FOUR NEW TEREBRID GASTROPODS FROM EASTERN PACIFIC ISLANDS

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Abstract: Four new terebrids are described from Eastern Pacific islands: Terebra hertleini, T. jacqiielinae, and T. purdyae from the Galápagos Islands, Ecuador, and T. stohleri from Socorro Island, Mexico.

While examining the terebrid collections dredged by the R/V Valero III during the Allan Hancock Foundation Pacific Expeditions and by the expeditions of California Academy of Sciences to the Eastern Pacific islands, we discovered three new species of Terebra; the fourth was brought to our attention by Mrs. Jacqueline DeRoy, who dredged specimens at Academy Bay in the Galápagos Islands.

The following abbreviations are used in the text: AHF, Allan Hancock Foundation (material on loan to LACM); AMNH, American Museum of Natural History; ANSP, Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia; B&B, Bratcher and Burch collection; BM(NH), British Museum (Natural History); CAS, California Academy of Sciences; LACM, Los Angeles County Museum of Natural History; MCZ, Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University; SB, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History; SD, San Diego Museum of Natural History; SU, Stanford University; USNM, United States National Museum; WAM, Western Australia Museum.

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Terebra hertleini, sp. nov.
Figures 1-2

Diagnosis: A small species distinguished from other small terebrids by turreted whorls and large subsutural nodes.

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Description of holotype: Size small; color white, whorls flat, turreted, ten in number plus two glassy, convex nuclear whorls; first postnuclear whorl constricted; sculpture of three spiral cords per whorl and obsolete axial ribs beginning in large nodes anterior to suture (nine on penultimate whorl); sculpture on body whorl of three spiral cords crossing obsolete ribs that end in faint nodes at periphery, these nodes being less prominent than those at suture; anterior to periphery spiral cords cross minute axial striations; aperture semiquadrat e; outer lip thin, white within; columella straight with one weak plication; siphonal fasciole well developed with sharp keel; anterior canal of medium length, recurved. Length, 11.8 mm; diameter, 5.0 mm.

Type locality: Academy Bay, Santa Cruz (Indefatigable) Island, Galápagos Islands, Ecuador, 08° 46’ 16” S, 90° 19’ 38” W, CAS loc. 27536, 3.5-5.5 fms, dredged, 45 specimens. Most of the specimens are very small and appear not to have been live taken as they have a chalky appearance.

Type material: Holotype, CAS 13222. Paratypes: AMNH 157281; ANSP 316670; B&B 741; BM(NH); CAS 13223-13227; LACM-AHF 1288; SB 27147; SD 51962; SU 9996; USNM 680212. The LACM paratype is from AHF station 168-34, 15-25 fms, and was live collected, Academy Bay.

Discussion: This species shows variation in the spiral cords being well developed in some specimens and almost obsolete in others. The nodes at the periphery of the body whorl are inconspicuous in some individuals. Terebra hertleini has a superficial resemblance to T. jacquelinae sp. nov., but is a much smaller species. The holotype of the former with ten whorls measures 11.8 mm in length while that of the latter with 13 whorls measures 33.2 mm. Terebra jacquelinae has a row of large nodes posterior to the suture which are absent in T. hertleini.

Terebra hertleini is named for Dr. Leo G. Hertlein of the California Academy of Sciences in appreciation of his encouragement and assistance in our work on the eastern Pacific Terebridae.

Terebra jacquelinae, sp. nov.

Figures 3-4

Diagnosis: A species differing from other west American terebrids in having extremely concave whorls and axial ribs that fade at the center of the whorl and become large nodes at each end.

Description of holotype: Size medium; color shiny cream; first four postnuclear whorls flat, remainder of whorls very concave, 13 in number plus 1.5 shiny, opaque, somewhat bulbous nuclear whorls; sculpture on first five

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postnuclear whorls of weak axial ribs ending in small nodes at suture and of obsolete spiral grooves that cross the ribs; apical angle increases after sixth postnuclear whorl and ribs begin to fade at center of whorl while nodes at rib endings become more prominent, those anterior to suture being slightly more prominent than posterior ones; interspaces on later whorls contain minute striae, body whorl of medium length with 12 obsolete ribs ending in nodes at periphery; anterior to periphery weakly incised spiral grooves cross equally weak axial grooves; aperture elongate, white within; columella white, straight, with one rounded plication that continues to become keel of well developed siphonal fasciole; anterior canal short, recurved. Length, 33.2 mm; diameter, 8.4 mm.

**Type locality:** Academy Bay, Santa Cruz (Indefatigable) Island, Galápagos Islands, Ecuador, 0° 46' 16" S, 90° 19' 38" W, CAS loc. 39585, about 10 fathoms, on hard packed coralline sand bottom, collected by Allyn G. Smith and André and Jacqueline DeRoy, February, 1964, holotype and four paratypes.

**Type material:** Holotype, CAS 13215; 4 paratypes, CAS 13216-13219. Additional paratypes are all from Academy Bay. CAS Templeton Crocker Expedition, May, 1932, loc. 27536, 3.5-5.5 fms., 11 specimens, distributed as follows: 8 paratypes, CAS 13220; 1 paratype, BM(NH); 1 paratype, SU 9997; 1 paratype, USNM 680213. Hancock Expeditions, AHF sta. 807-38, 10-25 fms., January, 1938, 28 specimens, distributed as follows: 26 paratypes, LACM-AHF 1179; 1 paratype, MCZ 271946; 1 paratype, SD 51963. Thirteen additional paratypes were dredged by the DeRoys, 5-6 fms., 6 remain in the DeRoy collection, others distributed as follows: 1 paratype, AMNH 157282; 1 paratype, ANSP 316671; 1 paratype, SB 27148; 1 paratype, WAM; 3 paratypes, B&B.

**Referred material:** Numerous specimens of this species were among material taken by the Hancock and California Academy of Sciences expeditions and by the DeRoys at collecting stations in the vicinity of Santa Cruz (Indefatigable), San Salvador (James), and Baltra (Seymour) Islands in the Galápagos Islands at depths of 2-20 fathoms.

**Discussion:** Although there is little variation among mature individuals of this species except that some are more slender than others, occasional immature specimens have the peripheral nodes forming a sharp keel that differs in appearance from that of adults. Most of the specimens examined are of a light cream color, but a number of specimens, most of which were collected at San Salvador Island, range in color from beige to light brown with cream colored nodes. The largest specimen examined measures 36.3 mm in length and 10.8 mm in width and is in the DeRoy collection. This species should not be confused with *Terebra frigata* Hinds, 1844, which has less concave whorls, pronounced spiral sculpture, a more slender profile, and ribs that are continuous from suture to suture. The Gulf of Mexico species, *T. concava* (Say, 1827), is a smaller and much more slender species with definite spiral sculp-
ture, having small sharp nodes at the subsutural band and periphery of the body whorl.

*Terebra jacquelineae* is named for Mrs. Jacqueline DeRoy of Isla Santa Cruz. Galápagos Islands, who first brought this species to our attention.

**Terebra purdyae**, sp. nov.

*Figures 5-6*

*Diagnosis:* A small slender species that differs from other west American species in having finely cancellate sculpture and a straight columella.

*Description of holotype:* Size small, slender; color shiny pale cream with weak fulvous blotches; whorls almost flat, 11 in number plus four purple-beige convex nuclear whorls; suture fairly well defined; barely evident subsutural band of beading, slightly more prominent than beading on remainder of whorl; sculpture finely cancellate, remarkably consistent from second postnuclear whorl through body whorl, consisting of axial ribs (29 on penultimate whorl) crossed by cords (four on penultimate whorl) giving a beaded effect; axial ribs about equal to interspaces; body whorl of medium length with sculpture continuing anterior to periphery but less well defined; aperture elongate and slender; columella straight with no plication; faint siphonal fasciole with posterior keel; anterior canal short, recurved. Length, 13.9 mm; diameter, 3.3 mm.

*Type locality:* North of Santa Maria (Charles) Island, Galápagos Islands, Ecuador, 0° 59' S, 90° 25' W, 70-80 fms., sand and rock bottom, AHF station 195-34, January 29, 1934, 2 specimens.

*Type material:* Holotype, LACM-AHF 1182; 1 paratype LACM-AHF 1183. An additional paratype, CAS 13221, is from Post Office Bay, off the same island, 8-10 fms., sand and rock and algae bottom.

*Referred material:* LACM, Hill coll. 1363, Costa Rica, 2 specimens; AHF 201-34, Panama, 4 specimens; USNM 192963, Panama, 4 specimens.

*Discussion:* The sculpture of this species resembles that of *Terebra shyana* Bratcher and Burch, 1970, but *T. purdyae* is a smaller species having a nucleus of four whorls and a straight columella with no plication. *Terebra shyana* has a nucleus of three whorls and a slightly curved columella with a faint plication. *Terebra panamensis* Dall, 1908, also has cancellate sculpture, but it is a heavier, broader shell with coarse sculpture.

*Terebra purdyae* is named for Ruth Purdy of San Diego, California, in recognition of her generosity in sharing specimens, not only with us in our work on Terebridae, but with those studying other families of mollusks.

**Terebra stohleri**, sp. nov.

*Figures 7-8*

*Diagnosis:* A sturdy, medium-small, ivory colored species with little resemblance to other species of *Terebra.*
Description of holotype: Size medium-small; color shiny ivory with slightly darker blotches; whorls convex, 14 in number plus remaining 2.5 (part missing) glassy convex nuclear whorls; suture deeply channeled, constricted; subsutural band inconspicuous; whorls slightly shouldered anterior to suture; sculpture of slightly curved axial ribs (28 on penultimate whorl), about equal to interspaces and of evenly spaced spiral grooves (three including subsutural groove), the two whorls posterior to body whorl having an additional groove immediately posterior to suture; body whorl of medium length; sculpture posterior to periphery remains constant; anterior to periphery axial ribs continue and spiral grooves become more numerous and close set (seven between periphery and siphonal fasciole); aperture elongate; outer lip thin with sculpture pattern showing through; columella straight with no plication; siphonal fasciole striate; anterior canal short, recurved. Length, 21.4 mm; diameter, 5.1 mm.

Type locality: Braithwaite Bay, Socorro Island, Mexico, 18° 42' 20" N, 110° 56' 15" W, sand and red mud bottom, March 17, 1939, AHF station 922-39, 1 specimen.

Type material: Holotype, LACM-AHF 1180; 1 paratype, LACM-AHF 1181. The paratype is from Cape Rule, Socorro Island, AHF station 291-34, 4-10 fms.

Referred material: LACM A. 5498, Galápagos Islands, 1 specimen; LACM, Hill coll. 1365, Chamela Bay, Mexico, 2 specimens; LACM A. 375, Tres Marias Islands, Mexico, 1 specimen; Shy collection, Manzanillo, Mexico, 1 specimen.

Discussion: There is no other species with which this beautifully sculptured, shiny species can be easily confused.

This species is named in honor of Dr. Rudolph Stohler who has given so much of his time, his personal finances, and himself to the publishing of The Veliger, for the advancement of conchology and malacology.

Resumen

Se describen cuatro nuevos terébridos procedentes de las Islas del Pacífico Este: Terebra hertleini, T. jacquelinae y T. purdyae procedentes de las Islas Galápagos, Ecuador, y T. stohleri de la Isla Socorro, México.

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