Closterium dianae

(Ehrenberg ex Ralfs, 1848)

Most likely ID: n.a.

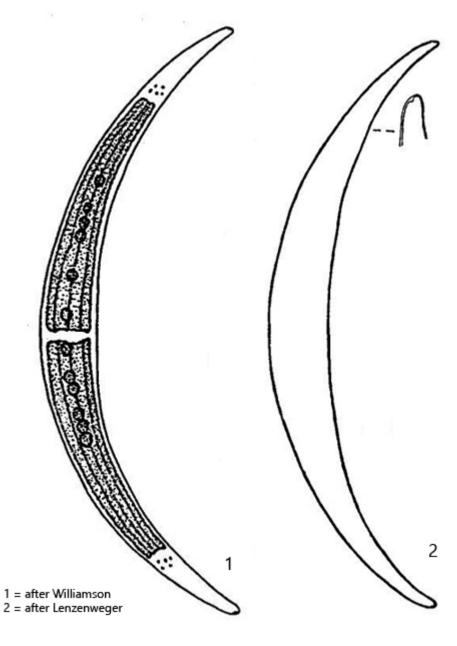
Synonym: n.a.

Sampling location: Ibmer Moor (Austria), <u>Ulmisried</u>, <u>Simmelried</u>

Phylogenetic tree: Closterium dianae

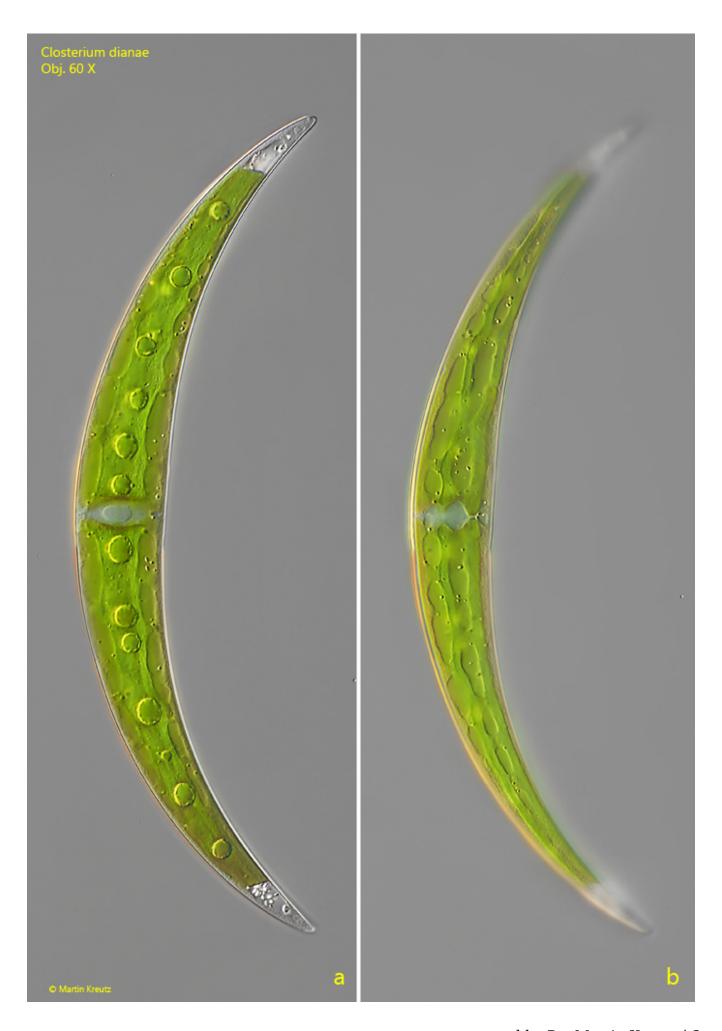
Diagnosis:

- cell crescent-shape 20 times longer than wide
- apices obliquely truncated with a terminal pore
- inner margin sometimes straight or slightly convex in mid-region
- length 180-300 µm, width 20-30
- cell wall smooth without striation
- two chloroplasts, each with 3-5 longitudinal ridges
- several pyrenoids arranged along cell axis
- girdle bands absent, sometimes pseudo-girdle bands
- apices with each one vacuole filled with crystals
- nucleus central

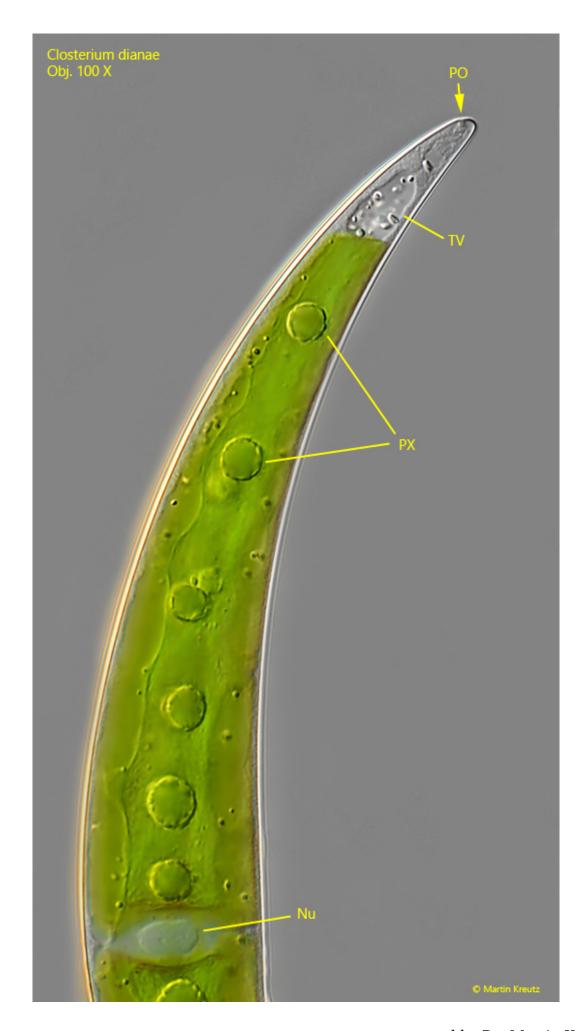


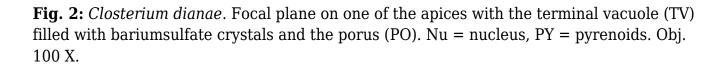
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I have only rarely found *Closterium dianae* so far. The cells are slender and quite evenly curved. Essential features for identification are the pores at the apices (s. fig. 2), the smooth cell wall without striations (s. fig. 3) and the pyrenoids arranged along the longitudinal axis (s. figs. 1 a and 2).











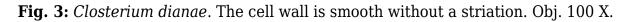




Fig. 4: Closterium dianae. The porus (PO) in the apex of a second specimen. Obj. $100~\mathrm{X}$.



Fig. 5: Closterium dianae. The granulated cell wall of a second specimen. Obj. $100~\mathrm{X}$.