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Dear Mr. Stenzel,

With reference to your request for observations on Pyenodonte hyotis (Linne) 1758 - we shall be happy to try to help you within the limited extent of our facilities.

This is a relatively new college still in the throes of building and establishing courses and there has not been very much time to carry out extensive field work. So far we have not recorded any specimens of P. hyotis although we are only a few miles from one of the localities (Magnetic Island) mentioned by Iredale in Great Barrier Reef Expedition Reports. Further as we do not at present have a boat the possibilities of visiting outlying reefs or other suitable habitats is restricted.

The only P. hyotis specimens I have ever seen have been dead shells - but this is perhaps due to most of my work having been coastal rather than island or reef based. Nevertheless we will keep your request in mind and make a point of trying to find suitable material.

Yours faithfully,

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