

Dagda bipapillata Southern, 1914
(Fig. 195)

Description (from Southern, 1914). Body length 3.5 mm. Maximum diameter 50 μm ($a = 70$). Cuticle with fine transverse striations. Rounded lips with globular papillae. Four cephalic setae, about 1.1 h.d. Somatic setae absent. Amphids about 0.5 h.d. Buccal cavity with one dorsal and two subventral triangular teeth of about equal size. Oesophagus expands gradually towards base. Tail 3 a.b.d., conical.

Spicules 43 μm (1.1. a.b.d.), arcuate with proximal cephalisation and ventral ala. Gubernaculum with rounded dorsal apophysis (Fig. 195D). Southern's single male had eleven 23 μm long cuticularised tubular precloacal supplements (Fig. 195C) with the proximal ends bent, slightly expanded and a thickened cuticular ring around the tip.

Distribution. Blacksod Bay, West Ireland (intertidal sand).

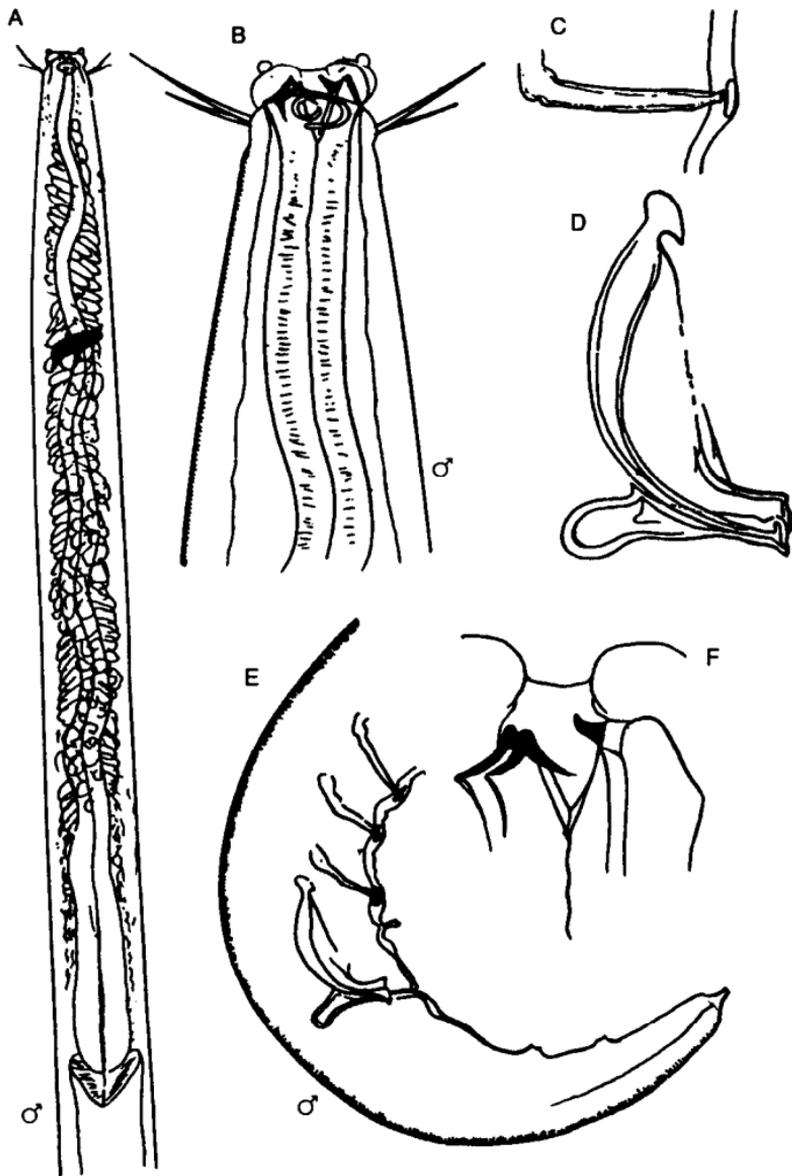


Fig. 195. *Dagda bipapillata*. A, Anterior end; B, Male head; C, Precloacal supplement; D, Spicules and gubernaculum; E, Male tail; F, Detail of buccal cavity. From Southern (1914).