

	Cirri with obtuse points.	
	Parapodia slit,	<i>M. wyville-thomsoni.</i>
	Parapodia not slit.	
	Body rounded, length of the cirri often greater than the breadth of the border,	<i>M. vastum.</i>
	Body oval; cirri somewhat greater than the breadth of the marginal border, .	<i>M. cirriferum.</i>
* * * * *	More than ten cirri on each side.	
	Cirri as large obtuse flaps, nearly as broad as long.	
	Central disk prominent on the ventral side,	<i>M. verrucosum.</i>
	Central disk not prominent,	<i>M. dentatum.</i>
	Cirri normal, lessened at the point.	
	Body much longer than broad.	
	Cirri sharply separated from the border.	
	Some pairs of the cirri extraordinarily elongated.	
	The first pair alone elongated,	<i>M. cornutum.</i>
	More (five to six) pairs elongated,	<i>M. brachiatum.</i>
	No cirri of an extraordinary length.	
	Suckers quite near the border,	<i>M. oblongum.</i>
	Suckers moved from the border, more than the breadth of the suckers,	<i>M. caribbeanum.</i>
	Cirri with a large base rising gradually out of the border.	
	Intestine much ramified,	<i>M. elongatum.</i>
	Intestinal branches not very numerous,	<i>M. mæbianum.</i>
	Body circular, not, or not much, different in length and breadth.	
	On each side not more than twenty cirri.	
	Cirri sharply separated from the border,	<i>M. irregulare.</i>
	Cirri with a large base, rising gradually out of the border,	<i>M. dubium.</i>
	More than twenty cirri on each side.	
	Cirri ending in very fine points,	<i>M. elegans.</i>
	Cirri ending obtusely.	
	Suckers round, parapodia feeble and small,	<i>M. rotundum.</i>
	Suckers oblong, parapodia vigorous and big,	<i>M. abundans.</i>
* * * *	Suckers are wanting.	
	Border irregularly notched; back smooth,	<i>M. folium.</i>
	Border with ten pairs of cirri, back areolated,	<i>M. coronatum.</i>
	Border with more than twenty cirri, back ribbed,	<i>M. carinatum.</i>
* * *	With caudal appendages.	
	Two caudal appendages existing.	
	Caudal appendages without terminal threads,	<i>M. bicaudatum.</i>
	Caudal appendages with terminal threads.	
	Terminal thread shorter than the base of the caudal appendages, .	<i>M. filicauda.</i>
	Terminal thread longer than the base of the caudal appendages, .	<i>M. filiferum.</i>
	Four caudal appendages existing.	
	Caudal appendages large and flat, with a notched lateral border, .	<i>M. lobatum.</i>
	Caudal appendages round.	
	Caudal appendages without terminal threads,	<i>M. quadricaudatum.</i>
	Caudal appendages with terminal threads,	<i>M. quadrifilum.</i>
	Six caudal appendages existing.	
	Caudal appendages large and flat, without terminal threads,	<i>M. fissum.</i>