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ANATONCHUS FEROX N.SP., WITH MISCELLANEOUS NOTES ON ANATONCHIDAE (MONONCHIDA)

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Abstract

Anatonchus ferox n.sp. from Fiji is described and illustrated. Females are 3.6-4.1mm long and have a stoma 64-70 X 38-45 µm, a dielphic gonad and a filiform tail 640-760 µm long, and the male has a body 3.23 mm long and spicules 118 µm long. The Family name Tigronchidae Ivanova & Dzhuraeva, 1971 is emended to Tigronchoididae and is synonymized with Anatonchidae. *Tigronchoides* and *Tigronchus* are proposed as junior synonyms of *Anatonchus. Anatonchus varidentus* (Ivanova & Dzhuraeva, 1971) n.comb. and *Anatonchus tauricus* (Kirjanova in Kirjanova & Krall, 1969) n.comb. are proposed for *Trigronchoides varidentus* and *Tigronchus tauricus*, respectively. *Truxonchus paralleni* (Jairajpuri & Khan, 1982) n.comb. is proposed for *Anatonchus paralleni* Jairajpuri & Khan, 1982, and *Truxonchus confundus* Siddigi, 1984 becomes its junior objective synonym.