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A TABULAR PARTIAL KEY TO BRITISH GEOPHILOMORPHS

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INTRODUCTION

This table is intended to complement the proceeding key and allow checks to be made. It can be used on its own to partially identify species i.e. to narrow the range of possibilities.

A count of leg pairs is always a good start with geophilomorphs, narrowing down the options. The last legs are then useful, noting the distribution and number of coxal pores. Other characters can then be examined to refine the search. Sternal coxal pores are not always easy to see and may require oblique illumination.

SPECIES	TRUNK SEGMENT (leg pairs)	COXAL PORES ON LAST LEGS	CLAW ON LAST LEGS CLAW	BASAL NODE ON POISON CLAW	CARPOPHAGUS STRUCTURE	STERNAL PORE GROUPS
<i>Nesopongaster brevior</i>	93-101	Numerous	Dorsal/Ventral			
<i>Haplophilus subterraneus</i>	77-85	Numerous	Dorsal/Ventral			
<i>Geophilus electricus</i>	65-73	10-18	Dorsal/Ventral	+	+	+
<i>Clinopodes linearis</i>	63-79	In pits	Ventral	+		+
<i>Henia vesuviana</i>	61-75	1 + number	Ventral	+ usually		
<i>Geophilus osquidatum</i>	53-63	3-4	Ventral	+	+	+
<i>Henia brevis</i>	53-57	1 + number	Ventral	+		+
<i>Geophilus fucorum</i>	51-57	4	Ventral	+	+	Littoral
<i>Brachyschendyla monoeci</i>	51-57	2	Ventral			Greenhouse, once
<i>Necrophioleophagus flavus</i>	49-57	6-10	Ventral	+	+	
<i>Strigamia crassipes</i>	49-53	15-30	Ventral	+	+	
<i>Strigamia marinuma</i>	47-51	10-15	Ventral	+	+	Littoral
<i>Geophilus carpophagus</i>	45-57	6-12	Ventral	+	+	
<i>Geophilus proximus</i>	45-55	8-10	Ventral	+	+	Once, Shetland
<i>Geophilus oligopus (in sculptus)</i>	45-53	4-7 + 1	Ventral	+	+	
<i>Hydroschendyla submarina</i>	45-53	2	Ventral			Littoral
<i>Typhlops javanicus</i>	45	Numerous	Ventral			Greenhouse, Kew
<i>Arenophilus peregrinus</i>	45	1 + 2	Ventral	+		Scilly
<i>Pachymerium ferrugineum</i>	43-45	Numerous	Dorsal/Ventral	+	+	Coastal, rare
<i>Dicellophilus carniensis</i>	43	Numerous	Dorsal/Ventral			Greenhouse, rare
<i>Geophilus pusillifater</i>	41-43	1 + 2	Ventral	+	+	S W Coasts
<i>Schendyla peyerimhoffi</i>	39-49	2	Ventral	+	+	Littoral
<i>Brachyschendyla dentata</i>	39	2	Ventral	+		
<i>Schendyla nemorensis</i>	37-43	2	Ventral	+	+	
<i>Brachygeophilus truncorum</i>	37-41	2	Ventral	+	+	
<i>Strigamia acuminata</i>	37-41	10-15	Ventral	+	+	
<i>Nothogeophilus turki</i>	37-39	3-5	Ventral	+	+	S. Coast, rare
<i>Chalanda pinguis</i>	35-37	1 + 6-10	Ventral	+	+	North Devon
						Note number is reduced in juveniles