

Paracyatholaimus pentodon Reimann, 1966
(Fig. 128)

Description (from Vadhyar, 1980). Body length 1.2–1.5 mm. Maximum diameter 48–52 μm ($a = 23\text{--}30$). Cuticle with transverse rows of dots which may be somewhat larger laterally at the anterior end of the body (Fig. 128A); longitudinal files of cuticle pores. Six long 8–10 μm labial setae. Four short and six longer 16–20 μm (0.6–0.7 h.d.) cephalic setae. Amphids of 3–3.75 turns, 15–16 μm (0.5 c.d.) wide. Buccal cavity with a large dorsal tooth and two pairs of smaller subventral teeth. Tail 2.2 a.b.d.

Spicules 39–41 μm (0.9–1.1 a.b.d.), fairly straight but with a proximal bend. Gubernaculum expanded distally with a blunt cuticular projection. Four small setose precloacal supplements.

Distribution. Firth of Forth, East Scotland; Firth of Clyde, West Scotland (intertidal sand).

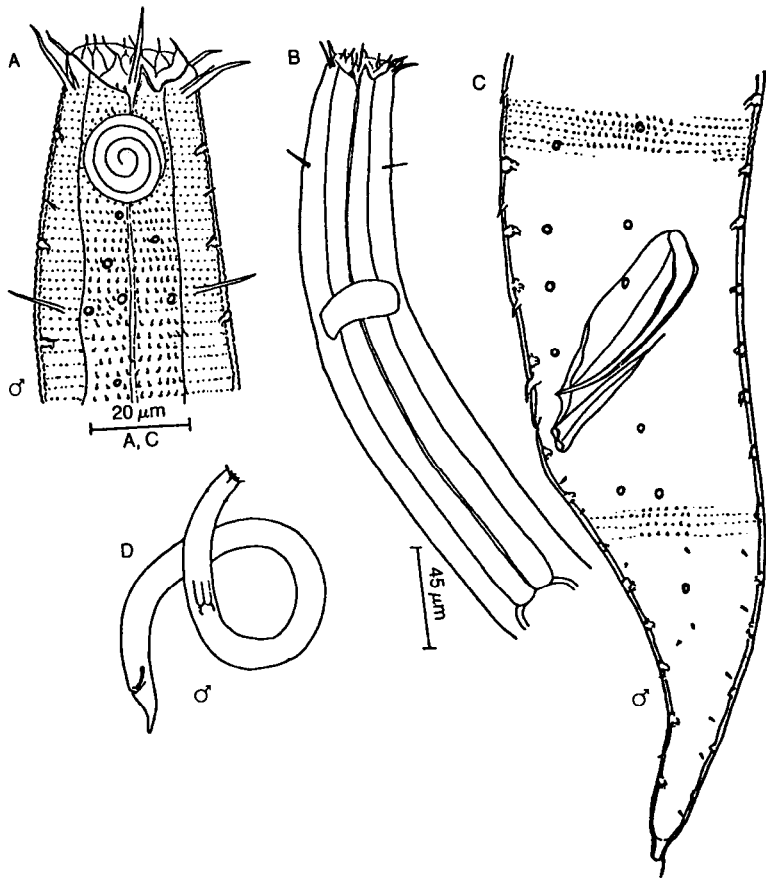


Fig. 128. *Paracyatholaimus pentodon*. A, Male head; B, Anterior region; C, Male tail; D, Entire male. From Vadhyar (1980).