



Acromastigum marginatum

Common Name(s):

Liverwort

Current Threat Status (2009):

Non Threatened

Distribution:

Not Threatened

Features*:

Plants bright green when fresh, paling to fawn, loosely intricate in a depressed mat. Stems to 20 mm., branched at an angle somewhat less than a right angle, branches simple or forked, mostly bearing 1–2 flagelliform branches, to 5 mm. long and 0.1 mm. broad, with minute closely appressed bifid leaves. Leaves imbricate, very regular, with a narrow hyaline margin all round, narrow ovate 0.35–0.40 mm long × c. 0.20 mm. broad, oblique, ventral margin convex, dorsal margin nearly straight; bilobed, the ventral lobe the larger, triangular, subacute, 0–1 mm. long, to 0.1 mm. broad at base (ca. 5 cells), inclined towards the apex of the stem; dorsal lobe reduced to a tooth or a crenation. Stipules imbricate, medium to comparatively large, subcircular, to 0.2 mm. wide, divided from 1/3–1/2 into 3 obtuse or acute lobes. Cells 10–12 microns, more or less in rows and fairly uniform except in basal area somewhat nearer to the ventral margin than to the dorsal, where they may reach to 18 micrometres. Cuticle minutely papillose showing along the margin of the leaves. No inflorescences seen.

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Caption: *Acromastigum marginatum* plant

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