

## A new species, *Brevitobrilus orientalis* sp. nov. (Nematoda: Tobrilidae) from West Kazakhstan

### Новый вид – *Brevitobrilus orientalis* sp. nov. (Nematoda: Tobrilidae) из Западного Казахстана

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*Brevitobrilus orientalis* sp. nov. was collected in a small brackish water lake near Batkul Lake in West Kazakhstan. New species differs from *B. findeneggi* (Schiemer, 1971) in a short body and a relatively long tail.

*Brevitobrilus orientalis* sp. nov. был собран в небольшом солоноватом озере близ оз. Баткуль в Западном Казахстане. Новый вид отличается от *B. findeneggi* (Schiemer, 1971) коротким телом и относительно длинным хвостом.

**Key words:** free-living nematods, taxonomy, Kazakhstan, Nematoda, Tobrilidae, *Brevitobrilus*, new species

**Ключевые слова:** свободноживущие нематоды, таксономия, Казахстан, Nematoda, Tobrilidae, *Brevitobrilus*, новый вид

## INTRODUCTION

The type series of the species under description is deposited in the collection of the Zoological Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences, St Petersburg.

### Order ENOPLIDA

#### Suborder TOBRILINA

#### Family TOBRILIDAE

#### Subfamily NEOTOBRIINAE

Genus *Brevitobrilus* Tsalolikhin, 1981

#### *Brevitobrilus orientalis* sp. nov.

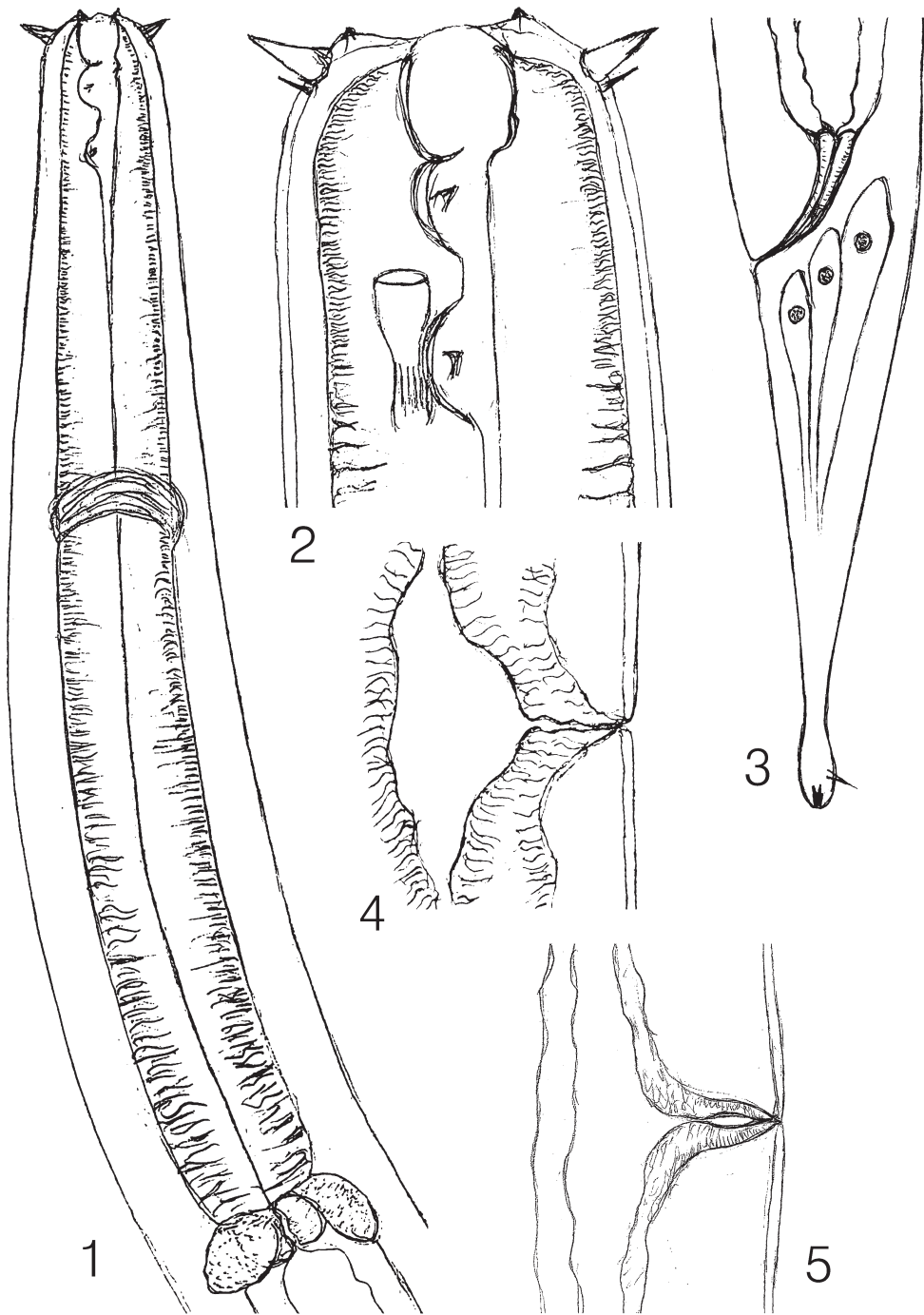
(Figs 1–5)

**Holotype.** Female; West Kazakhstan, small brackish water lake (3.6‰, pH=9.5, t=31.6 °C) near Batkul Lake, 48°47'N, 46°40'E, 25 June 2012, coll. L. Borkin & S. Litvinchuk (microscope slide № A-7363).

**Paratypes.** Five females, same data as for holotype.

**Description.** Holotype: L = 823 µm, a = 22.2, b = 5.2, c = 10.6, c' = 3.3, V = 50%. Paratypes (n = 5): L = 788–871 (828) µm, a = 20.4–23.5 (22), b = 4.5–5.6 (4.9), c = 10–10.6 (10.4), c' = 3.3–3.5 (3.4), V = 47–50 (49)%.

Cuticle thin, its thickness about 1–1.2 µm. Head not offset, with six distinct lips; each lip with a prominent papilla about 2 µm long. Cephalic setae in outer circle hornlike, 5–6 µm long (35–40% of head width), and in second circle very thin and shorter, about 2 µm long. Cephalic diameter 14–16 µm. Stoma 19–20 µm long, with two pouches separated by long isthmus; each pouches with one tooth; distance between teeth 7–9 µm. Amphids opening at level of isthmus. Pharynx 141–183 (171) µm long; cardial glands ovoid, mas-



Figs 1–5. *Brevitobrilus orientalis* sp. nov.: 1 – oesophagus; 2 – head; 3 – tail; 4, 5 – vagina.

sive; cardium short. NR = 41–48 (43)%. Rectum length 23–26  $\mu\text{m}$ , about as great as anal body width. Female gonads paired:  $Q_1 = 114\text{--}142$  (133)  $\mu\text{m}$ ;  $Q_2 = 114\text{--}148$  (124)  $\mu\text{m}$ . Musculature of vagina strong. Vulva-anus distance 4.5 times as great as tail length. Tail 72–82 (80)  $\mu\text{m}$  long, with subterminal seta.

**Comparison.** All the species of the genus *Brevitobrilus* can be subdivided into two groups: **A** with the distance from the first supplement to the cloaca equal or exceeding the length of specula; **B** with the first supplement located close to the cloaca, and with the distance between them being markedly less than the length of the spicula (Tsalolikhin, 2001). *Brevitobrilus orientalis* sp. nov. represents only females; however, the structure of head, stoma and vagina show belonging to the group **B** (*findeneggi*-group). The group **B** includes only one palearctic species, *B. findeneggi* (Schiemer, 1971). This species was described from the brackish water of Neusidlersee Lake in Austria (Schiemer, 1971). New species distinguished from *B. findeneggi* by a short body (828  $\mu\text{m}$  vs. 1430  $\mu\text{m}$ ) and a relatively long tail ( $c = 10.4$  vs. 13.1).

#### Key to the Palearctic species of the genus *Brevitobrilus* (females)

- 1(6). Length of body more 1 mm.
- 2(3). Cephalic setae hornlike, 3  $\mu\text{m}$  long .....  
..... *B. findeneggi* (Schiemer, 1971)
- 3(2). Cephalic setae not hornlike, more 5  $\mu\text{m}$  long.
- 4(5). Length of tail more 200  $\mu\text{m}$  .....  
..... *B. granatensis* (Ocaña et Zullini, 1988)
- 5(4). Length of tail less 200  $\mu\text{m}$  .....  
..... *B. stefanskii* (Micoletzky, 1925)
- 6(1). Length of body less 1 mm .....  
..... *B. orientalis* sp.n.

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