



New records of the sharpnose seven-gill shark, *Heptranchias perlo*, in the eastern Mediterranean Sea (Aegean Sea, Greece)

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Abstract

A new record of the sharpnose seven-gill shark *Heptranchias perlo* (Selachii: Hexanchidae) in the eastern Mediterranean Sea is reported. This deep-water shark, which is relatively uncommon throughout its range in tropical and temperate waters, was taken incidentally on a commercial bottom-trawler in the Aegean Sea at a depth of 100 to 200 m. The specimens were 606-1060 mm in total length and 690-3705 g in total weight. Morphometric, meristic and biological characteristics have been recorded.

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