

Supplementary Table. Meristic characters and proportional measurements of the Mekong blind sole (*Typhlachirus elongatus*) caught in the Mekong River delta in 2018 (number of specimens [n]=85) and from Evseenko and Bolshakov (2018) ($n=3$) in different size classes based on standard body length (SL). Features include number of rays in dorsal fin (D), number of rays in anal fin (A), number of rays in caudal fin (C), number of rays in pectoral fin on the ocular (right) side of the body (P1_d), number of rays in pectoral fin on the blind (left) side (P1_s), number of pored scales on the horizontal branch of the ocular side lateral line not including scales on caudal fin (LL), number of precaudal vertebrae (PrCV), number of caudal vertebrae (CV), number of vertebrae (V), body depth at pectoral fin base (BD), and head length (HL). In the first column, the superscript numeral 1 indicates specimens selected for molecular analysis, and the superscript numeral 2 indicates stained specimens.

<i>n</i>	SL (mm)	D	A	C	P1 _d	P1 _s	LL	PrCV	CV	V	BD	HL
1 ¹	38	51	36	12	2	4	91	–	–	–	39	24
2	23	51	39	12	1	4	87	–	–	–	43	26
3	24	53	38	12	–	4	86	–	–	–	42	23
4	49	49	37	12	3	4	101	8	24	32	45	22
5	31	52	37	12	1	4	105	–	–	–	42	22
6	26	48	33	12	1	4	98	–	–	–	42	30
7	37	49	35	12	3	5	–	9	27	36	40	24
8 ¹	53	56	40	12	1	4	95	8	26	34	43	22
9 ¹	50	50	35	12	1	5	90	8	25	33	42	24
10 ¹	50	48	34	12	1	4	90	9	25	34	44	22
11	64	52	36	12	2	5	93	9	26	35	42	20
12	34	52	36	12	–	4	–	–	–	–	43	24
13 ¹	36	48	35	11	2	4	98	–	–	–	44	22
14 ¹	60	51	36	12	3	4	93	10	24	34	43	22
15	31	50	38	12	–	3	–	–	–	–	43	24
16 ¹	17	–	37	11	1	3	92	–	–	–	–	24
17	45	49	38	12	–	4	–	–	–	–	43	23
18	28	52	37	12	2	4	95	–	–	–	39	25
19	25	46	34	12	–	4	–	–	–	–	46	26
20	41	51	35	12	1	5	95	–	–	–	44	22
21	41	53	37	12	3	5	105	–	–	–	44	22
22	64	53	38	12	1	5	–	9	26	35	42	25
23	40	52	38	12	3	4	97	–	–	–	43	23
24	28	49	34	12	–	5	100	–	–	–	43	25
25	29	51	37	12	1	5	94	–	–	–	38	24
26	21	53	36	12	1	5	104	–	–	–	38	23
27	26	49	36	12	2	4	87	–	–	–	42	23
28	27	53	38	12	2	3	98	–	–	–	41	22
29	23	49	39	12	–	4	92	–	–	–	43	22
30	14	48	35	12	1	4	–	9	–	–	43	29
31	32	52	34	12	1	3	–	–	–	–	44	25
32	32	47	36	12	1	4	102	–	–	–	44	25
33	40	48	35	12	2	4	93	–	–	–	43	28
34	43	48	35	12	2	4	93	9	25	34	39	23
35	49	50	35	12	1	4	95	9	24	33	45	24

<i>n</i>	SL (mm)	D	A	C	PI _d	PI _s	LL	PrCV	CV	V	BD	HL
36	43	48	36	12	–	6	–	9	24	33	44	26
37	22	50	34	12	–	5	–	10	26	36	41	26
38 ¹	23	52	37	12	1	3	88	9	24	33	39	26
39	19	53	37	12	1	4	85	9	25	34	42	31
40	24	–	37	12	1	4	95	9	25	34	37	25
41	28	–	36	12	1	4	92	9	24	33	46	21
42	27	53	39	12	1	5	92	9	26	35	41	22
43 ¹	36	51	39	12	2	5	91	–	–	–	42	25
44 ²	53	50	34	12	2	6	107	9	25	34	36	21
45 ²	49	50	35	12	1	5	107	9	25	34	38	24
46 ¹	48	50	37	12	1	6	–	9	–	–	39	23
47	51	52	37	13	1	5	–	10	24	34	43	23
48	53	51	37	11	–	5	–	–	–	–	42	24
49	25	48	36	11	–	4	108	–	–	–	42	24
50	29	48	35	12	–	4	101	–	–	–	45	26
51	35	48	34	12	2	4	92	–	–	–	46	26
52	23	48	35	12	–	4	97	–	–	–	46	24
53	36	51	35	12	1	4	–	–	–	–	42	22
54	52	50	34	11	–	4	89	9	24	33	44	26
55	30	52	37	12	–	4	85	9	24	33	43	26
56	58	52	38	12	–	4	94	9	25	34	45	25
57	34	54	38	12	1	4	90	9	24	33	41	23
58	31	52	36	12	1	4	98	9	24	33	38	25
59	30	47	35	11	–	4	–	9	24	33	43	26
60 ¹	29	50	35	12	1	4	–	9	24	33	41	24
61	30	48	34	12	–	4	93	9	25	34	46	25
62 ¹	28	52	39	12	1	4	95	9	25	34	39	25
63	24	54	38	12	1	5	88	9	24	33	37	25
64	23	51	35	12	1	5	96	9	24	33	43	26
65	22	50	37	12	2	5	99	9	24	33	41	27
66	53	50	35	12	1	4	91	9	24	33	47	24
67	32	52	34	12	–	3	95	–	–	–	44	25
68	32	47	36	12	–	4	102	–	–	–	44	25
69	46	51	35	12	–	4	107	9	25	34	40	25
70	44	47	37	12	–	4	–	8	26	34	43	25
71	25	49	36	12	1	4	94	9	23	32	44	28
72	14	48	35	12	–	4	–	9	–	–	43	29
73	54	50	36	12	–	4	93	9	25	34	44	24
74	58	52	38	12	3	4	94	9	25	34	45	25
75	80	53	40	12	2	4	93	8	25	33	45	24
76 ¹	45	49	34	12	1	4	96	9	25	34	40	20
77	37	51	36	12	–	5	94	9	24	33	43	26
78	25	51	37	11	1	4	–	8	24	32	40	24

<i>n</i>	SL (mm)	D	A	C	P1 _d	P1 _s	LL	PrCV	CV	V	BD	HL
79	25	48	38	12	–	4	–	9	24	33	44	24
80 ¹	64	50	35	12	1	4	105	8	24	32	41	24
81	55	50	34	12	2	4	95	9	25	34	44	25
82	43	51	35	10	2	4	–	8	25	33	39	23
83	22	51	36	12	–	4	–	9	25	34	43	25
84	43	48	34	12	–	5	98	9	24	33	45	23
85	23	–	37	12	1	6	107	9	24	33	39	26
86	71	55	38	11	2	5	99	10	24	34	42	23
87	67	49	36	12	1	5	85	10	24	34	43	23
88	60	48	35	12	–	5	102	10	23	33	45	25