Taiwanassiminea affinis (Böttger, 1887)

Diagnostic features
Taiwanassiminea affinis commonly occurs sympatrically with Cryptassiminea spp. in New South Wales, also banded species, but T. affinis is distinguishable from the latter in having a taller spire, strong umbilical ridge and a subsutural spiral cord.

Classification
Taiwanassiminea affinis (Böttger, 1887)

Class Gastropoda
Subclass Caenogastropoda
Order Littorinimorpha
Superfamily Truncatelloidea
Family Assimineidae
Subfamily Assimineinae

Genus Taiwanassiminea Kuroda & Habe, 1950
(http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/13235818.2014.909766#CIT0018)


Type locality: Rockhampton, Queensland.

Biology and ecology

Lives in low salinity conditions in the upper tidal reaches of rivers and large streams. It lives under dead leaves, bark on dead wood and stones or around the bases of plants, including grasses, on muddy banks. It occurs in the upper half of the intertidal zone to the high tidal line or slightly above and can be abundant.

Distribution

Taiwanassiminea affinis is found in the upper tidal reaches of the larger rivers from northern Queensland to the Shoalhaven River in the southern half of New South Wales.

Further reading


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