

## GENUS: *CHIRIDIUS*

Prosome and pedigerous segment 1, also pedigerous segments 4 and 5, fused. Female postero-lateral metasomal borders acutely pointed, points directed posteriorly. Rostrum completely absent. Antenna 1 24-jointed. Mouth parts as in *Aetideopsis*. Exopod of leg 2 one-jointed, leg 1 exopod with three external spines. Terminal spines on exopods of legs 2-4 with 22-28 strong spines along external border.

Male with posterolateral metasomal points shorter than in female. Antenna 1 with reduced number of joints. Mouth parts reduced. Leg 2 endopod may be two-jointed. Leg 5 uniramous on both sides, four-or five jointed without traces of endopods.