The Marine Benthic Flora of Southern Australia, Rhodophyta — Part IIIA

*Bangiophyceae and Florideophyceae (Acrochaetales to Gigartinales)*

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This volume continues the landmark series begun in 1984, providing monographic accounts of the marine algae of southern Australian shores. In this volume Emeritus Professor Womersley presents the first part of his treatment of the red algae, in the same format as adopted for the Seagrasses, Chlorophyta &
Flora of Australia Supplementary Series and for the Phaeophyta & Chlorophyta (1987). Seven orders, 27 families, 97 genera and 234 species are described, with keys for their identification, their distribution, full Australian synonymies, typification, and references to other major literature.

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Six co-authors contributed to accounts of various families or orders: K.S. Edyvane, M.D. Guiry, J.M. Huisman, G.T. Kraft, J.A. Lewis and W.J. Woelkerling. There are 35 new taxa or new combinations, including one new generic name, as well as commentary on the taxonomic and nomenclatural standing of many others.

This book is an essential reference work on an important group of organisms. It will have relevance far beyond the shores of southern Australia.

About the Senior Author

Emeritus Professor Womersley has an outstanding international reputation for his research on the marine algae of southern Australian shores. He spent 40 years as a researcher and lecturer in phycology at the University of Adelaide, and in retirement has continued work in association with the State Herbarium of South Australia. He has published over 80 papers on marine algae, including substantial ecological and monographic accounts. His taxonomic work is being brought together in this series.

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