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Two new genera of chelodesmid millipeds from southeastern Brazil (Polydesmida: Chelodesmidae)

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ABSTRACT

The new taxon Atlantodesmus (type species Leptodesmus (Odontopeltis) eimeri Attems, 1898) is proposed to accomodate five species occurring in the coastal mountains of Brazil between Bahia and Santa Catarina. A second new genus Iemanja (type species I. teresa, n. sp.) is established for an apparently related species in Espírito Santo. These genera are distinguished by the broad, nearly horizontal paranota, widest near the anterior end, as well as by shared similarities in gonopod structure.