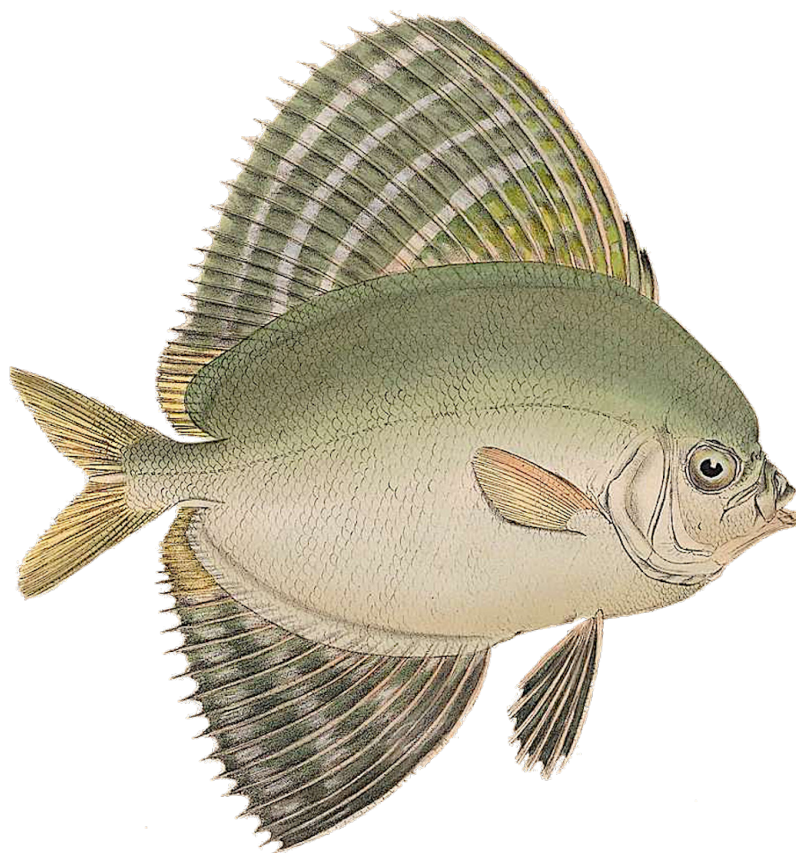


Order LAMPRIFORMES

Velifers

Family VELIFERIDAE

Bleeker 1859



"Velifer," described 19 years later as *Velifer hypselopterus*. From: Temminck, C. J. and H. Schlegel. 1850. Pisces. In: Siebold, P. F. de (ed.): Fauna Japonica. Lugduni Batavorum [Leiden] (A. Arnz et soc.). Last part(15): 270–324.

Metavelifer

Walters 1960

metá (Gr. μετά), after, i.e., after *Velifer*, "assuming [this] genus is more specialized than *Velifer*"

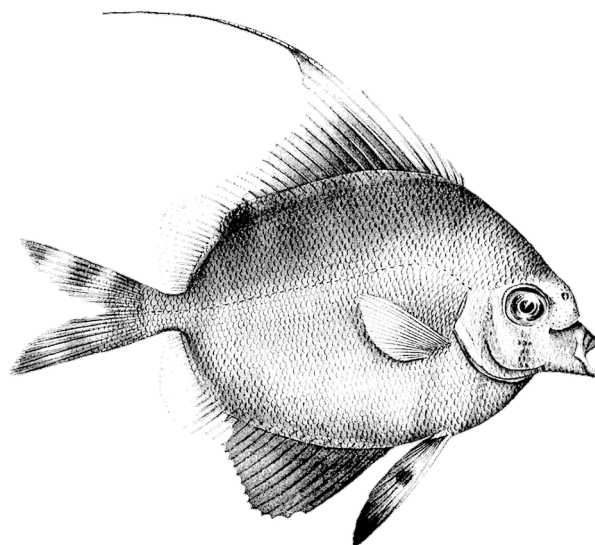
***Metavelifer multiradiatus* (Regan 1907)** *multi-* (L.), many; *radiatus* (L.), rayed, referring to more dorsal- and anal-fin rays compared with *Velifer hypselopterus*, its presumed congener at the time

Velifer

Temminck & Schlegel 1850

velum (L.), sail; *fero* (L.), to have or bear, referring to elevated dorsal fin, resembling a sail [proposed without species, which explains why genus predates species]

***Velifer hypselopterus* Bleeker 1879** high-finned, from *hypsēlós* (Gr. ὑψηλός), high, and *pterus*, from *pterón* (Gr. πτερόν) or *ptéryx* (πτέρυξ), fin, referring to elevated dorsal fin



Right: Probably first-published image of *Metavelifer multiradiatus*. Illustration by P. Clarke. From: McCulloch, A. R. 1914. Report on some fishes obtained by the F. I. S. "Endeavour" on the coasts of Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania, South and South-western Australia. Part II. Biological Results Endeavour 2 (3): 77–165, Pls. 13–34.