

**A RECORD OF *GERYON TRIDENS*  
(CRUSTACEA DECAPODA) FROM THE  
BARENTS SEA<sup>1</sup>**

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The deepwater crab *Geryon tridens* Krøyer is quite common along the Atlantic coasts of southern Norway and in the Skagerak region, with more scattered records further south along the European coasts (Christiansen 1969). The only published records from northern Norway are four specimens from Andfjorden in 1950 (Sætersdal 1952), and 3 specimens in the Tromsø Museum collections, 1 from Andfjorden (69°10,5'N, 16°19,5'E) and 2 from Malangen (69°42'N, 17°43'E) (Christiansen op. cit.)

In a small collection of invertebrates caught in a shrimp-trawl by the shrimper «Ben Hur» of Ramfjorden, and kindly donated by its skipper, Jan K. Hansen to Tromsø Museum in 1978, an immature female specimen of *Geryon tridens* (carapace breadth 51 mm) was present. The animal had been collected in the Barents Sea N. of the Nordkyn peninsula (71°28'N, 28°20'E) at 390 m depth on 15 May 1978. It is registered in

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the collection of Tromsø Museum, reg. nr. Crust. 8565.

This is far N. and E. of the previous northernmost occurrence of *Geryon tridens*, and may be a further indication of the penetration of Atlantic species in the Barents Sea (Nesis 1964, Blacker 1965; see also Stein 1977).

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