



Checklist of the Acanthocephala in wildlife vertebrates of Mexico

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Abstract

Fifty four named and twenty three undetermined species of acanthocephalans associated with 213 wildlife vertebrate host species from Mexico are listed; they come from 220 localities, pertaining to 28 of the 33 Mexican states. The checklist contains information on their hosts, habitat, distribution, and records. In addition, three species of acanthocephalans (*Polymorphus obtusus*, *Polymorphus trochus*, and *Southwellina dimorpha*), are registered for the first time in Mexico, twenty six new locality records, and ten new host records are presented.

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