

REMARKS ON *NEOECHINORHYNCHUS CUREMAI* NORONHA, 1973
(EOACANTHOCEPHALA, NEOECHINORHYNCHIDAE)

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Data on the host and dimensions of hooks and eggs of N. curemai Noronha, 1973, are rectified.

Personal communication from Dr. Anna Kohn, presently dealing with *Neoechinorhynchus curemai* Noronha, 1973, recovered from *Prochilodus scrofa* and the revision of the early paper on *N. curemai*, as well as the described type material, made these remarks necessary, in order to rectify some incorrect data previously reported concerning to the host of *N. curemai* referred in the original description and also to the dimensions of the proboscis hooks and eggs.

Noronha (1973) studied the material to which the related host was only designed by its common name "curimatã" from Amazon River, Maicuru, Pará State.

According to Godoy (1975), "curimatã" from this region refers to *P. scrofa* Steind, 1881. So, the type host of *N. curemai* is *P. scrofa* instead of *Mugil curema* Cuv. & Val. from Marambaia Island, Rio de Janeiro State, as originally reported.

Nevertheless, the validity of *N. curemai* is presently confirmed in despite of the early uncertain condition of the host. On the other hand, wrong data concerning hooks and eggs dimensions were due only to a misprint that is now corrected.

Measurements are in micra.

Proboscis hooks (length of point): anterior: 38-39; lateral anterior: 53-57; median: 28-34; basal: 30-36. Mature eggs: 36-42 x 18-21.

Host: *Prochilodus scrofa* Steindachner, 1881 (Pisces Prochilodontidae), (curimatã).

Locality: Amazon River, Maicuru, Pará State.

Deposited: Instituto Oswaldo Cruz Helminthological Collection n^o 30.812 a-h.

RESUMO

Dados sobre o hospedeiro de *N. curemai* Noronha, 1973, bem como medidas referentes às dimensões de ganchos e ovos, são retificados.

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