
**First report of *Caranx hippos* (Pisces, Carangidae),
as host of *Lernaeolopus striatus* (Copepoda, Lernaeolopidae),
in the Colombian Caribbean coast**

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The association of *Lernaeolopus striatus* Wilson, 1913 (Copepoda, Lernaeolopidae) and the fish *Caranx hippos* Latreille (Pisces, Carangidae) 355 mm long individuals, is reported for the first time. The fish was captured in the night tasks of artisanal fishing with "transmallo" net, in front of Cartagena de

Indias (Department of Bolivar, Colombia). The copepod was inside the fish buccal cavity, in the right part of the inferior jaw (inter-canine dental space, strongly anchored to the gum). The copepod is in cataloguing process in the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory of Ocean Springs (USA).

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