Sabatieria punctata (Kreis, 1924) (Fig. 92)

Pulchra group.

Description. Body length $1.1-1.2\,\mathrm{mm}$. Maximum diameter $32-41\,\mu\mathrm{m}$ (a = 28-36). Similar to S. pulchra except: cuticle has lateral differentiation of clearly larger dots in fewer transverse rows but may be rather irregularly arranged, most conspicuous in oesophageal and tail regions; cephalic setae $4\,\mu\mathrm{m}$ (0.4 h.d.); male amphids of 3 turns, $8.5\,\mu\mathrm{m}$ (0.7 c.d.); median piece of gubernaculum not conspicuous.

Distribution. Northumberland coast, North East England (sublittoral fine sand); Swansea Bay, South Wales (sublittoral, found in dead cumaceans together with a rather similar species, S. breviseta, p. 206).

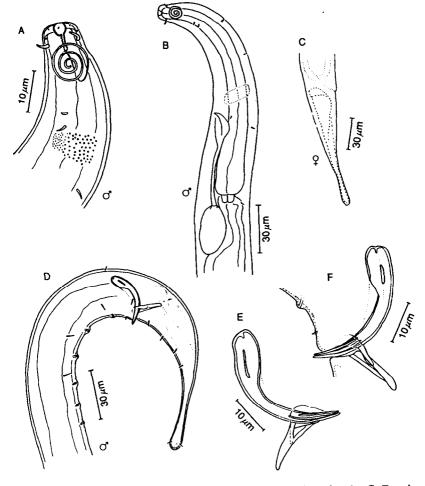


Fig. 92. Sabatieria punctata. A, Male head; B; Anterior region of male; C, Female tail; D, Male tail; E-F, Spicules and gubernaculum of two different specimens. Original.