



Psammonobiotus communis

Testate amoeba

General

1. Marine-brackish water amoeba
2. Recorded in every ocean basin globally

Geography and Habitat

1. Native: Likely native to the Ponto-Caspian region
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
 - Occur at sand depths from 10—105cm at distances from 0—35m from shore
 - Primarily a marine-brackish water species; tolerates salinities of 0—37 ppt



<http://nas.er.usgs.gov/queries/FactSheet.aspx?SpeciesID=2653>

Invasion Pathways

1. Ballast water release

Sources

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