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Image DB_STB_DSC3761. Tunicate colony of *Diplosoma listerianum* on gravel seabed overgrowing small colony of *Didemnum* sp. Small bluish-white dots represent granules of pigment surrounding zooids and cloacal apertures of *D. listerianum*. Large openings in both species are cloacal apertures. Sandwich town beach (41 deg 46.11 min N lat, 70 deg 28.95 min W lon). Water depth 4 m. November 7, 2006. Observers: Dann Blackwood(USGS) and Sandra Baldwin (USGS). Photo credit: Dann Blackwood (USGS). [Location no. 80.](#)
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Image DB_STB_DSC3784. Tunicate colonies of *Botrylloides violaceus*. Note oral tentacles at openings of oral siphons; and new zooid buds within colonies and along margins of colonies. Sandwich town beach (41 deg 46.11 min N lat, 70 deg 28.95 min W lon). Water depth 4 m. November 7, 2006. Observers: Dann Blackwood(USGS) and Sandra Baldwin (USGS). Photo credit: Dann Blackwood (USGS). [Location no. 80.](#)
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