



Psammonobiotus linearis

Testate amoeba

General

1. Aquatic amoeba

Geography and Habitat

1. Native: Likely native to the Ponto-Caspian region of Eurasia; also recorded in the Baltic Sea and the Bay of Biscay
2. Habitat:
 - Occur where interstitial water movement and oxygen supply are adequate
 - Attach to sand grains by way of the flat collar that is part of their test
 - Recorded at salinities of 31 ppt along the Baltic Sea coast and at depths of 60cm in beach sands

Invasion Pathways

1. Ballast water release

Sources

1. <http://nas.er.usgs.gov/queries/FactSheet.aspx?SpeciesID=2655>