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Abstract

Fourteen new species of Maeridae amphipods from tropical and temperate Australian waters, including the offshore territories of Norfolk Island, Tasman Sea; Cocos (Keeling) and Christmas Islands, Indian Ocean are described. Six new species of *Hoho* Lowry & Fenwick, 1983, seven new species of *Mallacoota* J.L. Barnard, 1972 and one new species of *Parelasmopus* Stebbing, 1888 are included: *Hoho fenwicki* sp. nov., *H. kalbarri* sp. nov., *H. kangarooensis* sp. nov., *H. lowryi* sp. nov., *H. tricarinata* sp. nov., *H. wittecarra* sp. nov., *Mallacoota barnardi* sp. nov., *M. bulowara* sp. nov., *M. kunmunyah* sp. nov., *M. maridwinae* sp. nov., *M. penelope* sp. nov., *M. sirius* sp. nov., *M. worimi* sp. nov. and *Parelasmopus aumogo* sp. nov., are described herein. New distributions records are provided for 14 known species including *Parelasmopus dancaui* Ortiz & Lalana, 1997 and *Mallacoota insignis* (Chevreux, 1901) which have not been recorded from Australia before.

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