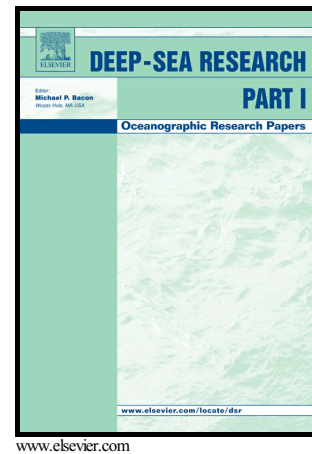


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### Abstract

The gastropods *Odontocymbiola pescalia* and *Provocator corderoi* and their egg capsules were collected by the R/V Puerto Deseado from the Mar del Plata Submarine Canyon (~37°53' S, at depths of 291-1404 m) and from Burdwood Bank (~54°27' S, 128-785 m). *Odontocymbiola pescalia* egg capsules measured  $15.67 \pm 3.38$  mm in diameter. They were subspherical in shape with an external calcareous layer. Each egg capsule contained 3-5 embryos and white material as extra embryonic food. Embryos grew to a size of up to  $9.3 \pm 1.1$  mm in mean shell length before hatching as crawling juveniles. The spawn of *P. corderoi* consisted of a single dome shaped egg capsule of  $14.17 \pm 1.5$  mm in diameter, attached to hard substrata by a basal membrane with a rounded outline. A curved semilunar furrow (seam) on one side of the capsules was always present. The number of embryos per capsule was 2-6. Embryos hatched as crawling juveniles with a shell length of  $5.9 \pm 0.6$  mm.

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