HYALE TRIDENTATA.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Animal Clio.

Testa bivalvis, tenuis ; valvulis connatis ; superiore inflato-convexa, inferiore planiuscula.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

HYALE testa pallida, fusco-flavente, extremitate inferiore tridentata.

ANOMIA tridentata. A.

HYALE.

Cuvier. Ann. Mus. Hist. Nat. No. 21. p. 223.

N. B. Figuræ superiores et inferiores leviter auctæ ; cæteræ magnitudine vera exprimuntur.

A testa pellucida nomen adeptum est genus *Hyale* ; accurate descriptum et depictum a Domino Cuviero in opere cui titulus “ *Annales*,” &c. Testam primus detexit Dominus Forskalius, et ad genus *Anomiæ* retulit, cujus habita est species anomala. In mari Mediterraneo enutritum summas

radit aquas quo modo solet genus *Clio*, e Mollus-
corum familia; cui affine admodum est, animal
quod in testa includitur. Longa est testa, ut plu-
rimum, quasi tertiam unciae partem, interdum per-
tingens ultra unciam dimidiatam. Color levissime
fusco-flavescit.

R. M. N. Sculpt.

THE
TRIDENTATED HYALE.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Animal allied to a *Clio*.

Shell bivalve, thin, subtransparent; valves connate; the upper convex-inflated, the lower flattish.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Pale yellowish-brown *Hyale*, with the shell tridentated at the lower part.

HYALE.

Cuvier. Ann. Hist. Nat. No. 21. p. 194.

N. B. The upper and lower figures are slightly magnified; the rest are of the natural size.

The genus *Hyale*, so named from the transparency of the shell, is accurately described and figured by Mons. Cuvier in the "*Annales du M. N. d'Hist. Nat.*" By Forskal, its first describer, it was referred to the genus *Anomia*, of which it was al-

lowed to constitute an anomalous species. It is a native of the Mediterranean sea, and is observed to swim on the surface in the manner of the genus *Clio* among the Mollusca, to which its inhabiting animal is much allied. The usual length of the shell is from one to two-thirds of an inch, and its colour a very pale yellowish brown.

Shaw, George. 1805. "The Tridentated Hyale, Hyale tridentata [Pl. 664]." *The Naturalist's Miscellany* 16(CLXXXVIII), <https://doi.org/10.5962/p.311104>.

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