

Distribution and Pathogenicity of the Protist *Labyrinthula* sp. in western Mediterranean Seagrass Meadows

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Abstract
Labyrinthula sp., a dinoflagellate pathogen of seagrasses, was found in three Mediterranean seagrass meadows (Posidonia oceanica, Cymodocea nodosa, Zostera noltii). *Labyrinthula* was found to be pathogenic to all three seagrass species, with infection rates ranging from 70% to 100%. The infection rate was higher in *Cymodocea nodosa* (70%) than in *Posidonia oceanica* (61%) and *Zostera noltii* (44%).

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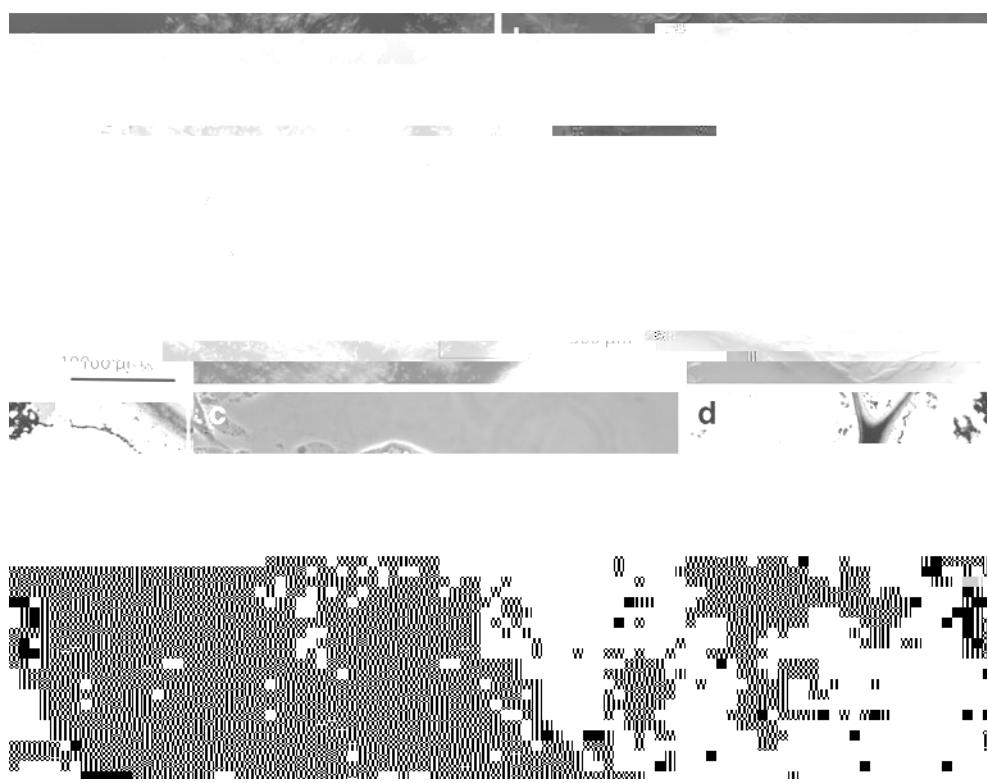


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