

ZOOLOGY

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We examined The the possible serective selective advantage of the red shell coloration in the shell of Laqueus rubellus (a terebratulid brachiopod) was checked in terms of interactions of prey and in predator-prey interactions. This The study involved awas based on comparison of benthic suspension feeders seen found at a depth of about 130 m depth in Suruga Bay, Japan, with particular peculiar reference to their visibility under visible and near-infrared light conditions. Under visible light, Aalmost all species exhibited red coloration under visible light, while in infrared light, only the shell of only L. aqueus rubellus appearedwas as dark under infrared light, similar to as rocks and bioclasts. Provided Considering that the functional eyes of macropredators such as fishes and coleoids, which are specialized as-for detecting light in the blue-to-green region of the visible spectrum, and even that predators like malacosteids have the long-wavelength photoreceptors-of malacosteids, L.aqueus rubellus should avoid can escape detection both visible and infrared detection by predators living in inhabiting the sublittoral bottom zone under both visible and infrared light conditions.

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