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Abstract

This paper describes the discovery of a settled juvenile specimen of the stomatopod *Platysquilla eusebia* on the Dutch part of the Dogger Bank in the central North Sea. This is the northernmost record in Europe. The species is native to the Mediterranean and to the Atlantic coast from Portugal up to France. Further investigations have to show if the species already forms populations this far north. As the planktonic stages of *P. eusebia* have already been recorded in prior years, the establishment of the species should not be a problem, providing the circumstances are favourable.

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