

*Mesacanthoides* n.gen.

This genus represents another transition between *Mesacanthion* and *Enoploides*. The lips are not striated and the general appearance of the head is as in *Mesacanthion* while the mandibles are quite differently built, i.e. they are not arch-shaped but solid as in *Enoploides*. As to the male genital apparatus there is a great difference between the two species reckoned to this genus, i.e. *latignathus* and *sculptilis*, since in the former it is very much reduced, in the latter, however, extremely well developed.

Two species:

*M. latignathus* (DITLEVSEN 1919) = *Enoplolaimus l.* Accessory piece very small, supplement reduced; submedian pairs of cephalic setae of equal length.

*M. sculptilis* n.sp. Accessory piece big, with dorsal apophysis, supplement strongly developed; submedian pairs of cephalic setae unequal in length. *Type.*