

# AVITELLINA SAKRIENSIS N. SP. (EUCESTODA: THYSANOSOMIDAE) FROM CAPRA HIRCUS

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## Abstract

The present investigation deals with taxonomic studies of mammalian tapeworm of genus *Avitellina*, viz. *A. sakriensis* n. sp. collected from the host *Capra hircus* at Sakri (M.S.) India. The present worm comes closer to all the known species to the genus *Avitellina* in general topography of organ but differs due to scolex medium, squarish; suckers large, oval; neck long; mature segment 21 to 22 times broader than long; testes oval, large, 4 – 8 in number, outer column 0 – 1, inner column 2-3 testes; cirrus pouch large, oval; vas deferens, medium; ovary medium, single, oval; vagina dorsal to cirrus pouch; vitelline gland absent; genital pore irregularly alternate and gravid segments show one pyriform par uterine organ, containing eggs.

## Keywords

*Avitellina sakriensis* n.sp., Sakri, tapeworm, *Capra hircus*

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