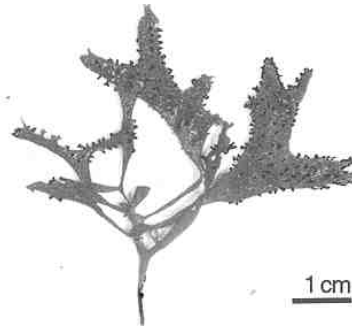


# Red Algae (Rhodophyta)



***Chondrus crispus***  
**Irish Moss**

- leathery texture
- grows in ruffled, bushy tufts
- may reflect blue and purple streaks in well lit water



***Mastocarpus stellatus***  
**Tufted Red Weed**

- similar in appearance and color to *Chondrus*
- small irregular bumps cover surface
- usually found in mid to low tide pools



***Porphyra sp.***  
**Laver**

- single sheet
- thickness of tissue paper
- similar in appearance to *Ulva* but reddish brown



**Invasive ☒**

***Grateloupia doryphora***  
**Red Alga**

- highly variable morphology
- thin, flat, slippery blades, simple or divided
- pinkish-red to maroon in color
- similar in appearance to *dulce*



***Polysiphonia sp.***

- soft, filamentous tufts
- multiple branches (under hand lens)
- one species found growing on Knotted Wrack, others grow elsewhere in tide pools



***Ceramium sp.***

- soft, filamentous tufts
- strands are banded (under hand lens)
- pincer-like forks at end of strands

**Invasive ☒**



***Dumontia sp.***  
**Dumont's Red Weed**

- thin, soft tube-like branches
- usually in tufts (left)
- common late winter to early summer

