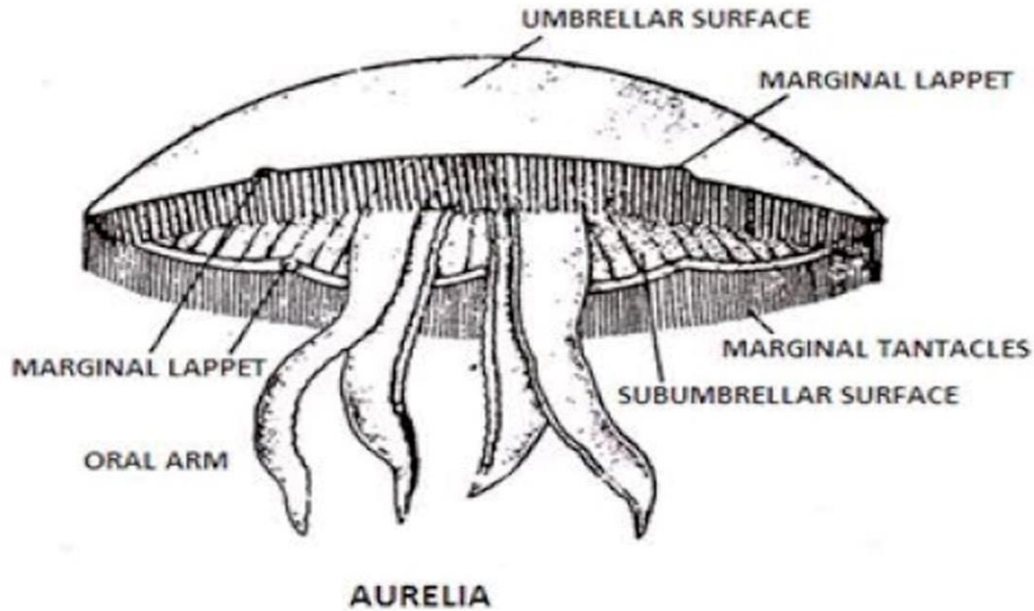


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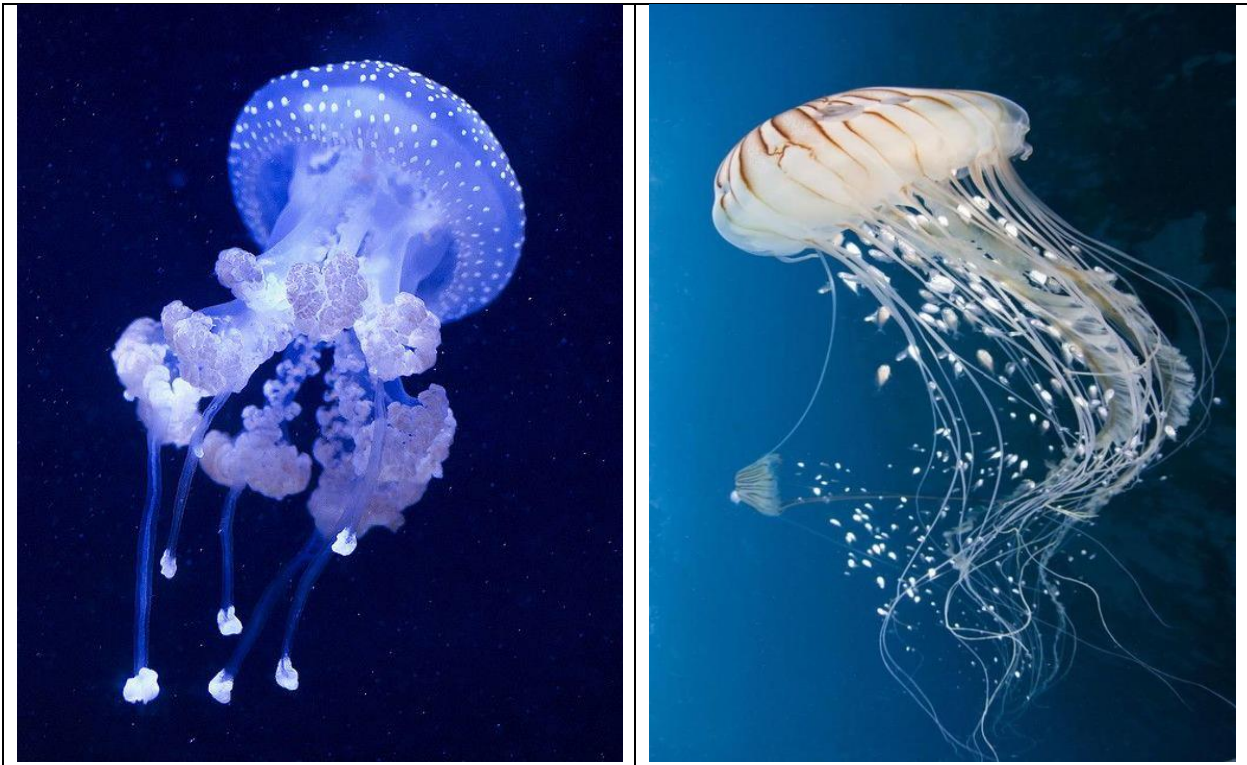


Identification Points

1. **Bell Shape:** Aurelia has a transparent, umbrella-shaped bell that is typically saucer-like.
2. **Radial Symmetry:** The body of Aurelia is radially symmetrical, meaning it can be divided into equal parts from the center.
3. **Color:** The bell is usually translucent, with a slight bluish or pinkish tint.
4. **Tentacles:** It has long, slender tentacles around the edge of the bell, which contain stinging cells called nematocysts.
5. **Gonads:** Underneath the bell, you can see four distinct, typically pink or purple gonads (reproductive organs).
6. **Oral Arms:** There are four oral arms hanging from the underside of the bell, which help in capturing and transporting food.
7. **Size:** Aurelia is relatively large, with some species growing up to 40-50 cm in diameter.

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Aurelia aurita

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