

## Biodiversity Record: New Singapore record of the sea slug, *Thuridilla albopustulosa*

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**Subject:** *Thuridilla albopustulosa* (Mollusca: Gastropoda: Sacoglossa: Plakobranchidae).

**Subject identified by:** Toh Chay Hoon.

**Location, date and time:** Singapore Strait off Pulau Hantu, western reef; 15 April 2022; around 1800 hrs.

**Habitat:** Marine. Coral reef. At depth of 9 m on silty substrate among coral rubble.

**Observer:** Toh Chay Hoon.

**Observation:** One example of about 10 mm total length was observed on the sea bed (Fig 1).

**Remarks:** The subject apparently represents the first record of *Thuridilla albopustulosa* in Singapore (see Tan & Woo, 2010). The species is distributed in the Indian and Western Pacific Oceans and occurs on shallow reefs where it is usually found under coral rubble (Gosliner et al., 2010: 430).



Fig. 1. Dorsal view of the subject in-situ. (Photograph by: Toh Chay Hoon)

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