

the base of each palpon is always a simple thin tasting filament, richly provided with small cnidocysts and cynidocils.

*Gonodendra*.—The corms of all Forskalidæ seem to be monoecious ; the cormidia are usually monoclinic ; but in *Bathypphysa* perhaps diclinic. The gonodendra are distylic, either male or female, in *Bathypphysa* and *Strobalia*, whilst they are monostylic in *Forskalia* and *Forskaliopsis*. Each cormidium usually possesses in these two typical genera a single pediculate gonodendron, which arises separately from the siphon and cyston, and bears upon a common pedicle a spindle-shaped sexual palpon (Pl. X. fig. 21) and numerous roundish gynophores in the proximal part, oblongish androphores in the distal part. Each female gonophore (*f*) develops only a single large ovum, each male a large club-shaped spermarium (*h*). In some species two sexual palpons (“twin-tasters”), more rarely three or four, are attached to the base of the hermaphroditic gonodendron. There seems to be some variety in this arrangement. *Strobalia* differs in the possession of two separate clustered gonodendra, a male and a female, both arising separately from the common base of the ordinate cormidium.

*Synopsis of the Genera of Forskalidæ.*

Nectosome without palpons. Trunk of the siphosome articulate, with regular equidistant annular constrictions.	}	Cormidia ordinate. Gonodendra distylic, arising from the base of the siphonal pedicles, . . . . .	50. <i>Strobalia</i> .
		Cormidia loose. Gonodendra monostylic, alternating with the siphonal pedicles, . . . . .	51. <i>Forskalia</i> .
Nectosome with palpons between the nectophores. Trunk of the siphosome not articulate, without regular annular constrictions.	}	Cormidia loose. Gonodendra monostylic, between the siphons, which have hepatic ridges (no villi), . . . . .	52. <i>Forskaliopsis</i> .
		Cormidia loose. Gonodendra distylic, between the siphons, which have hepatic villi (no ridges), . . . . .	53. <i>Bathypphysa</i> .

Genus 50. *Strobalia*,<sup>1</sup> Haeckel, 1888.

*Strobalia*, Hkl., System der Siphonophoren, p. 42.

*Definition*.—Forskalidæ with ordinate cormidia, and segmented trunk of the siphosome. Gonodendra distylic, arising from the base of the siphonal pedicles. Siphons with hepatic ridges. Nectosome without palpons.

The genus *Strobalia* comprises some new species of Forskalidæ, which are very similar in general appearance to some smaller forms of the true *Forskalia*, but differ from it in two important points. The cormidia are perfectly ordinate, not loose ; and the gonodendra are gonochoristic or distylic. Each cormidium of the siphosome is composed of five different medusomes, three of which are sterile (a siphonal, a cystonal, and a palponal) and two fertile (a male and a female). Each of the three sterile

<sup>1</sup> *Strobalia* = Marine spiral, στρόβαλος, ἀλιος.