



Thalassiosira baltica

A diatom

General

1. Cylindrical diatom forming chains

Geography and Habitat

1. Native: Unclear. Recorded in the Baltic Sea, polar seas, inland Eurasian seas, and coastal Europe; additionally coastal Japan and western USA.
2. Habitat:
 - Euryhaline species that often occurs in areas experiencing anthropogenic impacts
 - Maximum growth occurs at salinities of 4—8 ppt; highly tolerant of 0.5—20 ppt

Invasion Pathways

1. Likely ballast water release

Sources

1. <http://nas.er.usgs.gov/queries/FactSheet.aspx?SpeciesID=2717>

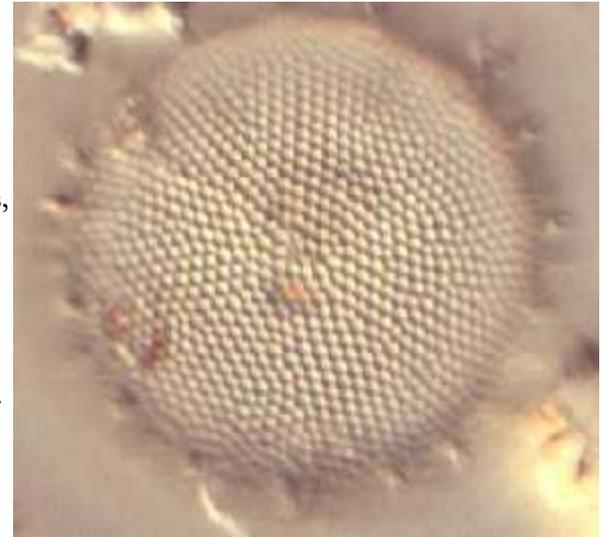


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