## Trissonchulus obtusus (Bresslau and Stekhoven, 1935) (Fig. 75A, B, C)

Description. Body length 4.0-4.5 mm (a = 64-65). Head and buccal cavity similar to *T. benepapillosus*, but with rows of conical papillae on anterior end of body. Amphids cup-like, 0.26 times c.d. wide. Tail rounded, 1.2 a.b.d. long, caudal glands open ventrally, subterminal.

Spicules 1.2 a.b.d. long.

Gubernaculum 0.43 a.b.d., paired, swollen at distal ends. 4-5 precloacal supplements. Male with four pairs of papillae on tail.

Vulva at 49% of body length, female tail with two apical papillae.

Distribution. Isles of Scilly (Laminaria holdfasts).

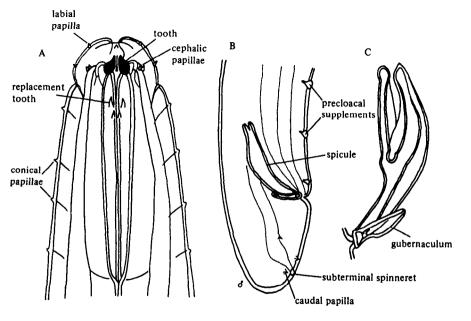


Fig. 75. Trissonchulus obtusus. A, Head of young specimen showing replacement teeth; B, Male tail; C, Spicules and gubernaculum (from Stekhoven, 1935).