

FEEDING NICHE OF *DRUPELLA* (MURICIDAE: PROSOBRANCHIA)  
IN THE CORAL REEFS OF BUNAKEN ISLAND, INDONESIA

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ABSTRACT

Feeding scars were counted on hard corals to estimate the food spectrum of the corallivorous gastropod *Drupella cornus* on reef flats. A total of 94 scars were occupied by *D. cornus* on the three most abundant coral genera: *Montipora*, *Porites*, and *Acropora*. The snails displayed a high degree of selective feeding by feeding on only 3 genera out of 28 coral genera available in the study area.