



Willia calobolax

Common Name(s):

moss

Current Threat Status (2009):

Threatened - Nationally Critical

Distribution:

Indigenous. Subantarctic. In New Zealand little known. The first record from the country came from fragments isolated from within a collection of *Leptostomum inclinans* R.Br.ter. made in 1904 by Leonard Cockayne.

Features:

Terricolous, loosely tufted moss. Leaves 2.0-2.5 mm long, suberect to spreading when dry or moist; lamina oblong, concave, widely acute or obtuse, sometimes slightly contracted in mid-lamina; margins plane and entire; nerve very stout, c.80 microns wide in central portion of lamina, narrowed at the base, excurrent as a stout, often slightly recurved mucro, red, at the apex corrugated or papillose on the dorsal surface. Upper cells 10-15 microns, irregularly isodiametrical, obscure, densely papillose; cells below 10-15 microns wide and 2-3 x 1, smooth, with rather firm walls, scarcely altered at the margin. Fruit unknown.

Fruiting:

Fruits not known

Threats:

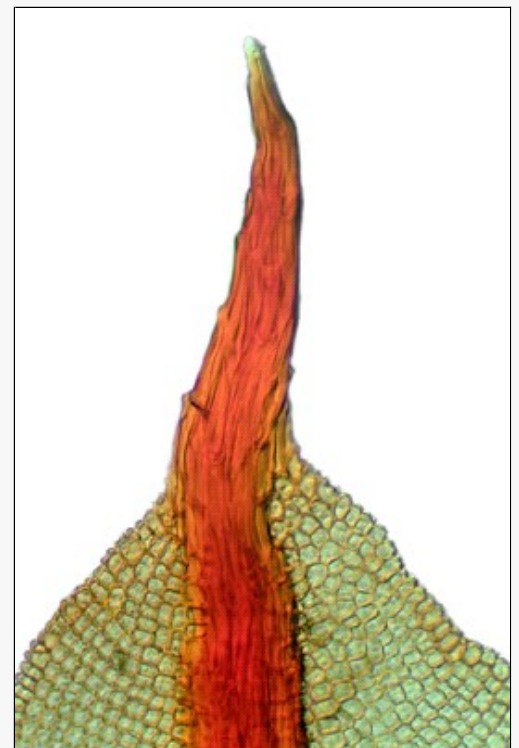
Only known in New Zealand from a few collections, otherwise very poorly known which is why it has been listed as Data Deficient

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