

# Chaetognatha: arrow worms

## UNDERWATER FIELD GUIDE TO ROSS ISLAND & MCMURDO SOUND, ANTARCTICA

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## arrow worm



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Arrow worms are predatory marine worms, and are found throughout Antarctica <sup>[1]</sup>. The arrow worms in these photos were about ten centimeters long <sup>[2]</sup>.

At least seventeen species occur in Antarctica, with *Eukrohnia hamata* being the most common in abundance of individuals and frequency of occurrence <sup>[1]</sup>.

**References:** **1:** Antarctic Chaetognatha: United States Antarctic Research Program Eltanin cruises 10–23, 25, and 27, Paper 2. Biology of the Antarctic Seas XIV. Antarctic Research Series 39(2):69-204, 2013; **2:** McMurdo Oceanographic Observatory on Twitter @MOOAntarctica 19 July 2018