

***Crassimarginatella (Crassimarginatella) vincularia***  
n.sp. (Plate 3, C)

MATERIAL EXAMINED: NZOI Stn K840.

DISTRIBUTION: Kermadec Islands, c. 400 m.

DESCRIPTION: Colony vincularian, branching, nonarticulated (presumably arising from an encrusting base), with zooids  $0.50\text{--}0.62 \times 0.32\text{--}0.43$  mm, arranged in quincunx in six longitudinal rows. Opesia large, oval, bordered by a narrow granular cryptocyst widening proximally. Gymnocyst smooth, reduced or virtually absent. One pair of oral spines, no others seen. Ovicell raised, with crescentic ectoocelial fenestra of varying width. Avicularia not seen.

HOLOTYPE: Fragments of colonies, in collection of N.Z. Oceanographic Institute, DSIR, Wellington, New Zealand, type number H-302.

TYPE-LOCALITY: NZOI Stn K840, Macauley Island,  $30^{\circ}17.4'S$ ,  $178^{\circ}25.3'W$ , 398–412 m.

REMARKS: Several vincularian specimens were found not attached to a substratum and lacking chitinous parts. Consequently it is not known if there are accessory marginal spines in this species, of the kind which leave no scar in the calcareous wall.

