

INCUBATION TEMPERATURE WITH *LAMPROPELTIS GETULUS*
FLORIDANA: A HYPOTHESIS REJECTED.

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In my article 'Repeated successful breeding of the Florida Kingsnake' (Litt. Serp., December 1986) I proposed on the basis of some observations the possibility that the incubation temperature could have influenced the sex of the hatchlings, in the sense that with a somewhat lower incubation temperature more females would be born than with a somewhat higher incubation temperature. In 1987 I bred this snake again, with the same couple. Using an incubation temperature of 30 degrees Celcius (one degree higher than the previous year) I got seven males and eleven females. With this result, the above mentioned hypothesis must be considered as of no value.