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First record of the snail, Stromatolina angulata, in Singapore

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Subject: Angular stomatolina, Stomatolina angulata (Mollusca: Gastropoda: Trochidae).

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Location, date and time: Johor Strait along Changi Beach Park; 8 June 2019; around 1000 hrs.

Habitat: Estuarine shore.

Observer: Lau Wing Lup.

Observation: A live example, about 5 mm in shell width, was found among barnacles and other marine encrustations on the underside of a live saddle oyster (Placuna ephippium) among seagrass, exposed to air during morning low tide. The snail's foot, which is large and has the same colour pattern as its shell, cannot be fully retracted (Fig. 1 & 2).

Remarks: Stomatolina angulata is herein presented as a new record for Singapore (see Tan & Woo, 2010). It can be identified by its two strong carinae on its whorls, and numerous smaller lirae below the periphery and with strong, short sub sutural folds (Pilsbry, 1890). The related Stomatella impertusa was recently recorded from Pulau Pawai (Toh et al, 2014) and Keppel Bay Marina (Lam & Todd, 2013).

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with two carinae on the last shell whorl.



Fig. 1. Ex-situ back-lateral view of live snail Fig. 2. Dorsal-aperture view of snail showing its inability to fully retract into the shell.

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