Chromadorita tentabunda (De Man, 1890) (Fig. 66)

Description. Body length $0.6-0.7 \,\mathrm{mm}$. Maximum diameter $33-44 \,\mathrm{mm}$ (a = 15-18). Similar to C. nana except: body generally larger; spicules longer (35 $\mu\mathrm{m}$), more slender and more evenly curved; differently shaped gubernaculum (Fig. 66D).

Distribution. Exe estuary, South West England; Tamar estuary, South West England; Strangford Lough, Northern Ireland (intertidal mud and fine sand); North East coast of England (kelp holdfasts).

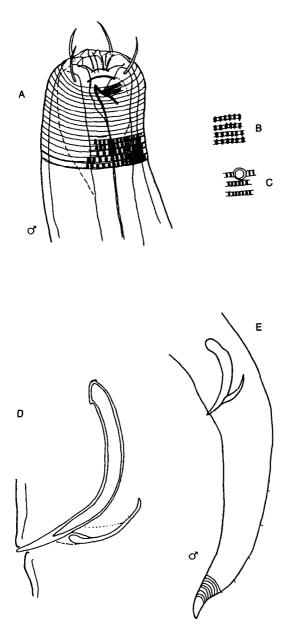


Fig. 66. Chromadorita tentabunda. A, Male head; B-C, Lateral cuticle level with posterior of buccal cavity (B), mid-body (C); D, Spicules and gubernaculum; E, Male tail. Original.