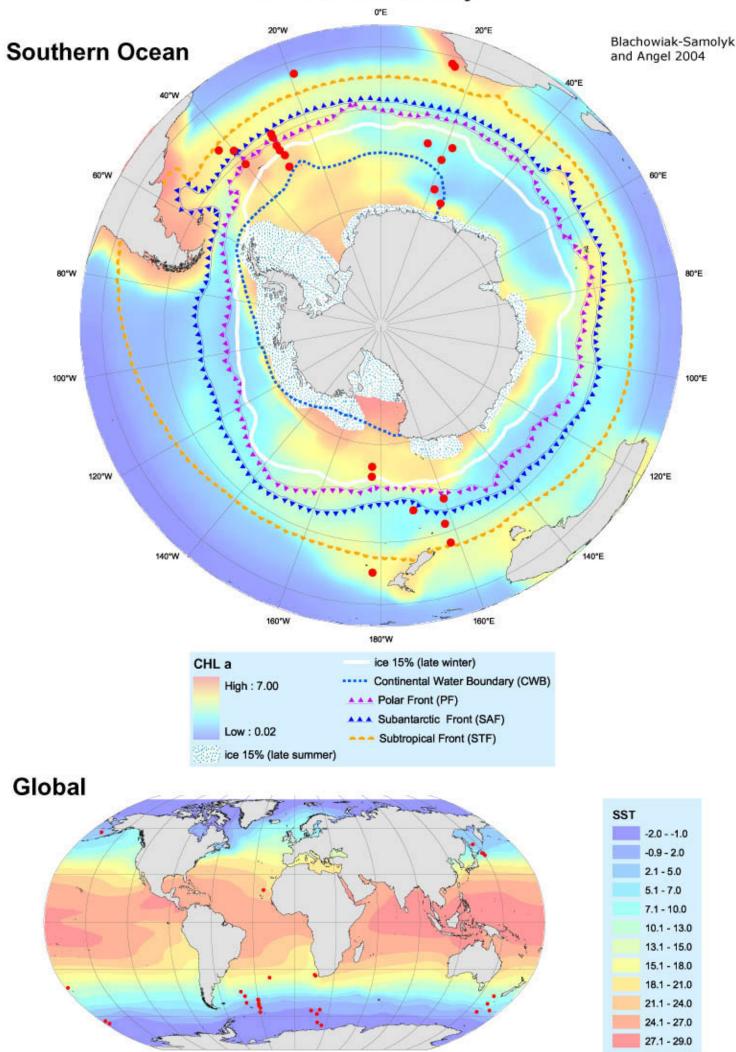
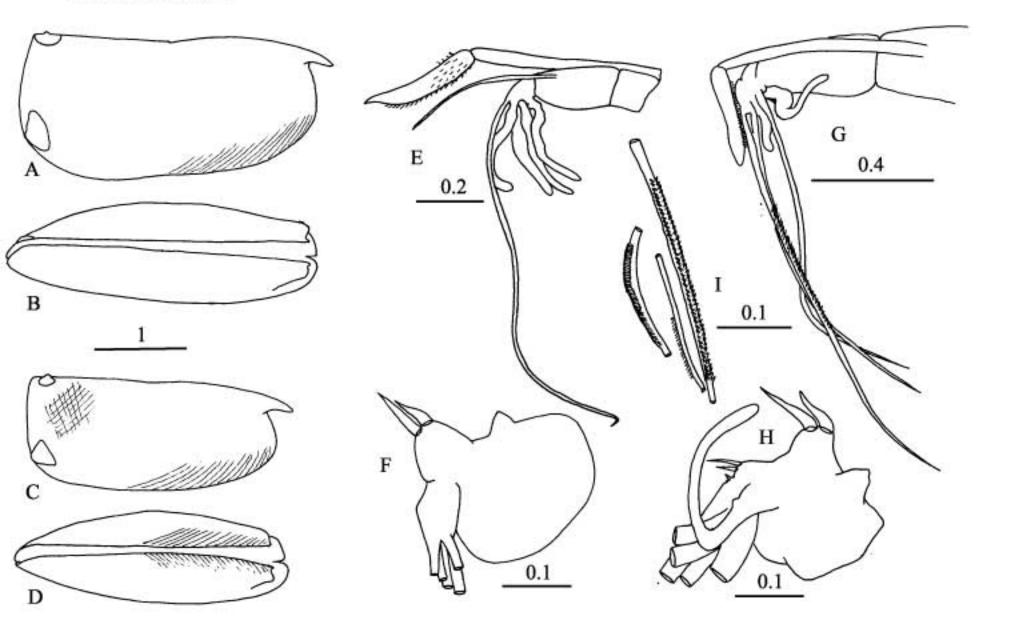
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Key to drawings

Adult carapaces (A,B females, C,D males)

Details of the first antennae and frontal organs and the endopodite of the left second antennae of females (E and F) and males (G and H)

Details of the armature of the male first antenna setae (I).

Paramollicia major (Müller, G.W., 1906)

Records: 28

This uncommon species was originally described as a large subspecies of *Conchoecia plactolycos* by Müller (1906), and was subsequently raised to full specific rank by Deevey (1974) after Poulsen (1973) has established the new genus. It is predominantly a Southern Ocean deep mesopelagic/bathypelagic species, which either infrequent in occurrence or has been undersampled. The specimens from the tropical North Atlantic and the North Pacific need to be compared with typical specimens from the Southern Ocean to confirm that they are conspecific.

	n	Mean mm	s.d.	Range mm
Female	94	3.42	0.085	3.16-3.60
Male	21	3.14	0.078	2.92-3.28
A-1	21	2.46	0.079	2.28-2.60
A-2	1	1.68		
A-3				