Kingdom Protista

Protozoans – single-celled organisms. Lives as an individual or as a colony, usually microscopic in size (Shown here are the following organisms: Stentor spp., Colonial Ciliate spp.).

Stentor: trumpet shaped protozoan with cilia (“hairs”) lining the trumpet end. These stentor are pink in color.

Colonial Ciliate: these colonial protozoans appear as white tufts on the biofilm discs. They have the ability to contract and quickly disappear.

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