

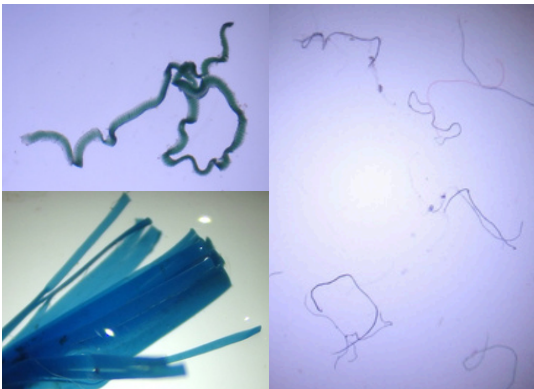


Microplastics Photo Guide

Microplastics are plastic fragments between 1 and 5mm in size.
Here are some examples of what they look like close up.

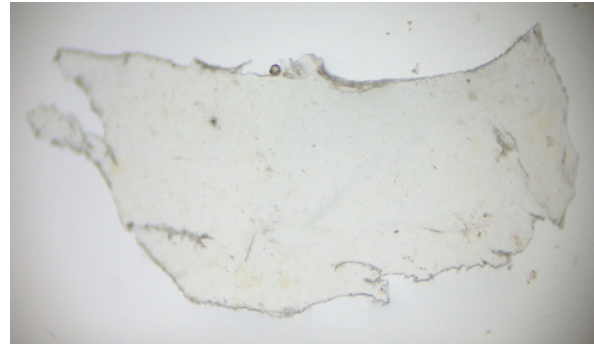
Filaments

Single or multiple fibres



Films

Thin, flexible pieces of plastic
Often transparent



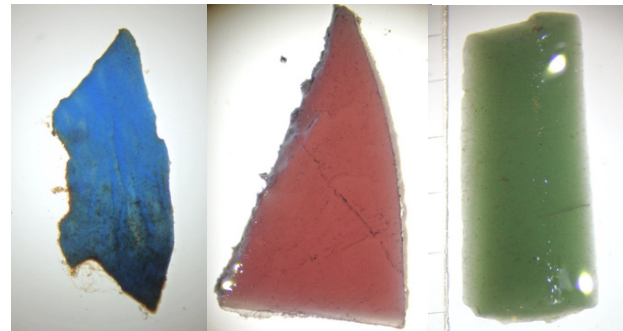
Foam

White and spongy, often spherical
Occur singly or stuck together



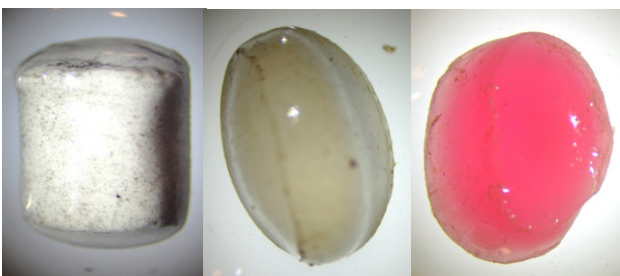
Fragments

Hard, angular pieces of plastic
Formed by breakage of larger plastics



Pellets

Cylindrical, disc- or lentil-shaped
Mostly white or transparent but can also be coloured



Other

Other pieces can include spherical granules or 'micro' sized plastics manufactured between 1 and 5mm

