

DESCRIPTION OF *TRISSONCHULUS LICHENII* N. SP. AND *HALALAIMUS GIDANENSIS* N. SP. WITH OBSERVATIONS ON THREE KNOWN SPECIES (NEMATODA: ENOPLIDA) FROM NORTHERN ARABIAN SEA

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Abstract

Two un-described and three known species of free-living marine nematode of the order Enoplida from Arabian Sea are described. *Trissonchulus lichenii* n. sp., is characterized by small body, long cardia and long conoid male tail. *Halalaimus gidanensis* n. sp., differs from the closely related species *H. longistriatus* Timm, 1961 in having shorter outer labial sense organs (almost papilloid=0.5µm vs ¼ of head diameter = 1.4 µm). *Trissonchulus benepapillosus* Schulz, 1935; *Viscosia elegans* Kreis, 1924 and *Anoplostoma sunderbanae* Timm, 1967 are reported for the first time from Pakistan.