Key to expected Red Sea Stylophora (After Veron, 2000)

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Phaceloid Flabello - Plocoid meandroid

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Key to **Pocilloporidae** Genera Colonies have verrucae = **Genus Pocillopora** Colonies do not have verrucae Branches fine = **Genus Seriatopora** Branches robust = **Genus Stylophora**

Key to Stylophora species

Colony with elongated branches Branches robust (> 5 mm diameter) Branches upright = *S. pistillata* Branches prostrate = *S. danae* * Branches not robust (< 5 mm diameter) Branches closely compacted = *S. madagascarensis* (not in our region) Branches not closely compacted Spiny corallite hoods present = *S. kuehlmanni* * Spiny corallite hoods absent = *S. subseriata** Colony without elongate branches Colony with knobby branches = *S. wellsi* * Colony encrusting with mounded surface = *S. mamillata**

Stylophora prostata and *Stylophora palmata* not included in Veron (2000) – accepted as *S. pistillata* synonyms * Species reported from Sinai Peninsula (Veron, 2000)