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Body size

Male: 8.82-14.53 x 0.98-1.56mm
Female: 11.52-52.52 x 1.74-1.94mm

Host: E. cyanophlyctis, H. tigerinus, Rana sp. 1, R. ievida, R. khare, A. marmoratus, M. glandulosus, P. leucomystax, P. tardensis

Location: Intestine
Locality: Mokokchung, Tuensang, Kohima

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a. Whole male worm

b. Whole female worm
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257. Anterior end of female worm, showing the (arrow)

258. A magnified view of the head, showing the spines

259. Posterior end of the female, showing the numerous eggs

260. Magnified anterior end of female, showing the eggs, empty sac of the retractable head and the limnisci (arrow)

261. Eggs

262. Posterior end of a male specimen