

Calvipelta calvifrons new genus and new species
Plate 53C-D

Type material Holotype: SBMNH 365757, 410-84.

Description Colony encrusting, unilaminar. Autozooids small (0.35–0.45 x 0.30–0.40 mm), flattened or slightly convex, separated by slight grooves, lateral walls obvious, raised between zooids. Frontal shield smooth, imperforate, no marginal pores. Primary orifice wider than long, obscured by thick peristome, particularly developed distally and laterally, proximally a large, oval opening produced with a bridge of peristome over it. Ovicells not observed.

Etymology From *calvus*, L. bald; *frons*, L. front. Named for the smooth imperforate frontal shield.

Remarks *Calvipelta calvifrons* is characterised by its small size, by the smooth, imperforate frontal shield and raised peristome with proximal opening.

The single dead colony of *Calvipelta calvifrons* described here was quite abraded.

Distribution *Calvipelta calvifrons* was found at Yandina, Mbanika Island, the Russell Islands. It was associated with a colony of *Caleschara minuta*.

