

Cranchia scabra Leach, 1817

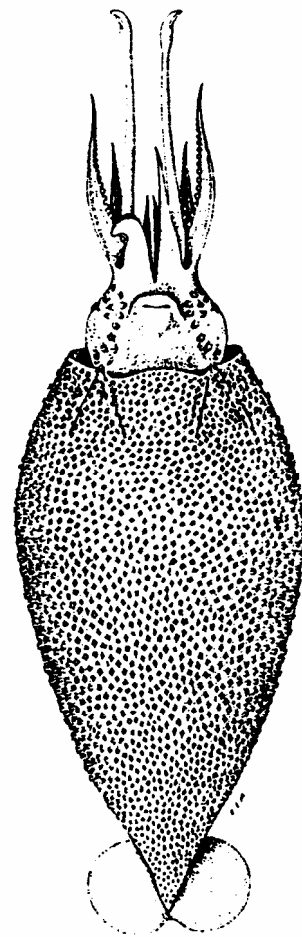
Class Cephalopoda
Order Teuthoidea
Family Cranchiidae

Return specimens to the laboratory for archival purposes.

Classification according to Roper *et al.* (1984)
References used: G. Voss (1955), N. Voss (1980)

Diagnostic characters: Sub-globular in form; mantle fused to head in nuchal region and to funnel at its two posterolateral corners; ventral surface of mantle with 2 cartilaginous strips extending posteriorly from anterior apex of funnel-mantle fusions; dorsal mantle heavily tuberculated, ventral surface papillated; fins small, nearly circular; large funnel valve; head with large, round, prominent, sessile eyes occupying entire lateral surface; eyes with 14 oval photophores; small species, 2-3 inches in size.

Range: Circumglobal, tropical and subtropical waters, upper 200 meters.



From N. Voss (1980)