



Didymosphenia geminata

Didymo, rock snot

General

1. Larger freshwater diatom that may be both epilithic and epiphytic
2. Distinguishable from other algae on basis of color: beige/brown/white, but not green

Geography and Habitat

1. Native: Europe and North America
2. Habitats
 - Historically found in cool, oligotrophic waters of northern Europe and northern North America
 - Stream bottoms, rivers, lakes

Invasion Pathways

1. Recreational boating

Sources

1. <http://nas.er.usgs.gov/queries/FactSheet.aspx?SpeciesID=2856>
2. <http://www.issg.org/database/species/ecology.asp?si=775&fr=1&sts=sss&lang=EN>



Dried masses of didymo above water line. White River, White Hole fishing access, Arkansas June 2005 (Photo: Erica Shelby, Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality)

via: <http://www.issg.org/database/image.asp?ii=1408&ic=e>