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Abstract

Four new xiphidio cercariae from Melanopsis praemorsa Snails in Jordan were discovered and named Cercaria melanopsis X,Cercaria melanopsis XII,Cercaria melanopsis XIII.

Cercaria melanopsi X, Cercaria melanopsi XI, Cercaria melanopsi XII, Cercaria melanopsi XIII. The glandular system of Cercaria melanopsi X is made up of three pairs of penetration glands on both sides of the body and a total of 26 flame cells are found symmetrically distributed on both sides of the body, but are absent in the tail. Cercaria melanopsi XI has three pairs of penetration glands on both sides of the body and around the acetabulum and a total of 22 flame cells are found symmetrically distributed on both sides of the body, but are absent in the tail. Cercaria melanopsi XII has 22 flame cells arranged symmetrically on both sides of the body. Cercaria melanopsi XIII has 18 flame cells arranged symmetrically on both sides of the body.

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