

*Abralia redfieldi* Voss 1955

Class Cephalopoda  
Order Teuthoidea  
Family Enoploteuthidae

Classification according to Roper *et al.* (1984)

References used: Voss (1955), Vecchione and Roper (1991)

**Return specimens of *Abralia* to the laboratory for specific identification.**

**Diagnostic characters:** Small species; mantle short and stout; **raised, brownish ridge** running length of gladius (pen) on dorsal mantle; fins large and wide, occupying 47-55% of mantle length; **fins united with posterior end of mantle, tapering to long point**; head large, eyes prominent; arms and clubs of tentacles with both hooks and suckers; body, arms, head and eyes with light organs.

**Habitat:** According to Roper *et al.* (1984) members of the family Enoploteuthidae are mesopelagic inhabitants of tropical and subtropical oceans.

**Range:** Noted from the Bahamas and Lesser Antilles.

