Order LAMNIFORMES
Megamouth Shark
Family MEGACHASMIDAE
Taylor, Compagno & Struhsaker 1983

_Megachasma_ pelagios
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megas (Gr. μέγας), big; cháskō (Gr. χάσκω), yawning hole or open mouth, referring to its unusually large oral cavity

_Megachasma pelagios_ Taylor, Compagno & Struhsaker 1983 pelágios (Gr. πελάγος), "of the sea," referring to its oceanic, epipelagic habitat