MONOCULUS CONCHACEUS.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Pedes natatorii.

Corpus crusta tectum.

Oculi (plerisque) approximati, testæ innati.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

MONOCULUS testâ ovali tomentosa.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3003.

M. antennis capillaribus multiplicibus, testâ bivalvi.

Lyn. Syst. Nat. ed. 12. p. 1059.

M. ovato-conchaceus.

Degeer. ins. 7. p. 476. t. 29. f. 5—7.

Cypris pubera.

Müll. entomost. p. 56. n. 15. t. 5. f. 1—5.

In omnibus fere aquis stagnantibus conspici possit æstivo tempore Monoculus conchaceus, mytulo deminuto simillimus. Variat moles pro ætate; interdum grano arenæ vix major, interdum decimæ fere unciae parti æqualis. Color, ut plurimum, leviter fuscus, interdum subflavo tinctus.

THE
MUSCLE MONOCULUS.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Feet formed for swimming.

Body covered by a crustaceous shell.

Eyes (in most species) approximated, fixed in the shell.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Brown oval MONOCULUS, with downy shell.

Oval-shelled MONOCULUS.

Muscle MONOCULUS.

The Monoculus Conchaceus, so remarkable for its resemblance to a muscle in miniature, may be discovered in almost every stagnant water during the summer months. In size it varies according to age; being sometimes scarce larger than a grain of sand, and sometimes nearly the tenth of an inch in length. Its color is a pale brown, with a slight cast of yellow.

Shaw, George. 1799. "The Muscle Monoculus, Monoculus conchaceus [Pl. 390]." *The Naturalist's Miscellany* 10(CXIX), <https://doi.org/10.5962/p.304572>.

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