

## *Bugulina stolonifera* (Ryland, 1960)

Phylum: Bryozoan

### Description:

Colonies form compact tufts 30-40 mm in height, and gray-buff in color. The zooids are 500-740 µm in length and 165-190 µm in width. The outer distal margin forms a large spine, with a small slender spine below. Another spine is located on the inner distal angle.



### Distribution:

It was found at first on pier pilings and the bottom of a boat (Ryland 1960) in British isles, but it considered a possible introduction. Now it's distributed worldwide:

- 1961 New Zealand
- 1993 Netherlands
- 1997 Japan
- 1999 Belgium
- 2000 Azores
- [2010 MADEIRA](#)

### Some impacts:

It's a frequent component of fouling communities on port structures and ships' hulls.

There aren't any impacts reported for this species throughout its global range, but in Turkey marinas, this species grows in most stressful conditions of low oxygen and high organic inputs.

