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DEEP PELAGIC NEKTON DYNAMICS OF THE GULF OF MEXICO
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Benthic Octopus (Macrotritopus)

This young octopus is actually much smaller than the illustration! That's because it is still in its "paralarval" stage.

After hatching, it spends the first part of its life as plankton, drifting through the sea.

When it grows up, it'll settle on the ocean floor. It will grow many times larger before it is an adult.

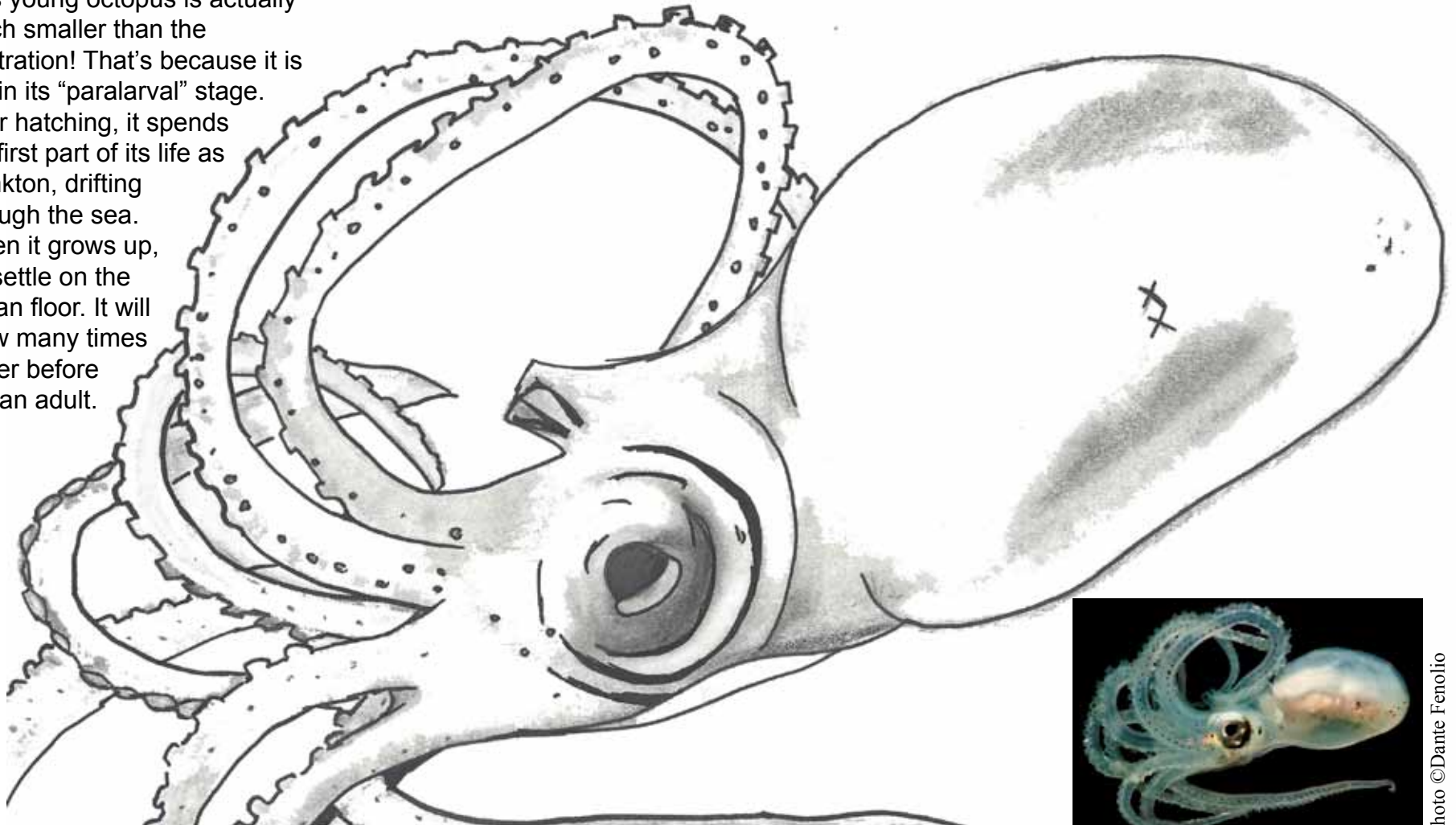


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