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Nitella gracilis

[Synonyms : *Chara gracilis*]

SLENDER STONEWORT is a submerged aquatic annual or perennial. Cosmopolitan it has fragile stems and whorls of leaf-like branches.

It is also known as *Hentosiloparta* (Finnish).

In Britain slender stonewort is considered to be endangered in the wild and is protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. It is also considered to be endangered in Finland.

Gracilis is Latin (slender, graceful, thin, slim).