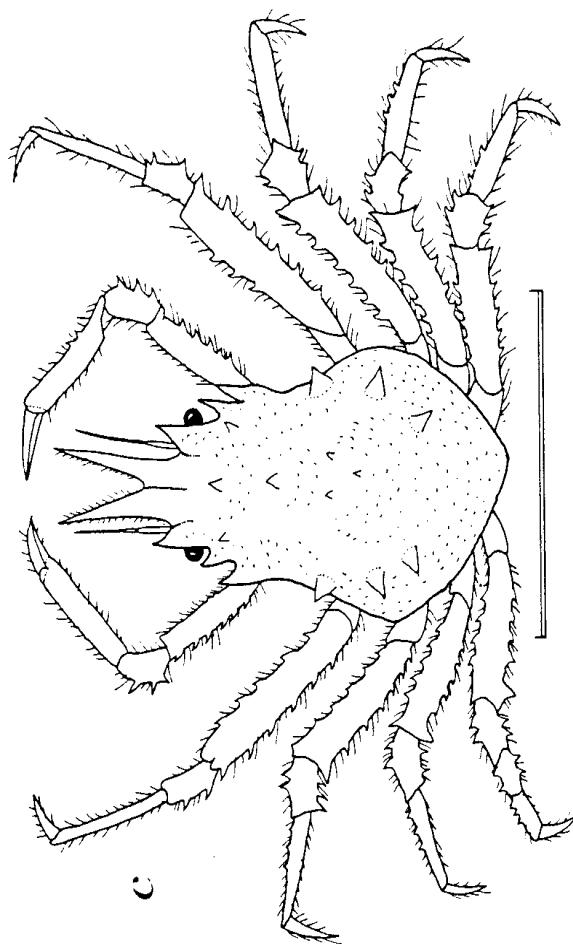
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*Pelia mutica*

- d. dorsal view
- e. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Picroceroides tubularis*

- f. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)



*Sphenocarcinus corrosus*

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view

(after Williams, 1984)

*Stenorhynchus seticornis*

c. dorsal view

- d. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
sternal view

(after Williams, 1984)

(after Williams, 1984)

*Stilbonastax margaritifera*

e. abdomen (mature female)

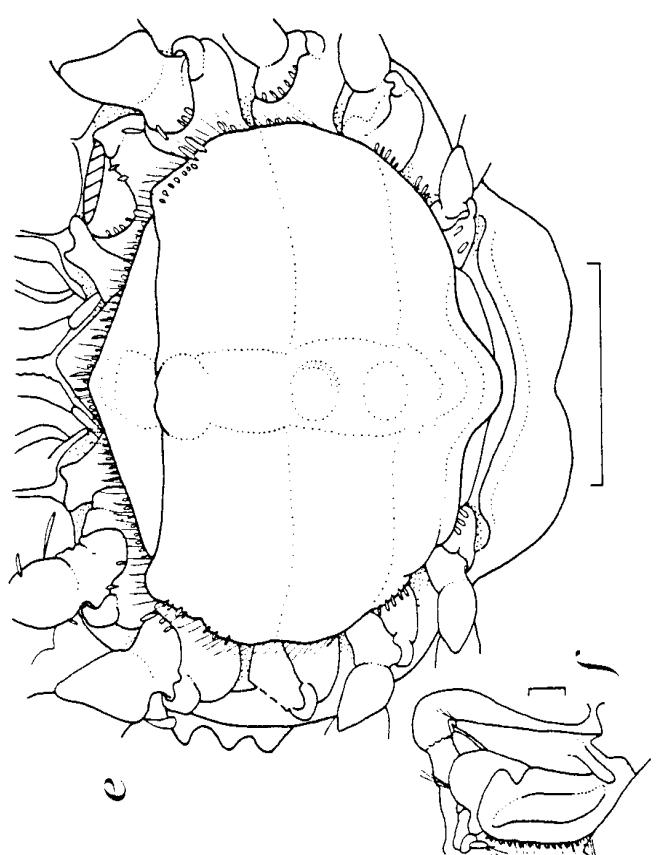
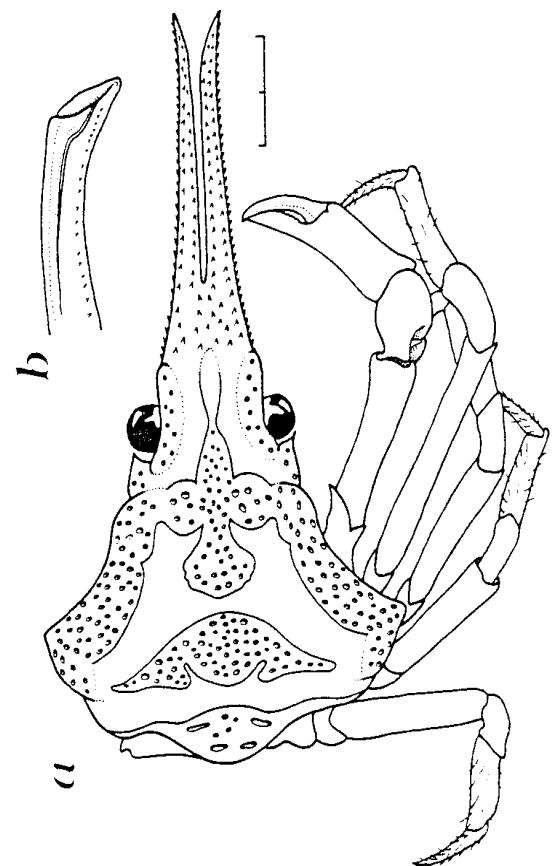
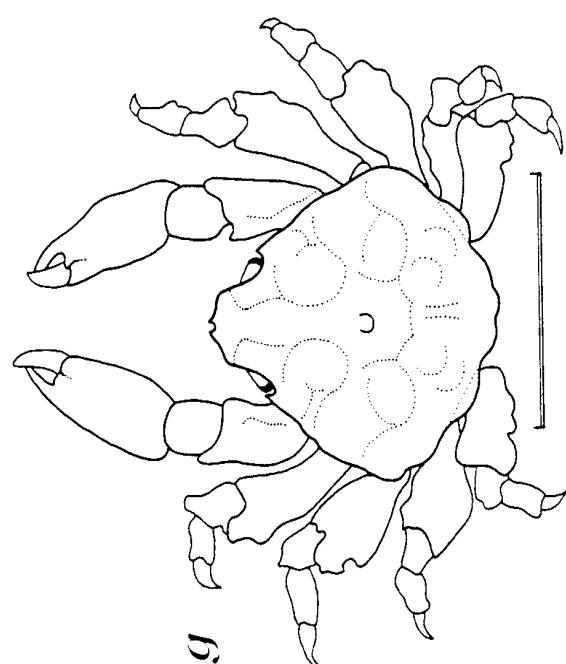
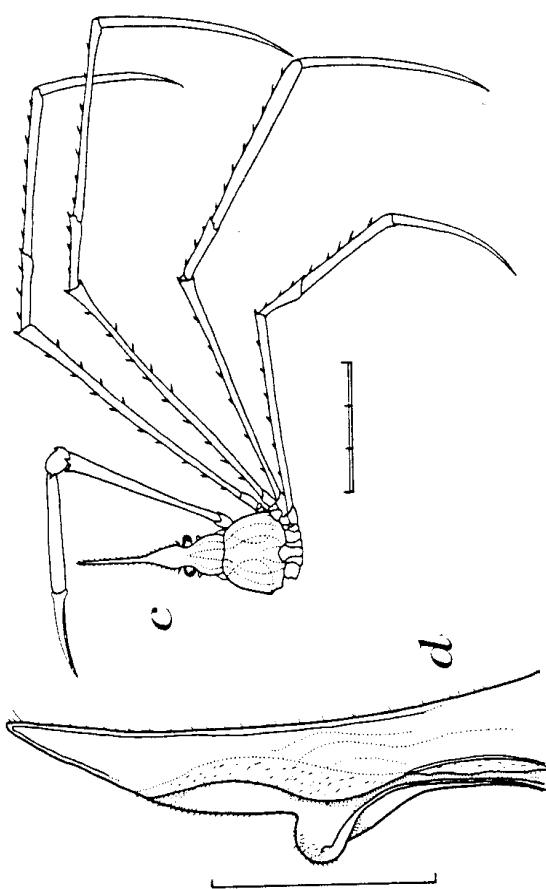
f. left outer (third) maxilliped

(after Williams et al., 1977)

*Thoe puella*

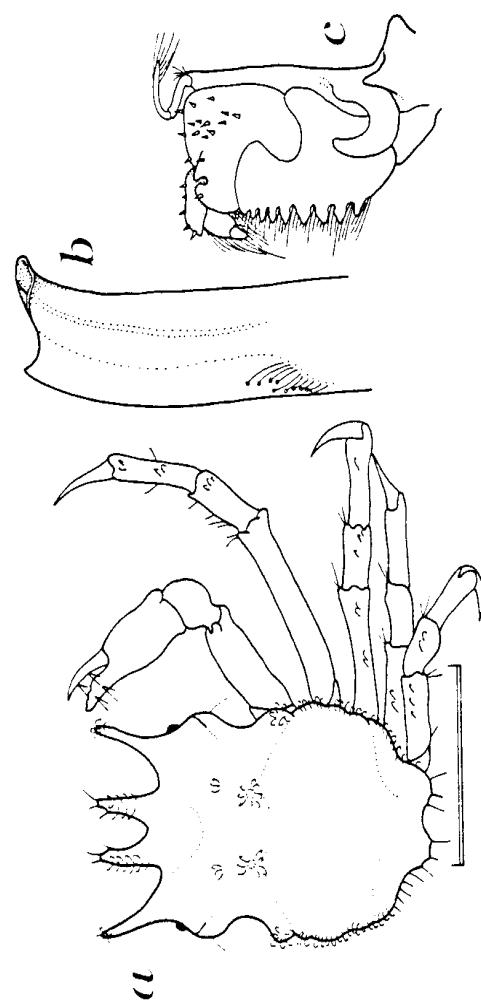
g. dorsal view

(after Rathbun, 1933)



*Tyche emarginata*

- a. dorsal view (male)
  - d. tip of right first pleopod (gonopod),  
lateral view (male)
  - c. left outer (third) maxilliped
- (after Williams, 1984)



**Family Parthenopidae MacLeay, 1838**

Key to genera and species  
[Adapted from Gore and Scotto, 1979]

1. Carapace not laterally expanded over walking legs..... 2  
    Carapace expanded to form vault concealing walking legs..... 6
2. (1) Carapace tuberculate or eroded..... 3  
    Carapace smooth, except for few strong spines..... 4
3. (2) Carapace equilaterally subtriangular; basal antennal segment long, almost or completely reaching orbital hiatus ..... *Tutankhamen cristatipes*  
    Carapace ovate-pentagonal or broadly triangular; basal antennal segment short, not reaching orbital hiatus ..... *Parthenope*
4. (2) Efferent branchial channels opening at middle of endostome as in Oxystomata.....  
        *Mesorhoea sexspinosa*  
    Efferent branchial channels opening at sides of endostome as in Oxrhyncha ..... 5
5. (4) Carapace depressed, with strong lateral spine..... *Leiolambrus nitidus*  
    Carapace high, without strong lateral spine..... *Solenolambrus*
6. (1) Carapace greatly expanded both laterally and posteriorly; pterygostomian region smooth, not ridged ..... *Cryptopodia concava*  
    Carapace expanded laterally, not posteriorly; 1.1-1.5 times as wide as long; pterygostomian and subhepatic regions traversed by granulate or crenulate ridge .... *Heterocrypta granulata*

### Genus *Parthenope* Weber, 1795

#### Key to species

[Adapted from Gore and Scotto, 1979]

1. Carapace ovate-pentagonal, surface little carinate in adult; chelipeds at least twice as long as carapace ..... *P. agona*
- Carapace broadly triangular, surface carinate or tuberculate, sides more or less rounded; chelipeds at least twice as long as carapace ..... 2
2. (1) Carapace and chelipeds very flat; spine at end of main dorsal branchial ridge small.. .... 3
- Carapace very convex; spine at end of main dorsal branchial ridge large; chelipeds not flat ..... 4
3. (2) Triangular spines on outer margins of chelipeds rounded posteriorly; carapace with posterolateral spine directed laterally or nearly so; carapace moderately tuberculate; angle formed by posterolateral spine, gastric tubercle and outer orbital margin always distinctly less than 90° ..... *P. serrata*
- Triangular spines on outer margins of chelipeds acute, margins straight; carapace with posterolateral spine directed obliquely posteriad; carapace heavily tuberculate; angle formed by posterolateral spine, gastric tubercle and outer orbital margin always 90° or nearly so ..... *P. granulata*
4. (2) Dactylus of walking leg 4 about 1.3 times longer than propodus; carapace much broader than long; palm with 8-10 teeth on inner, 10-12 teeth on outer margin ..... *P. pourtalesii*
- Dactylus of walking leg 4 about 1.4 times longer than propodus; carapace little, if any, broader than long; palm with 6-8 teeth on inner, 3-5 teeth on outer margin ..... *P. fraterculus*

### Genus *Solenolambrus* Stimpson, 1871

#### Key to species

[Adapted from Gore and Scotto, 1979]

1. No spines or teeth on posterior or posterolateral margin; dorsal protuberance round ..... *S. tenellus*
- Some teeth or spines on posterior or posterolateral margin; dorsal protuberance angular ..... 2
2. (1) Not more than four teeth on posterior and posterolateral margins..... *S. typicus*
- Six teeth or spines on posterior and posterolateral margins; two median spines; spine near middle of branchial ridge ..... *S. decemspinosis*

*Parthenope agona*

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. right first pleopod (gonopod), mesial view
- c. right second pleopod (gonopod), mesial view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Parthenope serrata*

male:

- d. carapace, dorsal view
- e. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), mesial view
- f. second pleopod (gonopod), mesiolateral view
- g. right cheliped, dorsal view  
(after Gore and Scotto, 1979)

*Parthenope granulata*

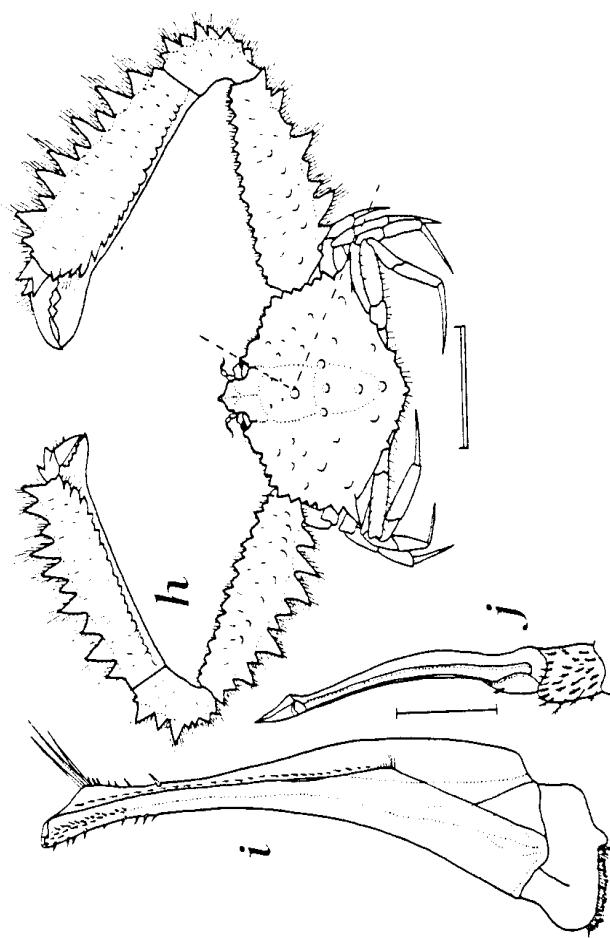
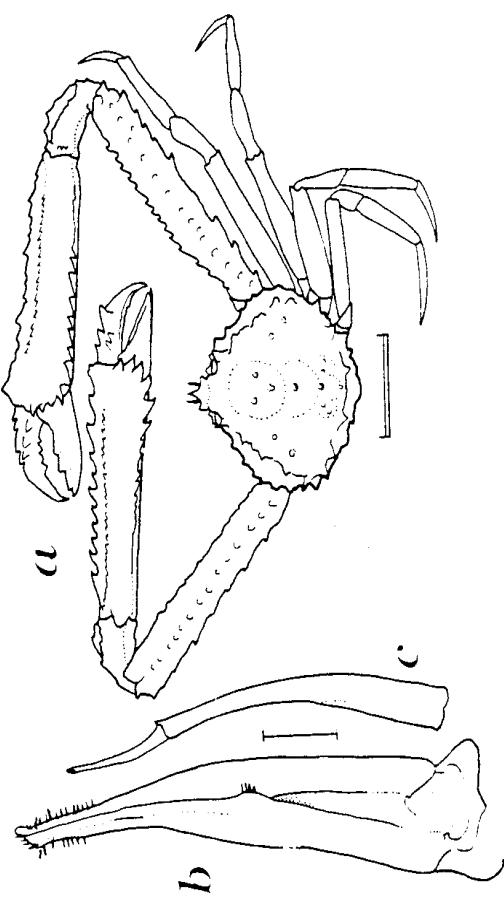
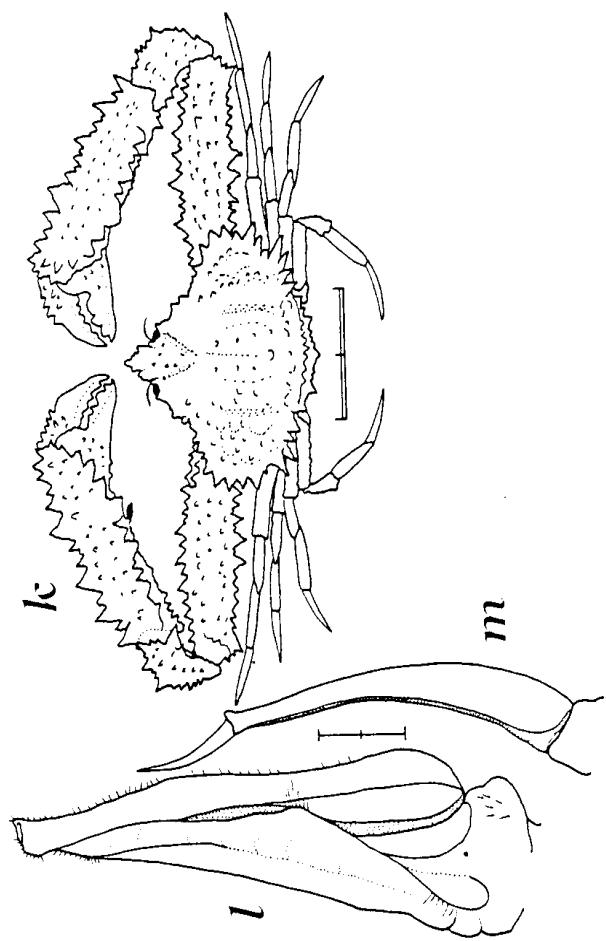
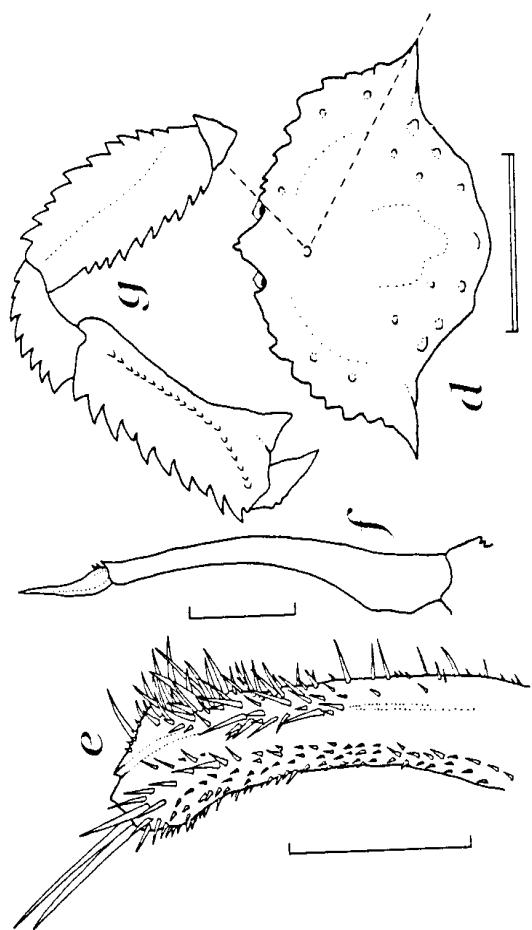
male:

- h. dorsal view
- i. right first pleopod (gonopod), mesial view
- j. right second pleopod (gonopod), mesial view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Parthenope pourtalesii*

male:

- k. dorsal view (female)
- l. right first pleopod (gonopod), mesial view (male)
- m. right second pleopod (gonopod), mesial view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)



***Parthenope fraterculus***

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. right first pleopod (gonopod), mesial view
- c. right second pleopod (gonopod), mesial view  
(after Williams, 1984)

***Solenolambrus tenellus***

male:

- d. dorsal view (female)
- e. first pleopod (gonopod), mesiosternal view (male)
- f. second pleopod (gonopod), mesiosternal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

***Solenolambrus typicus***

male:

- g. dorsal view
- h. first pleopod (gonopod), sternal view
- i. second pleopod (gonopod), sternal view  
(after Williams, 1984)

***Solenolambrus decemspinosis***

male:

- j. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)

*Cryptopodia concava*

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. second pleopod (gonopod), sternal view
- c. first pleopod (gonopod), sternal view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Heterocrypta granulata*

male:

- d. dorsal view
- e. first pleopod (gonopod), mesosternal view
- f. second pleopod (gonopod), mesosternal view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Leiolambrus nitidus*

- g. dorsal view
- h. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod),  
mesial view (male)
- i. second pleopod (gonopod) mesioventral view (male)  
(g, after Felder, 1973; h, i, after Gore and Scotto, 1979)

*Mesorhoea sexspinosa*

- j. dorsal view (female)
- k. anterior part, ventral view
- l. second pleopod (gonopod), sternal view (male)
- m. first pleopod (gonopod), sternal view (male)  
(j, l, m, after Williams, 1984; k, after Gore and  
Scotto, 1979)

*Tutankhamen cristatipes*

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. anterior part, ventral view  
(after Rathbun, 1925)



## Family Atelecyclidae

### Genus *Trichopeltarion* A. Milne Edwards, 1880

Carapace broader than long; surface thickly velvety; median frontal spine shorter than lateral ones [from Rathbun, 1930] ..... *T. nobile*

## Family Cancridae

### Genus *Cancer* Linnaeus, 1758

Key to species  
[Adapted from Williams, 1984]

Anterolateral teeth of carapace with denticulate margins; upper margin of palm denticulate; outer orbital tooth with pointed tip, not coalesced with adjacent anterolateral tooth in small juveniles ..... *C. borealis*

Anterolateral teeth of carapace with margins granulate; chelipeds granulate, not denticulate; outer orbital tooth with rounded tip, coalesced with adjacent anterolateral tooth in small juveniles ..... *C. irroratus*

## Family Geryonidae

### Genus *Geryon* Krøyer, 1837

Carapace broader than long; median pair of frontal teeth separated by wide sinus, teeth scarcely overreaching obtuse lateral frontal teeth; anterolateral teeth 5, second and fourth reduced, distance between first and third usually smaller than distance between third and fifth; cheliped with blunt lobe on upper margin of merus, carpus lacking outer spine, propodus lacking distal dorsal spine; meri of walking legs lacking distal dorsal spine [from Manning and Holthuis, 1984] ..... *G. fenneri*

*Trichopeltarion nobile*

- a. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1925)
- b. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Cancer borealis*

- a. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)
- b. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Cancer irroratus*

- c. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)
- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Manning and Holthuis, 1984)

*Geryon fenneri*

- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Manning and Holthuis, 1984)

## Family Portunidae

### Key to genera and species

[Based on Rathbun, 1930, and Williams, 1984]

1. Carapace with 3 to 5 teeth on anterolateral margin..... 2
  - Carapace with 9 anterolateral teeth..... 4
2. (1) Anterolateral teeth 3..... *Benthochason schmitti*
  - Anterolateral teeth 5..... 3
3. (2) Anterolateral teeth similar, dentiform; dactyli of swimming paddles broadly oval; male abdomen oblong ..... *Ovalipes*
  - Long spine at lateral angle of carapace instead of tooth; dactyli of swimming paddles broadly lanceolate, pointed; male abdomen triangular ..... *Bathynectes longispina*
4. (1) Movable part of antenna excluded from orbit by prolongation of basal segment; anterolateral teeth alternatively large and small ..... *Cronius*
  - Movable part of antenna not excluded from orbit..... 5
5. (4) Carpus of cheliped without mesiodistal spine; abdomen of male T shaped..... *Callinectes*
  - Carpus of cheliped with mesiodistal spine; abdomen of male triangular..... 6
6. (5) Front with 2 bifurcated teeth between inner orbitals; fissures on orbital margin broadly open; color light brown, thickly covered over dorsal surface with small white spots, reticulate pattern persisting in alcohol ..... *Arenaeus cribrarius*
  - Front with 4 separate teeth between inner orbitals (latter sometimes bifurcate); fissures on orbital margin closed except for shallow notch; color varied but never as above ..... *Portunus*

### Genus *Callinectes* Stimpson, 1860

Key to species based on carapace  
(excluding juveniles)  
[Adapted from Williams, 1984]

1. Front with 2 prominent, broad-based, triangular teeth between inner orbitals; each with or without rudimentary submesial tooth on mesial slope ..... *C. sapidus*
- Front with 4 teeth between inner orbitals or 2 prominent teeth separated by space often bearing pair of rudimentary submesial teeth ..... 2
2. (1) Submesial pair of frontal teeth well developed and more than half as long as lateral pair (measuring from base of lateral notch between teeth) ..... *C. bocourti*
- Frontal teeth decidedly unequal in size, submesial pair no more than half as long as lateral pair (measuring from base of lateral notch between teeth) ..... 3
3. (2) Carapace very smoothly granulate, lines of granules visible but barely perceptible to touch (except epibranchial line variably prominent) ..... *C. similis*
- Carapace coarsely granulate, scattered granules and lines of granules quite evident to sight and touch ..... 4
4. (3) Anterolateral teeth (exclusive of outer orbital and lateral spine) lacking shoulders and swept forward ..... 5
- Anterolateral teeth (exclusive of outer orbital and lateral spine) lacking shoulders, not swept forward ..... 6
5. (4) Anterolateral teeth well separated, all except first 3 and lateral spine with anterior margins concave; chelipeds with ridges finely granulated ..... *C. larvatus*
- Anterolateral teeth adjacent, stout, anterior margins not noticeably concave, fifth tooth often largest; chelipeds with ridges coarsely granulated ..... *C. exasperatus*
6. (4) Submesial pair of frontal teeth absent or vestigial ..... *C. ornatus*
- Submesial pair of frontal teeth never vestigial, but no more than half length of lateral pair ..... *C. danae*

### Genus *Cronius* Stimpson, 1860

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1930]

- Four spines on palm; spine at posterodistal angle of merus of each swimming leg... ..... *C. ruber*
- Two spines on palm; row of spinules but no spine on posterodistal margin of merus of each swimming leg ..... *C. tumidulus*

### Genus *Ovalipes* Rathbun, 1898

#### Key to species

Carapace with relatively coarse granulation behind frontal margin and inside anterolateral borders, median elongate tract of slightly but variably enlarged granules extending from mesogastric to anterior cardiac region .. *O. stephensi*

Carapace with granulation generally fine but more pronounced anteriorly, lacking narrow tract of slightly enlarged granules in midline ..... *O. floridanus*

### Genus *Portunus* Weber, 1795

#### Key to species

[Based on Rathbun, 1930, and Williams, 1984]

1. Carapace wide, anterolateral margins forming arc of circle with center near posterior margin ..... 2
- Carapace narrow, anterolateral margins forming arc of circle with center near middle of cardiac region ..... 6
2. (1) Stridulating ridge present on lower surface of carapace; spine at posterior angle of carapace ..... *P. vocans*  
Stridulating apparatus absent; posterior angles of carapace unarmed. .... 3
3. (2) Posterodistal margin of merus of each swimming leg armed with row of spinules but no spine (frontal teeth blunt; width of merus of swimming legs equal to length of anterior margin) ..... *P. gibbesii*  
Posterodistal margin of merus of each swimming leg unarmed. .... 4
4. (3) Carapace convex, mostly smooth and glossy; palm of chela swollen, only 1 spine on upper margin ..... *P. sayi*  
Carapace uneven, not smooth and glossy; 2 spines on upper margin of palm; submesial teeth of front very small ..... 5
5. (4) Spine at posterodistal margin of merus of cheliped; submesial teeth of front much less advanced than outer teeth ..... *P. anceps*  
No spine at posterodistal margin of merus of cheliped; submesial teeth of front nearly or quite as advanced as outer teeth ..... *P. ventralis*

6. (1) Posterodistal margin of merus of swimming leg unarmed; 2 spines on upper margin of palm ..... 7  
Posterodistal margin of merus of swimming leg armed with one or two spines or with spinules or with both ..... 8
7. (6) Lateral spine of carapace similar to and very little larger than preceding spine or tooth; upper margin of dactylus on chela conspicuously fringed with long hairs ..... *P. depressifrons*  
Lateral spine of carapace much larger than preceding spine or tooth and directed more outward; upper margin of dactylus on chela with hair inconspicuous ..... *P. floridanus*
8. (6) Erect spine on basis of each swimming leg; large round persistent red spot on posterolateral slope of carapace ..... *P. sebae*  
No erect spines on bases of swimming legs; no large persistent red spot on posterolateral slope of carapace ..... 9
9. (8) Posterodistal margin of merus of each swimming leg armed with one spine besides inconspicuous spinules ..... *P. spinimanus*  
Posterodistal margin of merus of each swimming leg armed with spinules but no spines ..... 10
10. (9) Chelipeds with mesiodorsal spine of carpus less than half length of palm.....  
..... *P. ordwayi*  
Chelipeds with mesiodorsal spine of carpus greater than half length of palm ..... 11
11. (10) Two distinct submedian red spots in middle of carapace, one on each branchial lobe ..... *P. binoculus*  
No submedian red spots in middle of carapace..... *P. spinicarpus*

*Callinectes sapidus*

- a. dorsal view
- b. first pleopods (gonopods) (male)
- (a, after Williams, 1978; b, after Williams, 1984)

*Callinectes bocourti*

- a. dorsal view
- b. first pleopods (gonopods) (male)
- c. carapace, dorsal view
- d. right chela, external view
- e. left chela, external view
- f. first pleopods (gonopods) (male)
- (c, d, e, after Williams, 1978; f, after Williams, 1984)

*Callinectes similis*

- g. carapace, dorsal view
- h. right chela, external view
- i. left chela, external view
- j. first pleopods (gonopods) (male)
- (g, h, i, after Williams, 1978; j, Williams, 1984)

*Callinectes larvatus*

- k. carapace, dorsal view
- l. right chela, external view
- m. left chela, external view
- n. first pleopods (gonopods) (male)
- (k, l, m, after Williams, 1978, as *C. marginatus*;  
n, after Williams, 1984)

*Callinectes exasperatus*

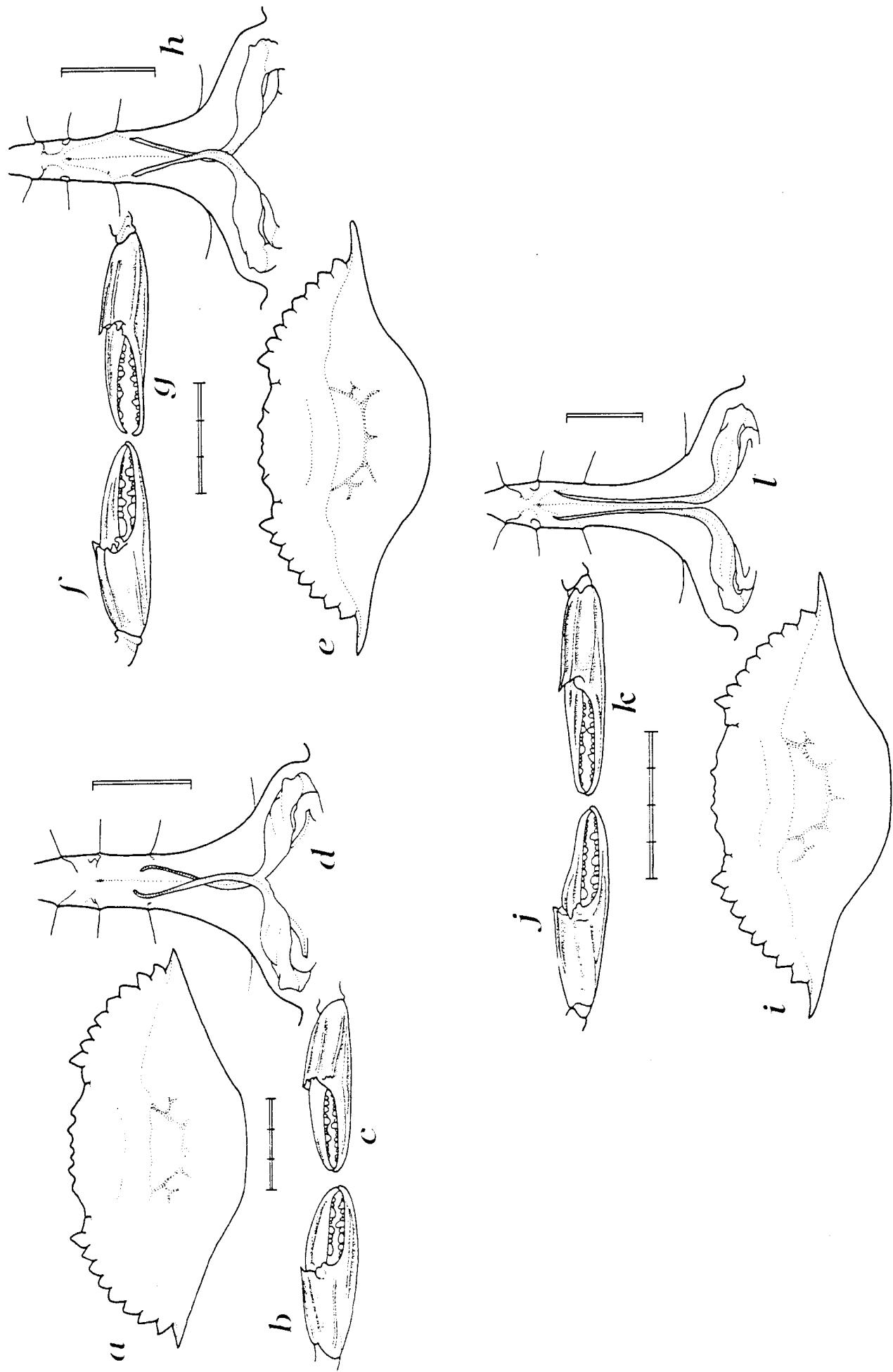
- a. carapace, dorsal view
- b. right chela, external view
- c. left chela, external view
- d. first pleopods (gonopods) (male)  
(a, b, c, after Williams, 1978; d, after  
Williams, 1984)
- e. carapace, dorsal view
- f. right chela, external view
- g. left chela, external view
- h. first pleopods (gonopods) (male)

*Callinectes ornatus*

- e, f, g, after Williams, 1978; h, after  
Williams, 1984)

*Callinectes donae*

- i. carapace, dorsal view
  - j. right chela, external view
  - k. left chela, external view
  - l. first pleopods (gonopods) (male)
- (i, j, k, after Williams, 1978; l, after  
Williams, 1984)



*Cronius ruber*

a. dorsal view (male)

(after Williams, 1984)

*Cronius tumidulus*

b. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1933)

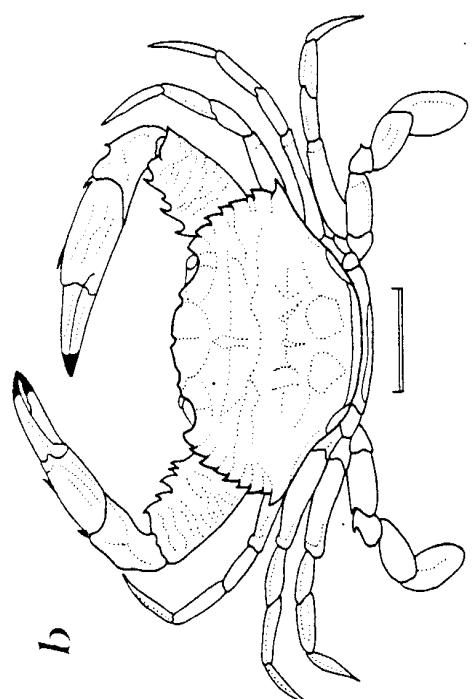
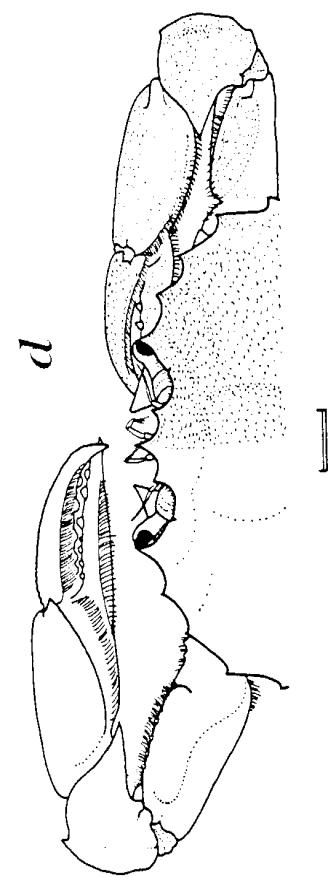
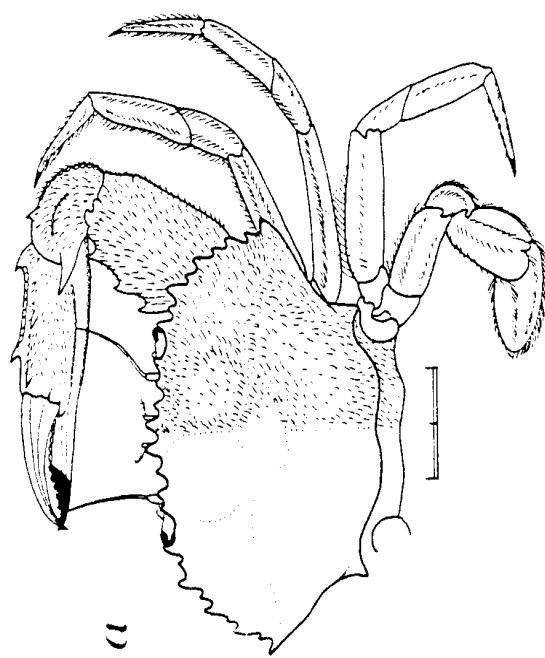
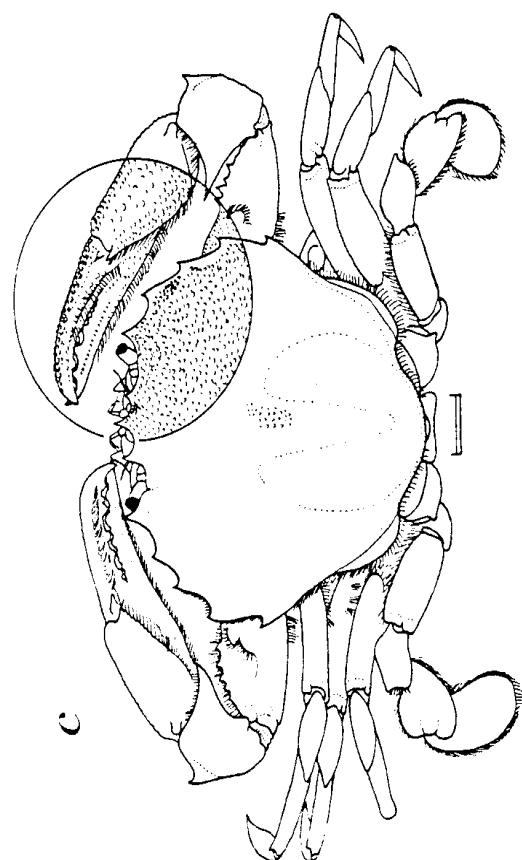
*Ovalipes stephensi*

c. dorsal view (holotype male)

(after Williams, 1976)

*Ovalipes floridanus*d. anterior part of carapace and chelipeds,  
dorsal view (male)

(after Williams, 1976)

*b**d**c**e*

***Portunus vocans***

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. left half of carapace, ventral view  
(after Rathbun, 1930)

***Portunus gibbesii***

c. dorsal view (male)

(after Williams, 1984)

***Portunus sayi***

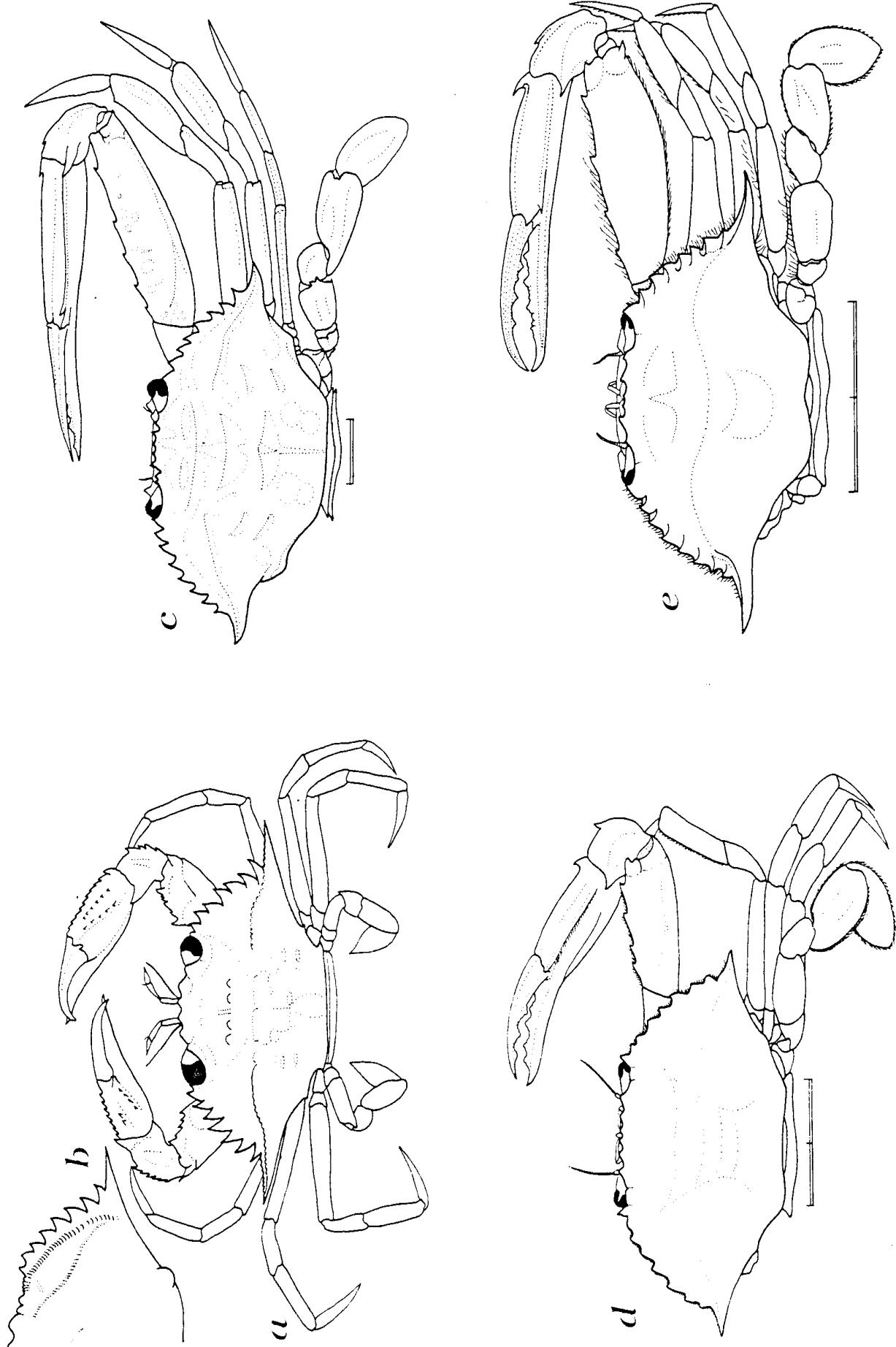
d. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1984)

***Portunus anceps***

e. dorsal view (male)

(after Williams, 1984)



*Portunus ventralis*

a. carapace, dorsal view (ovigerous female)

(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Portunus depressifrons*

b. dorsal view (male)

(after Williams, 1984)

*Portunus floridanus*

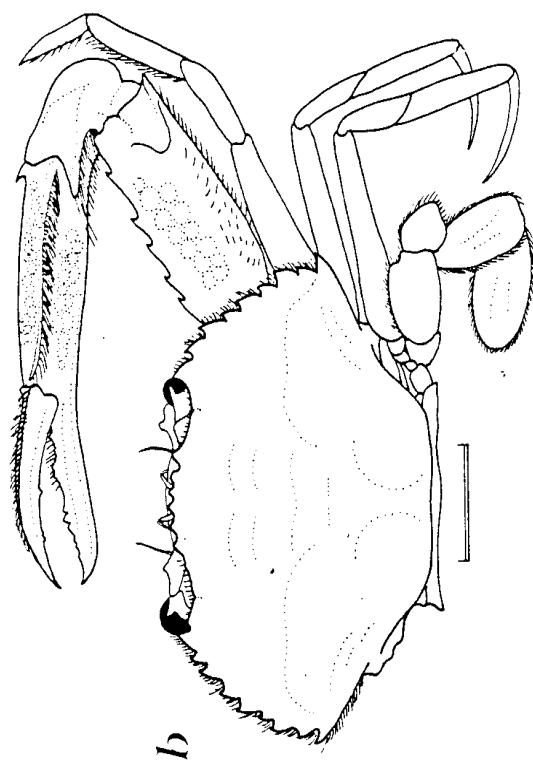
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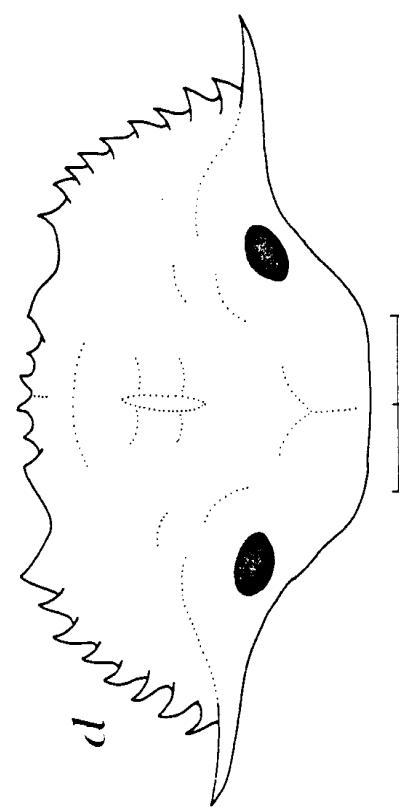
*Portunus sebae*

d. carapace, dorsal view (male)

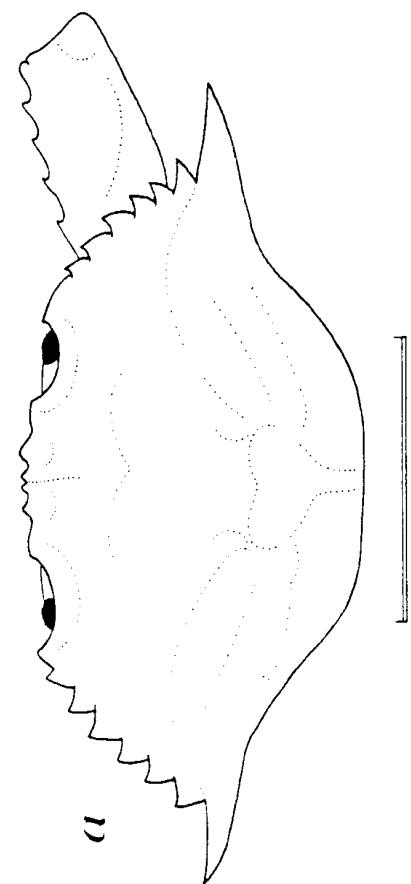
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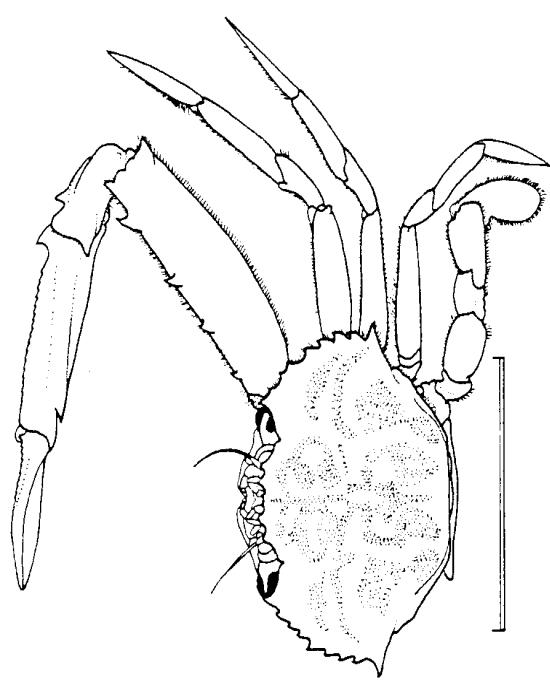
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*Portunus spinimanus*

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*Portunus ordwayi*

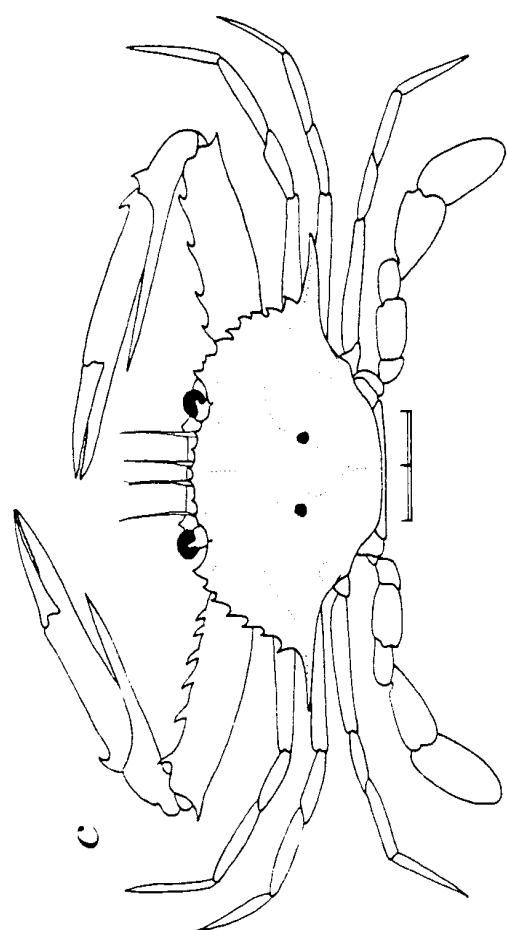
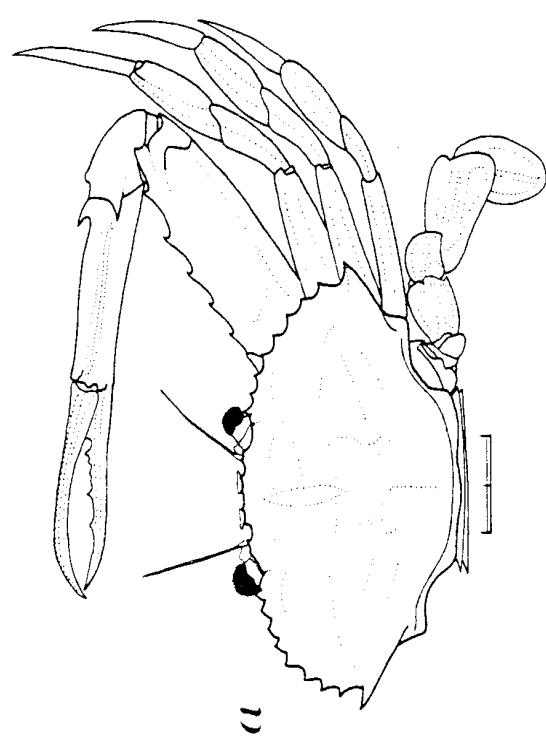
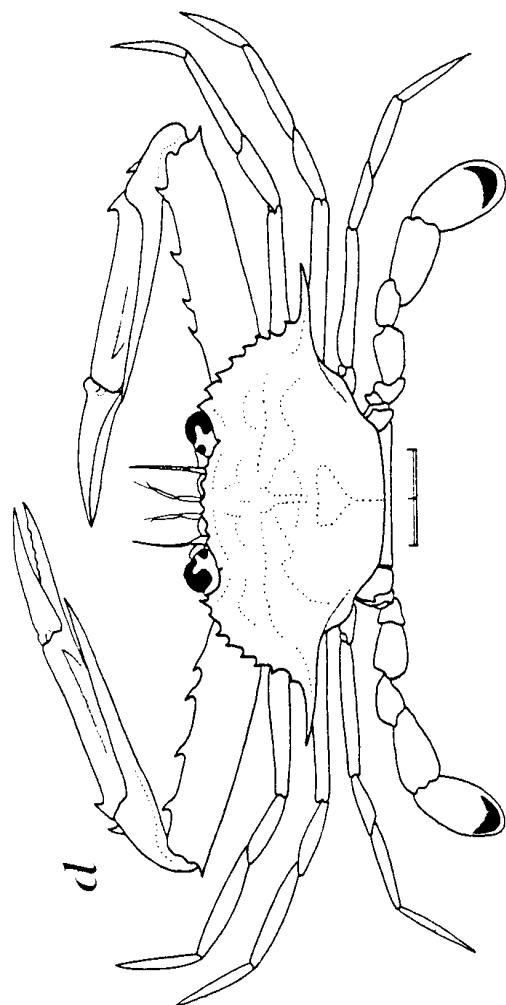
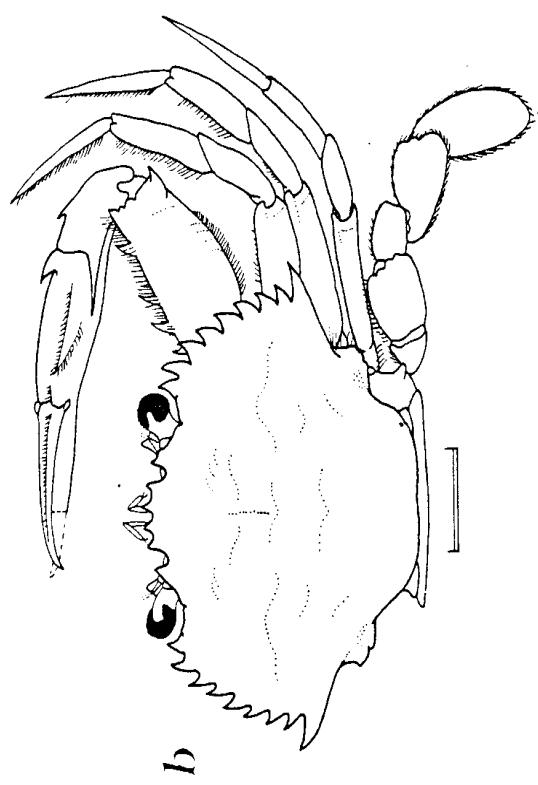
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*Portunus binoculus*

- c. dorsal view (male)  
(after Holthuis, 1969)
- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Holthuis, 1969)

*Portunus spinicarpus*

- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Holthuis, 1969)



*Arenaeus cibrarius*

a. dorsal view (male)

(after Williams, 1984)

*Bathynectes longispina*

male:

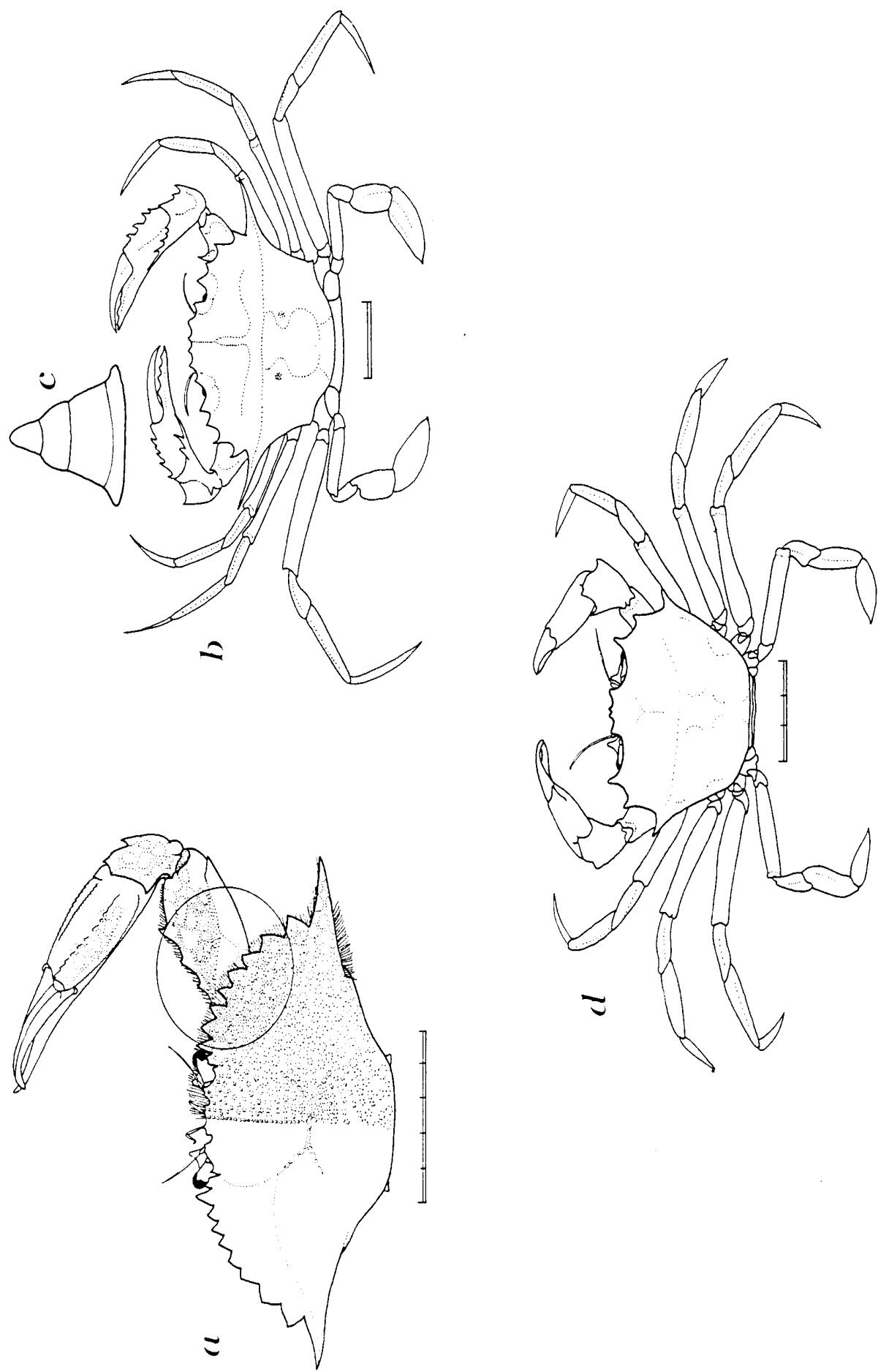
b. dorsal view

c. abdomen

(after Rathbun, 1930, as *B. superba*)*Benthochason schmitti*

d. dorsal view

(after drawing at SI-NMNH)





## Family Gonoplacidae

### Key to genera and species

[Based on Rathbun, 1918, Guinot, 1969, and Williams, 1984]

1. Base of third segment of male abdomen covering whole space between last pair of legs ..... 2  
 Base of third segment of male abdomen not covering whole space between last pair of legs ..... 9
2. (1) Carapace subquadrate, anterior border entirely occupied by square-cut front and orbits, the latter being long, narrow trenches; carapace widest between postorbital angles ..... 3  
 Carapace xanthoid, widest behind postorbital angles; orbits of normal size and form ..... 4
3. (2) Chelipeds with patch or tufts of hair on distal part of carpus and proximal part of palm ..... *Frevillea*  
 Chelipeds without patch or tufts of hair on distal part of carpus and proximal part of palm ..... *Goneplax sigsbei*
4. (2) Inner angle of carpus of cheliped prominent with two acute teeth (carapace very narrow, more than 3/4 as long as broad; male abdomen with segments free) ..... *Neopilumnoplax americana*  
 Inner angle of carpus of cheliped with one acute tooth ..... 5
5. (4) Front very narrow, much less than 1/3 of carapace width ..... 6  
 Front rather broad, more than 1/3 of carapace width ..... 7
6. (5) Male first gonopod extremely long, slender and filiform, incurved and almost without ornamentation ..... *Chacellus filiformis*  
 Male first gonopod robust, distal portion dilated, triangular in shape ..... *Euphosynoplax clausa*
7. (5) Carapace much broader than long; anterolateral teeth with granular margins ..... *Nanoplax xanthiformis*  
 Carapace narrow; anterolateral teeth with smooth margins ..... 8
8. (7) Carapace narrow, barely widened near front, with poorly defined regions; four anterolateral teeth, including outer orbital ..... *Thalassoplax angusta*  
 Five anterolateral teeth, second well developed ..... *Pilumnoplax elata*

9. (1) Carapace subquadrate, anterior margin almost completely occupied by front and elongate orbits ..... 10  
     Carapace xanthoid, anterior margin consisting of front, orbits, and anterior part of arched, toothed, anterolateral border ..... 12
10. (9) Two anterolateral teeth present, including outer orbital..... *Sotoplax robertsi*  
     Three anterolateral teeth present..... 11
11. (10) Antennae excluded from orbit..... *Euryplax nitida*  
     Antennae entering orbit..... *Trapezioplax tridentata*
12. (9) Posterolateral borders imperceptibly convergent (almost parallel); eyestalks tapering to reduced cornea and conspicuously hairy ..... *Speocarcinus lobatus*  
     Posterolateral borders obviously convergent; eyestalks rather thick and not conspicuously hairy ..... 13
13. (12) Fronto-orbital border about half total width of carapace.....  
     ..... *Pseudorhombila quadridentata*  
     Fronto-orbital border from 3/5 to 3/4 total width of carapace..... 14
14. (13) Carapace broad, width 1.5 times length (anterolateral teeth with smooth margins, first 2 coalesced, third largest, obtuse, with strongly curved lateral margin) .....  
     ..... *Panoplax depressa*  
     Carapace narrow, width 1.3 times length..... 15
15. (14) Merus of outer (third) maxillipeds with antero-external angle prominent, acutangular (front prominent and almost straight, with small median notch; usually 4 anterolateral teeth, second tooth largest; carpus of chelipeds smooth) .....  
     ..... *Glytoplax smithii*  
     Merus of outer maxillipeds with antero-external angle neither prominent nor acutangular (carapace narrow, hexagonal; five anterolateral teeth, including orbital tooth) ..... *Eucratopsis crassimanus*

**Genus *Frevillea* A. Milne Edwards, 1880**

## Key to species

Orbital spine long, projecting laterally; next spine very small; sides of carapace strongly convergent posteriorly ..... *F. barbata*

Orbital spine projecting more forward than that of *F. barbata*; sides of carapace much less convergent posteriorly than those of *F. barbata*; long and dense tuft of hair on distal half of carpus and proximal part of palm in cheliped ..... *F. hirsuta*

*Frevillea barbata*

- a. carapace, dorsal view (female)  
(after Guinot, 1969)

*Frevillea hirsuta*

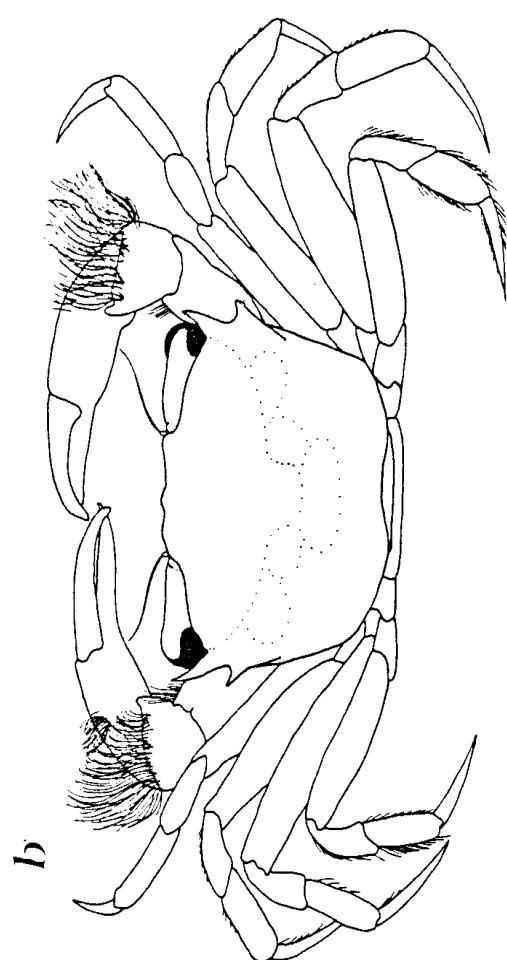
- b. dorsal view  
(after Rathbun, 1918)

*Chacellus filiformis*

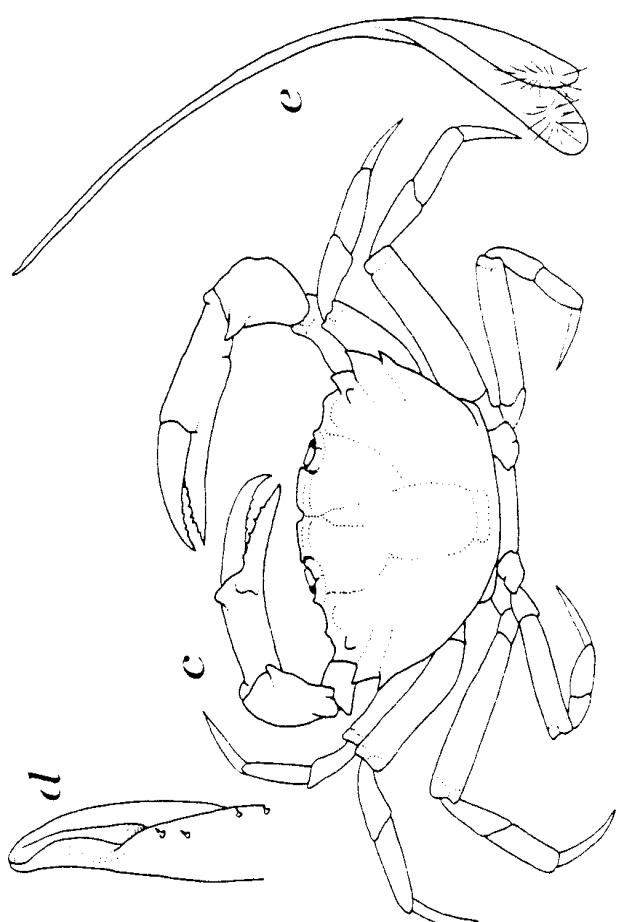
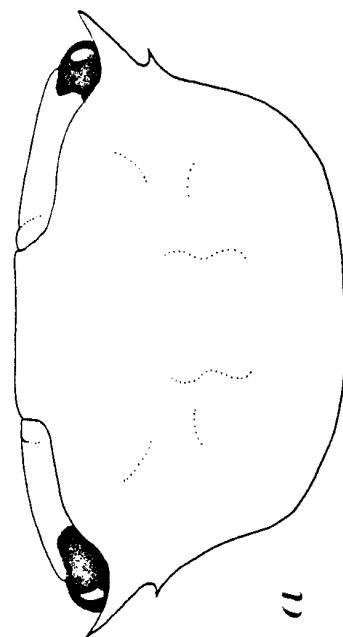
- c. dorsal view (holotype male)
- d. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod) (male)
- e. first pleopod (gonopod) (male)  
(after Guinot, 1969)

*Eucratopsis crassimanus*

- f. carapace, dorsal view (male)
- g. right outer (third) maxilliped (female)  
(after Rathbun, 1918)



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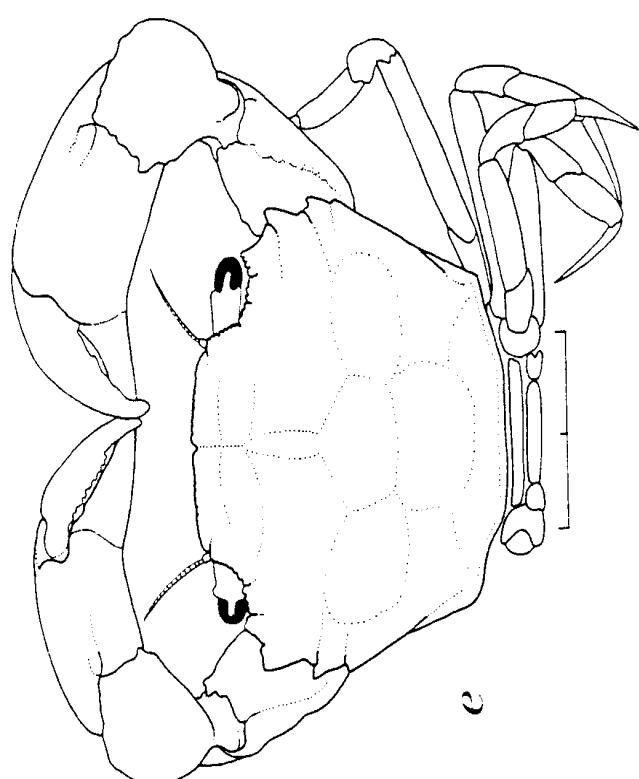
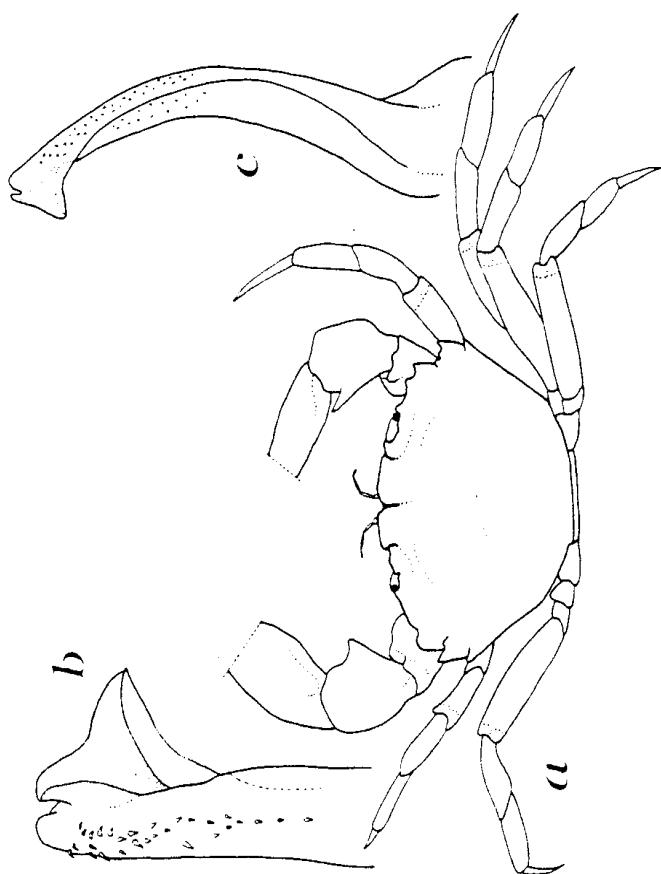
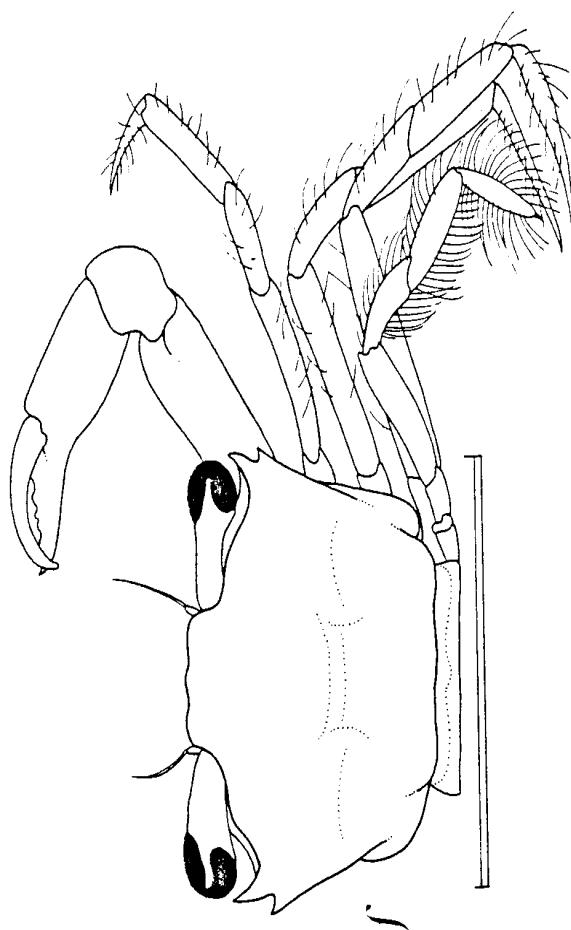
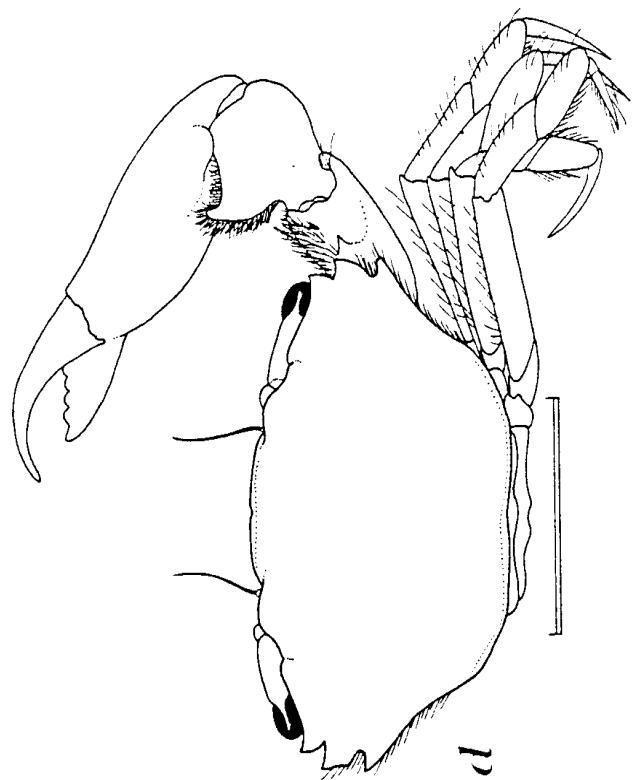
*Euphrosynoplax clausa*

- a. dorsal view (paratype male)
- b. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod) (male)
- c. first pleopod (gonopod) (male)  
(after Guinot, 1969)
- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Euryplax nitida**Goneplax sigsbei*

- e. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)
- f. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Glyptoplax smithii*



*Nanoplax xanthiformis*

- a. dorsal view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Neopilumnoplax americana*

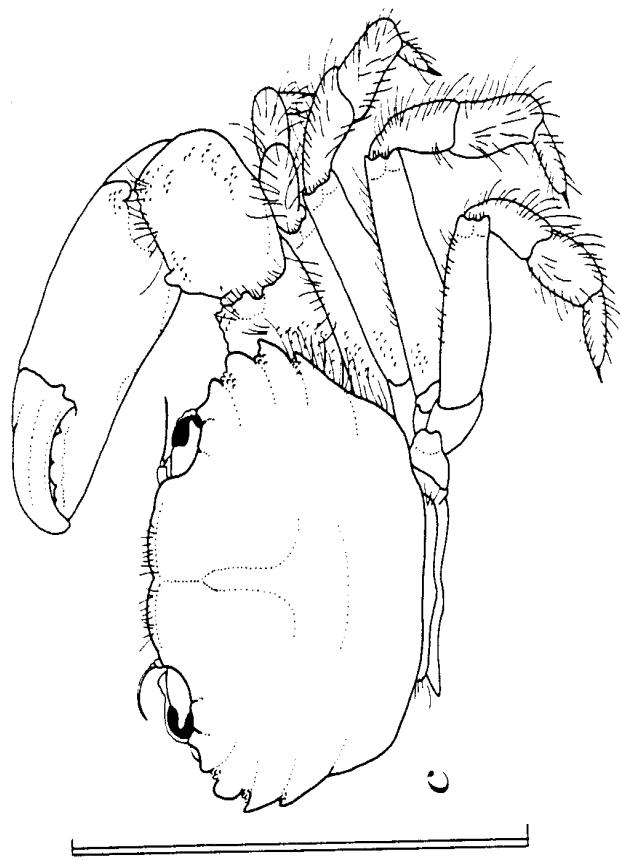
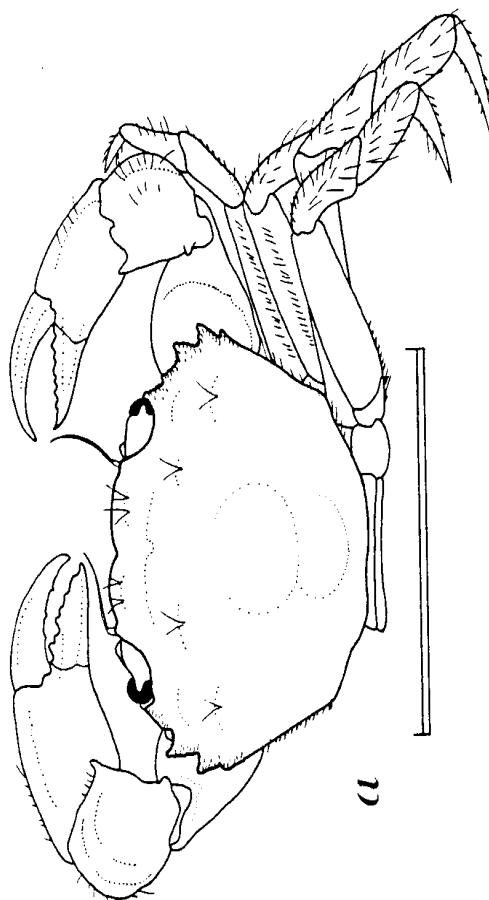
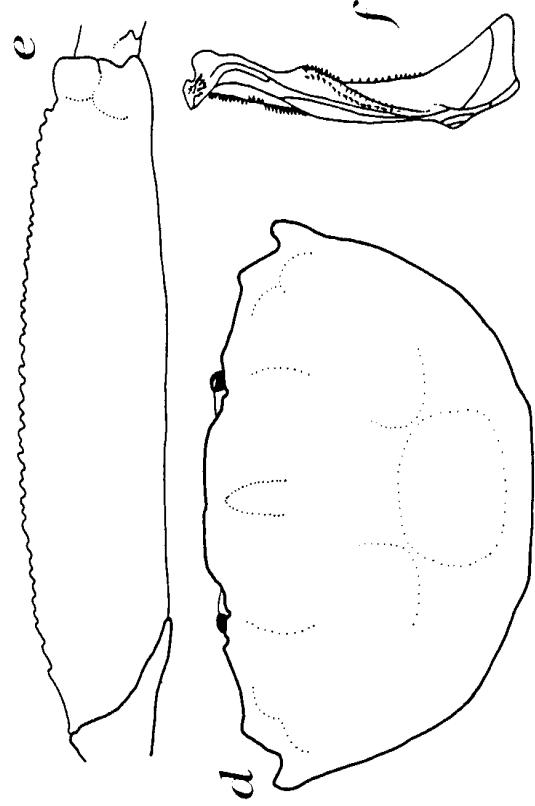
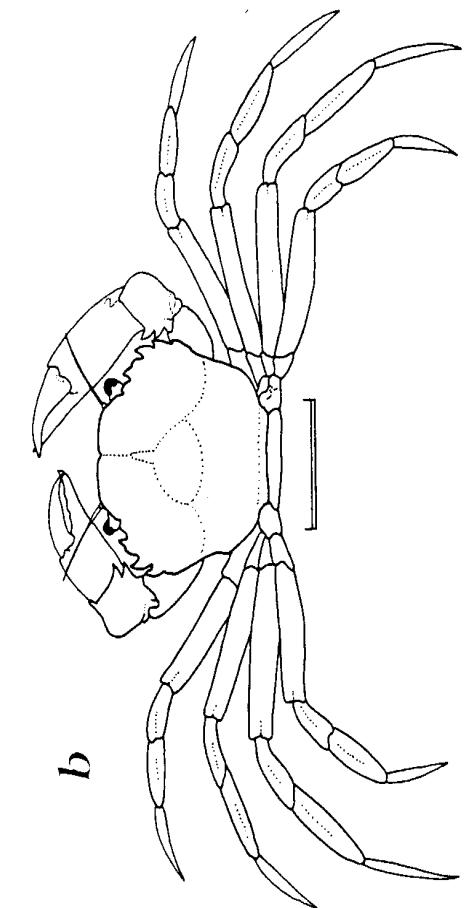
- b. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1918)

*Panoplax depressa*

- c. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Pseudorhombila quadridentata*

- d. carapace, dorsal view  
e. merus of walking leg  
f. first pleopod (gonopod)  
(after Hernandez, 1982)



*Sotoplax robertsi*

- a. carapace, dorsal view
- b. part of sternum and abdomen near coxa of left fifth pereopod, ventral view  
(after Guinot, 1984)

*Speocarcinus lobatus*

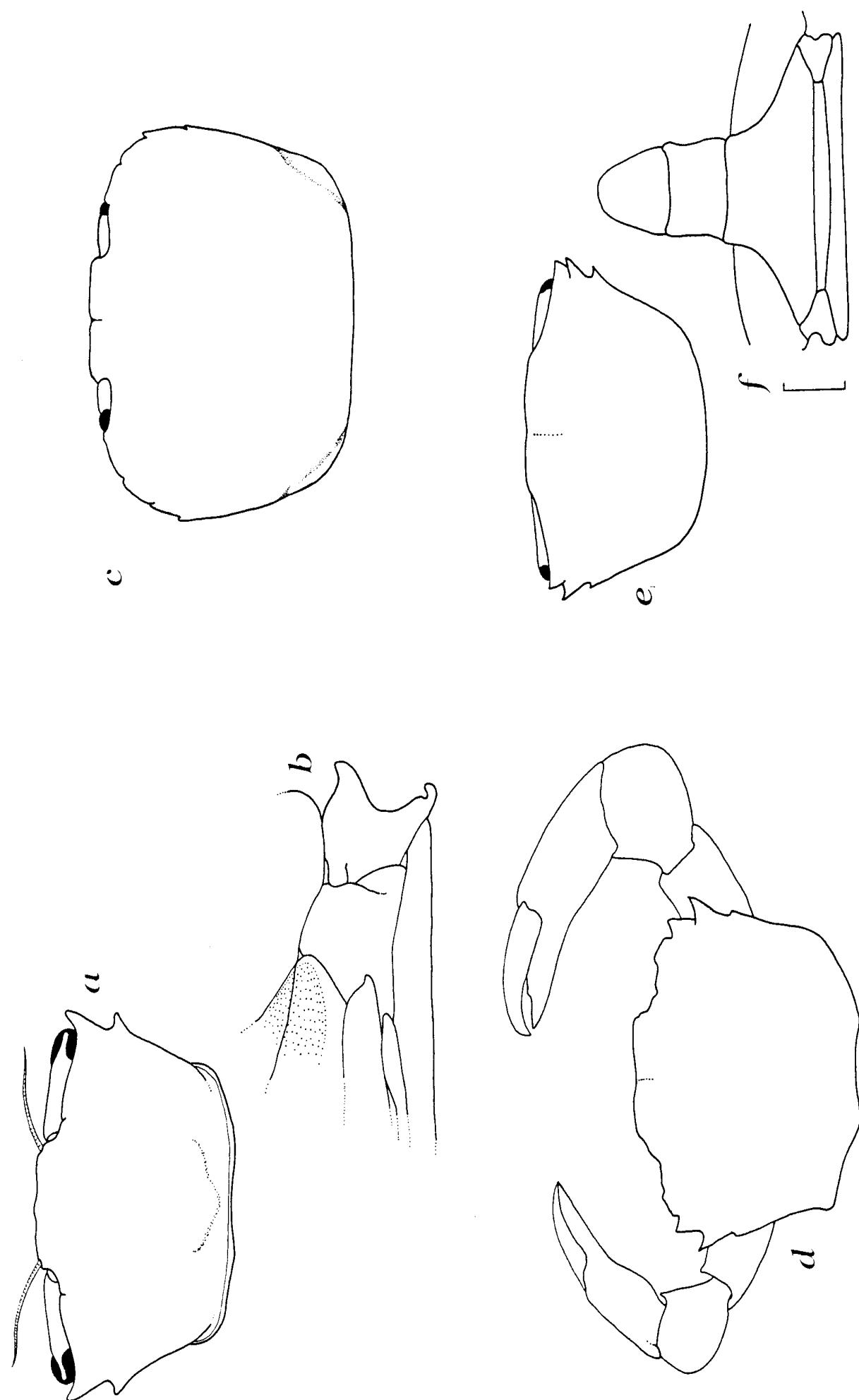
- c. carapace, dorsal view (holotype male)  
(after Guinot, 1969)

*Thalassoplax angusta*

- d. dorsal view (paratype male)  
(after Guinot, 1969)

*Trapezioplax tridentata*

- male:
    - e. carapace, dorsal view
    - f. abdomen
- (after Rathbun, 1918, as *Prionoplax atlantica*)





## Family Xanthidae

### Key to genera and species

[Based on Rathbun, 1930, and Williams, 1984]

1. Ridges defining efferent branchial channels, if present, low and confined to posterior part of endostome, never reaching to anterior boundary of buccal cavity .....
- ..... 2
- Ridges defining efferent branchial channels extending to anterior boundary of buccal cavity and often very strong ..... 25
2. (1) Fronto orbital border less than half greatest width of carapace..... 3
- Fronto orbital border half or more than half greatest width of carapace..... 10
3. (2) Anterolateral border of carapace thin, cristiform; upper border at least of arms and of merus, carpus, and propodus of each leg sharp, cristiform .....
- Platypodiella spectabilis*
- Anterolateral border of carapace and upper borders of legs not cristiform..... 4
4. (3) Anterolateral border entire up to strong lateral epibranchial tooth; carapace perfectly smooth without trace of regions; chelipeds unequal, fingers pointed; front three-lobed .....
- Carpilius corallinus*
- Anterolateral border cut into teeth or lobes..... 5
5. (4) Surface of carapace nearly smooth (superior inner tooth of orbit distinct though small; anterolateral rim lobate or dentate and continued behind widest part of carapace, its chord longer than posterolateral distance) .....
- Xantho denticulata*
- Carapace usually conspicuously lobulate, granulate, or eroded..... 6
6. (5) Carapace and legs deeply eroded..... *Glyptoxanthus erosus*
- Carapace lobulate or granulate, chelipeds and walking legs also granulate, often hairy .....
- ..... 7
7. (6) Areoles low, separated by narrow furrows; marginal divisions of carapace lobiform, not angular, dentiform or spiniform (carapace uniformly granulate; black color of immovable finger of adult male widely extended on palm; fingers grooved, sharply granulate) .....
- Platyactaea setigera*
- Areoles low or high and convex, separated by narrow or wide furrows; marginal divisions of carapace various, angular, dentiform or spiniform .....
- ..... 8
8. (7) Carapace covered dorsally with spines or sharp tubercles or carapace covered with granules and areoles low, separated by narrow furrows .....
- Actaea*
- Carapace covered with granules and areoles high, convex, widely separated..... 9

9. (8) Areoles separated by short pubescence; anterior mesogastric nodule small.....  
*Paractaea rufopunctata nodosa*  
 Areoles raspberry-like, set in thick coat of long hair; palms shaggy; fingers broad,  
 smooth, sharp-edged, acutely tipped .....  
*Banareia palmeri*
10. (2) Anterolateral margin continued forward and downward to anterior angle of buccal  
 cavity instead of to orbit (superior inner orbital tooth absent) .....  
*Carpoporos papulosus*  
 Anterolateral margin continued to orbit.....11
11. (10) Dorsal surface of carapace covered with large and small lobules often arranged in  
 triads, tending to proliferate with increasing age .....  
*Allactaea lithostrota*  
 Dorsal surface of carapace not covered with large and small lobules.....12
12. (11) Carapace rough and hairy except on margin of front and orbits; lunate crest above  
 carpus of each walking leg; anterolateral margin spinous .....  
*Heteractaea ceratopus*  
 Carapace smooth (non-granulate) and bare or nearly so.....13
13. (12) Carapace transversely oval.....14  
 Carapace more or less hexagonal or subquadrate.....18
14. (13) Anterolateral teeth strong .....15  
 Anterolateral teeth not strong.....17
15. (14) Last (or most posterior) of anterolateral teeth directed outward (areolations of  
 carapace not crossed by granulated ridge; anterolateral edge thick) .....  
*Leptodius parvulus*  
 Last (or most posterior) of anterolateral teeth directed obliquely forward.....16
16. (15) Granulation of carapace and chelipeds inconspicuous; lateral teeth of carapace  
 rather broad and flat (dark color of both immovable fingers of male continued on  
 palm) .....  
*Cataleptodius floridanus*  
 Granulation coarse; lateral teeth of carapace subconical, hooked.....  
*Pseudomedaeus*
17. (14) Carapace depressed; anterolateral margin thin, teeth little projecting, second tooth  
 fused with first .....  
*Eurypanopeus*  
 Carapace convex, smooth; anterolateral margin faintly lobed or toothed; palms  
 elongate, major palm at least twice as wide as minor; fingers short ..  
*Paraliomera*

18. (13) Frontal and anterolateral regions rough with numerous tubercles, spinules, or sharp granules; walking legs spinulous above ..... 19  
 Frontal and anterolateral regions relatively smooth, never spinulous or sharply granulous ..... 20
19. (18) Anterolateral regions coarsely tuberculate (basal antennal segment broad, prolonged into orbital hiatus; front prominent, four-toothed; fingers spooned) ..... *Etisus maculatus*  
 Anterolateral regions, chelipeds and walking legs spinulous or sharply granulous; size small; anterolateral margin shorter than posterolateral, with either second or fifth tooth or both reduced or wanting; basal antennal segment not reaching or barely reaching prolongation from front ..... *Micropanope*
20. (18) Only four anterolateral teeth including orbital angle; carapace very convex from front to back; front truncate; chelae elongate ..... *Tetraxanthus*  
 Five anterolateral teeth ..... 21
21. (20) Anterolateral teeth small, thick, widely separated; few smooth transverse ridges on anterolateral and epigastric regions; legs thickly hairy ..... *Chlorodiella longimana*  
 Anterolateral teeth broad, flat, first and second more or less fused ..... 22
22. (21) Third segment of male abdomen not reaching coxae of legs of last pair; carapace subquadrate, broad behind, front truncate ..... *Rhithropanopeus harrisi*  
 Third segment of male abdomen reaching coxae of legs of last pair; carapace narrower behind ..... 23
23. (22) Carapace crossed by broken, transverse, raised, granulated lines on anterior half; front nearly transverse, not advanced; first and second anterolateral teeth partially fused ..... *Panopeus*  
 Carapace narrow, not crossed by transverse raised lines ..... 24
24. (23) Front arcuate, forming regular curve with anterolateral margins; second anterolateral tooth lobiform, separated from the first by shallow sinus; male abdomen constricted between fifth and sixth segments; terminal segment subtriangular ..... *Neopanope*  
 Hexagonal; front narrow, prominent beyond curve of anterolateral margins; posterolateral margins strongly converging; anterolateral teeth prominent; supraorbital lobe well marked ..... *Hexapanopeus*
25. (1) Fronto-orbital border half or less than half greatest width of carapace ..... 26  
 Fronto-orbital border much more than half greatest width of carapace ..... 28

26. (25) Basal antennal segment touching front (anterior margin of merus of outer (third) maxilliped not notched at orifice of efferent branchial channel; orbits oblong) ..... *Eurytium limosum*
- Basal antennal segment not nearly reaching front..... 27
27. (26) Carapace broad, suboval; surface of carapace and chelipeds smooth..... *Menippe*
- Carapace not much broader than long, subcircular; chelipeds very rough..... *Pilumnoides nudifrons*
28. (25) Fronto-orbital border about two-thirds greatest width of carapace; anterolateral borders shorter than posterolateral; front with narrow outer tooth, spine, or lobe, separated by notch from superior inner angle of orbit ..... 29
- Fronto-orbital border much more than two-thirds greatest width of carapace.... 30
29. (28) More or less hairy and generally armed with spines or sharp granules. *Pilumnus*
- More massive than preceding, carapace deeply lobulate anteriorly, anterolateral margin with three large teeth behind orbit ..... *Lobopilumnus agassizii*
30. (28) Antennae not excluded from orbit; chelipeds long, merus reaching far beyond carapace; carapace resembling that of portunid ..... *Melybia thalamita*
- Antennae excluded from orbit..... 31
31. (30) Meri of outer (third) maxillipeds as long or nearly as long as broad..... *Eriphia gonagra*
- Meri of outer maxillipeds twice as broad as long; carapace and chelipeds armed with black spines ..... *Domecia acanthophora acanthophora*

**Genus *Actaea* De Haan, 1833**

Key to species  
[Based on Rathbun, 1933]

Carapace covered dorsally with conical spines or sharp tubercles; marginal lobes spinous; fingers short, channeled, rough except at tips; color purplish, pincers brown; length 2.2 cm ..... *A. acantha*

Carapace covered with granules; areoles low, separated by narrow furrows.....  
..... *A. bifrons*

**Genus *Eurypanopeus* A. Milne Edwards, 1880**

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1930]

1. Fingers of both chelae with acute tips, not spooned..... 2
- Fingers of minor chela spoon-shaped at tip..... 3
2. (1) Front double-edged, upper edge with line of granules..... *E. abbreviatus*  
    Front not double-edged (first and second lateral teeth of carapace very unequal, separated by shallow sinus) ..... *E. turgidus*
3. (1) Minor palm two-thirds as high as major; transverse lines on dorsum not strikingly prominent ..... *E. depressus*  
    Minor palm half as high as major; few very prominent raised granulated lines on dorsum ..... *E. dissimilis*

### Genus *Hexapanopeus* Rathbun, 1898

Key to species  
[Based on Rathbun, 1930]

1. Fingers of major cheliped black, brown, or horn color..... 2
  - Fingers of major cheliped white or nearly so..... 5
2. (1) Fifth lateral tooth almost obsolete..... *H. caribbaeus*
  - Fifth lateral tooth well developed..... 3
3. (2) Carpi of walking legs distinctly bilobed on superior margins..... *H. lobipes*
  - Carpi of walking legs not bilobed on superior margins..... 4
4. (3) Carpus of cheliped covered with tubercles, about 15 in number..... *H. paulensis*
  - Carpus of cheliped not covered with tubercles, although it may be lumpy ..... *H. angustifrons*
5. (1) Fingers not deeply grooved; short granulated ridges on carapace... *H. hemphillii*
  - Fingers deeply grooved; first two lateral teeth similar to, but smaller than, remaining teeth ..... *H. quinquedentatus*

### Genus *Menippe* De Haan, 1833

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1930]

- Surface of carapace not nodose, almost smooth; anterolateral teeth or lobes shallow or little projecting; stridulating apparatus present ..... *M. mercenaria*
- Surface of carapace anteriorly nodose; anterolateral teeth strong, projecting well out from carapace; no stridulating apparatus ..... *M. nodifrons*

### Genus *Micropanope* Stimpson, 1871

#### Key to species

[Adapted from Rathbun, 1930]

1. Last lateral tooth of carapace obsolescent..... 2  
 Last lateral tooth of carapace small but easily discernible..... 4
2. (1) Carapace deeply areolated all over; legs unarmed; chelae high and heavy.....  
 ..... *M. pusila*  
 Carapace areolated and rough anteriorly; legs spinulous..... 3
3. (2) Second lateral tooth small but distinct; anterior carapace and carpus of cheliped finely granulate .....  
 ..... *M. lobifrons*  
 Second lateral tooth fused with first and scarcely distinguishable; anterior carapace and carpus of cheliped deeply eroded ..... *M. sculptipes*
4. (1) Palms mostly smooth (lateral projections spiniform)..... *M. spinipes*  
 Palms entirely or mostly rough..... 5
5. (4) Second lateral tooth absent or fused with first or orbital tooth; palms rough with large bead granules .....  
 ..... *M. nuttingi*  
 Second lateral tooth or spine present..... 6
6. (5) Outer surface of major palm rough all over; chelipeds and legs long-haired.....  
 ..... *M. urinator*  
 Outer surface of major palm partly rough; chelipeds and legs inconspicuously hairy.  
 ..... *M. barbadensis*

### Genus *Neopanope* A. Milne Edwards, 1880

#### Key to species

1. Movable finger of major chela with large basal tooth..... *N. packardii*  
 Movable finger of major chela without large basal tooth..... 2
2. (1) Dactylus of fifth pereopod longer than propodus..... *N. texana*  
 Dactylus of fifth pereopod equal to or shorter than propodus..... *N. sayi*

### Genus *Panopeus* H. Milne Edwards, 1834

#### Key to species

[Based on Rathbun, 1930, and Williams, 1983]

1. Dark color of immovable finger continued more or less on palm, especially in males. .... 2  
..... Dark color of immovable finger not continued on palm. .... 7
2. (1) Outer edge of fourth lateral tooth longitudinal or nearly so. .... *P. americanus*  
..... Outer edge of fourth lateral tooth arcuate. .... 3
3. (2) Edge of front thick, beveled, and with transverse groove. .... *P. bermudensis*  
..... Edge of front if thick not transversely grooved. .... 4
4. (3) Major chela with cusps of teeth on immovable finger not reaching above imaginary straight line drawn between tip and angle at juncture of finger with anterior margin of palm (= length immovable finger) .... 5  
..... Major chela with cusps of teeth near midlength of immovable finger reaching above imaginary straight line drawn between tip and angle at juncture of finger with anterior margin of palm (= length immovable finger) .... 6
5. (4) Coalesced anterolateral teeth 1-2 separated by shallow rounded notch, 2 broader than but not so prominent as 1; 4 curved forward as much as 3; 5 much smaller than 4, acute and hooked forward; palm with distance between crest at base of movable finger and tip of cusp lateral to base of dactylus 0.7 or less length of immovable finger .... *P. herbstii*  
..... Coalesced anterolateral teeth 1-2 separated by deep rounded notch, adjacent slopes of 1 and 2 about equal, 2 nearly as prominent as 1; 4 not curved forward as much as 3; 5 much smaller than 4, usually projecting straight anterolaterally, sometimes slightly hooked; distance between crest of palm and tip of cusp lateral to base of movable finger 0.8 or more length of immovable finger .... *P. simpsoni*
6. (4) Major chela with cusps of teeth in "molar area" of immovable finger very broad, often coalesced and worn, their external faces often flared or bowed outward. .... *P. lacustris*  
..... Major chela with cusps of teeth in "molar area" of immovable finger somewhat enlarged but separated from each other, in line with axis of finger, not bowed outward .... *P. obesus*
7. (1) Carapace and chelipeds rough and hairy; outer surface of palm with longitudinal ridges .... *P. rugosus*  
..... Carapace and chelipeds not noticeably hairy; outer surface of palm without three longitudinal ridges .... 8

8. (7) Carapace rough with upstanding bead granules; first and second lateral teeth similar, acute and widely separated ..... *P. harttii*  
 Carapace nearly smooth; granules of carapace depressed; third to fifth lateral teeth less prominent and nearer together ..... *P. occidentalis*

### Genus *Paraliomera* Rathbun, 1930

#### Key to species

[Adapted from Rathbun, 1930]

- Gastric region plainly but not deeply delimited; transverse fringe of hair on front; major palm thrice as wide as long slender minor palm ..... *P. longimana*  
 Carapace almost smooth, shining, very small; major palm twice as wide as minor palm ..... *P. dispar*

### Genus *Pilumnus* Leach, 1815

#### Key to species

[Adapted from Rathbun, 1930]

1. Margins of frontal lobes distinctly oblique and concave, some times nearly straight (marginal spines long; three at inner end of orbit curving over eyestalk; subhepatic region covered with sharp granules) ..... *P. spinosissimus*  
 Margins of frontal lobes more or less convex..... 2
2. (1) Anterolateral spines or teeth five including outer orbital one (carapace convex; front granulate; upper margin of orbit spined, walking legs spinulous) ..... *P. longleyi*  
 Anterolateral spines or teeth four, or occasionally three, including outer orbital one.. .... 3
3. (2) Walking legs very long and slender, longest one twice as long as carapace (frontal lobes arcuate, fine denticulate) ..... *P. marshi*  
 Walking legs of moderate length, less than twice as long as carapace..... 4
4. (3) Palms naked..... *P. nudimanus*  
 Palms hairy or partly hairy..... 5

5. (4) Major palm with outer surface rough all over or nearly so (hairy covering short; long tubular hairs interspersed, numerous on legs and chelipeds giving them a ragged appearance; red bead tubercles showing on carapace, chelipeds, and legs) .... *P. gemmatus*  
.....
- Major palm partly smooth and bare on outer surface..... 6
6. (5) Hair on carapace not covering whole carapace or not forming coat thick enough to conceal surface beneath ..... 7
- Hair covering whole carapace and forming thick coat concealing surface beneath... 9
7. (6) Two or more superhepatic spines; all long spines black or dark colored .... *P. sayi*
- No superhepatic spines..... 8
8. (7) Major palm smooth on larger part of outer surface..... *P. dasypodus*
- Major palm rough on larger part of outer surface (front lobes shallow; margins of carapace long spined) ..... *P. caribaeus*
9. (6) Chelipeds spinous above; transverse row of long hairs across front. *P. floridanus*
- Chelipeds not spinous above; carapace tuberculate..... 10
10. (9) Felt-like covering of carapace forming well defined areoles, deeply separated from one another; half or less than half of outer surface of major palm bare and smooth ...  
..... *P. holosericus*
- Felt-like covering of carapace not forming well defined, deeply separated areoles. 11
11. (10) Anterior half of carapace and upper surface of chelipeds dotted with bead-like tubercles; upper margin of orbit furnished with truncate spines ..... *P. pannosus*
- Tubercles of carapace not numerous or prominent; upper margin of orbit not spinous ..... *P. lacteus*

**Genus *Pseudomedaeus* Guinot, 1968**

Key to species  
[Adapted from Williams, 1984]

Median frontal notch V-shaped, usually narrow; margins of anterolateral teeth either spinous or with beadlike granules; carpi of chelipeds with strong internal spine, sometimes double ..... *P. agassizii*

Median frontal notch U-shaped; margins of anterolateral teeth almost always smooth (rarely granulated); carpi of chelipeds with stout internal double spine ..... *P. distinctus*

**Genus *Tetraxanthus* Rathbun, 1898**

Key to species

Lateral projections of carapace shallow, not prominent; carpi and chelae of chelipeds smooth with single lobe on inner margin of carpus ..... *T. rathbunae*

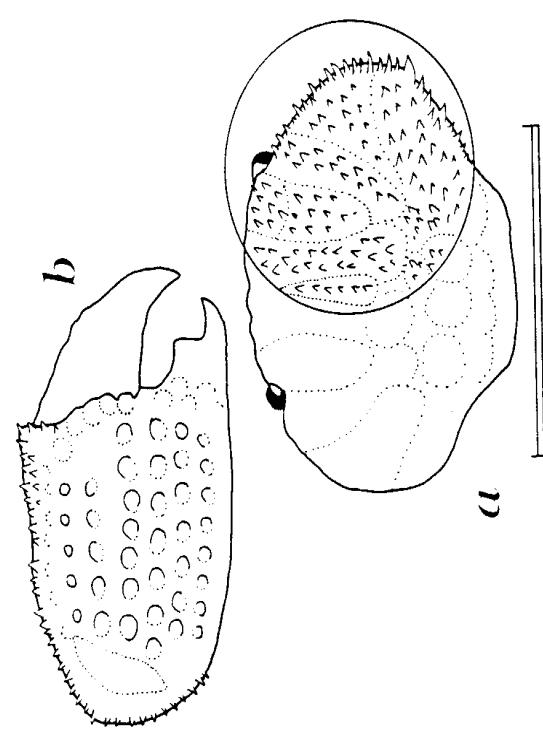
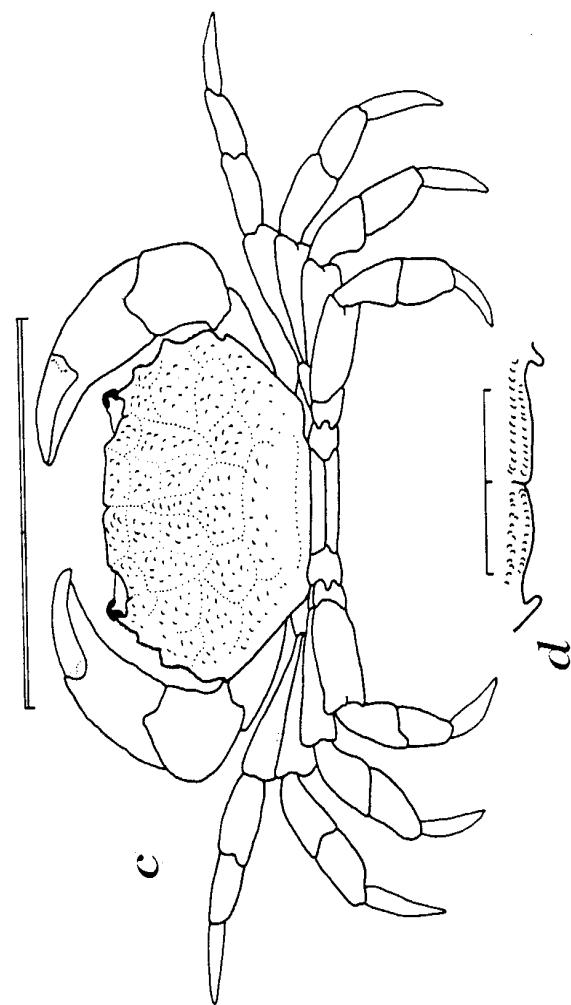
Third and fourth lateral teeth prominent; carpus and proximal portion of outer surface of palm distinctly rugose and having second, smaller tooth below and behind prominent inner carpal tooth ..... *T. bidentatus*

*Actaea acantha*

- a. carapace, dorsal view
  - b. right chela, external view
- (after Rathbun, 1930)

*Actaea bifrons*

- male:
  - c. dorsal view
  - d. front, dorsal view
- (after Rathbun, 1930)



***Eurypanopeus abbreviatus***

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. right chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)

***Eurypanopeus turgidus***

c. carapace, dorsal view

- d. fingers of right chela, external view
- e. fingers of left chela, external view

(from Abele's personal drawings)

***Eurypanopeus depressus***

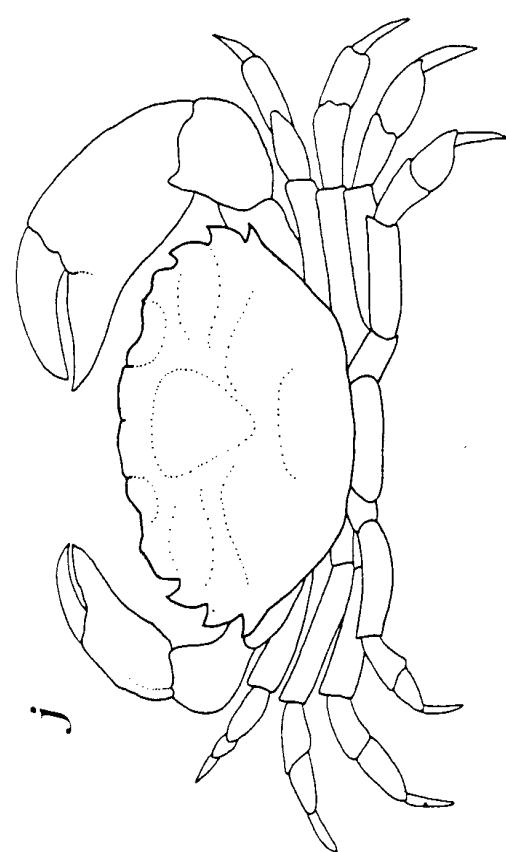
f. carapace, dorsal view

- g. fingers of right chela, external view
- h. fingers of left chela, external view
- i. walking leg  
(from Abele's personal drawings)

***Eurypanopeus dissimilis***

j. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1930)



*Hexapanopeus caribbaeus*

male:

- a. carapace, dorsal view
- b. right chela, external view
- c. left chela, external view  
(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Hexapanopeus lobipes*

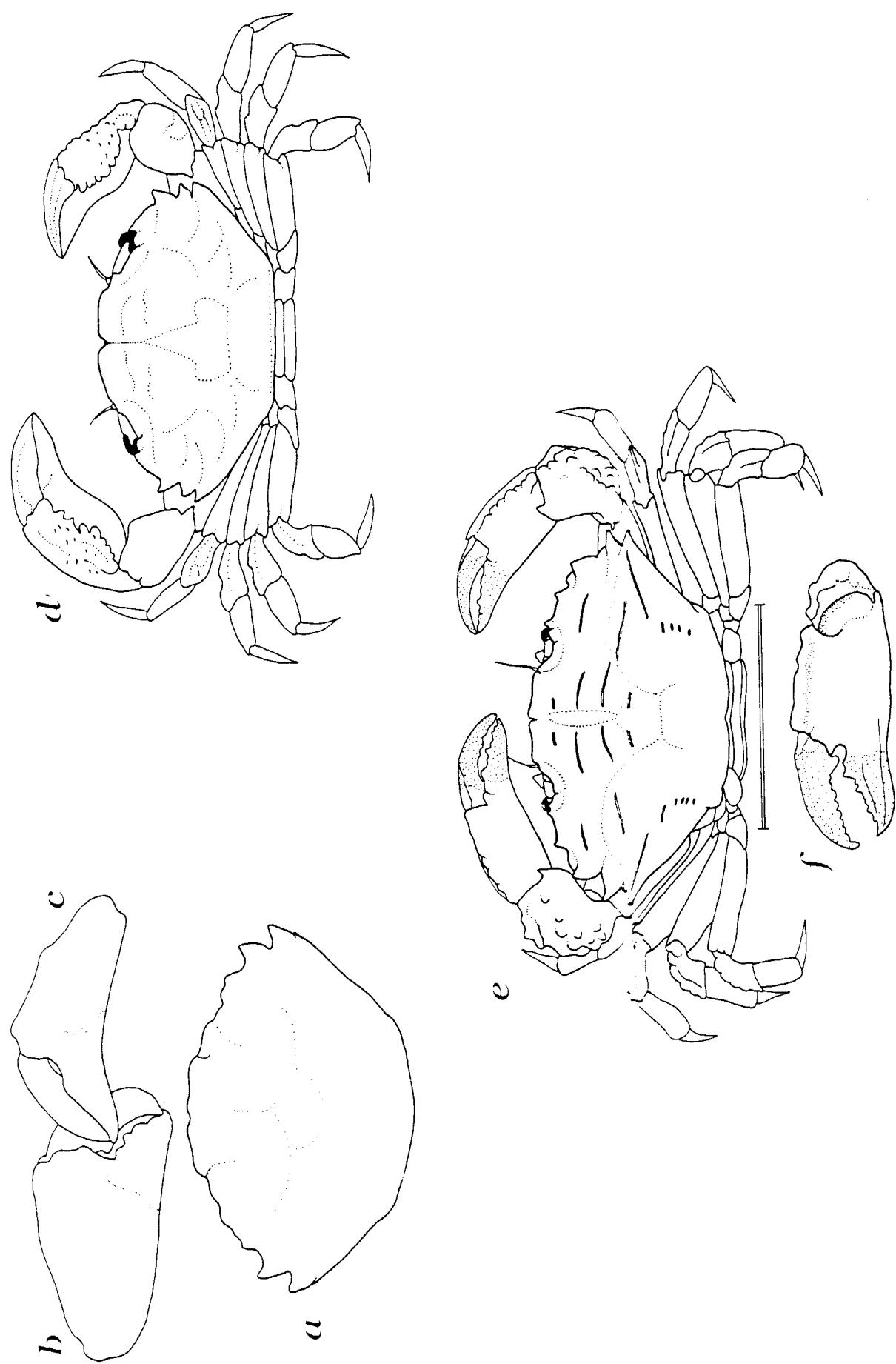
d. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Hexapanopeus paulensis*

e. dorsal view

- f. major chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1965a)



*Hexapanopeus angustifrons*

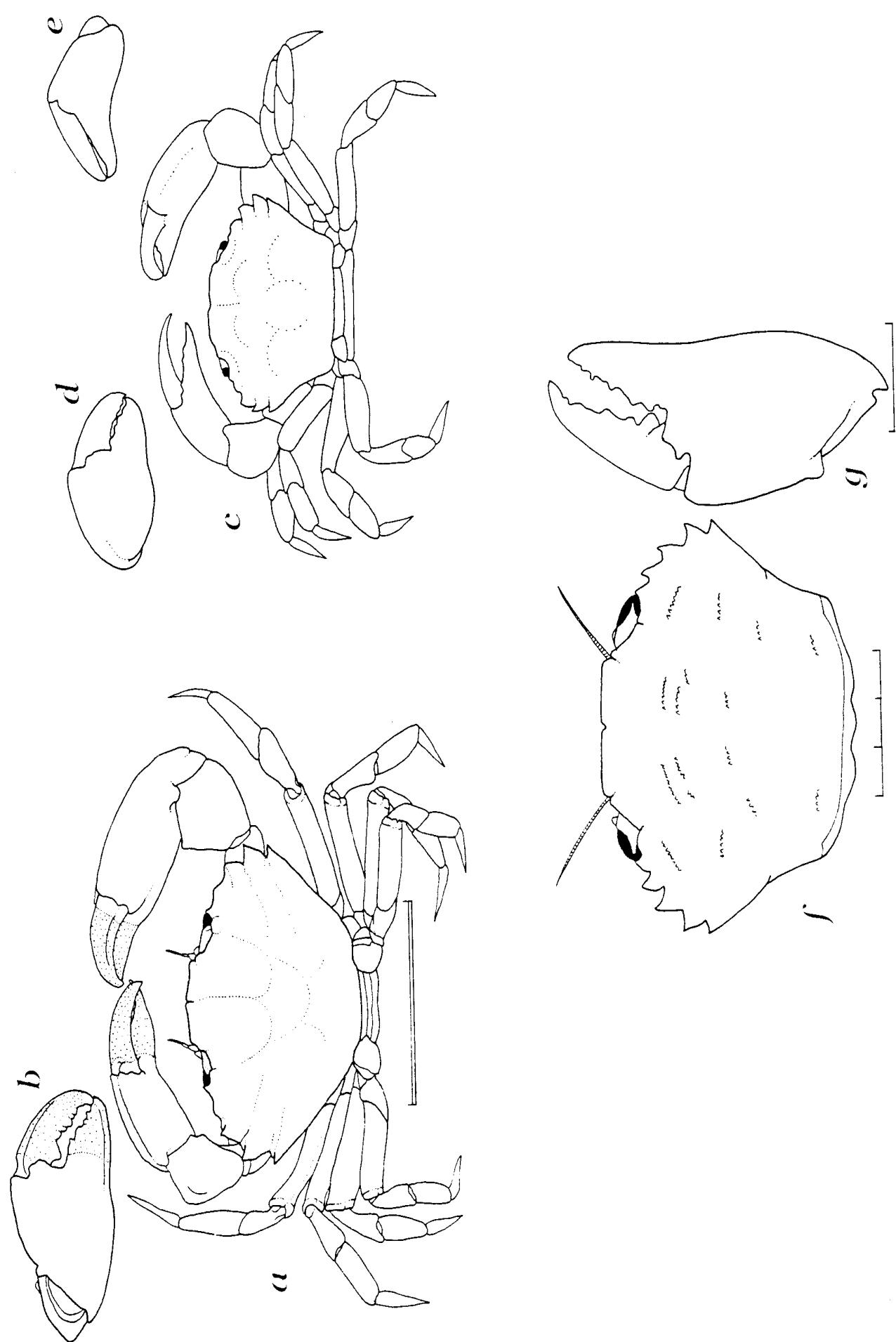
- a. dorsal view
- b. major chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Hexapanopeus hemphilli*

- male:
- c. dorsal view
- d. right chela, external view
- e. left chela, external view  
(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Hexapanopeus quinquedentatus*

- f. carapace, dorsal view (female)
- g. right chela, external view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1930)

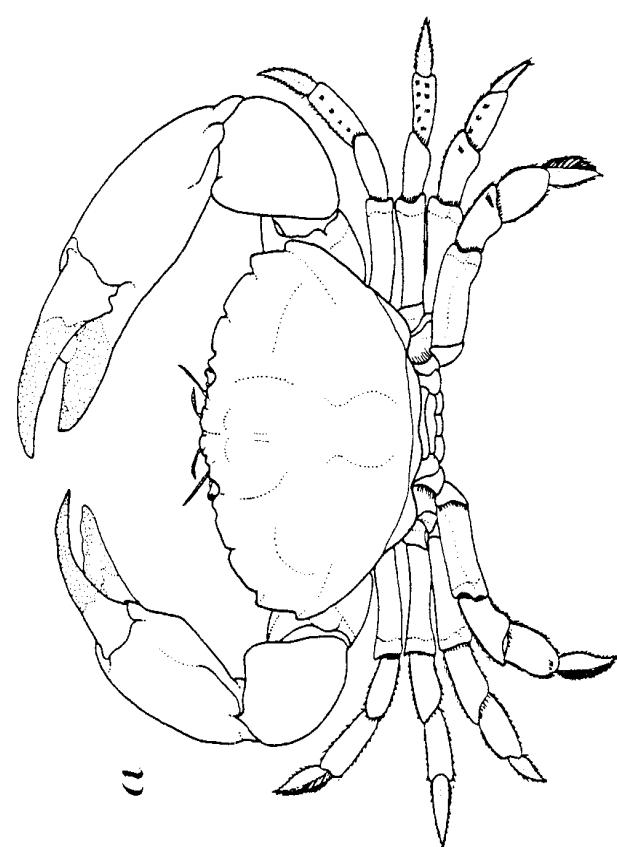
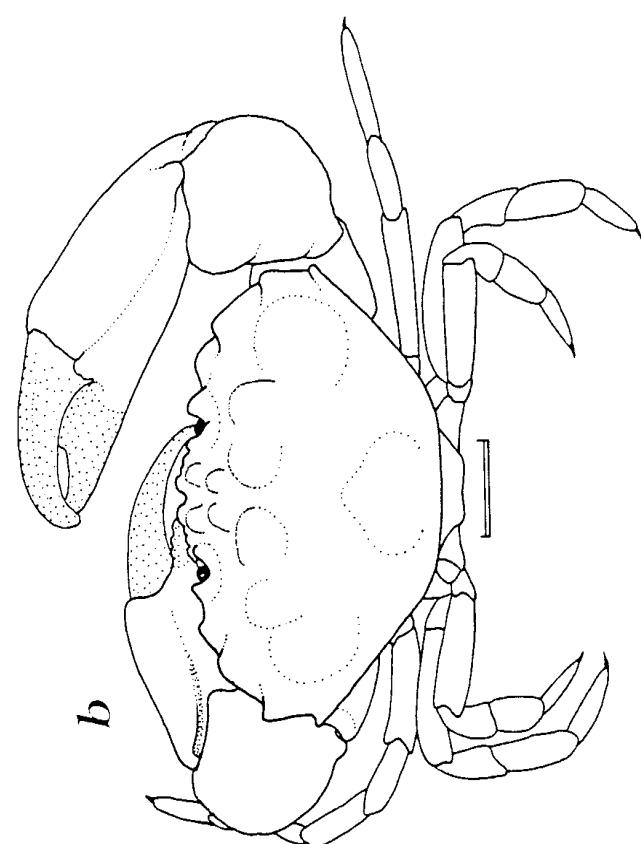


***Menippe mercenaria***

a. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1965a)

***Menippe nodifrons***

b. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1930)



*Micropanope pusilla*

male:

- a. carapace, dorsal view
  - b. right chela, external view
  - c. left chela, external view
- (after Rathbun, 1930)

*Micropanope lotifrons*

d. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Micropanope sculptipes*

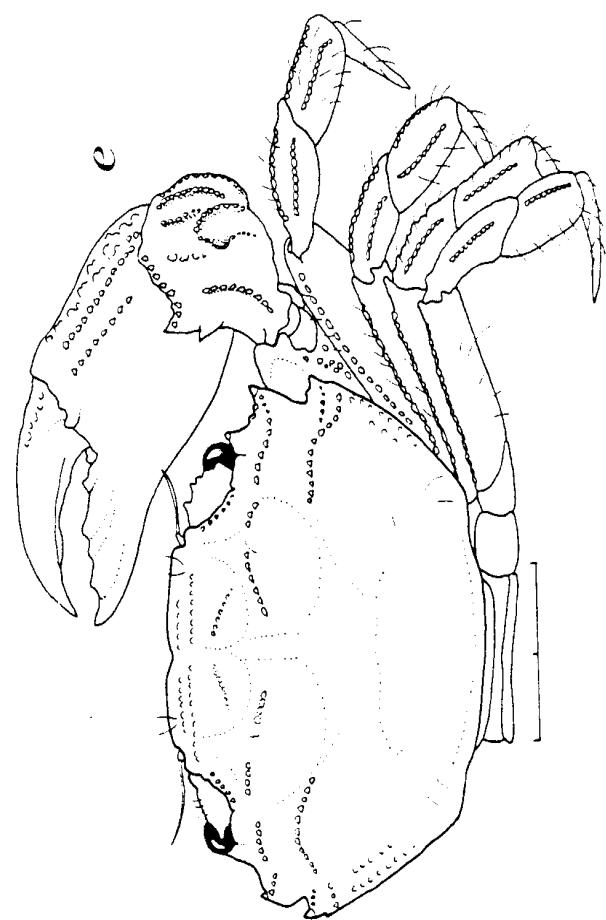
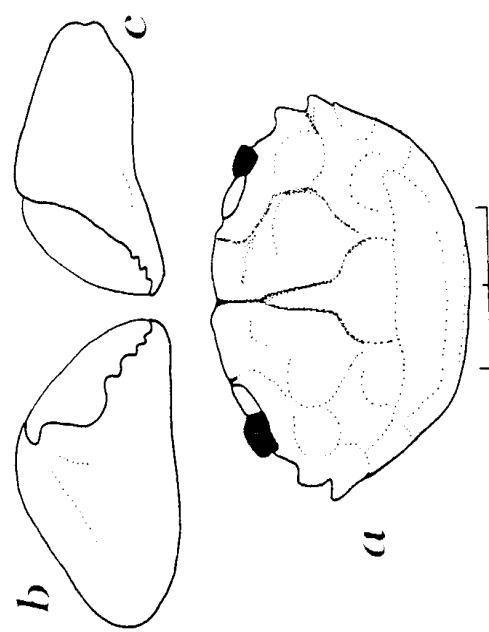
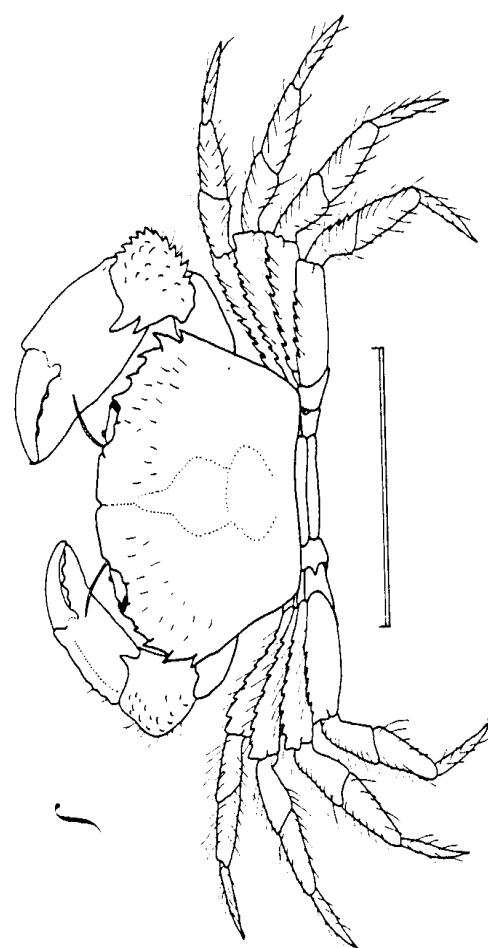
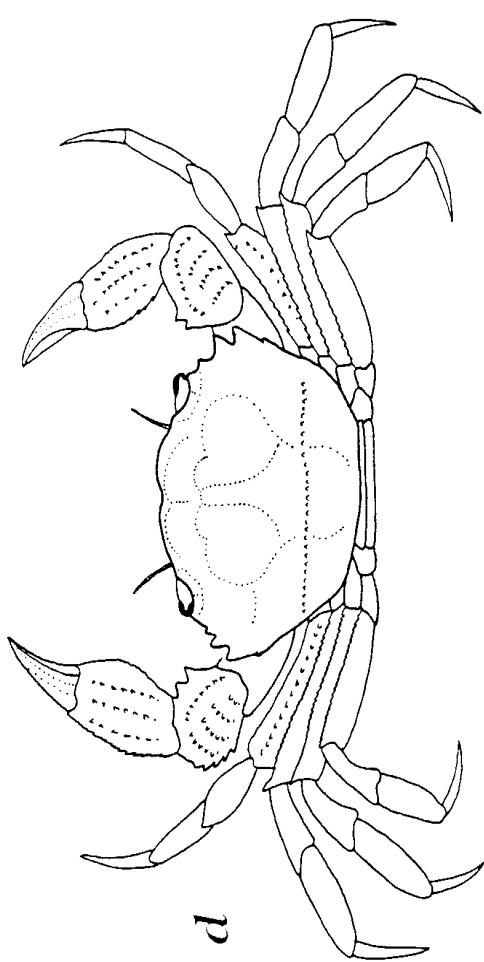
e. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1965a)

*Micropanope spinipes*

f. dorsal view (female)

(after Rathbun, 1930)



*Micropanope nuttingi*

a. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1984)

*Micropanope urinator*

b. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1930)

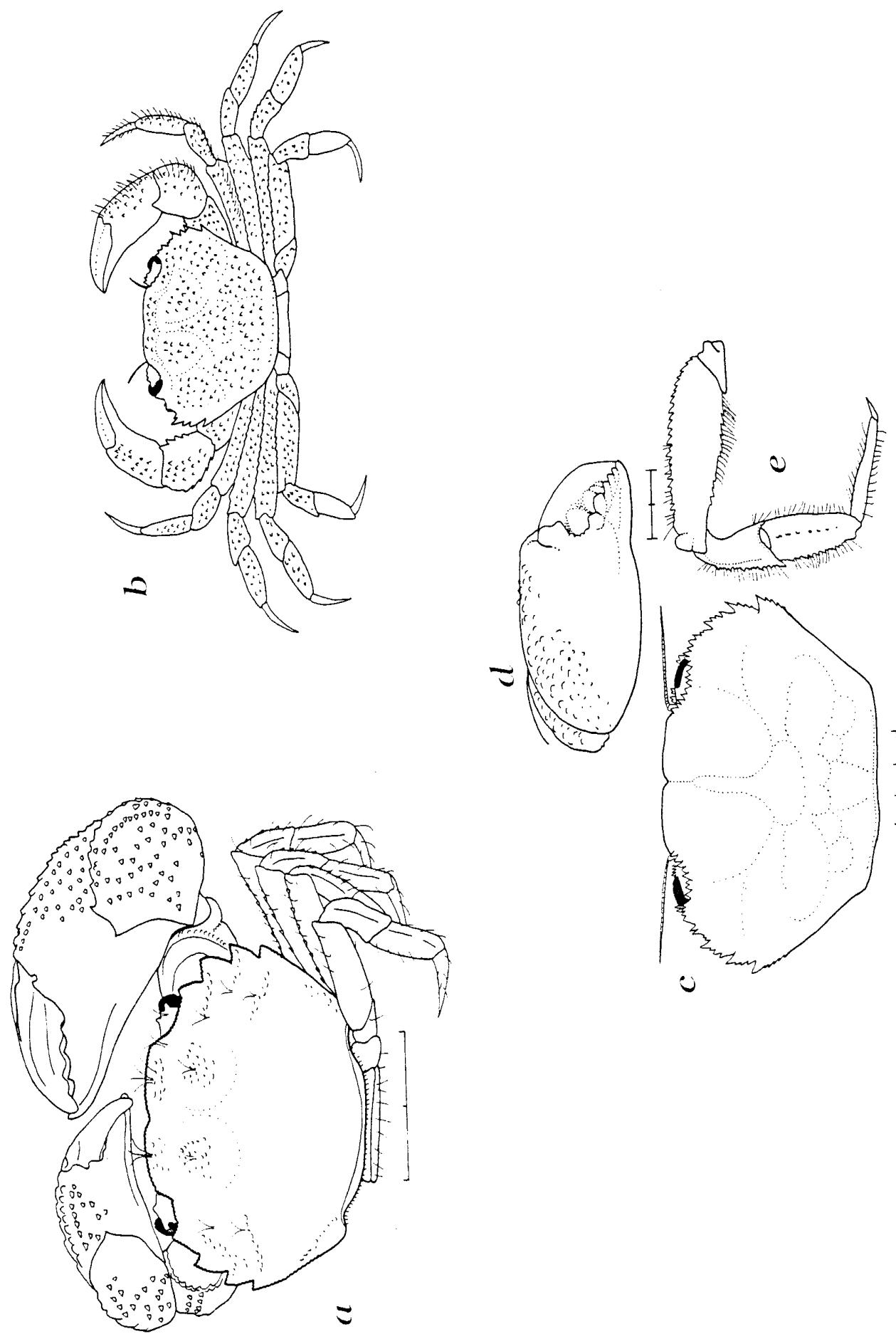
*Micropanope barbadensis*

c. carapace, dorsal view

d. major chela, external view

e. walking leg

(after Rathbun, 1930)



*Neopanope packardii*

- a. carapace, dorsal view
  - b. right chela, external view
  - c. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), lateral view (male)
- (a, c, after Abele, 1972b; b, from Abele's personal drawing)
- d. carapace, dorsal view
  - e. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), mesial view (male)
  - f. denuded dactylus and propodus of fifth pereopod
  - g. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), lateral view (male)

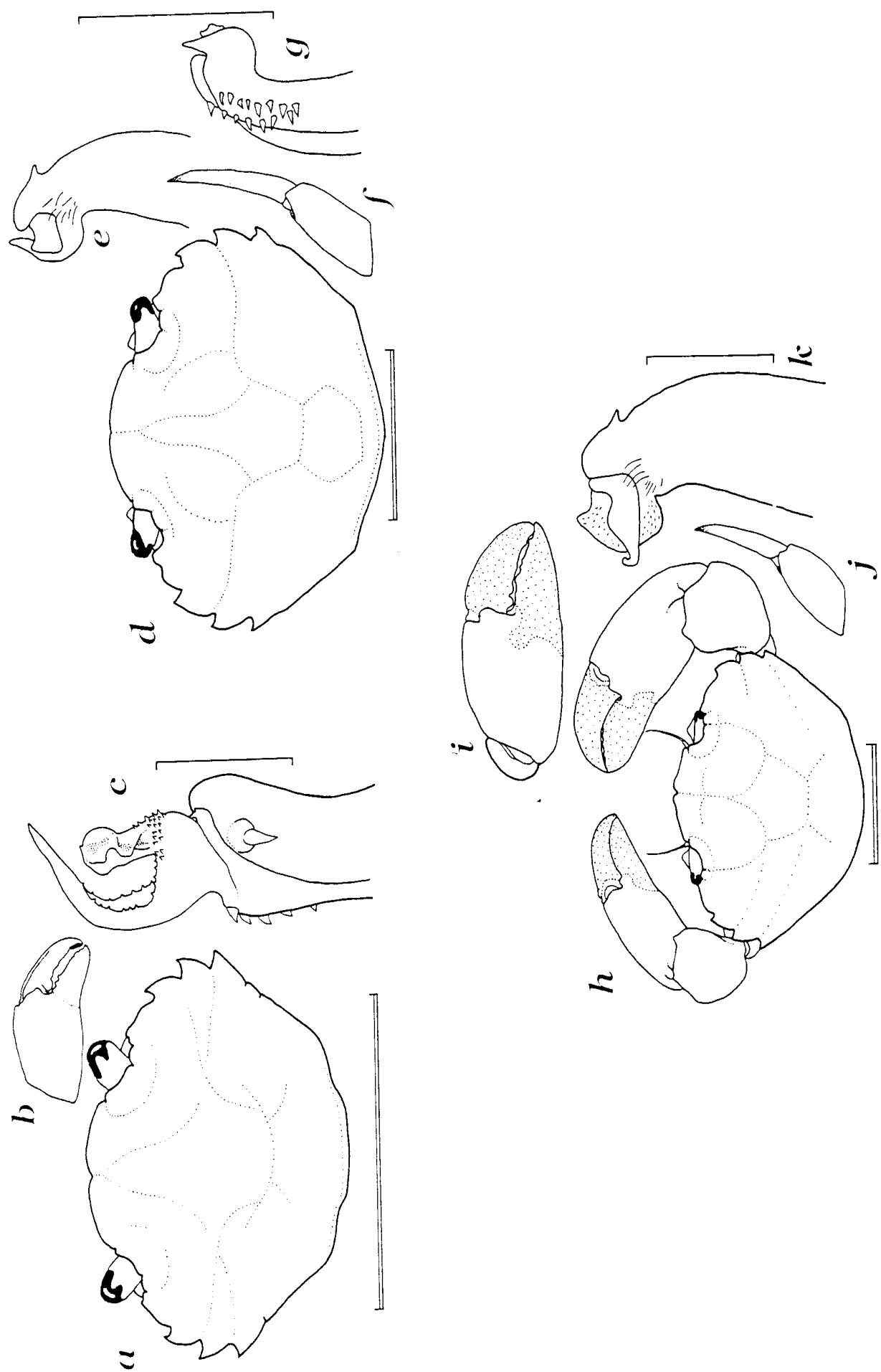
(after Abele, 1972b)

*Neopanope texana*

- a. carapace, dorsal view
- b. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), lateral view (male)
- c. denuded dactylus and propodus of fifth pereopod
- d. carapace, dorsal view
- e. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), mesial view (male)
- f. denuded dactylus and propodus of fifth pereopod
- g. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), lateral view (male)

*Neopanope sayi*

- h. dorsal view (male)
  - i. major chela, external view (male)
  - j. denuded dactylus and propodus of fifth pereopod
  - k. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), mesial view (male)
- (h, i, after Williams, 1984; j, k, after Abele, 1972b)



*Panopeus americanus*

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. major chela, external view  
after Rathbun, 1930)

*Panopeus bermudensis*

c. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Panopeus herbstii*

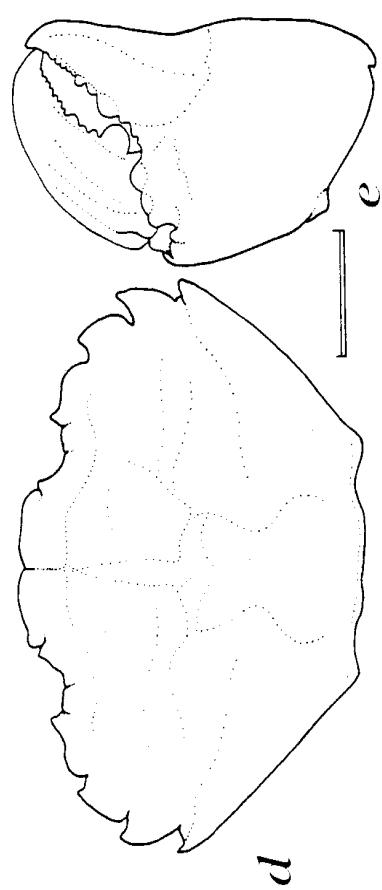
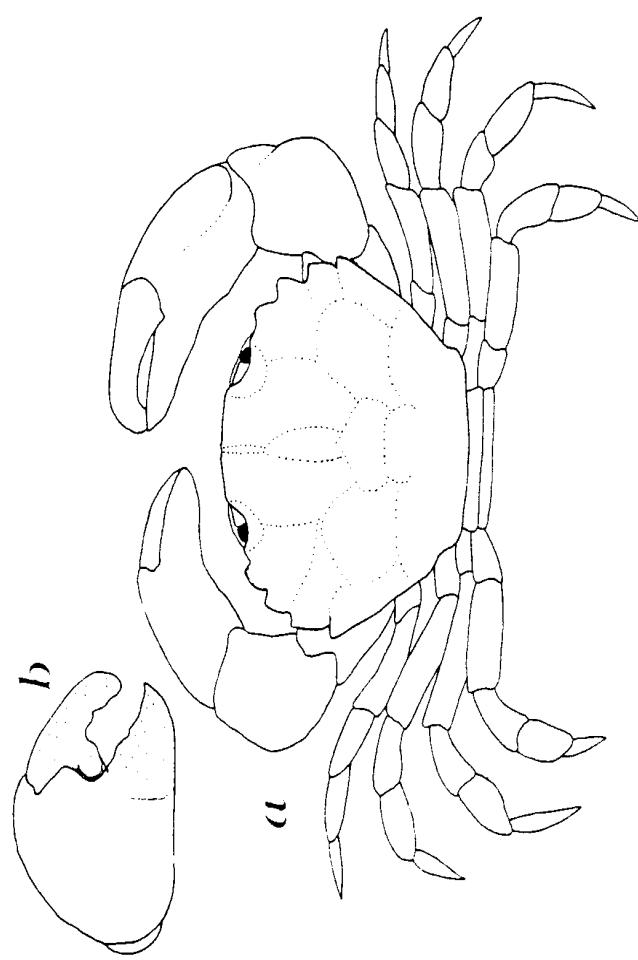
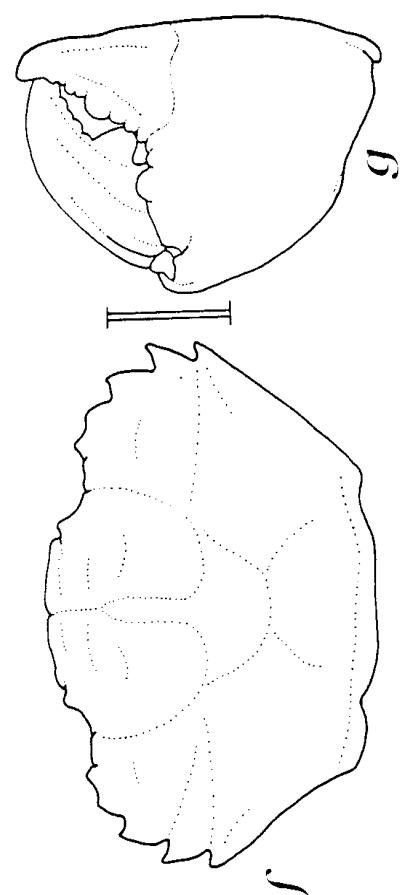
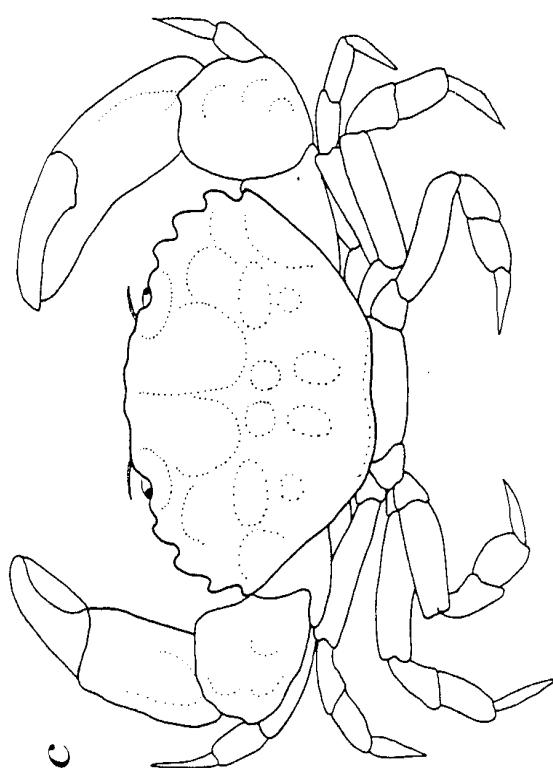
male:

- d. carapace, dorsal view
- e. major chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1983)

*Panopeus simpsoni*

holotype female:

- f. carapace, dorsal view
- g. major chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1983)



***Panopeus lacustris***

male:

- a. carapace, dorsal view
- b. major chela, oblique dorsal view showing broadened "molar" teeth on immovable finger  
(after Williams, 1983)

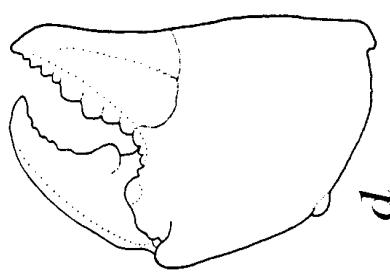
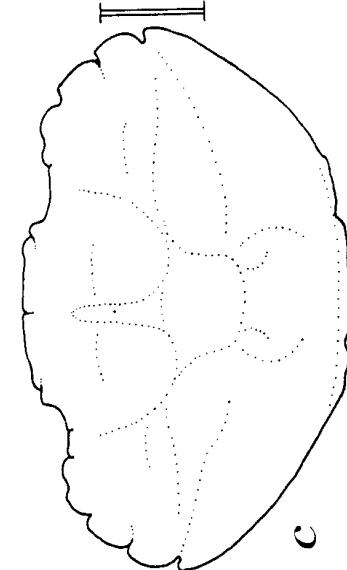
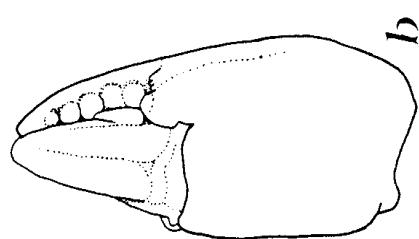
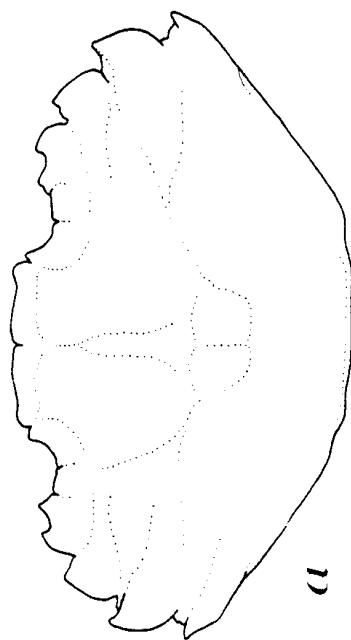
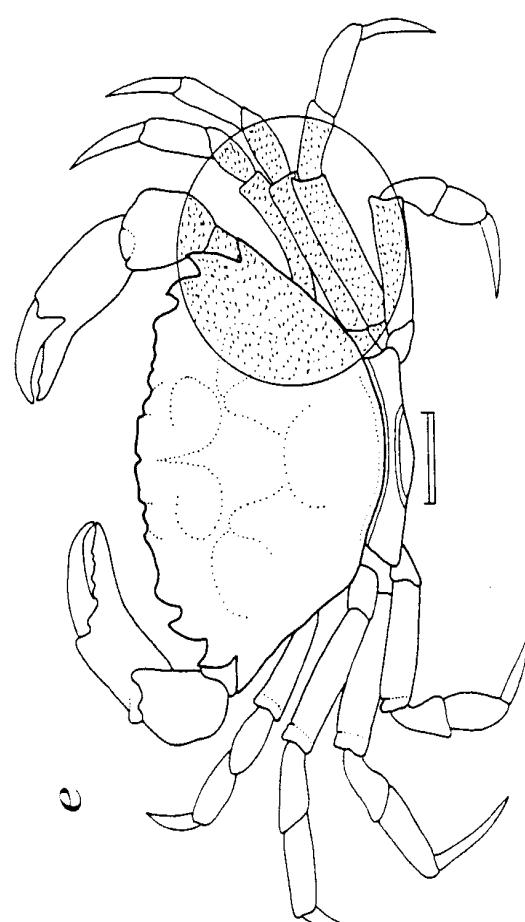
***Panopeus obesus***

male:

- c. carapace, dorsal view
- d. major chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1983)

***Panopeus rugosus***

- e. dorsal view (female)  
(after Rathbun, 1930)

*d**c**b**a**e*

*Panopeus hartii*

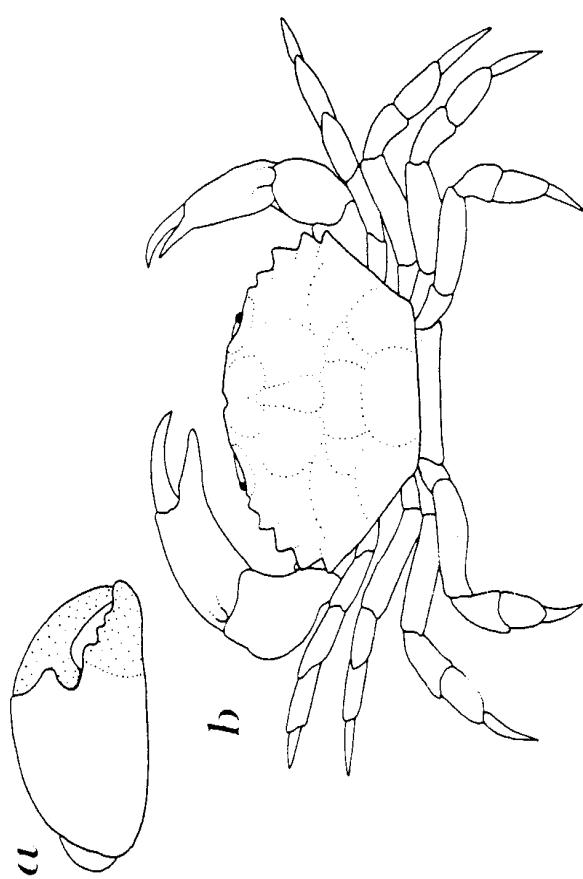
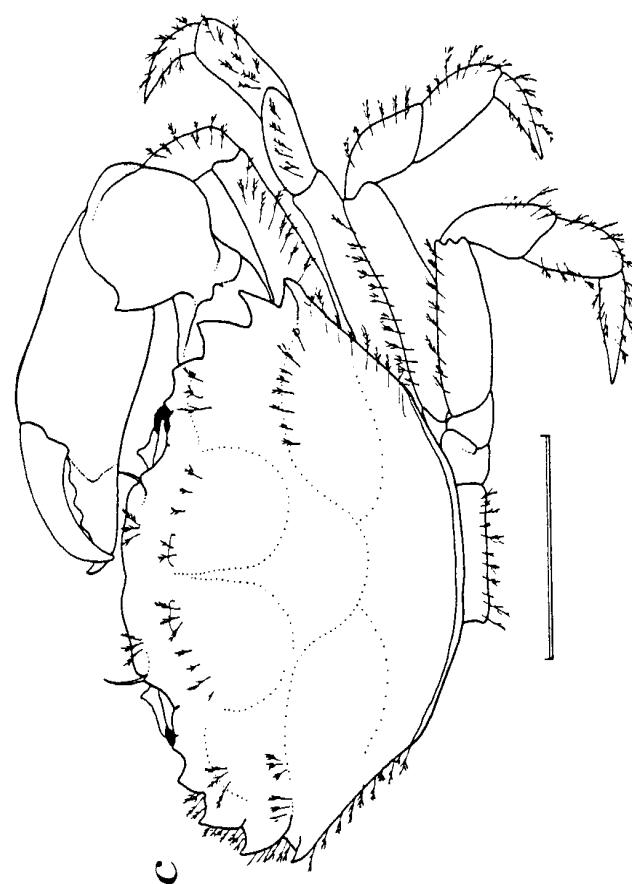
male:

- a. major chela, external view
- b. dorsal view  
(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Panopeus occidentalis*

c. dorsal view

(after Williams, 1965a)



***Paraliomera longimana***

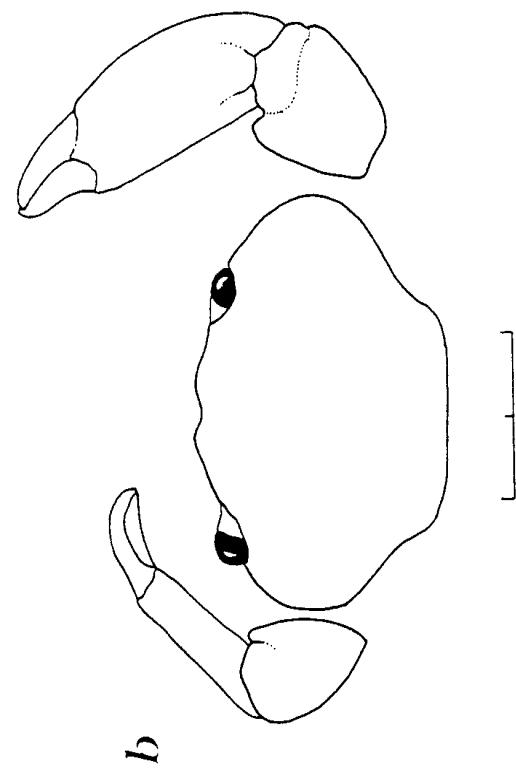
a. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1933)

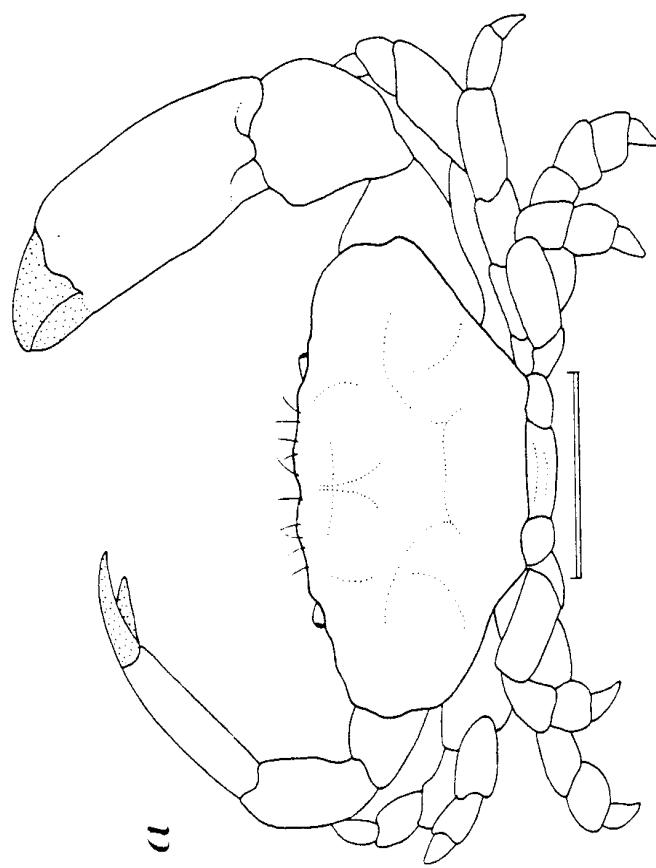
***Paraliomera dispar***

b. outline of carapace and cheliped, dorsal view  
(female)

(after Rathbun, 1930)



d



c

*Pilumnus spinosissimus*

- a. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Pilumnus longleyi*

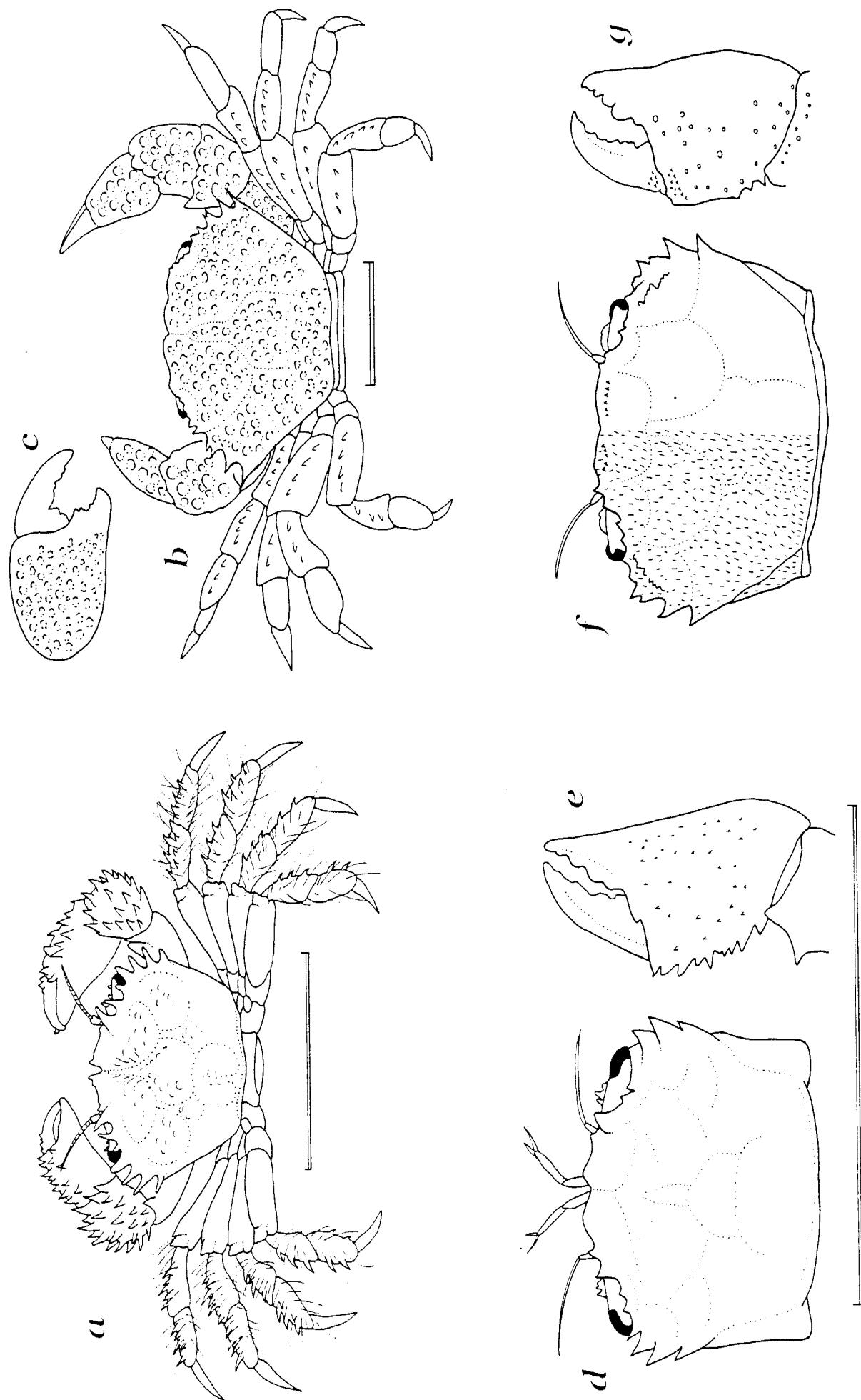
- female:  
a. dorsal view  
b. dorsal view  
c. major chela, external view  
(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Pilumnus marshi*

- male:  
d. carapace, dorsal view  
e. major chela, external view  
(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Pilumnus nudimanus*

- holotype female:  
f. carapace, dorsal view  
g. right chela, external view  
(after Rathbun, 1930)



*Pilumnus gemmatus*

a. dorsal view (female)

(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Pilumnus sayi*

male:

b. dorsal view

- c. major chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Pilumnus dasypodus*

male:

d. dorsal view

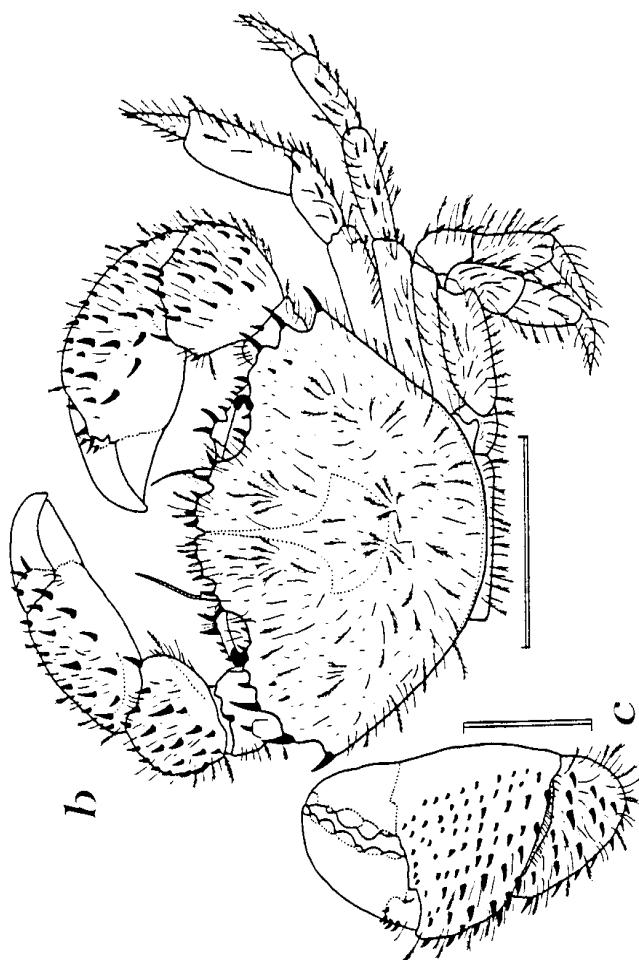
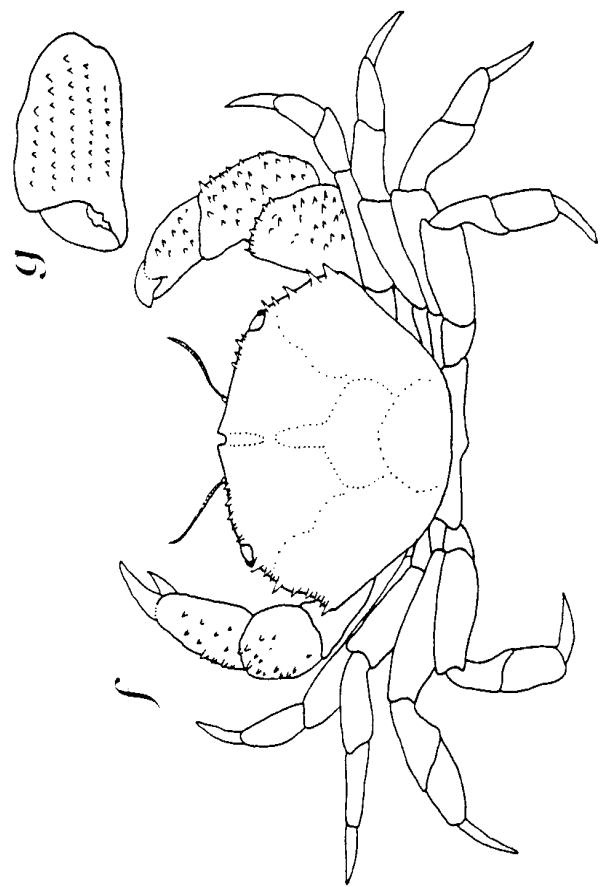
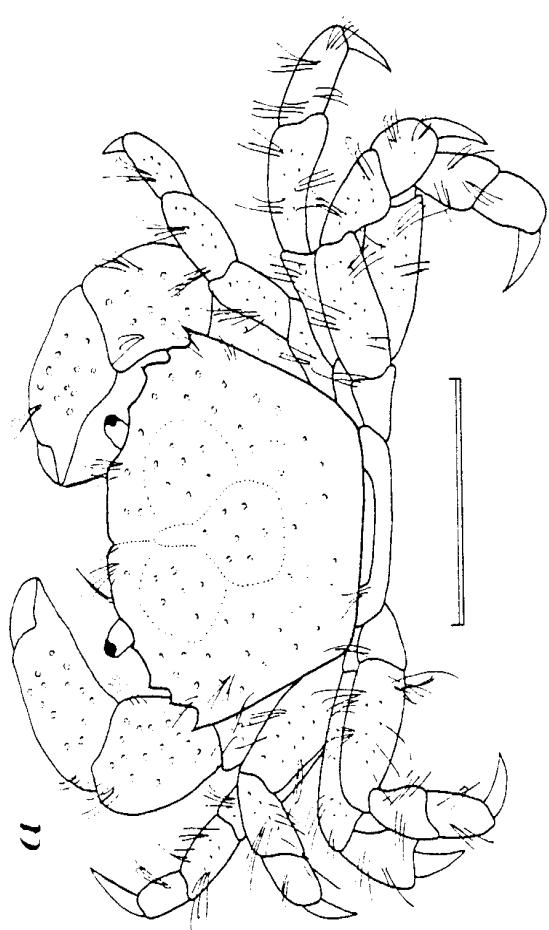
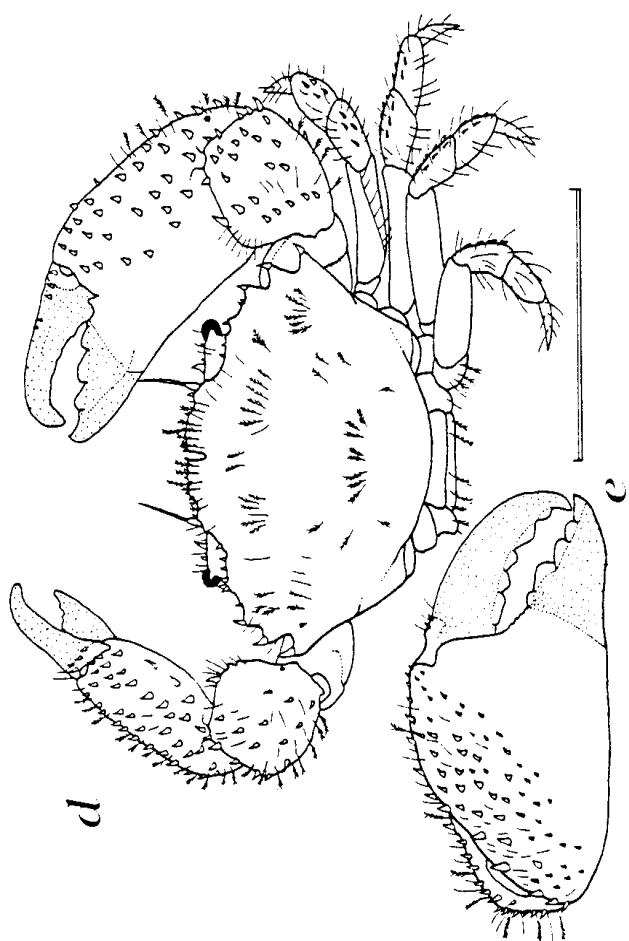
- e. major chela, external view  
(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Pilumnus caribaeus*

f. dorsal view (female)

g. major chela, external view (male)

- (after Williams, 1984)

*b**g**c**d**e*

*Pilumnus floridanus*

- a. dorsal view
- b. major chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Pilumnus holosericus*

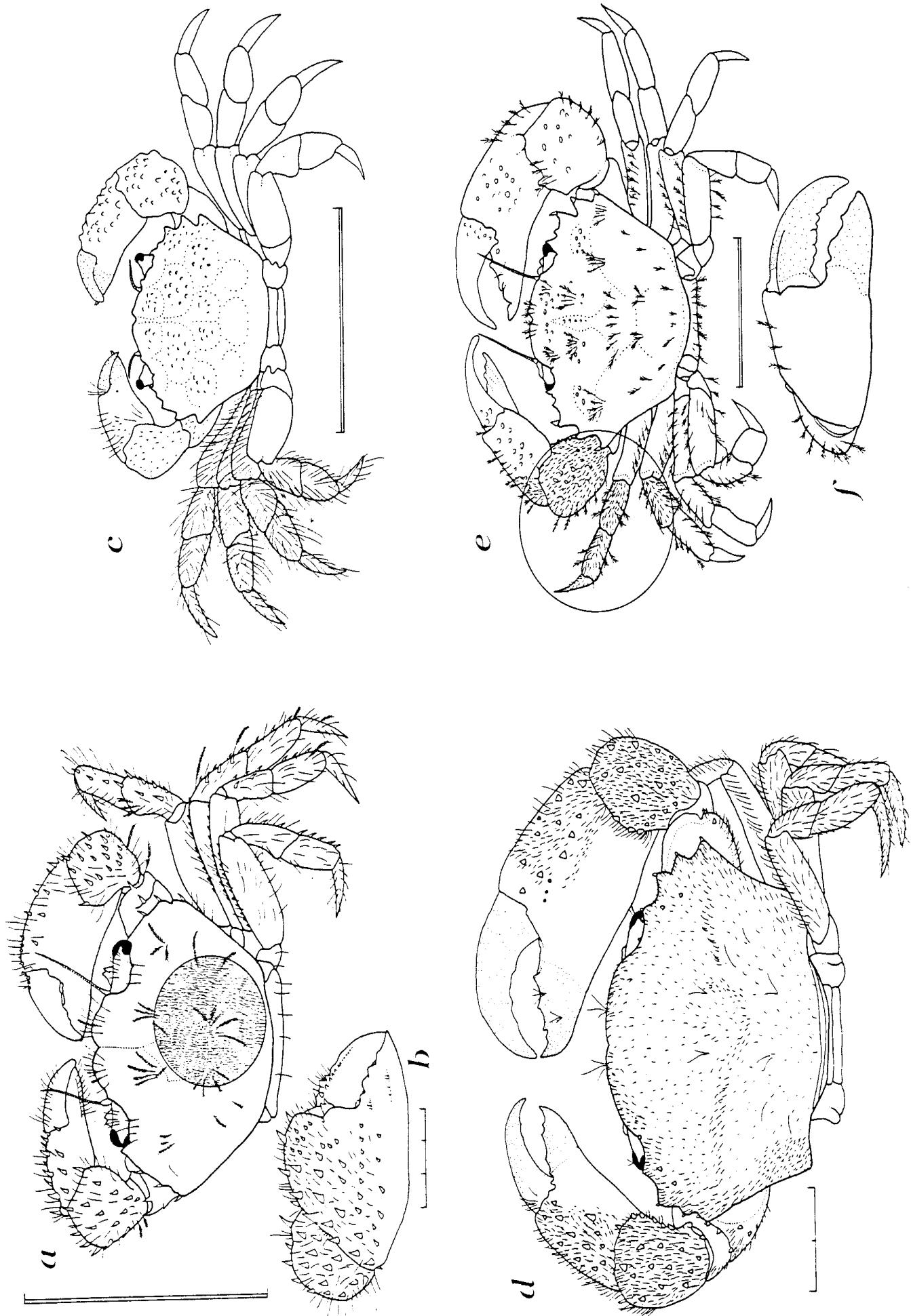
- c. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Pilumnus pannosus*

- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Pilumnus lacteus*

- e. dorsal view
- f. major chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1965a)



*Pseudomedaeus agassizii*

a. dorsal view (male)

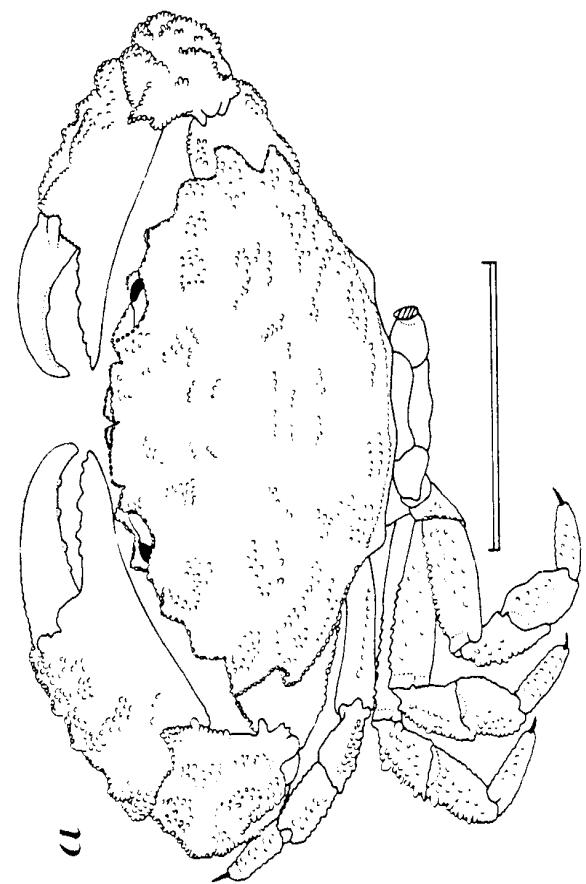
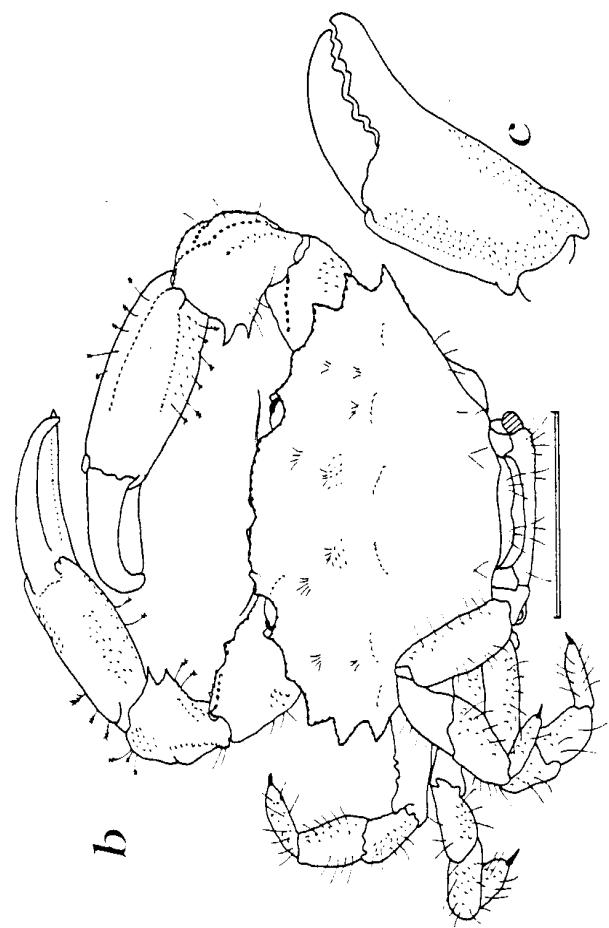
(after Williams, 1984)

*Pseudomedaeus distinctus*

male:

b. dorsal view

c. major chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)



*Tetraxanthus rathbunae*

male:

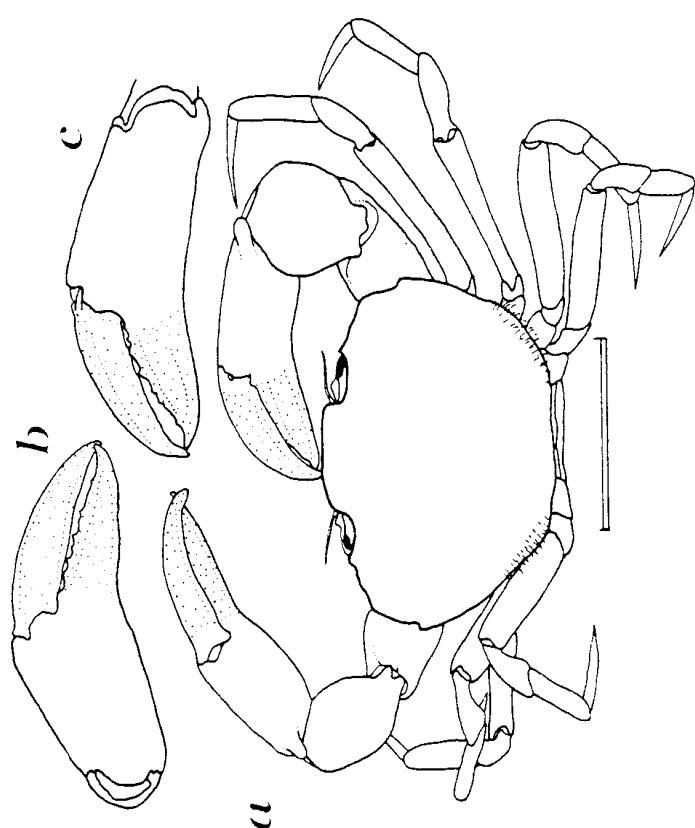
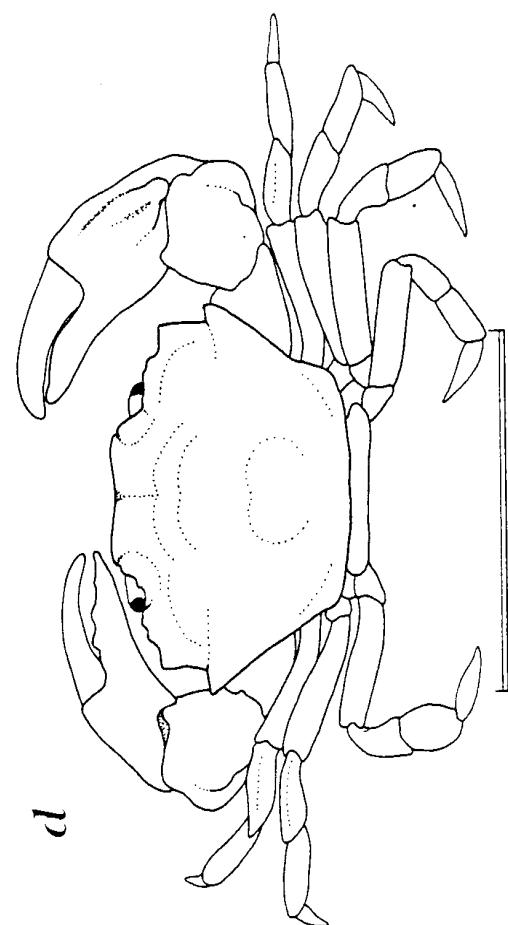
- a. dorsal view
- b. right chela, external view
- c. left chela, external view

(after Williams, 1984)

*Tetraxanthus bidentatus*

d. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1930, as *T. rugosus*)



*Allactaea lithostrota*

allotype female:

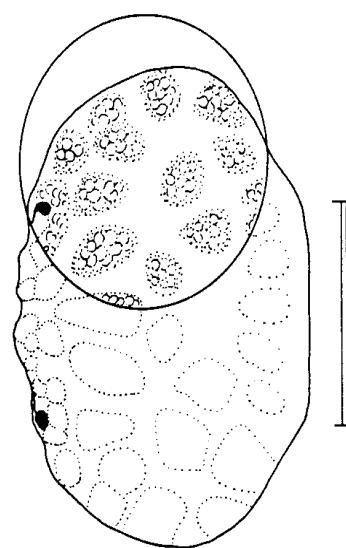
- a. dorsal view
- b. left anterior portion, ventral view

(after Williams, 1974a)

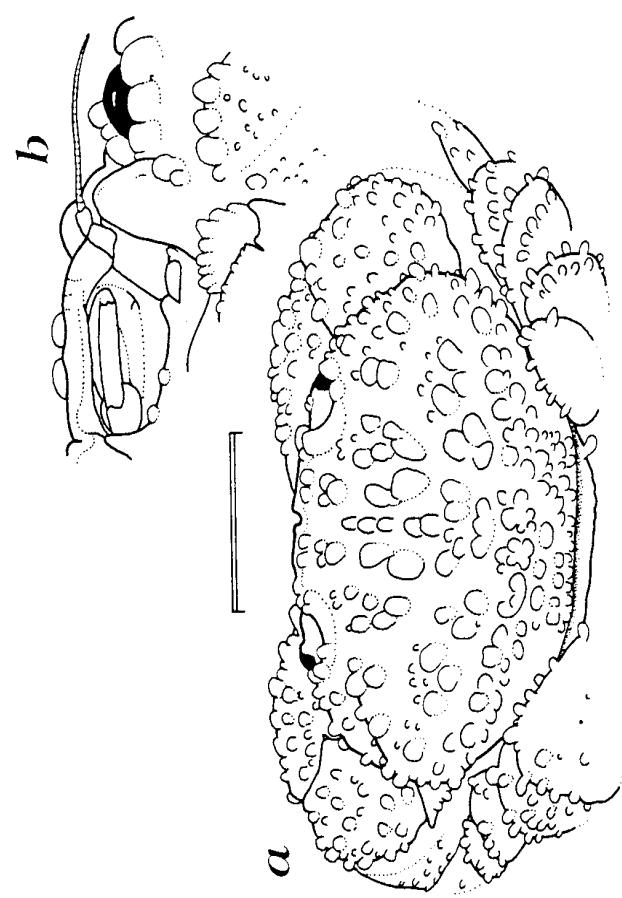
*Banareia palmeri*

c. carapace, dorsal view (female)

(after Rathbun, 1930)



c



a

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*Carpilius corallinus*

- a. dorsal view (female)
- (after Rathbun, 1930)

*Carpoporus papulosus*

- b. dorsal view
- c. cheliped, frontal view

(after Williams, 1984)

*Cataleptodius floridanus*

- d. dorsal view
- e. fingers of right chela, external view
- f. fingers of left chela, external view
- g. walking leg

(from Abele's personal drawings)



*Chlorodiella longimana*

- a. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1930)

*Domecia acanthophora acanthophora*

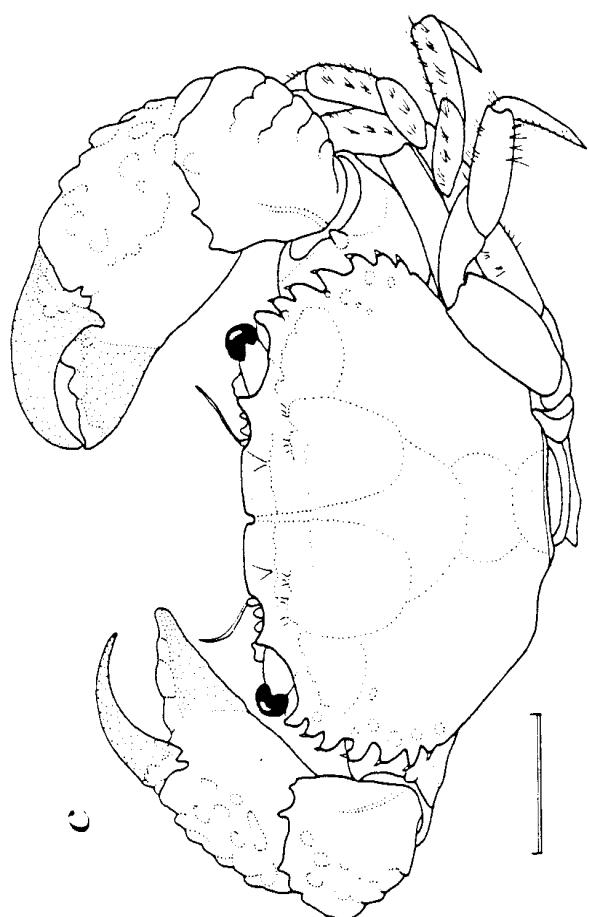
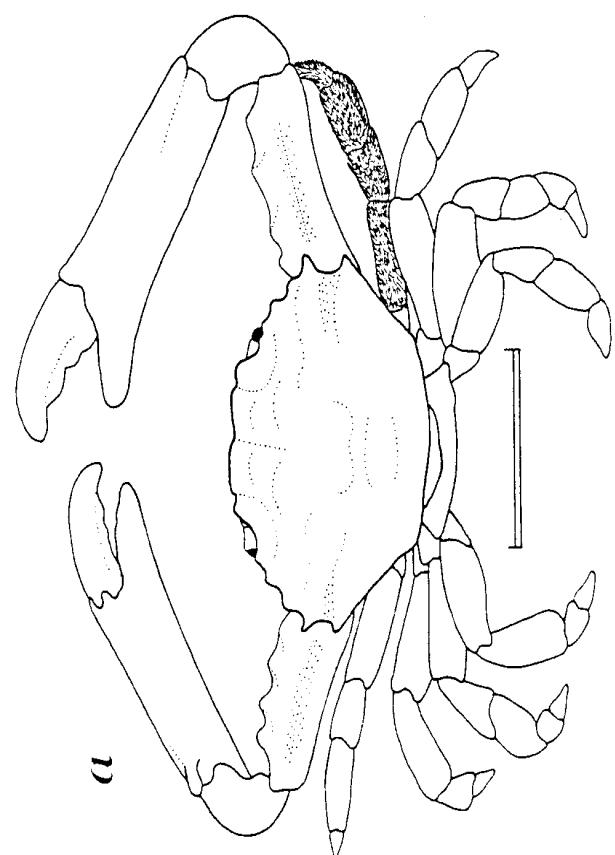
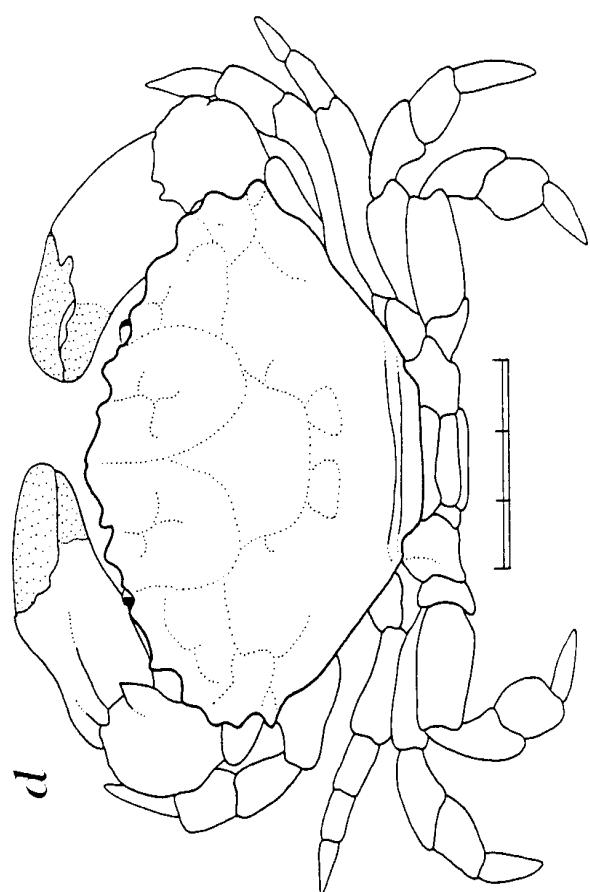
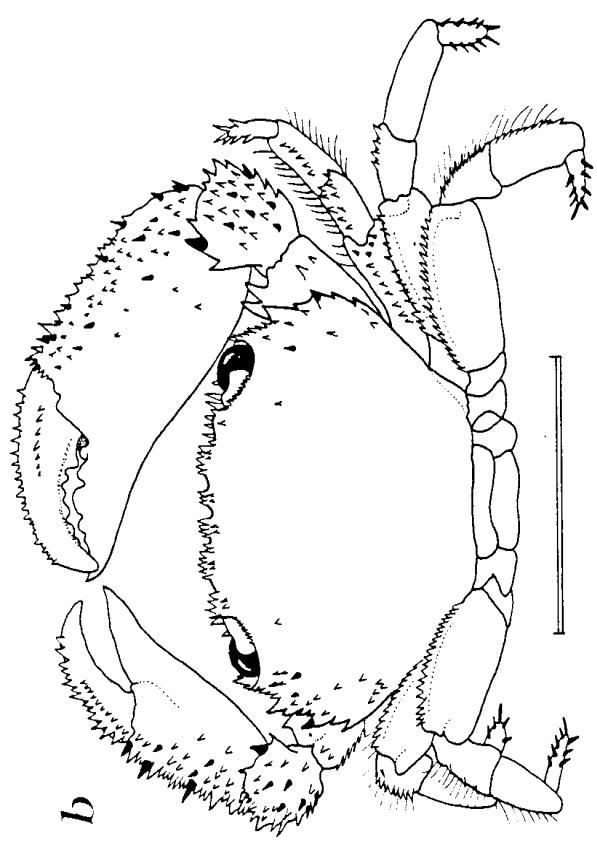
- b. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Eriphia gonagra*

- c. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Eitus maculatus*

- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1933)



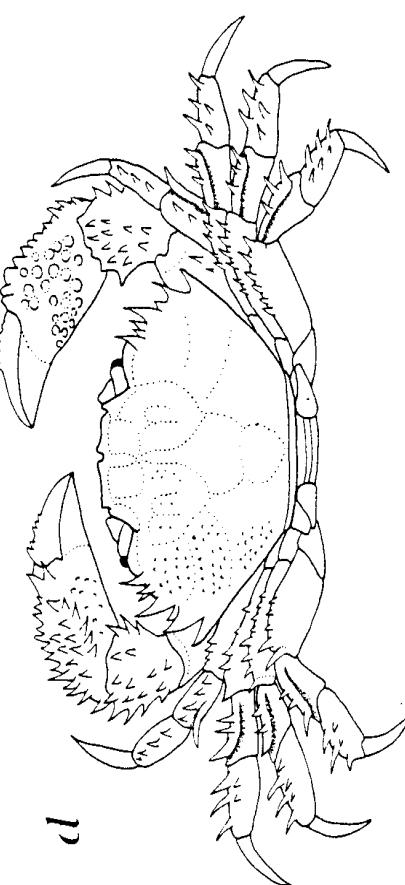
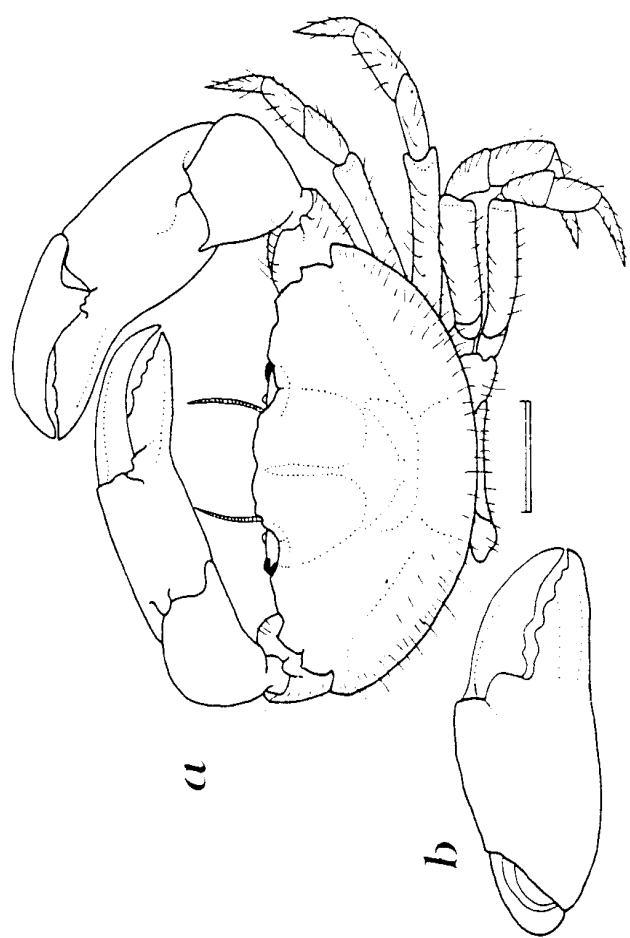
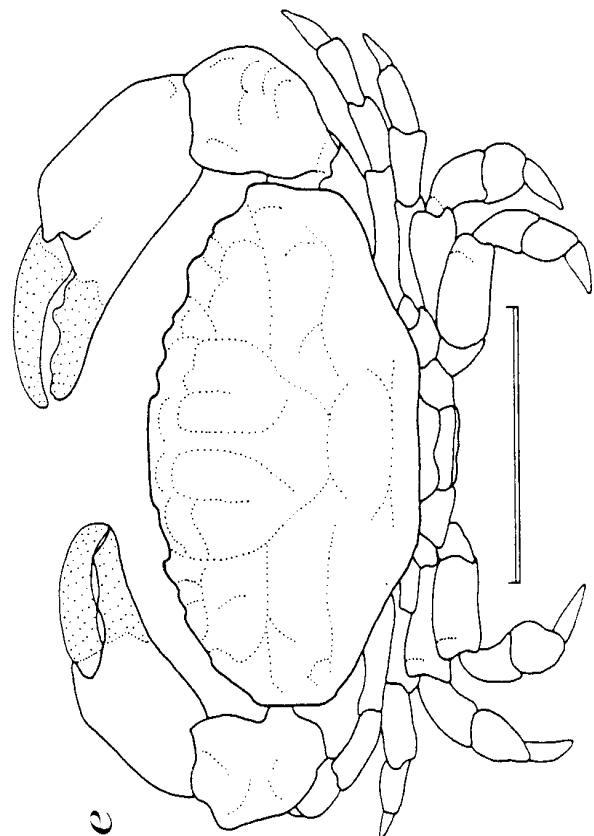
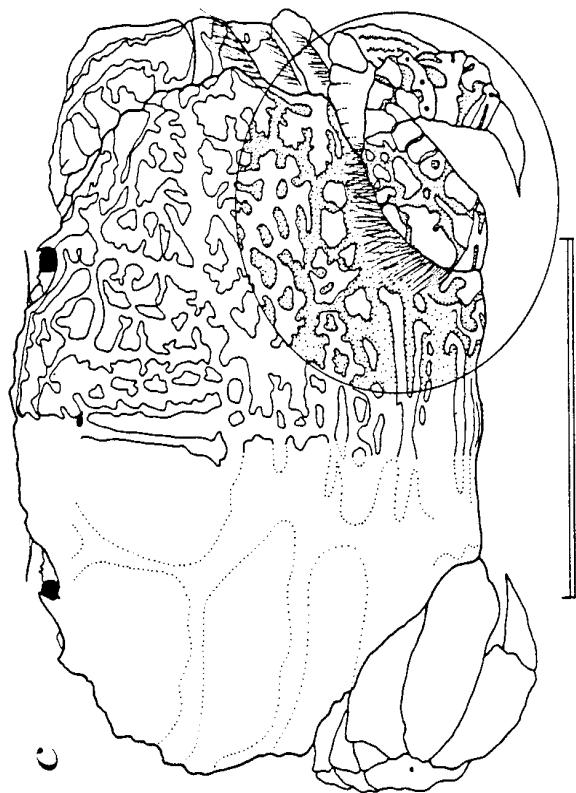
*Eurytium limosum*

- a. dorsal view
- b. major chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)
- c. dorsal view  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Glyptoxanthus erosus*

- Leptodius parvulus*
- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1930)
- e. dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1933)

*Heteractaea ceratopus*



*Lobopilumnus agassizii*

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. major chela, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Melybia thalamita*

- c. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Paractaea rufopunctata nodosa*

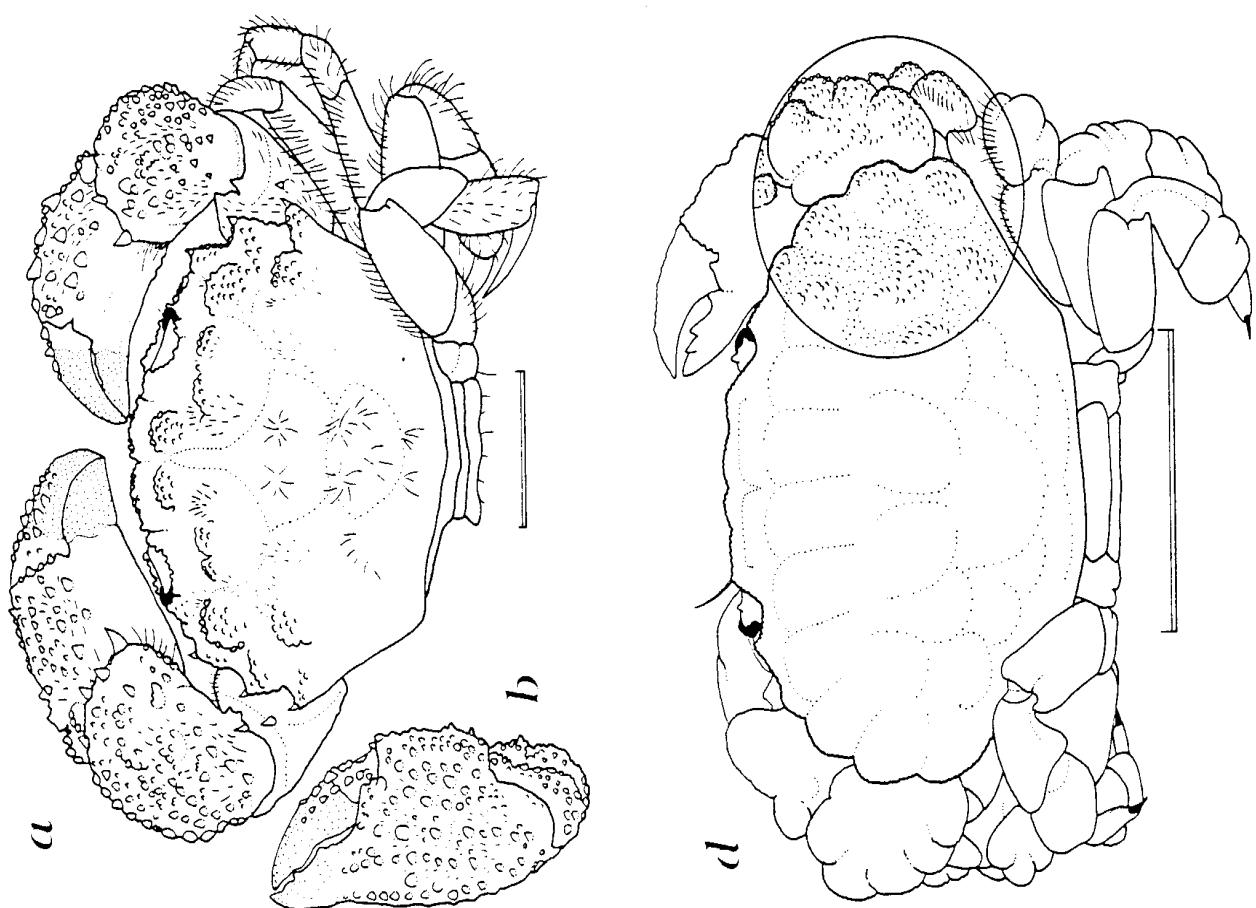
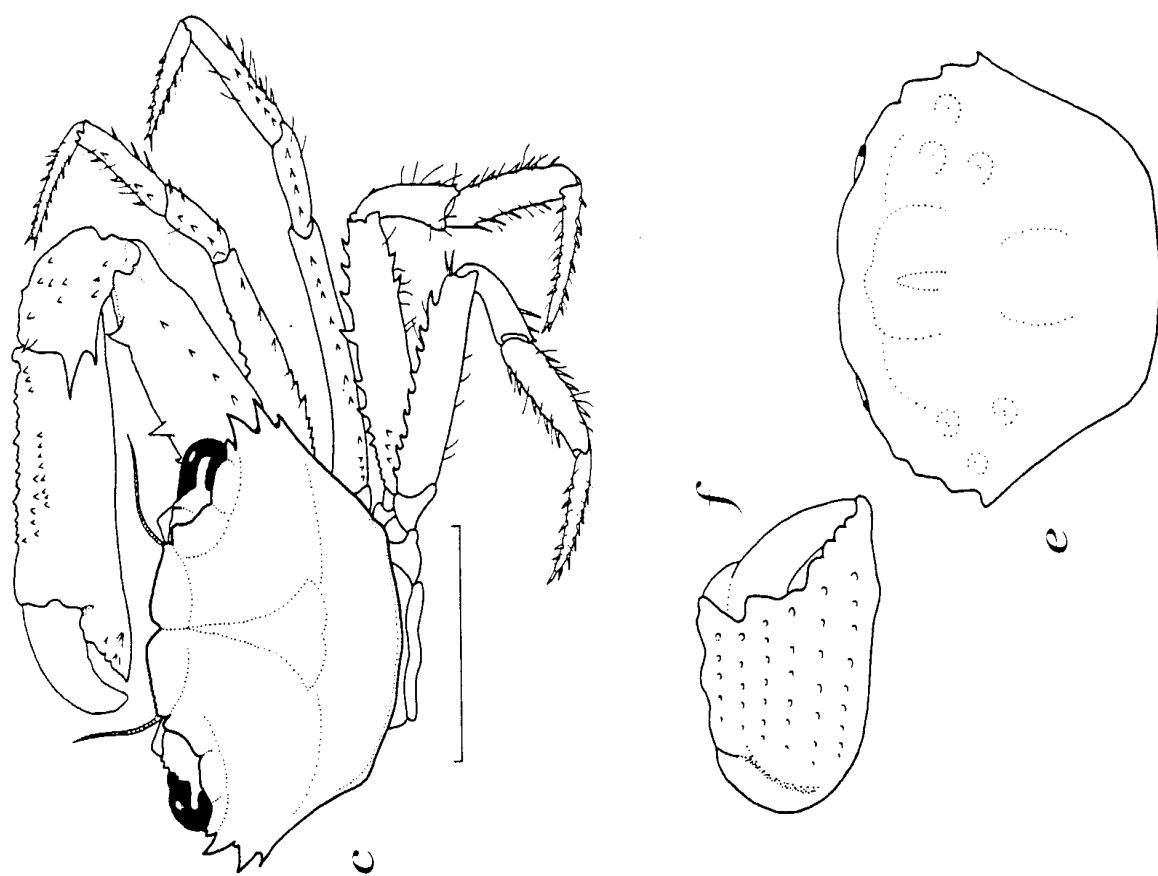
d. dorsal view (female)

- (after Williams, 1984)

*Pilumnoides nudifrons*

female:

- e. outline of carapace, dorsal view
- f. minor chela, external view  
(after Rathbun, 1930)



*Platyactaea setigera*

- a. outline of carapace, dorsal view (male)  
(after Rathbun, 1930)
- b. dorsal view (female)

*Platypodiella spectabilis*

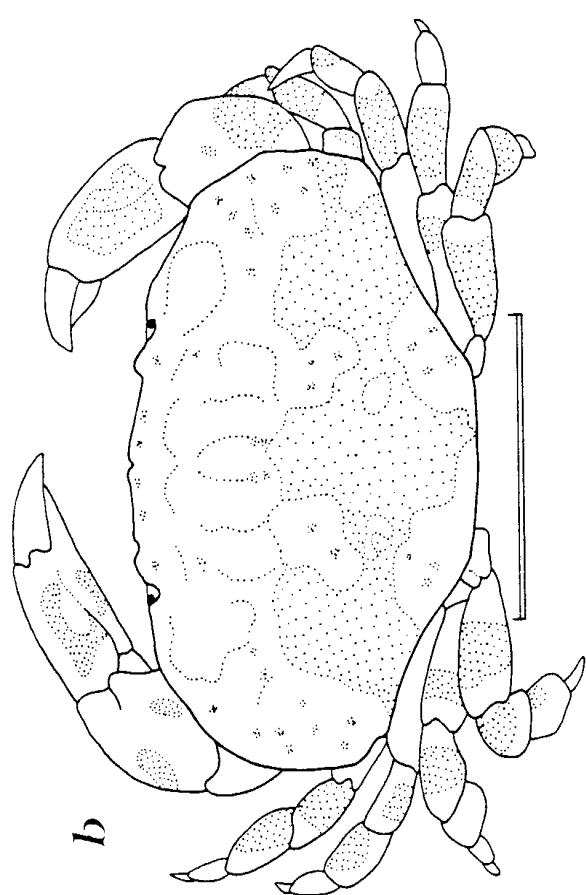
- a. outline of carapace, dorsal view (male)  
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- b. dorsal view (female)

*Rhithropanopeus harrisi*

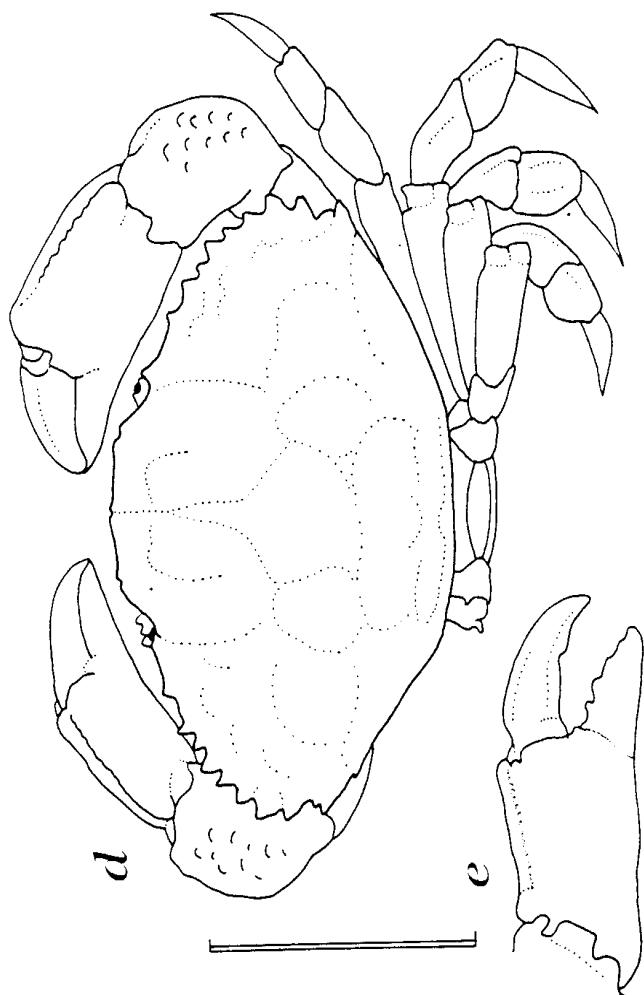
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- d. dorsal view
- e. left chela, external view

*Xantho denticulata*

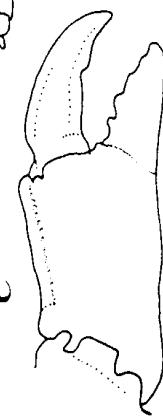
- male:
- d. dorsal view
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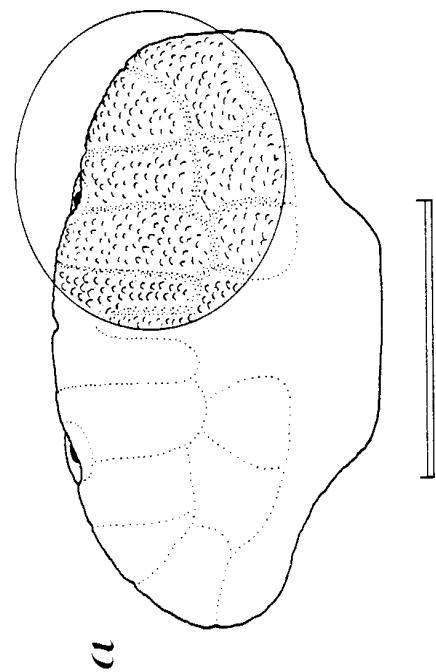
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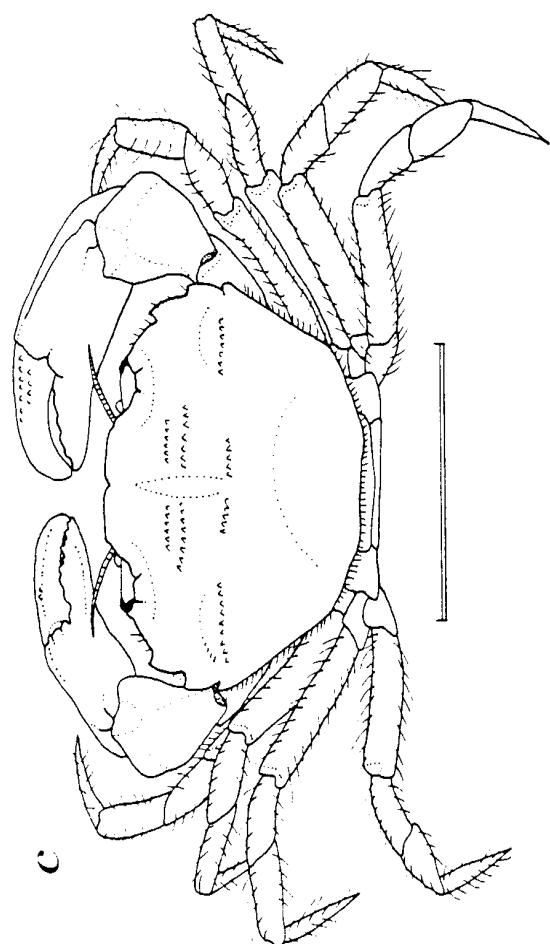
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## Family Gecarcinidae

Key to genera and species  
[Based on Rathbun, 1918]

Fronto-orbital border more than half width of carapace; exopod of each outer (third) maxilliped exposed and provided with flagellum ..... *Cardisoma guanhumi*

Fronto-orbital border less than half width of carapace; exopod of each outer maxilliped concealed or nearly so and without flagellum ..... *Gecarcinus*

## Genus *Gecarcinus* Leach, 1814

Key to species  
[Based on Rathbun, 1918]

Merus of third maxilliped with entire margin..... *G. ruricola*

Merus of third maxilliped with inner distal emargination..... *G. lateralis*

*Gecarcinus ruricola*

a. dorsal view (male)

(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)

*Gecarcinus lateralis*

b. dorsal view (male)

(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)

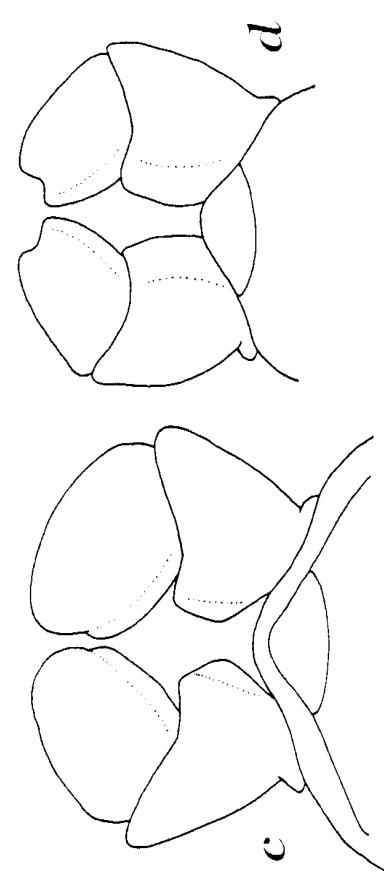
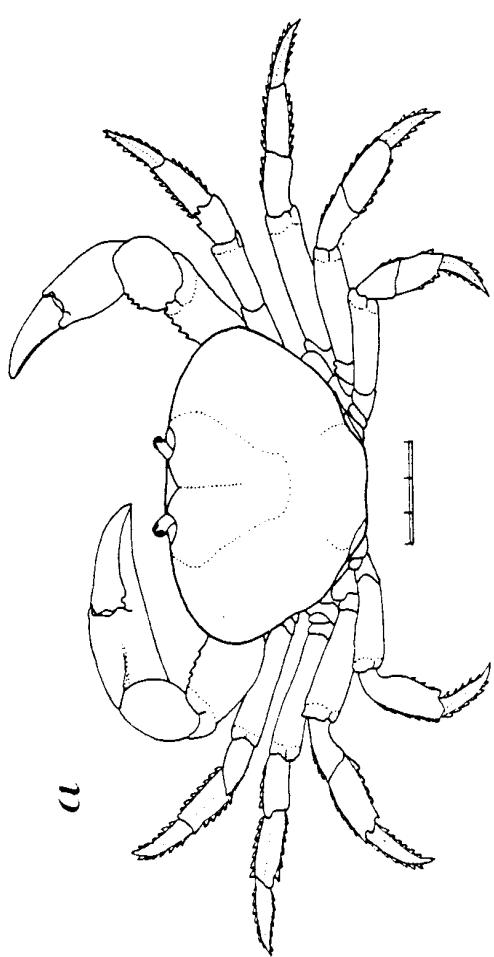
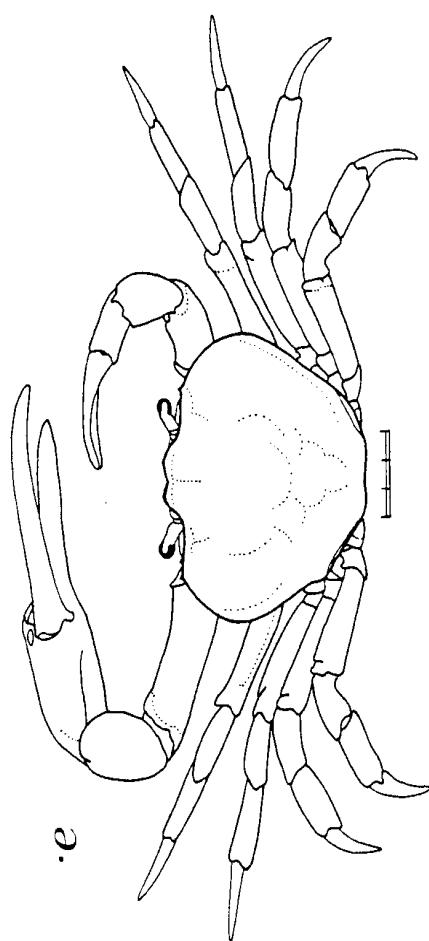
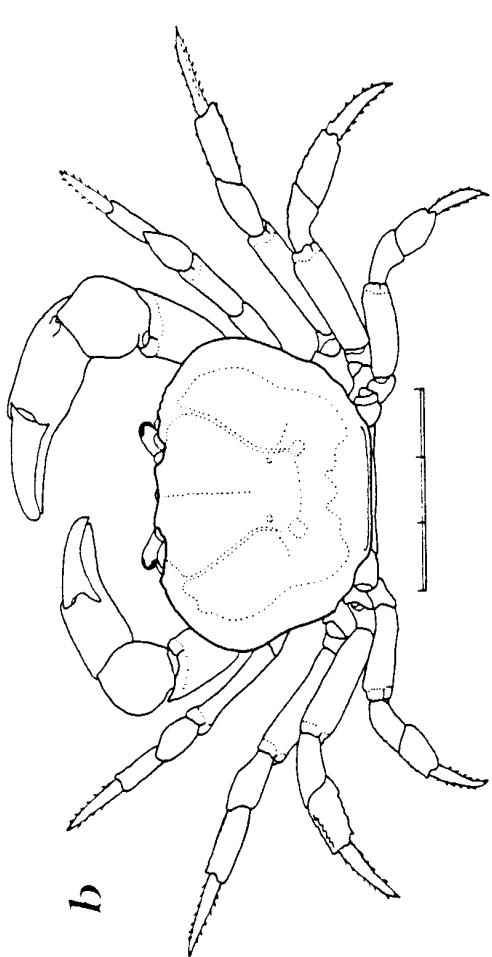
*G. ruricola, G. lateralis*c. meri and ischia of outer (third) maxillipeds,  
ventral view (*G. ruricola*)d. meri and ischia of outer (third) maxillipeds,  
ventral view (*G. lateralis*)

(after Rathbun, 1918)

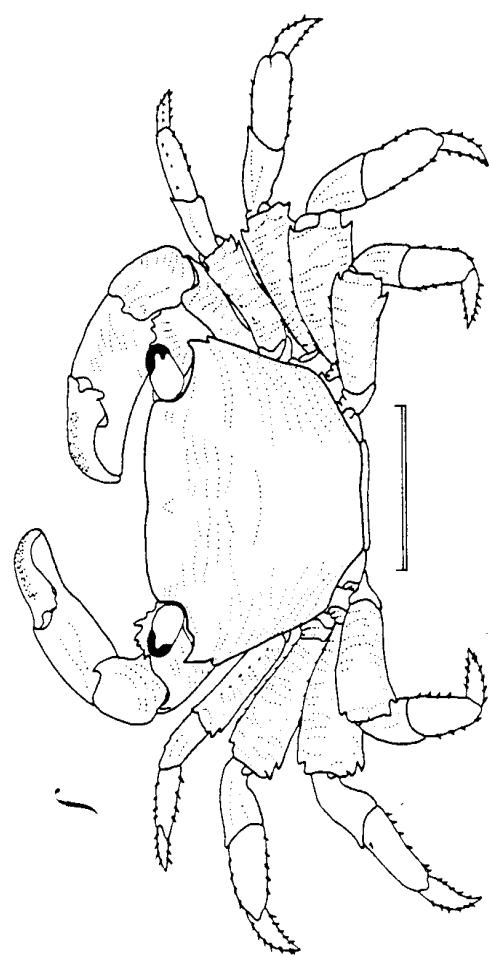
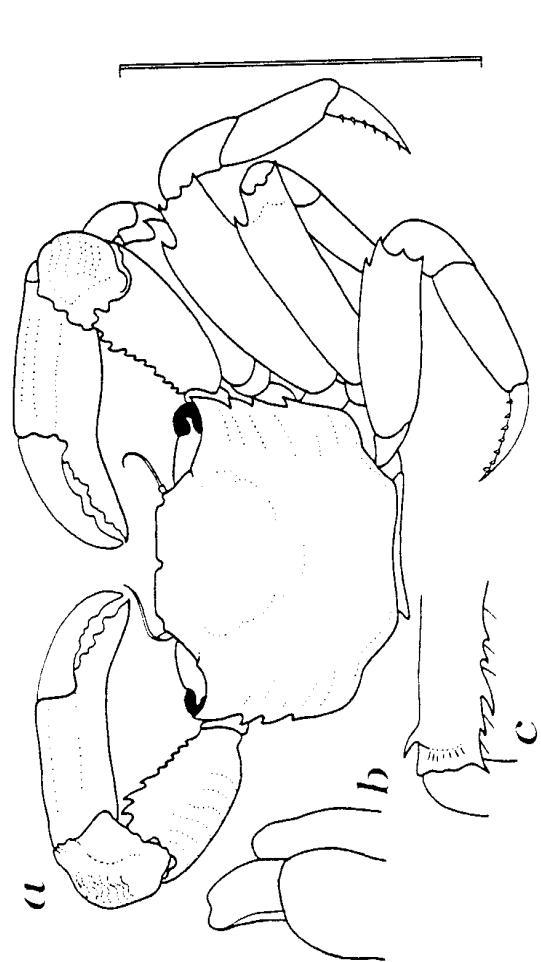
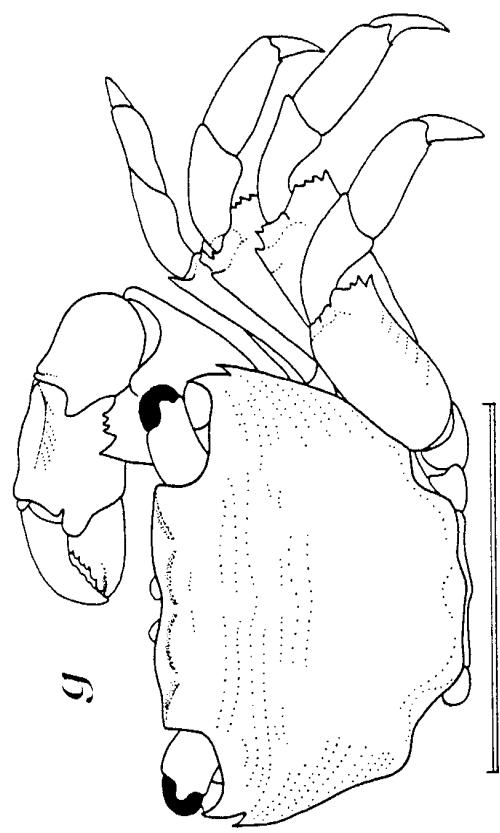
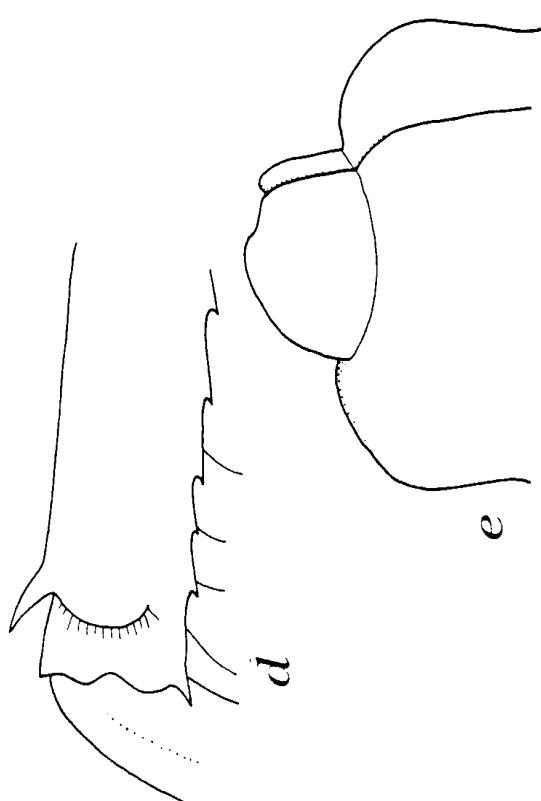
*Cardisoma guanhumi*

e. dorsal view (male)

(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)







## Family Grapsidae

Key to genera and species  
[Based on Rathbun, 1918]

1. Antennules visible in dorsal view..... 2
  - Antennules hidden from dorsal view when folded..... 3
2. (1) Carapace broader than long..... *Plagusia depressa*
  - Carapace longer than broad..... *Percnon gibbesi*
3. (1) Third maxilliped without oblique hairy ridge on exposed surface of merus..... 4
  - Third maxilliped with oblique hairy ridge on exposed surface of merus..... 10
4. (3) Ventral margin of orbit incomplete, paralleled ventrally by deep groove and strong transverse crest; chelipeds very dissimilar ..... 5
  - Ventral margin of orbit entire, usually sharply produced, not paralleled by deep groove and supplementary crest; chelipeds similar ..... 6
5. (4) Palm of major cheliped prolonged proximally far beyond its articulation with carpus. .... *Platychirograpsus spectabilis*
  - Palm of major cheliped normal..... *Euchirograpsus*
6. (4) Front much less than half greatest breadth of carapace..... 7
  - Front more than half, or about half, greatest breadth of carapace..... 8
7. (6) Fingers with broad, spooned tips..... *Grapsus grapsus*
  - Fingers acute, not spooned..... *Geograpsus lividus*
8. (6) Antennae excluded from orbit..... *Goniopsis cruentata*
  - Antennae entering orbit..... 9
9. (8) Carapace depressed, distinctly striated..... *Pachygrapsus*
  - Carapace convex, almost smooth..... *Planes minutus*
10. (3) Antennae excluded from orbit by tooth at lower inner angle of orbit meeting or nearly meeting front ..... *Aratus pisonii*
  - Antennae lodged in orbital hiatus..... 11
11. (10) Carapace quadrate or subquadrate..... *Sesarma*
  - Anterior half of carapace with arcuate margin, posterior half rectangular..... *Cyclograpsus integer*

**Genus *Euchirograpsus* H. Milne Edwards, 1853**

Key to species  
[Adapted from Türkay, 1975]

Suture of gonopod twisted from ventral to dorsal; suture present on dorsal face of terminal appendage ..... *E. americanus*

Suture of gonopod not twisted; linear along lateral margin of basal fragment; suture present on ventral face of terminal appendage ..... *E. antillensis*

**Genus *Pachygrapsus* Randall, 1840**

Key to species  
[Adapted from Chace and Hobbs, 1969]

Chelipeds with movable finger tuberculate on superior margin; first pleopod of male broad, terminating in very short corneous tip ..... *P. gracilis*

Chelipeds with movable finger smooth; first pleopod of male slender, terminating in long corneous obliquely T-shaped endpiece ..... *P. transversus*

**Genus *Sesarma* Say, 1817**

## Key to species

[Adapted from Abele, 1973]

1. Movable finger of male chela greatly enlarged proximally; apex of gonopod with two sutures ..... *S. benedicti*
- Movable finger of male chela normal, not greatly enlarged proximally; apex of gonopod without two sutures ..... 2
2. (1) Superior margin of palm with distinct row of granules; movable finger with row of sharp tubercles dorsally; carapace with tooth or lobe posterior to outer orbital angle ..... 5
- Superior margin of palm without distinct row of granules; movable finger without row of sharp tubercles dorsally; carapace without tooth or lobe posterior to outer orbital angle ..... 3
3. (2) Gonopod with endpiece central, not curved; merus of second walking leg with length greater than 2.6 times width ..... *S. ricordi*
- Gonopod with endpiece lateral, curved; merus of second walking leg with length less than 2.6 times width ..... 4
4. (3) Dactylus of fourth walking leg unarmed dorsally ..... *S. miersii*
- Dactylus of fourth walking leg armed dorsally with short black spines ..... *S. cinereum*
5. (2) Tooth behind outer orbital angle deeply cut into carapace ..... *S. curacaoense*
- Tooth behind outer orbital angle little more than lobe ..... *S. reticulatum*

*Eucirograpsus americanus*

- a. dorsal view
  - b. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod) (male)
  - c. merus of second pereopod
- (a, after Williams, 1984; b, c, after Tükay, 1975)
- d. merus of second pereopod
  - e. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod) (male)

*Eucirograpsus antillensis*

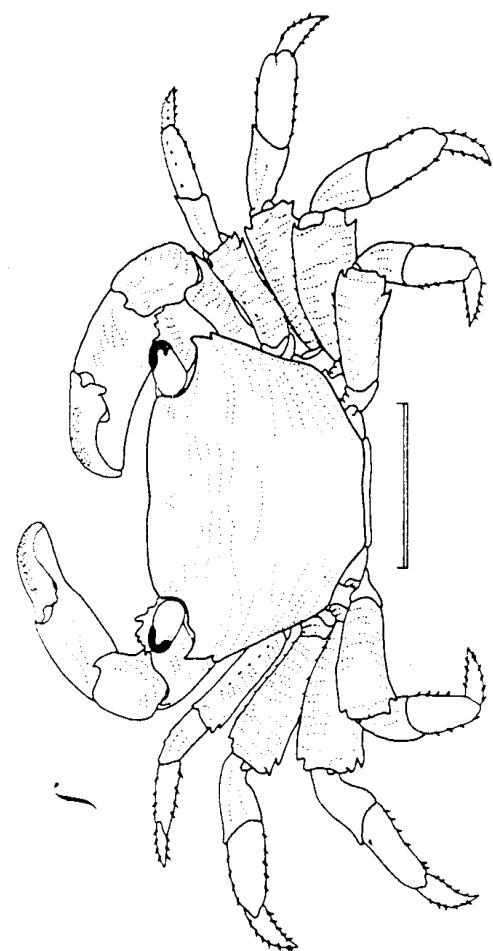
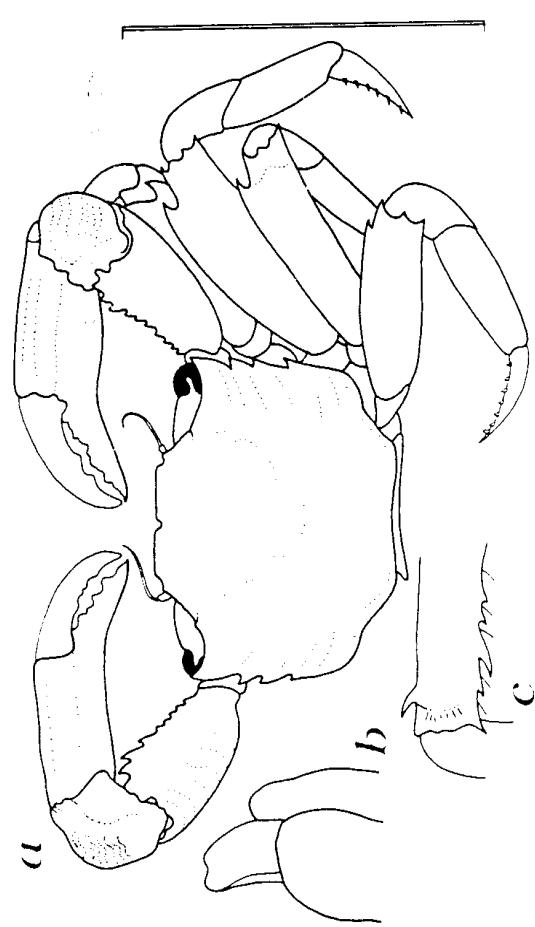
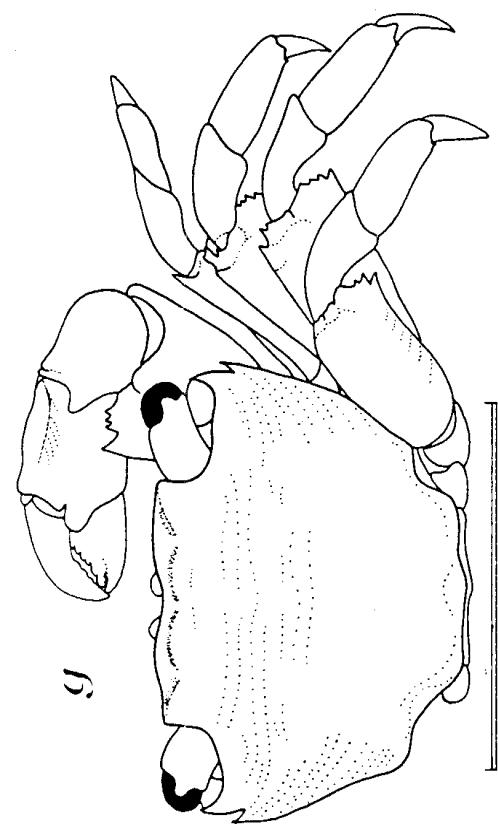
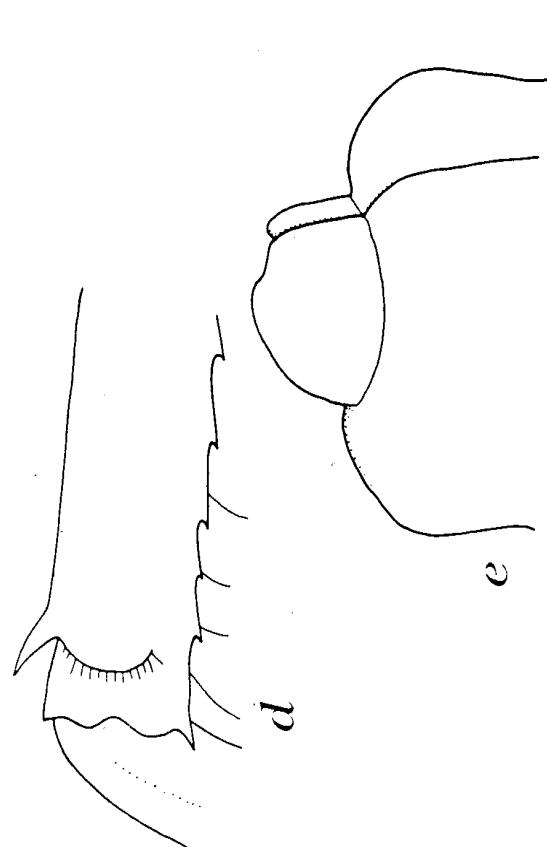
- d. merus of second pereopod
  - e. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod) (male)
- (after Tükay, 1975)

*Pachygrapsus gracilis*

- f. dorsal view (male)
  - g. dorsal view
- (after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)

*Pachygrapsus transversus*

- g. dorsal view
- (after Williams, 1965a)



*Sesarma benedicti*

- a. dorsal view (male)  
(from Abele, in manuscript)
- b. dorsal view (male)  
(from Abele, in manuscript)

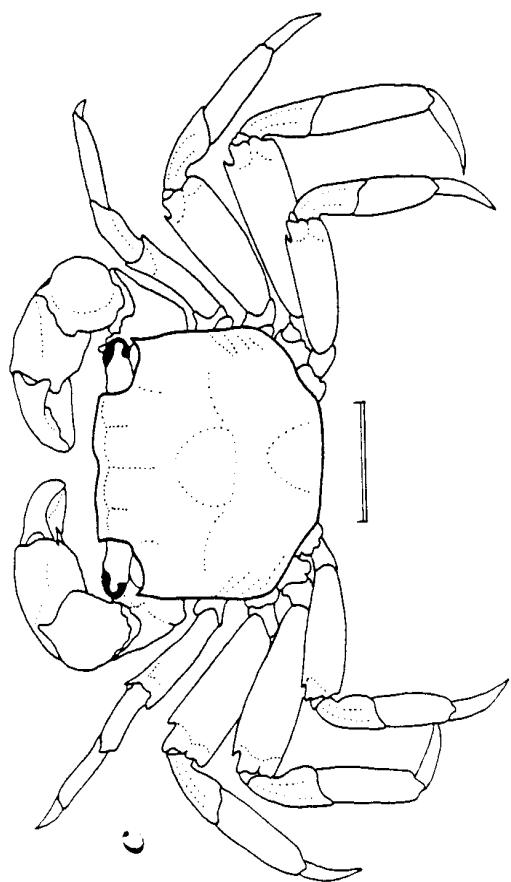
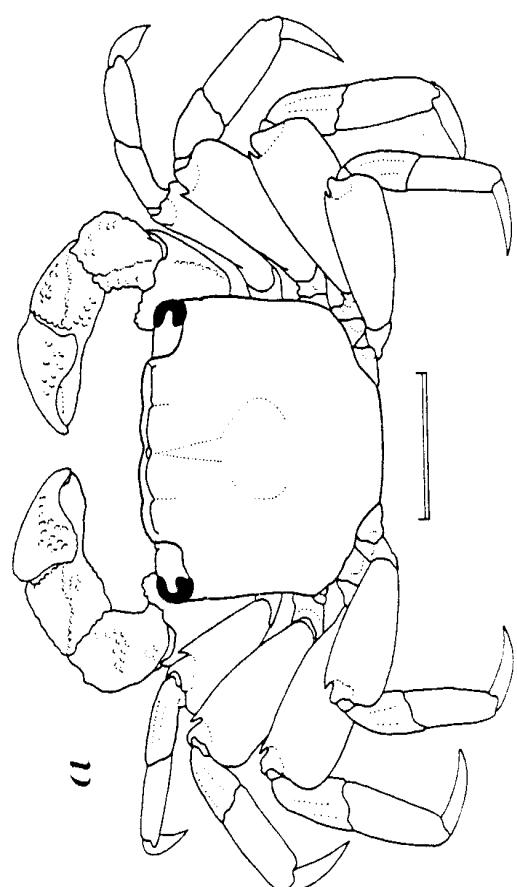
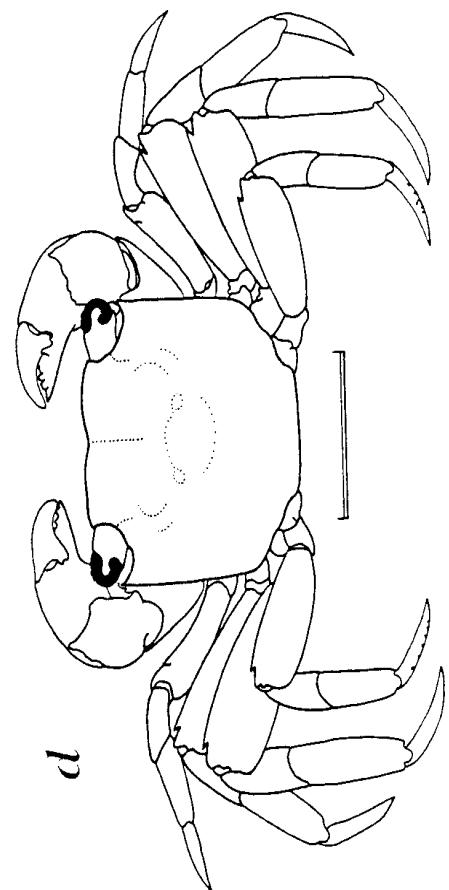
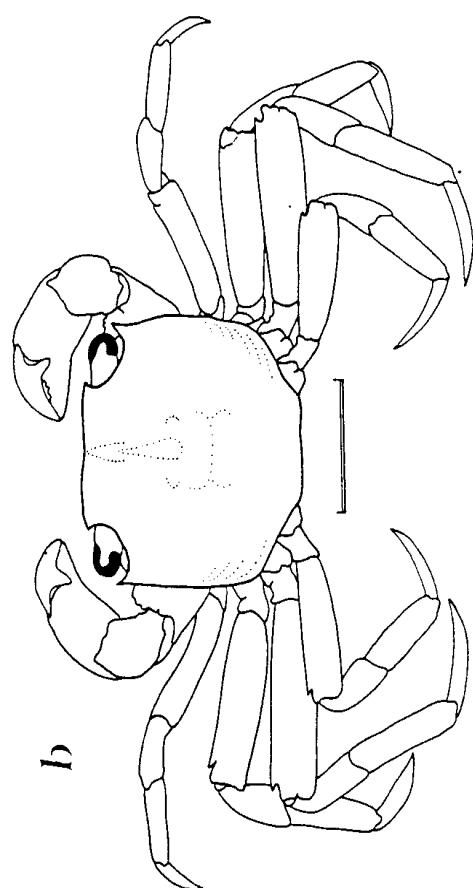
*Sesarma ricordi*

- a. dorsal view (male)  
(from Abele, in manuscript)
- b. dorsal view (male)  
(from Abele, in manuscript)

*Sesarma miersii*

- c. dorsal view  
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- d. dorsal view (male)  
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*Sesarma cinereum*



*Sesarma curacaoense*

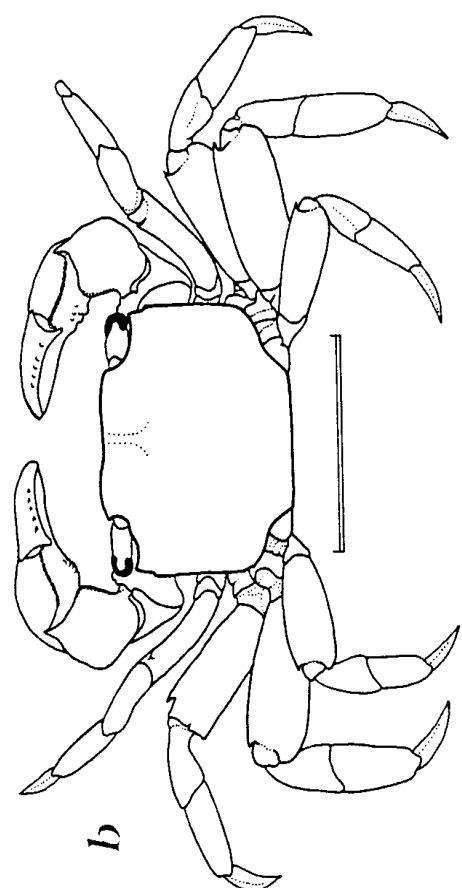
a. dorsal view (male)

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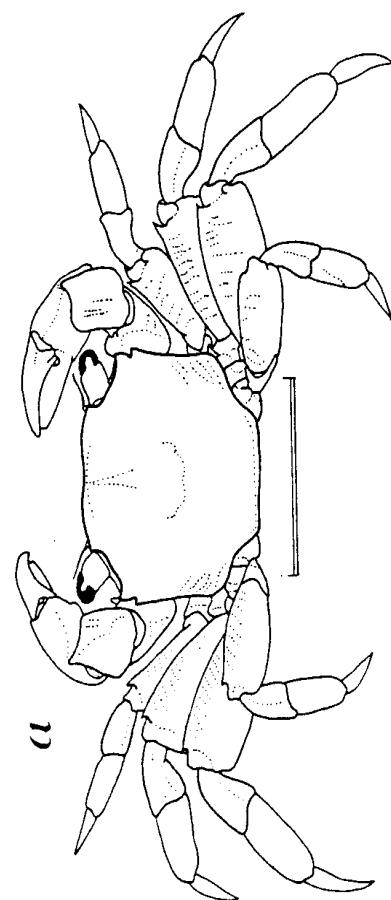
*Sesarma reticulatum*

b. dorsal view

(from Abele, in manuscript)



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*Aratus pisonii*

a. dorsal view (male)

(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)

*Cyclograpsus integer*

b. dorsal view (male)

(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)

*Geograpsus lividus*

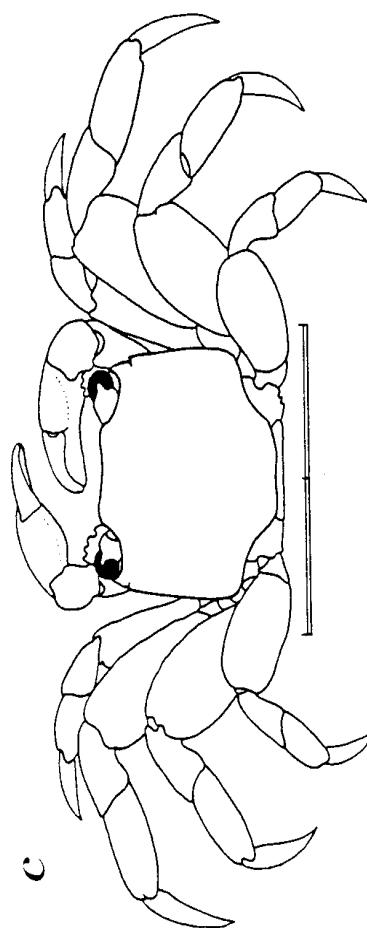
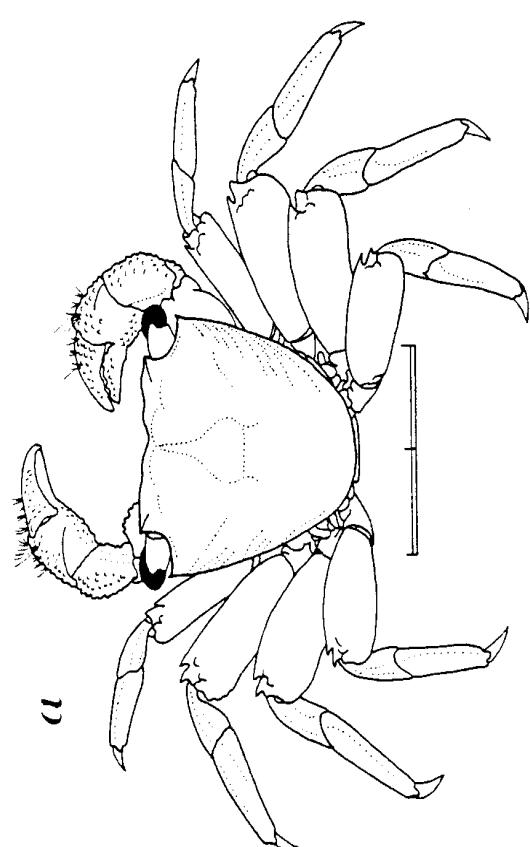
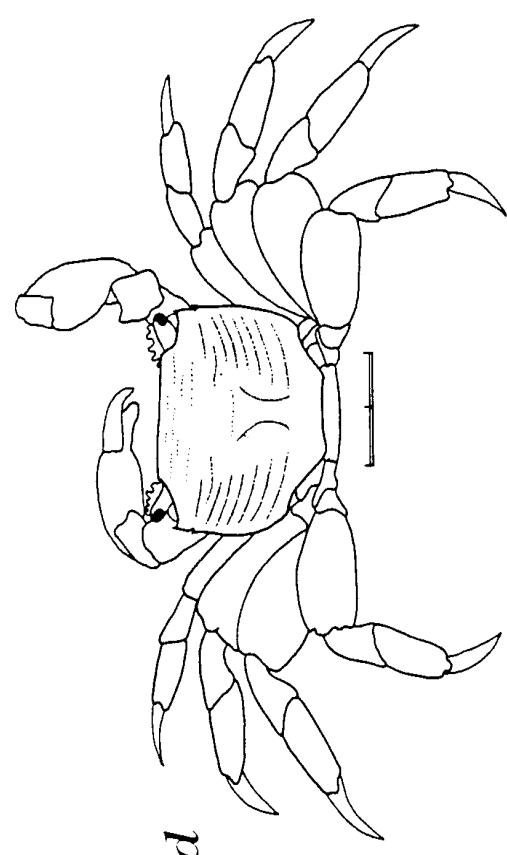
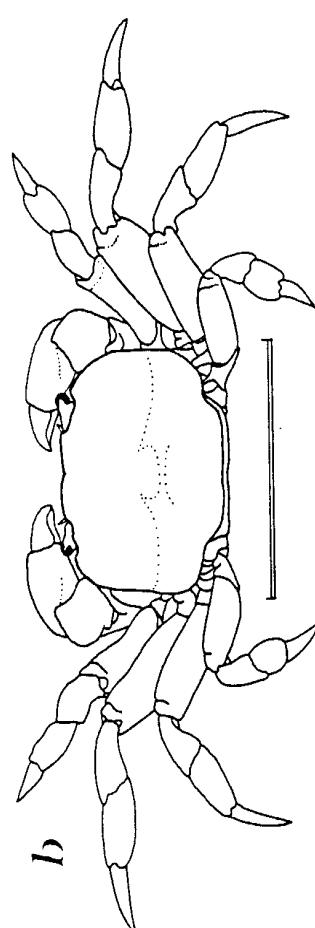
c. dorsal view (male)

(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)

*Goniopsis cruentata*

d. dorsal view (male)

(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)



*Grapsus grapsus*

a. dorsal view (male)

(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)

*Percnon gibbessi*

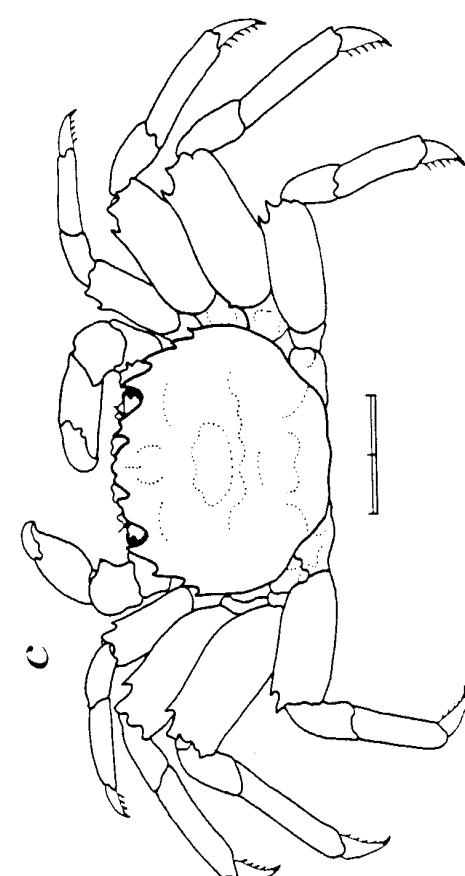
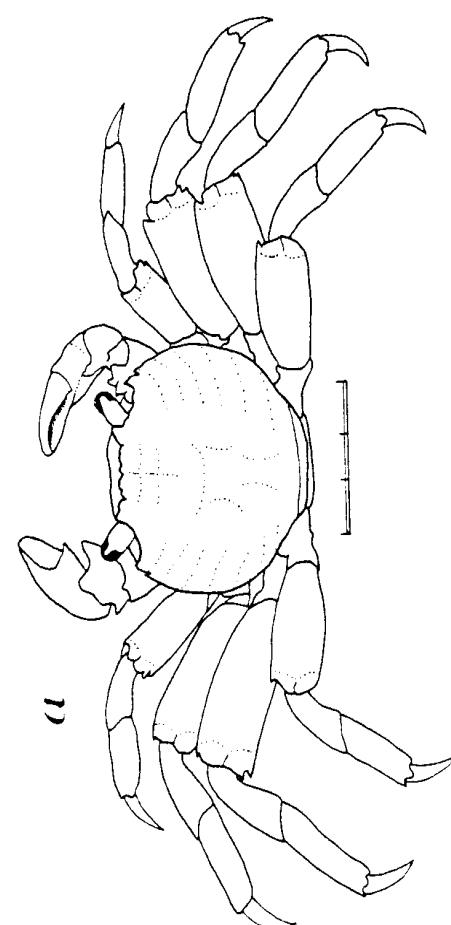
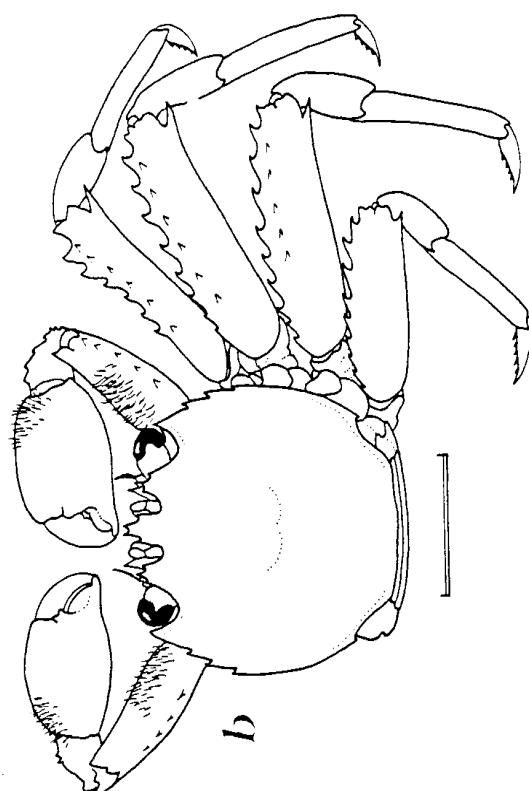
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(after Williams, 1984)

*Plagusia depressa*

c. dorsal view (male)

(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)



*Planes minutus*

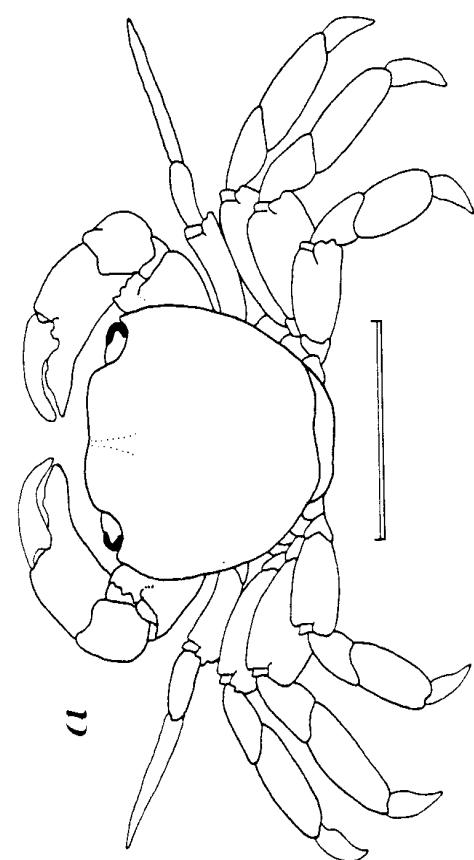
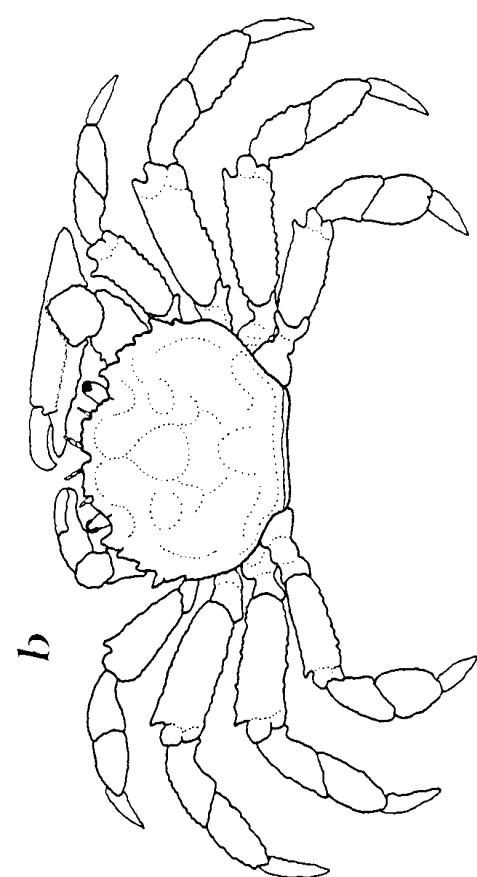
a. dorsal view (male)

(after Williams, 1984)

*Platychirograpsus spectabilis*

b. dorsal view (male)

(after Rathbun, 1918, as *P. typicus*)





## Family Pinnotheridae

Key to genera and species  
[Based on Rathbun, 1918, and Williams, 1984]

1. Dactyli of first, second, and third walking legs bifurcate..... *Dissodactylus*  
Dactyli of walking legs simple, acute..... 2
2. (1) Third walking leg longest and broadest..... *Pinnixa*  
Third walking leg not longest and broadest..... 3
3. (2) Walking legs diminishing in size from distinctly largest first to smallest last leg (carapace about twice as broad as long) ..... *Parapinnixa*  
Walking legs not diminishing in size from first to last leg..... 4
4. (3) Carapace with 2 longitudinal, impressed lines leading back from middle of upper margin of orbit; second walking leg longest ..... *Fabia*  
Carapace without 2 longitudinal, impressed lines leading back from middle of upper margin of orbit; second and third walking legs nearly equal in length ..... 5
5. (4) Dactylus of third maxilliped very small and inserted at end of propodus.....  
*Orthotheres strombi*  
Dactylus of third maxilliped stiliform and inserted on inner side of propodus..... 6
6. (5) Buccal mass subquadrate; carapace somewhat orbicular and either smooth and membranous or firm and covered with short pile ..... *Pinnotheres*  
Buccal mass subtriangular; carapace firm, smooth..... *Pinnaxodes floridensis*

### Genus *Dissodactylus* Smith, 1870

Key to species  
[Based on Rathbun, 1918]

1. Dactylus of fourth walking leg bifurcate, as in other pairs; carapace covered with numerous transverse ridges; anterolateral margin dentate ..... *D. rugatus*
- Dactylus of fourth walking leg simple, not bifurcate; carapace with no more than one dorsal ridge on each side; anterolateral margin entire, non-dentate ..... 2
2. (1) Dorsal ridge transverse..... *D. stebbingi*  
    Dorsal ridge oblique ..... 3
3. (2) Secondary spines of dactyli of walking legs 1, 2, and 3 minute and remote from primary spine ..... 4  
    Secondary spines of dactyli of walking legs 1, 2, and 3 of good size..... 5
4. (3) Propodus of third maxilliped widening slightly distally; outer two-thirds of distal margin truncate ..... *D. borradalei*  
    Propodus of third maxilliped not widening distally; distal margin rounded..... *D. primitivus*
5. (3) Dactyli of walking legs 1, 2, and 3 bifurcate half way to their bases.... *D. mellitae*  
    Dactyli of walking legs 1, 2, and 3 bifurcate less than half way to their bases..... *D. crinitichelis*

### Genus *Fabia* Dana, 1851

Key to females of species  
[Adapted from Cobb, 1973]

- Third pereopod longer on right than on left side; transverse sulcus across frontal region ..... *F. byssomiae*
- Third pereopods equal in size; no transverse sulcus across frontal region..... *F. tellinae*

### Genus *Parapinnixa* Holmes, 1894

#### Key to species

[Adapted from Williams, 1984]

- Carapace less than twice as wide as long..... *P. bouvieri*
- Carapace more than twice as wide as long..... *P. hendersoni*

### Genus *Pinnixa* White, 1846

#### Key to species

[Based on Williams, 1984]

- 1. Dorsal surface of carapace with four prominent transverse ridges..... *P. leptosynaptae*
- Dorsal surface of carapace without four transverse ridges..... 2
- 2. (1) Posterior part of carapace with conspicuous, sharp, transverse ridge extending uninterruptedly from side to side ..... 3
  - Posterior part of carapace without transverse ridge or with ridge falling well short of lateral margin of carapace ..... 4
- 3. (2) Carapace less broad, width-length ratio 2.5; lateral angles less acutely produced; third walking leg proportionately heavier, length-width ratios of merus and propodus 2.2 and 1.6 respectively, with no dense pubescence on posterior margin; female without rudimentary proximal tooth above immovable finger ..... *P. chacei*
  - Carapace more broad, width-length ratio 2.85; lateral angles more acutely produced; on third walking leg, length-width ratios of merus and propodus 2.9 and 1.8 respectively, with rather dense pubescence on posterior margin; female with rudimentary proximal tooth above immovable finger ..... *P. cristata*
- 4. (2) Chela with inner margin of dactylus not smoothly bent 90° at 1/4 to 1/2 distance from its proximal end when flexed ..... 5
  - Chela with inner margin of dactylus smoothly bent 90° at 1/4 to 1/2 distance from its proximal end (adult male with dactylus flexed) ..... 10
- 5. (4) Immovable finger of chela with prehensile edge variously toothed, merging with lower margin at tip ..... 6
  - Immovable finger of chela with prehensile edge and lower margin connected distally by subterminal, oblique margin (female and juvenile male) ..... 10

**Genus *Pinnotheres* Bosc, 1801-1802**

Key to females of species (except for *P. hemphilli*)  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1918]

1. Palp of outer (third) maxilliped large, nearly or quite half as large as merus..... *P. maculatus*  
..... Palp of outer maxilliped small, not nearly half as large as merus..... 2
2. (1) Carapace wider than long..... *P. ostreum*  
..... Carapace as long as or longer than wide..... 3
3. (2) Dactyli of all walking legs similar, falcate..... *P. shoemakeri*  
..... Dactylus of fourth walking leg of shape different from others, almost straight,  
except for slender, curved, horny tip ..... *P. moseri*

Key to males of species (except for *P. moseri*)  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1918]

1. Carapace wider than long..... 2  
..... Carapace as long as or longer than wide..... 3
2. (1) Carapace octagonal; sternum sharply cristate..... *P. hemphilli*  
..... Carapace suborbicular; sternum not sharply cristate..... *P. ostreum*
3. (1) Postlateral portion of branchial region inclined abruptly in steep plane, oblique to  
dorsal surface of carapace, in which it forms reentering angle ..... *P. shoemakeri*  
..... Branchial region gradually inclined downward toward margin; carapace with 4  
large, persistent, white spots ..... *P. maculatus*

*Dissodactylus rugatus*

- a. dorsal view (female type)
- b. right cheliped, external view
- c. endopod of right outer (third) maxilliped  
(female type)
- d. dactylus of walking leg

(after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1923)

*Dissodactylus stebbingi*

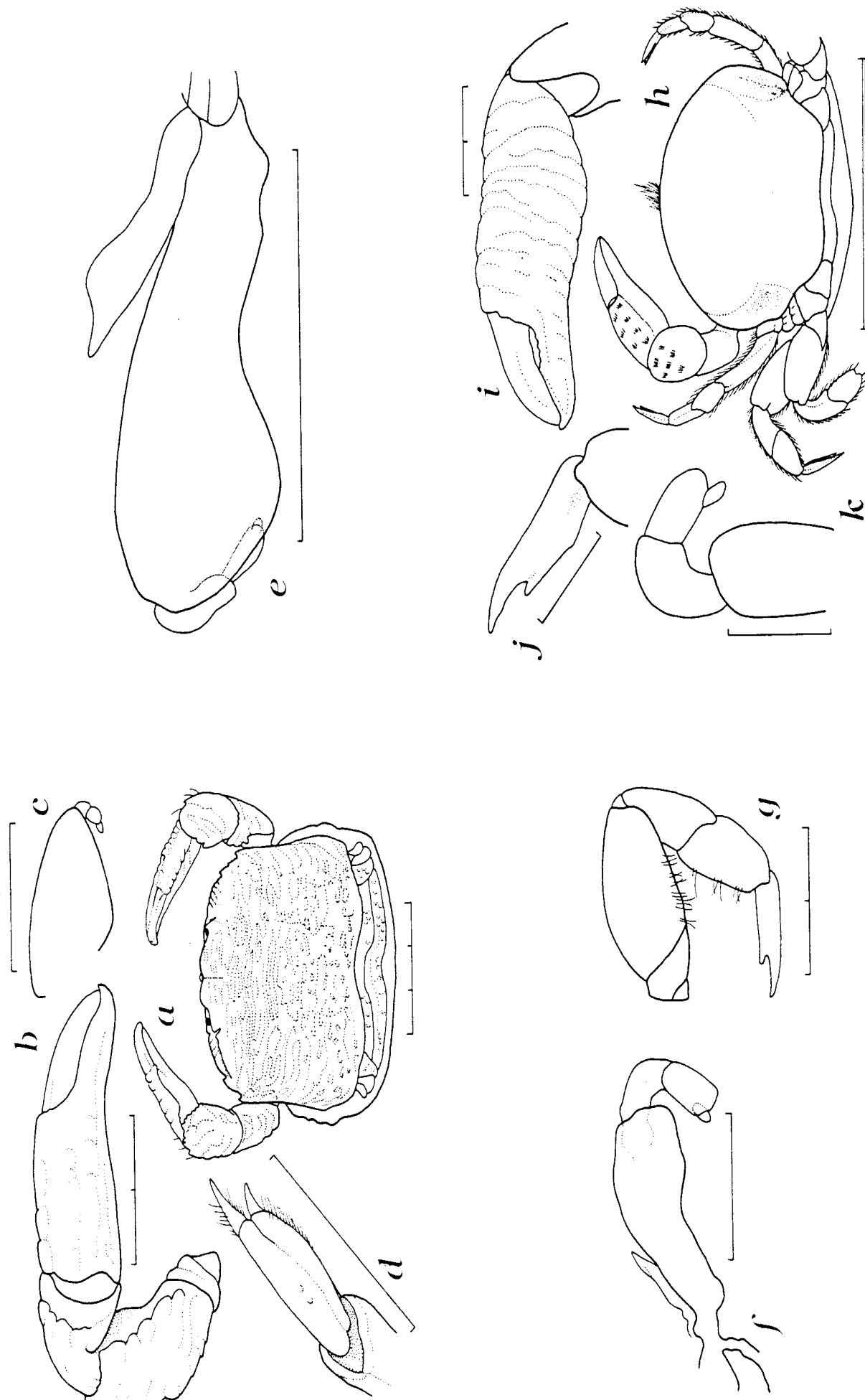
- e. left outer (third) maxilliped (holotype male)  
(after Rathbun, 1918)

*Dissodactylus borradalei*

- f. right outer (third) maxilliped (female)
- g. walking leg  
(after Rathbun, 1918)

*Dissodactylus primitivus*

- female type:
- h. dorsal view
- i. left chela, external view
- j. dactylus of left second walking leg, external view
- k. endopod of right outer (third) maxilliped  
(after A. Milne Edwards and Bouvier, 1923)

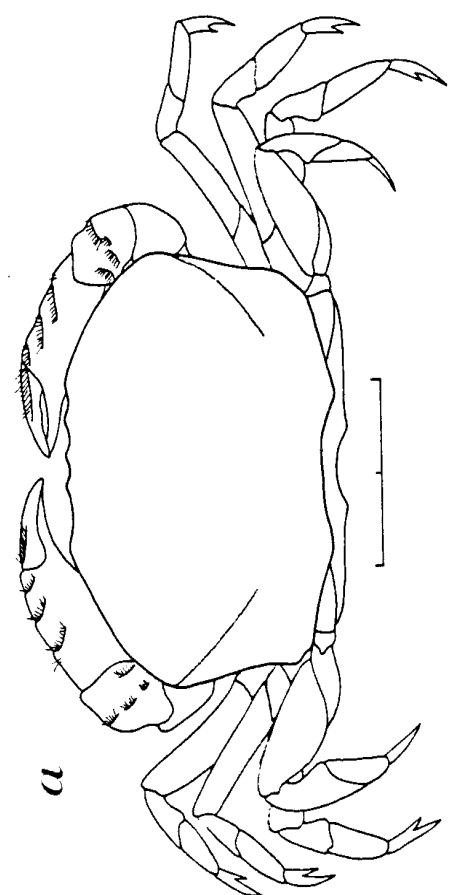
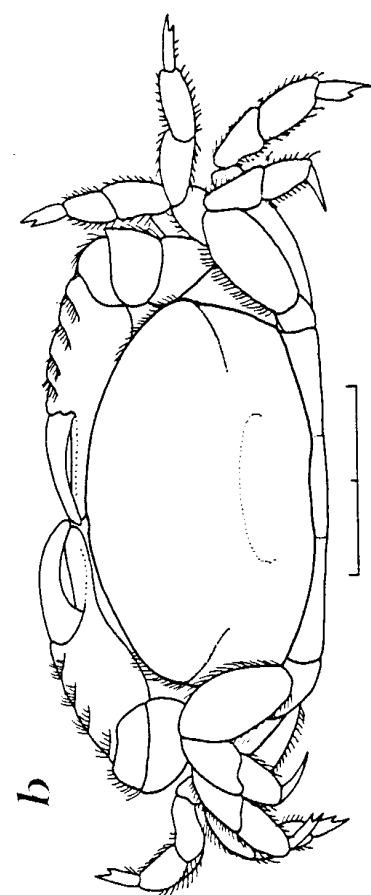


***Dissodactylus mellitae***

a. dorsal view  
(after Williams, 1984)

***Dissodactylus crinitichelis***

b. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

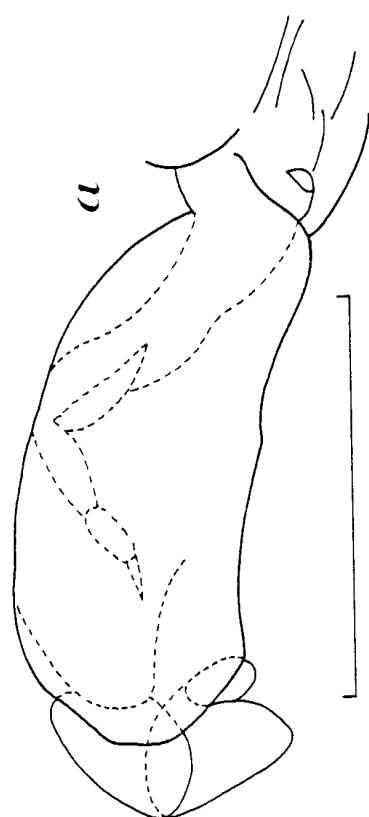
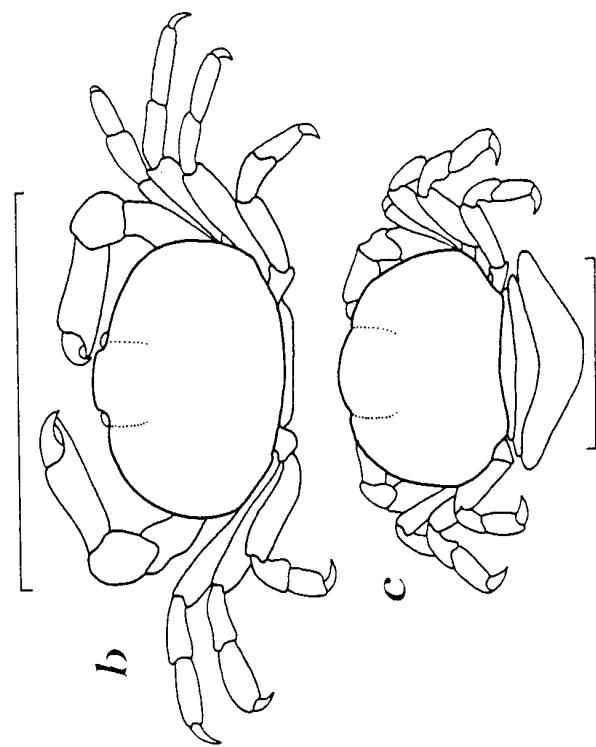


*Fabia byssomiae*

- a. left outer (third) maxilliped (female)  
(after Rathbun, 1918)
- b. dorsal view (paratype male)
- c. dorsal view (paratype female)

*Fabia tellinae*

- b. dorsal view (paratype male)
  - c. dorsal view (paratype female)
- (after Cobb, 1973)

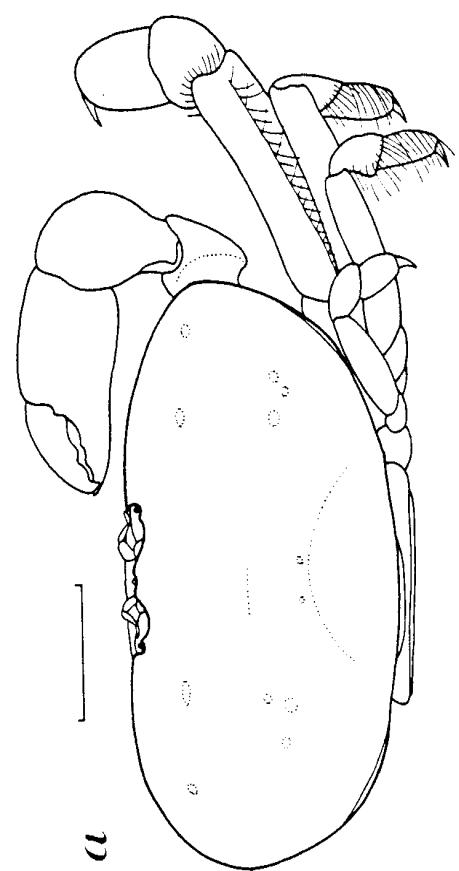
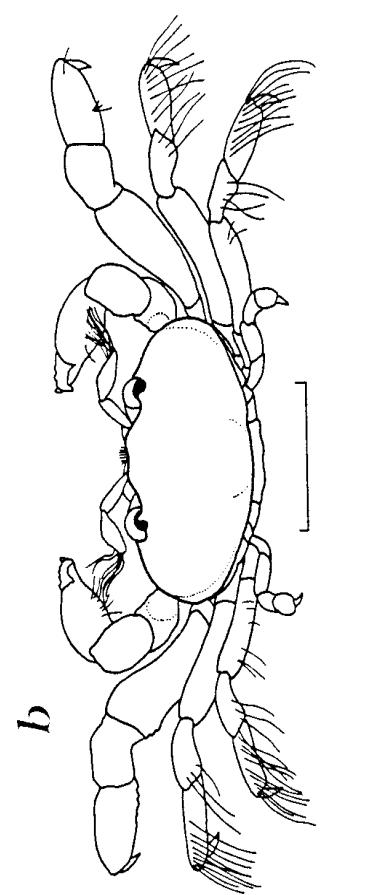


*Parapinnixa bouvieri*

a. dorsal view (ovigerous female)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Parapinnixa hendersoni*

b. dorsal view (female)  
(after drawing at SI-NMNH)



*Pinnixa leptosynaptae*

- a. dorsal view (holotype male)  
(after Wass, 1968)
- b. dorsal view (holotype male)
- c. right cheliped (holotype female)

(after Wass, 1955)

*Pinnixa chacei*

- b. dorsal view (holotype male)
- c. right cheliped (holotype female)

(after Wass, 1955)

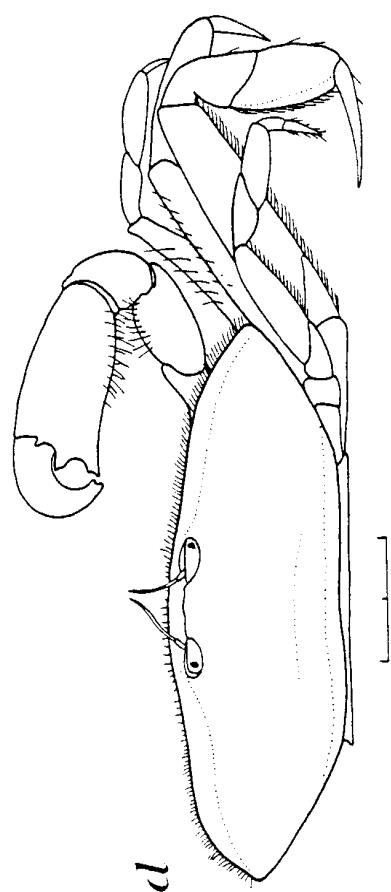
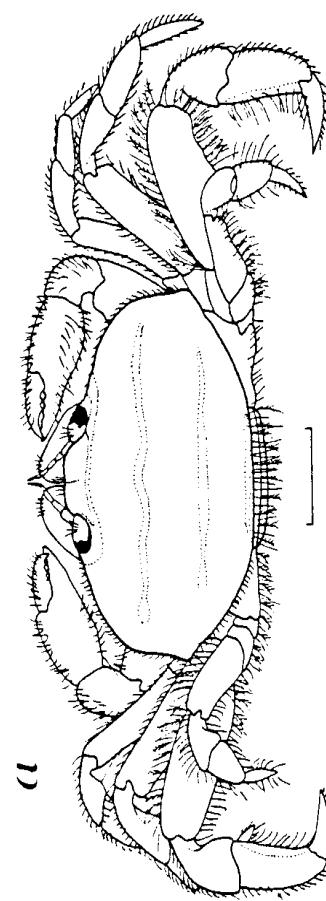
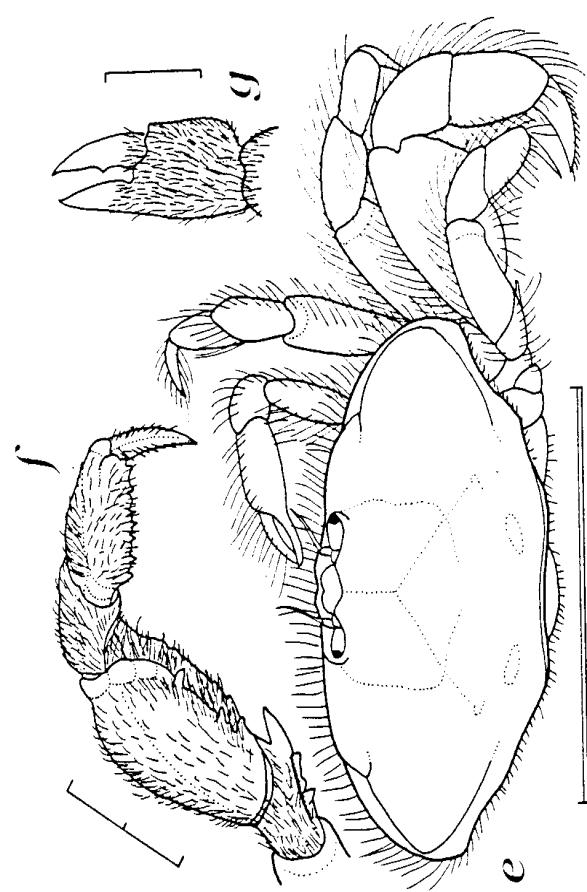
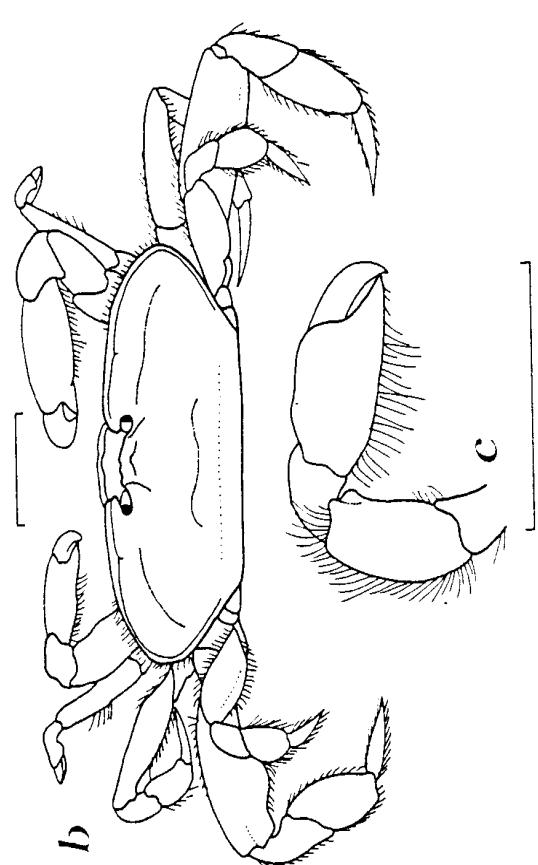
*Pinnixa cristata*

- d. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Pinnixa retinens*

- e. dorsal view (female)
- f. third walking leg (holotype male)
- g. left chela, external view (holotype male)

(after Williams, 1984)



*Pinnixa floridana*

female:

- a. dorsal view
- b. left cheliped, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Pinnixa cylindrica*

male:

- c. dorsal view
- d. right cheliped, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Pinnixa lunzi*

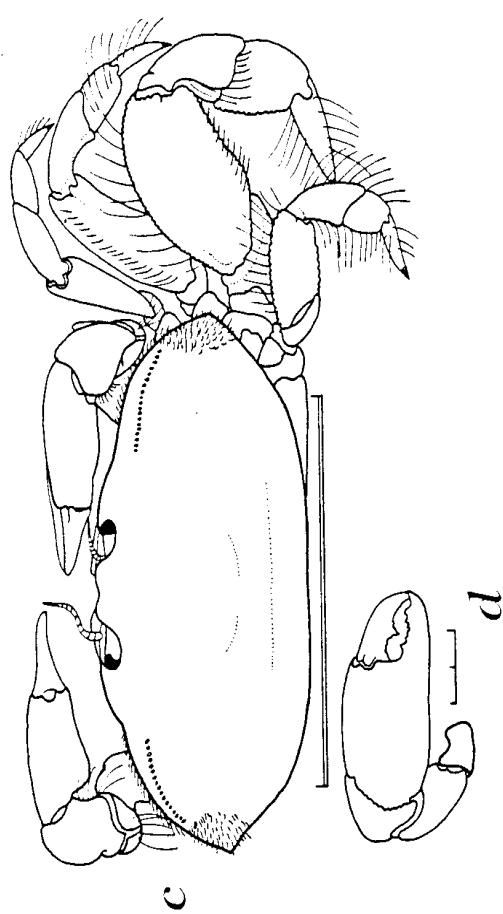
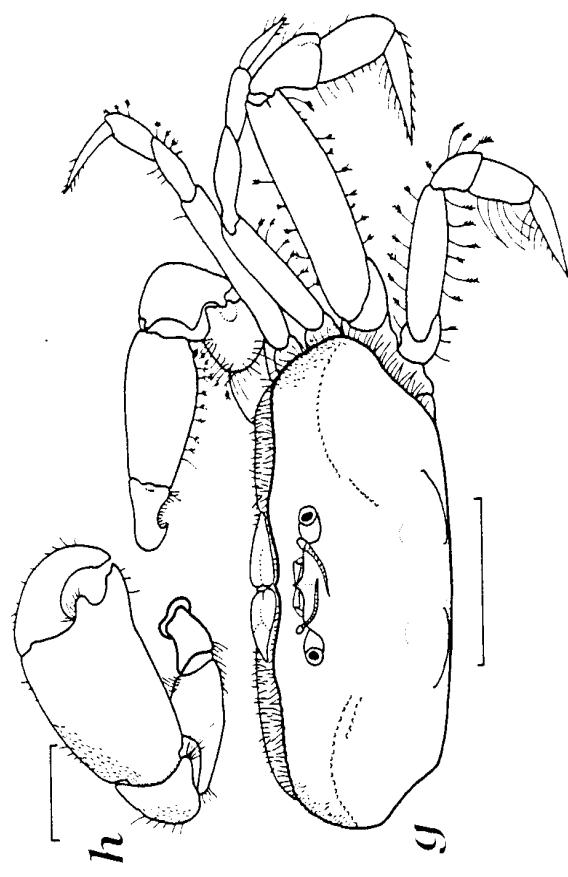
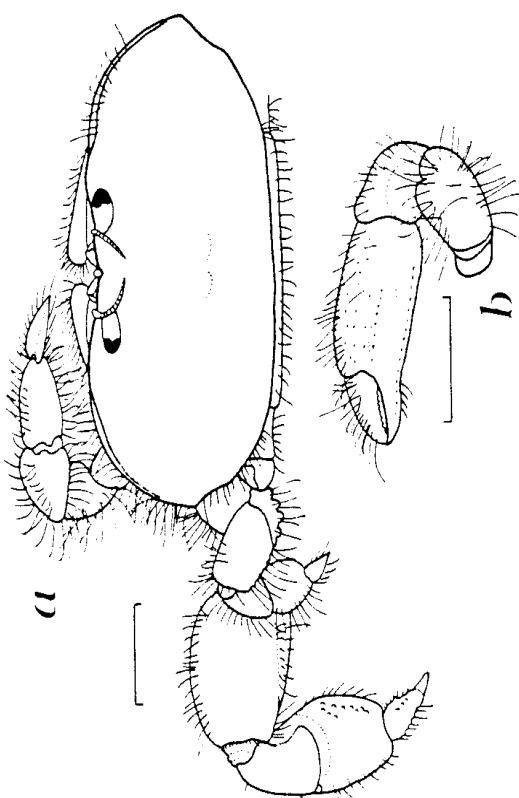
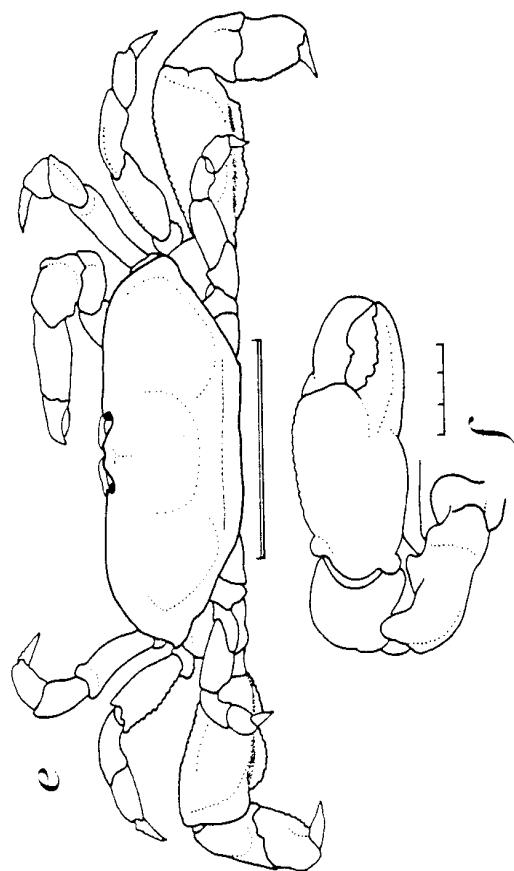
e. dorsal view (holotype male)

- f. right cheliped, external view (male)  
(after Williams, 1984)

*Pinnixa sayana*

male:

- g. dorsal view
- h. right cheliped, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)

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*Pinnixa pearsei*

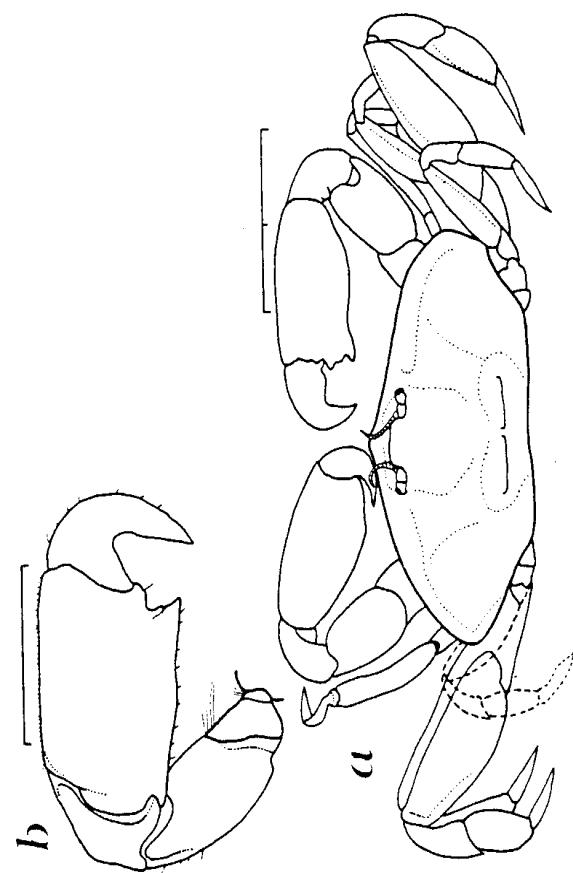
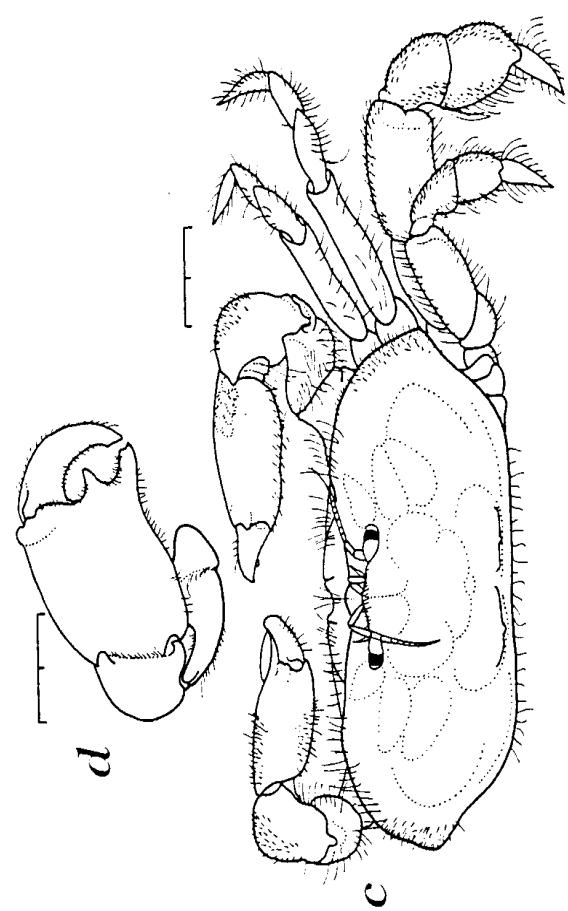
holotype male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. right cheliped, external view  
(after Wass, 1955)

*Pinnixa chaetopterana*

male:

- c. dorsal view
- d. right cheliped, external view  
(after Williams, 1984)



*Pinnotheres maculatus*

female:

- a. dorsal view
  - b. left outer (third) maxilliped
- (a, after Williams, 1984; b, after Rathbun, 1918)

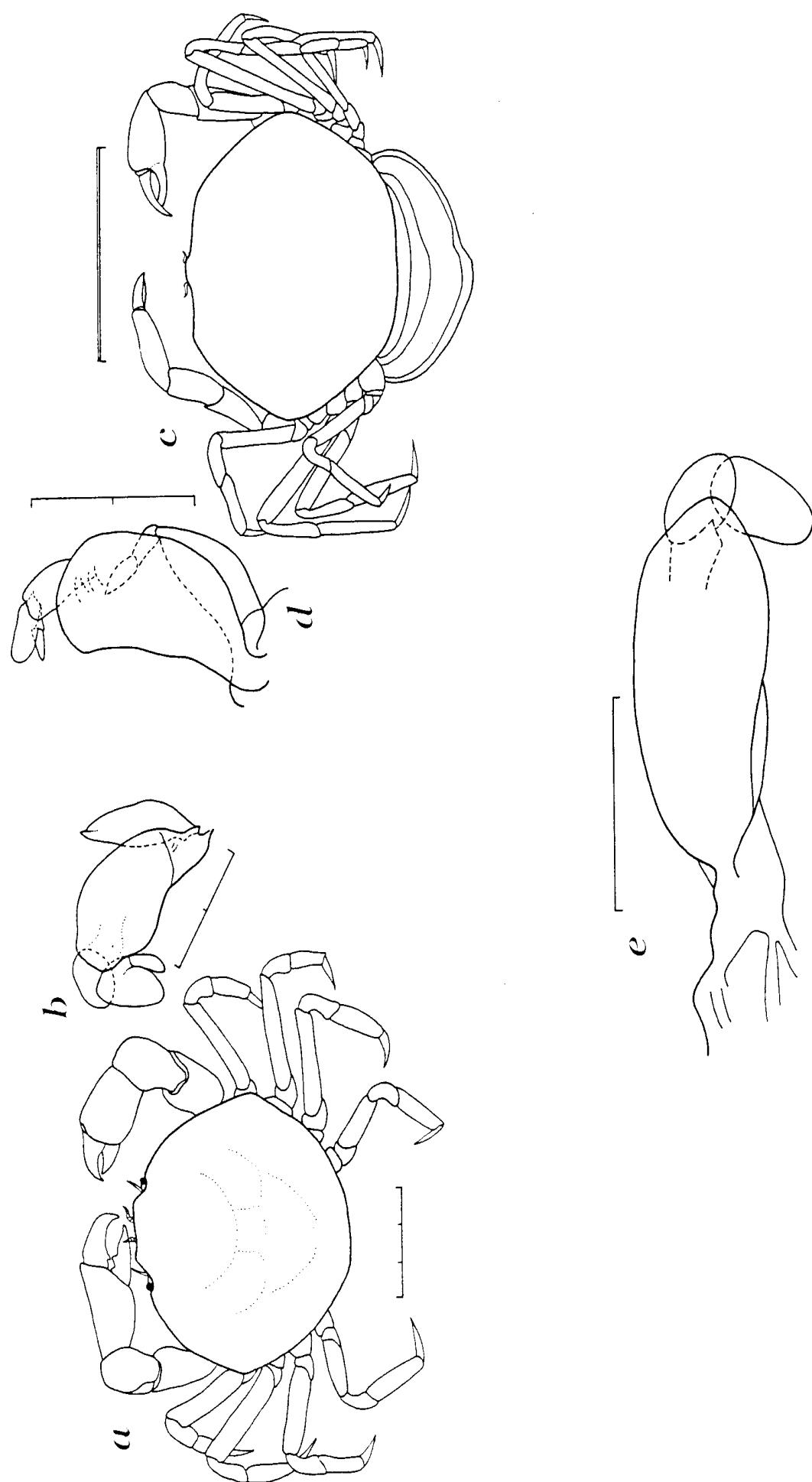
*Pinnotheres ostreum*

female:

- a. dorsal view
  - b. left outer (third) maxilliped
  - c. dorsal view
  - d. left outer (third) maxilliped
- (c, after Williams, 1984; d, after Rathbun, 1918)

*Pinnotheres moseri*

- e. endopod of right outer (third) maxilliped
- (after Rathbun, 1918)



*Pinnotheres hemphilli*

holotype male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. left outer (third) maxilliped  
(after Rathbun, 1918)

*Pinnotheres ostreum*

c. dorsal view (male)

(after Williams, 1984)

*Pinnotheres shoemakeri*

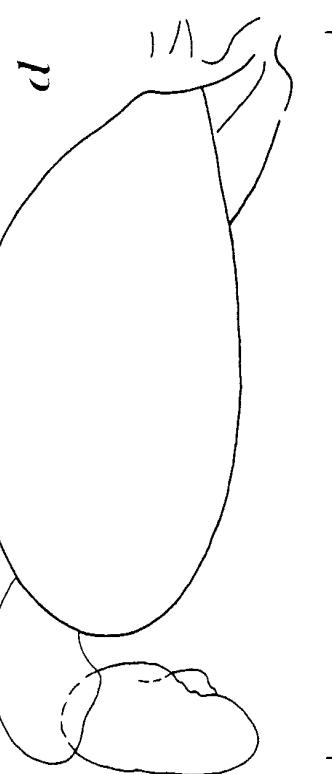
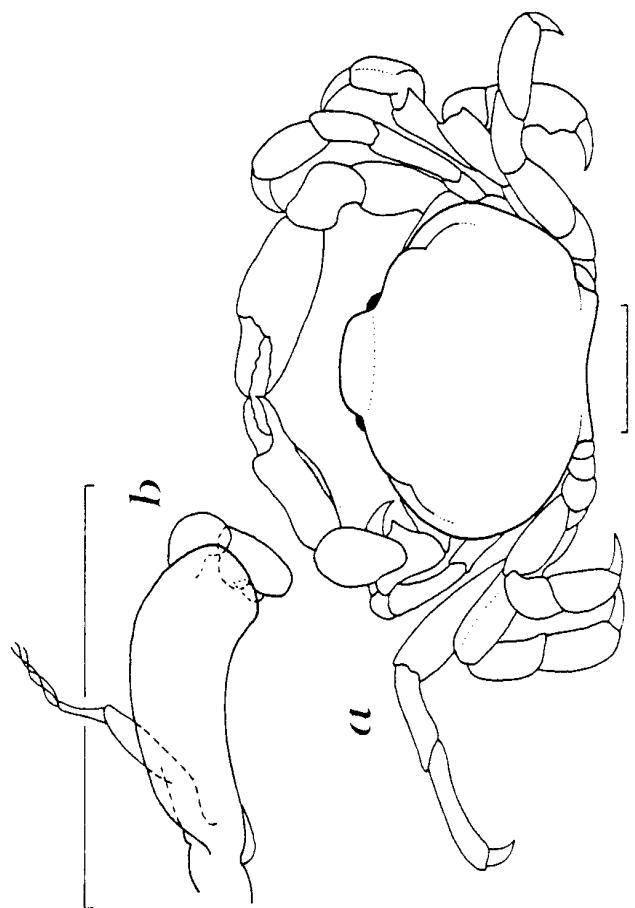
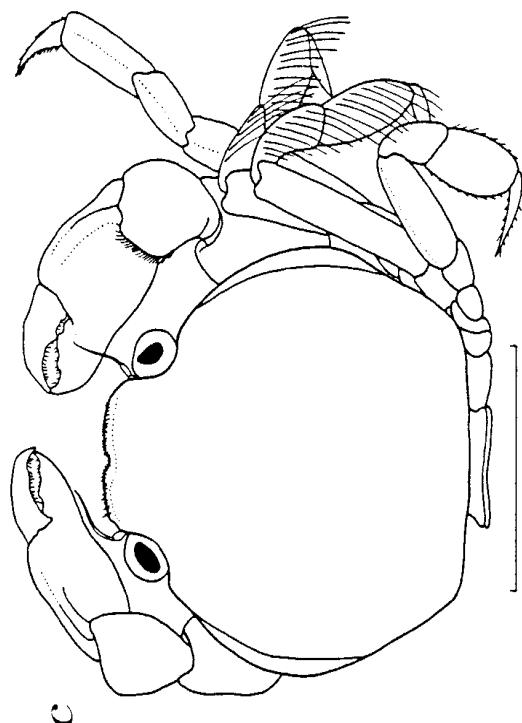
- d. endopod of left outer (third) maxilliped  
(holotype male)

(after Rathbun, 1918)

*Pinnotheres maculatus*

- e. dorsal view (male)

(after Williams, 1984)



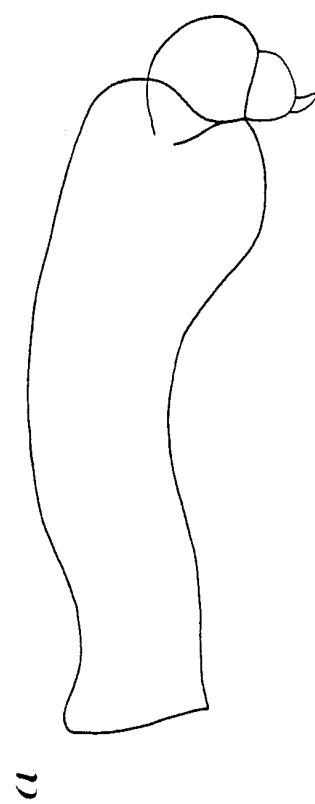
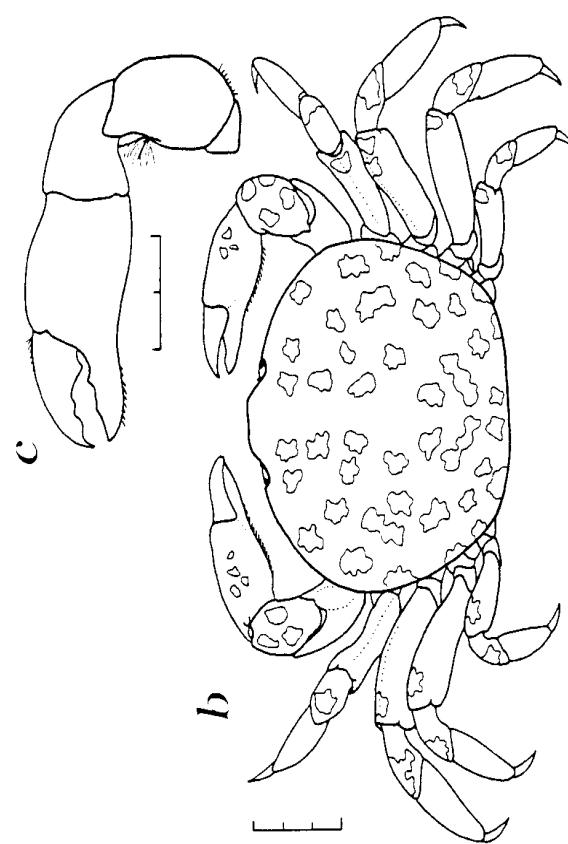
*Orthotheres strombi*

- a. endopod of right outer (third) maxilliped  
(holotype male)
- b. dorsal view
- c. left cheliped, outer view  
(after Rathbun, 1918)

*Pinnaxodes floridensis*

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. left cheliped, outer view  
(after Williams, 1984)





## Family Ocypodidae

Key to genera and species  
[Based on Chace and Hobbs, 1969]

1. Fronto-orbital distance barely two-thirds of maximum carapace width; no specialized hair-fringed ventral opening between coxae of third and fourth pereopods ..... *Ucides cordatus*
- Fronto-orbital distance at least nine-tenths of maximum carapace width; specialized hair-fringed opening between coxae of third and fourth pereopods ..... 2
2. (1) Carapace nearly subquadrate in adults, more than four-fifths as long as wide; cornea greatly swollen, occupying much more than half of extensor surface of distal segment of eyestalk; chelipeds somewhat unequal in both sexes ..... *Ocypode quadrata*
- Carapace broader, seldom more than two-thirds as long as wide; cornea occupying less than half of extensor surface of distal segment of eyestalk; one cheliped greatly enlarged in males, both chelipeds small and subequal in females ..... *Uca*

## Genus *Uca* Leach, 1814

Key to species  
[Based on Crane, 1975]

1. Minor chela with gape wide, in middle at least half width of adjacent part of movable finger; opposing edges practically parallel in at least gape's proximal half and only chela tips in contact; serrations absent or at most few, minute, and irregular; male abdomen with some segments partly fused ..... *U. leptodactyla*
- Minor chela with gape narrow, in middle clearly less than half width of adjacent part of movable finger, diminishing distally; opposing edges often almost in contact except gape's base (uncommon individuals of *pugilator*); serrations distinct and regular throughout middle section; male abdomen with all segments distinct ..... 2
2. (1) No pile on walking legs in either sex (carapace moderately arched; tip of gonopod not thick and contorted but relatively flat and narrow with two flanges and tapering inner process; female gonopore not usually large, without raised rim) ..... 3
- Ambulatory pile always present at least on second and third carpus and propodus. 4
3. (2) Cardiac H-form with rust-red pigmentation; gonopod in male continuing to follow curvature of shaft to tip of gonopod ..... *U. panacea*
- Cardiac H-form with grey-brown pigmentation; gonopod in male diverging away from arm, causing tip of gonopod to form concave arch on side opposite arm ..... *U. pugilator*

4. (2) Front narrow, contained at least 4.5 times in carapace breadth; palm with dorsal beaded edge above carpal cavity, not curving down around cavity's distal margin ..... *U. thayeri*
- Front wider, contained at most 3.5 times in carapace breadth, usually less; degree of downward curving of palm's dorsal beaded edge various ..... 5
5. (4) Anterolateral margins practically straight, posteriorly always sharply angled; palm's dorsal beaded edge slanting only slightly downward, usually with little or no curvature ..... 6
- Anterolateral margins convex, curving gradually into posterodorsal margins; palm's dorsal beaded edge strong, curving distinctly downward along carpal cavity's upper distal edge ..... 7
6. (5) Spine or tooth present on inner surface of carpus; oblique ridge inside palm very prominent ..... *U. spinicarpa*
- No spine on inner surface of carpus; oblique ridge inside palm moderately prominent ..... *U. speciosa*
7. (5) Palm with oblique, tuberculate ridge vestigial to absent; pile in marbled pattern present over most of carapace (but often largely absent through abrasion); second and third walking legs without pile in females, with pile in males, including lower palm; gonopod tip thick, its inner process broad and truncate; female gonopore with edge unevenly raised, with three unequal tubercles ..... *U. vocator*
- Palm with oblique, tuberculate ridge always distinct, although tubercles often in irregular rows or bands; pile on carapace absent or scanty, confined to H-form depression and, rarely, other grooves or anterolateral region, never in widely distributed marbled pattern; second and third walking legs always with pile on carpus and palm in both sexes at least dorsally; gonopod with inner process narrow, tapering; female gonopore with edge raised or not and with or without single tubercle ..... 8
8. (7) Second and third walking legs with pile on ventral as well as dorsal sides of carpi and propodi (major chela with proximal ridge at dactylus base paralleling adjacent furrow; eyebrow strongly inclined, almost vertical; pile on ventral sides of walking carpus and propodus scanty, fragile, confined to anteroventral margins) ..... *U. longisignalis*
- Pile completely absent on lower sides of walking legs ..... 9

9. (8) Proximal ridge at movable finger's base clearly diverging upward from adjacent groove, often either with angle ventrally or with curve throughout; center of palm always rough with tubercles of moderate size, not fine granules; tip of immovable finger never with outer subdistal crest but always with enlarged, subdistal tubercle with posterior part of edge clearly raised ..... *U. burgersi*

Proximal ridge at movable finger's base straight, closely paralleling adjacent furrow or (*minax* only) in upper portion minutely diverging from it; center of palm various; tip of immovable finger always with outer, subdistal crest at least indicated and never with enlarged, subdistal tubercle in gape's median row; meri of walking legs various; female gonopore various ..... 10

10. (9) Center of palm almost always finely granulate, usually appearing almost smooth, although exceptions occur; subdistal crest on outer surface of immovable finger almost always strongly developed, highest tubercle usually proximal with several others diminishing regularly toward tip; walking meri broad, dorsal margins of third and fourth clearly convex at least on one side in both sexes; apex of oblique tuberculate ridge on palm high, tubercles almost always continued little or not at all upward around carpal cavity; eyebrow only moderately inclined and usually narrower than smaller dimension of thickness of adjacent, depressed eyestalk; female gonopore with tubercle ..... *U. rapax*

Center of palm almost always with large, sometimes flat tubercles; apex of oblique ridge low, often lower than its median section, continued or not upward around carpal cavity; crest on outer surface of immovable finger highly variable within each species in strength and form; walking meri slender in males; dorsal margins of fourth scarcely or not at all convex, broader in females; eyebrows various; female gonopore with or without small tubercle ..... 11

11. (10) Front extremely broad, clearly more than one-third carapace breadth in both sexes; eyebrow wider than smaller dimension of adjacent, depressed eyestalk; oblique ridge inside palm not continued upward around carpal cavity; female carapace dorsally with antero-lateral patches of conspicuous tubercles; crab size large; in fresh male specimens joints of major cheliped bordered by red patches .. *U. minax*

Front narrower, less than one-third carapace breadth in males, about one-third in females; eyebrow almost always strongly inclined, almost vertical, narrower in males than smaller dimension of adjacent, depressed eyestalk, in females subequal to it; front always with distal margin's inner edge normally rounded; female gonopore with posterior edge slightly raised and sometimes with minute tubercle; in fresh male specimens joints of major cheliped bordered by yellow or yellow-brown ..... *U. pugnax*

***Uca leptodactyla***

- a. major chela, internal view
  - b. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), lateral view (male)
- (a, after Crane, 1975; b, after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)

***Uca panacea***

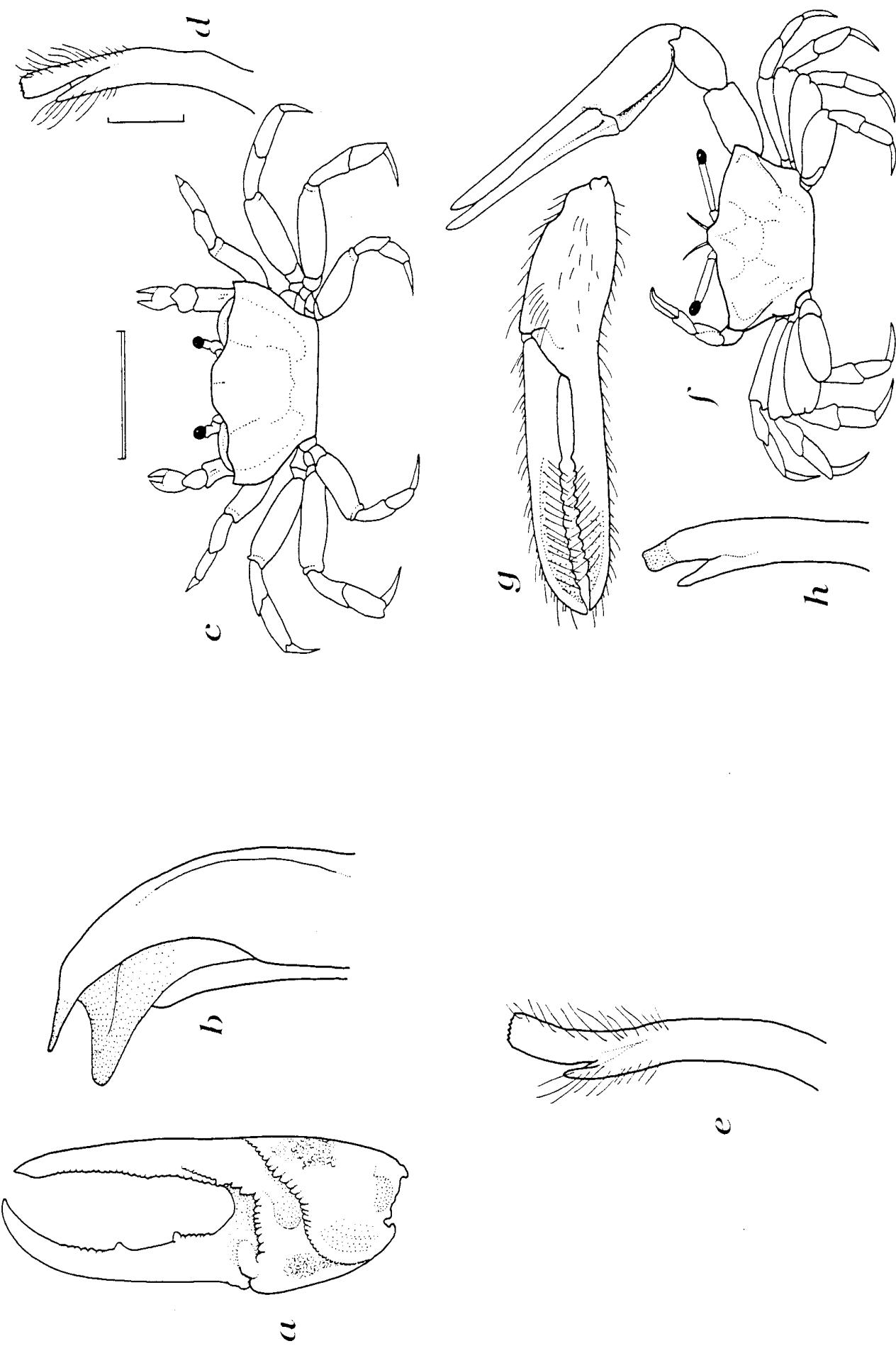
- c. dorsal view (allotype female)
  - d. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), anterior view (male)
- (after Novak and Salmon, 1974)

***Uca pugillator***

- e. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), anterior view (male)
- (after Novak and Salmon, 1974)

***Uca thayeri***

- f. dorsal view (male)
  - g. minor chela
  - h. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), lateral view (male)
- (f, after Rathbun 1918; g, after Crane, 1975; h, Chace and Hobbs, 1969)



*Uca spinicarpa*

- a. chela and carpus of major cheliped,  
dorsal view
- b. dorsal view
- c. chela and carpus of major cheliped,  
dorsal view  
(after SI-NMNH, USNM 180207)

*Uca speciosa*

- b. dorsal view
- c. chela and carpus of major cheliped,  
dorsal view
- (b, from Abele's personal drawings; c, after specimen  
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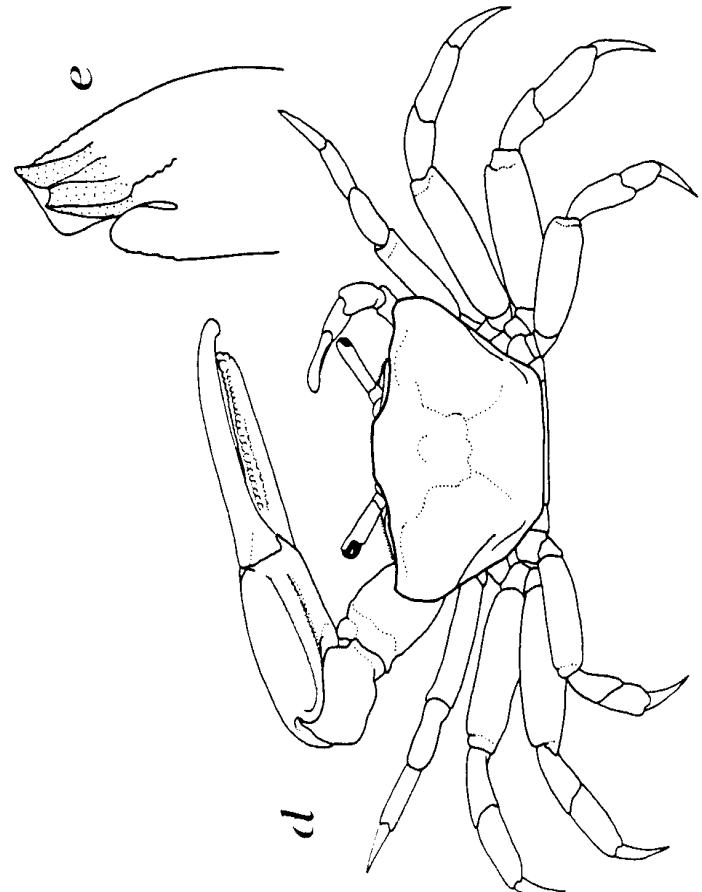
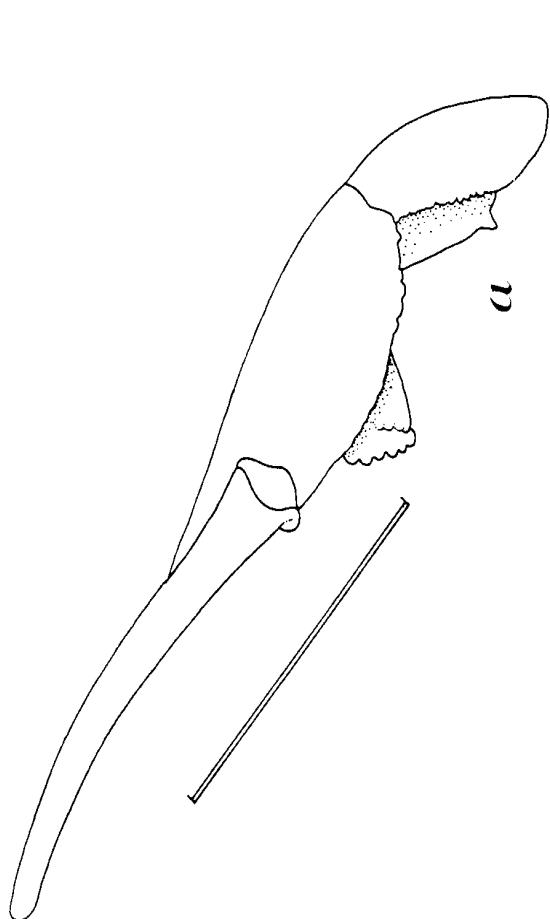
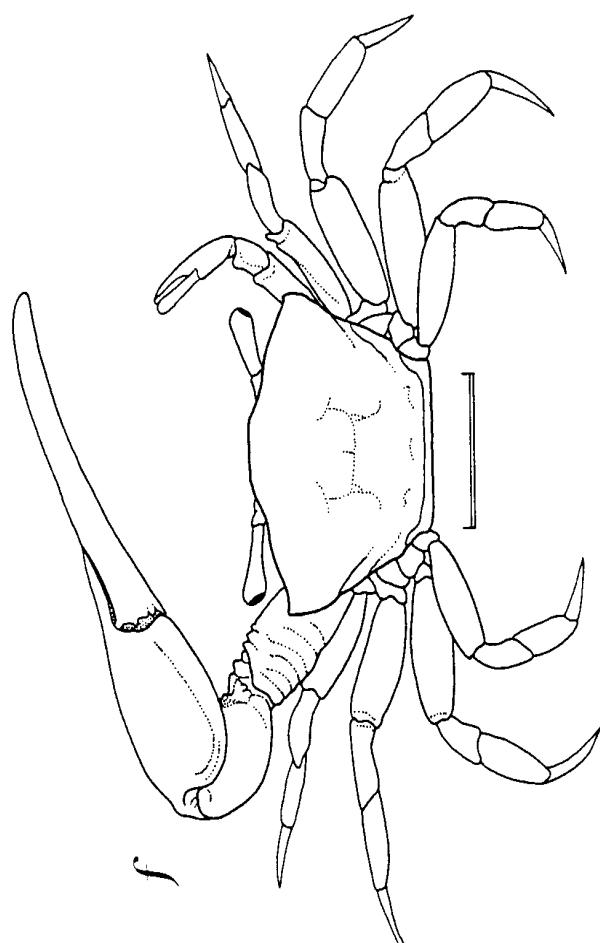
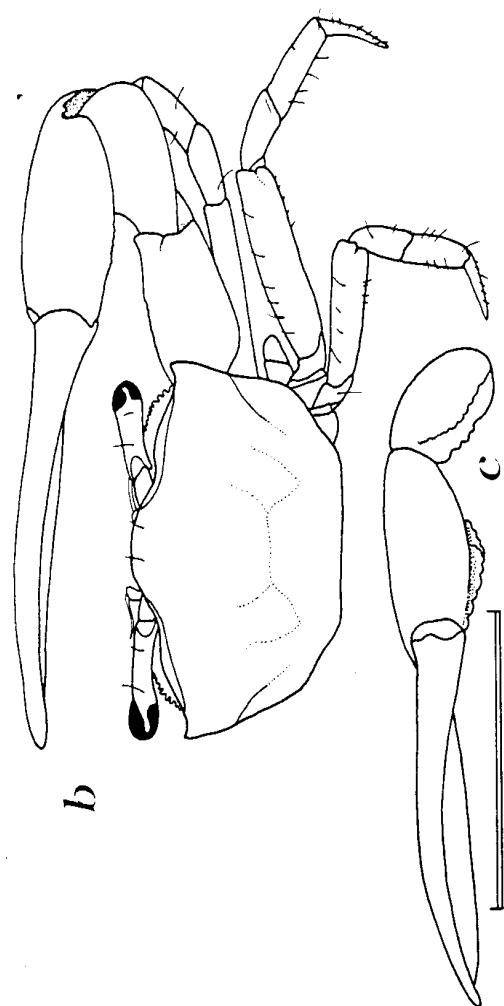
*Uca vocator*

male:

- d. dorsal view
- e. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod),  
lateral view  
(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)

*Uca longisignalis*

- f. dorsal view (holotype male)  
(after Salmon and Atsaiades, 1968)



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***Uca burgersi***

male:

- a. dorsal view
- b. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod), lateral view (male)

(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969; major chela in drawing  
after Crane, 1975)

***Uca rapax***

male:

- c. major chela, external view
- d. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod) (male)
- e. second pereopod (male)

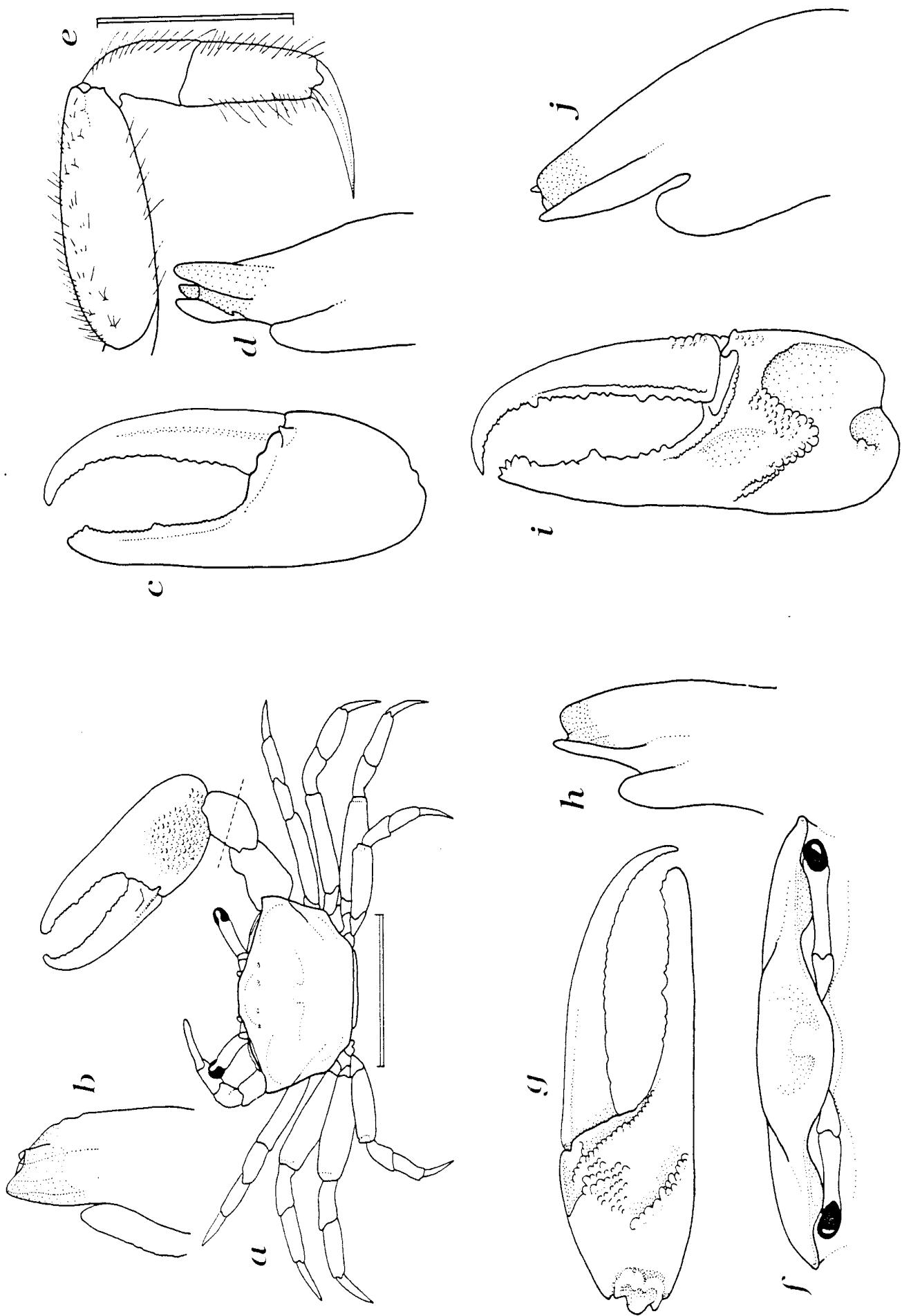
(c, d, after Crane, 1975; e, after Holthuis, 1959)

***Uca minax***

- f. anterior part, frontal view
  - g. major chela, internal view
  - h. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod) (male)
- (after Crane, 1975)

***Uca pugnax***

- i. major chela, internal view
  - j. distal portion of first pleopod (gonopod) (male)
- (after Crane, 1975)



*Ocypode quadrata*

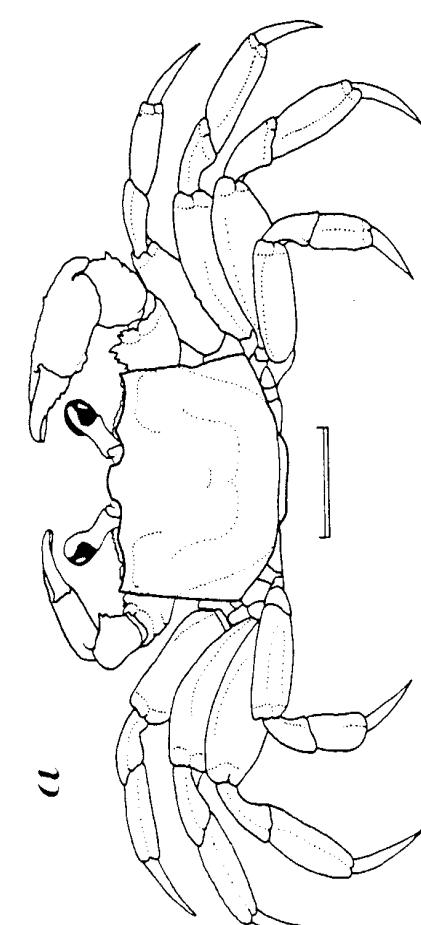
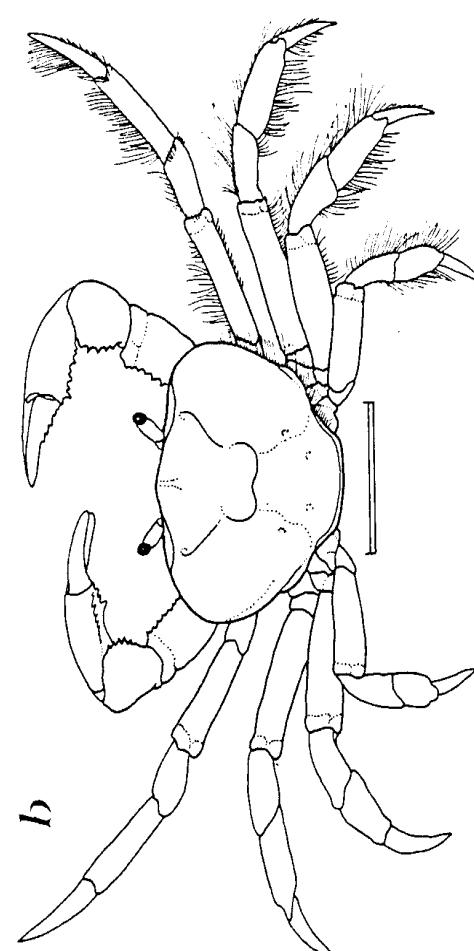
a. dorsal view (male)

(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)

*Ucides cordatus*

b. dorsal view (male)

(after Chace and Hobbs, 1969)



## Family Palicidae

### Genus *Palicus* Phlippi, 1838

Key to species  
[Adapted from Rathbun, 1918]

1. Length of second walking leg not more than twice width of carapace..... 2  
 Length of second walking leg more than twice width of carapace..... 8
2. (1) Last sternal segment forming thin, laminiform crest conspicuous in dorsal view; carapace with 3 lateral teeth, exclusive of orbital tooth ..... *P. sica*  
 Last sternal segment not forming laminiform crest conspicuous in dorsal view.... 3
3. (2) Meri of second and third walking legs each having, at its superodistal angle, obtuse lobe, more or less prominent, sometimes atrophied ..... 4  
 Meri of second or second and third walking legs each having, at its superodistal angle, prominent lobe ending in sharp point ..... 6
4. (3) Carapace with four lateral teeth on each side (not counting outer orbital tooth), diminishing in size from front to back; walking legs with 3 or 4 large teeth on anterior margin ..... *P. cristatipes*  
 Carapace with two lateral teeth on each side, sometimes with rudiments of third farther back; walking legs without large teeth on anterior margin except distal tooth . .... 5
5. (4) Anterolateral teeth blunt..... *P. alternatus*  
 Anterolateral teeth acute..... *P. affinis*
6. (3) Outer suborbital lobe strongly convex on anterior margin; anterolateral teeth blunt.... *P. obesus*  
 Outer suborbital lobe truncate and nearly straight on anterior margin; anterolateral teeth acute ..... 7
7. (6) Outer orbital tooth pointing straight ahead; first tooth (excluding outer orbital) on lateral margin with posterior border curved, longer than anterior border; tubercles of carapace very distinct from prominences bearing them ..... *P. dentatus*  
 Outer orbital tooth with tips turned inward; first tooth (excluding outer orbital) on lateral margin subtriangular, borders subequal in length ..... *P. faxoni*

8. (1) Outer suborbital lobe visible from above and almost as advanced as pterygostomial lobe; one larger lateral tooth between two smaller lobes or denticles ..... *P. cursor*
- Outer suborbital lobe much less advanced than ear-shaped prominence formed by pterygostomial region at its anterior angle ..... 9
9. (8) One lateral tooth and one tubercle; second walking leg 3.5 times as long as width of carapace ..... *P. gracilis*
- Three lateral teeth; second walking leg 3 times as long as width of carapace.....  
..... *P. floridana*

*Palicus sica*

a. dorsal view (female)

(after Williams, 1984)

*Palicus cristatipes*

b. dorsal view (holotype male)

(after Rathbun, 1918)

*Palicus alternatus*

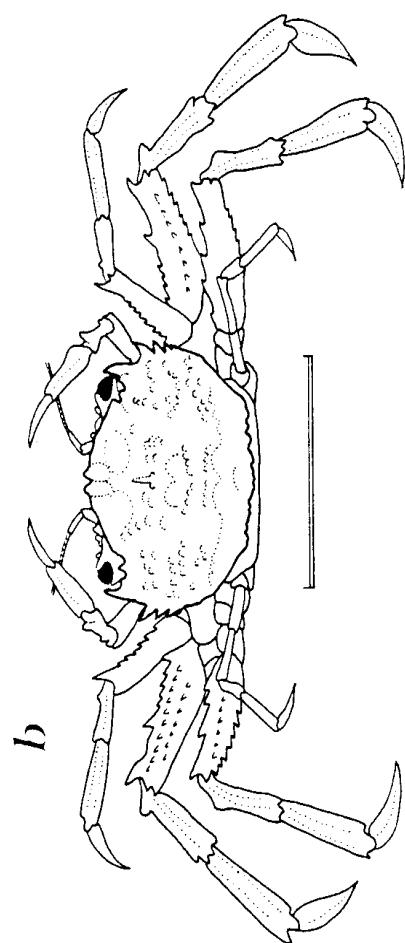
c. dorsal view

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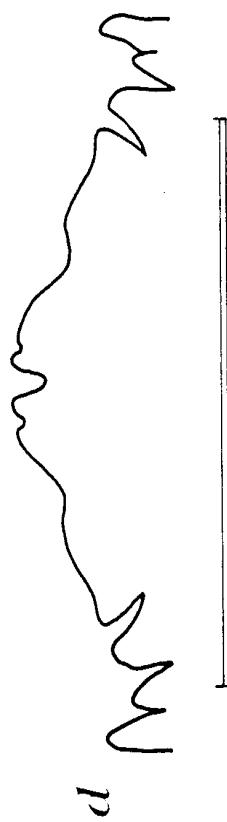
*Palicus affinis*

d. anterior part of carapace, dorsal view (male)

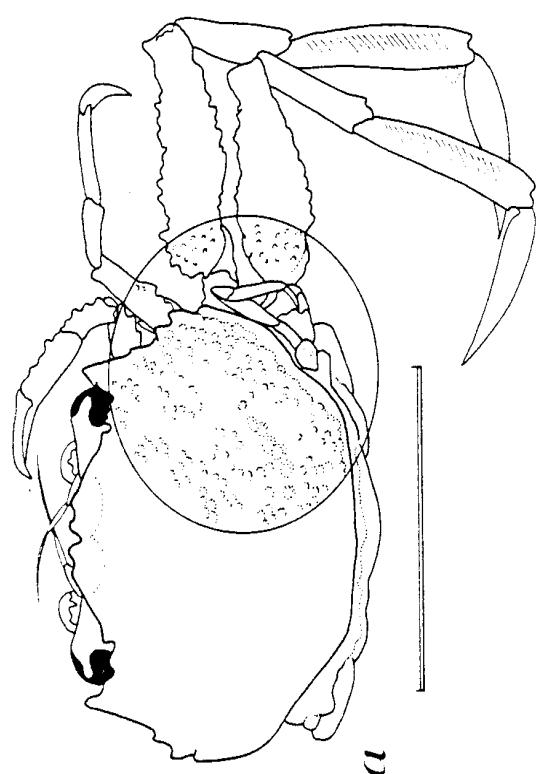
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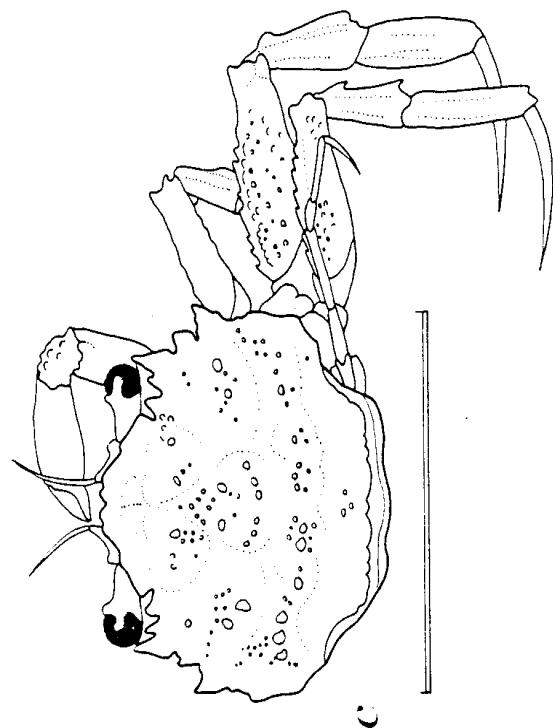
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*Palicus obesus*

- a. dorsal view (holotype immature female)  
(after Rathbun, 1918)

*Palicus dentatus*

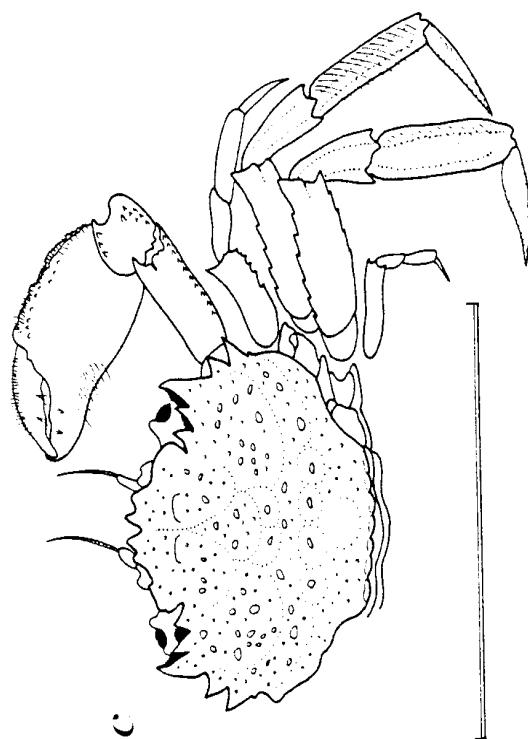
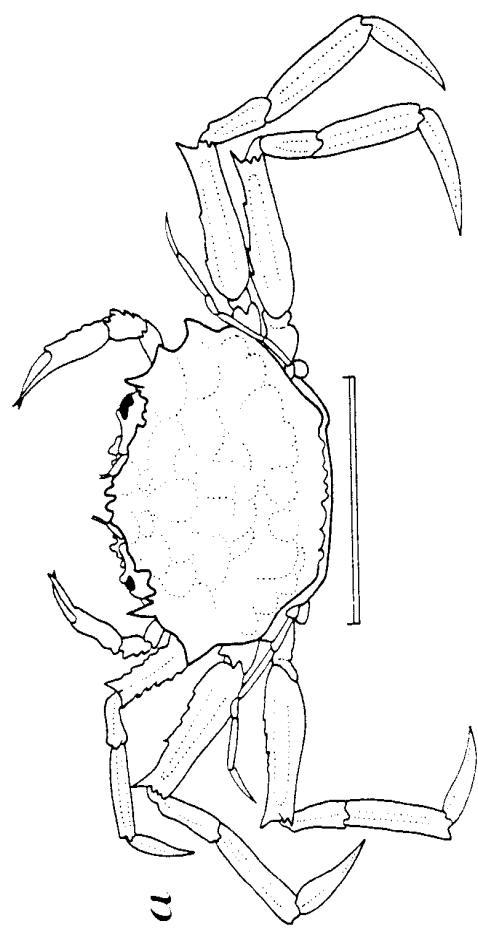
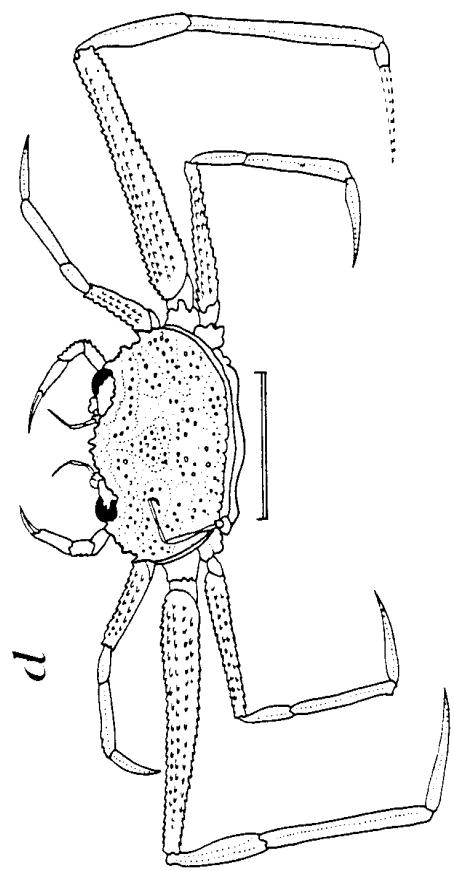
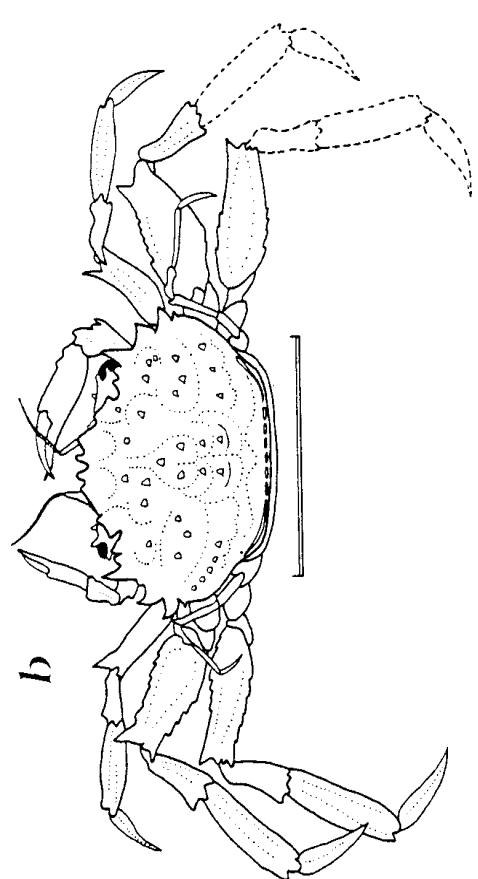
- b. dorsal view (holotype female)  
(after Rathbun, 1918)

*Palicus faxoni*

- c. dorsal view (male)  
(after Williams, 1965a)

*Palicus cursor*

- d. dorsal view (female)  
(after Rathbun, 1918)

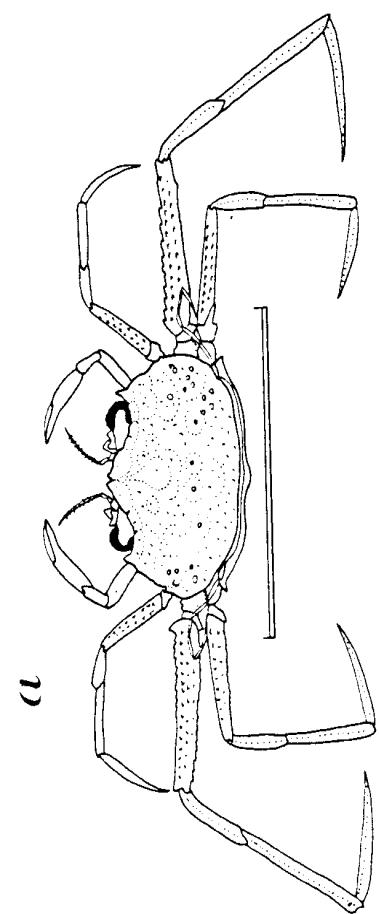
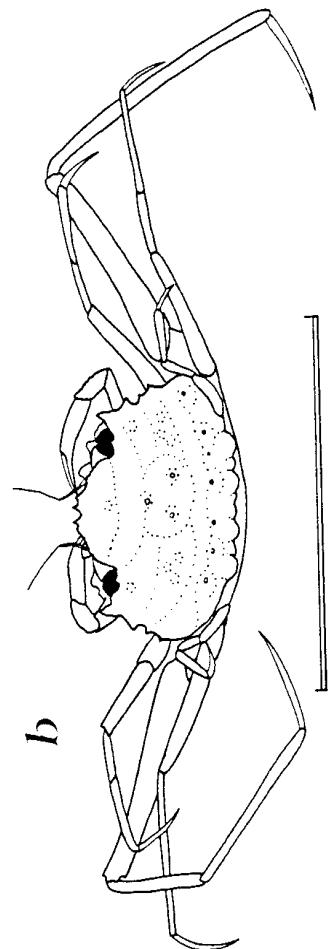


*Palicus gracilis*

a. dorsal view (holotype female)  
(after Rathbun, 1918)

*Palicus floridana*

b. dorsal view (holotype female)  
(after Rathbun, 1918)





**Family Cryptochiridae****Genus *Pseudocryptochirus* Hiro, 1938**

## Key to species

[Based on Shaw and Hopkins, 1977]

Posterior lateral margins of carapace expanded, anterior lateral margins tuberculate; sternum with transverse rows of tubercles; inhabiting canopy-like burrows of *Agaricia fragilis* (Family Agariciidae) ..... *P. hypostegus*

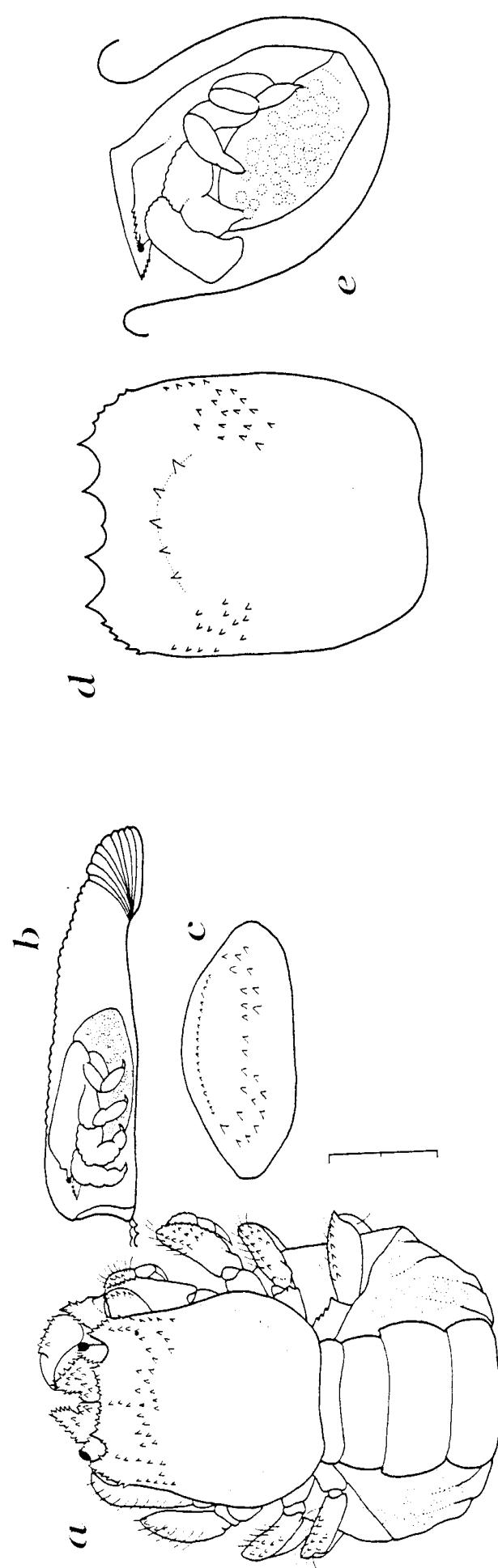
Posterior lateral margins of carapace parallel, anterior lateral margins spined; sternum without transverse rows of tubercles; inhabiting lunate pits oblique to surface of living corals of families Mussidae and Flaviidae ..... *P. corallicola*

***Pseudocryptochirus hypostegus***

- a. dorsal view (holotype female)
- b. habitat in *Agaricia fragilis*
- c. sternum (paratype male)  
(after Shaw and Hopkins, 1977)

***Pseudocryptochirus corallicola***

- d. carapace, dorsal view (female)
- e. habitat in *Scolymia lacera*  
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