BREEDING RESULTS

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Thamnophis cyrtopsis postremus.

Size of the terrarium: 110x60x40 (lxwxh). Day and night temperature: in summer 25-35°C (day) and 20-25°C (night); in winter 20-25°C (day) and 17-20°C (night). Copulation stimulus: in summer 12 hours of light and in winter 8 hours of light. Age of parent snakes: 3 years. Number of eggs: 13. Date of hatching: 16 June 1993. Number of young: 13. Generation of young: F2. First feeding of young: one week after birth (prey: worms/fish).

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Thamnophis sirtalis similis.

Size of the terrarium: 160x60x40 (lxwxh). Day and night temperature: in summer 25-35°C (day) and 20-25°C (night); in winter 20-25°C (day) and 17-20°C (night). Copulation stimulus: in summer 12 hours of light and in winter 8 hours of light. Age of parent snakes: 4 years. Length of parent snakes: male 100 cm, female 110 cm. Refusing food of the female: no. Number of eggs: 26 and 28. Date of hatching: 22 June 1992 and 4 November 1992. Number of young: 26 and 28. Generation of young: F2. First feeding of young: 4 days after birth (prey: worms/fish).

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Thamnophis sirtalis parietalis

Size of the terrarium: 100x80x60 cm (lxwxh). Copulation stimulus: none. Age of parent snakes: 4 years. Length of parent snakes: male 62.6 cm; female 87.3 cm. Date of copulation: July 1993 (copulation lasted approximately 3 days). Refusing food of the female: not. Date of hatching: 28 September 1993. Number of young: 16 (4 male, 5 female, 7 dead). Generation of young: F2. Weight of young: approximately 3.1 g. Length of young: approx. 17 cm. First slough: more than four weeks after birth. Remarks: weight and length of the young determined 4 weeks after birth.

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