

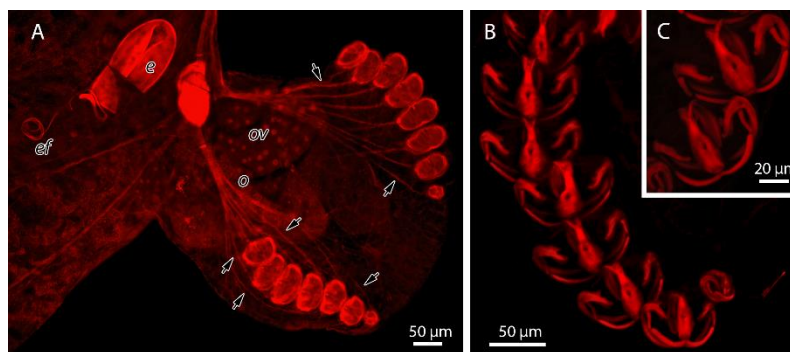
9 Questions with WRG authors

Title of the paper: Redescription of the genus *Afrodiplozoon* Khotenovski, 1981 and its only known species *Afrodiplozoon polycotyleus* (Paperna, 1973) (Monogenea: Diplozoidae) using a combined multidisciplinary approach

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1. What previous work was integral to the new study?

Prior to this study, a more intense collaboration with people from University of Limpopo started. A valuable contribution to this study was my expertise with the molecular methods of monogeneans.



2. Why do you care about this particular subject?

Any discrepancy in the taxonomy requires attention as well as findings of new taxon, which is not rare in South Africa on freshwater fish.



3. Did any of the findings surprise you?

Regarding this paper, no.





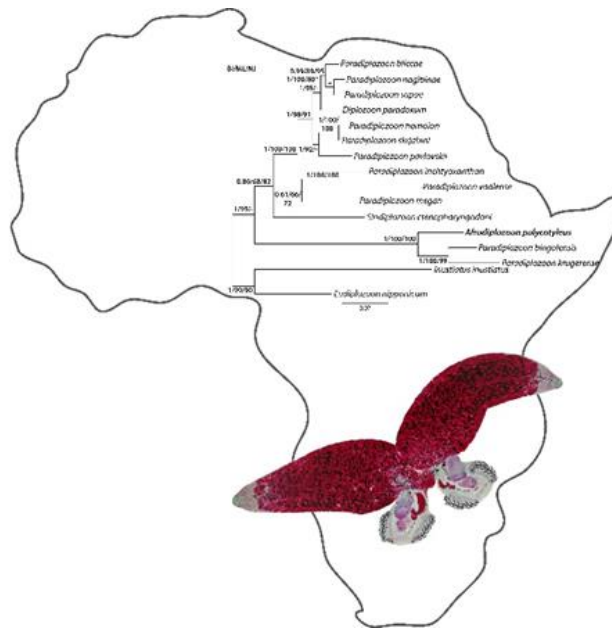
4. What are some of the limitations of this study?

Studying this interesting animal, as the proper composition of their reproductive system could be observed on live animal only, with some possible in vivo staining.



5. Do you expect these findings to be controversial in your field?

No, maybe a bit of competition with another South African research team could be in the air.



6. What are the broader implications of these findings?

Once the validity of the genus has been confirmed, now the question would be how many other species of the genus can be found in Africa.



7. What do people usually get wrong about this subject?

Previously the incorrect generic name was used by many authors, as the publication defining the genus *Afrodiplozoen* was published in Russian.





8. Looking back on the study, what were some of the most memorable moments for you and your colleagues?

It has been already while since we did sampling. What I enjoyed a lot was taking SEM photos with my colleague Sarka in the Czech Republic.



9. What are you working on next?

On the description of new genus from Lake Kariba and new species of *Dactylogyrus* from endemic cyprinid host.



Thank you for your time, Iva!