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OGMA GOLDENI N. SP (NEMATODA: TYLENCHIDA) FROM KASHMIR

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Abstract

Ogma goldeni n.sp. is recorded from soil around roots of *Solanum tuberosum* from Sonamarge, Kashmir, India. It is found to be distinct species in having a strongly retrorse body annules numbering from 59-65, enface view showing completely fused sub-median lobes on dorsal, ventral and lateral sides and by the presence of sharply narrowed to finely rounded tail terminus. It differs from *Ogma rhosimum* (Khan, Chawla & Saha, 1975) Andrassy, 1979 in having more anteriorly located vulva, longer spear and shape of tail. It is also related to *Ogma rhombosquamatum* (Mehta & Raski, 1971) Andrassy, 1979 and *O. simlaensis* (Jairajpuri, 1963) Andrassy, 1979. From the former it differs by having small spear and fewer body annules, while from the latter it is differentiated by complete fusion of sub-median lobes, presence of rhomboidal scales and by shape of tail.