

Deflexula fascicularis



Deflexula fascicularis © Klaus Kerengasser

Fruit body: This delicate fungus consists of finger-like projections hanging down like clusters of icicles. It is a pale to dirty-cream and may have lovely lilac tint, usually with fruit bodies on the upper side of logs. The size of each icicle is $15 \times 1 - 2$ mm. These maybe single or have up to 15 branches.

Substrate: on the buttresses and branches of dead and living tree's, often of rough barked species.

Habitat: this species is found in rainforests.

Notes: This pendulous coral is similar to *Mucronella pendula* but does not have the distinctive stem, also *D. fascicularis* usually has some branched specimens but is cream or ochre and has longer spines and smaller spores.

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