

**Vinegar as a disarming agent to prevent further discharge of the nematocysts of the stinging hydromedusa *Olindias sambaquiensis*.**

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*Olindias sambaquiensis*, known as agua viva, is an endemic hydromedusa that is distributed from latitude 23 degrees to 42 degrees south in the southwestern Atlantic Ocean and is known to cause severe stings. This is the first report of the use of vinegar in disarming *O. sambaquiensis* nematocysts and includes preliminary observations on its use in managing the stings of hydromedusae.

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