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Specimen caught during a bottom fishing on Tinian in May 17th, 2014. The sample was caught around the vicinity of Tinian. Photo by: William Dunn.

Scientific Name: *Coelorinchus hexafasciatus* (Masuda, H., et al. 1984/fishbase.org/Randall, J., et al.). A member of the cod family; this species is characterized by not having dorsal or anal spines. which is longer than any of the other dorsal spines.

Common Names: Six-band grenadier (fishbase.org)

Maximum size: 57.0 cm total length (Masuda, H. 1984), 62.0 cm (fishbase.org)

Size recorded: sample was not measured

Physiology: Snout with blunt tricuspid tubercle at the tip. Six or seven broad dark bands on body. Underside of head naked. Scales on top of head with 3 to 5 spinous carinae.

Gender: Unknown

Habitat: The Six-banded grenadier species are found in deep water habitats between 300 and 900 meters. Deepwater associated.

Distribution: North West Pacific Ocean, Kyushu-Palau Ridge, Mariana Islands.

Diet: Unknown

Climate: Tropical, Subtropical

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The Six-band grenadier has a light organ located near its pelvic fins.