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Colony structure and systematic assignment of *Cladochonus tenutcollis* McCoy, 1847 (Hydroidea)

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Colony and corallite structure of *Cladochonus tenuicollis* such as: the lack of tabulae and septal apparatus, presence of diaphragms between corallites, as well as the sympodial mode of budding, are different than in tabulates. These features make *Cladochonus* close to Hydroidea. Analysis of structure of the Carboniferous species *C. parasitica* Vassiljuk proves that it is a junior synonym of C. tenuicollis McCoy.

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