


# Checklist of parasites in fish from the upper Paraná River floodplain: An update

## Lista de parasitos em peixes da planície de inundação do alto rio Paraná: uma atualização

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### Abstract

This study provides an updated list of parasite species and their respective hosts in the upper Paraná River floodplain. The list of parasites is structured by phylum, class, order and family, followed by a record of each host species. A total of 315 taxa of parasites were reported, of which 201 were identified at the species level. These 201 species comprise 3 Flagellata, 3 Myxozoa, 50 Monogenea, 43 Digenea, 40 Cestoda, 41 Nematoda, 8 Acanthocephala, 6 Copepoda, 5 Branchiura and 2 Pentastomida, arranged in 84 host fish species. This work carried out in the floodplain of the upper Paraná River contributes to the listing of parasite species and host interactions of the local ichthyofauna. Little is known about these communities and its riches are underestimated due to the high density of fish found in this region, highlighting the importance of conducting studies on the local fauna.

**Keywords:** Monogenea, Digenea, Cestoda, Nematoda, Acanthocephala, Crustacea.

### Resumo

Este estudo fornece uma lista atualizada de espécies de parasitos e seus respectivos hospedeiros da planície de inundação do alto rio Paraná. A lista de parasitos está estruturada em filo, classe, ordem e família, seguida do registro de cada espécie de hospedeiro. São relatados 315 táxons de parasitos e, destes, 201 foram identificados por espécie. Essas 201 espécies compreendem: 3 Flagellata, 3 Myxozoa, 50 Monogenea, 43 Digenea, 40 Cestoda, 41 Nematoda, 8 Acanthocephala, 6 Copepoda, 5 Branchiura e 2 Pentastomida, distribuídos em 84 espécies de hospedeiros. Este trabalho, realizado na planície de inundação do alto rio Paraná, contribui para a listagem de espécies de parasitos e interações parasito-hospedeiro da ictiofauna local. Pouco dessas comunidades é conhecida, e suas riquezas são subestimadas devido à alta densidade de peixes encontrados nessa região, destacando-se a importância da realização de estudos sobre a fauna local.

**Palavras-chave:** Monogenea, Digenea, Cestoda, Nematoda, Acanthocephala, Crustacea.

### Introduction

The Paraná River is the tenth longest river in the world in water discharge and it is located in south-central South America, running through Brazil, Paraguay and Argentina. The upper Paraná River floodplain is the only dam-free stretch remaining, located between the Porto Primavera and Itaipu dams (Agostinho et al., 2001). In this stretch, the river has a vast portion of wide-braided channels from numerous lagoons, whether permanent or temporary, which are distributed throughout the plain and are fed by groundwater or by the flooding process (Junk et al., 1989; Agostinho & Júlio, 1999; Thomaz et al., 2004).

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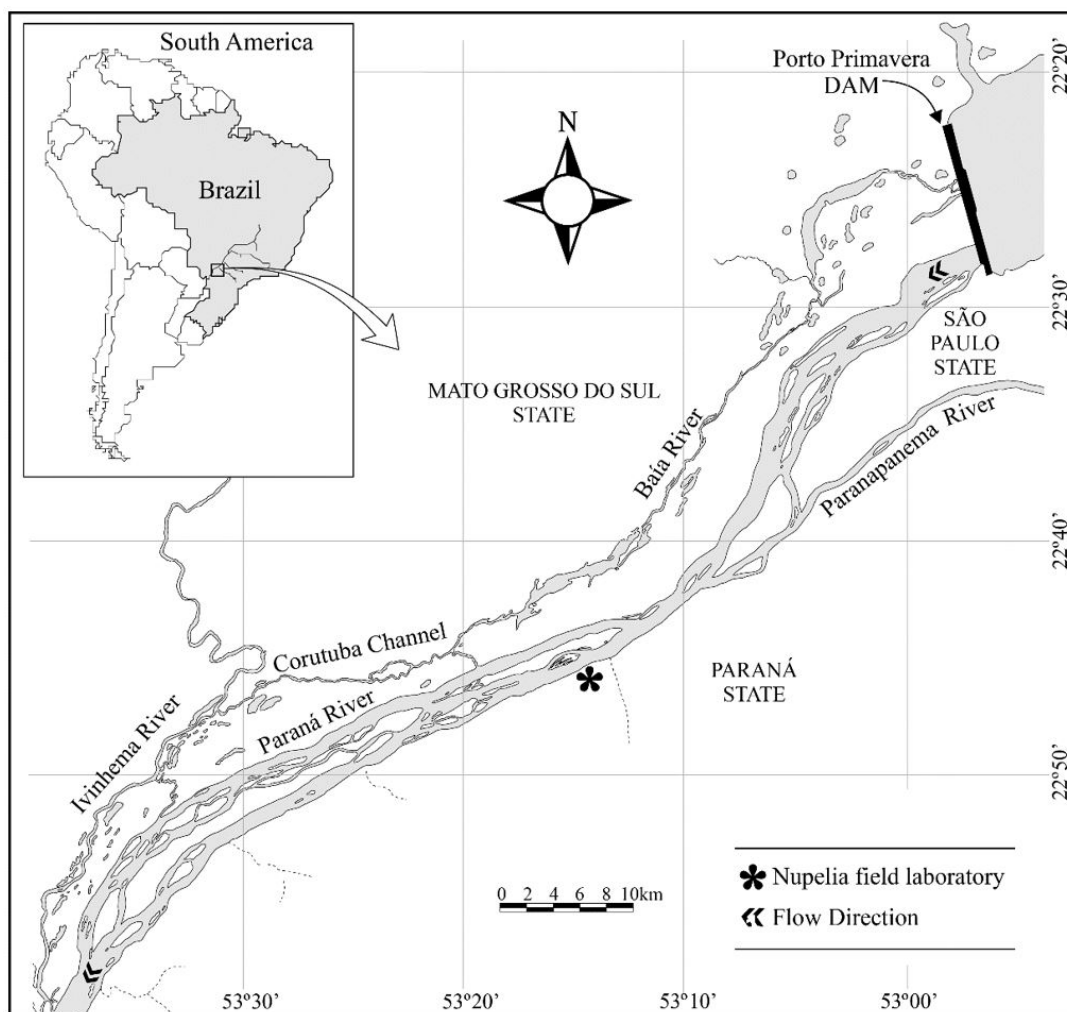
The recurrent floods experienced by this ecosystem are an important selection pressure that favors certain adaptations in the organisms inhabiting this area, resulting in communities with unique structures and functions (Junk et al., 1989; Thomaz et al., 2007). One of the main characteristics of floodplain river systems in tropical and subtropical regions is the high diversity of species, particularly of fish (Horne & Goldman, 1994; Toussaint et al., 2016; Vitule et al., 2017). In this context, the high diversity of the environment can alter the population dynamics of the ichthyofauna, along with their ecological, physiological and biological conditions. This, in turn, influences the structure and composition of parasitic fauna in fish (Pavanelli et al., 1997; Yamada et al., 2008; Luque & Poulin, 2008; Locke et al., 2014), including the trophic category and the intermediate hosts of parasites (Landsberg et al., 1998).

The parasite fauna of fish from the upper Paraná River floodplain were previously detailed by Pavanelli et al. (1997), Takemoto et al. (2009) and further studies that reported taxonomic descriptions of new species, such as Ferrari-Hoeninghaus et al. (2010), Tavernari et al. (2010), Karling et al. (2011, 2014). Over the last decade, studies recorded in this area have indicated an increase in the diversity of fish parasites, so the purpose of this study was to provide an updated list of parasites and their respective fish hosts in the upper Paraná River floodplain.

## Material and Methods

This study was conducted with data from published articles, dissertations, thesis, and research project reports (consult supplementary material) on parasites from fish carried only at the Laboratório de Ictioparasitologia of Universidade Estadual de Maringá between 1988 and 2019, in the region of the upper Paraná River floodplain (Figure 1).

The list of parasite species presented in this study is clustered by phylum and classified in class, order, and family. For Myxozoa and Flagellata, the classification is in accordance with Brusca et al. (2018a,b); for Monogenea,



**Figure 1.** The upper Paraná River floodplain. From Jaime Luiz Lopes Pereira.

Cohen et al. (2013); for Digenea, Thatcher (1993) and Kohn et al. (2007); for Cestoda, Khalil et al. (1994) and Vidal-Martínez et al. (2000); for Nematoda, Moravec (1998); for Acanthocephala, Yamaguti (1959) and Thatcher (2006); for Crustacea, Eiras et al. (2010), Ah Yong et al. (2011) and Luque et al. (2013); and for Hirudinea and Acari, Brusca et al. (2018c,d). Some informative changes in recent literature, such as the World Register of Marine Species, have also been considered. When the species are unknown, the parasites were cataloged in class, family or genus, while the identified species are presented in alphabetical order, followed by the author and year of publication. For the hosts, the identification and registration of occurrence in the floodplain were checked and confirmed according to Ota et al. (2018), and these are listed opposite their respective parasites. Information about the parasite's life stage and the infection site was also added.

For the quantification of interactions, all association formed between a given parasite and its host was considered. For parasites with more than one host, the number of interactions was added, taking into account all their respective hosts. We consider the most specific taxonomic level of the parasite, since all hosts are at the species level.

## Results

In this study, 13 groups of parasites were registered for 84 species of ichthyofauna from the upper Paraná River floodplain, of which eight were groups of ectoparasites and six of endoparasites, with emphasis on the Pentastomida group considered for two types of parasitism. Three hundred and fifteen taxa were cataloged and 201 of these were identified at the species level. These 201 species comprise 3 Flagellata, 3 Myxozoa, 50 Monogenea, 43 Digenea, 40 Cestoda, 41 Nematoda, 8 Acanthocephala, 6 Copepoda, 5 Branchiura, and 2 Pentastomida. The parasites belonging to Isopoda, Hirudinea and Acarina were identified only at the group level, but are added together in the interaction records.

The parasites of the Monogenea class had the largest number of identified species, totaling 50. However, the largest number of different interactions recorded, regardless of the level of identification (order, family, or larval stage, immature form), were the parasites of the phylum Nematoda with 227 interactions, followed by the Digenea subclass with 176 interactions, and then the Monogenea class with 149 interactions.

### Parasite-Host List

#### FLAGELLATA

**Phylum Euglenozoa Cavalier-Smith, 1981**  
**Class Kinetoplastea Honigberg, 1963**  
**Order Trypanosomatida (Kent, 1880)**  
**Family Trypanosomatidae Doflein, 1901**

*Trypanosoma guairaensis* Eiras, Rego & Pavanelli, 1989 - *Megalancistrus parananus* (Peters, 1881), blood.

*Trypanosoma nupelianus* Eiras, Rego & Pavanelli, 1990 - *Rhinelepis aspera* Spix & Agassiz, 1829, blood.

*Trypanosoma scrofae* Eiras & Pavanelli, 1989 - *Prochilodus lineatus* (Valenciennes, 1836), blood.

#### MYXOZOA

**Phylum Cnidaria Hatschek, 1888**  
**Class Myxozoa Grassé, 1970**  
**Order Bivalvulida Shulman, 1959**  
**Family Myxobolidae Thélohan, 1892**

*Henneguya caudicula* Eiras, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2008 - *Leporinus lacustris* Campos, 1945, spore, gills.

*Henneguya corruscans* Eiras, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2009 - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans* (Spix & Agassiz, 1829), spore, gills.

*Henneguya paranaensis* Eiras, Pavanelli & Takemoto, 2004 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, spore, gills.

#### MONOGENEA

**Phylum Platyhelminthes Minot, 1876**  
**Class Monogenea (Van Beneden, 1858)**

Monogenea fam. gen. sp. - *Acestrorhynchus lacustris* Lütken, 1875, *Aphyocharax anisitsi* Eigenmann & Kennedy, 1903, *Auchenipterus osteomystax* (Miranda Ribeiro, 1918), *Crenicichla* sp., *Geophagus brasiliensis* (Quoy & Gaimard,

1824), *Hypophthalmus oremaculatus* Nani & Fuster, 1947, *Hypostomus regani* (Ihering, 1905), *Hypostomus ternetzi* (Boulenger, 1895), *Iheringichthys labrosus* (Lütken, 1874), *Leporellus vittatus* Valenciennes, 1850, *Loricaria* sp., *Loricariichthys platymetopon* Isbrücker & Nijssen, 1979, *Parauchenipterus galeatus* (Linnaeus, 1766), *Piaractus mesopotamicus* (Holmberg, 1887), *Pimelodus maculatus* (Lacépède, 1803), *Plagioscion squamosissimus* (Heckel, 1840), *Potamotrygon amandae* Loboda & Carvalho, 2013, *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Rhamdia quelen* (Quoy & Gaimard, 1824), *Rhaphiodon vulpinus* Spix & Agassiz, 1829, *Rhinelepis aspera*, *Roeboides descavadensis* Fowler, 1932, *Salminus brasiliensis* (Cuvier, 1816), *Satanoperca* sp., *Schizodon nasutus* Kner, 1858, *Serrasalmus marginatus* Valenciennes, 1837, *Trachydoras paraguayensis* (Eigenmann & Ward, 1907), gills.

## Order Dactylogyridea Bychowsky, 1937

### Family Dactylogyridae Bychowsky, 1933

*Ameloblastella paranaensis* (França, Isaac, Pavanelli & Takemoto, 2003) - *Iheringichthys labrosus*, gills.

*Amphithecium* sp. - *Astyanax lacustris* (Lütken, 1875), *Schizodon borellii* (Boulenger, 1900), *Serrasalmus marginatus*, gills.

*Amphocleithrium* sp. - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, gills.

*Amphocleithrium paraguayensis* Price & Romero, 1969 - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, gills.

*Anacanthocotyle anacanthocotyle* Kritsky & Fritts, 1970 - *Astyanax lacustris*, *Moenkhausia forestii* Benine, Mariguela & Oliveira, 2009, gills.

*Anacanthoroides* sp. - *Prochilodus lineatus*, gills.

*Anacanthorus* sp. - *Erythrinus erythrinus* (Bloch & Schneider, 1801), *Hoplerythrinus unitaeniatus* (Agassiz, 1829), *Hoplias* spp., *Metynnix lippincottianus* (Cope, 1870), *Salminus brasiliensis*, *Serrasalmus maculatus* Kner, 1858, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, gills.

*Anacanthorus bicuspidatus* Cohen, Kohn & Boeger, 2012 - *Salminus brasiliensis*, gills.

*Anacanthorus contortus* Cohen, Kohn & Boeger, 2012 - *Salminus brasiliensis*, gills.

*Anacanthorus douradensis* Cohen, Kohn & Boeger, 2012 - *Salminus brasiliensis*, gills.

*Anacanthorus parakruidenieri* Cohen, Kohn & Boeger, 2012 - *Salminus brasiliensis*, gills.

*Anacanthorus penilabiatus* Boeger, Husak & Martins, 1995 - *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, gills.

*Anacanthorus toledoensis* Cohen, São Clemente & Leão, 2015 - *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, gills.

Ancyrocephalinae gen. sp. - *Prochilodus lineatus*, *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Schizodon borellii*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, gills.

*Annulotrematoides* sp. - *Schizodon borellii*, gills.

*Apedunculata* sp. - *Schizodon borellii*, gills.

*Characithecium costaricensis* (Price & Bussing, 1967) - *Moenkhausia forestii*, gills.

*Cleidodiscus* sp. - *Laetacara araguaiae* Ottoni & Costa, 2009, *Leporinus friderici* Bloch, 1794, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus piavussu* (Britski, Birindelli & Garavello, 2012), *Satanoperca* sp., gills.

*Cosmetocleithrum bulbocirrus* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1986 - *Hoplias* spp., gills.

Dactylogyridae gen. sp. - *Hoplias* spp., gills.

*Demidospermus* sp. - *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, gills.

*Demidospermus labrosi* Monteiro, Kritsky & Brasil-Sato, 2010 - *Iheringichthys labrosus*, gills.

*Demidospermus osteomystax* Tavernari, Takemoto, Lacerda & Pavanelli, 2010 - *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, gills.

*Demidospermus paranaensis* Ferrari-Hoeinghaus, Bellay, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2010 - *Loricariichthys platymetopon*, gills.

*Diplectanum piscinarius* Kritsky & Thatcher, 1984 - *Plagioscion squamosissimus*, gills.

*Gussevia* sp. - *Astronotus crassipinnis* (Heckel, 1840), gills.

*Gussevia arilla* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1986 - *Cichla kelberi* Kullander & Ferreira, 2006, gills.

*Gussevia asota* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1989 - *Astronotus crassipinnis*, gills.

*Gussevia astronoti* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1989 - *Astronotus crassipinnis*, gills.

*Gussevia longihaptor* (Mizelle & Kritsky, 1969) - *Cichla kelberi*, gills.

*Gussevia rogersi* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1989 - *Astronotus crassipinnis*, gills.

- Gussevia undulata* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1986 - *Cichla kelberi*, *Cichla piquiti* Kullander & Ferreira, 2006, gills.  
*Gussevia tucunarensis* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1986 - *Cichla piquiti*, gills.
- Jainus* sp. - *Leporellus vittatus*, *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Moenkhausia* aff. *intermedia* Eigenmann, 1908, *Moenkhausia forestii*, *Salminus brasiliensis*, *Schizodon borellii*, gills.  
*Jainus hexops* Kritsky & Leiby, 1972 - *Moenkhausia forestii*, *Moenkhausia sanctaefilomenae* (Steindachner, 1907), gills.  
*Jainus piava* Karling, Bellay, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2011 - *Schizodon borellii*, gills.
- Kritskyia* sp. - *Megaleporinus obtusidens* Valenciennes, 1836, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, swimming bladder and mesonephric duct.  
*Kritskyia annakohnae* Boeger, Tanaka & Pavanelli, 2001 - *Serrasalmus maculatus*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, ureters and urinary bladder.  
*Kritskyia boegeri* Lizama, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2002 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, urinary bladder.  
*Kritskyia eirasi* Guidelli, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2003 - *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, urinary bladder and mesonephric duct.
- Notothecium* sp. - *Serrasalmus marginatus*, gills.  
*Notothecium* sp. - *Serrasalmus marginatus*, gills.  
*Omothecium* sp. - *Pinirampus pirinampu* (Agassiz, 1829), gills.  
*Pavanelliella pavanellii* Kritsky & Boeger, 1998 - *Pimelodus maculatus*, nasal cavity and gills.  
*Rhinonastes pseudocapsaloideum* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1988 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, nasal cavity.  
*Rhinoxenus* sp. - *Megaleporinus macrocephalus* (Garavello & Britski, 1988), *Serrasalmus marginatus*, gills.  
*Rhinoxenus arietinus* Kritsky, Boeger & Thatcher, 1988 - *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, nasal cavity and gills.  
*Rhinoxenus bulbovaginatus* Boeger, Domingues & Pavanelli, 1995 - *Salminus brasiliensis*, nasal cavity.
- Sciadicleithrum* sp. - *Crenicichla* sp. gills.  
*Sciadicleithrum ergensi* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1989 - *Cichla piquiti*, gills.  
*Sciadicleithrum joanae* Yamada, Takemoto, Bellay & Pavanelli, 2009 - *Crenicichla britskii* Kullander, 1982, gills.  
*Sciadicleithrum kritskyi* Bellay, Takemoto, Yamada & Pavanelli, 2009 - *Geophagus sveni* Lucinda, Lucena & Assis, 2010, gills.  
*Sciadicleithrum paranaensis* Bellay, Takemoto, Yamada & Pavanelli, 2009 - *Geophagus sveni*, gills.  
*Sciadicleithrum uncinatum* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1989 - *Cichla piquiti*, gills.  
*Sciadicleithrum satanopercae* Yamada, Takemoto, Bellay & Pavanelli, 2009 - *Satanoperca* sp., gills.
- Tereancistrum* sp. - *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, *Schizodon borellii*, gills.  
*Tereancistrum curimba* Lizama, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2004 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, gills.  
*Tereancistrum paranaensis* Karling, Lopes, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2014 - *Schizodon borellii*, gills.  
*Tereancistrum parvus* Kritsky, Thatcher & Kayton, 1980 - *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Schizodon borellii*, gills.  
*Tereancistrum toksonum* Lizama, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2004 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, gills.
- Trinibaculum* sp. - *Schizodon borellii*, gills.  
*Trinibaculum rotundus* Karling, Lopes, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2011 - *Schizodon borellii*, gills.
- Unibarra* sp. - *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Pinirampus pirinampu*, *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, gills.  
*Urocleidoides* sp. - *Astyanax lacustris*, *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Schizodon borellii*, *Steindachnerina insculpta* (Fernández-Yépez, 1948), gills.  
*Urocleidoides brasiliensis* Rosim, Mendoza-Franco & Luque, 2011 - *Hoplias* spp., gills.  
*Urocleidoides cuiabai* Rosim, Mendoza-Franco & Luque, 2011 - *Hoplias* spp., gills.  
*Urocleidoides eremitus* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1986 - *Hoplias* spp., gills.  
*Urocleidoides malabaricus* Rosim, Mendoza-Franco & Luque, 2011 - *Hoplias* spp., gills.



*Urocleidoides paradoxus* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1986 - *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, gills.

*Vancleaveus* sp. - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Trachydoras paraguayensis*, gills.

*Vancleaveus fungulus* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1986 - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, gills.

*Vancleaveus janauacaensis* Kritsky, Thatcher & Boeger, 1986 - *Hoplias* spp., gills.

### **Family Gyrodactylidae Van Beneden & Hesse, 1863**

*Gyrodactylus* sp. - *Moenkhausia forestii*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, gills and nasal cavity.

*Gyrodactylus neotropicalis* Kritsky & Fritts, 1970 - *Astyanax lacustris*, *Moenkhausia forestii*, gills.

## **DIGENEA**

### **Phylum Platyhelminthes Minot, 1876**

#### **Class Trematoda Rudolphi, 1808**

##### **Subclass Digenea Carus, 1863**

Digenea fam. gen. sp. - *Crenicichla britskii*, *Cyphocharax modestus* (Fernández-Yépez, 1948), *Gymnotus inaequilabiatus* (Valenciennes, 1839), *Hoplerythrinus unitaeniatus*, *Laetacara araguaiae*, *Loricariichthys rostratus* Reis & Pereira, 2000, *Megaleporinus macrocephalus*, *Moenkhausia* aff. *intermedia*, *Moenkhausia forestii*, *Myloplus tiete* (Eigenmann & Norris, 1900), *Pinirampus pirinampu*, *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Rhamdia quelen*, *Synbranchus marmoratus* Bloch, 1795, adult and metacercariae, mesentery, eyes, cranial cavity, gills, muscle, swimming bladder and kidney.

### **Order Diplostomida Olson, Cribb, Tkach, Bray & Littlewood, 2003**

#### **Family Diplostomidae Poirier, 1886**

*Austrodiplostomum* sp. - *Cichla piquiti*, *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos* (Valenciennes, 1840), *Plagioscion squamosissimus*, *Rhinelepis aspera*, *Sorubim lima* (Bloch & Schneider, 1801), metacercariae, eyes.

*Austrodiplostomum compactum* (Lutz, 1928) - *Acestrorhynchus lacustris*, *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, *Cichla kelberi*, *Crenicichla britskii*, *Geophagus sveni*, *Hoplias* spp., *Hypostomus regani*, *Loricariichthys platymetopon*, *Pimelodus ornatus* Kner, 1858, *Plagioscion squamosissimus*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, *Pterygoplichthys ambrosettii* (Holmberg, 1893), *Satanoperca* sp., *Schizodon borellii*, metacercariae, eyes.

Diplostomidae gen. sp. - *Ageneiosus inermis* (Linnaeus, 1766), *Aphyocharax anisitsi*, *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, *Crenicichla* sp., *Cyphocharax nagelii* (Steindachner, 1881), *Geophagus brasiliensis*, *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Hypostomus ternetzi*, *Loricaria* sp., *Loricariichthys platymetopon*, *Loricariichthys rostratus*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Psellogrammus kennedyi* (Eigenmann, 1903), *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Sorubim lima*, *Trachydoras paraguayensis*, metacercariae, mesentery, eyes, cranial cavity, gills, muscle, swimming bladder and kidney.

*Diplostomum* sp. - *Cichla kelberi*, *Cyphocharax nagelii*, *Gymnotus* spp., *Hoplerythrinus unitaeniatus*, *Hoplias* spp., *Leporinus friderici*, *Parauchenipterus galeatus*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Steindachnerina insculpta*, metacercariae, eyes.

*Neascus* sp. - *Crenicichla* sp., metacercariae, encysted on the heart.

*Neodiplostomum* sp. - *Gymnotus* spp., *Megaleporinus piavussu*, metacercariae, visceral cavity.

*Sphinctrodiplostomum* sp. - *Cichla piquiti*, *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, *Steindachnerina brevipinna* (Eigenmann & Eigenmann, 1889), metacercariae, eyes and visceral cavity.

*Sphinctrodiplostomum musculosum* Dubois, 1936 - *Hoplias* spp., *Steindachnerina insculpta*, metacercariae, eyes and visceral cavity.

*Tylodelphis* sp. - *Astyanax lacustris*, *Cyphocharax nagelii*, *Gymnotus* spp., *Leporinus lacustris*, *Potamotrygon* cf. *Falkneri* Castex & Maciel, 1963, *Prochilodus lineatus*, metacercariae, visceral cavity.

### **Family Proterodiplostomidae Dubois, 1936**

*Crocodicola* sp. - *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, *Gymnotus* spp., metacercariae, gonads.

*Crocodicola pseudostoma* (Willemoes-Suhm, 1870) - *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Loricariichthys platymetopon*, adult, metacercariae and progenetic metacercariae, swimming bladder, visceral cavity and digestive tract.

*Cystodiplostomum* sp. - *Leporinus lacustris*, metacercariae, gonads.

*Herpetodiplostomum* sp. - *Astyanax lacustris*, *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, metacercariae, swimming bladder.

*Herpetodiplostomum gymnoti* Szidat & Graefe, 1969 - *Iheringichthys labrosus*, metacercariae, mesentery and gonads.

#### **Family Sanguinicolidae von Graff, 1907**

*Kritsky platyrhynchi* (Guidelli, Isaac & Pavanelli, 2002) - *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, adult, visceral cavity.

*Sanguinicola* sp. - *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Sorubim lima*, adult, visceral cavity.

*Sanguinicola coelomica* (Szidat, 1951) - *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, coelom.

#### **Order Plagiorchiida La Rue, 1957**

##### **Family Acanthostomidae Poche, 1926**

*Acanthostomum gnerii* Szidat, 1954 - *Rhamdia quelen*, adult, intestine.

##### **Family Allocreadiidae Looss, 1902**

*Auriculostoma platense* (Szidat, 1954) - *Iheringichthys labrosus*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, intestine.

*Crepidostomum platense* Szidat, 1954 - *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, stomach.

*Creptotrema* sp. - *Leporinus lacustris*, adult, intestine.

*Creptotrema creptotrema* Travassos, Artigas & Pereira, 1928 - *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, *Leporellus vittatus*, *Leporinus friderici*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, intestine.

*Creptotrema lynchi* Brooks, 1976 - *Megaleporinus piavussu*, adult, intestine.

*Creptotrematina* sp. - *Moenkhausia forestii*, adult, intestine.

##### **Family Apocreadiidae Skrjabin, 1942**

*Crassicutis cichlasomae* Manter, 1936 - *Crenicichla* sp., *Geophagus brasiliensis*, *Loricaria* sp., adult, intestine.

*Crassicutis intermedius* (Szidat, 1954) - *Hypostomus regani*, *Hypostomus ternetzi*, adult, intestine.

##### **Family Bucephalidae Poche, 1907**

Bucephalidae gen. sp. - *Astyanax lacustris*, eyes, brain, muscles and visceral cavity.

*Prosorhynchus piranhus* Thatcher, 1999 - *Serrasalmus maculatus*, adult, intestinal tract.

*Rhipidocotyle gibsoni* Kohn & Fernandes, 1994 - *Acestrorhynchus lacustris*, adult, intestine.

*Rhipidocotyle jeffersoni* (Kohn, 1970) - *Salminus brasiliensis*, adult, intestine.

##### **Family Callodistomidae Odhner, 1910**

*Prosthenhystra* sp. - *Hoplias* spp., adult, gall bladder.

*Prosthenhystra obesa* (Diesing, 1850) - *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Salminus brasiliensis*, adult, gall bladder.

##### **Family Cladorchiidae Fischoeder, 1901**

*Colocladorchis* sp. - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, intestine.

*Colocladorchis ventrastomis* Thatcher, 1979 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, intestine.

*Dadaytrema* sp. - *Megalancistrus parananus*, adult, intestine.

*Dadaytrema oxycephala* (Diesing, 1836) - *Brycon orbignyanus* (Valenciennes, 1850), *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Pterodoras granulosus* (Valenciennes, 1821), adult, intestine.

*Dadaytremoides parauchenipteri* (Lunaschi, 1989) - *Ageneiosus inermis*, adult and metacercariae, stomach and intestine.

*Dadayius pacupeva* Lacerda, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2003 - *Metynnix lippincottianus*, adult, intestinal tract.

##### **Family Cryptogonimidae Ciurea, 1933**

*Iheringtrema iheringi* Travassos, 1948 - *Zungaro jahu* (Ihering, 1898), adult, intestine.

*Parspina* sp. - *Iheringichthys labrosus*, adult, intestine.

*Pseudosellacotyla lutzi* (Freitas, 1941) - *Hoplias* spp., adult, intestine.

### **Family Derogenidae Nicoll, 1910**

*Genarchella* sp. - *Potamotrygon* cf. *falkneri*, adult, stomach.

*Genarchella astyanactis* (Watson, 1976) - *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Plagioscion squamosissimus*, adult, stomach.

*Genarchella genarchella* Travassos, Artigas & Pereira, 1928 - *Megalancistrus parananus*, *Pimelodus ornatus*, *Potamotrygon amandae*, adult, buccal cavity, oesophagus and stomach.

*Thometrema overstreeti* (Brooks, Mayes & Thorson, 1979) - *Hoplias* spp., *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Salminus brasiliensis*, adult, stomach.

### **Family Didymozoidae Monticelli, 1888**

Didymozoidae gen. sp. - *Moenkhausia forestii*, eyes, brain, muscles and visceral cavity.

### **Family Echinostomatidae Looss, 1899**

Echinostomatidae gen. sp. - *Leporinus friderici*, metacercariae, eyes, brain, muscles and visceral cavity.

### **Family Faustulidae Poche, 1926**

*Antorchis* sp. - *Astyanax lacustris*, metacercariae, intestine.

### **Family Gorgoderidae Looss, 1899**

Gorgoderidae gen. sp. - *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, adult, urinary bladder.

### **Family Haploporidae Nicoll, 1914**

*Chalcinotrema thatcheri* Kohn, Fernandes & Gibson, 1999 - *Leporinus lacustris*, *Schizodon nasutus*, adult, intestine.

*Lecithobothrioides* sp. - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, intestine.

*Megacoelium* sp. - *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, stomach.

*Paralecithobothrys brasiliensis* Freitas, 1948 - *Leporinus friderici*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Schizodon borellii*, *Schizodon nasutus*, adult, intestine.

*Saccocoelioides* sp. - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, pyloric caeca and intestine.

*Saccocoelioides elongatus* Szidat, 1954 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, intestine.

*Saccocoelioides godoyi* Kohn & Froes, 1986 - *Cyphocharax nagelii*, *Leporinus friderici*, adult, intestine and stomach.

*Saccocoelioides leporinodus* Thatcher, 1978 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, intestine.

*Saccocoelioides magniovatus* Szidat, 1954 - *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, adult, pyloric caeca and stomach.

*Saccocoelioides magnorchis* Thatcher, 1978 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, pyloric caeca, intestine and stomach.

*Saccocoelioides magnus* Szidat, 1954 - *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megalancistrus parananus*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Schizodon nasutus*, adult, intestine.

*Saccocoelioides nanii* Szidat, 1954 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, *Rhaphiodon vulpinus*, adult, intestine.

*Saccocoelioides platensis* Lunaschi, 1984 - *Schizodon borellii*, adult, intestine.

*Saccocoelioides saccodontis* Thatcher, 1978 - *Leporinus friderici*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, pyloric caeca and intestine.

*Unicoelium prochilodorum* Thatcher & Dossman, 1975 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, intestine.

### **Family Heterophyidae Odhner, 1914**

*Ascocotyle* sp. - *Astyanax lacustris*, *Cichla piquiti*, *Geophagus sveni*, *Moenkhausia forestii*, *Satanoperca* sp., *Serrasalmus marginatus*, metacercariae, body musculature, heart, stomach, liver, kidney, spleen, gonads and mesentery.

### **Family Macroderoididae McMullen, 1937**

*Magnivitellinum corvitellinum* Lacerda, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2009 - *Hoplosternum littorale* (Hancock, 1828), adult, digestive tract.

*Magnivitellinum simplex* Kloss, 1966 - *Roeboides descalvadensis*, adult, intestine.

### **Family Microsaphidiidae Looss, 1900**

*Curumai curumai* Travassos, 1961 - *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, adult, intestine.



### **Family Opisthorchiidae Braun, 1901**

*Neocladocystis intestinalis* (Vaz, 1932) - *Salminus brasiliensis*, adult, intestine.

Family Paramphistomidae Fischöder, 1901

*Microrchis oligovitellum* Lunaschi, 1987 - *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, *Parauchenipterus galeatus*, adult, intestine.

## **CESTODA**

### **Phylum Platyhelminthes Minot, 1876**

#### **Class Cestoda Rudolphi, 1808**

Cestoda fam. gen. sp. - *Acestrorhynchus lacustris*, *Crenicichla jaguarensis* Haseman, 1911, *Galeocharax gulo* (Cope, 1870), *Gymnotus inaequilabiatus*, *Potamotrygon amandae*, *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, *Plagioscion squamosissimus*, *Sternopygus macrurus* (Bloch & Schneider, 1801), *Salminus brasiliensis*, *Schizodon borellii*, plerocercoid and adult, digestive tract.

### **Order Bothriocephalidea Kuchta, Scholz, Brabec & Bray, 2008**

#### **Family Bothriocephalidae Blanchard, 1849**

*Regobothrium microhamulinum* Scholz, Takemoto & Kuchta, 2017 - *Catathyridium jenynsii* (Gunther, 1862), *Ageneiosus ucayalensis* Castelnau, 1855, adult, intestine.

*Senga* sp. - *Ageneiosus inermis*, adult, intestine.

### **Order Cyclophyllidea Van Beneden in Braun, 1900**

#### **Family Gryporhynchidae Spassky & Spasskaya, 1973**

*Valipora* sp. - *Crenicichla britskii*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, plerocercoid, gall bladder.

*Valipora campylancristrota* (Wedl, 1855) - *Prochilodus lineatus*, plerocercoid and adult, gall bladder.

### **Order Onchoproteocephalidea Caira, Jensen, Waeschenbach, Olson & Littlewood, 2014**

Onchoproteocephalidea gen. sp. - *Acestrorhynchus lacustris*, *Aphyocharax anisitsi*, *Astyanax lacustris*, *Galeocharax gulo*, *Iheringichthys labrosus*, *Leporellus vittatus*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, *Psellogrammus kennedyi*, *Satanoperca* sp., *Serrasalmus maculatus*, *Steindachnerina insculpta*, plerocercoid and adult, digestive tract.

### **Family Onchobothriidae Braun, 1900**

*Acanthobothrium regoi* Brooks, Mayes & Thorson, 1981 - *Potamotrygon amandae*, *Potamotrygon cf. falkneri*, adult, spiral valve.

*Ageneiella brevifilis* Chambrier & Vaucher, 1999 - *Ageneiosus inermis*, adult, intestine.

*Cangatiella arandasi* Pavanelli & Santos, 1991 - *Parauchenipterus galeatus*, adult, intestine.

*Chambriella agostinhoi* (Pavanelli & Santos, 1992) - *Zungaro jahu*, adult, intestine.

*Chambriella itaipuensis* (Pavanelli & Rego, 1991) - *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Sorubim lima*, adult, intestine.

*Chambriella paranaensis* (Pavanelli & Rego, 1989) - *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, adult, intestine.

*Choanoscolex abscissus* (Riggenbach, 1895) - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Zungaro jahu*, adult, intestine.

*Gibsoniella* sp. - *Ageneiosus inermis*, adult, intestine.

*Goezeella nupeliensis* Pavanelli & Rego, 1991 - *Sorubim lima*, adult, intestine.

*Harrisocox kaparari* (Woodland, 1935) - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, adult, intestine.

*Jauella glandicephala* Rego & Pavanelli, 1985 - *Zungaro jahu*, adult, intestine.

*Manaosia bracodemoca* Woodland, 1935 - *Sorubim lima*, adult, intestine.

*Mariauxiella pimelodi* Chambrier & Rego, 1995 - *Pimelodus ornatus*, *Sorubim lima*, adult, intestine.

*Mariauxiella piscatorum* Chambrier & Vaucher, 1999 - *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, adult, intestine.

*Megathylacus brooksi* Rego & Pavanelli, 1985 - *Zungaro jahu*, adult, intestine.

*Megathylacus travassosi* Pavanelli & Santos, 1991 - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, adult, intestine.

*Monticellia belavistensis* Pavanelli, Machado, Takemoto & Santos, 1994 - *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, adult, intestine.

- Monticellia coryphicephala* (Monticelli, 1892) - *Salminus brasiliensis*, adult, intestine.
- Monticellia loyolai* Pavanelli & Santos, 1992 - *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, intestine.
- Monticellia magna* (Rego, dos Santos & Silva, 1974) - *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, intestine.
- Nomimoscolex* sp. - *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, intestine.
- Nomimoscolex admonticellia* (Woodland, 1934) - *Pinirampus pirinampu*, adult, intestine.
- Nomimoscolex chubbi* (Pavanelli & Takemoto, 1995) - *Gymnotus* spp., *Gymnotus inaequilabiatus*, adult, intestine.
- Nomimoscolex pertierae* Chambrier, Takemoto & Pavanelli, 2006 - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, adult, intestine.
- Nomimoscolex sudobim* Woodland, 1935 - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, adult, intestine.
- Nupelia portoricensis* Pavanelli & Rego, 1991 - *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Sorubim lima*, adult, intestine.
- Peltidocotyle rugosa* Diesing, 1850 - *Zungaro jahu*, adult, intestine.
- Potamotrygonocestus travassosi* Rego, 1979 - *Potamotrygon* cf. *falkneri*, adult, spiral valve.
- Proteocephalinae gen. sp. - *Aphyocharax anisitsi*, *Galeocharax gulo*, *Iheringichthys labrosus*, *Moenkhausia forestii*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, *Satanoperca* sp., *Serrasalmus maculatus*, *Steindachnerina insculpta*, plerocercoid and adult, digestive tract.
- Proteocephalus macrophallus* (Diesing, 1850) - *Cichla kelberi*, *Cichla piquiti*, adult, intestine.
- Proteocephalus microscopicus* (Woodland, 1935) - *Cichla kelberi*, *Cichla piquiti*, adult, intestine.
- Proteocephalus serrasalmus* Rego & Pavanelli, 1990 - *Serrasalmus maculatus*, adult, intestine.
- Proteocephalus vazzoleriae* Pavanelli & Takemoto, 1995 - *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, adult, intestine.
- Rudolphiella piranabu* (Woodland, 1934) - *Pinirampus pirinampu*, adult, intestine.
- Sciadocephalus megalodiscus* Diesing, 1850 - *Cichla kelberi*, *Cichla piquiti*, adult, intestine.
- Spasskyellina* sp. - *Pimelodus ornatus*, plerocercoid and adult, intestine.
- Spasskyellina mandi* Pavanelli & Takemoto, 1996 - *Pimelodus ornatus*, adult, intestine.
- Spasskyellina spinulifera* (Woodland, 1935) - *Ageneiosus inermis*, *Brycon orbignyanus*, *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Sorubim lima*, plerocercoid and adult, intestine.
- Spatulifer maringaensis* Pavanelli & Rego, 1989 - *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Sorubim lima*, adult, intestine.
- Travassiella avitellina* Rego & Pavanelli, 1987 - *Zungaro jahu*, adult, intestine.

## **Order Rhinebothriidea Healy, Caira, Jensen, Webster & Littlewood, 2009**

### **Family Eutetrarhynchidae Guiart, 1927**

*Paroncomegas araya* (Woodland, 1934) - *Potamotrygon* cf. *falkneri*, adult, spiral valve.

### **Family Rhinebothriidae Euzet, 1953**

*Rhinebothrium paratrygoni* Rego & Dias, 1976 - *Potamotrygon amandae*, *Potamotrygon* cf. *falkneri*, adult, spiral valve.

## **NEMATODA**

### **Phylum Nematoda Rudolphi, 1808**

Nematoda fam. gen. sp. - *Aphyocharax anisitsi*, *Crenicichla britskii*, *Hypophthalmus oremaculatus*, *Hypostomus regani*, *Moenkhausia forestii*, *Pinirampus pirinampu*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, *Rhamphichthys hahni* (Meinken, 1937), *Rhinodoras dorbignyi* (Kner, 1855), *Satanoperca* sp., immature form and adult, digestive tract.

### **Class Adenophorea Linstow, 1905**

#### **Order Enoplida Schuurmans, Stekhoven & Deconinck, 1933**

##### **Family Dioctophymatidae (Railliet, 1915)**

*Eustrongylides* sp. - *Acestrorhynchus lacustris*, *Cichla kelberi*, *Gymnotus* spp., *Lepthoplosternum pectorale* (Boulenger, 1895), *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Serrasalmus maculatus*, *Sorubim lima*, immature form, mesentery, abdominal cavity, musculature, liver and gonads.

*Eustrongylides ignotus* Jägerskiöld, 1909 - *Ageneiosus inermis*, *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Hoplias* spp., *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Serrasalmus maculatus*, *Salminus brasiliensis*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, immature form and adult, mesentery, abdominal cavity, musculature, gonads and liver.

#### **Family Trichuridae Railliet, 1915**

Capillariidae gen. sp. - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Serrasalmus maculatus*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, adult, intestine.

*Capillostrongyloides sentinosa* (Travassos, 1927) - *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, adult, pyloric caeca.

*Paracapillaria piscicola* (Travassos, Artigas & Pereira, 1928) - *Hoplias* spp., *Salminus brasiliensis*, adult, stomach and intestine.

#### **Class Secernentea (von Linstow, 1905)**

##### **Order Ascaridida Yamaguti, 1961**

##### **Family Anisakidae Skrjabin & Karokhin, 1945**

Anisakidae gen. sp. - *Brycon hilarii* Valenciennes, 1850, *Loricaria* sp., *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, *Salminus brasiliensis*, immature form, intestine.

*Contracaecum* sp. - *Acestrorhynchus lacustris*, *Ageneiosus inermis*, *Astyanax lacustris*, *Brycon orbignyanus*, *Cichla kelberi*, *Cichla piquiti*, *Crenicichla* sp., *Galeocharax gulo*, *Gymnotus* spp., *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Hoplias* spp., *Iheringichthys labrosus*, *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Leporellus vittatus*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Metynnis lippincottianus*, *Moenkhausia forestii*, *Parauchenipterus galeatus*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Plagioscion squamosissimus*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, *Psellogrammus kennedyi*, *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Rhaphiodon vulpinus*, *Salminus brasiliensis*, *Serrasalmus maculatus*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, *Sorubim lima*, immature form, abdominal cavity, mesentery and liver.

*Goezia* sp. - *Ageneiosus militaris* Valenciennes, 1836, *Brycon orbignyanus*, *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Iheringichthys labrosus*, *Parauchenipterus galeatus*, *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Rhaphiodon vulpinus*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, *Sorubim lima*, immature form and adult, stomach and intestine.

*Goezia brasiliensis* Moravec, Kohn & Fernandes, 1994 - *Brycon hilarii*, *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, adult, stomach and intestine.

*Goezia brevicaeca* Moravec, Kohn & Fernandes, 1994 - *Brycon hilarii*, *Leporinus friderici*, adult, stomach.

*Goezia spinulosa* (Diesing, 1839) - *Hoplias* spp., *Leporinus friderici*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, adult, stomach and pyloric caeca.

*Hysterothylacium* sp. - *Brycon orbignyanus*, *Crenicichla* sp., *Galeocharax gulo*, *Geophagus brasiliensis*, *Gymnotus* spp., *Hypophthalmus oremaculatus*, *Leporinus friderici*, *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, *Plagioscion squamosissimus*, *Rhaphiodon vulpinus*, *Salminus brasiliensis*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, immature form and adult, intestine.

*Raphidascaaris* sp. - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, intestine and stomach.

*Raphidascaaris* (*Sprentascaaris*) sp. - *Geophagus brasiliensis*, *Geophagus sveni*, immature form, intestine.

*Raphidascaaris* (*Sprentascaaris*) *hypostomi* (Petter & Cassone, 1984) - *Hypostomus ternetzi*, adult, intestine.

*Raphidascaaris* (*Sprentascaaris*) *lanfrediae* Melo, Santos, Giese, Santos & Santos, 2011 - *Ageneiosus inermis*, adult, intestine.

*Raphidascaaris* (*Sprentascaaris*) *mahnerti* (Petter & Cassone, 1984) - *Loricaria* sp., *Loricariichthys platymetopon*, *Loricariichthys rostratus*, *Metynnis lippincottianus*, adult, digestive tract.

##### **Family Ascarididae Baird, 1853**

*Brevimulticaecum* sp. - *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Moenkhausia forestii*, *Potamotrygon cf. falkneri*, immature form, abdominal cavity, intestine, stomach and liver.

*Porrocaecum* sp. - *Hoplias* spp., *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, immature form, swimming bladder.

##### **Family Atractidae Travassos, 1919**

*Klossinemella* sp. - *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, intestine.

*Rondonia rondoni* Travassos, 1920 - *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, *Pterodoras granulatus*, *Rhaphiodon vulpinus*, *Trachydoras paraguayensis*, adult, intestine.

### **Family Cucullanidae Cobbold, 1864**

*Cucullanus* sp. - *Potamotrygon* cf. *falkneri*, *Rhaphiodon vulpinus*, *Serrasalmus maculatus*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, *Zungaro jahu*, adult, intestine.

*Cucullanus* (*Cucullanus*) *brevispiculus* Moravec, Kohn & Fernandes, 1993 - *Ageneiosus inermis*, *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, adult, intestine.

*Cucullanus* (*Cucullanus*) *pinnai pinnai* Travassos, Artigas & Pereira, 1928 - *Ageneiosus militaris*, *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Loricaria* sp., *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Pimelodus ornatus*, *Schizodon borellii*, *Sorubim lima*, *Zungaro jahu*, adult, intestine.

*Cucullanus* (*Cucullanus*) *pinnai pterodorasi* Moravec, Kohn & Fernandes, 1997 - *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, adult, intestine.

*Cucullanus* (*Cucullanus*) *pseudoplatystomae* Moravec, Kohn & Fernandes, 1993 - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, adult, intestine.

*Cucullanus* (*Cucullanus*) *zungaro* Vaz & Pereira, 1934 - *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Zungaro jahu*, adult, intestine.

*Dichelyne* (*Cucullanellus*) sp. - *Parauchenipterus galeatus*, immature form, intestine.

*Dichelyne leporini* Petter, 1989 - *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, adult, intestine.

*Dichelyne pimelodi* Moravec, Kohn & Fernandes, 1997 - *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, intestine.

*Seuratoidea* gen. sp. - *Zungaro jahu*, adult, digestive tract.

### **Family Kathlaniidae Lane, 1914**

*Spectatus* sp. - *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, immature form, intestine.

### **Family Quimperiidae Gendre, 1928**

*Neoparaseuratum travassosi* Moravec, Kohn & Fernandes, 1992 - *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, *Trachydoras paraguayensis*, adult, intestine.

### **Order Oxyurida Chabaud, 1974**

#### **Family Pharyngodonidae Travassos, 1919**

*Cosmoxynema vianai* Travassos, 1949 - *Steindachnerina insculpta*, adult, intestine.

*Cosmoxynemoides* sp. - *Cyphocharax nagelii*, *Trachydoras paraguayensis*, adult, intestine.

*Ichthyouris* sp. - *Brycon orbignyanus*, *Sorubim lima*, adult, intestine.

*Ichthyouris brasiliensis* Moravec, Kohn & Fernandes, 1992 - *Megalancistrus parananus*, *Plagioscion squamosissimus*, adult, intestine.

*Ichthyouris laterifilamenta* Moravec, Kohn & Fernandes, 1992 - *Trachydoras paraguayensis*, adult, intestine.

*Oxyuroidea* gen. sp, *Pinirampus pirinampu*, adult, intestine.

*Parasynodontisia petterae* Moravec, Kohn & Fernandes, 1992 - *Rhinelepis aspera*, *Trachydoras paraguayensis*, adult, intestine.

*Spinoxyuris oxydoras* Petter, 1994 - *Ageneiosus inermis*, *Metynnis lippincottianus*, adult, intestine.

*Travnema travnema* Pereira, 1938 - *Steindachnerina insculpta*, adult, intestine.

### **Order Spirurida Chitwood, 1933**

#### **Family Acuariidae Railliet, Henry & Sisoff, 1912**

*Acuariidae* gen. sp. - *Salminus brasiliensis*, immature form, mesentery.

#### **Family Camallanidae Railliet & Henry, 1915**

*Paracamallanus amazonensis* Ferraz & Thatcher, 1992 - *Hypophthalmus oreamaculatus*, *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, *Plagioscion squamosissimus*, adult, intestine.

*Procamallanus* sp. - *Acestrorhynchus lacustris*, *Schizodon altoparanae* (Garavello & Britski, 1990), *Trachydoras paraguayensis*, adult, intestine.

*Procamallanus (Procamallanus) annipetterae* Kohn & Fernandes, 1988 - *Hypostomus regani*, *Hypostomus ternetzi*, *Megalancistrus parananus*, adult, intestine

*Procamallanus (Procamallanus) peraccuratus* Pinto, Fábio, Noronha & Rolas, 1976 - *Crenicichla* sp., *Geophagus brasiliensis*, *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Hoplias* spp., *Potamotrygon amandae*, adult, intestine and occasionally stomach.

*Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus)* sp. - *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, *Geophagus brasiliensis*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, adult, intestine.

*Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) amarali* Vas & Pereira, 1934 - *Leporinus friderici*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, adult, intestine and pyloric caeca.

*Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) caballeri* (Bashirullah, 1977) - *Astyanax lacustris*, adult, intestine.

*Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) hilarii* Vaz & Pereira, 1934 - *Brycon orbignyanus*, *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, adult, intestine.

*Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) iheringi* Travassos, Artigas & Pereira, 1928 - *Leporinus friderici*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Schizodon borellii*, adult, intestine and pyloric caeca.

*Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) inopinatus* Travassos, Artigas & Pereira, 1928 - *Ageneiosus inermis*, *Brycon orbignyanus*, *Crenicichla jaguarensis*, *Hoplias* spp., *Leporinus friderici*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Metynnus lippincottianus*, *Parauchenipterus galeatus*, *Potamotrygon amandae*, *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, *Schizodon borellii*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, *Sorubim lima*, *Trachydoras paraguayensis*, adult, intestine and occasionally stomach.

*Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) neocaballeri* (Caballero-Deloya, 1977) - *Serrasalmus maculatus*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, adult, intestine.

*Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) paraguayensis* (Petter, 1990) - *Brycon orbignyanus*, adult, intestine.

*Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) pimelodus* Pinto, Fábio, Noronha & Rolas, 1975 - *Iheringichthys labrosus*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, intestine.

*Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) rarus* Travassos, Artigas & Pereira, 1928 - *Cichla piquiti*, *Sorubim lima*, adult, intestine.

#### **Family Cystidicolidae Skrjabin, 1946**

*Cystidicoloides* sp. - *Leporinus friderici*, immature form, mesentery.

*Spinitectus* sp. - *Potamotrygon* cf. *falkneri*, adult, spiral valve.

*Spinitectus asperus* Travassos, Artigas & Pereira, 1928 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, intestine.

#### **Family Gnathostomatidae (Railliet, 1895)**

*Ancyracanthus schubarti* (Kohn, Gomes & Motta, 1968) - *Leporinus lacustris*, *Schizodon borellii*, adult, stomach and intestine.

*Echinocephalus* sp. - *Potamotrygon* cf. *falkneri*, adult, spiral valve.

*Spiroxys* sp. - *Astyanax lacustris*, *Gymnotus* spp., *Moenkhausia forestii*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, immature form, abdominal cavity, mesentery and intestine.

#### **Family Guyanemidae Petter, 1974**

*Guyanema raphiodoni* Moravec, Kohn & Fernandes, 1993 - *Rhaphiodon vulpinus*, adult, intestine.

*Travassosnema travassosi paranaensis* Moravec, Kohn & Fernandes, 1993 - *Acestrorhynchus lacustris*, adult, abdominal cavity.

#### **Family Philometridae Baylis & Daubney, 1926**

*Philometra* sp. - *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, gonads and intestine.

Philometridae gen. sp. - *Acestrorhynchus lacustris*, *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Serrasalmus maculatus*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, adult, abdominal cavity.

#### **Family Rhabdochonidae Skrjabin, 1946**

*Johnstonmawsonia* sp. - *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, *Parauchenipterus galeatus*, adult, intestine.

*Rhabdochona acuminata* Molin, 1860 - *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, *Brycon orbignyanus*, adult, intestine.



## **ACANTHOCEPHALA**

### **Phylum Acanthocephala Kölreuter, 1771**

Acanthocephala fam. gen. sp. - *Ageneiosus inermis*, *Ageneiosus ucayalensis*, *Brycon orbignyanus*, *Cichlasoma paranaense* Kullander, 1983, *Hypostomus cochliodon* Kner, 1854, *Hypostomus regani*, *Loricaria* sp., *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, *Schizodon altoparanae*, *Schizodon nasutus*, *Serrasalmus maculatus*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, digestive tract.

### **Class Palaeacanthocephala Meyer, 1931**

#### **Order Echinorhynchida Southwell & MacFie, 1925**

##### **Family Echinorhynchidae Cobbold, 1876**

*Echinorhynchus* sp. - *Schizodon borellii*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, adult, intestine.

*Echinorhynchus briconi* Machado-Filho, 1959 - *Brycon orbignyanus*, adult, intestine.

*Echinorhynchus salobrensis* Machado-Filho, 1948 - *Serrasalmus maculatus*, adult, intestine.

### **Class Eoacanthocephala Van Cleave, 1936**

#### **Order Gyraacanthocephala Van Cleave, 1936**

##### **Family Quadrigyridae Van Cleave, 1920**

*Quadrigyrus* sp. - *Aphyocharax anisitsi*, *Astyanax lacustris*, *Iheringichthys labrosus*, *Moenkhausia forestii*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, *Psellogrammus kennedyi*, *Rhaphiodon vulpinus*, immature form and adult, intestine.

*Quadrigyrus brasiliensis* Machado Filho, 1941 - *Hoplerythrinus unitaeniatus*, *Steindachnerina insculpta*, adult, intestine.

*Quadrigyrus machadoi* Fábio, 1983 - *Hoplias* spp., *Cichla kelberi*, *Gymnotus* spp., *Hemisorubim platyrhynchos*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Potamotrygon amandae*, *Potamotrygon cf. falkneri*, *Sorubim lima*, immature form and adult, intestine.

*Quadrigyrus torquatus* Van Cleave, 1920 - *Acestrorhynchus lacustris*, *Leporinus lacustris*, adult, intestine.

#### **Order Neoechinorhynchida Southwell & MacFie, 1925**

##### **Family Neoechinorhynchidae Ward, 1917**

*Gorytocephalus* sp. - *Hypostomus ternetzi*, adult, intestine.

*Neoechinorhynchus* sp. - *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Plagioscion squamosissimus*, adult, intestine.

*Neoechinorhynchus curemai* Noronha, 1973 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, intestine and pyloric caeca.

*Neoechinorhynchus prochilodorum* Nickol & Thatcher, 1971 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, intestine.

*Octospiniferoides* sp. - *Brycon orbignyanus*, adult, intestine.

*Octospiniferoides incognita* Schmidt & Huggins, 1973 - *Leporinus lacustris*, *Schizodon borellii*, *Salminus brasiliensis*, *Brycon orbignyanus*, adult, intestine.

## **HIRUDINEA**

### **Phylum Annelida Lamarck, 1809**

#### **Class Clitellata Michaelsen, 1919**

##### **Order Rhynchobdellida Blanchard, 1894**

Rhynchobdellida gen. sp. - *Prochilodus lineatus*, gills, mouth and fins.

##### **Family Glossiphoniidae Vaillant, 1890**

*Helobdella* sp. - *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, gills, mouth and fins.

##### **Family Piscicolidae Johnston, 1865**

*Myzobdella* sp. - *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, gills, mouth and fins.

## **CRUSTACEA**

### **Branchiura**

#### **Phylum Arthropoda Siebold, 1848**

##### **Subphylum Crustacea Brünnich, 1772**

##### **Class Ichthyostraca Zrzavý, Hypša & Vlášková, 1997**

### **Subclass Branchiura Thorell, 1864**

#### **Order Arguloida Yamaguti, 1963**

*Argulus* sp. - *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, adult, body surface, nasal cavity and gills.

*Argulus pestifer* Ringuelet, 1948 - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, adult, body surface.

*Dolops* sp. - *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Salminus brasiliensis*, *Schizodon borellii*, adult, body surface, nasal cavity and gills.

*Dolops carvalhoi* Lemos de Castro, 1949 - *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, adult, body surface.

*Dolops geayi* Bouvier, 1897 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, body surface.

*Dolops longicauda* Heller, 1857 - *Salminus brasiliensis*, adult, body surface and gills.

*Dolops nana* Lemos de Castro, 1950 - *Leporinus friderici*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, adult, body surface and gills.

### **Copepoda**

#### **Phylum Arthropoda Siebold, 1848**

#### **Subphylum Crustacea Brünnich, 1772**

#### **Class Copepoda Milne-Edwards, 1840**

Copepoda fam. gen. sp. - *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, *Eigenmannia trilineata* López & Castello, 1966, *Gymnotus sylvius* Albert & Fernandes-Matioli, 1999, *Moenkhausia forestii*, *Moenkhausia* aff. *intermedia*, *Satanoperca* sp., nasal cavity and gills.

### **Order Cyclopoida Burmeister, 1834**

#### **Family Ergasilidae von Nordmann, 1832**

Ergasilidae gen. sp. - *Astyanax lacustris*, *Auchenipterus osteomystax*, *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Pinirampus pirinampu*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, *Pseudoplatystoma corruscans*, adult, nasal cavity and gills.

*Acusicola* sp. - *Astyanax lacustris*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, gills.

*Amplexibranchius* sp. - *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, gills.

*Brasergasilus* sp. - *Astyanax lacustris*, adult, gills.

*Ergasilus bryconis* Thatcher, 1981 - *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, adult, gills.

*Ergasilus jaraquensis* Thatcher & Robertson, 1982 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, gills.

*Gamidactylus* sp. - *Pimelodus maculatus*, *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, nasal cavity.

*Gamidactylus jaraquensis* Thatcher & Boeger, 1984 - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, nasal cavity.

*Gamispatulus schizodontis* Thatcher & Boeger, 1984 - *Leporinus friderici*, *Leporinus lacustris*, *Megaleporinus obtusidens*, *Megaleporinus piavussu*, *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, *Schizodon borellii*, *Serrasalmus maculatus*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, adult, nasal cavity.

*Gamispinus diabolicus* Thatcher & Boeger, 1984 - *Piaractus mesopotamicus*, adult, nasal cavity.

*Miracetyma* sp. - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, gills.

*Rhinergasilus* sp. - *Prochilodus lineatus*, adult, nasal cavity.

*Rhinergasilus piranhus* Boeger & Thatcher, 1998 - *Acestrorhynchus lacustris*, *Serrasalmus maculatus*, adult, nasal cavity.

*Therodamas* sp. - *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, gills.

*Vaigamus* sp. - *Astyanax lacustris*, *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, gills and nasal cavity.

### **Isopoda**

#### **Phylum Arthropoda Siebold, 1848**

#### **Subphylum Crustacea Brünnich, 1772**

#### **Class Malacostraca Latreille, 1802**

#### **Order Isopoda Latreille, 1817**

Cymothooidea fam. gen. sp. - *Cichla kelberi*, *Galeocharax gulo*, *Hoplias* spp., adult, gills.

### **Family Cymothoidae Leach, 1818**

*Telotha* sp. - *Pimelodus maculatus*, adult, gills.

### **Pentastomida**

#### **Phylum Arthropoda Siebold, 1848**

#### **Subphylum Crustacea Brünnich, 1772**

#### **Class Ichthyostraca Zrzavý, Hypša & Vlášková, 1997**

#### **Subclass Pentastomida Diesing, 1836**

#### **Order Porocephalida Heymons, 1935**

#### **Family Sebekiidae Fain, 1961**

*Sebekia oxycephala* Diesing, 1835 - *Hoplias* spp., larvae, body surface.

### **Family Subtriquetridae Fain, 1961**

*Subtriquetra subtriquetra* (Diesing, 1836) - *Sorubim lima*, larvae, swimming bladder.

### **ACARI**

#### **Phylum Arthropoda Siebold, 1848**

#### **Class Arachnida Cuvier, 1812**

#### **Order Acari Leach, 1817**

Acarina fam. gen. sp. - *Geophagus sveni*, *Serrasalmus marginatus*, adult, gills and body surface.

## **Discussion**

Our results indicate an increase of 68% in the number of identified species in the study area and a reduction of 6% of the taxonomic groups when compared with Takemoto et al. (2009). This result may be linked to an increase in the number of studies using integrative taxonomy for the identification of parasite species in this environment (e.g. Gasques et al., 2016; Da Graça et al., 2018; Franceschini et al., 2018).

The Monogenea class presented the largest number of identified species, and this, possibly, occurred due to the number of studies that have been carried out with the group in the floodplain. The group's richness has already been addressed by Takemoto et al. (2009), and our result can be explained by the identifications and descriptions carried out with the aid of technology, for example, use of molecular techniques, consequently, generating greater interest in the group, more studies and publications (Eiras et al., 2011).

Parasites belonging to the phylum Nematoda and to the subclass Digenea were the groups with the largest number of cataloged interactions, which may be associated with the fact that they exploit different hosts species in their life cycles (Esch et al., 2002; Poulin, 2002; Luque, 2004; Takemoto et al., 2009). In the Cestoda class, it was possible to observe a significant increase in the number of identified species and interactions with several hosts, which is in accordance with studies that classify the order Onchoproteocephalidae, for example. That study covers the largest number of parasites in freshwater fish species (Luque, 2004); however, studies on ecological and pathological aspects of their cycle are lacking (Pavanelli et al., 2013).

The species of the phylum Acanthocephala were found in low richness in this study. It is important to study these organisms because they are commonly used as bioindicators, due to their high capacity for absorbing trace elements (Taraschewski, 2000; Dos Reis et al., 2017). They have a large bioaccumulation capacity, especially due to the absence of a digestive system, which leads them to absorb the pre-digested nutrients through diffusion directly from the intestinal content of fish. In addition, the location of the parasite in the fish – as well as its developmental stage – can perform an important role in the bioaccumulation process (Nachev & Sures, 2016; Paller et al., 2016; Sures et al., 2017).

The Hirudinea subclass has few records of interactions and it is still debated whether they are ectoparasites or associated organisms (Richardson et al., 2015). However, they play an important role in acting as vectors of flagellated protozoa of the Trypanosomatidae family, which were recorded parasitizing different hosts in our study. Much has been discussed about the specificity of *Trypanosoma* spp. and future studies with descriptions of new species for new hosts, using molecular biology, can help to understand these important parasites (Marchiori & Martins, 2013).

The Myxozoa parasites recorded just three species parasitizing three different hosts, all native to the Paraná River. However, we can highlight here the importance of studying their hosts (vertebrates and invertebrates) more thoroughly, in association with these parasites, given that more recent studies have showed their life cycles with several hosts (Takemoto et al., 2009; Eiras & Adriano, 2013).

The phylum Arthropoda represents the greatest diversity of parasite groups (Arguloida, Pentastomida, Copepoda, Isopoda and Acarina), with a wide diversity of sizes, shapes and strategies of parasitism. In most of the cases, they are ectoparasites and are found in the gills and external surface of fish (Arguloida, Isopoda and Acarina), and also in some cavities of the body, such as nostrils (Copepoda), while the parasites of the subclass Pentastomida can be found in internal organs such as the gas bladder (Eiras et al., 2010). Although there is a large number of studies with these different groups, there is a lack of ecological studies (Luque et al., 2013), and the data published in this work partly reflect the lack of interest in studies on these groups acting as parasites.

In relation to infected host species, there was an increase of 14% in studies on their parasitic fauna in relation to the previous work, which can be explained by the constant process of invasion of non-native species of fish. The floodplain is located between two large reservoirs that, despite favoring the development of the local and regional economy, have seriously affected the aquatic biota with the emergence of non-native species (Gois et al., 2015; Agostinho et al., 2016). Invasive fish may be hosted by parasites that are not present in the local biota, and when introduced to the site together with their hosts, they can increase competition and affect the parasitic composition of native fish. In addition, it is known that 45% of fish species (Ota et al., 2018) whose parasitic fauna have already been studied are not native to the floodplain.

The biological characteristics of parasites have revealed information about host ecology, biogeography and phylogeny (Gardner & Campbell, 1992; Raga et al., 2008), and have also provided indicators of current and historical ecological relationships (Aznar et al., 2001). Therefore, to understand the role of the parasite community in an ecosystem, it is necessary to have prior knowledge of the species that belong to it (Takemoto et al., 2009). Although the studies conducted in the upper Paraná River floodplain have contributed towards surveying the parasite species, the species richness is still underestimated because of the high diversity of fish and the small number of these studies on this community. This emphasizes the importance of the present survey for deepening knowledge about the local fauna.

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