

Eurystomina terricola (De Man, 1907)
(Fig. 117)

Description. Body length 3.3–4.4 mm. Maximum diameter 58–64 μm ($a = 56$ –68). Cuticle smooth. Six labial papillae. Ten cephalic setae in one circle; six 10–12 μm (0.4 h.d.) and four 4–6 μm (0.2 h.d.). Amphids dorso-sublateral in position and about 0.4 h.d. wide. Ocelli absent. Buccal cavity divided into chambers by three rows of denticles. Large right subventral and smaller more rounded dorsal and left subventral teeth. Excretory pore about 1.5 buccal cavity lengths from anterior. Nerve ring about 0.35 times oesophagus length from anterior. Tail conical, 2.3 a.b.d. Caudal glands extend anterior to anus.

Spicules 98–104 μm .

Gubernaculum 31–35 μm . Two cup-shaped cuticularised supplements without wings 2.7 and 4.0–4.5 a.b.d. from cloaca; anterior larger than posterior. Two opposed testes.

Two opposed reflexed ovaries. Vulva at 62–3% of body length.

Distribution. Exe estuary (extreme upper level of sandy shore); Northumberland (dryer crevices on rocky shore); Isles of Scilly (rotting seaweed on strandline).

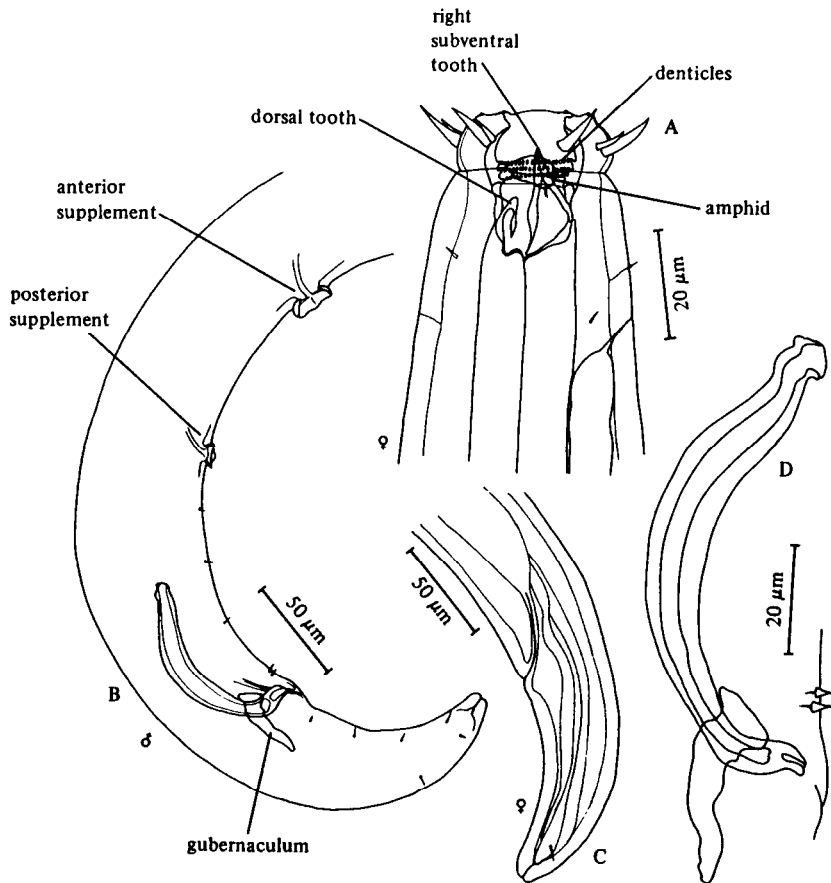


Fig. 117. *Eurystomina terricola*. A, Female head; B, Posterior end of male; C, Female tail; D, Spicules and gubernaculum. Original.