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## First Record of the Pacific Fanfish *Pteraclis aesticola* (Jordan and Snyder, 1901) in the Tropical Eastern Pacific

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One specimen of *Pteraclis aesticola* was collected off San José del Cabo, Baja California Sur, México (22°54'N, 109°45'W), in March 2007. Present record is the first reported occurrence of the species in the Tropical Eastern Pacific biogeographic region (Gulf of California to southern Ecuadorian waters). Its large fan-like anal and dorsal fins and its counts of fin rays and vertebrae can distinguish the Pacific fanfish from the other species in the genus. This fish may have not yet been recorded in the region because its presence has been overlooked in the past because of rarity and lack of commercial value.

Palabras clave: Bramidae, Pacific fanfish, *Pteraclis aesticola*, Tropical Eastern Pacific

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