

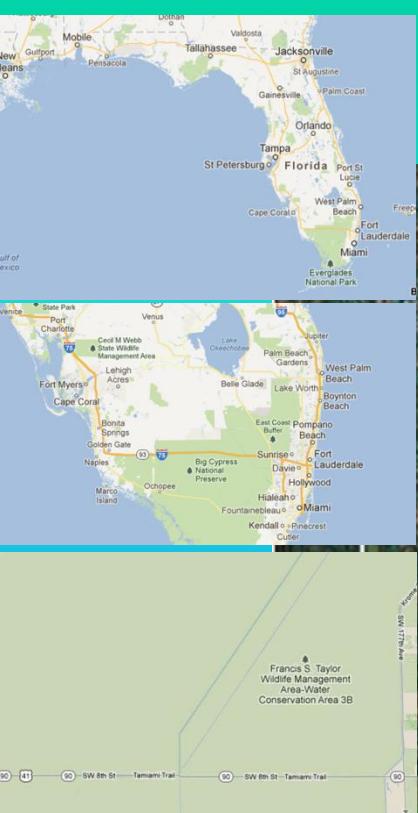
Cyanobacteria Species from Florida Everglades Floc

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Collection site



WCA3A

WCA3B



Collection site

Enlarged view of the DECOMP Physical Model footprint indicating the locations of the walkways and monitoring stations.

Abbreviations are as follows:

C = control

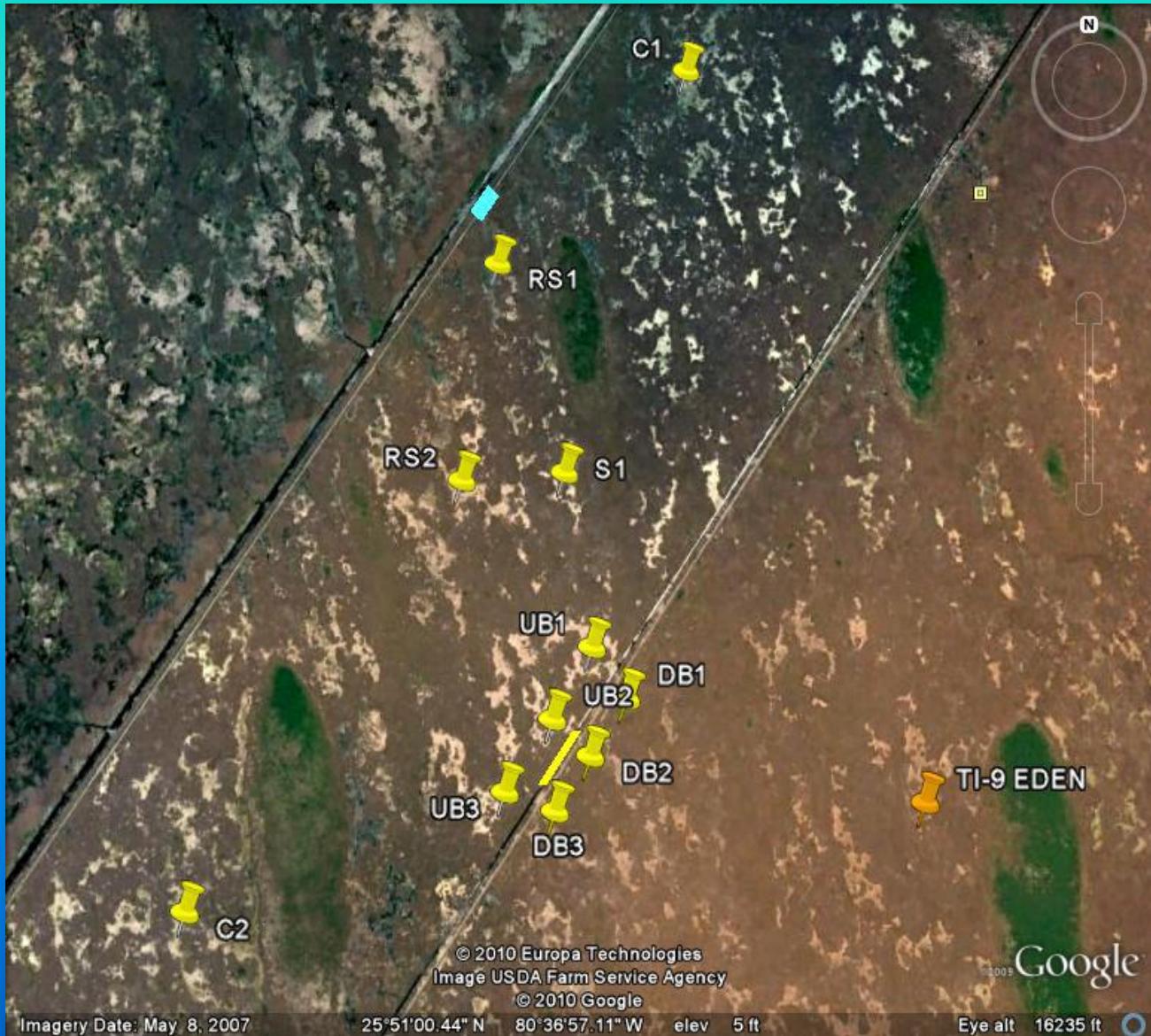
RS = ridge/slough

S = slough

UB = upstream backfill

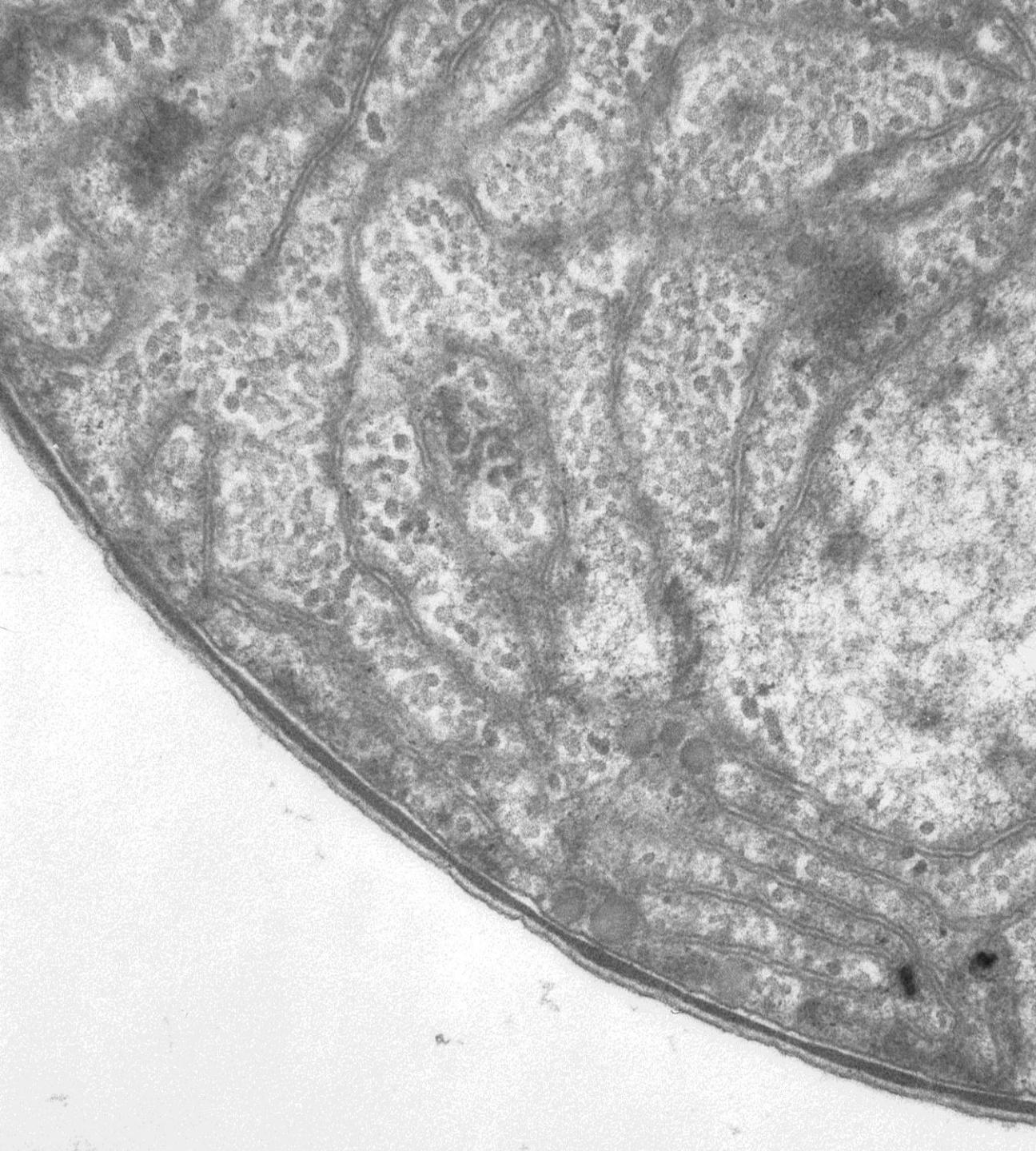
A project goal is to examine how particles are transported by flow.

Cyanobacteria are a component of the particles and flocculent material.



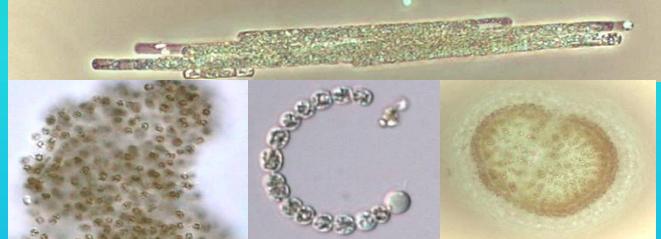
Cyanobacteria

- gram negative
- thylakoids



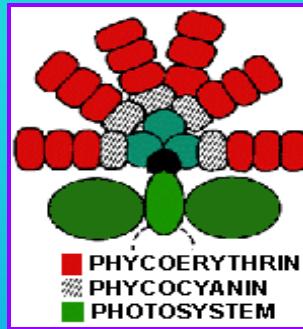
Ecological strategies for cyanobacteria

✓ Morphology



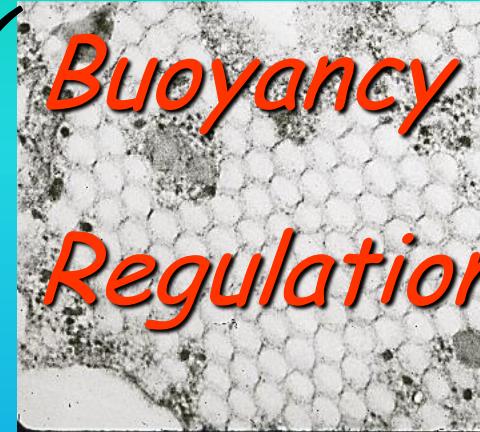
grazing, floating

✓ Pigments

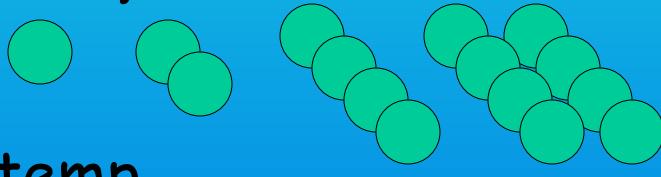




Buoyancy Regulation



Rapid Growth

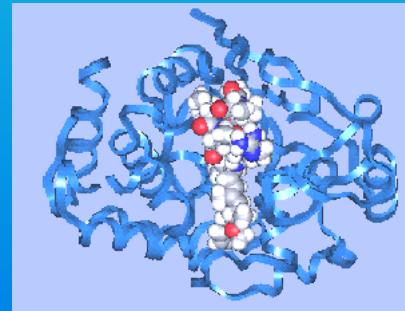


temp

trace, P,
C, N

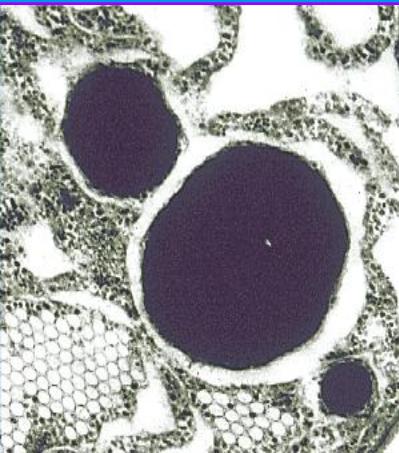
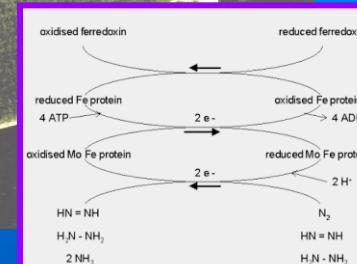
Nutrient Storage

Toxicity

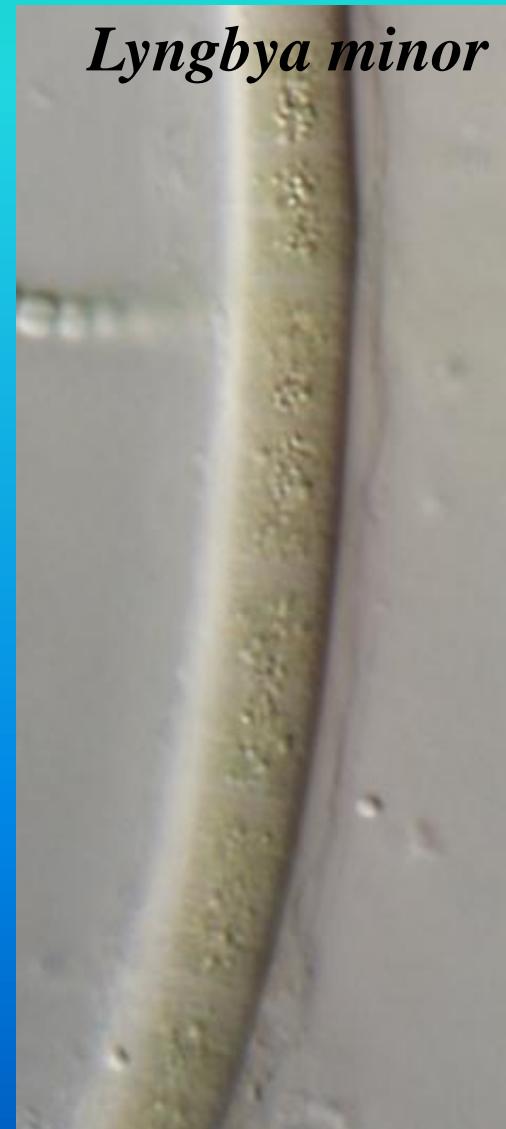
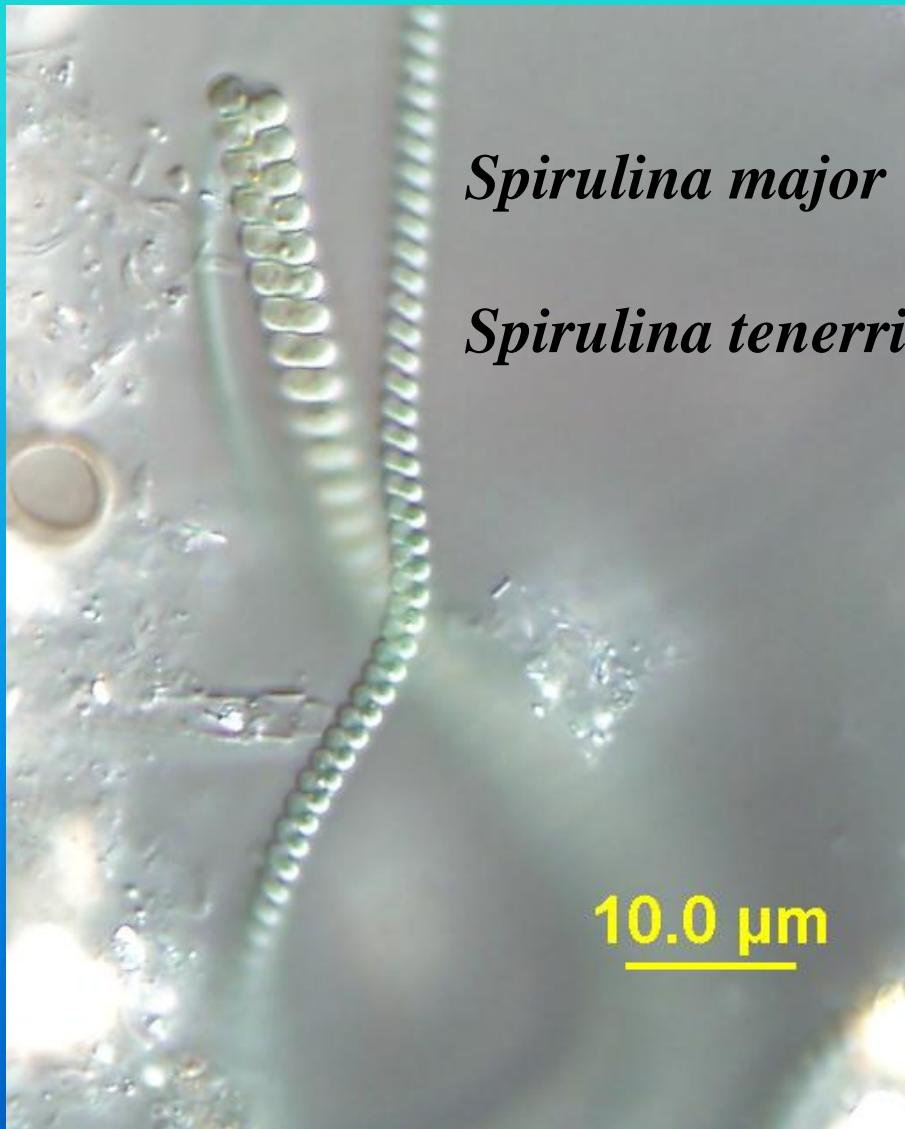


microcystin LR complex

✓ Nitrogen Fixation



Ecological Strategies: morphology for staying in the water column-motility of benthic organisms



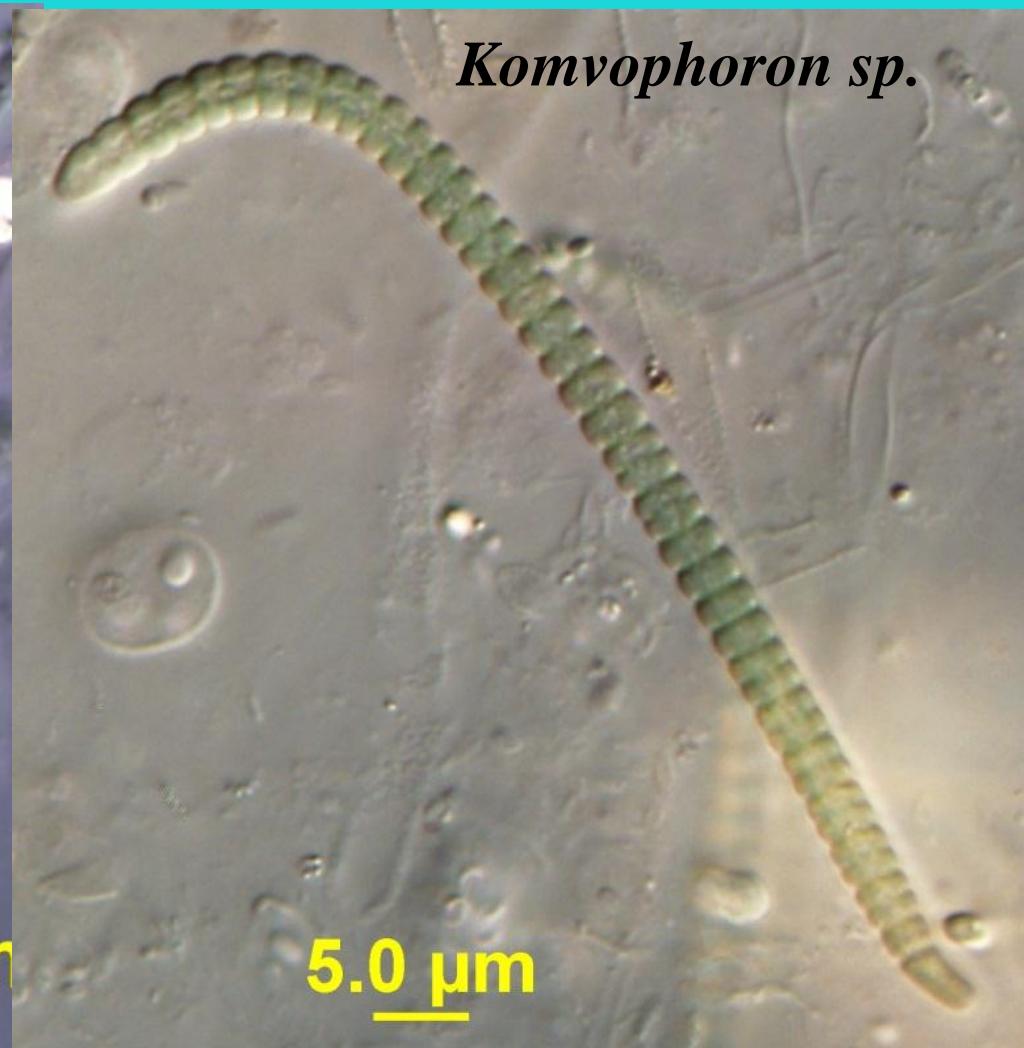
Ecological Strategies: motility of benthic organisms

Komvophoron rostratum



5.0 μm

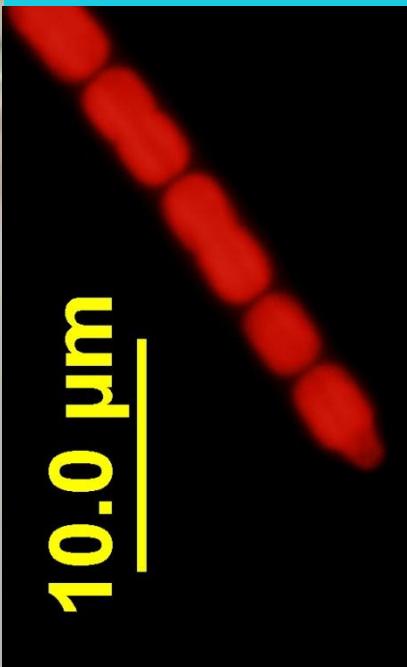
Komvophoron sp.



5.0 μm

Ecological Strategies: motility of benthic organisms

Komvophoron apiculatum



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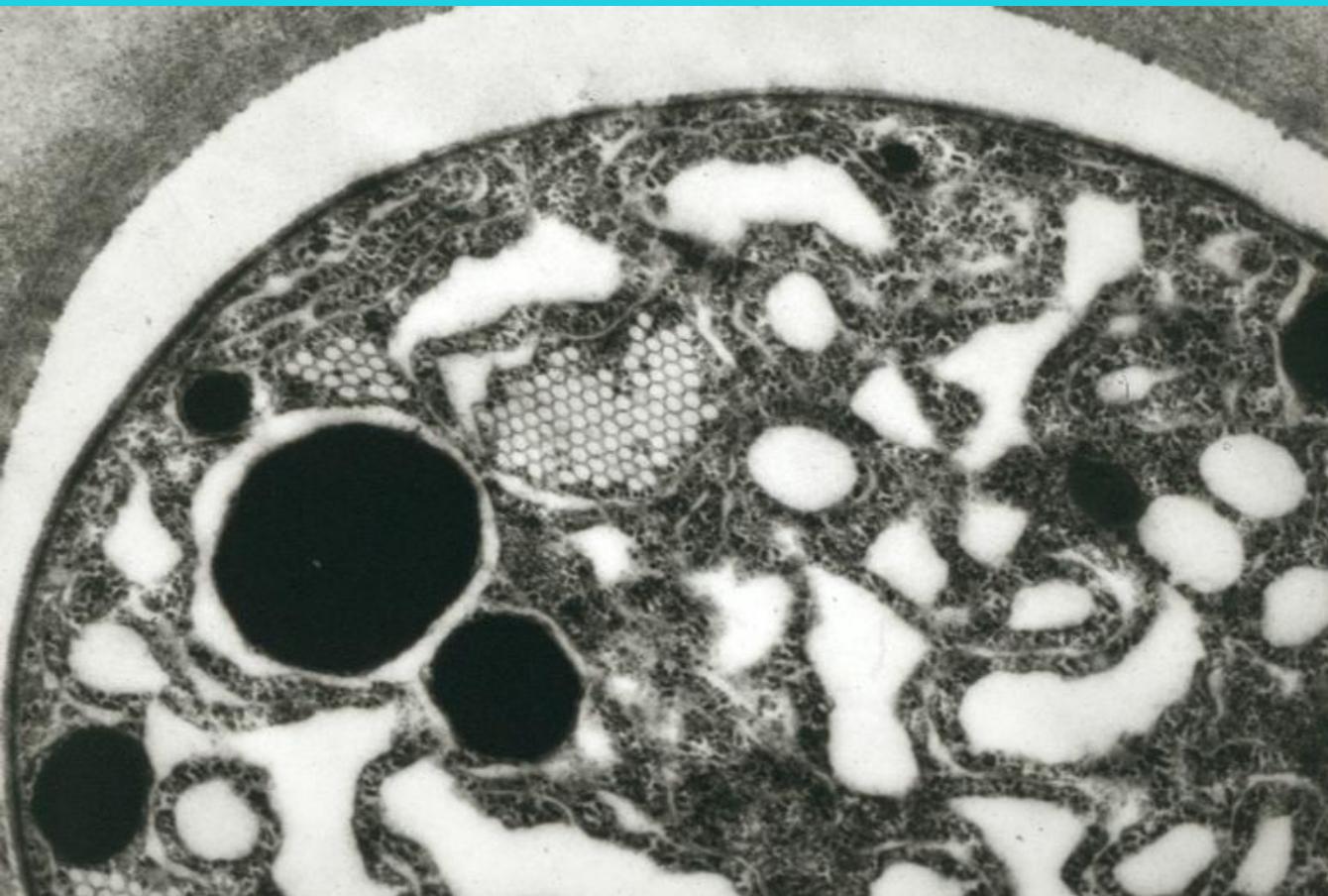
Phormidium articulatum



10.0 μm

Ecological Strategies: Buoyancy Regulation

Gas Vesicles: Buoyancy regulation and vertical migration



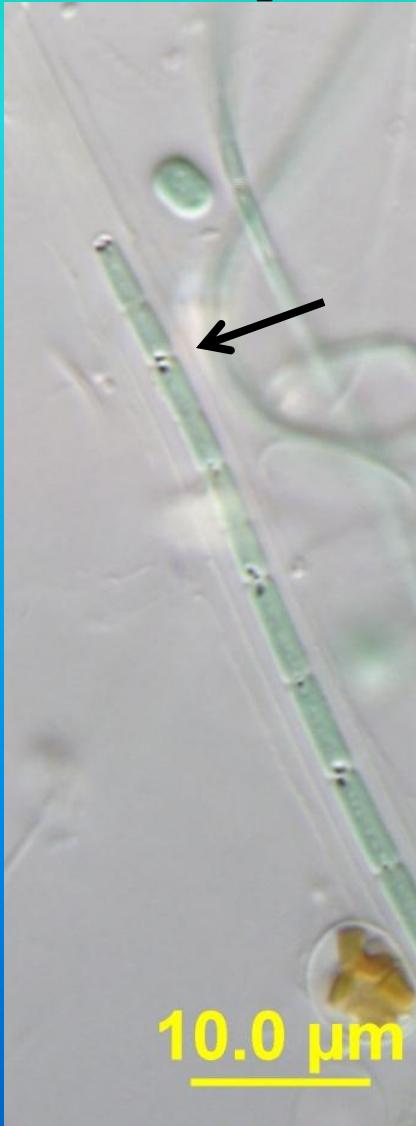
Low light



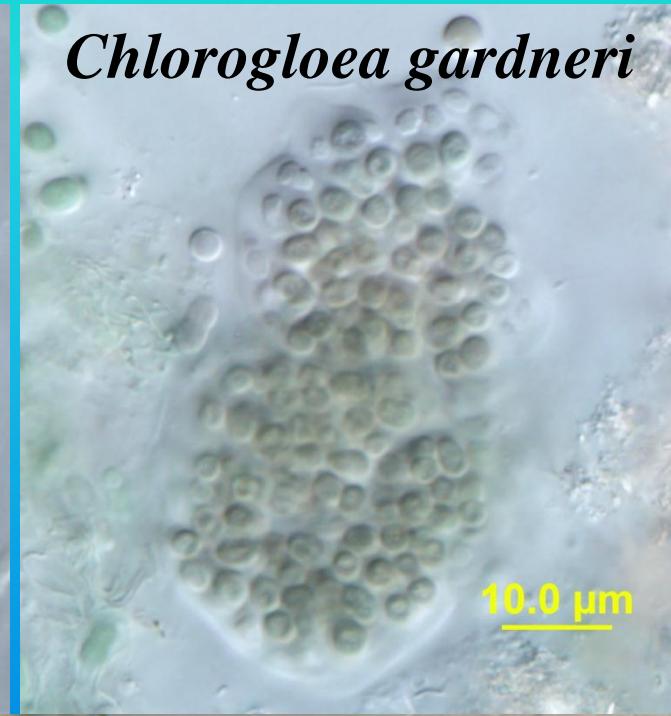
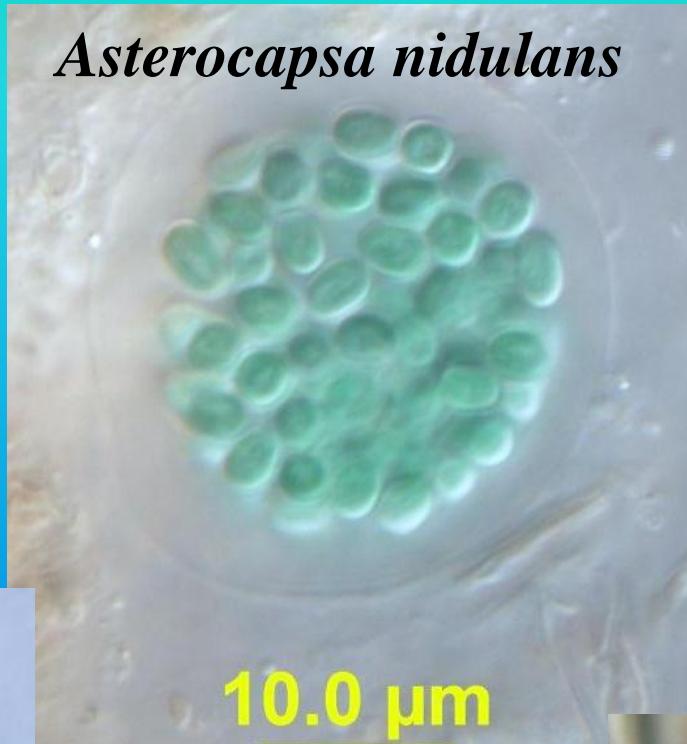
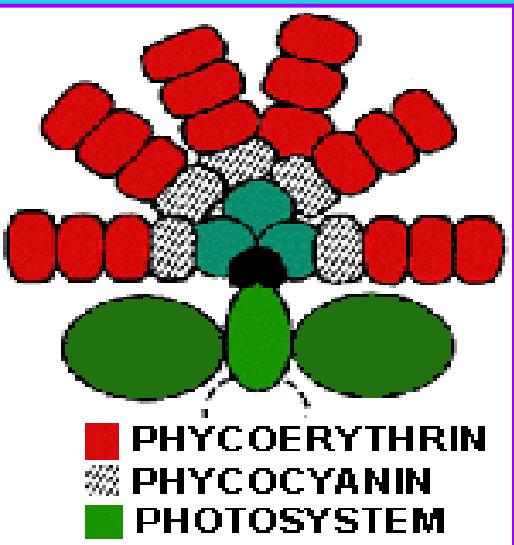
~~Nutrients
scavenged whilst
near lake
sediments or
thermocline~~

Ecological Strategies: Buoyancy Regulation

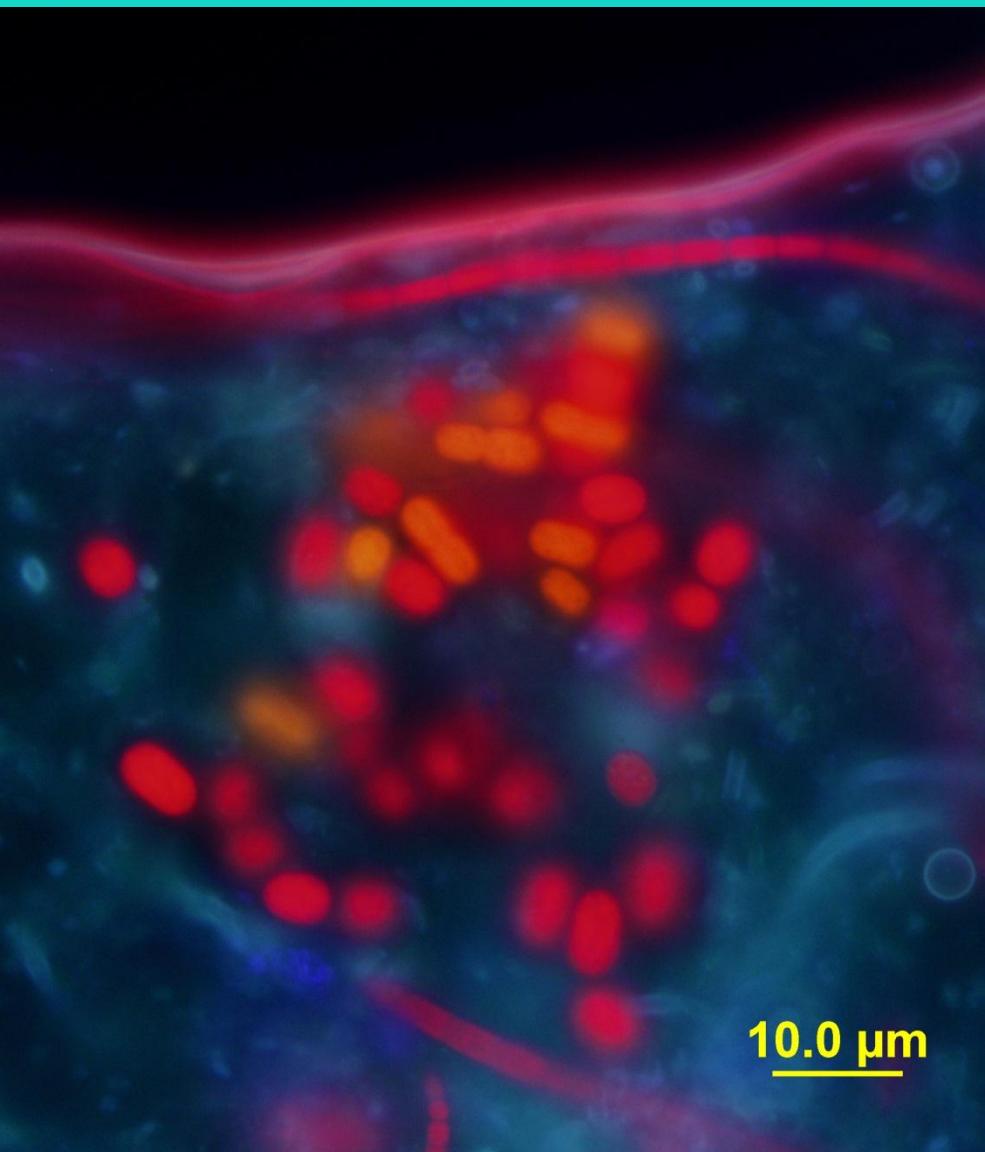
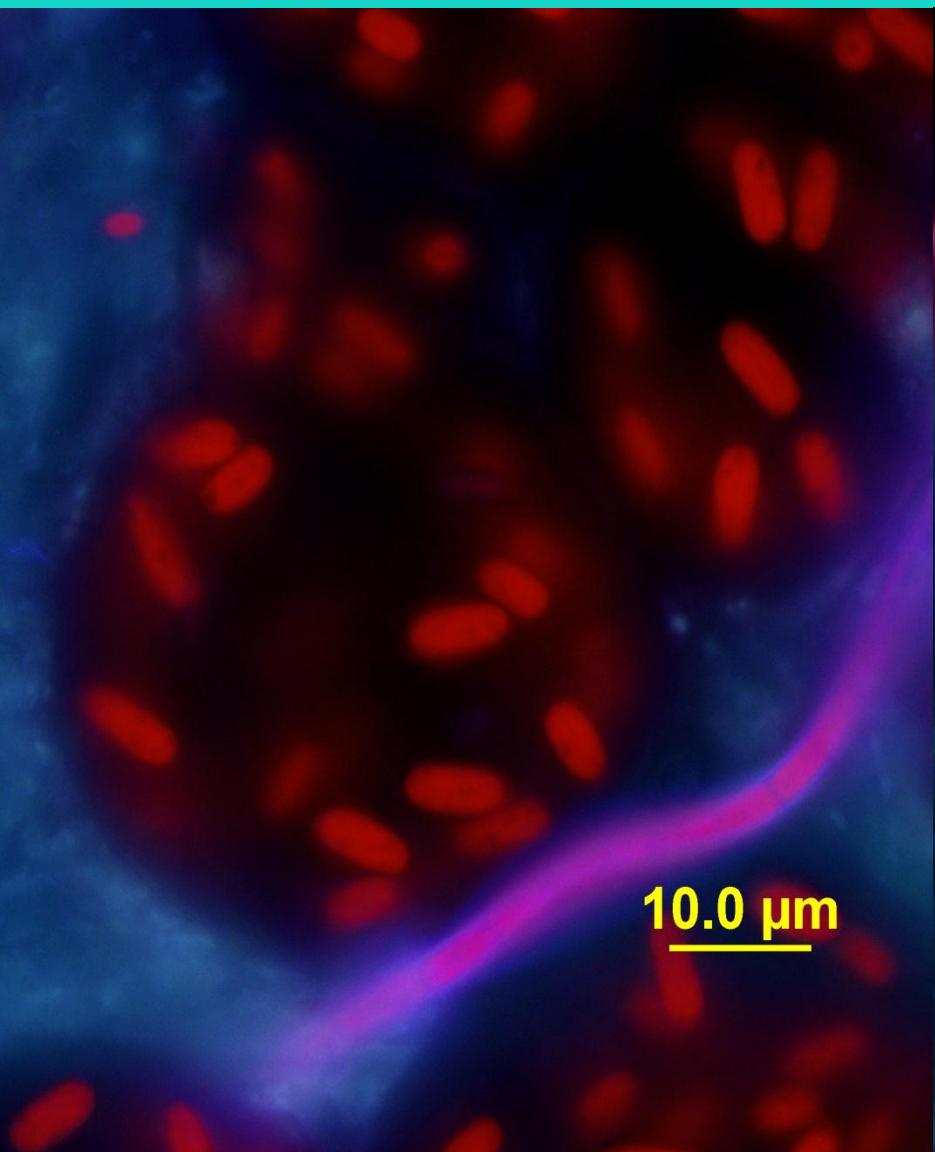
Schizothrix sp. with aerotopes



Ecological Strategies: complimentary pigments for maximizing photosynthesis



Ecological Strategies: complementary pigments



Ecological Strategies: make your own nitrogen source

Cylindrospermum sp.

Scytonema sp.

10.0 μm

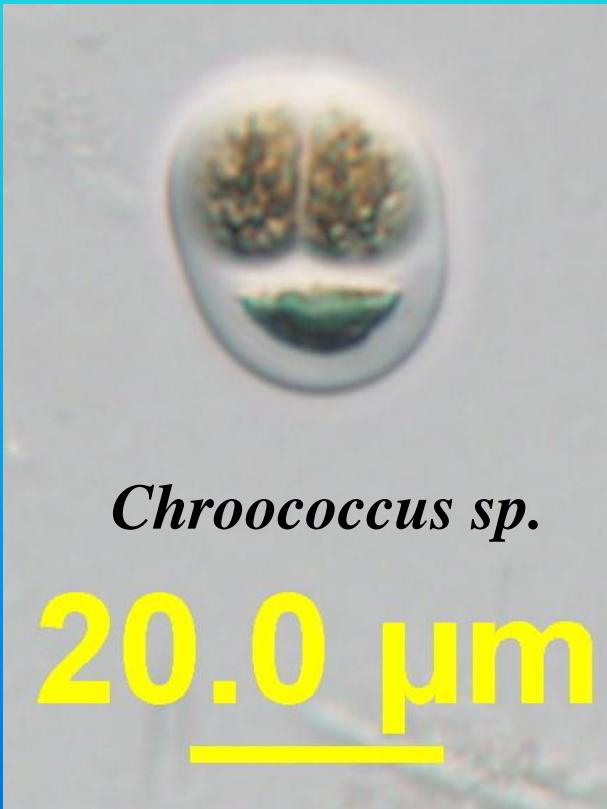
Stigonema sp.

10.0 μm

10.0 μm

Ecological Strategies: desiccation tolerant (polysaccharide sheath)

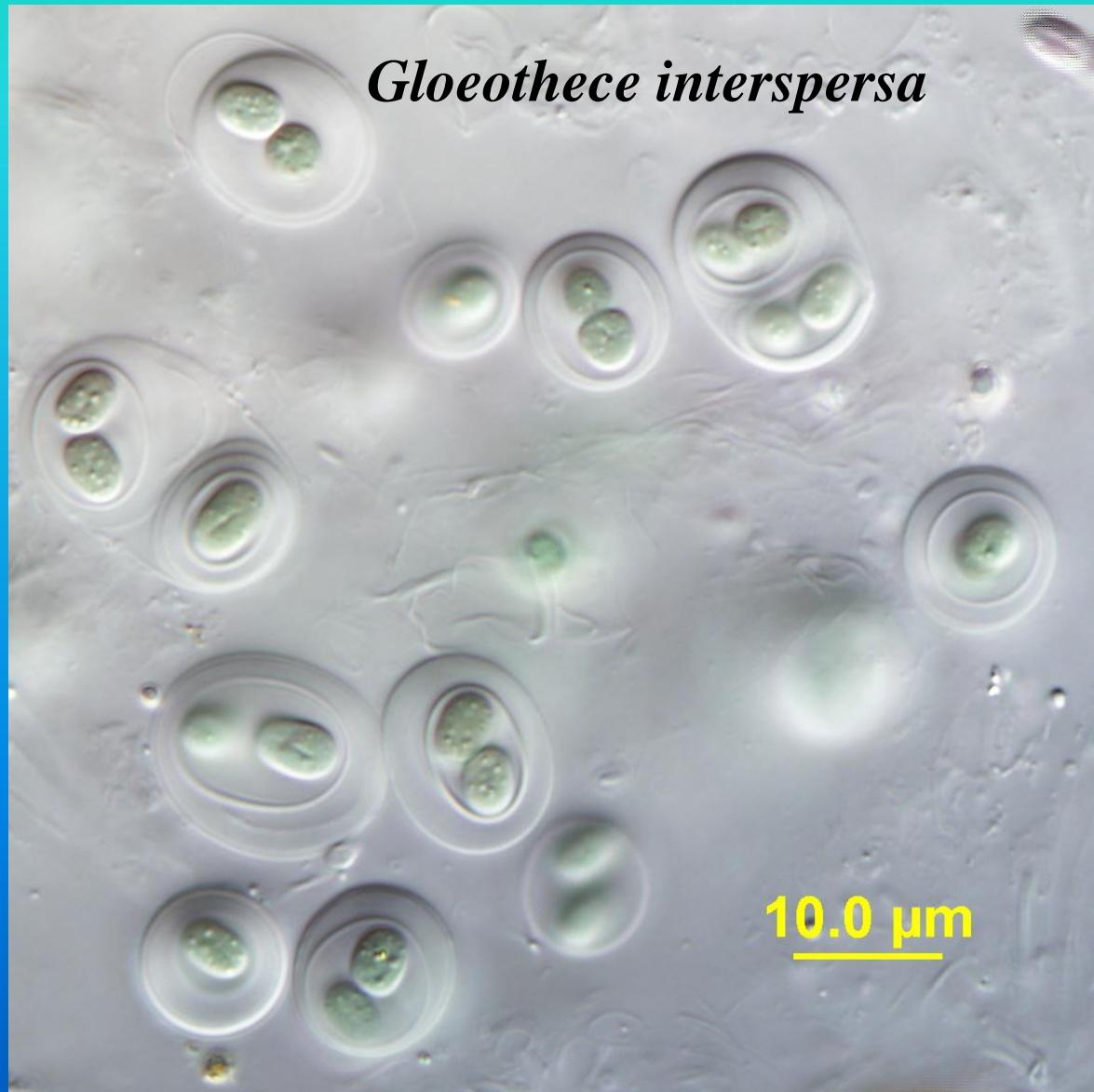
Chroococcales



Chroococcus sp.

20.0 μm

Gloeothecace interspersa



10.0 μm

Ecological Strategies: desiccation tolerant

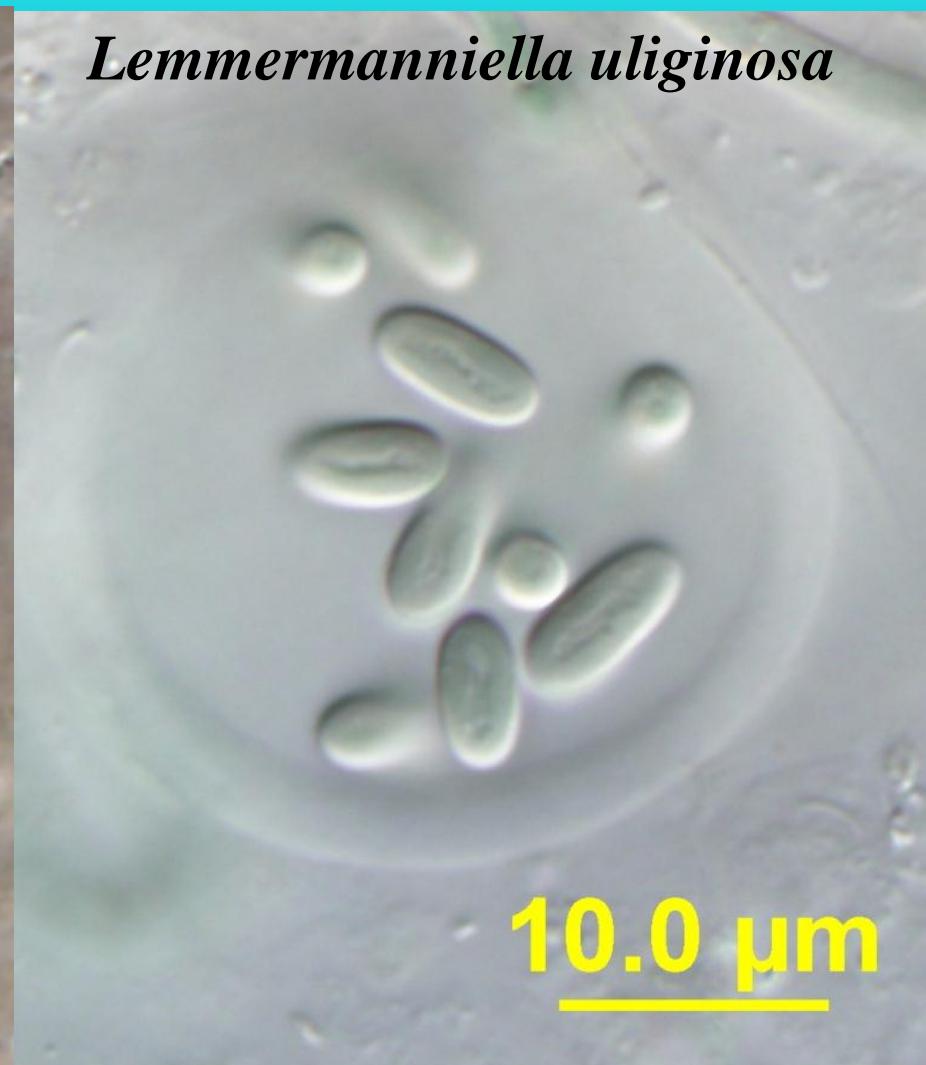
Chroococcales

Gloeothecce opalothecata



10.0 μm

Lemmermanniella uliginosa



10.0 μm

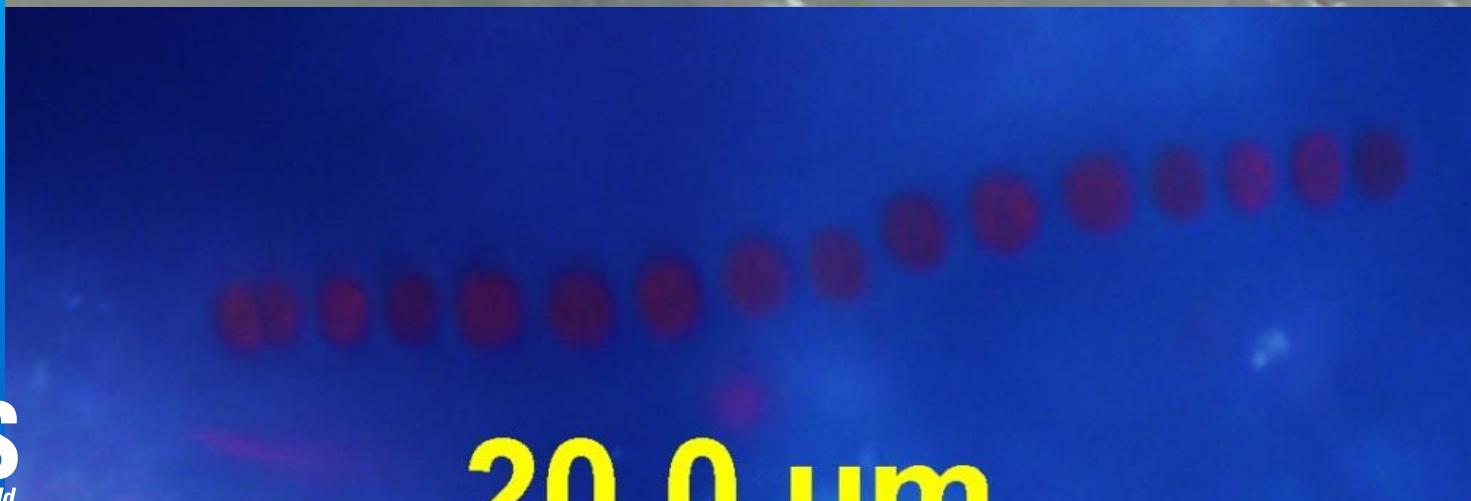
Ecological Strategies: desiccation tolerant

Johannesbaptistia pellucida

Chroococcales



20.0 µm

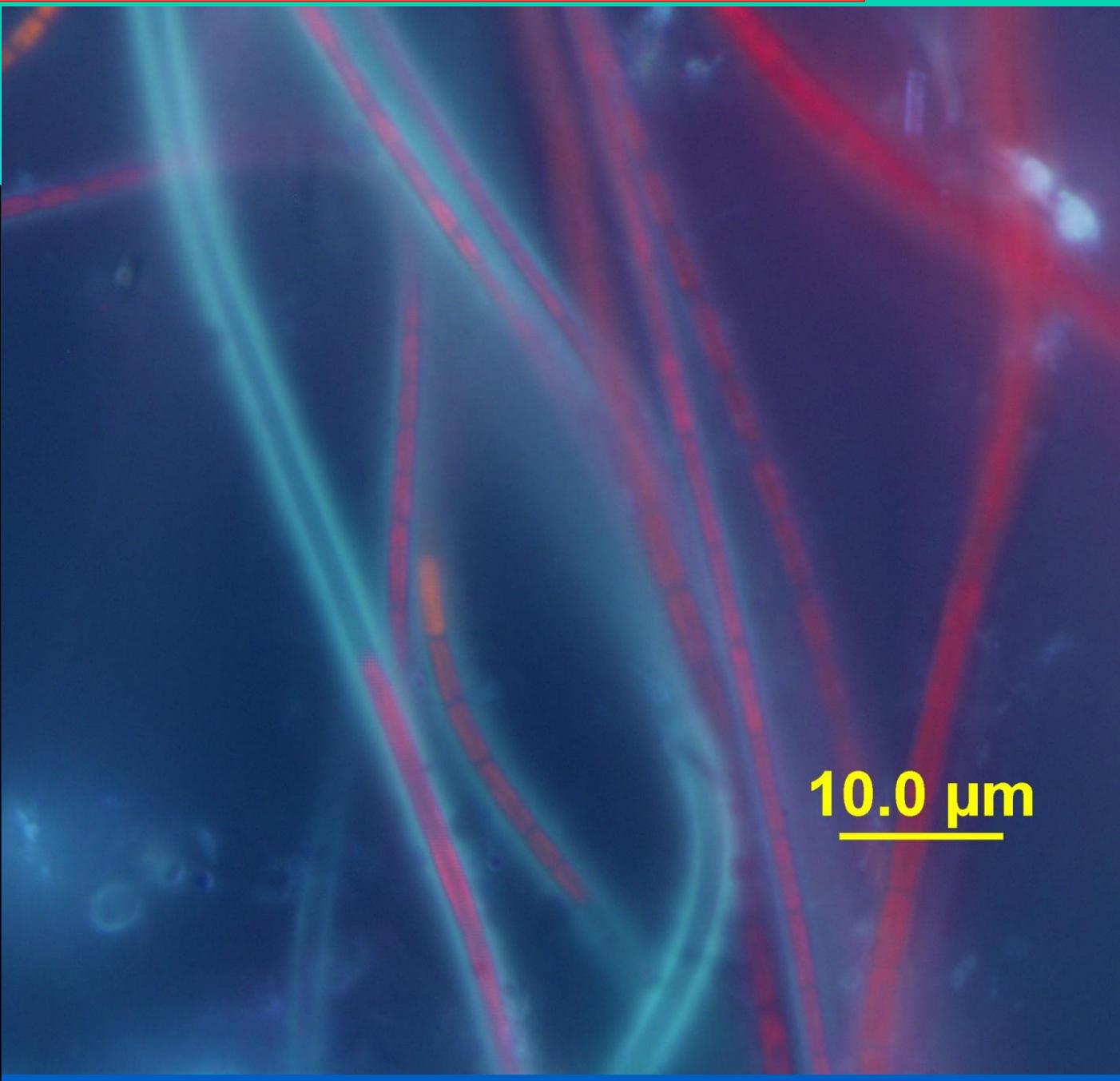


20.0 µm

Ecological Strategies: desiccation tolerant

Oscillatoriales

Schizothrix sp.



10.0 μm

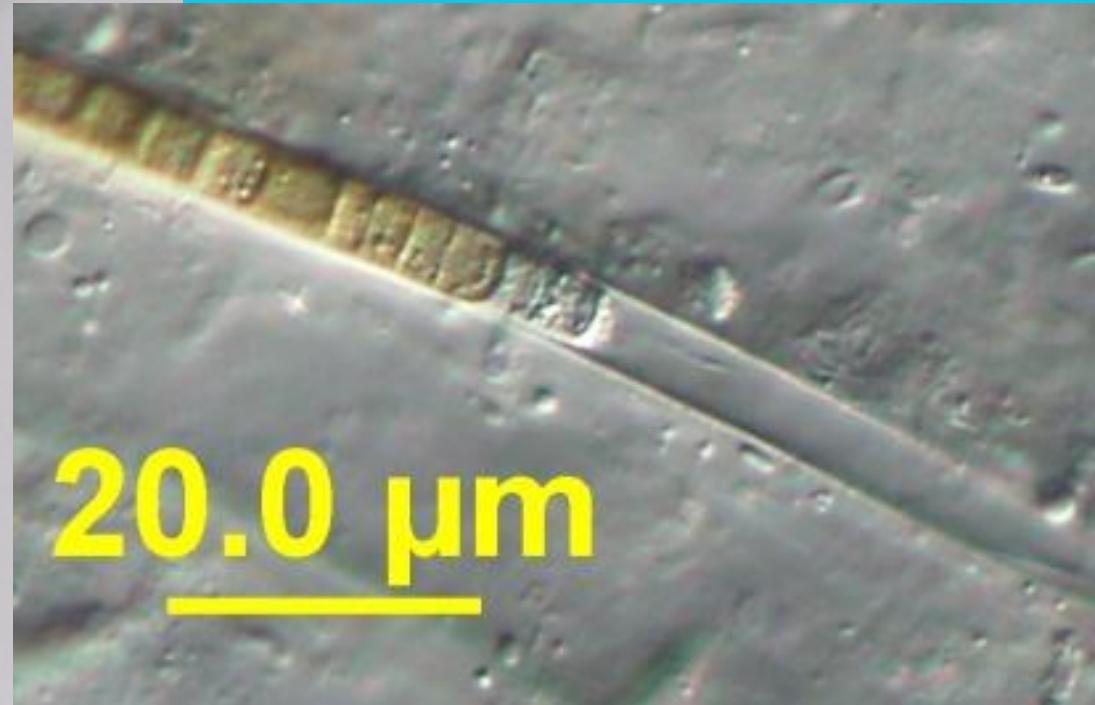
Ecological Strategies: desiccation tolerant

Oscillatoriales

Schizothrix sp I.

Lyngbya sp.

10.0 μm



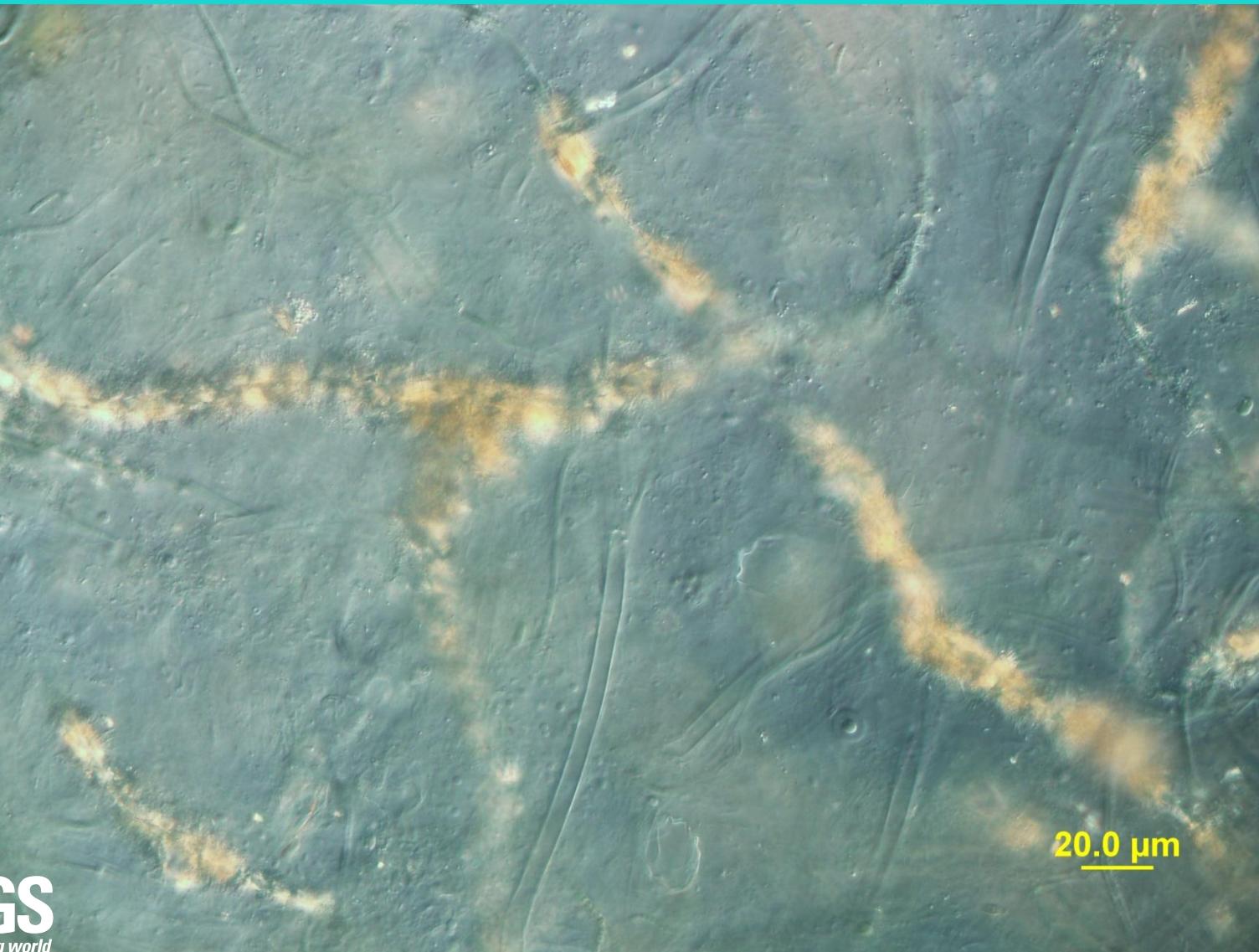
Ecological Strategies: desiccation tolerant

Nostocales

Scytonema sp.

10.0 μm

Ecological Strategy?: calcium carbonate precipitation



20.0 μm

Carbonate precipitation

calcium carbonate
precipitation
mediated by
cyanobacteria

light microscopy

Epifluorescent-Green

20.0 μm

20.0 μm

Epifluorescent-UV

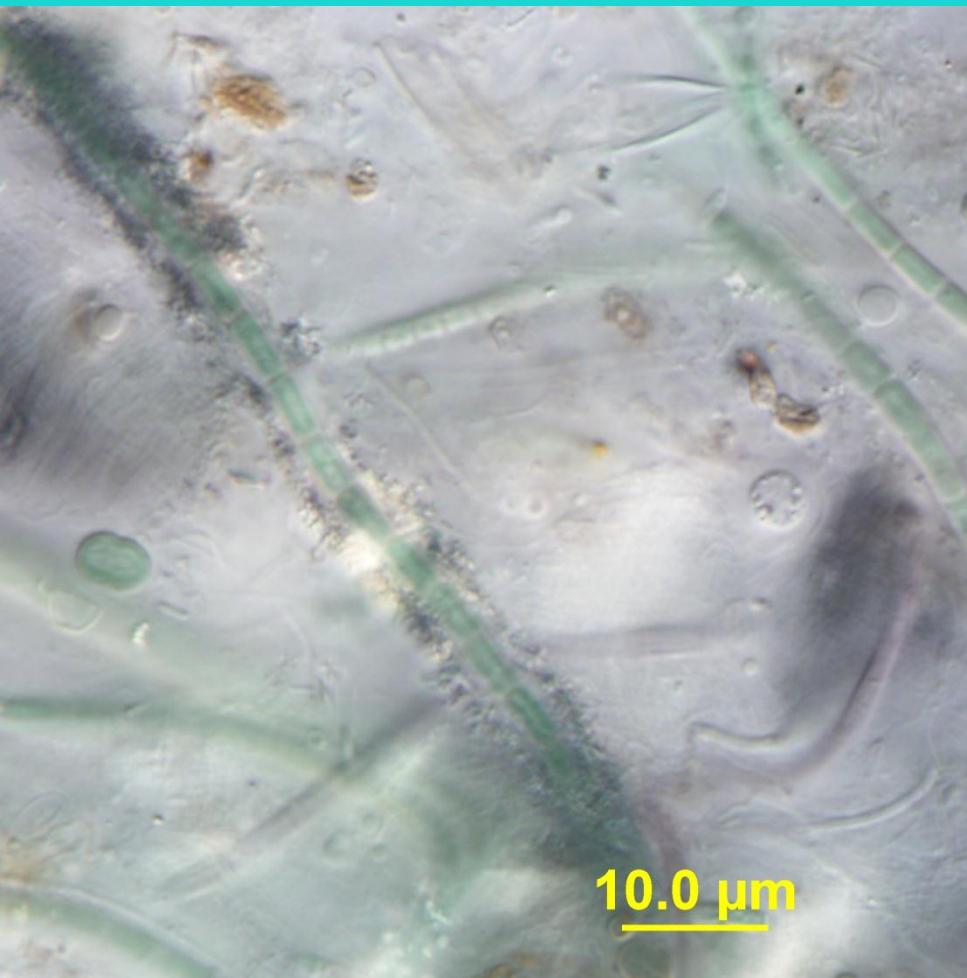
Epifluorescent-Blue

20.0 μm

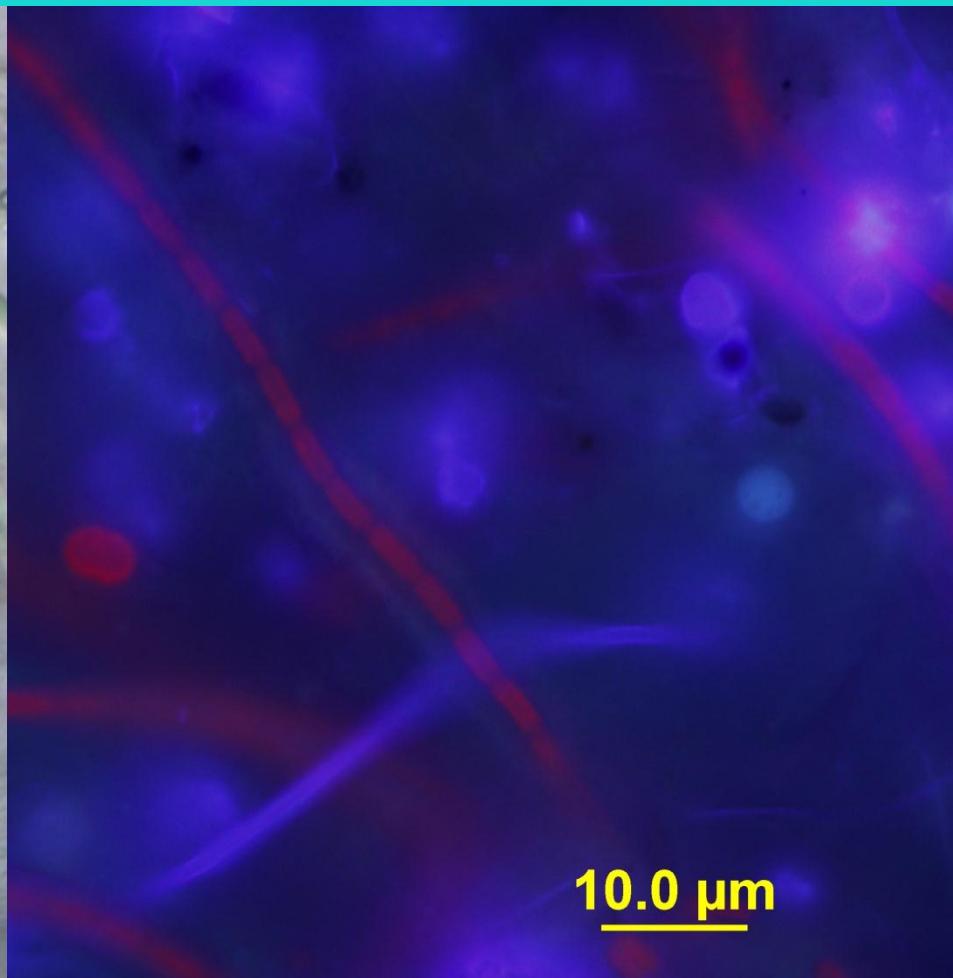
20.0 μm

Carbonate precipitation

Schizothrix sp. II



10.0 μm



10.0 μm

Carbonate
precipitation

Schizothrix sp.



20.0 μm

10.0 μm

Carbonate precipitation

20.0 μm

Scytonema sp.

Carbonate precipitation

UV

Scytonema sp.

DIC

10.0 μm

Carbonate precipitation

Scytonema sp.

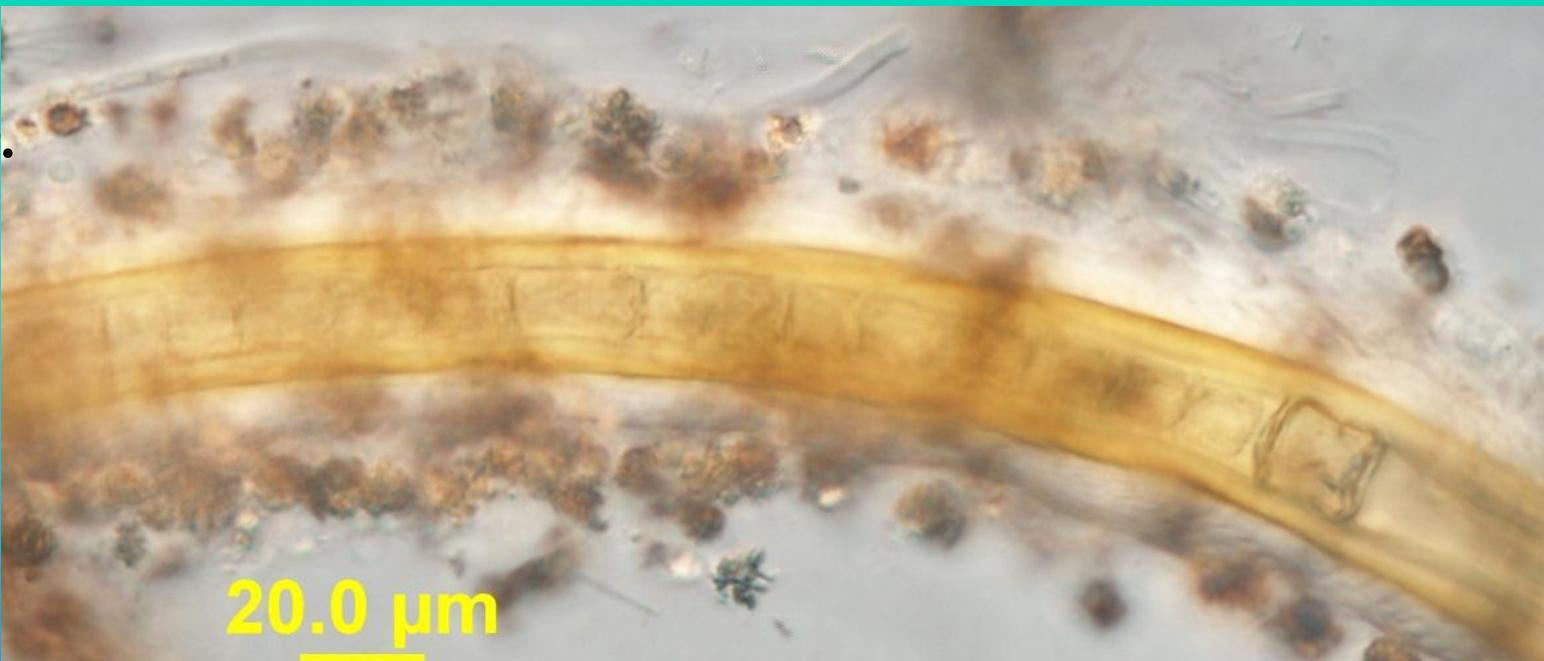
Older filament

Younger filament

20.0 μm

Carbonate precipitation

Scytonema sp.

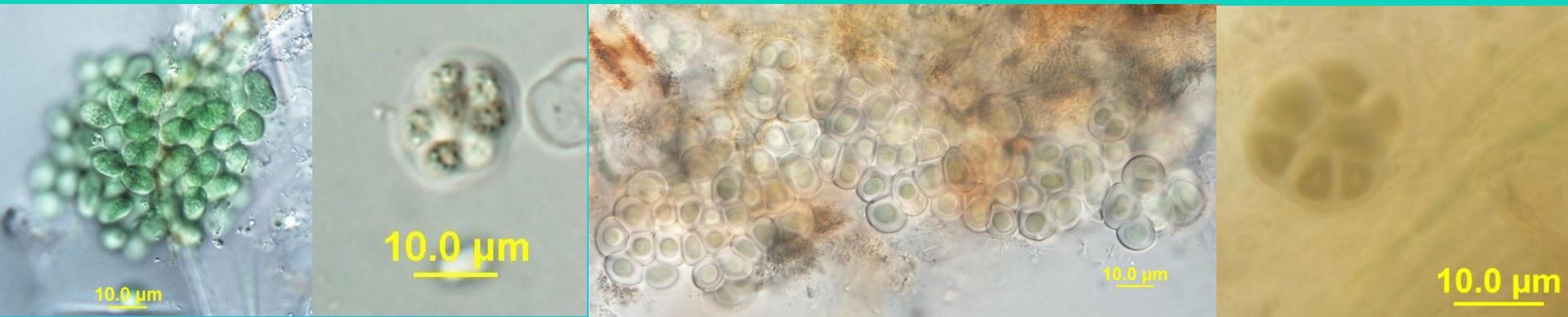


20.0 μm

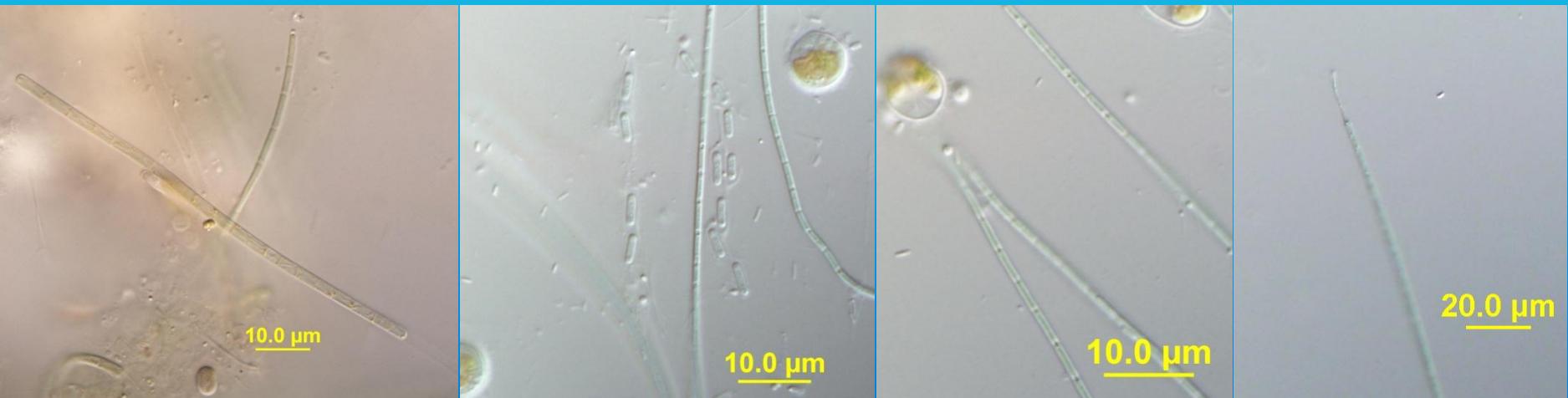


20.0 μm

More species



Aphanothecce *Eucapsis* *Gloeothece membranacea* *Gloeocapsopsis*

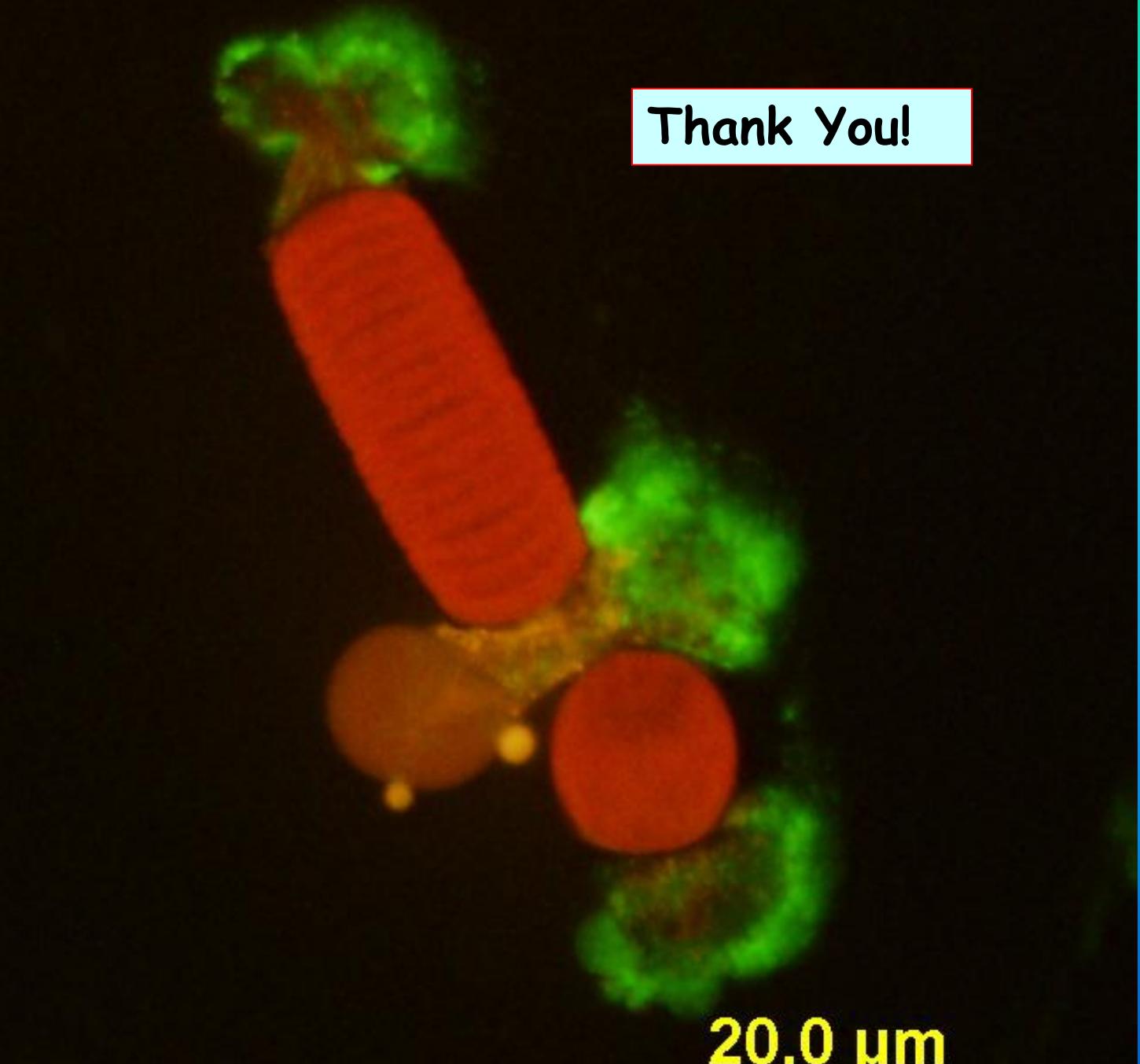


Leptolyngbya
cf. perelegans
+ *L. eliskae*

Bacularia

Geitlerinema
amphibium

Geitlerinema
sp.

A fluorescence micrograph showing a single bacterium against a black background. The bacterium has a long, thin, rod-shaped body with a distinct red fluorescence. At one end, there is a circular structure with a bright red center and a surrounding green glow. A smaller, circular structure with a yellow/orange center and a green glow is located near the base of the rod. The overall appearance is like a stylized Christmas tree or a flower.

Thank You!

20.0 μ m