**Table 3.** Comparison of Paratrichodorus divergens sp. n. with P. hispanus and three similar species. (Adapted from Decraemer, 1995).

	Paratrichodorus spp.				
	P. divergens	P. hispanus	P. weisheri	P. anemones	P. pachydermus
Male					
Spicules shape	shaft with	shaft with	shaft with	shaft with	shaft and blade
	irregular outline	irregular outline	irregular outline	irregular outline	cylindrical
N° of CP	1	1	1	1	1
Location SP1-SP2	opposite distal half	opposite distal half	more spread	opposite distal half	more spread
relative to spicule	spicules, usually at	spicules but more		spicules	
	distal third	spread			
Onchiostyle length	43-55.5 μm	$54.7-63.5 \ \mu \mathrm{m}$	$43-48~\mu\mathrm{m}$	$42-53~\mu\mathrm{m}$	44-60 m
Spicule length	$45-56~\mu\mathrm{m}$	53-61.7 μm	$34-37~\mu\mathrm{m}$	$46-53~\mu\mathrm{m}$	40-54 m
Female					
Nº lateral body	0	1	1	2 (0-2)	2 (2-5)
pores on each side					
Vaginal scleroti-	large, drop-like to	small rounded	small oval, parallel	small triangular,	small round,
sations shape and	triangular, oblique,	triangular, oblique,	to vagina,	oblique,	oblique,
position	diverging outwards	converging	converging	converging	converging
		outwards	outwards	outwards	outwards
Sperm location	spread over uteri	in spermathecae	in spermathecae	in spermathecae or	spread over uteri
				concentrated near	
				oviduct	
Tail	short	short	short	short	long

CP = cervical papilla; SP1, SP2 = fist and second pre-cloacal supplements