

New record of nudibranch *Nembrotha lineolata* in Singapore

Subject: *Nembrotha lineolata* (Mollusca: Gastropoda: Polyceridae).

Subject identified by: Toh Chay Hoon.

Location, date and time: Singapore Strait, off Pulau Hantu; 27 April 2014; around 1130hrs.

Habitat: Marine. Coral reef, at depth of about 13 m, on sand substrate.

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Observation: One example of about 40 mm total length was observed crawling on the substrate. Figures 1 & 2 show the same animal in slightly different dorso-lateral views.

Remarks: *Nembrotha lineolata* is not listed by Tan & Woo (2010), and is likely to be a new record for Singapore. The example featured seems identical in appearance to the species illustrated by Coleman (2008: 346-348) and Rudman (1998).

References:

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Fig. 1. Photograph by Toh Chay Hoon



Fig. 2. Photograph by Heng Pei Yan

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