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Didemnum - New England Coast Occurrences and Images

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Recent research papers on *Didemnum*

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First documented occurrence

Fort Island Narrows, Damariscotta River, Maine; July 19, 1993. *Didemnum* sp. colony living at 12 m (40 ft; at high tide) on a substrate of shell hash and gravel. Collected by I. Svane, C. Young, and T. Miller. Identified by G. Lambert, January 2004.

First anecdotal occurrence

A colonial tunicate resembling *D.* sp. has been observed on the dock pilings of the Darling Marine Center in Walpole, ME since 1988 (P. Yund, University of Maine) and since 1994 (R. Wahle, Bigelow Laboratories). Source: L. Harris.

A colonial tunicate resembling the species that was collected in Fort Island Narrows, Damariscotta River, Maine, in 1993 was observed there in 1988, source: T. Miller.

Web sites with imagery and text

MIT Sea Grant Marine Bioinvasions; Didemnum image and map of Massachusetts coastal occurrences.

University of Connecticut, Department of Marine Sciences, Team Benthos, Long-Term Epifaunal Population Dynamics See image of *Didemnum lutarium*? (possibly *D.* sp.)

Web sites with text only

MIT Sea Grant, 2003 Northeast Rapid Assessment Survey of invasive species, 2003. PDF format

Maine Today, Aug. 5, 2003; story on 2003 Northeast Rapid Assessment Survey of invasive species. PDF format

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Links to Related Topics

- International Invasive
 Sea Squirt Conference,
 PEI, Canada, Oct. 1-4, 2007
 Program with Abstracts (PDF)
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Contributors & Other Sources

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