

***Thoracostoma falklandiae* n. sp.**

Fig. 7 a, b

Locality and material. — Falkland Islands, St. 42a: 1♀, 1 juv.; St. 51: 1 juv.

Dimensions: L = 2,230 mm., $\alpha = 44,6$, $\beta = 3,54$, $\gamma = 44,6$

This small species, recorded unfortunately only in a single ♀ and 2 young specimens in samples from St. 42a and St. 51, is closely related to the old *Th. trichodes* (LEUCKART), with which it agrees in the structure of the cephalic mail and in the shape of the tail.

From that species the present form, however, differs especially in the 4 strongly developed, submedian cephalic bristles, situated in the constriction between head and body, measuring $5/7$ of the corresponding head diameter at their level. The small buccal cavity seems to be armed with an inconspicuous conical, ventral tooth. Ocelli with lens are present. Tail short, cylindrical, measuring $1,15 \times$ the anal body diameter.

St. 42. Falkland Islands. Port Louis. $51^{\circ} 33' S.$ — $58^{\circ} 9' W.$ Ooze and shells. 8 m. 26. 7. 1962.

Number of species found: 55; Number of specimens found: 372.

St. 51. Falkland Islands. Port William. $51^{\circ} 40' S.$ — $57^{\circ} 42' W.$ Sand. 22 m. 3. 9. 1962.

Number of species: 45; Number of specimens found: 245.

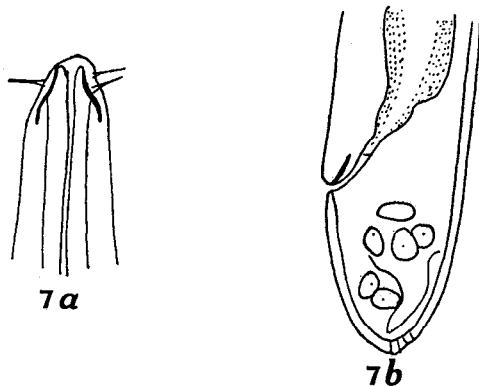


Fig. 7. *Thoracostoma falklandiae* n. sp. a. Anterior end, b. Tail, $\times 450$