

*Molgolaimus demani* Jensen, 1978

(Fig. 189)

*Description.* Body length 0.6 mm. Maximum diameter 24–25  $\mu\text{m}$  ( $a = 22\text{--}26$ ). Cuticle with distinct transverse striation. Six minute anterior cephalic setae. Four posterior cephalic setae 3  $\mu\text{m}$  (0.3 h.d.). Somatic setae absent. Amphids 5  $\mu\text{m}$  (0.4 c.d.) wide, 1.5 h.d. from anterior. Buccal cavity small, narrow, teeth not discernible. Posterior oesophageal bulb pyriform (Fig. 189A). Tail 4 a.b.d. long with a short cylindrical section distally.

Spicules 49  $\mu\text{m}$  (2.5 a.b.d.) long, slender, slightly widened at the proximal end. Gubernaculum simple, crescentic, 15  $\mu\text{m}$ . Precloacal supplements not visible.

*Distribution.* Blyth estuary, North East England; Skippers Island, Essex; Tamar estuary, South West England (all recorded as *Microlaimus tenuispiculum* De Man, 1922).

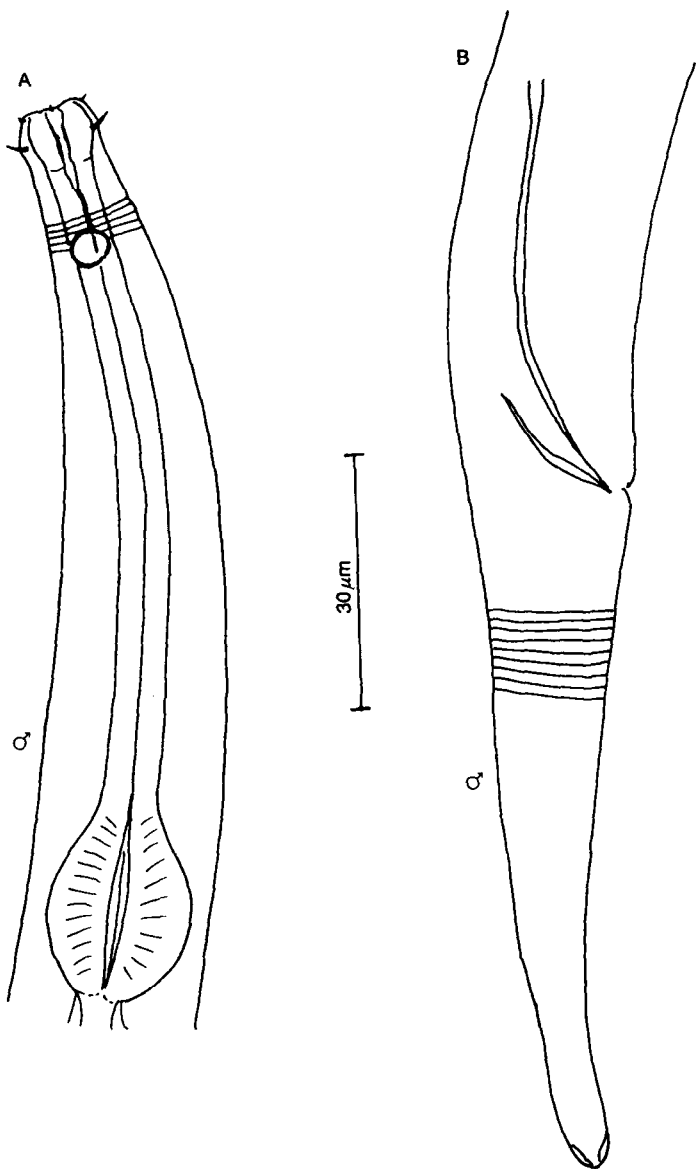


Fig. 189. *Molgolaimus demani*. A, Anterior end of male; B, Male tail. Original.