BREEDING REPORTGoodeid Working Group

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Species: Characodon audax

Strain or location: El Toboso

Remarks:

A) – Colony size (Estimated)

Number of adult males: 2

Number of adult females: 4

Number of fry: 10

B) - Breeding setup

- For adult fish

Number of Aquariums: 1

Please indicate size(s) of the aquarium(s) in cm (1 x w x h): 90 x 60 x 30

Is (Are) the setup(s) monospecific (Yes/No): No

If associated with other species, specify: Allodontichthys tamazulae

- For gravid females

Please indicate if you put the gravid females in isolation (Yes/No): Yes

If yes: please indicate the size of the aquarium in cm ($1 \times w \times h$): $60 \times 30 \times 30$

- For the fry

Please indicate if you usually separate the fry from the adults (Yes/No): Yes

Please estimate how long the fry remains separated (in weeks): 8 - 12

If yes, please indicate the size of the container in cm (1 x w x h): 60 x 30 x 30

C) – Maintenance specificity

- Water

Parameters

pH: 7.5 Th: 12° Others:

Temperature

Is the temperature fluctuant (Yes/No): Yes

If constant, please indicate in degrees Celsius:

If fluctuant:

- During the day (Yes/No): Yes

Amplitude of variation: $1 - 2^{\circ}C$

- Seasonally (Yes/No): Yes

Range of variation (min – max): 16 - 24°C

Frequency of water change

Periodicity (please scratch)

permanent fluctuant:

weekly:

every 2 weeks: x

monthly: other:

Water change volume in %: 60 - 80%

- Substrate

Do(es) the container(s) have substrate (Yes/No): No

Do(es) the container(s) have aquatic vegetation (Yes/No): Yes

Names: Cryptocoryne spp.

Do(es) the container(s) have artificial structures to hide for the fish (Yes/No): Yes

What kind of: Eheim filtration material (Ehfifix)

Do(es) the container(s) have natural structures to hide for the fish (Yes/No): Yes

What kind of: stones

- Filtration

Filtration-Type: Hamburg Mattenfilter; driven by: JBL Proflow u 500

Filtration media: blue foam, medium, 5cm thick

Filtration power (in l/min): 500l/h

Aeration (Yes/No): Yes

- Lighting

Lighting duration in hours: 12h

D) - Feeding

- Feeding of adults

Artificial food (please scratch type)

flake food: x pellets: tablets: x extrudes:

other (what kind of):

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Frozen food (please scratch type)
Bloodworms (Chironomus): x
White Larvae (Chaoborus): x
Gammarus:
Mosquito-Larvae (Culex): x
Tubifex:
Cyclops: x
Cladocerans (Daphnia, Moina, aso): x
Artemia: x
Krill:
Mysis:
other (what kind of): Benkers Garnelenmix (Benkers Shrimp-Mix)
Freeze dried food (please scratch type)
Artemia: x
Gammarus:
Daphnia:
Tubifex:
Krill:
other (what kind of):
<u>Live food (please scratch type)</u>
Bloodworms:
Daphnia: x
Grindal-worms and/or Enchytraea:
Drosophila:
Tubifex:
Culex:
Chaoborus:
Cyclops: x
Artemia (adult):
Nauplia: x
other (what kind of):
Home made food (please scratch type):
Boiled salad or spinach:
Mixtures (e.g.: fish/vegetable/meat):
other (what kind of):
Feeding frequency (Number per day): 2
Fasting period (Yes/No): yes
If yes: Duration: 1 day
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- Feeding of fry

Food-type

Nauplia: x Mikro-worms: Cyclops: x

micronized powder:

Fry flakes:

other live food (what kind of):

other dry food (what kind of): Artemia, freeze dried

Feeding frequency (Number per day): 2

E)- Fish biology

Observed diseases: Ichthyophthirius multifiliis

If yes, what kind of drugs have been used: Malachite green

Observed deformities: yes

On the fins:

On the body: shortened caudal peduncle in one juvenile male

Brood frequency:

Breeding period (months in the year):

Number of fry per brood: I observed 2 up to 11 fry

Further useful information: I kept this species before in a large group (about 40 specimens) without extremely fighting males. After separating a few pairs, it became worse. They fit together with *Xenoophorus captivus* before and now with *Allodontichthys tamazulae*. After infecting some of my tanks with *Ichthyophthirius*, this had been the only species with dead individuals (about 3 or 4). It suffered worse of that disease than other species. Sometimes, females develop black fins in my strain, but quite rarely.