First record of bubble snail *Limulatys okamotoi* in Singapore

**Subject**: Bubble snail, *Limulatys okamotoi* (Mollusca: Gastropoda: Haminoeidae).

**Subject identified by**: Tan Siong Kiat.

**Location, date and time**: Singapore Strait, off Pulau Hantu; 30 May 2015; around 1630 hrs.

**Habitat**: Marine. Open seabed of silty sand, at depth of around 10 m.

**Observer**: Toh Chay Hoon.

**Observation**: An example of about 5 mm shell length was seen burrowing into silty sand during a dive (Fig. 1). The animal was removed from the sediment for closer examination and identification (Fig. 2). A quick search in the immediate vicinity did not reveal more conspecifics.

**Remarks**: The specimen has been deposited as a voucher (ZRC.MOL.5828) in the Zoological Reference Collection of the Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum at the National University of Singapore. It is identified as *Limulatys okamotoi* based on its superficial shell characters (after Hori, 2000). This find appears to be the first record of the genus and species in Singapore waters (Tan & Woo, 2010).

**References**:


![Fig. 1. Animal in situ, partially buried in substrate.](image1)

![Fig. 2. Animal ex situ.](image2)

Photographs by Toh Chay Hoon.

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