

NEW AND KNOWN MARINE NEMATODES OF THE FAMILY XYALIDAE (NEMATODA: MONHYSTERIDA) FROM ARABIAN SEA OF PAKISTAN

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Abstract

One new and two known species of the family Xyalidae are described and redescribed respectively from the Arabian Sea of Pakistan. *Gonionchus arabica* n. sp., is a species mainly characterized by its smaller body size (0.45 vs 0.99-1.77mm). *Theristus flevensis* Stekhoven, 1935 and *T. otoplanobius* Gerlach, 1951 are reported for the first time from Pakistan.