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REVIEW

Cadien (in) Straughan & Klink (1980)

A very useful list of opisthobranch species "Known" (?) from the southern California bight. As this document qualifies as formal journal publication, I am compelled to point out several severe problems in the opisthobranch section. They are undocumented and unsupported synonymies of two species: Aplysiopsis enteromorphae (Cockerell & Eliot, 1905) = Aplysiopsis smithi (Marcus, 1961) = Phyllobranchopsis enteromorphae C. & E. Flabellinopsis iodinea (Cooper, 1862) = Coryphella sabulicola Cowen & Laur, 1978. Although I tend to agree with the latter, an explanation of the basis for these changes would certainly be preferable; and, many species included in the list are of questionable status and have avoided collection and/or documentation since originally described. This, of course, is a reflection upon the need for a little "formal" house cleaning on many of our older species, particularly those of the Bullomorpha.

To my knowledge, this may be the first "formal" reference to Tritonia diomedea as a senior synonym to T. exsulans, although Thompson (1971) did imply it.

Many new species are known from the bight, however, only one is listed here, Cadiens's Rumcinida sp. (?)

Because this document is not widely available, two points of interest should be noted:
a) the range extension of Alderia modesta from Elkhorn Slough to Newport Bay,
California, 300 miles, and b) although dropped by Smith & Carlton, 1975, Aglaja nana's
range is extended from San Francisco Bay to Newport Bay, California, 375 miles. Does
this mean that A. nana is still valid? Other than these oversights, a formidable work. -Dave Behrens.

FOR SALE

Dave Behren's book entitled "Pacific Coast Nudibranchs" is still available from the OPISTHOBRANCH NEWSLETTER at \$14.95 plus \$1.00 for shipping. California residents must add appropriate sales tax. A review of this book appeared in the San Luis Obispo TELEGRAM-TRIBUNE on Saturday, December 20, 1980 which includes a picture of Dave and of Chromodoris macfarlandi. About 2000 copies of Dave's book have been sold to date.

READER REQUESTS

Howard Katzman wants information on Arctic and Antarctic biology including unpublished photos. Howard is a Los Angeles teacher and is working on a paper for school including possible publication. Contact him at 2043 Veteran Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90025.

Bob Burn wants a few preserved specimens of **Cylichnella inculta** (Gould, 1855) to compare with local fauna found in Australia. He would like to obtain any of the Californian bullomorphs in exchange for similar Australian material or nudibranchs.

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A COLOR VARIATION IN CHROMODORIS MACFARLANDI (NUDIBRANCHIA: DORIDACEA). by David W. Behrens, 416 Lilac Drive, Los Osos, CA 93402.

Personal observations of a large number of specimens and literature concerning the cryptobranch dorid nudibranch Chromodoris macfarlandi Cockerell, 1901 has shown the characteristic notal striping to be highly consistent. Color descriptions by Cockerell (1901), MacFarland (1966), Keen (1971), McDonald (1977) and Behrens (1980) indicate a body color of deep violet with three solid yellow to cadmium orange longitudinal stripes. The median stripe begins about half way between the anterior margin of the notum and the rhinophores, and continues posteriorly to the branchial sheath. The midlateral pair begin just behind the rhinophores and pass posteriorly midlaterally, encircling the branchial pocket, where they unite. MacFarland (1966:155) reports that in one specimen several scattered small spots of yellow were observed on the mantly behind the gill and the union of the lateral stripes were prolonged posteriorly into a broad point, the tip of which was encircled by the above spots. Reported here is an additional yet more pronounced example of this color variation.

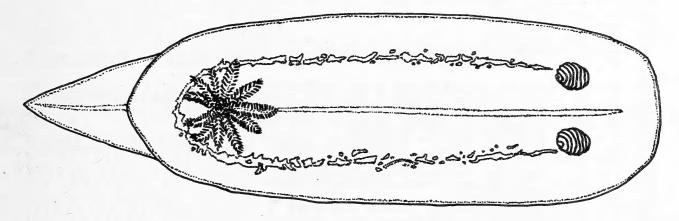


Figure 1: Chromodoris macfarlandi, Cockerell, 1901

On November 3, 1979, a variant colored individual of C. macfarlandi was collected by Mr. John Warrick, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, while conducting intertidal surveys in Diablo Cove, San Luis Obispo County, California (figure 1). The specimen measuring 40 mm in length, was marked by quite irregular midlateral striping. Typical in all other characteristics, the midlateral stripes were broken into a series of scattered irregular yellow spots. Less dense anteriorly, the spots formed an irregular stripe posteriorly. Although never actualy stated in the above color descriptions, the midlateral stripes are always with this exception smooth and unbroken.
ON CITATION NUMBERS FOR LITERATURE CITED: 9970, 0463, 2470, 8023, 9979

CALL FOR SPECIMENS

Currently there are some 30 undescribed species of opisthobranchs, on the west coast alone. Most of these species are in the process of being described by one or more researchers. Specimens, photographs, and all types of biological and ecological information are welcomed by those trying to describe them. This section will contain preliminary information (not descriptions) along with names of anyone known to be working with the animal. The intent is absolutely NOT to describe anything new to science here. I am hopeful that knowledge of who is working with which animals will lead to a useful exchange of information and/or specimens. For example, it seems ridiculous to me that Doris s.l. still exists without proper naming. Please direct future solicitations to Opisthobranch Newsletter - CALL FOR SPECIMENS. This column may also be used to solicit specimens of species already described). also be used to solicit specimens of species already described).

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?Taringa - See Behrens, 1980 (figure 147). Southern California. Subtidal in kelp holdfasts. Sparse, large, distinct papillae on the notum. Rhinophores and gills are cream with brown specs. Very cryptic. (D.W. Behrens & R.H. Henderson)
Porostome with yellow gills - See Behrens, 1980 (figure 146). Intertidal and subtidal. Egg mass flat and coiled, attached on its edge. (J. Lance & D.W. Behrens)
White Porostome - See Behrens, 1980 (figure 143). Pure white with deep purple gills and rhinophores. Deep water, southern California. (J. Lance & D. Behrens)
?Coryphella - See Behrens, 1980 (figure 155). Cedros Island, Mexico. Body violet.

Head tentacles, rhinophores and cerata violet at base, followed by a red band, then yellow to white apically. Rhinophores lamellate. (D. Behrens)

Aeolid from Morro Bay, California. White, flesh to salmon cerata (six rows) which arise from ridges. Behrens, 1980 (figure 162). Front margin of head flat, forming a plow-shaped veil. (D. Behrens)

Lake Merritt's Aeolid - Behrens, 1980 (figure 154). Oakland, California. Tiny, cream body with green cerata. (D. Behrens)

Aldisa sanguinea - Sandra Millen.

Laila cockerelli - Dave Behrens.

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Porostome. Known from Santa Cruz Island. Large, 60-70 mm in length. Body yellow with a scattering of brown spots or blotches on the notum. Branchial plume and rhinophores yellow-white with brown at tips. A white line around margin of notum. (D.W. Behrens)

ERRATA TO BEHRENS' BOOK

Dave Behrens has provided an errata to his book -- Pacific Coast Nudibranchs: A Guide to the Opisthobranchs of the Northeastern Pacific. The most significant errors lie in the oversight of Lambert (1976) making some of Dave's northern range limits a little short. Other errors are minor, even a few US/Canadian border disuptes over Vancouver and Puget Sound. Errors in capitalization and minor punctuation are left out here. Corrections are underlined, except for deletions, which are noted.

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Thanks to all of you for your patience and continued support. Thanks especially to Don Cadien, James Lance, Tom Cockburn, Sandra Millen, Hans Bertsch, Jeff Hamann, Eveline Marcus, Clayton Carlson, Bob Burn, I.S. Roginskaya, and Dave Behrens, who have recently sent information for the newsletter.

PERSONAL NOTES

From Jeff Hamann: "I made an interesting trip to Cedros Is. in August. My wife, parents, 3 brothers and 1 year old daughter spent a week aboard a friend's boat, the Kalinga. We dove the southern end of the island and found 13 species of nudibranchs. The two worth mentioning were a new chromodorid and a range extension for an unnamed coryphelid. I brought the chromodorid home and Jim Lance is working it over. We also found a new species which I've sent to Dave Behrens. The other species are more what you'd expect: Chromodoris macfarlandi, Dendronotus frondosus, Doto kya, D. amyra, Eubranchus rustyus, Facelina stearnsi, Flabellinopsis iodinea, Polycera atra, Hypselodoris californiensis & Cadlina flavomaculata.

Grace & Tom Cockburn had their first child, a boy, Brian Andrew, on December 27, 1980. Congratulations!

Dr. S.A. Mileikowsky died suddenly on September 12, 1980. His works included seasonal dynamics of pelagic larvae of bottom invertebrates, and particularly breeding and larval distribution of Pteropoda.

Bob Burn identified the dorid on Carlson & Hoff's Christmas card as Chromodoris bullocki Collingwood, 1881 which has also been found in Northern Australia.

From Hillary H. West: "I am currently an assistant professor of biology at Illinois State University. In 1980 I received my Ph.D. from Northeastern University, Boston, MA. My thesis work was an investigation of chloroplast symbiosis and development of Elysia chlorotica a local salt marsh ascoglossan. Currently Dr. June Harrigan (of the NITT Biophysics program at Woods Hole) and I are collaborating on a study of the inheritance of variable reproductive modes in this animal using laboratory crosses."

Dr. Itaru Usuki is now working in the field of Protozoology and is not doing any opisthobranch research.

From Jeff Hamann: "I've finally finished sorting slides from Aruba. I also used Jim's [Lance] great library to identify most of them. I had all three of my brothers collecting with me & we came up with a grand total of 22 species. Snorkelling proved to be most productive as there is little or no tidal throw & only 3 specimens were collected in over 10' of water. Elysia cauze, Elysia ornata, Oxynoe antillarum, Aplysia dactylomela, Berthellina quadridens, Pleurobranchus areolatus, Aglaja evelinae, Aphelodoris antillensis, Chromodoris clenchi, Hypselodoris ruthae, Dendrodoris krebsi, Platydoris augustipes?, Siraius kyolis, Hexabranchus morsomus,

