Protoceratium areolatum Kofoid

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Type locality: eastern tropical Pacific Ocean

Australian distribution: Gulf of Carpentaria/North-west Shelf, N.S.W. (off Sydney), NE Indian Ocean

Extra-Australian distribution: Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Canary Islands, Mediterranean Sea, Black Sea, eastern tropical Pacific Ocean

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