

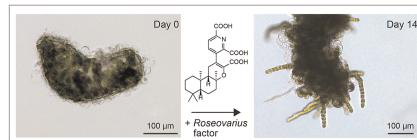
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**Bacteria-released algal growth and morphogenesis factors regenerate axenic calli derived from the macroalga *Ulva* (Chlorophyta) and change the fatty acid profile**

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**Short Communication:** Thallusin, along with Roseovarius factors, regenerates the axenic *Ulva* callus.

**Keywords:** bioactives; callus regeneration; chemical ecology; fatty acids; thallusin

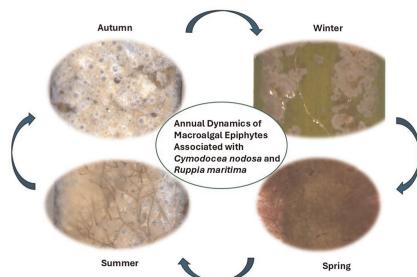


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**Annual cycle and ecological interactions of macroalgal epiphytes with *Cymodocea nodosa* and *Ruppia maritima* in Epanomi and Vravrona, Greece**

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**Research Article:** Seasonality of epiphytes on *Cymodocea nodosa* and *Ruppia maritima*: significant differences between sites and seasons indicating the role of local environmental conditions in the composition and structure of the epiphytic communities.

**Keywords:** ecosystem health; biodiversity; macroalgal communities; seagrass epiphytes; seasonal variations



Giuliana Marletta, Andrea Lombardo and Donatella Serio  
**Past and present fucalean diversity in the island of Marettimo, Egadi Islands Marine Protected Area (Central Mediterranean, Italy)**

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**Research Article:** Census of the species belonging to *Cystoseira* complex, and *Sargassum* of Marettimo Island (Egadi- MPA, Sicily) to obtain an updated knowledge of the presence of these important macroalgae, about 20 years after the last study carried out in this area.

**Keywords:** biodiversity; Fucales; *Cystoseira*; *Ericaria*; *Gongolaria*; *Sargassum*



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*C. ramosissima* sp. nov.**

<https://doi.org/10.1515/bot-2024-0067>  
Botanica Marina 2025; 68(3): 235–252

**Research Article:** Along the Atlantic and Pacific Mexican coasts there are two genetically different groups within *Chnoospora minima*, a worldwide distributed species, and one newly described as *C. ramosissima* sp. nov.



**Keywords:** *cox3*; disjunct distribution; diversity; *rbcL*

Tu Van Nguyen and Ga Hun Boo  
**Phylogeography of the marine benthic alga *Gracilaria salicornia* (Gracilariales, Rhodophyta) in Southeast Asia**

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**Research Article:** This study explores the phylogeography of *Gracilaria salicornia* in Southeast Asia, revealing high genetic diversity, three haplogroups, and Pleistocene expansion influenced by glacial sea-level changes and ocean currents, emphasizing its biogeographic significance in dynamic intertidal environments.

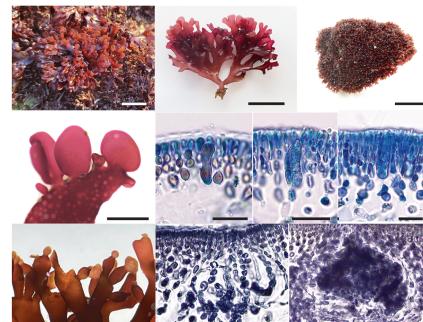


**Keywords:** agarophyte; COI-5P; population genetics; Pleistocene expansion; Vietnam

Mi Yeon Yang and Myung Sook Kim  
**Unveiling a novel species, *Pachymeniopsis shinchorai* sp. nov., from Korea, with reference to phylogenetic relationships within the Grateloupiaceae (Halymeniales, Rhodophyta)**

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Botanica Marina 2025; 68(3): 263–274

**Research Article:** A novel species, *Pachymeniopsis shinchorai* sp. nov., has been unveiled in Korea, supported by its morphological distinctness and molecular evidence.



**Keywords:** Grateloupiaceae; morphology; *Pachymeniopsis*; phylogeny; *rbcL*

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Jihan El-khattabi, Mustapha Hassoun,  
Ijlal Raissouni and Hassan Bouziane  
**First record of the red alga *Ceramium pallidum* (Ceramiales, Ceramiaceae) for the Mediterranean Sea**

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**Short Communication:** The red alga *Ceramium pallidum* is reported and described for the first time from the Mediterranean Sea. A key for all the Mediterranean taxa of non-spinose *Ceramium* is presented.

**Keywords:** *Ceramium pallidum*; Ceramiaceae; Mediterranean Sea; Morocco



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**Chemical profiling of seaweeds of the Arabian Gulf by liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry and *in-silico* screening against MPOX**

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Botanica Marina 2025; 68(3): 281–302

**Research Article:** A metabolomics study of 12 seaweed species of the Gulf (such as the *Colpomenia sinuosa* and *Feldmannia indica* pictured here, at Qaruh Island, Kuwait) tentatively identified 22 metabolites. Selected metabolites were computationally explored for their MPOX-binding drug-development potential.

**Keywords:** drug design; Kuwait; molecular docking; pharmacophore; virtual screening

