



Fungal Planet description sheets: 1868–1920

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Abstract: Novel species of fungi described in this study include those from various countries as follows: **Australia**, *Marasmius ballator* on leaf litter in subtropical rainforest, *Marasmius carbinensis* on litter and twigs of *Hyptis suaveolens*, *Marasmius clocca* on leaf litter of regenerating subtropical rainforest. **Bolivia**, *Aggregatorygma saraanense* on trunk of *Trichilia inaequilatera*. **Brazil**, *Arthropolymorpha endophytica* (incl. *Arthropolymorpha gen. nov.*), from healthy roots of *Coffea arabica*, *Didymella digitariae* on *Digitaria insularis*, *Geastrum baseiae* on soil, *Magnibotryascoma souzamottae* as endophyte from cladodes of *Tacinga inamoena*, *Neoleptospora agapanthi* from stalks of *Agapanthus praecox*, *Penicillifer endoradicis* as endophyte from roots of *Musa acuminata*, *Sirastachys cavernicola* from leaf litter, *Toxicocladosporium atratum* as root endophyte of *Cattleya locatellii*. **China**, *Fasciatispora citri* on dead twig of *Citrus maxima*. **Denmark**, *Inocybe leucantheana* on wet ground with *Alnus*, *Betula* and *Picea*. **Ecuador (Galapagos Islands)**, *Fusarium cristobalense* on *Scalesia gordilloi*, *Fusarium scalesiae* on *Scalesia pedunculata*. **Finland**, *Inocybe ranaria* on mull soil, near *Betula pendula* and *Abies* sp. **France**, *Bullatosporium pinophilum* on the bark of *Pinus nigra* subsp. *nigra*, *Dialonectria eutypellicola* on *Eutypella prunastri*, on branches of *Prunus spinosa*, *Mycobernardia involucriformis* on dead *Bambusa* sp., *Pseudocosmospora perforaticola* on dead stromata of *Hypoxylon perforatum* on *Fraxinus*, *Stylonectria colleenae* on *Trimmatostroma scutellare*, with *Lophium mytilinum*, on dead branch of *Larix decidua*. **French Guiana**, *Neocosmospora duolechatii* on dead bark of *Bauhinia* sp. **Germany**, *Inocybe giovannii* on soil under *Abies alba*, *Fagus sylvatica* and *Picea abies*, *Triseptosporium fallopiae* (incl. *Triseptosporium gen. nov.*) on *Fallopia japonica*. **India**, *Phylloporia bharatavarsa* on living tree of *Phyllanthus emblica*. **Iran**, *Fusarium phoenicis* on roots of *Phoenix dactylifera*. **Italy**, *Inosperma confusum* on soil under *Quercus ilex* and *Pinus halepensis*, *Inosperma subinodorum* on calcareous soil in *Picea abies* forest. **Madagascar**, *Oudemansiella viscida* on dead wood or branches. **Netherlands**, *Colletotrichum urticicola* from leaf spots on *Urtica dioica*. **Pakistan**, *Agrocybe punjabensis* on soil on fallen remains of *Saccharum officinarum*. **Panama**, *Ijuhya panamaensis* and *Sarcopodium panamaense* on twig litter of angiosperm. **Poland**, *Cytospora tatrensis* from dead stems of *Pinus mugo*, *Myxotrichum flavum* on resin of *Picea abies*, *Symphoricola tamoviensis* (incl. *Symphoricola gen. nov.*) from sooty mould community on *Symphoricarpos albus*. **Portugal**, *Hypoxylon azoricum* on fallen branch of *Laurus azorica*, *Tuber honstrassii* in clayey and calcareous soil under *Quercus rotundifolia* and *Arbutus unedo*. **South Africa**, *Paraphaeosphaeria*

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Aggregatorygma saraanense





Aggregatorygma saraanense* Darmostuk, Plata, Rodr. Flakus & Flakus, *sp. nov.

Etymology: The epithet is derived from the collection site, located in the vicinity of the Sara Ana Agroecological Experimental Station, Bolivia.

Classification: *Diploschistaceae*, *Ostropales*, *Lecanoromycetes*.

Thallus epiperidermal, crustose, continuous, cracked, not corticate, dull, greenish to slightly pale bluish green, up to 5–7 cm diam., 70–100 µm thick, not surrounded by a prothallus. **Photobiont** trentepohlioid, cells globose, 8–10 µm diam. **Isidia** pale bluish green to sometimes greenish, pruinose, not corticate, round to ovoid, disc-shaped, flat, connected with the thallus by hyphae at the central part, sometimes irregularly attached by margin when younger, easily breaking from the thallus, 300–320 µm diam. and 70–100 µm thick. **Thallus and isidia** UV–, K–, P–. **Ascomata and pycnidia** not observed.

Habit, habitat and distribution: *Aggregatorygma saraanense* is known only from its type locality in sub-Andean seasonal evergreen forests of the southwestern Amazon, where it was found growing corticolous on the trunk of *Trichilia inaequilatera*.

Typus: **Bolivia**, La Paz department, Alto Beni province, near the Sara Ana Agroecological Experimental Station, 15.46081°S, 67.47788°W, 440 m.a.s.l., the primary sub-Andean Amazon forest, on trunk of *Trichilia inaequilatera* (*Meliaceae*), 27 Nov. 2024, A. Flakus & O. Plata, 30163 (**holotype** KRAM L-75219, **isotype** LPB; LSU and mtSSU sequences GenBank PX353698 and PX353699).

Notes: The genus *Aggregatorygma* was introduced by Cáceres *et al.* (2014) to accommodate a corticolous lichen with a continuous, ecorticate, pale thallus with a minutely farinose surface, a trentepohlioid photobiont, aggregated and branched lirellate apothecia, and hyaline, 3-septate,

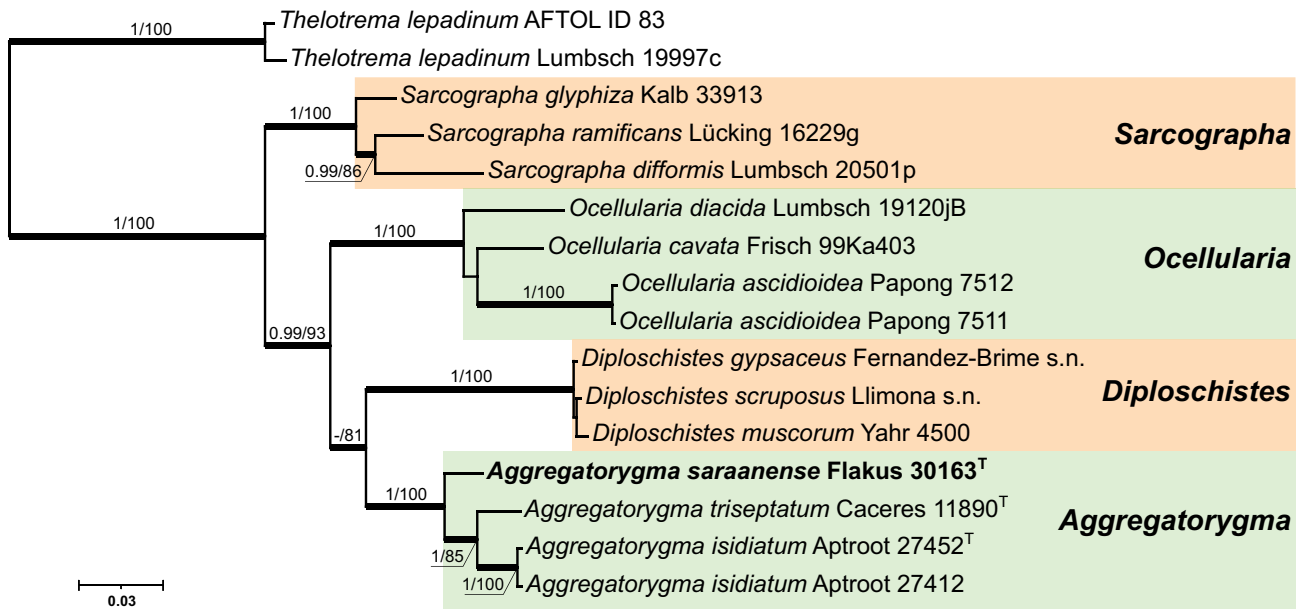
ellipsoidal ascospores. The generic concept was later expanded through the inclusion of additional species with submuriform ascospores or sterile thalli, bringing the total number of currently recognized species in the genus to four (Aptroot & Feuerstein 2020, Aptroot *et al.* 2022, Manawasinghe *et al.* 2025). Within the genus, another sterile species with ecorticate isidia, *Aggregatorygma isidiatum*, can be distinguished from the new species by its pale cream-white thallus, the presence of irregularly globose isidia, and confluent acid as a secondary metabolite (Manawasinghe *et al.* 2025).

Phylogenetic analyses based on the mtSSU and LSU regions resolved the specimen of *Aggregatorygma saraanense* in a well-supported sister relationship to *A. isidiatum* and *A. triseptatum*. The genus *Aggregatorygma* was recovered as a moderately supported sister group with the genus *Diploschistes*.

Based on a megablast search of NCBI's GenBank nucleotide database, the closest hits using the **LSU** sequence had highest similarity to *Acanthothecis aurantiaca* (voucher Kalb 33945, GenBank DQ431929; Identities = 91.32 %, 11 gaps), *Acanthothecis fontana* (voucher Lendemer 49537, GenBank MK110675; Identities = 90.71 %, 11 gaps), *Deltopyxis triangulispota* (voucher Marson 2017-12-26.1, GenBank OK625308; Identities = 90.67 %, six gaps), Closest hits using the **mtSSU** sequence are *Aggregatorygma isidiatum* (voucher Aptroot 27412, GenBank OR759507; Identities = 96.57 %, six gaps), *Aggregatorygma isidiatum* (voucher Aptroot 27452, GenBank OR759506; Identities = 95.45 %, seven gaps), and *Aggregatorygma triseptatum* (voucher Cáceres 11890, GenBank KJ440979; Identities = 96.02 %, 11 gaps).

Supplementary material: doi: 10.6084/m9.figshare.30094186 (alignment and phylogenetic tree); doi: 10.6084/m9.figshare.30102898 (table).

Colour illustrations: Bolivia, La Paz department, Alto Beni province, primary sub-Andean Amazon forest. Habit of the lichen thallus with isidia; two isidia; cross section through isidium (in lactophenol cotton blue and water). Scale bars: habit = 1 mm; isidia = 0.5 mm, section = 50 µm.



Phylogenetic relationships of *Aggregatorygma saraanense* (highlighted with **bold** font) inferred from Bayesian Inference analysis (BI) of a combined mtSSU and LSU data set. Two specimens of *Thelotrema lepadinum* were used as the outgroup. Thickened branches represent either Bayesian posterior probabilities ≥ 0.97 and/or bootstrap support values ≥ 70 %. Maximum likelihood analyses were carried out using a heuristic search as implemented in IQ-TREE v. 2.1.2 on XSEDE (Nguyen *et al.* 2015) and 100 bootstrap interactions on 1000 replicates to estimate branch support. Bayesian inference of the phylogenetic relationships was calculated using the Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) approach as implemented in MrBayes v. 3.2.6 on XSEDE (Ronquist *et al.* 2012). Sequences from material with a type status are indicated by superscript T.



Agrocybe punjabensis





Agrocybe punjabensis W. Akram, Saba & Asif, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: The epithet “*punjabensis*” refers to Punjab, a province of Pakistan, from where the type specimen was collected.

Classification: *Strophariaceae*, *Agaricales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Basidiomata small to medium-sized. *Pileus* 0.7–3 cm diam., conic at early age becoming plane to convex at maturity, greyish yellow (25YR6/2) at younger age becoming bright yellowish brown (25YR7/6) with age; (Munsell 2009), umbo absent, slightly depressed at maturity, surface smooth, shiny at early age becoming dull at maturity, dry, margins smooth at younger age becoming undulating at maturity. *Lamellae* dull yellow orange (10YR6/3) at younger age becoming brownish black (7.5YR3/1) with age, subdistant, free, approximate, with entire margins, become eroded with age, lamellulae in 2–3 tiers of different lengths, alternating with lamellae. *Stipe* 1–6 × 0.2–0.4 cm, pale yellow (25YR8/4) at early age becoming dull yellowish at maturity (25YR6/4), whitish (2.5Y8/1) towards the base, central, cylindrical, strigose, equal, solid, dry and dull, bulbous base. *Annulus* absent. *Volva* absent. *Odour* and *taste* not recorded. *Basidiospores* (50/2/2) (8.1–)12.1–14.5(–17.2) × (6.9–)7.8–9.4(–10.2) µm, avl × avw = 13.3 × 8.6 µm; Qav = 1.6. ellipsoid to oblong, amygdaliform from side view, with central prominent germ pore of 1.53 µm wide, thick-walled, smooth, hyaline in 5 % KOH, dark reddish brown (5YR3/4) in Congo Red. *Basidia* (25.7–)26.6–31.3(–32.3) × (9.3–)10.0–11.7(–12.1) µm, avl × avw = 29.4 × 10.8 µm, clavate to broadly clavate, with median constriction, frequently 4-spored, sterigmata 4–6 µm long, thin-walled, hyaline in 5 % KOH, congophilous. *Cheilocystidia* (6.7–)12.6–14.2(–16.2) × (5.9–)6.5–9.0(–11.6) µm, avl × avw = 12 × 8.2 µm, lageniform to narrowly lageniform, thin-walled, no internal content present, hyaline, congophilous. *Pleurocystidia* (22.7–)26.5–33.3(–36.6) × (8.6–)9.5–12.9(–25.2) µm, avl × avw = 30.5 × 12.3 µm; clavate, cylindrical, utriform to narrowly utriform with median constriction, thin-walled, hyaline in 5 % KOH, congophilous. *Pileipellis* euhymeniderm to irregular trichoderm made up of long and regular hyphae with 4–8 µm diam, avw = 6 µm wide, hyaline, thin-walled, septate, smooth, narrow, hyaline in 5 % KOH, congophilous. *Stipitipellis* 2–4 µm diam., avw = 2.6 µm, cylindrical, regular, septate, parallel made up of long, narrow hyphae thick-walled, rarely constricted at septa, congophilous. *Caulocystidia* absent. *Clamp connections* present.

Habitat: Saprotrophic, gregarious, or scattered on decaying leaves of shrubs and grasses under the tree *Dalbergia sissoo*, associated with *Pennisetum setaceum*, on fallen remains of *Saccharum officinarum*.

Colour illustrations: Pakistan, Punjab Province, District Mandi Bahauddin, canal view park, on nutrient-rich soil on fallen leaves and other grasses (photo credit M. Asif). *Basidiomata*; basidiospores; basidia; cheilocystidia; pleurocystidia; pileipellis; stipitipellis. Scale bars: basidiomata = 1 cm; micromorphology = 5 µm.

Typus: **Pakistan**, Punjab Province, Mandi bahaiddin District, 33°58'81"N, 73°49'73"E, 204 m.a.s.l., surrounded by tall grasses (*Pennisetum setaceum*), on borderline of rice field, 13 Jul. 2022, *W. Akram*, *W-06* (**holotype** LAH38146; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PP386164 and PQ678707).

Additional material examined: **Pakistan**, Punjab Province, Mandi Bahauddin District, near Shaheedanwali, in nutrient-rich soil on bark of dead tree, 33°58'81"N, 73°49'73"E, 204 m.a.s.l., 8 Jul. 2023, *W. Akram*, *W07* (LAH30147; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PP386165, and PQ678708).

Notes: Previously, only eight species of the genus *Agrocybe* have been reported from Pakistan (Ahmad *et al.* 1997, Aman *et al.* 2022, Crous *et al.* 2024a). Here, we describe a new species named *A. punjabensis*, growing on fallen remains of *Saccharum officinarum* in nutrient-rich soil. *Agrocybe punjabensis* is characterized by its conic to plano-convex, greyish yellow pileus with uplifted margins, dull yellow orange lamellae, ellipsoid to oblong, or amygdaliform basidiospores, clavate basidia with medial constriction, narrowly lageniform cheilocystidia, and narrowly utriform pleurocystidia,

In the phylogenetic analysis based on ITS and LSU sequence data, *A. punjabensis* is found to be a close relative of *A. auriolus* (GenBank PP431557) reported from Pakistan (Crous *et al.* 2024a), *A. arvalis* (GenBank MH615058) and *A. pediades* (GenBank MH615058) with strong bootstrap support and Bayesian posterior probability values (100 %/1). *Agrocybe auriolus* can be distinguished from *A. punjabensis* by a combination of morpho-anatomical characteristics such as light golden and centrally depressed pileus with crisped wavy margins, light orange lamellae, yellow orange and smaller basidiospores (6.3–9.1 × 3.8–5.9 µm vs 8.1–17.2 × 6.9–10.2 µm in *A. punjabensis*, and 2-spored basidia vs 4-spored in *A. punjabensis*), relatively larger cheilocystidia and pleurocystidia, and absence of clamp connections (Crous *et al.* 2024a).

Agrocybe arvalis differs from *A. punjabensis* by its velvety, dark yellow brown to dark brown, sometimes olivaceous, smooth pileus, and cheilocystidia with characteristic finger like projections (Nauta *et al.* 2003). *Agrocybe ochracea* shares key traits with *A. punjabensis*, but stands out with its ochraceous-yellow pileus, thick context, wide basidiospores, and utriform cheilocystidia. Its pileipellis is an irregular hymeniderm, unlike the *A. punjabensis* trichoderm (Nauta 2004).

Agrocybe pediades is also phylogenetically close but differs from *A. punjabensis*, due to its ochraceous, glabrous and applanate pileus, brown and ventricose lamellae, fragile stipe, ellipsoid and smaller basidiospores (6.3–9.1 × 3.8–5.9 µm vs 8.1–17.2 × 6.9–10.2 µm in *A. punjabensis*), cheilocystidia with capitate to subcapitate apex, and absence of pleurocystidia (Niveiro *et al.* 2020). *Agrocybe subpediades* is also recognized as synonym of *Agrocybe pediades* (Malysheva & Kiyashko 2011).

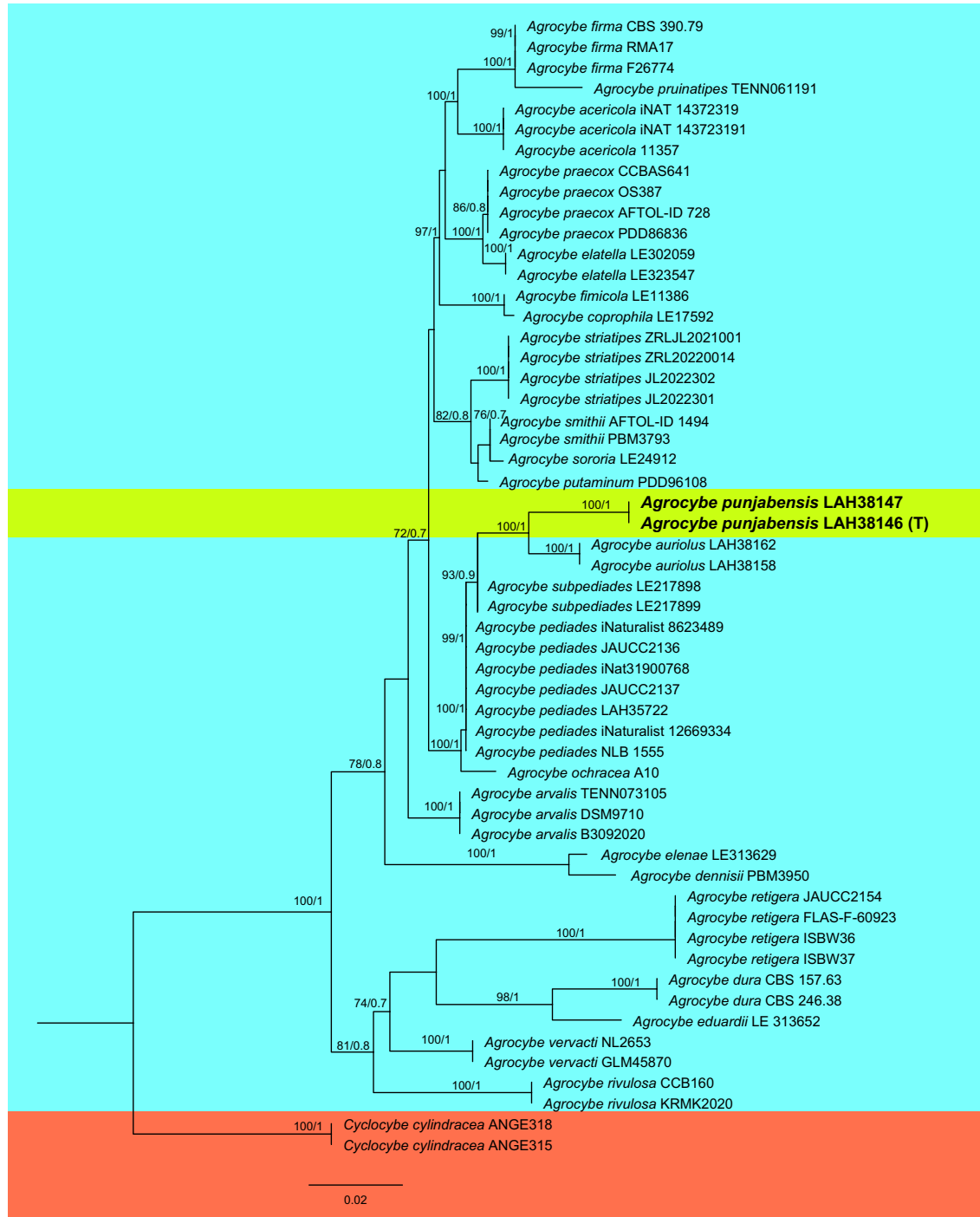
Based on a BLAST search of NCBI's GenBank nucleotide database, the closest hits using the **ITS** sequence had the highest similarity 96 % with *Agrocybe pediades* (voucher



iNat31900768, GenBank OK346364), 96 % *Agrocybe pediades* (voucher iNaturalist 12669334, GenBank OP549271), 95 % *Agrocybe pediades* (voucher NLB 1555, GenBank MT571662) and 95 % with *Agrocybe* sp. (voucher 151_A07, GenBank MK627487), while the **LSU** sequences showed 97 % similarity with *A. auriolus* (GenBank PP431558) from Pakistan and 93 % similarity with *A. smithii* (GenBank DQ484058) from Canada. The combined **ITS-LSU** dataset has a total of 55 sequences out of which 53

are of the genus *Agrocybe*, including *Cyclocybe cylindracea* (ANGE315 & ANGE318) as an outgroup taxon (Li *et al.* 2023, Crous *et al.* 2024). The combined ITS-LSU alignment file consists of 2421 sites including gaps, from which 1859 sites were conserved, and 538 were variables.

Supplementary material: doi: <https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.26781079> (table); TreeBASE ID: S31648 (alignment and phylogenetic tree).



Molecular phylogenetic tree inferred from the combined ITS-LSU sequence alignment. The phylogenetic analysis was conducted using RAXML-HPC2 v. 8.1.11 on CIPRES, using Maximum Likelihood (ML) and Bayesian Inference (BI) methods (Stamatakis 2014). The tree was rooted to *Cyclocybe cylindracea* (ANGE315 & ANGE318). The new species is shown in **bold**.





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Arthropolymorpha* J.A. Oliveira, R. F. Castañeda-Ruiz & O.L. Pereira, *gen. nov.

Etymology: Referring to a kind of conidiogenesis involving hyphal fragmentation, resulting in the formation of morphologically diverse conidia.

Classification: *Muyocoproneae*, *Muyocoproneales*, *Dothideomycetes*.

Dark septate endophyte (DSE) isolated on culture media from surface-sterilized healthy roots of living plants. *Mycelium* consisting of hyaline to pigmented, smooth-walled, septate

hyphae. *Conidiogenous hyphae* range from hyaline to darkly pigmented, with a predominance of dark, thick-walled hyphae involved in spore formation. *Conidiogenesis* arthro-thallic, typically retrogressive. *Conidia* are frequently pigmented, with smooth walls, 0–1-septate, and vary in shape from globose to ellipsoidal, clavate to ovoid, constricted doliform, pyriform, to limoniform.

Type species: *Arthropolymorpha endophytica* J.A. Oliveira, R.F. Castañeda-Ruiz & O.L. Pereira

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Arthropolymorpha endophytica* J.A. Oliveira, R.F. Castañeda-Ruiz & O.L. Pereira, *sp. nov.

Etymology: The epithet refers to the endophytic habitat associated with coffee plant roots.

Dark septate endophyte (DSE) isolated on culture media from surface-sterilized roots of healthy coffee plant. *Mycelium* consisting of hyaline to pigmented, smooth-walled, septate hyphae. *Conidiogenous hyphae* range from hyaline to darkly pigmented, with a predominance of dark, thick-walled hyphae involved in conidial formation. *Conidiogenesis* arthro-thallic, typically retrogressive, with conidia exhibiting increased pigmentation at the distal end. *Conidia* are frequently pigmented, with smooth walls, 0–1-septate, and vary in shape from globose to ellipsoidal, 14.5–6.5 × 16–7.5 µm, clavate with truncate base to obovoid, 7–8 × 19–9 µm, doliform, septate with median constriction, 18–20 × 5–9.5 µm, pyriform, 21.5–8 × 20–5.5 µm, and limoniform, 22–11 × 11–5 µm. *Chlamydospores* trichocladium-like, commonly curved or folded, observed on potato dextrose agar (PDA). *Sexual morph* was not observed.

Culture characteristics: Colonies on PDA umbonate with undulate edge, profuse aerial mycelium, dark brick grey colour in the centre to rosy buff periphery on surface, reverse fuscous black colour in the centre to rosy buff periphery (Rayner 1970), reaching 39 mm diam. after 2 wk at 25 °C in the dark. Colonies on malt extract agar (MEA) umbonate with entire edge, profuse aerial mycelium, vinaceous buff in the centre to fawn at periphery on surface, reverse fuscous black colour in the centre to rosy buff periphery, reaching 40 mm diam. after 2 wk at 25 °C in the dark. Colonies on oatmeal agar (OA) umbonate with entire edge, profuse

aerial mycelium, olivaceous grey colour in the centre to pale olivaceous grey surface, purplish grey buff, reaching 38 mm diam. after 2 wk at 25 °C in the dark.

Typus: **Brazil**, Minas Gerais, Viçosa, Mata do Paraíso, 20°41'20"S, 42°49'36"W, isolated from healthy roots of *Coffea arabica* (*Rubiaceae*), Oct. 2024, O.L. Pereira & J.A. Oliveira (**holotype** VIC 49702, culture ex-type COAD 4165; ITS, LSU, *rpb2*, and *tef* sequences GenBank PV935328, PV935329, PV941788 and PV941789).

Notes: *Muyocoproneae* is a monotypic family introduced by Luttrell (1951) and formally validated by Hyde *et al.* (2013). Based on phylogeny and morphological characteristics, Mapook *et al.* (2016) established the order *Muyocoproneales* to include the family *Muyocoproneae*. *Muyocopron* was the first genus described within the family, introduced by Spegazzini (1881). Hernández-Restrepo *et al.* (2016) reorganized the group by excluding and reassigning several species and formally incorporated *Mycocoleptodiscus* into *Muyocoproneae*. Currently, with the addition of *Arthropolymorpha endophytica*, the family comprises 12 formally described genera. Hernández-Restrepo *et al.* (2016) also showed that *Mycocoleptodiscus endophyticus* forms a separate lineage, outside all other established genera in the family, aligning with the results of the current study. The lack of distinct morphological features was the reason for not formally establishing a new genus; therefore, the species is still listed in our phylogeny as '*Mycocoleptodiscus endophyticus*'. The genera within *Muyocoproneae* have previously been associated with asexual morphs, including *Muyocopron*, *Mycocoleptodiscus*, *Neocochlearomyces*, *Neomycocoleptodiscus*, and *Paramycocoleptodiscus*. However, none exhibit thallic ontogeny as observed in *A. endophytica*, a distinctive morphological feature that distinguishes *Arthropolymorpha* from the other genera. Additionally, members of *Muyocoproneae* have been reported from a wide range of habitats and geographic regions, with diverse lifestyles, reflecting the cosmopolitan

Colour illustrations: Roots of young coffee plants growing in the undergrowth of a forest reserve called Mata do Paraíso at Universidade Federal de Viçosa, Viçosa, Minas Gerais state, Brazil (photo credit O.L. Pereira). Top to bottom conidia morphology variation: globose, pyriform, doliform, limoniform arthroconidia produced by disarticulation; conidiogenous hyphae; chlamydospore; colonies on BDA and MEA. Scale bars = 20 µm.

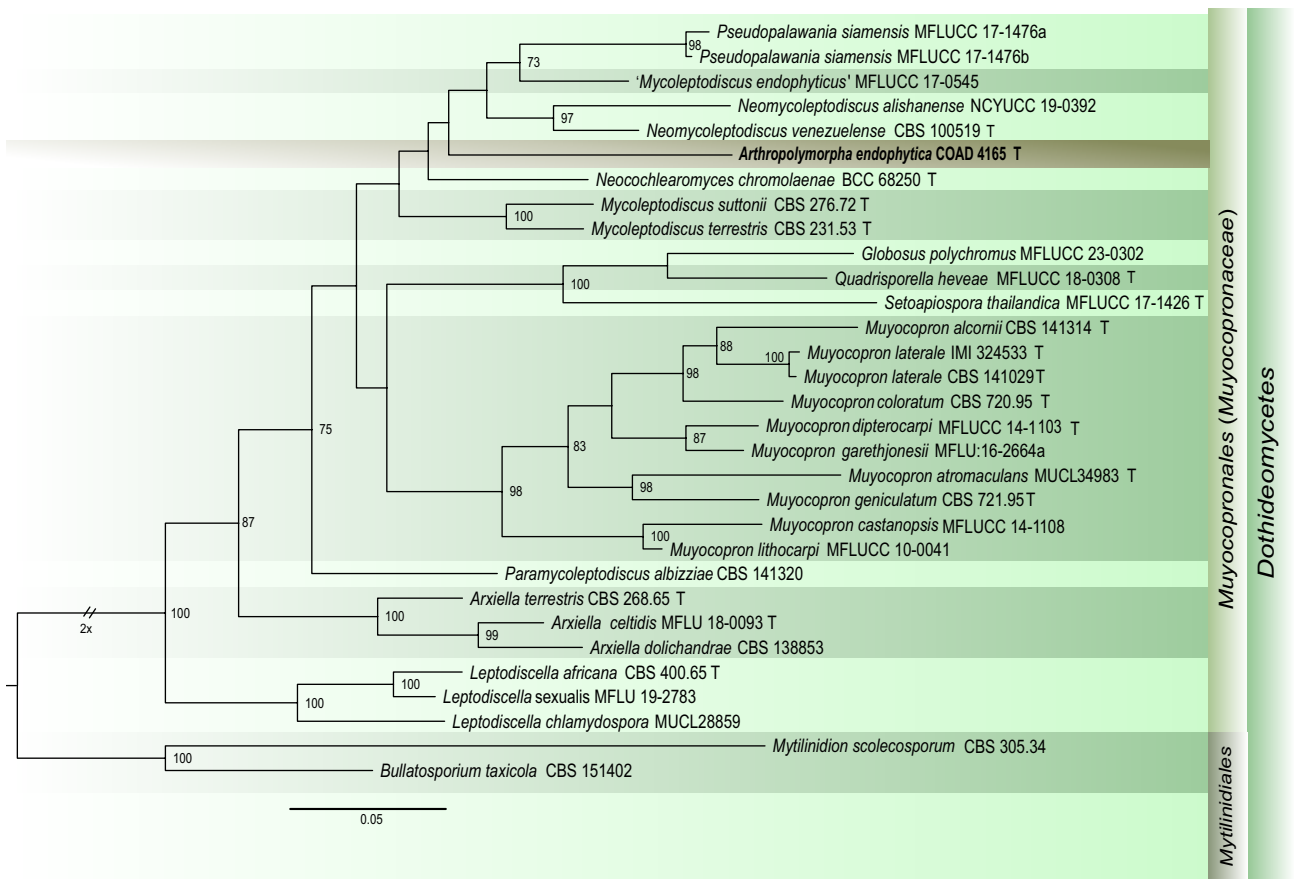


distribution and ecological plasticity of this taxonomic group. *Arthropolymorpha endophytica* represents the second reported instance of a DSE in coffee roots worldwide, following the recent proposition of *Polyschema endophytica* (Crous *et al.* 2025). The distinctive morphological features of *A. endophytica* compared to other known DSE fungi indicate a largely unexplored diversity within this community of root endophytes.

Based on a megablast search of NCBI's GenBank nucleotide database, the closest hits using the ITS sequence had highest similarity to *Dothideomycetes* sp. [strain OGPBioA5, GenBank JX243875.1; Identities = 698/699 (99 %), no gaps], *Dothideomycetes* sp. [strain OGPBioA9, GenBank JX243878.1; Identities = 697/699 (99 %), no gaps], and 'uncultured fungus' [clone PDB11GadID, GenBank JN890322.1; Identities = 692/699 (99 %), one gap (0 %)]. Closest hits using the LSU sequence are *Dothideomycetes* sp. [strain OGPBioA5, GenBank JX243875.1; Identities = 626/626 (100 %), no gaps], 'uncultured fungus' [clone PDB11GadID, GenBank JN890322.1; Identities = 628/630

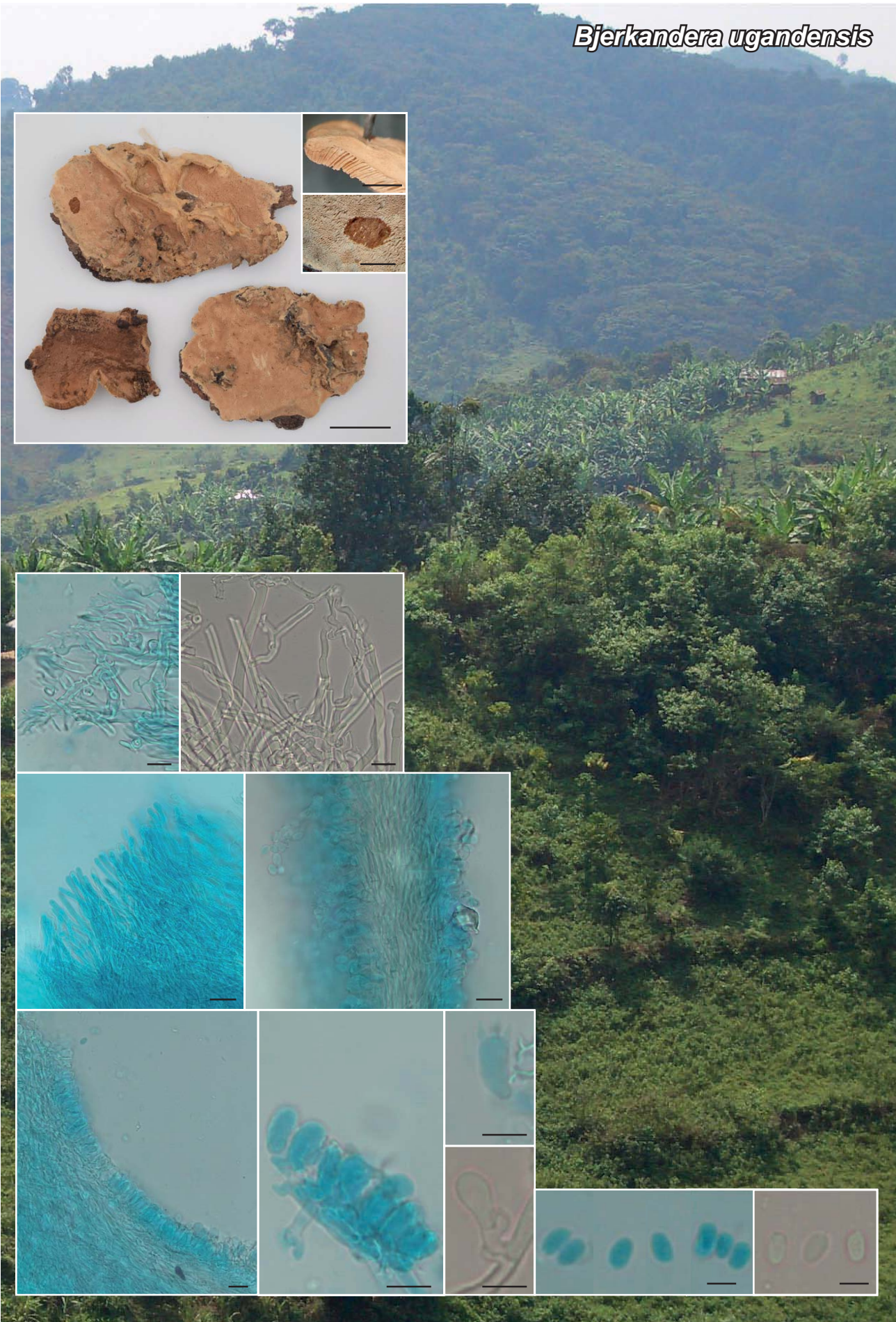
(99 %), no gaps], and *Mycocleptodiscus endophyticus* [strain MFLUCC 17-0545, GenBank NG_064487.1; Identities = 606/628 (96 %), seven gaps (1 %)]. Closest hits using the *rpb2* sequence are *Muyocopron atromaculans* [strain MUCL_34983, GenBank MK492713.1; Identities = 582/739 (79 %), two gaps (0 %)], *Muyocopron geniculatum* [strain CBS 721.95, GenBank MK492715.1; Identities = 517/651 (79 %), six gaps (0 %)], and *Muyocopron chromolaenae* [strain MFLUCC:17-1513, GenBank MT136761.1; Identities = 486/606 (80 %), four gaps (0 %)]. Closest hits using the *tef* sequence are *Bagnisiella examinans* [strain CBS 551.66, GenBank GU349056.1; Identities = 693/765 (91 %), five gaps (0 %)], *Pteridiospora javanica* [strain MFLUCC 11-0195, GenBank KJ739606.1; Identities = 691/766 (90 %), seven gaps (0 %)], and *Pteridiospora javanica* [strain MFLUCC 11-0159, GenBank KJ739605.1; Identities = 691/766 (90 %), seven gaps (0 %)].

Supplementary material: <https://figshare.com/s/c341ff292b8f759b1044> (database table and alignment).





Bjerkandera ugandensis





Bjerkandera ugandensis Ghobad-Nejhad, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: Referring to Uganda, the country where it was collected.

Classification: *Phanerochaetaceae*, *Polyporales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Basidiomata annual, resupinate with some projected pilei, adnate, soft corky, dried basidiomata 4–8 × 2.5–5 cm, with a mild sweet smell, pilei up to 1 cm projecting, 3 cm wide, and 1 cm thick at the base. **Pileal surface** buff ochraceous, glabrous, azonate, pileal margin blunt, becoming more or less dark grey, margin in resupinate parts of basidiomata distinct. **Hymenophore** poroid, pore surface buff ochraceous, darkened in bruised parts and upon touch with KOH, pores more or less round, (2–)4–5 per mm. **Context** buff cream, soft fibrous, 1–2 mm thick in pilei, with a thin dark line between tubes and context. **Tubes** concolourous with the pore surface and context, corky, up to 1–2 mm long. **Hyphal system** monomitic, generative hyphae with clamp connections, smooth, hyaline to light yellow, moderately cyanophilous in cotton blue, negative in Melzer's reagent. **Generative hyphae** in context thick-walled, interwoven, moderately branched, width uneven, 4.5–6.5 µm diam., walls up to 1 µm thick. Generative hyphae in tubes up to 2.5 µm diam., width even, walls thin but distinct, interwoven, subparallel along the tubes; hymenium entire, sporadic rhomboid to polyhedral, hyaline crystals present, basically aggregated in tube trama and occasionally extending into hymenium, 9–23 × 6–15 µm. Hyphae in dissepiments thin, smooth, entire, cyanophilous, without characteristic crystals or swellings. **Cystidia**, cystidioles, and dendrohyphidia absent. **Basidia** short clavate to barrel-shaped, with four sterigmata and a basal clamp connection, 10–12.8 × 4.5–5.5 µm. **Basidiospores** short cylindrical to ellipsoid, with a very small apiculus, walls hyaline, thin, smooth, non-cyanophilous, negative in Melzer's reagent, contents homogenous, 5.0–6.2(–6.5) × (2.7–)3–4 µm, L = 5.55 µm, W = 3.36 µm, Q = 1.67 (n = 30/1).

Habit, habitat and distribution: Presently known from a mature mixed forest in southern Uganda. Isolated in June from rotting log of an undetermined tree.

Typus: **Uganda**, Kabale, Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, Ruhija, mature mixed forest, on a rotting log, 2 Jun. 2003, *P. Ipulet*, F1878 (**holotype** O-F-918590, **isotype** K-M000130450; ITS, LSU, *rpb1*,

rpb2, *tef1*, and nSSU sequences GenBank PX410248, PX392579, PX400459, PX400460, PX400458, and PX392578).

Notes: *Bjerkandera ugandensis* is distinguished by its buff ochraceous, resupinate to pileate basidiomata with 4–5 pores/mm, a thin dark line between tubes and context, sporadic crystals in hymenium, and short cylindrical to ellipsoid basidiospores, 5.0–6.2(–6.5) × (2.7–)3–4 µm. The smell of its basidiomata somewhat reminds that of *Evernia prunastri*. In the ITS-LSU-based phylogeny, *Bjerkandera ugandensis* forms a highly supported monophyletic clade (BPP = 1) with other unidentified isolates from Kenya and Cameroon. This clade is the sister (BPP = 0.99) of a clade that contains *B. mikrofumosa*, *B. atroalba*, and *B. resupinata*, among others. *Bjerkandera ugandensis* resembles *B. atroalba* and *B. mikrofumosa* in having effused basidiomata and ellipsoid basidiospores. However, *B. atroalba* has white to cream basidiomata and shorter (4–5 µm) basidiospores, and was described from the Neotropics (Westphalen *et al.* 2015). Unlike *B. ugandensis*, no crystals have been mentioned for *B. atroalba*. *Bjerkandera mikrofumosa* also forms crystals on hyphae but has a pale, golden brown pileal surface, smaller and angular pores (7–9/mm), and smaller basidiospores, 3.5–4.8 × 2.3–3 µm (Motato-Vásquez *et al.* 2020). *Bjerkandera resupinata* described from Thailand has resupinate basidiomata and the size of its pores and basidiospores are more or less similar to *B. ugandensis*, but its basidiomata are strictly resupinate without pileate parts, and it lacks crystals on the hymenium. Moreover, the two species are phylogenetically nested distantly from each other. *Bjerkandera ugandensis* showed the highest similarity with *B. minispora* based on the ITS megablast search, but the ITS-LSU-based phylogeny resolved a more distant relationship with *B. minispora* compared to the species mentioned above. *Bjerkandera minispora* differs from *B. ugandensis* by its flabelliform basidiomata, smaller pores (6–9/mm) and smaller basidiospores (3.1–4.2 × 2–2.8 µm) (Wang *et al.* 2021).

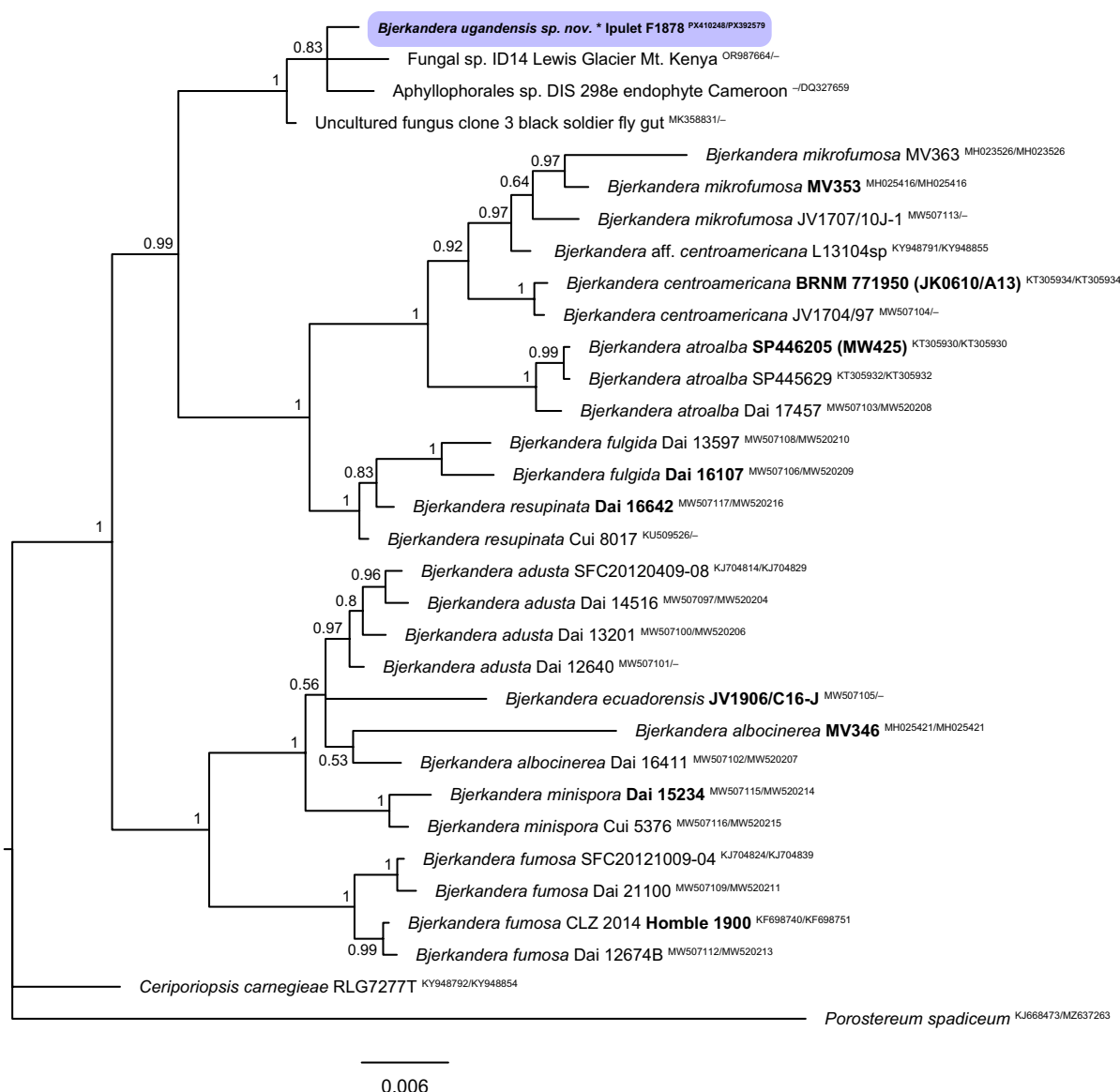
Based on a megablast search of NCBI's GenBank nucleotide database, the closest hits using the ITS sequence had the highest similarity to an uncultured fungus isolated from gut of black soldier fly (from Kenya?) [strain clone 3, GenBank MK358831; Identities = 444/454 (98 %), no gaps], Fungal sp. isolated from Lewis Glacier Mt. in Kenya [strain ID14, GenBank OR987664; Identities = 431/455 (95 %), 19 gaps (4 %)], and *Bjerkandera minispora* [voucher Cui_5376, GenBank MW507116; Identities = 429/461 (93 %), 10 gaps (2 %)]. Closest hits using the nuclear LSU sequence are *Aphylllophorales* sp. isolated as endophyte of *Theobroma cacao* from Cameroon [strain DIS 298e, GenBank DQ327659.1; Identities = 459/461 (99 %), no gaps], *Bjerkandera resupinata* [strain BJFC 022752, GenBank NG_088197.1; Identities = 457/461 (99 %), no gaps; other version is MW520216.1], and *Bjerkandera fulgida* [strain Dai_13597, GenBank MW520210.1; Identities = 456/461 (99 %), no gaps]. Closest hits using the *rpb1* sequence are *Ceriporiopsis carnegieae* [voucher RLG7277T, GenBank KY948935.1; Identities = 1052/1176 (89 %), no gaps], *Bjerkandera adusta* [voucher Cui 16682, GenBank

Colour illustrations: Photo of Bwindi Impenetrable National Park where the holotype was isolated, reproduced from Wikimedia Commons under the Creative Commons Attribution-Share Alike 3.0 IGO license (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:%3ABwindi_Impenetrable_National_Park-112358.jpg). Dried basidiomata from the isotype; insets showing a section through pilei with a thin dark line between tubes and context, and a dark spot on the hymenium after touch with KOH. Microscopy photos from the isotype showing the hyphae from context in cotton blue and in KOH; dissepiments; tube trama with a crystal on hymenium; hymenium and subhymenium; basidioles and basidia in cotton blue and in KOH; basidiospores in cotton blue and in KOH. Scale bars: basidiomata = 2 cm; insets = 0.5 cm; all microscopy photos except for basidiospores = 10 µm; basidiospores = 5 µm.



ON688461.1; Identities = 1054/1180 (89 %), 16 gaps (1 %)], and *Bjerkandera adusta* [voucher Cui 16670, GenBank ON688460.1; Identities = 1052/1179 (89 %), 13 gaps (1 %)]. Closest hits using the *rpb2* sequence are *Bjerkandera adusta* [voucher HHB-12826-Sp, GenBank KP134913.1; Identities = 971/1099(88 %), no gaps], *Bjerkandera adusta* [voucher Cui 16670, GenBank ON688481.1; Identities = 980/1112(88 %), no gaps], and *Bjerkandera adusta* [voucher Cui 16682, GenBank ON688482.1; Identities = 963/1104(87 %), no gaps]. Closest hits using the *tef1* sequence are *Bjerkandera adusta* [voucher Cui 16670, GenBank ON688502.1; Identities = 493/547 (90 %), 12 gaps (2 %)], *Bjerkandera* sp. isolated from *Lolium* seed [strain HMCC-23, GenBank

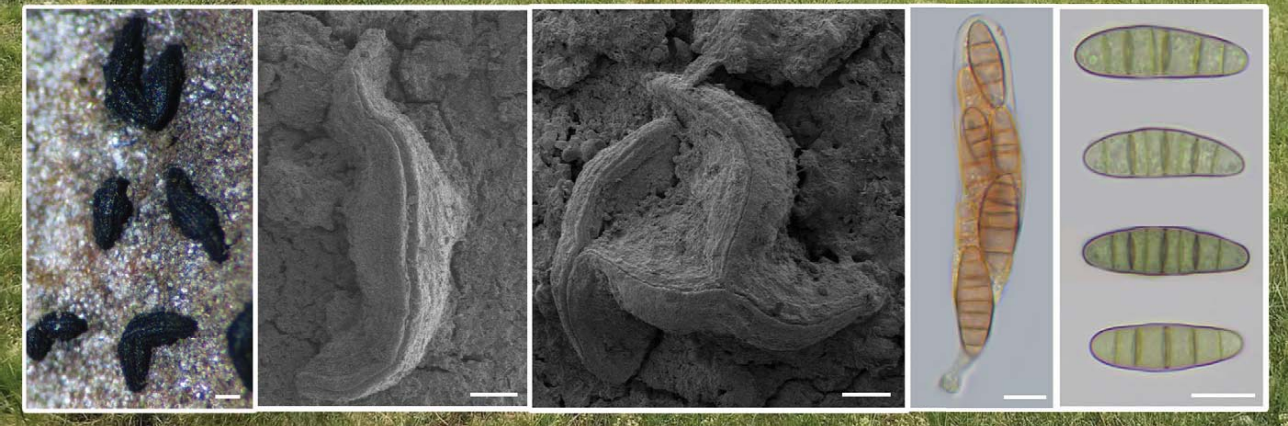
MK051163.1; Identities = 491/547 (90 %), 14 gaps (2 %); this sequence is apparently *B. adusta*, see Robledo *et al.* (2021)], and *Ceriporiopsis carnegieae* [voucher CFMR:RLG-7277, GenBank OL405699.1; Identities = 486/542 (90 %), 11 gaps (2 %)]. Closest hits using the nuclear *SSU* sequence are *Bjerkandera adusta* [strain DAOM 215869, GenBank DQ060084.1; Identities = 1017/1041(98 %), no gaps], *Bjerkandera* sp. isolated as endophyte from unknown source [strain CPCC 480726, GenBank FJ515313.1; Identities = 1017/1041 (98 %), no gaps], and *Bjerkandera* sp. collected on *Thuja* in USA [isolate FP133581, GenBank OR464335.1; Identities = 1017/1041 (98 %), no gaps].



Phylogenetic trees of *Bjerkandera* species obtained from a Bayesian analysis of the combined alignment of ITS and LSU (32 taxa, 1606 characters including alignment gaps), and the combined alignment of Bayesian inference was performed using MrBayes v. 3.2.7a (Ronquist *et al.* 2012) implemented in CIPRES Science Gateway (Miller *et al.* 2010). The new species is indicated in **bold** font and in the blue box. The ex-type sequence is indicated with an asterisk (*). Strains from material with a type status are indicated in **bold** font. Numbers before nodes indicate Bayesian posterior probability values (BPP). *Porostereum spadicum* was used as an outgroup. The scale bar represents the expected number of changes per site. The alignments and the 6-gene tree [ITS, LSU, *rpb1*, *rpb2*, *tef1*, and *nSSU* (8 taxa, 4953 characters including alignment gaps)] were deposited at figshare.com (<https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.30168871.v1>).



Bullatosporium pinophilum





Bullatosporium pinophilum Gardiennet, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: The epithet refers to the host genus, *Pinus* (*Pinaceae*).

Classification: *Mytiliniaceae*, *Mytilinidiales*, *Dothideomycetes*.

Ascomata hysterioid, superficial, scattered or somewhat gregarious, lying sinuously (rarely straight) in various directions on the substrate, occasionally coalescing or overlapping, rarely triangular in shape, approximately 370–880 µm long, 180–275 µm wide, 150–200 µm high, longitudinally striated in appearance, with an apex presenting a longitudinal ostiolar slit, clearly marked at maturity. *Peridium* 20–47 µm thick ($n = 20$), composed of small cells, 1–2.5 µm diam., mostly globular, with thick, dark brown walls, 1.5–3 µm wide. *Ostiolar canal* periphysate. *Hamathecium* composed of pseudoparaphyses, 1–2.5 µm wide, septate, with segments that may swell, hyaline, slightly sinuous, possibly branched. *Asci* bitunicate, cylindrical to clavate, short-stipitate, (71.6–)77.1–103.9(–109.4) × 12.8–16.0(–18.2) µm, containing eight obliquely to irregularly biseriate ascospores. *Ascospores* (20.8–)22.6–25.7(–27.7) × (5.9–)6.5–7.5(–8.5) µm, l/w = (2.9–)3.2–3.7(–4.1) ($n = 60$), rarely long-ellipsoid, generally heteropolar and slightly curved, 5–7-septate, mostly 7-septate (on 70 fully mature spores: 4 = 2.9 %; 5 = 30 %; 6 = 18.6 %; 7 = 44.3 %; 8 = 4.3 %), slightly constricted at the septa, hyaline when immature, pale brownish yellow to brown when senescent, smooth.

Culture characteristics: Colonies on potato dextrose agar (PDA) at 25 °C, slow-growing, reaching 1 cm diam. after 3 wk, 3.5–4.5 cm diam. after 2 mo; quickly turning brown, darker in the centre, covered with a white grey aerial mycelium (top). No odour detected.

Ecology and distribution: *Bullatosporium pinophilum* has been observed mainly on *Pinus nigra* subsp. *nigra*, but also on *Pinus sylvestris* (only twice among several hundred trees examined), on living or dead trees with a diameter of at least 35 cm, generally on trunk, but also on branches (holotype), usually occurring precisely along the edges of bark scales, on non-lichenised trees. It appears to be widely distributed in France, from the plains to the mountains, on trees in open locations (isolated trees, roadside trees or in thinned forests).

Typus: **France**, Côte-d'Or (21), Brochon, Champ Sement, (R.N.N. Combe Lavaux-Jean-Roland) 47.242343°N, 4.959544°E, 404 m.a.s.l., on the bark of a horizontal branch of a living black pine (*Pinus nigra* subsp. *nigra*) (*Pinaceae*), 11 Oct. 2022, A. Gardiennet, AG22062 (**holotype** LIP-AG22062, culture ex-type CBS 154572; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PX119173 and PX111781).

Additional materials examined: **France:** Alpes-Maritimes (06), Tende, Castérino, 44.098776°N, 7.510289°E, 1577 m.a.s.l., on the bark of a horizontal fallen Scots pine trunk (*Pinus sylvestris*), 18 Jun. 2023, A. Gardiennet, AG23135 (LSU-PX127642; ITS-PX131014); Alpes-Maritimes (06), Valdeblore, La Colmiane, 44.07266°N, 7.224498°E, 1539 m.a.s.l., on the bark of a living Scots pine trunk (*P. sylvestris*), 18 Jun. 2023, A. Gardiennet, AG23137; Côte-d'Or (21), Brochon, Champ Sement, 47.24406°N, 4.953009°E, 453 m.a.s.l., on the bark of a cut black pine tree (*P. nigra* subsp. *nigra*), 30 Oct. 2023, A. Gardiennet, AG23236; Côte-d'Or (21), Brochon, Champ Sement, 47.242183°N, 4.96041°E, 394 m.a.s.l., on bark of a living black pine trunk (*P. nigra* subsp. *nigra*), 29 Nov. 2024, A. Gardiennet, AG24105 (LSU-PX127643; ITS-PX131015); Côte-d'Or (21), Véronnes, Fontaine-Française road (plot 0124), 47.538688°N, 5.24119°E, 289 m.a.s.l., on the bark of a living black pine trunk (*P. nigra* subsp. *nigra*), 11 Jan. 2025, A. Gardiennet, AG25003 (LSU-PX127644; ITS-PX131016); Véronnes, Fontaine-Française road (plot 0124), 47.538688°N, 5.24119°E, 289 m.a.s.l., on the bark of a living black pine trunk (*P. nigra* subsp. *nigra*), 11 Jan. 2025, A. Gardiennet, AG25003; Jura (39), Thésy, towards Maison-le-Franc, 46.905278°N, 5.92311°E, 703 m.a.s.l., on the bark of a living black pine trunk (*P. nigra* subsp. *nigra*), in a row along the D65 roadside, soc. *Poetschia buellioides*, 12 Apr. 2025, A. Gardiennet, AG25033 (LSU-PX127645); Côte-d'Or (21), Brochon, start of the Brochon valley, 47.240798°N, 4.96352°E, 335 m.a.s.l., on the bark of an old fallen black pine tree (*P. nigra* subsp. *nigra*), 24 May 2025, A. Gardiennet, AG25041; Saône-et-Loire (71), Tournus, Les Perrières, Lycée Horticole et du Paysage, 46.566069°N, 4.893252°E, 214 m.a.s.l., on the bark of a living black pine tree (*P. nigra* subsp. *nigra*), 30 Jun. 2025, A. Gardiennet, AG25055; Côte-d'Or (21), Saulx-le-Duc, Butte de Saint-Siméon, 47.538638°N, 5.01729°E, 447 m.a.s.l., on the bark of a living black pine trunk (*P. nigra* subsp. *nigra*).

Colour illustrations: *Pinus nigra* on which the holotype was collected, in an isolated site on limestone grassland within the R.N.N. Combe Lavaux-Jean-Roland in Brochon, France (photo credit A. Gardiennet). Overview of a small colony of ascomata on the substrate; scanning electron micrograph of coalescing ascomata; ascus (in water); ascospores (in water). Scale bars: colony = 200 µm; scanning electron micrograph = 100 µm; ascus and ascospores = 10 µm.



Notes: The genus *Bullatosporium* was recently introduced within the family *Mytiliniaceae* (*Mytiliniales*) to accommodate *B. taxicola*, a species collected on dead wood of *Taxus baccata* in western Norway. Molecular data (ITS, LSU & *TEF1α* markers) supported *Bullatosporium* as a monospecific clade, sister to *Mytilinidion* (Andreasen *et al.* 2024).

The new species *B. pinophilum* introduced here adds a second species to the genus and confirms the robustness of the *Bullatosporium* clade (bootstrap value > 0.97 on ITS and LSU phylogenies) within the *Mytiliniaceae* lineage, of which it seems to represent the most basal clade. Pairwise comparisons between *B. pinophilum* and *B. taxicola* sequences exclude a conspecificity, with 84.3 % of identity on ITS between *B. pinophilum* (AG22062, GenBank PX119173) and *B. taxicola* [strain CBS 151402/a21-005, GenBank PP516535: 626 positions, 27 gaps; GenBank BLAST: 89.9 % identity] and 98.4 % of identity on LSU (strain CBS 151402/a21-005, GenBank PP516534: 714 positions, 0 gap; GenBank BLAST: 98.5 %). BLAST results identify **LSU** sequences of *B. taxicola* as the most similar to *B. pinophilum* (a paratype sequence PP516533 has only 95.7 % identity; main differences with the holotype sequence PP516534 consists of 6 substitutions concentrated within the 200 first nucleotides), followed by various species of *Lophium*, *Mytilinidion*, *Quasiconcha* and *Halokirschsteiniiothelia* (91.3–95.9 %) representing other clades within *Mytiliniaceae*. In BLAST results of **ITS** sequences, *B. taxicola* (89.9 %) is superseded by unidentified endophyte sequences scoring 93.4–96.5 % identity; phylogenetic analyses confirm (bootstrap value 99 %) that these sequences also cluster in the *Bullatosporium*-clade and likely represent as yet unnamed North American species.

The morphology of *B. pinophilum* indicates closest proximity with *B. taxicola*. Both species share similar spore size range, although length-to-width (l/w) ratio data are not available for the latter, and the ratio appears to differ slightly. Ascospores of *B. pinophilum* are (3–)5–7-septate, mostly 7-septate, and this occurs relatively early in the asci (vs 4–7-septate, typically 5-septate in *B. taxicola*), and they are also paler in colour, yellow brown to pale brown (vs brown to dark brown). Furthermore, the asci of *B. pinophilum* are significantly shorter, measuring (71.6–)77.1–103.9(–109.4) × 12.8–16.0(–18.2) µm (vs (91–)98–126(–146) × (10–)12–14.5(–16) µm). Our revision of an original collection of *B. taxicola* (OF270953, cited as a paratype) revealed that the spores of these specimens were striate when mature (vs smooth in *B. pinophilum*). Regrettably, despite careful

observations in various media, we could not observe the ‘bullate epispore’ in either *B. pinophilum* or in the paratype collection of *B. taxicola*, although this feature was considered distinctive enough by Andreasen *et al.* (2024) to inspire the genus name. Ecologically, the two species differ in their niches: *B. pinophilum* fruits along the edges of pine bark scales, whereas *B. taxicola* mainly grows on yew wood. Despite repeated surveys on old yew trees in France, *B. taxicola* has never been observed, suggesting that their geographical distributions may also not overlap.

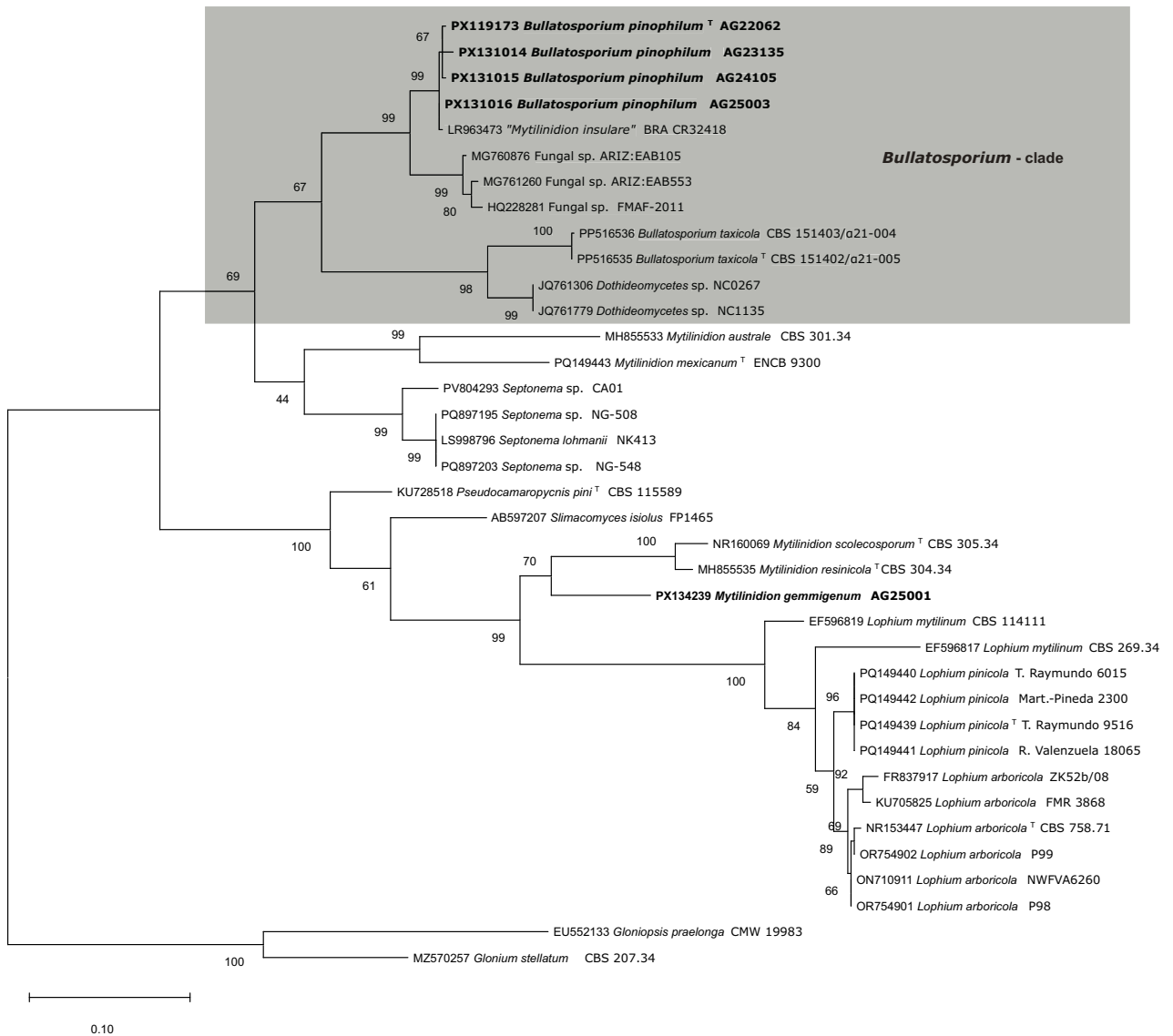
In the ITS phylotree, one sequence from Slovakia (strain BRA CR32418, GenBank LR963473; 99.31 % identity, no gaps) also clusters in the *B. pinophilum*-clade and is very likely conspecific with *B. pinophilum*. The authors of that sequence (Koukol *et al.* 2023) revived for it the name *Mytilinidion insulare*, a species discovered on blackened pine wood in Sardinia in 1866 by Dr Marcucci, and later described by Saccardo in Barbey (1885). Koukol *et al.* (2023) based their identification on Saccardo’s brief morphological description, which they found compatible with their observations of a species on the stripped trunk of *Pinus sylvestris*. Previously, Zogg (1962) in his authoritative monograph of *Hysteriaceae* and *Lophiaceae* had concluded that “der Pilz mit *Mytilidion gemmigenum* Fuckel identisch ist” (i.e. the *Mytilinidion insulare* Sacc., is identical to *Mytilinidion gemmigenum* Fuckel) The curator of PAD (Padua, Italy) kindly provided us images of Saccardo’s unpublished drawings of *M. insulare* and elements of H. Zogg’s revision. Specifically, Saccardo’s drawings show well mussel-shaped ascomata, superficial on the substrate and a vertical section of an ascoma reminiscent of species of the genus *Mytilinidion* such as *M. gemmigenum*. Furthermore, the spore shapes (l/w) in the drawing are similar to those of the latter. Zogg’s conclusion, accompanied by a revision of the range of spore dimensions, leaves little doubt: *Mytilinidion insulare* Sacc., is identical to *Mytilinidion gemmigenum* Fuckel. We also agree with Zogg (1962) that *M. insulare* is indistinguishable from *M. gemmigenum*. Therefore, we do not consider that the name *M. insulare* is applicable to our species. Moreover, we provide molecular evidence that *M. gemmigenum* does not belong to the *Bullatosporium*-clade (phylotree, GenBank ITS sequence: PX134239).

Supplementary material: (Phylogenetic tree based on LSU sequences and two tables).

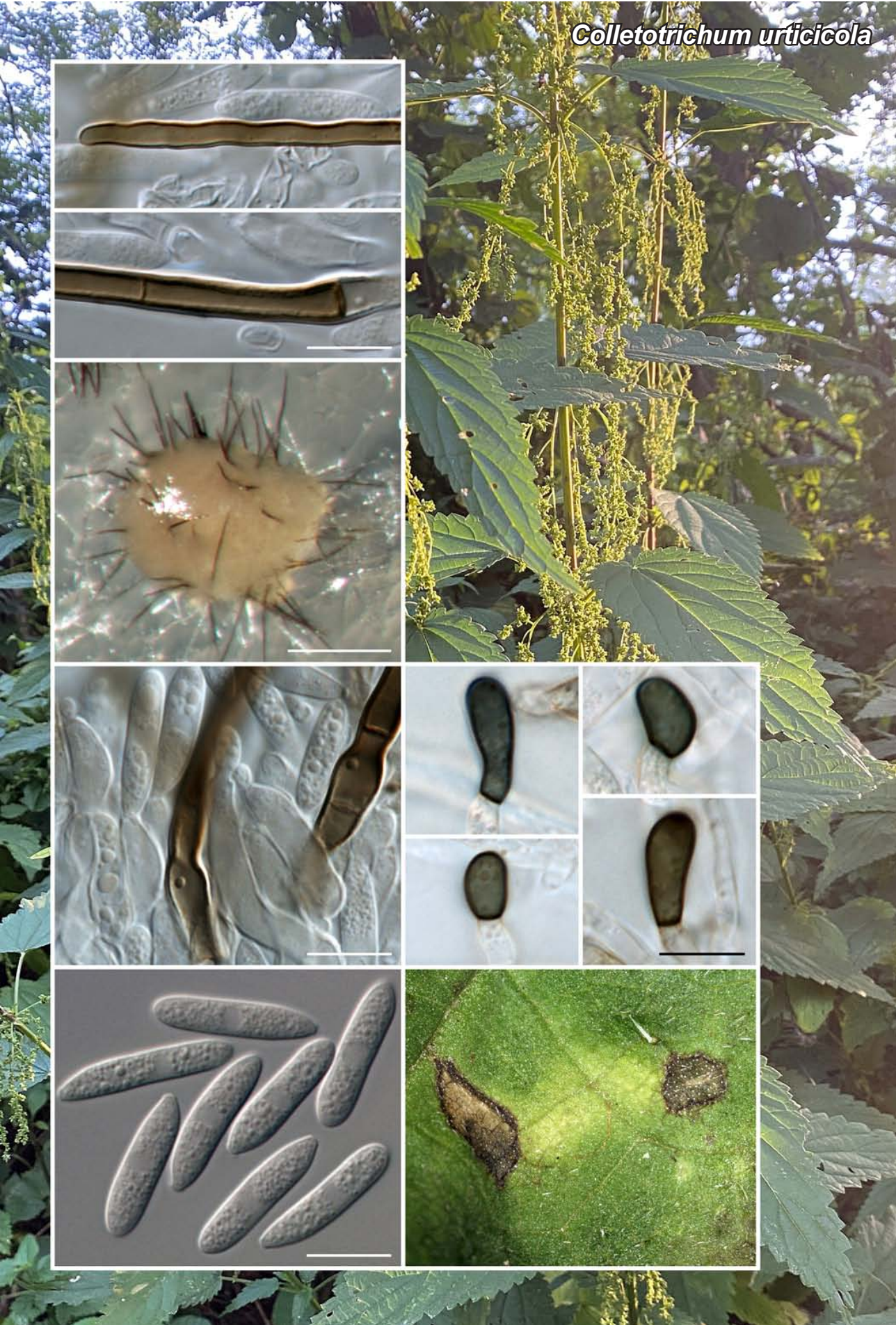
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The ITS phylogeny was inferred using the Maximum Likelihood method and Tamura-Nei (1993) model (Tamura & Nei 1993) of nucleotide substitutions and the tree with the highest log-likelihood (-4481.91) is shown. The percentage of replicate trees in which the associated taxa clustered together (500 replicates) is indicated next to the branches (Felsenstein 1985). The initial tree for the heuristic search was selected by choosing the tree with the superior log-likelihood between a Neighbour-Joining (NJ) tree (Saitou & Nei 1987) and a Maximum Parsimony (MP) tree. The NJ tree was generated using a matrix of pairwise distances computed using the p-distance (Tamura & Nei 1993). The MP tree had the shortest length among 10 MP tree searches, each performed with a randomly generated starting tree. The analytical procedure encompassed 37 nucleotide sequences with 553 positions in the final dataset. Evolutionary analyses were conducted in MEGA v. 12 (Kumar *et al.* 2024), using up to three parallel computing threads.





Colletotrichum urticicola Damm, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: Named after the host plant genus, *Urtica*.

Classification: *Glomerellaceae*, *Glomerellales*, *Sordariomycetes*.

Sexual morph not observed. **Asexual morph** on synthetic nutrient-poor agar medium (SNA; Nirenberg 1976). **Vegetative hyphae** 1–6 µm diam., hyaline, smooth-walled, septate, branched. **Chlamydospores** not observed. **Conidiomata** reduced to conidiophores and setae that are formed directly on hyphae. **Setae** pale to medium brown, smooth-walled, 40–220 µm long, 1–5-septate, base cylindrical, 3.5–5.5 µm diam., tip rounded. **Conidiophores** hyaline, smooth-walled, septate, branched, up to 50 µm long. **Conidiogenous cells** hyaline, smooth-walled, cylindrical, 11–25 × 3–5.5 µm, opening 1.5–2.5 µm diam., collarette ≤ 0.5 µm long, periclinal thickening observed, sometimes distinct. **Conidia** hyaline, smooth-walled, aseptate, straight or slightly curved, cylindrical, clavate to fusiform, with one end round and the other truncate, (14.5–)16.5–19.5(–21) × 3.5–4.5(–5) µm, mean ± SD = 18.0 ± 1.5 × 4.1 ± 0.3 µm, L/W ratio = 4.4. **Appressoria** single, pale to dark brown, smooth-walled, clavate to ellipsoidal in outline, with an entire margin, (6–)8–12(–14.5) × (2–)4–6(–6.5) µm, mean ± SD = 10.0 ± 2.2 × 5.0 ± 0.9 µm, L/W ratio = 2.0. **Asexual morph** on double-autoclaved *Anthriscus* stem. **Conidiomata** acervular, conidiophores and setae formed on a base of hyaline to pale brown, smooth-walled, angular cells, 3–7 µm diam. **Setae** pale to medium brown, smooth-walled, 55–200 µm long, 1–4-septate, base cylindrical, 5–7 µm diam., tip rounded. **Conidiophores** hyaline to pale brown, smooth-walled. **Conidiogenous cells** hyaline to pale brown, smooth-walled, cylindrical to ampulliform, 7–19 × 3–5 µm, opening 1 µm diam., collarette ≤ 0.5 µm long, periclinal thickening visible. **Conidia** hyaline, smooth-walled, aseptate, straight, sometimes ± curved, cylindrical, clavate to fusoid, with one end round and the other truncate, (13.5–)16–21(–24) × 4–4.5 µm, mean ± SD = 18.3 ± 2.5 × 4.2 ± 0.2 µm, L/W ratio = 4.4.

Culture characteristics (near UV, 12 h photoperiod, 20 °C after 10 d; colours according to Rayner 1970): Colonies on SNA: flat with entire margin, hyaline to nearly white, agar medium covered with felty white aerial mycelium and salmon acervuli, reverse same colours; growth 4–5 mm in 7 d (8.5–10.5 mm in 10 d). Colonies on oatmeal agar (OA; Crous *et al.* 2019b): flat with entire margin; greenish olivaceous, with a buff margin, aerial mycelium lacking, reverse olivaceous buff to olivaceous grey, growth 3–5.5 mm in 7 d (7–9.5 mm in 10 d). **Conidia in mass** salmon.

Colour illustrations: *Urtica dioica* flowering near Görlitz, Germany. Tip and base of setae; conidioma; setae; conidiogenous cells giving rise to conidia and bases of setae; conidia; appressoria (all microscopic structures from SNA culture of ex-holotype strain CBS 135938); symptom on host leaf. Scale bars: conidioma = 100 µm; all others = 10 µm.

Typus: **Netherlands**, Gelderland Province, Ede, Otterlo, Weversteeg, 52°06'05.9"N, 5°46'45.4"E, 77 m.a.s.l., from leaf spots on *Urtica dioica* (*Urticaceae*), 8 Jul. 2013, W. Quaedvlieg (**holotype** CBS H-21911, culture ex-holotype CBS 135938; ITS, *act*, *chs-1*, *his3*, *gapdh*, *tub2* and LSU sequences GenBank PX337220, PX376050, PX363481, PX376052, PX376054, PX363483 and PX352780, respectively).

Additional materials examined: **Netherlands**, Gelderland Province, Ede, Otterlo, Weversteeg, 52°06'05.9"N, 5°46'45.4"E, 77 m.a.s.l., from leaves of *Urtica dioica* (*Urticaceae*), Jul. 2013, W. Quaedvlieg, culture CBS 136878; ITS, *act*, *chs-1*, *his3*, *gapdh*, *tub2* and LSU sequences GenBank PX337221, PX376051, PX363482, PX376053, PX376055, PX363484 and PX352781, respectively. **USA**, Wisconsin, Madison, Dane County, University of Wisconsin Arboretum, from leaf spots on *Urtica gracilis*, 1 Jul. 1952, H.C. Green (**isotype** of *C. urticae* BPI 399628).

Notes: *Urtica dioica* (*Urticaceae*) is a herbaceous perennial flowering plant (weed and medicinal plant) that is native to Europe, most of Asia and NW Africa. It has also been introduced to many American and some African countries (Anonymous 2025). Although this plant is very common, reports of *Colletotrichum* associated with *U. dioica* are rare and only refer to *C. urticae*. This species was described from *Urtica gracilis* in Wisconsin, USA (Greene 1953) and also reported from *Urtica dioica* (Greene 1960). *Colletotrichum urticae* forms straight, fusoid or subfusoid, hyaline conidia, measuring 17–20 × 4–5 µm, on short, thin, almost obsolete conidiophores as well as slender, sinuous, brown, aseptate setae with an obtuse apex, measuring 45–70 × 4–4.5 (Greene 1953). Conidia of BPI 399628, which is regarded as isotype specimen ("Ex-Type" on BPI specimen label; holotype in Wisconsin State Herbarium, Fungi, WIS-F-0011313, not seen), are mostly straight and fusoid with both ends acute to truncate, measuring (17.5–)18.5–22.5(–23.5) × 4.5–5(–5.5) µm, mean ± SD = 20.5 ± 1.9 × 4.9 ± 0.3 µm, L/W ratio = 4.2. Conidia of *C. urticicola* are smaller (av. 18.0 × 4.1 µm on SNA) and have a different shape; they are often slightly curved with one end round and the other truncate, and the setae are septate and longer than those of *C. urticae*. Moreover, the two species originate from different continents and, *C. urticae* was originally described from a different host species, although later also observed on *U. dioica*. There are no cultures or sequences available of *C. urticae*.

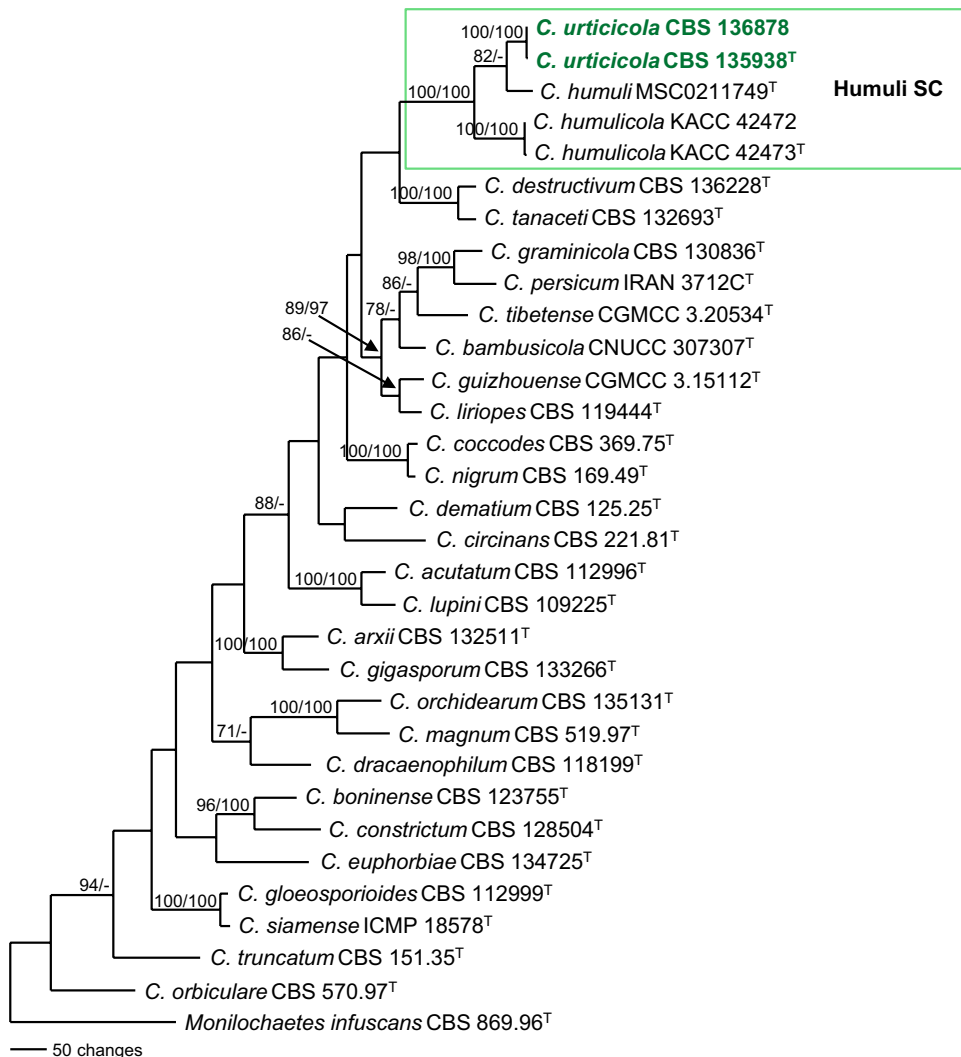
Furthermore, there are two unpublished reports of *Colletotrichum* from *U. dioica* in Germany. One of them represents the so far only *Colletotrichum* sequence from *Urtica* available in NCBI GenBank, the ITS sequence of *C. lupini* strain BBA 71330 (AJ301975) submitted by Nirenberg *et al.* (2002), however not included in the respective paper itself. A blastn search confirmed the strain as belonging to clade 1 of the *C. acutatum* species complex (Damm *et al.* 2012); thus the fungus is not closely related to the species described here. There is also a report of *C. dematium* in the database www.pilze-deutschland.de (Dämmrich *et al.* 2025). Although the identification was probably based on morphology, it is



most likely a different species as well, because the conidia of *C. dematium* are distinctly curved (Damm *et al.* 2009). Closest matches with the ITS sequence of *C. urticicola* resulted in *C. humulicola* strains, including its ex-type KACC 42473 with 93 % identity (GenBank PV034415; Thao *et al.* 2025). With the *act*, *chs-1*, *gapdh*, *his3* and *tub2* sequences there were no strains closer than 90 % (*C. humuli*, MSC0211749, PV054790; Thao *et al.* 2025), 95 % (*C. guizhouense*, CGMCC 3.15112, MZ799321; Liu *et al.* 2022), 81 % (*C. humuli*, MSC0211749, PV054787), 90 % (*C. liriopes*, HZ-1, MK644099; Yang *et al.* 2020 and *C. arxii*, CBS 169.59, KF687846; Liu *et al.* 2014) and 90 % (*C. humulicola*, KACC 42473, PV054784), respectively. Thus the closest matches of

four loci, were strains of *C. humuli* or *C. humulicola*, belonging to the recently established Humuli species complex (Thao *et al.* 2025); while the closest matches of further two loci were species from the Spaethianum and Gigasporum complexes. The multilocus phylogeny confirmed *C. humulicola* to belong to the Humuli complex, in which the two strains formed a distinct clade, sister to *C. humuli*. As there is no closely related species, *C. urticicola* can be identified with all loci sequenced.

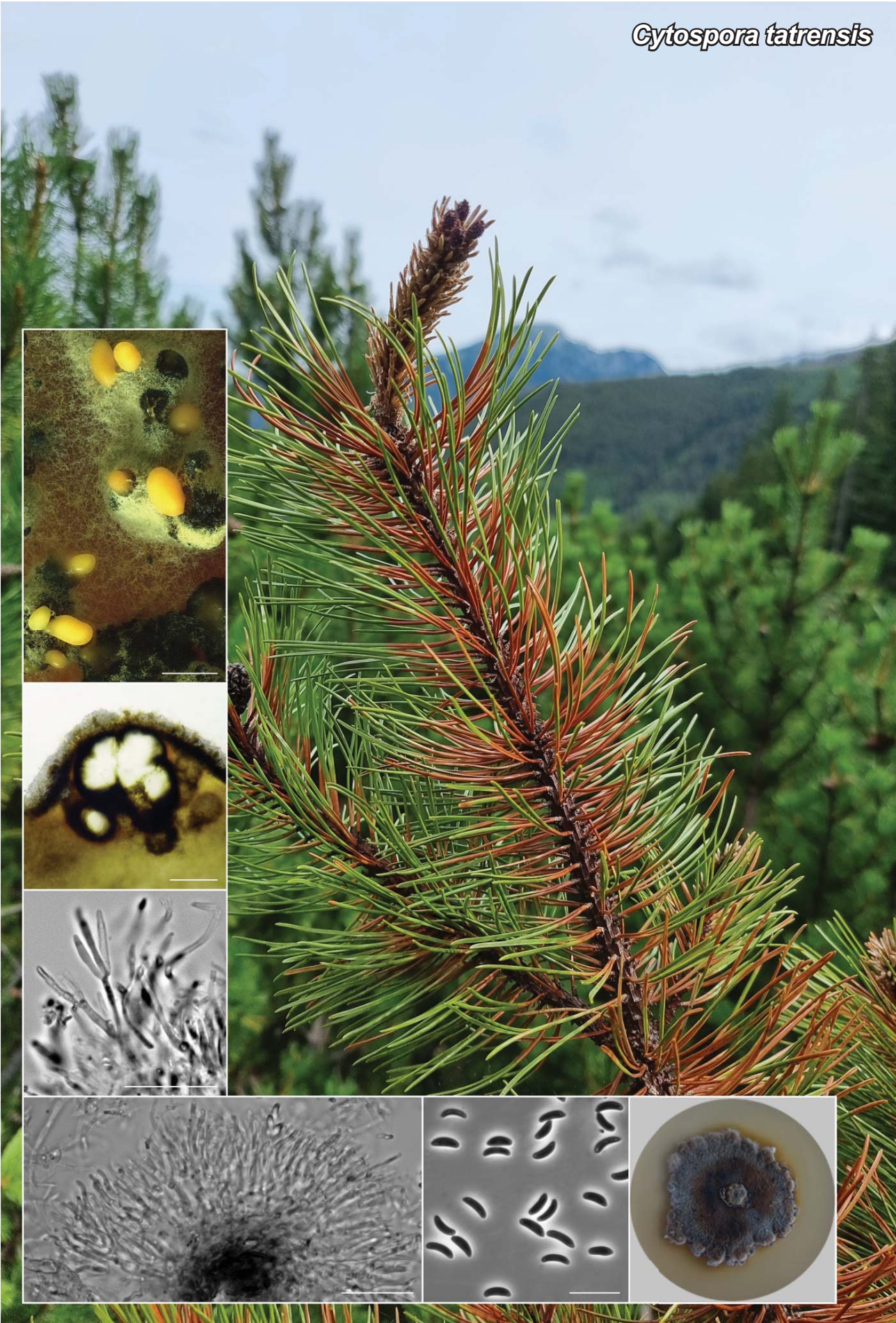
Supplementary material: doi: 10.6084/m9.figshare.30121930 (table, alignment and tree).



The first of two equally most parsimonious trees obtained from a heuristic search of the combined ITS, *chs-1*, *his3*, *act*, *tub2* sequence alignment of the Humuli (green box) and other species complexes in PAUP v. 4.0b10 (Swofford 2003), using the heuristic search option with 100 random sequence additions and tree bisection and reconstruction as the branch-swapping algorithm. Alignment gaps were treated as missing, and all characters were unordered and of equal weight. Additionally, a maximum likelihood (ML) analysis was calculated online using IQ-TREE v. 1.6 (<http://iqtree.cibiv.univie.ac.at>; Nguyen *et al.* 2015; Trifinopoulos *et al.* 2016) with model testing under the Bayesian information criterion (BIC) (Kalyaanamoorthy *et al.* 2017). Bootstrap support values (10000 replications, using fast-stepwise addition algorithm; Hillis & Bull 1993) of the MP analysis > 70 % and of the ML analysis (5000 replicates of ultrafast bootstrap; Hoang *et al.* 2018; Minh *et al.* 2013) > 95 % (Guindon *et al.* 2010) are shown at the nodes. *Monilochaetes infuscans* (CBS 869.96) was used as outgroup. Culture collection numbers of the species are listed in the tree; GenBank accession numbers are in the supplementary table. Numbers of ex-type strains are indicated by a superscript T. Isolates of the novelty described are shown in green **bold** font.



Cytospora tatrensis





Cytospora tatrensis Jankowiak & Stępniewska, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: Named after its occurrence in the Tatra Mountains within the Western Carpathians.

Classification: *Cytosporaceae*, *Diaporthales*, *Sordariomycetes*.

Sexual morph not observed. *Conidiomata* on potato dextrose agar (PDA) pycnidial, mostly aggregated, sometimes solitary, many with cream-coloured conidial exudate, globose (549–)682–1285(–1653) μm , with multiple, irregular locules sharing common walls. *Conceptacle* absent. *Locules* numerous, irregular, subdivided frequently by invaginations with common walls, (122–)168–326(–452) μm diam. *Conidiophores* smooth-walled, hyaline, branched at the base, in the middle, or unbranched, (5–)16.4–16.5(–46.8) $\times$ (1.4–)1.7–2.6(–3) μm , sometimes reduced to conidiogenous cells. *Conidiogenous cells* enteroblastic, phialidic, sub-cylindrical to cylindrical, (2.8–)8.5–14.1(–16.9) $\times$ (0.7–)1.1–2.2(–3.0) μm , tapering towards apices. *Conidia* hyaline, allantoid, smooth, eguttulate, aseptate, thin-walled, (4.1–)4.4–6.0(–8.1) $\times$ (0.8–)1.1–1.4(–1.7) μm .

Culture characteristics: Colonies after 7 d at 25 °C on PDA average 42.2 ($\pm$ 0.4) mm, no growth at 5 °C on PDA, strongly dentate, dark grey outer margin (1F1, Kørnerup & Wanscher 1978), and greyish yellow (B4) inner margin with centre of the colony becoming yellowish brown (D5) with age. *Hyphae* hyaline, smooth, straight, branched, and septate.

Typus: **Poland**, South Poland, Tatra Mts. isolated from dead *Pinus mugo* (*Pinaceae*) stem, Jul. 2023, Cz. Bartnik (**holotype** KRAM F 60043, culture ex-type CBS 152107; ITS, LSU, *ACT1*, *RBP2*, *TEF1*, and *TUB2* sequences GenBank PX260479, PX260479, PX254870, PX254872, PX254874 and PX254876).

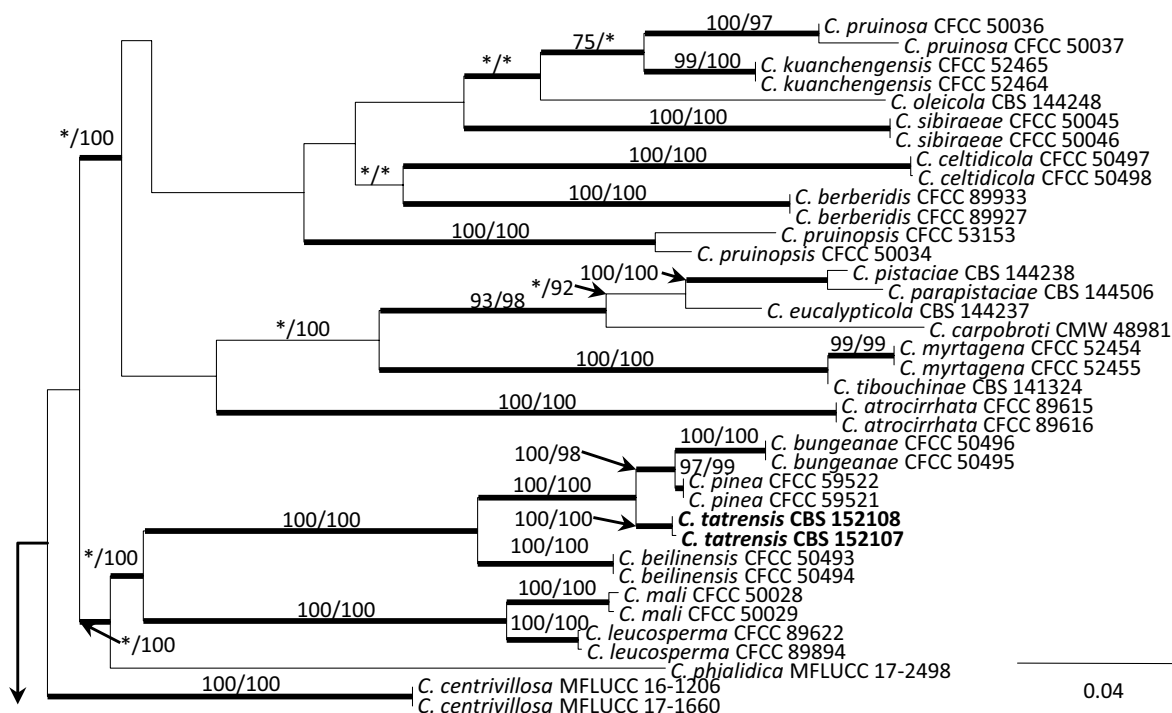
Additional materials examined: **Poland**, South Poland, Tatra Mts. isolated from dead *Pinus mugo* stem, Jul. 2023, Cz. Bartnik (culture CBS 152108; ITS, LSU, *ACT1*, *RBP2*, *TEF1*, and *TUB2* sequences GenBank PX260480, PX260480, PX254871, PX254873, PX254875 and PX254877).

Notes: Similar to many members of the genus *Cytospora*, *C. tatrensis* is associated with woody host plants. *Cytospora tatrensis* was isolated from shoots with the symptom of dieback in the Polish Tatra Mountains (Jankowiak *et al.* 2024). The concatenated multilocus tree from the five-marker data set showed that the ex-type isolate of *C. tatrensis* together with the four other isolates formed a well-supported lineage and grouped closely with *C. bugeanae* and *C. pinea* that have been described from diseased branches of *Pinus bungeana* in China (Fan *et al.* 2020, Jia *et al.* 2024). *Cytospora tatrensis* is similar to *C. bugeanae* and *C. pinea* in terms of forming the multiple locules without conceptacle but differs in having larger conidiophores, conidiogenous cells and conidia.

Based on a megablast search of NCBI's GenBank nucleotide database, the closest hits using the **ITS** sequence had highest similarity to *Cytospora bugeanae* [strain CFCC 50495, GenBank NR 171063; Identities = 497/499 (99 %), no gaps], *Cytospora pinea* [CFCC 59521, GenBank OR826181; Identities = 486/488 (99 %), no gaps], and *Cytospora beilinensis* [strain CFCC55816, GenBank OR029655; Identities = 498/506 (98 %), two gaps (0 %)]. Closest hits using the **LSU** sequence are *Cytospora* sp. [strain RGM_3390, GenBank OR036922; Identities = 1285/1287 (99 %), no gaps], *Cytospora mali* [isolate ARI-15-US, GenBank PP976972; Identities = 1298/1303 (99 %), two gaps (0 %)] and *Cytospora mali* [isolate ARI-23-GW, GenBank PP976971; Identities = 1293/1299 (99 %), no gaps]. Closest hits using the **ACT1** sequence had highest similarity to *Cytospora euonymicola* strain [CFCC 50499, GenBank MH933535; Identities = 244/247 (99 %), no gaps], and *Cytospora beilinensis* [CFCC 50493, GenBank MH933527; Identities = 235/248 (95 %), five gaps (2 %)]. Closest hits using the **RBP2** sequence had highest similarity to *Cytospora bugeanae* [strain CFCC 50495, GenBank MH933593; Identities = 720/727 (99 %), no gaps], and *Cytospora pinea* [strain CFCC 59521, GenBank OR832036; Identities = 719/726 (99 %), no gaps]. Closest hits using the **TEF1** sequence had highest similarity to *Cytospora bugeanae* [strain CFCC 50495, GenBank MH933497; Identities = 559/582 (96 %), four gaps (0 %)], *Cytospora pinea* [CFCC 59521, GenBank OR832058; Identities = 456/481 (95 %), five gaps (1 %)], and *Cytospora beilinensis* [strain CFCC 50493, GenBank MH933495; Identities = 513/589 (87 %), 20 gaps (3 %)]. Closest hits using the **TUB2** sequence had highest similarity to *Cytospora bugeanae* [strain CFCC 50495, GenBank MH933563; Identities = 472/492 (96 %), eight gaps (1 %)], *Cytospora pinea* [CFCC 59521, GenBank OR832078; Identities = 460/480 (96 %), eight gaps (1 %)], and *Cytospora beilinensis* [strain CFCC 50493, GenBank MH933561; Identities = 444/503 (88 %), 17 gaps (3 %)].

Supplementary materials: doi: 10.6084/m9.figshare.30350317 (table, tree); TreeBASE ID S32320 (alignment and tree).

Colour illustrations: Shoot dieback of *Pinus mugo* in the Tatra Mountains, Poland; pycnidia; transverse section through conidioma; conidiogenous cells; conidiophores; conidia; seven-day-old PDA culture. Scale bars: pycnidia = 1000 μm ; section = 250 μm ; conidiophores = 25 μm ; conidia = 10 μm .



Phylogram from Maximum Likelihood (ML) analyses of the combined datasets of ITS, LSU, *ACT1*, *RPB2*, *TEF1* and *TUB2* genes for species of the genus *Cytospora*. The ML analysis was performed using PhyML v. 3.0 (Guindon *et al.* 2010) under the GTR+I+G substitution model with 1000 bootstrap replicates. Maximum Parsimony (MP) analyses were conducted with PAUP v. 4.0b10 (Swofford 2003), also using 1000 bootstrap replicates. Bayesian Inference (BI) analyses were carried out with MrBayes v. 3.1.2 (Ronquist & Huelsenbeck 2003) employing Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) methods for 13 M generations. The novel species is shown in **bold** face. The bootstrap support values ($\geq 75\%$ for ML and MP analyses) are presented at nodes as follows: ML/MP. Bold branches indicate posterior probabilities ≥ 0.95 obtained from BI analyses. * indicates bootstrap support values $< 75\%$. The tree is drawn to scale (see bar) with branch lengths indicating the expected number of substitutions per site. *Diaporthe vaccinii* was used as outgroup taxon. The tree is a subset of the supplementary tree.

Maximum Parsimony (MP) analyses were conducted with PAUP v. 4.0b10 (Swofford 2003), also using 1000 bootstrap replicates. Bayesian Inference (BI) analyses were carried out with MrBayes v. 3.1.2 (Ronquist & Huelsenbeck 2003) employing Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) methods for 13 million generations.



Didymella digitariae





Didymella digitariae B.S. Vieira, E.M. Inokuti, A.L. Firmino, J.G. Rodrigues & D.R. Mendes, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: The name refers to the host genus *Digitaria* from which it was isolated.

Classification: *Didymellaceae*, *Pleosporales*, *Dothideomycetes*.

Conidiomata are pycnidial, produced on the surface or semi-immersed in the culture medium, usually solitary and scattered, but occasionally confluent (2–3 aggregated). *Pycnidia* are predominantly pyriform to subglobose, brown to dark brown, 29.5–79.5 × 27.1–79 µm, with relatively thin walls and a central ostiole. The pycnidial wall is composed ranging for pseudoparenchymatous tissue formed by pigmented, oblong to isodiametric cells, with a thickness of 3.7–12.5 µm. *Conidia* are hyaline, smooth, 0–1-septate, and typically allantoid, fusoid to limoniform, with one end rounded and the other end truncate, 4.1–7.6 × 1.2–1.8 µm. *Chlamydospores* formed in hyphal cells, globose to spherical, solitary, mostly catenulate, pale to dark brown, 8.5–10.5 µm.

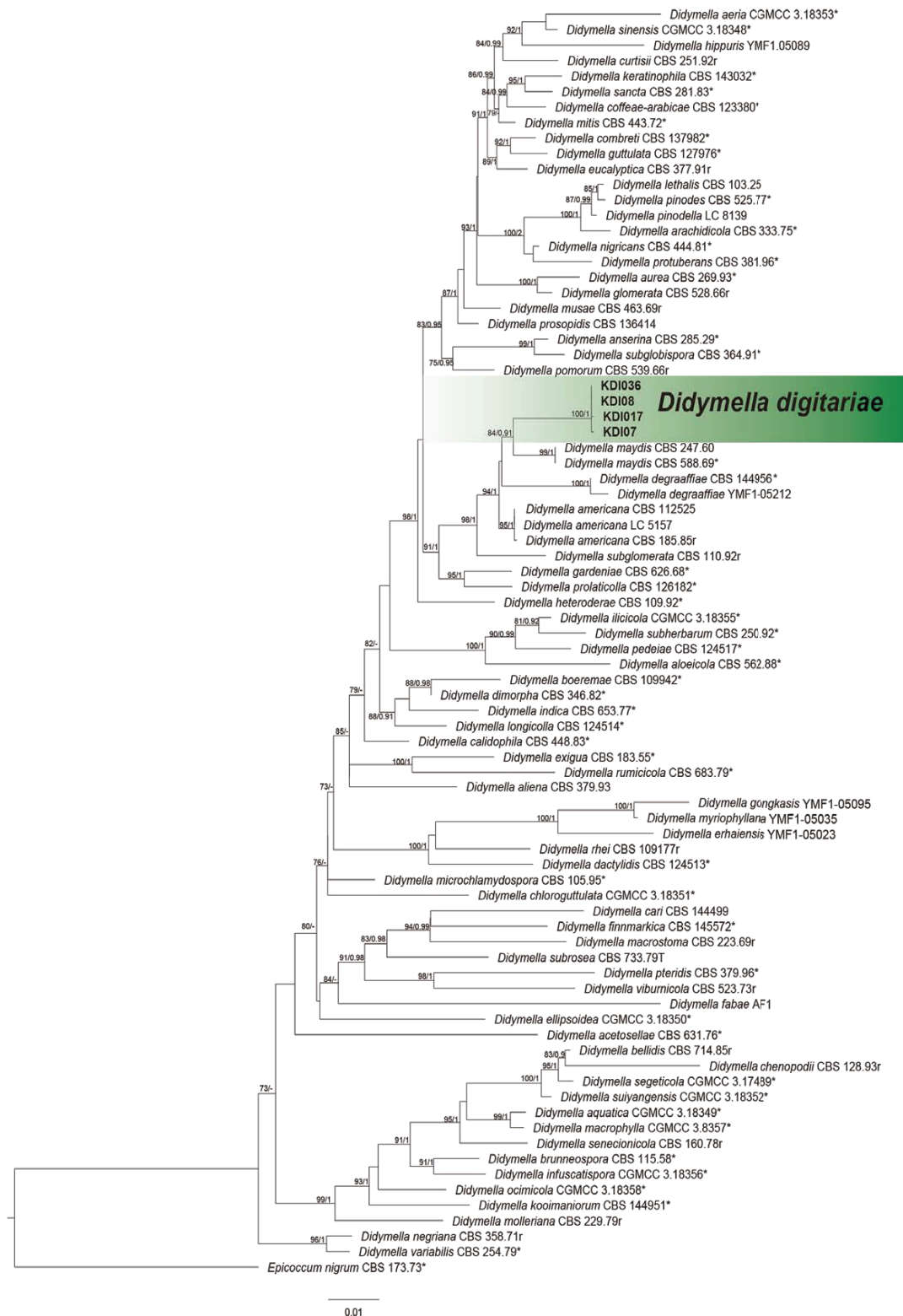
Culture characteristics: Colonies showed rapid growth after 7 d at 25 °C, reaching 64.92 mm diam. on potato dextrose agar (PDA), 66.47 mm on malt extract agar (MEA), and 64.22 mm on oatmeal agar (OA). On PDA, the colonies were dense and exhibited uniform mycelial growth covering the entire plate. The texture ranged from velvety to floccose, with abundant aerial mycelium and a homogeneous olivaceous to glaucous-green coloration. On MEA, the colonies exhibited distinct concentric rings with colour gradients from darker centres to lighter margins, including shades of olivaceous, honey, yellow, isabelline, dark mouse-grey, honey, and fuscous black. On OA, the colonies were pulverulent to velvety, with a colour transition from olivaceous-yellow at the centre to glaucous-green at the margin, with abundant sporulation forming dark spots or patches, mainly concentrated at the colony's centre.

Typus: **Brazil**, Minas Gerais, São Gotardo, São Jerônimo dos Poções, on *Digitaria insularis* (*Poaceae*), 4 Dec. 2021, B.S. Vieira

& A.L. Firmino, KDI036 [**holotype** dried specimen deposited in VIC, Fungarium of the Universidade Federal de Viçosa, Department of Plant Biology (VIC 49445); ex-type culture deposited in the Coleção Octavio de Almeida Drummond (COAD) of the Universidade Federal de Viçosa, Department of Plant Pathology COAD 3600 = KDI036; ITS, LSU, *rpb2* and *tub2* sequences GenBank PV830646, PV830650, PV835324 and PV835328]; *ibid.*, culture KDI07; ITS, LSU, *rpb2* and *tub2* sequences GenBank PV830643, PV830647, PV835321 and PV835325, culture KDI08; ITS, LSU, *rpb2* and *tub2* sequences GenBank PV830644, PV830648, PV835322 and PV835326, and culture KDI017; ITS, LSU, *rpb2* and *tub2* sequences GenBank PV830645, PV830649, PV835323 and PV835327.

Notes: The fungus is a necrotrophic pathogen associated with leaf spots and stem necrosis in *Digitaria insularis*. *Didymella digitariae* is phylogenetically closely related to *D. maydis* (neotype CBS 588.69). The sexual-asexual connection of *D. maydis* was first established by Mukunya & Boothroyd (1973). This species was later recombined as *Peyronellaea zeae-maydis* by Aveskamp *et al.* (2010) and subsequently corrected to *Peyronellaea maydis* by Crous *et al.* (2014). Chen *et al.* (2015) reclassified the species based on its asexual morph and introduced the currently accepted name *Didymella maydis*. Although *D. digitariae* and *D. maydis* form a well-supported clade in multilocus phylogenetic analyses (ITS, LSU, *tub2* and *rpb2*), they differ in host and substrate association. *Didymella maydis* was isolated from dead tissue of *Zea mays*, while *D. digitariae* was collected from living leaves of *D. insularis*. These differences, along with subtle morphological (smaller pycnidia and conidia) and cultural distinctions, support the recognition of *D. digitariae* as a distinct species within the genus *Didymella*.

Colour illustrations: *Digitaria insularis* growing next to the roadside in São Gotardo, Brazil. Necrotic spots caused by *Didymella digitariae* on living leaves of *D. insularis*; pycnidia on PDA; cross section of the pycnidia; conidiogenous cells and aseptate conidia; conidia hyaline, 0–1-septate, allantoid, fusoid to limoniform; chlamydospores globose to spherical, mostly catenulate. Scale bars = 10 µm.



Phylogenetic relationships of *Didymella digitariae* (highlighted with a coloured block and bold font) inferred from Bayesian Inference analysis (BI) of a combined ITS, LSU, *rbp2* and *tub2* data set. *Epicoccum nigrum* was used as the outgroup. Bayesian inference of the phylogenetic relationships was calculated using the Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) approach as implemented in MrBayes v. 3.2.6 on XSEDE (Ronquist *et al.* 2012). Culture or collection numbers are indicated for all species. Sequences from material with a type status are indicated in asterisk.

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Fasciatispora citri





Fasciatispora citri Tennakoon, N.I. de Silva & S. Hongsanan, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: Named after the host genus from which it was collected, *Citrus*.

Classification: *Fasciatisporaceae*, *Xylariales*, *Sordariomycetes*.

Ascomata forming as black dots on the host surface, solitary or aggregated into small groups, immersed beneath the clypeus, subglobose-globose, coriaceous, ostiole central or slightly protruding outside, ostiolar canal periphysate, 250–280 × 150–170 µm. **Peridium** multi-layered, outer layer comprising brown, thick-walled cells of *textura angularis*, inner layer composed of hyaline, thin-walled cells of *textura angularis*, 10–15 µm wide. **Paraphyses** hyaline, filamentous, flexuous, numerous, septate. **Asci** 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, apically rounded, short-pedicellate, with a J+, subapical ring, 60–70 × 7–9 µm. **Ascospores** uniseriate, unicellular, initially hyaline, olivaceous brown when mature, with wide equatorial pallid band, ellipsoidal to fusoid, without a mucilaginous sheath and lacking a germ slit, guttulate, smooth-walled, 8–10 × 4–4.5 µm.

Typus: **China**, Jiangxi Province, Nanchang, on dead twig of *Citrus maxima* (*Rutaceae*), 25 Feb. 2024, D.S. Tennakoon, DS028A (**holotype** SZU25-032, **isotype** SZU25-033; ITS, LSU, *tef* and *rpb2* sequences GenBank PV845194-PV845189-PV853879-PV853881 and PV845195-PV845190-PV853880-PV853882).

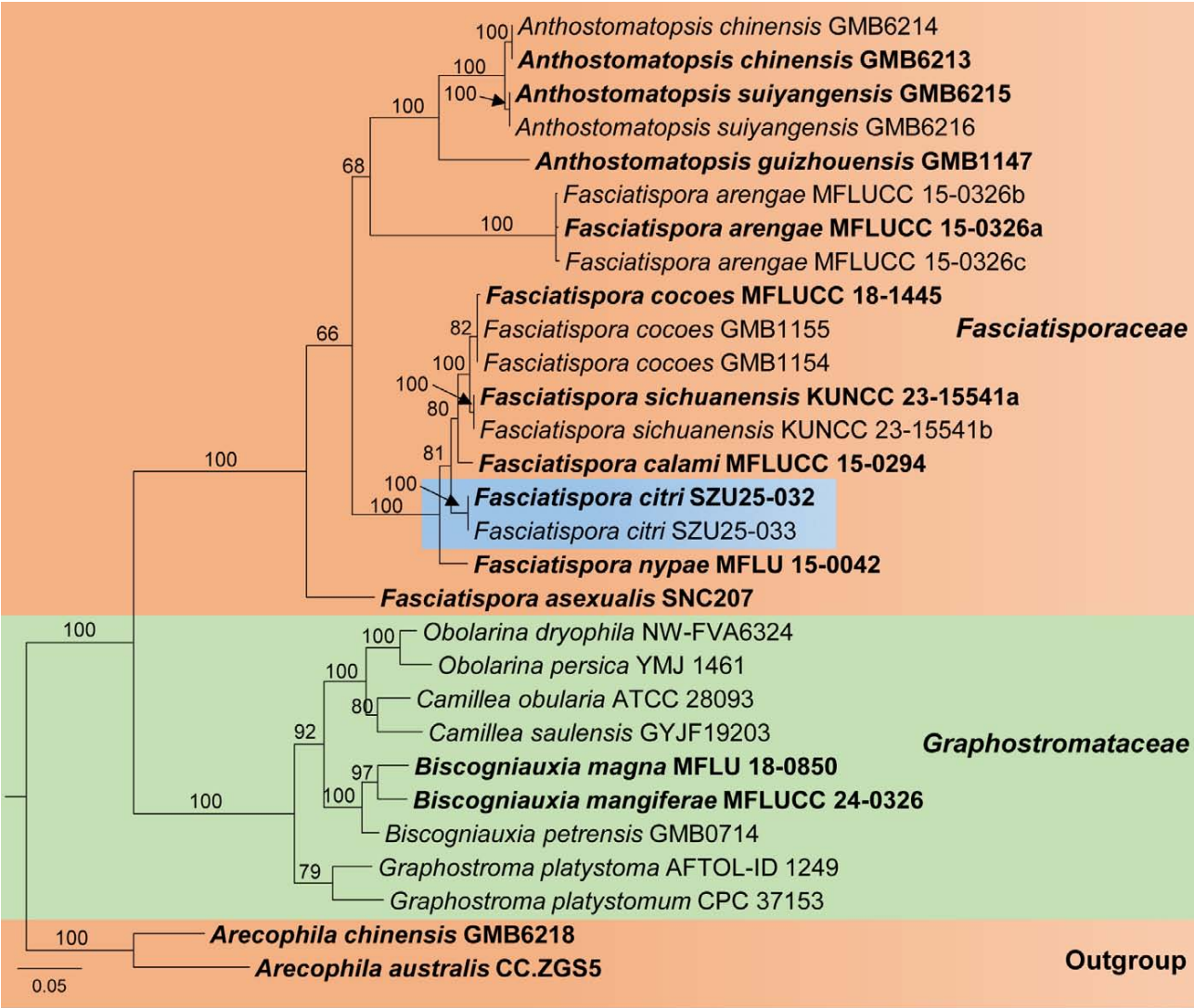
Notes: *Fasciatispora* was introduced by Hyde (1991) to accommodate *F. nypae* as the type species. This genus is characterized by having unicellular, brown ascospores with a unique central pallid band (Hyde 1991, Alias *et al.* 1994, Hidayat *et al.* 2007, Hyde *et al.* 2019, Dissanayake *et al.* 2024, Habib *et al.* 2025). *Fasciatispora* species have been reported as saprobes on palms and other monocotyledons in terrestrial and coastal habitats (Hyde *et al.* 2019, Dissanayake *et al.* 2024). The phylogeny inferred from the LSU, ITS, *tef* and *rpb2* sequences demonstrated that the new species *F. citri* nested with the clade containing *F. calami* (MFLUCC 15-0294),

F. cocoes (MFLUCC 18-1445, GMB1154 and GMB1155), and *F. sichuanensis* (KUNCC 23-15541a and KUNCC 23-15541b) with 81 % statistical support. In particular, it forms an independent lineage between *F. nypae* (MFLU 15-0042) and *F. calami* (MFLUCC 15-0294). *Fasciatispora citri* can be distinguished from *F. calami* and *F. nypae* in their ellipsoidal to fusoid, smaller ascospores (8–10 × 4–4.5 µm vs 12–13 × 5–6 µm vs 11–18 × 5–8 µm) and lacking a mucilaginous sheath (Hyde 1991, Hyde *et al.* 2017). In addition, there are 17 base pair differences across 526 nucleotides (3.23 %) of the ITS (+5.8S) region between *F. citri* (SZU 25-032) and *F. nypae* (MFLU 15-0042).

Based on a megablast search of NCBI's GenBank nucleotide database, the closest hits using the **ITS** sequence had highest similarity to *Fasciatispora cocoes* [strain MFLU 19-2143, GenBank MW240618.1; Identities = 545/583 (93 %), 19 gaps (3 %)], *F. cocoes* [strain SNT331, GenBank PP592397.1; Identities = 505/528 (96 %), four gaps (0 %)], and *Xylariomycetidae* sp. [strain FL0915, GenBank JQ760548.1; Identities = 520/556 (94 %), 19 gaps (3 %)]. Closest hits using the **LSU** sequence are *F. cocoes* [strain MFLUCC 18-1445, GenBank NG_068663.1; Identities = 1231/1266 (97 %), 16 gaps (1 %)], *F. calami* [strain MFLUCC 15-0294, GenBank MF459055.1; Identities = 1229/1264 (97 %), 16 gaps (1 %)], and *F. sichuanensis* [strain KUNCC 23-15541, GenBank PV578340.1; Identities = 1199/1228 (98 %), 14 gaps (1 %)]. Closest hits using the **tef** sequence are *F. sichuanensis* [strain KUNCC 23-15541, GenBank PV608846.1; Identities = 926/947 (98 %), no gaps], *F. cocoes* [strain MFLU 19-2143, GenBank MW759499.1; Identities = 939/969 (97 %), no gaps], *F. cocoes* [strain SNT331, GenBank PP740433.1; Identities = 912/936 (97 %), no gaps], and *F. cocoes* [strain SNC62A, GenBank PP740429.1; Identities = 917/945 (97 %), no gaps]. Closest hits using the **rpb2** sequence are *F. sichuanensis* [strain KUNCC 23-15541, GenBank PV595326.1; Identities = 1026/1065 (96 %), one gap (0 %)], *F. cocoes* [strain SNC01, GenBank PP761058.1; Identities = 1023/1063 (96 %), one gap (0 %)], *F. cocoes* [strain SNC137, GenBank PP780215.1; Identities = 1023/1065 (96 %), one gap (0 %)], and *F. cocoes* [strain SNC57, GenBank PP780212.1; Identities = 1004/1044 (96 %), one gap (0 %)].

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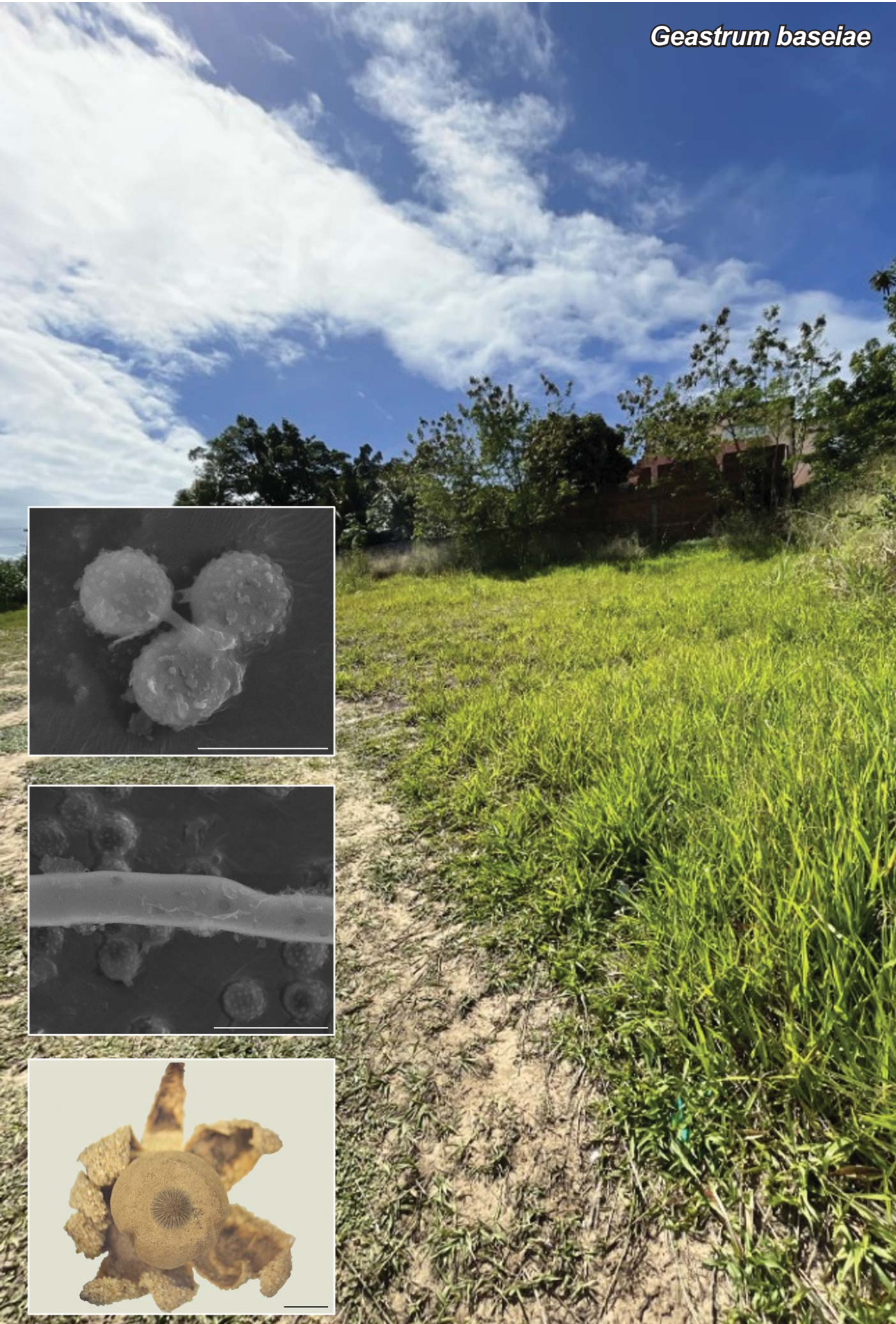
Colour illustrations: Holotype collection area in Jiangxi, China. Appearance of ascomata on dead twig of *Citrus maxima*; vertical section of ascoma; asci; ascospores; J+ reaction of apical ring in Melzer's reagent. Scale bars: section = 50 µm; asci = 30 µm; ascospores and apex of the ascus = 5 µm.



Phylogenetic analysis for *Fasciatispora citri* inferred from a maximum likelihood analysis of ITS/LSU/*tef1*/*rpb2* sequences. The analysis was performed with RAxML v. 8.2.12 (Stamatakis 2014) using the rapid bootstrapping and search algorithm, with GTR+GAMMA nucleotide substitution model, and 1000 bootstrap replicates. Maximum likelihood support values > 65 % are indicated on the branches. The tree is rooted with *Arecophila australis* (CC. ZGS5) and *A. chinensis* (GMB6218). Ex-type strains are in **bold**. The novel species is indicated in a blue box. Culture collection or specimen voucher numbers and GenBank accession numbers (superscript) are indicated for all species. Scale bar on the tree indicates the expected number of changes per site.



Geastrum baseiae





Geastrum baseiae R.J. Ferreira, Monteiro, J.A.S. Silva, S.R. Lacerda & A.A. Lima, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: Named for Dr. Iuri G. Baseia, in recognition of his pioneering studies on earthstar fungi (*Geastrales*, *Geastraceae*) in South America.

Classification: *Geastraceae*, *Geastrales*, *Phallomycetidae*, *Agaricomycetes*, *Agaricomycotina*.

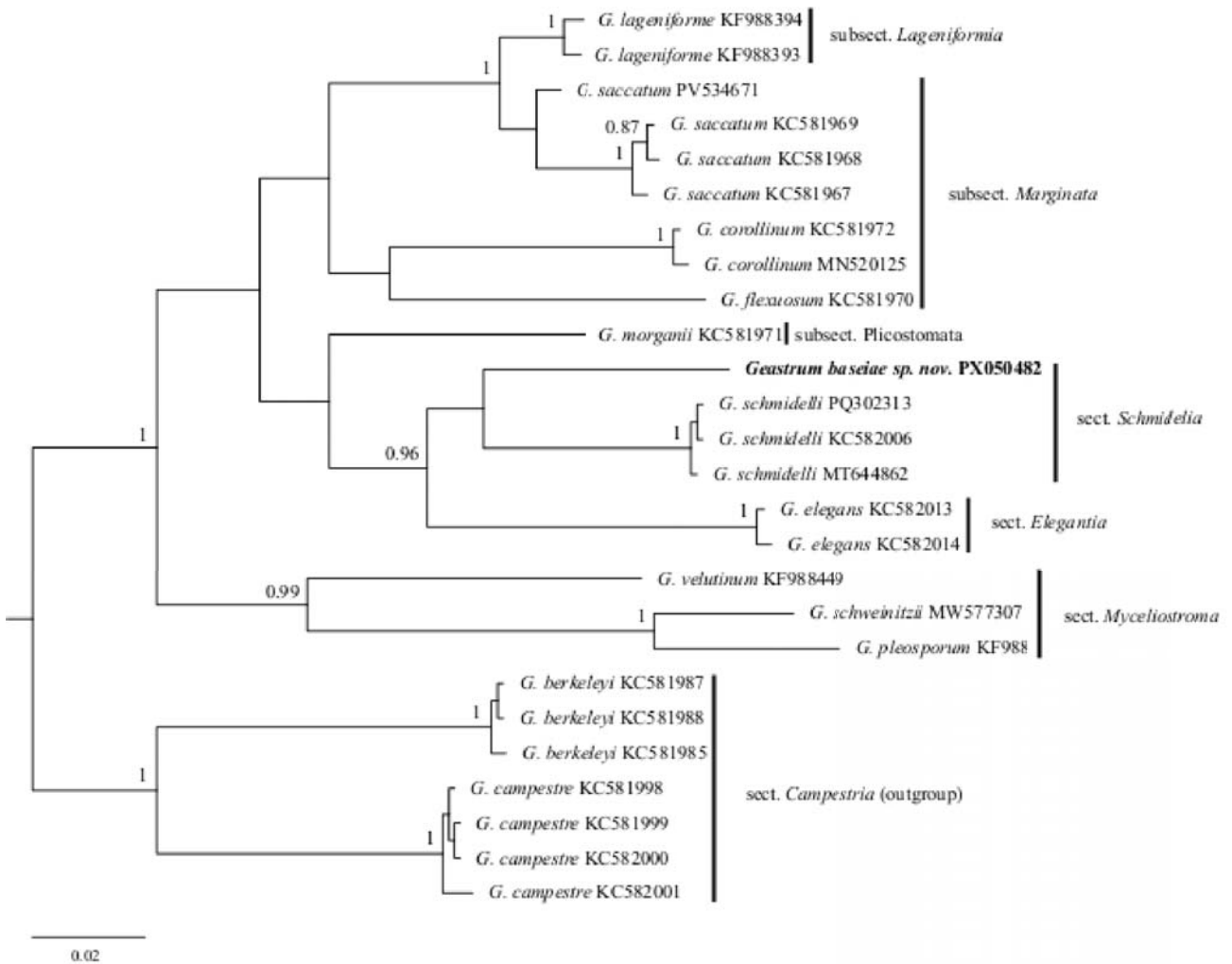
Unexpanded basidiomata absent. Expanded *basidiomata* arched, 12.8–16.8 mm tall (including peristome) × 19.5–27.3 mm wide. *Exoperidium* splitting into 9–10 planar to revolute, triangular and irregular rays. *Mycelial layer* single, completely encrusted with sand at the base, cottonose, persistent, brownish grey (KW5F2; Korerup & Wanscher 1978), formed by hyaline hyphae in 5 % KOH, branched, 1.3–2.7 µm wide, lumen evident, mostly straight walls, and 0.3–0.8 µm thick. *Fibrous layer* papery, beige (KW4C3), < 1 mm thick when fresh, formed by hyaline hyphae in 5 % KOH, 2.1–4.3 µm wide, lumen evident, unbranched, straight walls, and 0.6–1.2 µm thick. *Pseudoparenchymatous layer* peeling off in irregular patches, non-rimose, glabrous, brownish orange (KW5C3) to brown (KW5E5), absent of collar, formed by globose to pyriform cells, 15.6–61.1 µm high × 13.7–31.8 µm wide, hyaline in 5 % KOH, straight walls, 0.4–1.5 µm thick. *Endoperidial body* globose, 6.1–7.3 mm high × 9.1–13.5 wide, stalked, with protruding hyphae, non-pruinose, brownish grey (KW5C2 to 5E2), and apophysis absent. *Peristome* regularly plicate, 22–35 folds, mammiform, brownish grey (KW5E2 to 5F2), 0.9–1.2 mm high, and non-delimited. *Mature gleba* powdery and brown (KW6F4). *Eucapillitium* 2.4–4.8 µm wide, branched, encrusted, verrucose, lumen evident, hyaline to light brown in 5 % KOH, straight walls, 0.9–1.9 µm thick. *Basidiospores* globose, 5.4–6.1 × 4.9–6.1 µm [av. = 5.7 ± 0.15 × 5.41 ± 0.19, Qm = 1.05, n = 20], pale brown in 5 % KOH, covered by columnar warts with truncate apex, 0.4–0.9 µm tall.

Habit and habitat: Basidiomata growing on soil.

Typus: **Brazil**, Rio Grande do Norte, Natal, 35°12'S, 05°51'W, 30 m.a.s.l., on soil, 28 Jul. 2017, *R.J. Ferreira* (**holotype** HCDAL-Fungos 253, ITS sequence GenBank PX050482).

Notes: Based on morphological and molecular characters, *Geastrum baseiae* *sp. nov.* has shown similarities to *G. schmidelii*, *G. elegans*, *G. morganii*, *G. violaceum*, and *G. lloydianum*, whose occurrences were registered for the Brazilian northeastern region and with whom it shares the sulcate peristome feature (Zamora *et al.* 2014a, b). Although those could be confused at first sight there are remarkable differences such as *G. schmidelii* and *G. elegans* having a conical peristome, glabrous endoperidium and basidiospores measuring 4–7 µm wide (Vittadini 1842, Zamora *et al.* 2014a, b). *Geastrum morganii* is distinct due to its saccate shape, a smooth mycelial layer not encrusted to furfuraceous, sessile and glabrous endoperidium, with a conical peristome, and basidiospores measuring 3–4 µm wide (Jeppson *et al.* 2013). *Geastrum violaceum* has a vibrant violet basidiomata with a non-encrusted mycelial layer, sessile and glabrous endoperidium, collar on the pseudoparenchymatous layer and basidiospores measuring 2.7–3 µm wide (Sousa *et al.* 2014). Lastly *G. lloydianum* has sessile to substipitate basidiomata with a noticeable apophysis when dried and a conical peristome (Trierweiler-Pereira & Silveira 2012). Therefore, morphological and molecular data (ITS nrDNA) provide strong support for considering *Geastrum baseiae* *sp. nov.* a new species.

Supplementary material: TreeBASE study: S32330 (alignment and trees).



ITS and LSU nrDNA phylogenetic tree obtained with MrBayes v. 3.2.7a (Huelsenbeck & Ronquist 2001) under T92+G model for 2M generations. The new species is highlighted in **bold**. The posterior probabilities greater than 0.85 are indicated on the branches. The species *G. berkeleyi* and *G. campestre* (sect. *Campestria*) were included as outgroup. Figtree v. 1.4.4 and Inkscape v. 1.4.2 software were used to edit the final tree.

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Geoglossum martiniae





Geoglossum martinae M. Romero & P. Alvarado, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: Named after Martina Romero Peña, granddaughter of one of the authors.

Classification: *Geoglossaceae*, *Geoglossales*, *Geoglossomycetes*.

Ascomata growing in groups at various developmental stages, some deeply buried in the soil or moss, measuring 1–3.5 × 0.4–1.8 cm. **Clava** represents 40–60 % of the total ascoma height (0.4–2.2 cm); matte black with a dry surface that becomes shiny when wet, finely granular, somewhat wrinkled with age, showing irregular shapes including laterally compressed lanceolate forms, cylindrical ones with longitudinal twisted grooves, irregularly club-shaped, or spatulate with broader centers and narrowed, irregularly ridged upper zones. **Stipe** 0.6–1.5 cm, cylindrical, tapering and curving at the base, dark brown black, glabrous surface, smoother than the clava; spatulate forms have a short, soil-adhered stipe; lanceolate or cylindrical forms have longer, thinner, and more distinct stipes emerging among high moss. **Spores** hyaline and multiguttulate when young, becoming dark brown in water and blackish brown in Melzer's reagent, forming rows of larger guttules before disappearing in maturity; cylindrical, slightly curved, sharp at ends, mostly 7-septate, (49.5–)51.9–69.9(–74.0) × (5.9–)6.2–7.8(–8.1) µm; Q = (7.1–)7.4–10.1(–11.4); N = 25; Me = 61.1 × 6.9 µm; Qe = 8.9. **Asci** 170–200 × 17–20 µm, fusoid with rounded apex, 8-spored, euamyloid; tips turn dark green to bluish green in Melzer's. **Paraphyses** slender (3–4 µm diam.), forming a network above the asci, with dark brown parietal/incrusting pigment, blackish in Melzer's, septate with increasing septum density toward the apex; most end in hooked, capitate (5.5–9 µm) or irregularly dilated forms. **Medullary excipulum:** cylindrical cells, 8–18 × 6–10 µm. **Hypothecium:** pseudoparenchymatous tissue with ovoid, ellipsoid, and subangular cells, 4–7 µm diam. **Ectal excipulum:** chains of 50–75 µm made of 3–5 elements, 8–15 × 3–4 µm, final element elongate-pyriform, 5–8 µm diam.

Habitat and distribution: Found between January and April, growing in groups in Mediterranean forest, among moss under *Quercus ilex*, with *Cistus ladanifer* and *Genista scorpius* or in acidic pastures with *Retama sphaerocarpa* and *Tuberaria guttata*, in southwestern Iberian Peninsula.

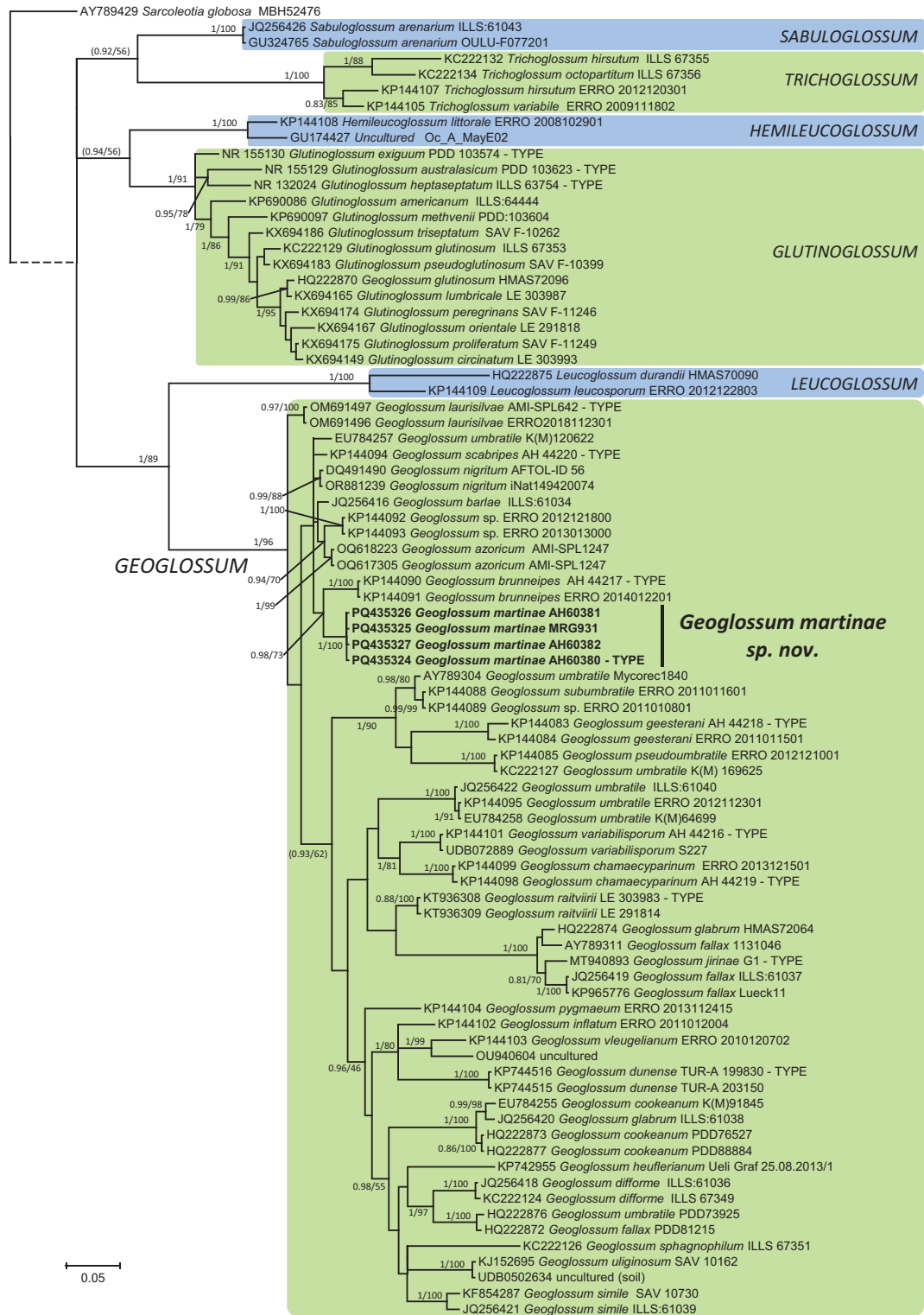
Typus: **Spain**, Extremadura, Valle de la Serena, Sierra de Utrera trail, Mediterranean forest under *Quercus ilex* and *Cistus ladanifer*, 8 Mar. 2024, M. Romero, MRG923 (**holotype** AH60380, ITS sequence GenBank PQ435324).

Additional materials examined: **Spain**, Andalucia, Cádiz, Castellar de la Frontera, 4 Jan. 2025, M. Romero, MRG980 (ITS sequence GenBank PV984495); Extremadura, Badajoz, Sierra de Agalla, 29 Mar. 2018, M. Romero, MRG766 (**paratype** AH60381, ITS sequence GenBank PQ435326); Extremadura, Badajoz, Magacela, Las Torralbas estate, 25 Mar. 2024, M. Romero, MRG927 (**paratype** AH60382, ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PQ435327, PQ427317); Extremadura, Badajoz, Valle de la Serena, Sierra de Utrera trail, 15 Mar. 2024, M. Romero (**paratype** MRG931); Extremadura, Badajoz, Benquerencia de la Serena, Mediterranean forest under *Quercus ilex*, *Cistus ladanifer* and *Genista scorpius*, 15 Mar. 2024, M. Romero, MRG931 (ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PQ435325 and PQ427316).

Notes: *Geoglossum martinae* is distinguished by its medium-sized ascomata, matte black clava with variable forms, a glabrous, sinuous, dark stipe, fusoid euamyloid asci, cylindrical 7-septate spores, and predominantly hooked paraphyses. It differs from similar species in size, clava form, stipe texture, ascus amyloidity, and paraphyses morphology. *Geoglossum brunneipes* (Arauzo & Iglesias 2014) differs from *G. martinae* by having larger apothecia, ranging from 30 to 79 mm in height, and a differently shaped clava, from clavate to elliptic-lanceolate; the stipe ranges from subcylindrical to laterally compressed; ascus apical pore hemiamyloid in IKI; paraphyses with a terminal element moderately to strongly thickened, straight or slightly curved, not hook-shaped. *Geoglossum azoricum* (Crous *et al.* 2023) differs from *G. martinae* by having much larger and slenderer apothecia, the ascus apical pore is hemiamyloid, ascospores are longer and narrower, and it grows in laurel forests (laurisilva). *Geoglossum barlae* (Boudier 1889) differs from *G. martinae* by having significantly larger ascomata; the clava is also larger and of different shapes, lanceolate or subcylindrical, typically with only one longitudinal groove; the paraphyses have straight terminal elements of similar diameter, the last one being slightly wider with septal constrictions, and few are hook-shaped. *Geoglossum scabripes* (Arauzo & Iglesias 2014) has smaller apothecia, a rough stipe, and a small clava making up 1/3 of the total ascoma, shaped from cylindrical to clavate; its asci are hemiamyloid and pseudoparaphyses are present. *Geoglossum umbratile* (Saccardo 1878) differs from *G. martinae* by having larger ascomata with a clava ranging from ellipsoid to compressed or lanceolate in shape, with a central groove running along the entire apothecium; paraphyses have a terminal element that is cylindrical, clavate, or fusiform; ascospores are larger. Finally, *G. laurisilvae* (Crous *et al.* 2022) differs from *G. martinae* by having larger ascospores, a brown stipe with scaly ornamentation, and a different habitat – laurel forest.

Colour illustrations: Spain, Extremadura, Quintana de la Serena. Mediterranean forest habitat where the holotype was found, with *Quercus ilex*, *Cistus ladanifer*, and *Genista scorpius*. Column (top to bottom, left to right): apical pores of asci in Melzer's reagent ×1000; paraphyses in KOH ×1000; asci and paraphyses in water ×400; spores in Melzer's reagent ×1000; ascomata of MRG927; ascomata of the type. Scale bars: third image of the column = 50 µm; all others = 20 µm.

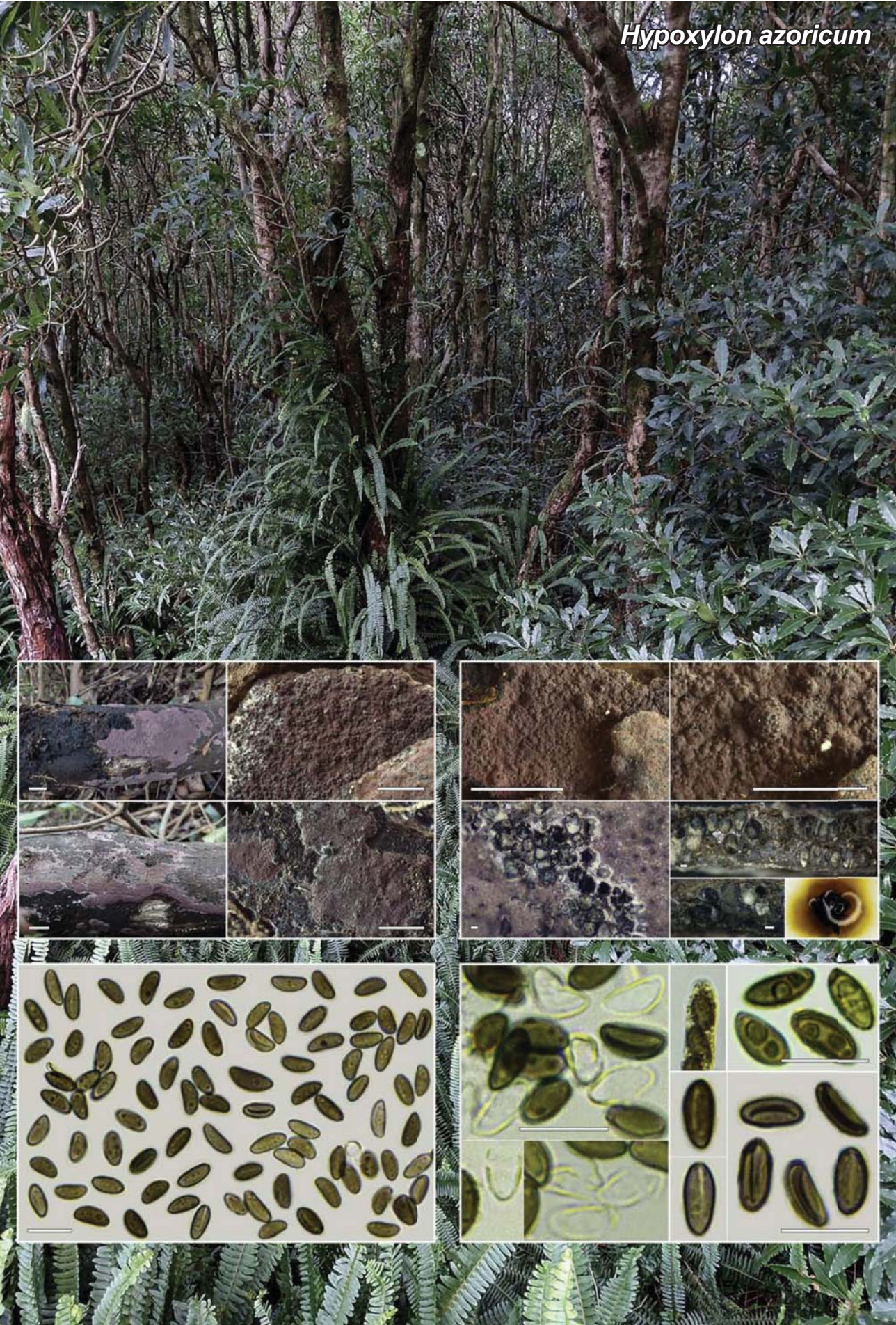
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An ITS consensus phylogram (50 % majority rule) of selected species of *Geoglossum* (*Geoglossaceae*, *Geoglossales*) and related genera (with *Sarcoleotia globosa* as outgroup) obtained using MrBayes v. 3.2.6 (Ronquist *et al.* 2012) from 8475 sampled trees. Nodes were annotated if they were supported by ≥ 0.95 Bayesian posterior probability (left) or ≥ 70 % maximum likelihood bootstrap proportions (right) obtained in RAXML v. 8.2.12 (Stamatakis 2014). Non-significant support values are presented inside parentheses. Sequences newly generated in this study are in **bold**.



Hypoxylon azoricum





Hypoxylon azoricum De la Peña-Lastra & A. Mateos, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: The epithet refers to the place where it was found (Azores archipelago, Portugal).

Classification: *Hypoxylaceae*, *Xylariales*, *Sordariomycetes*.

Stromata effused to effused-pulvinate, corticolous, 28–60 mm long × 13–28 mm broad × 0.5–1.2 mm thick, with abrupt to effused concolourous margin, very thin when immature; surface lilacinose at first (Ség. 7, 8; Séguy 1936), dark deep raspberry (Ség. 36, 42) when mature, tending to mahogany red or henna-coloured (Ség. 81, 101) on maturing, finally carbonaceous black; sometimes with very visible perithecial mounds, generally with rough appearance (conspicuous), plane to slightly undulate, velvety, matt, with black ostiolar areas, black immediately beneath surface and between perithecia, tissue below perithecial layer inconspicuous, with rust granules (Ség. 151), stromata with amber (Ség. 158, 160) to ochre (Ség. 196, 211) extractable pigments in 10 % KOH, subperithecial tissue inconspicuous 0.2–0.3 mm thick. **Perithecia** spherical to obovoid, sometimes ellipsoid, 0.15–0.30 mm × 0.15–0.25 mm, the fertile perithecial layer may be seated on two up to three layers of old and empty perithecia. **Ostioles** higher than the stromatal surface, black, minutely umbilicate, rarely surrounded by a white substance. **Asci** 8-spored, total length 105–160 µm, the spore-bearing parts 60–80 µm long × 6–7 µm broad, the stipes 25–40 µm long, with apical apparatus discoid, 0.5–1 µm high × 2–2.5 µm broad, bluing in IKI 2 solution (potassium iodide 6 g; resublimated iodine 2 g; distilled water, up to 100 mL). **Ascospores** brown to dark green, ellipsoid-inequilateral to often slightly crescentic, (6.4–)7.0–7.6–8.2(–9.4) × (3.0–)3.2–3.5–3.7(–3.9) µm, Q = (1.8–)2.0–2.2–2.5(–2.8), N = 100, with a faint, straight, spore-length germ slit on the more convex side; perispore dehiscent in 10 % KOH, smooth.

Distribution: Currently known only from the type location in the Azores Islands.

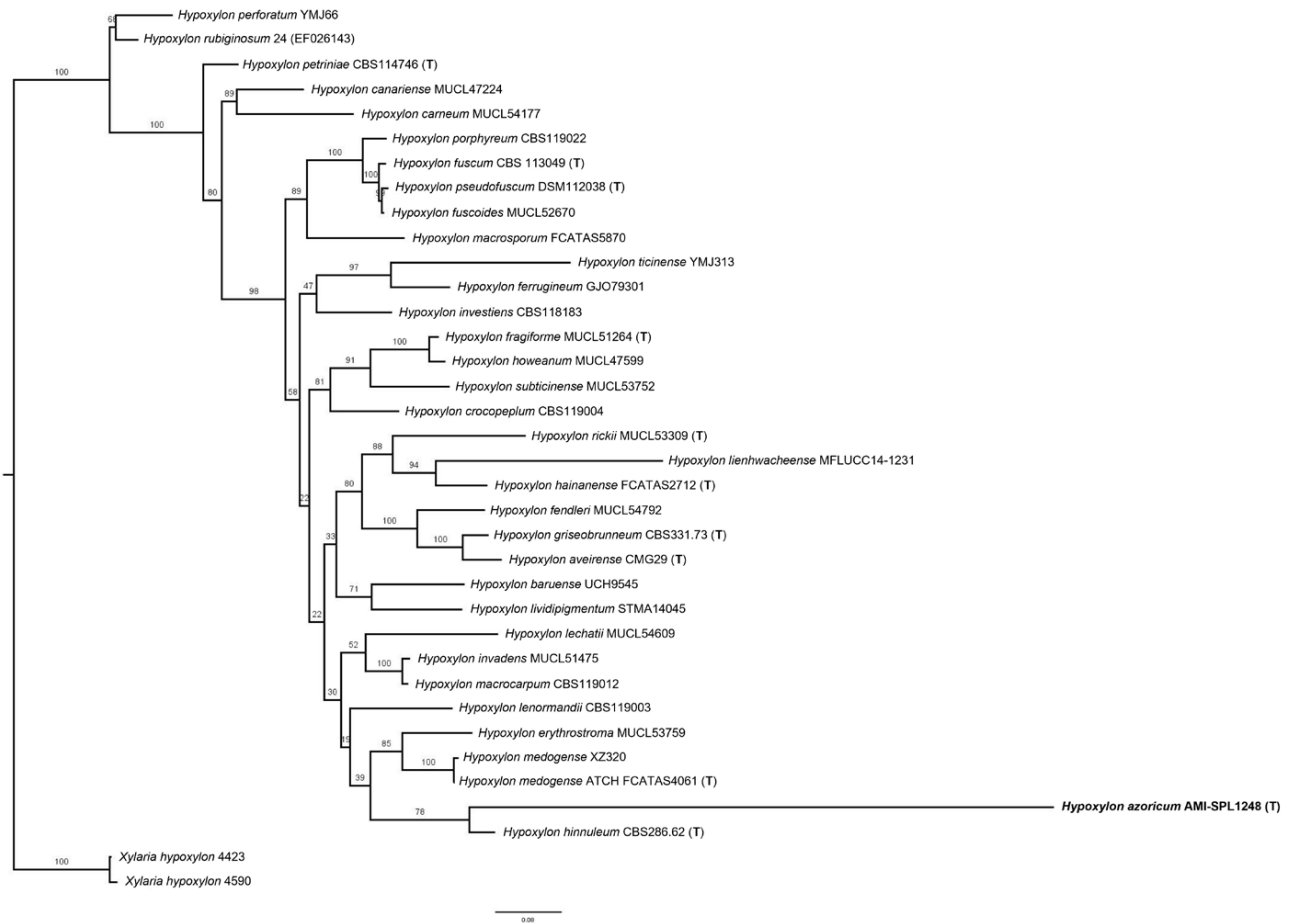
Typus: **Portugal**, Azores, Terceira, Praia da Vitória, Fontinhas, Largo São João, N38°45'17.9", W27°07'30.2", 0 m.a.s.l., on fallen branch of *Laurus azorica*, 14 Jan. 2022, A. Mateos & S. De la Peña-Lastra (**holotype** AMI-SPL1248; ITS, LSU and *RPB2* sequences GenBank PQ236694, PQ236695 and PX373527).

Colour illustrations: Portugal, Azores, Terceira, Fontinhas, Largo São João, laurel forest, where the holotype of *Hypoxylon azoricum* was collected. Left column: in upper photo, stromata on bark correspond with the holotype (two pictures left, immature), (two pictures right, mature); and the bottom photo corresponds to ascospores (*H₂O). Right column: in upper photo, stromata overmature (two pictures), stromata in horizontal section with the perithecia, stromata in vertical section, KOH extractable pigments after 1 min of incubation; and the bottom photo ascospores with perispores dehiscing in 10 % KOH (three pictures left); in upper photo, asci (*IKI 2); upper right, ascospores (*IKI 2); and the bottom photo is ascospores with germ slits (three pictures *H₂O). Scale bars: stromata immature and overmature left = 10 mm; stromata mature and overmature detail right = 5 mm; stromata section = 0.1 mm; all ascospores = 10 µm.

Notes: The molecular studies of Sánchez-Ballesteros *et al.* (2000), Triebel *et al.* (2005) and Pelaez *et al.* (2008) with internal transcribed spacer region (ITS), the studies of Hsieh *et al.* (2005) based on the protein-coding genes alpha-actin (ACT) and beta-tubulin (*TUB2*), as well as those of Tang *et al.* (2009) with a multigene phylogeny derived from a combination of rRNA and protein-coding genes, as well as others such as Jaklitsch *et al.* (2014), Kuhnert *et al.* (2014), Daranagama *et al.* (2015, 2016), Wendt *et al.* (2018) and Cedeño-Sánchez *et al.* (2024) using multigene phylogeny have served to develop a family genealogy, create new genera and resolve hypoxylid clades.

Hypoxylon azoricum has umbilicate ostioles and lacks disks, which are typical characters of the genus *Hypoxylon*, not present in related genera. Its most distinctive character is a multilayered stromata with perithecial mounds with moderate to strong relief, also typical of several species of the *H. rubiginosum* complex (Anderson 2008), with which it has other analogies such as the similar colour of the stromal surface and the spherical or subovoid perithecia forming multilayers. The morphologically most similar *H. perforatum* has a similar surface colour, as well as the colour of the KOH-extractable pigments, but differs in the ostioles which are surrounded by a ring of white substance and has larger spores [9.7–11.5 × 4.7–5.3 µm (av. = 10.9 × 4.9 µm)] (Anderson 2008, Fournier *et al.* 2010) (ITS similarity 80.14 %). *Hypoxylon rubiginosum* is distinct by its rust or sienna coloured surface, orange to rust KOH-extractable pigments, larger perithecia (300–650 µm × 450–800 µm) and larger ascospores [8.8–11(–12) × 4–5.5 µm (av. = 10.1 × 4.4 µm)] (Anderson 2008, Fournier *et al.* 2010) (ITS similarity 81.99 %). *Hypoxylon petriniae* is distinguished by its black, linear stromal margins, orange to rust-coloured KOH-extractable pigments, larger perithecia (250–380 µm × 250–500 µm), white-ringed ostioles, and much larger ascospores [8.8–11.5 (–13) × 4.8–6 µm (av. = 10.7 × 5.1 µm)] (Anderson 2008, Fournier *et al.* 2010). All three of the above species may have perithecial multilayers. *Hypoxylon fuscum* differs from *H. azoricum* in having ostioles with white substance ring, much larger spores [11–16 × 5–8 µm (av. = 13.2 × 5.8 µm)] and with sigmoid germination cleft (ITS similarity 77.23 %). *Hypoxylon carneum* differs in dark purple or dark vinous stromatic colour and livid violet KOH extractable pigments, ostioles surrounded by a ring of white substance and somewhat larger spores [8.8–11 × 4–4.8 µm (av. = 9.8 × 4.6 µm)] (Fournier *et al.* 2010) (ITS similarity 68.48 %). *Hypoxylon macrocarpum*, *H. macrosporum* and *H. porphyreum* (ITS similarity 74.35, 80.21 and 78.14 %, respectively) have olivaceous KOH-extractable pigments and larger ascospores (Fournier *et al.* 2010).

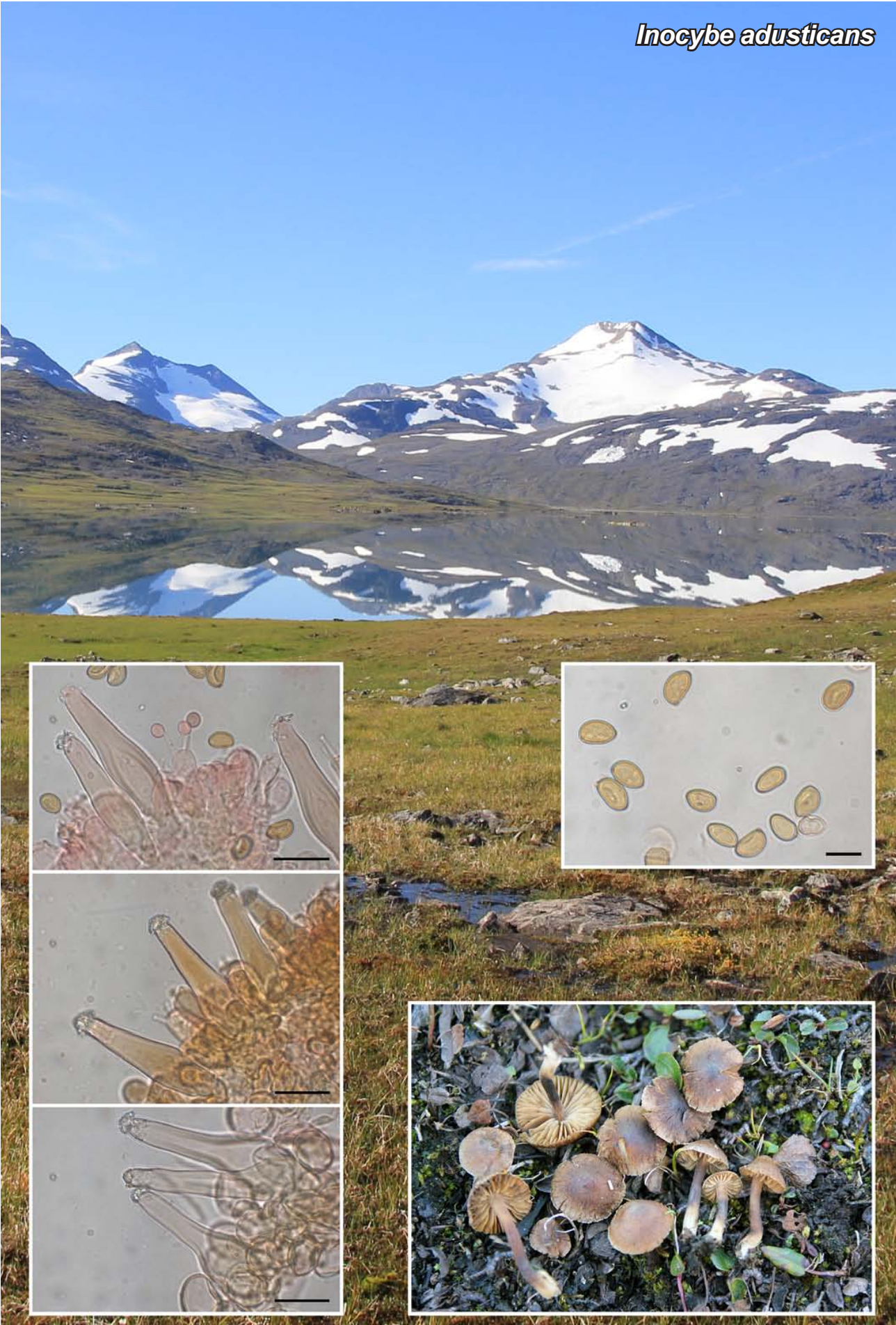
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The most probable maximum likelihood (ML) tree obtained from a concatenated dataset of the ITS-LSU-*RPB2* (GenBank accession numbers in supplementary material). The tree was inferred using IQ-TREE v. 2.1.3 (Nguyen *et al.* 2015) under the best-fit substitution model selected by ModelFinder (Kalyaanamoorthy *et al.* 2017). Branch support was assessed with 1000 ultrafast bootstrap (UFBoot) replicates (Minh *et al.* 2013), and ML bootstrap values $\geq 70\%$ were considered significant.



Inocybe adusticans





Inocybe adusticans E. Larss. & Vauras, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: Refers to the fact that the species becomes dark brown with age, like scorched.

Classification: *Inocybaceae*, *Agaricales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Pileus 5–20 mm diam., first conical to convex, later plano-convex to applanate, mostly with an obtuse broad umbo, margin deflexed, later straight to somewhat uplifted, as young rather uniformly ochraceous brown to dark brown, with age often blackish brown at centre and paler brown at margin, first smooth to finely fibrillose with age radially fibrillose to rimose, when young with whitish velipellis, fugacious, later often visible white remnants at pileus margin, cortina not observed. **Lamellae** up to 3 mm broad, distant to moderately crowded, interspersed with lamellulae, L = 20–30, adnate, adnexed to emarginate, first pale beige, later ochraceous brown to brown, edge fimbriate, first concolourous or somewhat paler, with age ochraceous brown. **Stipe** 8–22 × 1.5–2.5 mm, equal cylindrical, often bending, slightly bulbous base, first pale ochraceous brown, then soon dark ochraceous brown, with age even blackish brown, stipe base pale whitish, pruinose over the entire length, glabrous. Context whitish in pileus and stipe. **Smell** indistinct to weakly spermatic. **Basidiospores** (8.4–)9.1–9.7–10.7(–11.3) × (5.2–)5.5–6.2–6.3(–6.4) µm, Q = 1.41–1.88, Q av. = 1.56 (n = 60), smooth, subamygdaliform to amygdaliform, some almost ovoid, apex subobtuse, with small distinct apiculus, pale ochraceous brown. **Basidia** 26–32–36 × 9–10–12 µm (n = 20), clavate, 4-spored, a few 2-spored, hyaline, sterigmata 4.9–7.1 µm long. **Pleurocystidia** 59–66–76 × 11–14–16 µm, Q mean = 4.9 (n = 50), lageniform, utriform to fusiform, with truncate base or pedicel, thick-walled, wall up to 3.5 µm thick, hyaline to pale yellowish in KOH solution, with crystals and microcrystals under the crown of crystals. **Cheilocystidia** 45–55–66 × 10–13–17 µm (n = 40), similar to pleurocystidia but more variable, with rounded or truncate base, thick-walled, first hyaline, with age becoming ochraceous brown, mixed with clusters of pyriform to globose paracystidia 15–19–26 × 10–12–17 µm (n = 25), somewhat thick-walled, first hyaline and with age becoming ochraceous brown pigmented. **Caulocystidia** over the entire length, similar to pleurocystidia but more variable, 37–51–92 × 13–14–18 µm (n = 40), hyaline. **Cauloparacystidia** 14–19–25 × 10–13–17 µm (n = 35 / N = 2), pyriform to globose, somewhat thick-walled, first hyaline, with age becoming ochraceous brown pigmented. **Clamp connections** frequent.

Colour illustrations: *Inocybe adusticans* habitat in the alpine zone from the type locality close to Särjäsåvrr, Padjelanta National Park, Sweden. In situ basidiomata of the holotype (GB-0207768); photos of the hymenium with pleurocystidia, cheilocystidia, caulocystidia and basidiospores. Scale bars: pleuro, caulo- and cheilocystidia = 20 µm; spores = 10 µm.

Ecology and distribution: So far only known from one collection originating from Sweden and the alpine zone, in reindeer grazed area on calcareous ground. Found sporulating in mid-August, in snow bed area likely associated with *Salix herbacea*, but *Bistorta vivipara* was also present. Blast search of NCBI's GenBank nucleotide database and the UNITE database gave 100 % matches with two ITS sequences from Fairbanks, Alaska. One was isolated from ectomycorrhiza of *Dryas integrifolia* (GenBank JX630788), the other from a soil sample (GenBank KC966045), suggesting the species to have a wide intercontinental distribution range in the arctic and alpine zones, but seems to be rare.

Typus: **Sweden**, Lule lappmark, Jokkmokk, Padjelanta NP, close to Särjäsåvrr, N67°14'21", E16°25'39", mosaic alpine vegetation on calcareous soil, in snow bed area with *Salix herbacea* and *Bistorta vivipara*, 17 Aug. 2016, E. Larsson, EL215-16 (**holotype** GB-0207768; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX278059; **isotype** TUR-A 217630).

Collections studied for comparison: *Inocybe minata*. **Finland**, Etelä-Häme, Orivesi, Yröskulma, S side of the river Yrösjoki, 61.7563N, 24.3046E, 120 m.a.s.l., N slope in moist, fairly rich spring-fed forest with *Betula*, *Alnus incana*, *Picea abies*, *Salix* spp. and *Populus tremula*, 15 Sep. 1999, J. Vauras, JV15556 (TUR 178213; ITS sequence GenBank PV147301); Etelä-Häme, Ruovesi, Nature Reserve Runeberginlähde, 61.9904N, 24.0663E, 99 m.a.s.l., 8 Sep. 2005, E. Larsson, EL108-05 (GB-0248104; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank AM882794; TUR-A 208299); Kainuu, Paltamo, Melalahti, Nature Reserve Ellukanlahden lehto, near the end of Ellukka bay, 64.39406N, 27.67443E, 123 m.a.s.l., 26 Aug. 2011, J. Vauras, JV28393 (TUR-A195577; ITS sequence GenBank PV147302). Kainuu, Paltamo, Melalahti, Nature Reserve Ellukanlahden lehto, near the end of Ellukka bay, middle boreal zone in forest close to lake shore, on moist somewhat calcareous soil, near *Salix caprea*, *Alnus incana*, *Picea abies*, *Pinus sylvestris* and *Betula*, 1 Sep. 2018, J. Vauras, JV32664 (TUR-A 208003; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PV147300). *Inocybe ohenojae*. **Canada**, Northwest Territories, District of Franklin, Melville Peninsula, Repulse Bay, on hummock in *Dryas integrifolia* and *Salix* sp. vegetation, 2 Aug. 1974, E. & M. Ohenoja (OULU **holotype**; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank NR_153137). **Svalbard and Jan Mayen**, Svalbard, Nordenskiöld Land, Revneset, arctic tundra with *Salix polaris*, 12 Aug. 2015, E. Larsson, EL72-15 (ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PV167069).

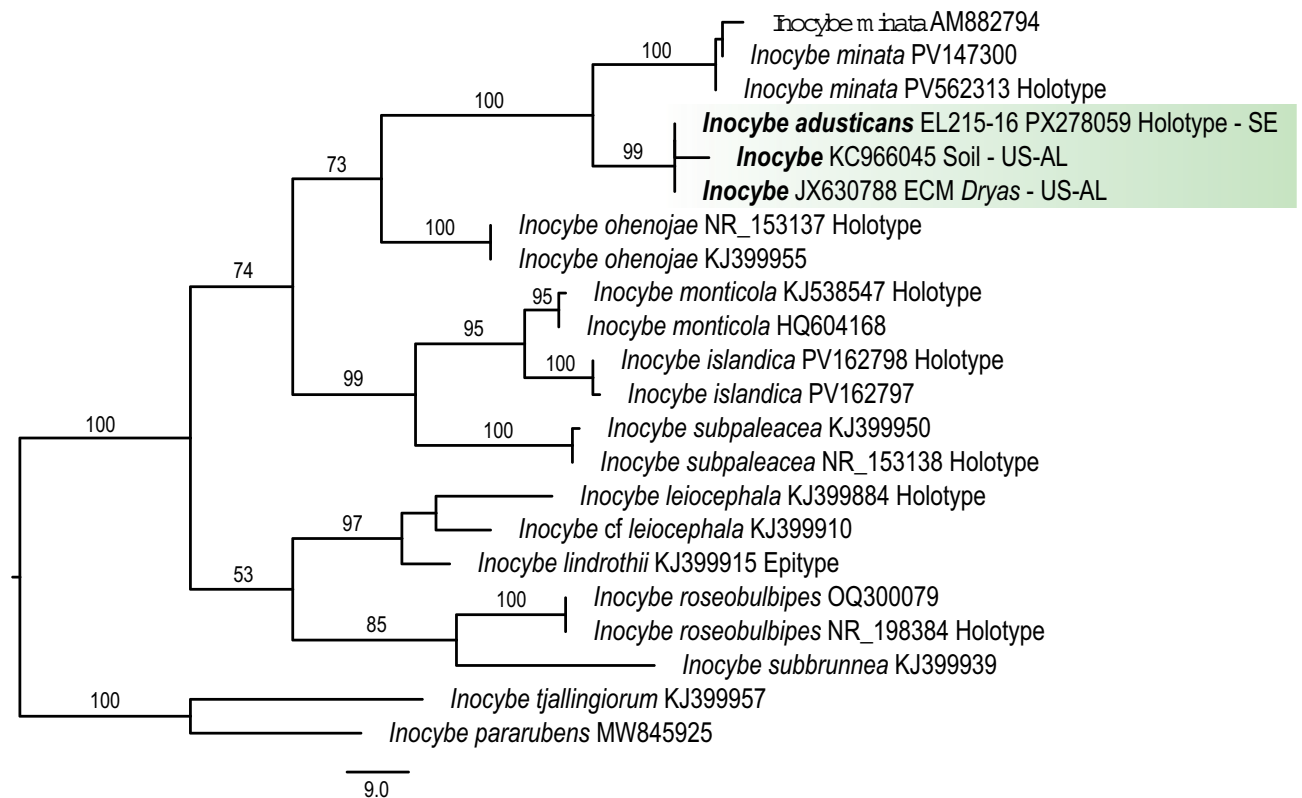
Notes: *Inocybe adusticans* is an arctic alpine small ochraceous brown species characterized by becoming dark ochraceous brown, to even blackish brown with age on the pileus and stipe. It has a totally pruinose stipe, smooth spores, thick-walled pleurocystidia with microcrystals under the crown of crystals, suggesting it belongs in sect. *Splendentes*. In the phylogeny it clusters as a sister species to the recently described *I. minata* (Crous *et al.* 2025), and the two show 95.2 % similarity in ITS data. In micromorphology the two have rather similar measurements of spores and



cystidia. However, *I. adusticans* can be separated by the cheilo- and caulocystidia that turn clearly dark brown with age. Also, *I. minata* is a boreal species found in moist to wet habitats associated with *Salix* spp., *Betula pendula* and *Alnus incana*. Other alpine species in the group with similar micromorphology are *I. ohenojae* described by Larsson *et al.* (2014) based on a specimen from the arctic tundra in Canada associated with *Dryas*, and the recently described *I. islandica* (Crous *et al.* 2025) described from Iceland associated with *Dryas*. *Inocybe ohenojae* differs from *I. adusticans* by having dirty grey brown pileus and somewhat larger significantly thick-walled spores, and *I. islandica* differs by the yellowish ochraceous brown pileus and stipe, which do not turn dark

brown. *Inocybe badjelanndana* is another small ochraceous brown alpine species growing associated with *Salix* in moist habitats (Crous *et al.* 2024b). It differs from *I. adusticans* by having slender, fusiform to clavate, rather thin-walled cheilo- and pleurocystidia with no or few crystals. *Inocybe monticola* belongs in the group and comes out as the sister species to *I. islandica*. It was described by Kropp *et al.* (2010) from a subalpine fir, lodgepole pine and aspen community in Utah and seems to be restricted to North America, is so far not found in Europe.

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Phylogram obtained using PAUP v. 4.0b10 (Swofford 2003) based on ITS and LSU data showing the position of *I. adusticans* among its closest relatives. Heuristic searches with 1000 random-addition sequence replicates and tree bisection-reconnection (TBR) branch swapping were performed. Relative robustness of clades was assessed by the bootstrap method using 1000 heuristic search replicates with 100 random taxon addition sequence replicates and TBR branch swapping. Bootstrap support values are indicated on branches. *Inocybe adusticans* is marked in **bold** and a coloured block, the holotype is indicated.



Inocybe percastanea





Inocybe percastanea Esteve-Rav., Pancorbo, E. Larss. & Bandini, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: *per* (Lat.) = resembling, referring to the likeness with *Inocybe castanea*.

Classification: *Inocybaceae*, *Agaricales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Pileus 10–50 mm diam., as young conical to campanulate, later becoming plano-convex to expanded, with broad obtuse umbo, margin at first inflexed, later deflexed to somewhat uplifted to wavy, colour somewhat variable depending on the degree of humidity, usually chestnut brown, sometimes orange brown or paler, even ochre brown or yellowish brown, darker around centre, outwards paler (Mu 7.5YR 3/4, 4/3–6, 5/4–8, Mu 10YR 6/6–8; Munsell 1994), velipellis greyish white, conspicuous in young individuals, often persistent in central parts and at pileus margin, surface dry, smooth, glabrous, more or less lubricous when moist, fibrous, with age finely squamulose to fibrillose and margin breaking up. *Cortina* absent. *Lamellae* up to 5 mm broad, moderately crowded, interspersed with lamellulae, L = 38–44, adnexed to emarginate, subventricose, first pale beige to cream, with age yellowish ochre to olive brown or reddish olive brown, edge uneven, fimbriate, concolourous to pale. *Stipe* 15–40 × 3–6 mm, firm, cylindrical, often bended, with subbulbous base, (5–8) mm, base occasionally covered with abundant whitish tomentum, ochre cream (Mu 7.5YR 6/3–4) with a pink tone when young (Mu 5YR 6/3–4), with age becoming pale brownish, longitudinally striate, pruinose over the entire length. *Context* in pileus whitish to pale ochraceous brown, in stem pale to pinkish ochraceous. *Smell* slightly spermatic.

Basidiospores (5.0–)6.8–7.7–8.6(–10.0) × (4.4–)4.7–5.3–6.2(–6.8) µm, n = 300 / N = 8, Q = 1.20–1.64, Q mean = 1.42, variable angular-nodulose, with rounded obtuse nodules (5–)6–8(–9) and a small apiculus, pale ochraceous brown. *Basidia* 22–26–31 × 7–8–9 µm, n = 20, clavate to subcylindrical, 4-spored, some 2-spored, hyaline, sterigmata 3–6 µm long. *Pleurocystidia* 45–60–75 × 12–15–20 µm, Q mean = 3.9, n = 175, subfusiform to lageniform with a widened or rounded base, sometimes with a thick septum towards mid-length, thick-walled, 1.6–2.0–2.4 µm, walls at apex up to 4 µm, crystalliferous with abundant microcrystals, hyaline to pale yellowish in KOH and ammonium solutions. *Cheilocystidia* similar to pleurocystidia, 46–58–74 × 11–16–22 µm, n = 70, lamella edge heterogeneous, fertile in some

places, cheilocystidia solitary or in fascicles deeply embedded in the lamella trama, intermixed with thin-walled, hyaline, subcylindrical, clavate to pyriform paracystidia, 7–13–17 × 7–8–12 µm, n = 35. *Caulocystidia* over the entire length, less frequent in the lower part, similar to pleurocystidia but more variable, 36–60–100 × 11–14–22 µm, n = 80, intermixed with thin-walled, hyaline, clavate to pyriform paracystidia, 7–16–26 × 5–10–17 µm, n = 45. *Stipitipellis* a cutis of parallel interwoven hyphae 3–9(–15) µm wide, encrusted, with pale yellowish-brown pigments. *Pileipellis* a cutis with repent cylindrical hyphae 3–7 µm wide, hyaline, terminal end cells not differentiated. Below parallel interwoven hyphae 6–16 µm wide, hyaline. Subpellis, chains of inflated, long and rounded cells, 31–56–112 × 13–22–38 µm, n = 40, encrusted with pale yellowish-brown pigments. *Clamp connections* frequent.

Ecology and distribution: *Inocybe percastanea* is commonly found in south-western Europe in warm mediterranean ecosystems associated with *Pinus pinaster*, *Quercus ilex*, *Cistus ladanifer* and *C. laurifolius*, in sandy areas mostly on acidic soils, but also in stabilised coastal sand dunes. In Northern Europe *I. percastanea* is rather rare but found in mixed deciduous dominated forests on more rich soils under *Corylus avellana*, *Betula pendula* and *Fagus sylvatica*. A blast search of NCBI's GenBank and the UNITE database gave matches of ITS data from environmental sample in Italy (GenBank DQ054548) and Georgia (UNITE UDB01956970), from ECM of *Quercus rotundifolia* in Portugal (GenBank FJ897196) and *Quercus robur* in Italy (GenBank HF565071), from basidiomata associated with *Pinus pinea* in Spain (UNITE UDB0754131). In addition, from soil samples in Bolivia (UNITE UDB02157142) and Morocco (UNITE UDB03826303) confirming our findings that *I. percastanea* is common in mediterranean ecosystems and has a broad distribution in Europe, and the soil data suggest that it also occurs in South America and Northern Africa.

Typus: **Spain**, Castilla-La Mancha, Guadalajara, Tamajón, Los Navazales, 3°13'33"W, 40°59'02"N, 1006 m.a.s.l., in sandy, acidic soils under *Cistus ladanifer* (*Cistaceae*) and *Pinus pinaster* (*Pinaceae*), 28 Nov. 2014, J.C. Campos (**holotype** AH 45158, ITS-LSU sequences GenBank PX093724; **isotype** GB-0207767).

Colour illustrations: Habitat of *Inocybe percastanea* under *Cistus ladanifer* and *Pinus pinaster* in Tamajón, Spain at 1006 m altitude, the type locality. *In situ* basidiomata of the holotype (AH 45158); from bottom to top: photos of SEM basidiospores (AH 29889); OM basidiospores; pleurocystidia; cheilocystidia; caulocystidia. Scale bars: basidiomata = 10 mm; cystidia = 50 µm; OM spores = 10 µm; SEM spores = 2 µm.



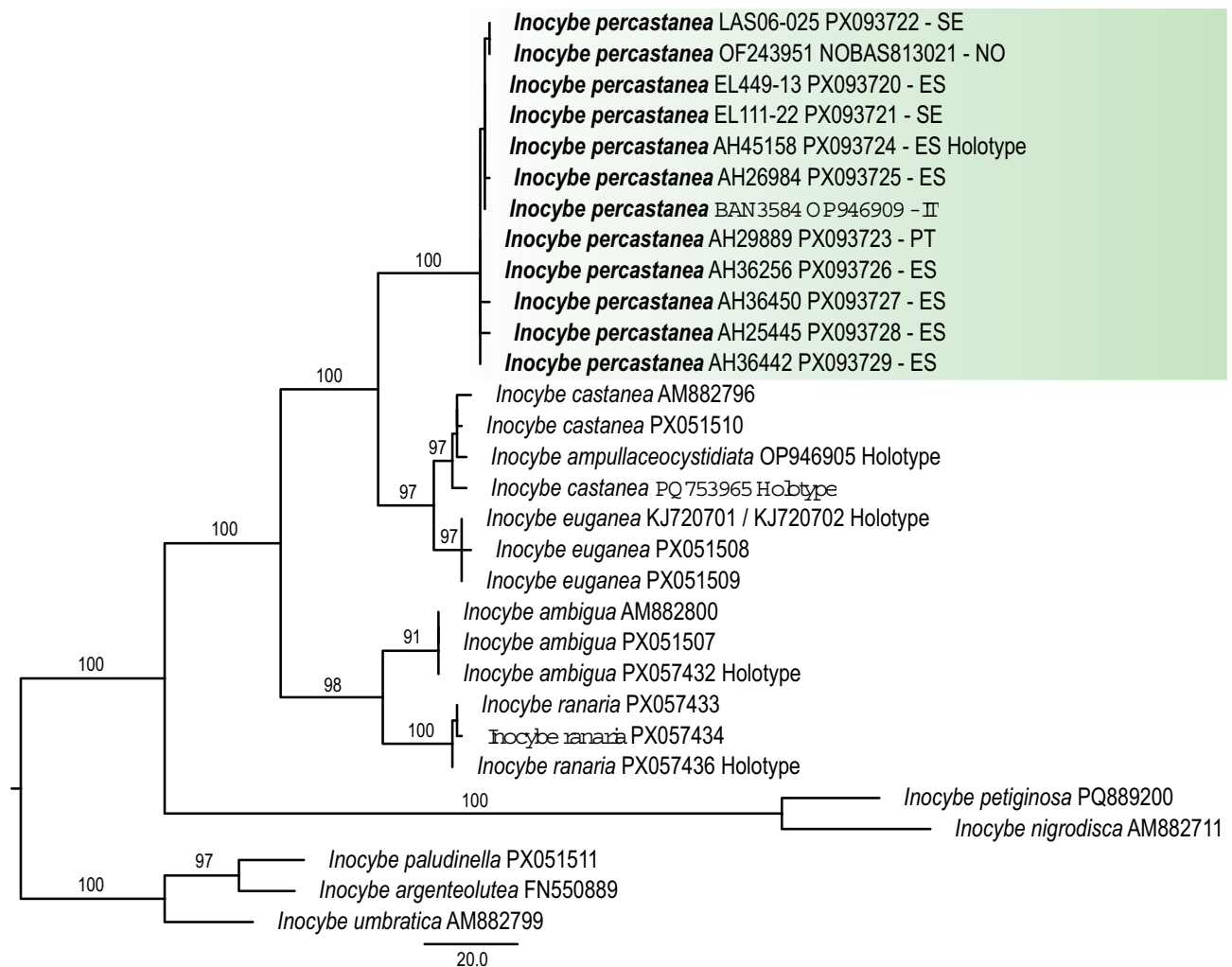
Additional materials examined: **Italy**, Tuscany, Castiglion Fiorentino, Cantalena, with *Castanea sativa*, 19 Oct. 2017, *M. Dondl*, DB19-10-17 (STU-F-0901756, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank OP946909). **Germany**, Sachsen-Anhalt, Harz, nature reserve Münchenberg, TK25 4232/4, *Quercus*, 15 Jun. 2013, *H. Schubert*, DB15-6-13-1. **Norway**, Møre og Romsdal, Skodje, Lia, Skodje, in forest with *Corylus*, *Betula* and *Pinus*, 15 Oct. 2008, *P. Larsen* (OF-243951, ITS sequence NOBAS 813021). **Portugal**, Leiria, Marinha Grande, Fonte Santa, 39°45'4.02"N, 9°1'18.03"W, 72 m.a.s.l., under *P. pinaster* in dunes, acidic soil, 9 Nov. 2000, *F. Esteve-Raventós* (AH 29889, ITS sequence GenBank PX093723); *ibid.*, AH 29890. **Spain**, Castilla-La Mancha, Guadalajara, Tamajón, 40°56'36.13"N, 3°16'9.32"W, 1015 m.a.s.l., in *P. pinaster* forest with *C. ladanifer*, in acidic soils, 23 Apr. 1989, *M. Heykoop* & *F. Esteve-Raventós* (AH 26984, ITS sequence GenBank PX093725); Castilla-La Mancha, Guadalajara, Tamajón, Sacedoncillo, 40°59'32.06"N, 3°13'6.57"W, 1005 m.a.s.l., under *P. pinaster* and *C. ladanifer* on acidic soil, 30 Oct. 2013, *E. Larsson*, *M. Jeppson* & *F. Esteve-Raventós*, EL449-13 (GB-0207765, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX093720); Castilla-León, Burgos, Hontoria del Pinar, 1100 m.a.s.l., in mixed forest of *P. pinaster* and *P. sylvestris*, 13 Apr. 2007, *A. Caballero*, AC3510 (AH 36256, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX093726); La Rioja, Cidamón, 42°29'21.50"N, 2°52'19.34"W, 580 m.a.s.l., in *P. pinaster* forest with some *Quercus ilex* subsp. *ballota*, 21 Nov. 1992, *C.E. Hermosilla*, CEH 0142-Na76 (AH 25410); *ibid.*, 20 Nov. 1999, CEH 04519 (AH 25445, ITS sequence GenBank PX093728); *ibid.*, 27 Nov. 1999, CEH 04564 (AH 25425); *ibid.*, 27 Nov. 1999, CEH 04565 (AH 25446); *ibid.*, 1 Dec. 1999, CEH 04571 (AH 25447); La Rioja, Villarroya, encinar de Villarroya, 42°7'25.38"N, 2°2'38.18"W, 820 m.a.s.l., in *Q. ilex* subsp. *ballota* forest, 18 Jun. 1992, *A. Caballero*, AC 1645 (AH 36104); *ibid.*, 2 May 2008, AC 3800 (AH 36442, ITS sequence GenBank PX093729); *ibid.*, 18 May 2008, AC 3821 (AH 36447); *ibid.*, 1 Jun. 2008, AC 3833 (AH 36450, ITS sequence GenBank PX093727). **Sweden**, Dalsland, Färgelanda, Ödeborg, NO Ögården, Kroppefjälls sydsluttning, in mixed forest on rich soil, 10 Sep. 2006, *L. & A. Stridvall*, LAS06/025 (GB-0064634, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX093722); Skåne, Kiaby, Ivö Klack, under *Fagus sylvatica*, 30 Sep. 2022, *F. Esteve-Raventós* & *F. Pancorbo*, EL111-22 (AH60453, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX093721).

Collections studied for comparison: *Inocybe ambigua*. **Finland**, Varsinais-Soumi, Koski Ti, Vähä-Sorvastto, Sulkalammi, in moist forest near a spring pond, close to *Betula pubescens*, *Picea abies*, *Pinus sylvestris* and *Salix* spp., 19 Jul. 1991, *M-L Heinonen*, *P. Heinonen* & *J. Vauras*, JV5555 (GB-0207740, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX051507). **Sweden**, Värmland, Övre Ullerud, Butorp, in *Picea* forest close to small brook on calcareous ground, 30 Jul. 1991, *B. Jansson* (GB-0182144, ITS-LSU sequence

GenBank AM882800). *Inocybe euganea*. **Norway**, Oppland, Lesja, Lesjaverken kyrkje, 20 Aug. 2022, *S. Kholza*, (EL49-22, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX051509). **Sweden**, Värmland, Fryksände, Gultberget, 25 Aug. 1991, *L. Bood* (GB-0207766, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX051508). *Inocybe castanea*. **Finland**, Tavastia australis, Ruovesi, Juupajoki, in moist coniferous forest, 5 Sep. 2005, *E. Larsson* (GB-0248076, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank AM882796). **Sweden**, Medelpad, Timrå, Indalsälvens delta NR, moist mixed forest with *Picea abies*, *B. pubescens*, and *Salix* spp., 12 Sep. 2014, *T. Læssøe* & *E. Larsson* (EL144-14, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX051510).

Notes: *Inocybe percastanea* would traditionally be placed in sect. *Petiginosae* (Heim 1931) but recent phylogenetic studies show that the *I. castanea* clade belongs in the new sect. *Umbraticae* (Chen *et al.* 2024). *Inocybe percastanea* is similar in morphology to *I. euganea*, *I. castanea*, *I. ambigua* and *I. ranaria* (described here in the same FP volume). In the phylogeny it clusters with *I. castanea* (Peck 1904) as closest relative, and it is the closest match with a described species when blasting the ITS sequence in GenBank (94.3 % similarity). We identify *I. ampullaceocystidiata* (Shchukin 1985) to be a synonym of *I. castanea* according to morphology and ITS data obtained from the holotype (TAA122532, GenBank OP946905) that is identical with that of the holotype of *I. castanea* (NYSf676, GenBank PQ753965). *Inocybe percastanea* is very similar in macro- and micromorphology to *I. castanea* and was treated under that name by Esteve-Raventós & Caballero Moreno (2009), and the two have chestnut brown pileus and about the same spore and cystidial measurements. But *I. percastanea* can be discriminated by the distinct velipellis that usually is persistent, by the lamella edge that is heterogeneous, fertile in some places, with cheilocystidia solitary or in fascicles deeply embedded in the lamella trama, and paracystidia that are hyaline, subcylindrical, clavate to pyriform, 7–13–17 × 7–8–12 µm. In *I. castanea* the cystidia occur regularly along the edge intermixed with larger pyriform to globose paracystidia that in mature specimens develop yellowish brown incrustations, 18–24–39 × 10–16–22 µm. *Inocybe percastanea* has its main distribution in dry mediterranean ecosystems, whether *I. castanea* is usually found in temperate moist coniferous dominated mixed forests up to the subalpine zone (Peck 1904, Jacobsson & Larsson 2018). *Inocybe euganea* (Giliberto *et al.* 2018) was described from Italy in mossy *Castanea* forest, it can be discriminated by having a warmer yellowish brown pileus colour. The cystidia in *I. percastanea*, *I. euganea* and *I. castanea* all have rich microcrystals below the top crown of crystals, whether *I. ambigua* and *I. ranaria* have no or only few microcrystals. *Inocybe ambigua* can be identified by having only angular outline of the spores (Romagnesi 1979, all other known species in the group have distinct obtuse nodulose spores).

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Phylogram obtained using PAUP v. 4.0b10 (Swofford 2003) based on ITS and LSU data showing the position of *Inocybe percastanea* among its closest relatives in the *Inocybe castanea* clade. Heuristic searches with 1000 random-addition sequence replicates and tree bisection-reconnection (TBR) branch swapping were performed. Relative robustness of clades was assessed by the bootstrap method using 1000 heuristic search replicates with 100 random taxon addition sequence replicates and TBR branch swapping. Bootstrap support values are indicated on branches. *Inocybe percastanea* is marked in **bold** and a coloured block, the holotype is indicated.

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Inocybe ranaria





Inocybe ranaria E. Larss., Vauras & Bandini, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: *Rana* = frog, refers to the moist habitat of the species, close to brooks and lakes.

Classification: *Inocybaceae*, *Agaricales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Pileus 8–30 mm diam., as young conical to campanulate, later becoming plano-convex to expanded, with broad obtuse umbo, margin at first inflexed, later deflexed to somewhat uplifted, warm ochraceous-brown, darker around centre, outwards paler, velipellis whitish, fugacious, visible in young basidiomata and at pileus margin, surface dry, silky shiny, smooth, fine felted, later finely squamulose to fibrillose, rimose and margin breaking up. **Cortina** absent. **Lamellae** up to 5 mm broad, moderately crowded, interspersed with lamellulae, $L = 30\text{--}40$, adnexed to almost free, first pale beige, with age grey brown to brown, edge uneven, concolourous to pale. **Stipe** 20–60 × 1.5–4 mm, equal, with slightly subbulbous base, often bended, solid, pale brown, pale yellow brown, pale greyish brown, yellow brown, red brown, greyish red, longitudinally striate, pruinose over the entire length. **Context** in pileus whitish, in stem whitish, pale brown to reddish-brown, shiny. **Smell** slightly spermiatic. **Basidiospores** (7.1–)7.7–8.2–8.7(–9.6) × (4.8–)5.2–5.6–6.4(–7.1) µm, $n = 150$, $Q = 1.38\text{--}1.66$, $Q\text{ mean} = 1.47$, variable angular-nodulose, with rounded obtuse nodules and a small apiculus, pale ochraceous brown. **Basidia** 24–27–29 × 7–8–9 µm, $n = 20$, clavate to subcylindrical, 4-spored, hyaline, sterigmata 4.2–5.1 µm long. **Pleurocystidia** 48–58–67 × 12–15–21 µm, $Q\text{ mean} = 3.8$, $n = 125$, fusiform to sublageniform, rounded base or truncate, crystalliferous at apex, thick-walled, wall up to 3.5 µm, hyaline to pale yellowish in KOH. **Cheilocystidia** similar to pleurocystidia but on average shorter, with rounded base or truncate, with crystals, thick-walled, wall up to 3 µm, hyaline in KOH solution 39–47–55 × 11–14–19 µm, $n = 50$. **Cheiloparacystidia** hyaline, rather abundant, ovoid, pyriform to clavate, 13–20–24 × 7–9–13 µm, $n = 25$. **Caulocystidia** over the entire length, less frequent in the lower part, similar to pleurocystidia, 33–55–66 × 11–14–20 µm, $n = 25$, intermixed with thin-walled, hyaline, clavate to pyriform paracystidia, 15–20–26 × 9–12–15 µm, $n = 25$. **Stipitipellis** consists of parallel interwoven hyphae 3–9 µm wide, encrusted, with pale yellowish-brown pigments. **Pileipellis** a cutis with repent cylindrical hyphae 3–7 µm wide, hyaline, terminal end cells not differentiated. Below parallel interwoven hyphae 6–16 µm wide, hyaline. Subpellis, chains of inflated, long and rounded cells, 22–62–110 × 14–24–35 µm, $n = 40$, encrusted, with pale yellowish-brown pigments. **Clamp connections** frequent.

Colour illustrations: *Inocybe ranaria* habitat in the northern boreal zone from the locality Oulanka National Park, Kuusamo, Finland. In situ basidiomata of the holotype (TUR-A 216819); photos of the hymenium with pleurocystidia, cheilocystidia, caulocystidia and basidiospores; drawing of pleurocystidia (left), basidiospores, caulocystidia (right). Scale bars: pleuro-, caulo- and cheilocystidia = 20 µm; drawing (short bar for cystidia, long bar for spores) and spores = 10 µm.

Ecology and distribution: *Inocybe ranaria* is ectomycorrhizal (ECM), most often collected in mixed moist forests likely associated with *Betula* and *Salix* spp., but other trees noted close by were also *Alnus*, *Populus* and *Picea*. It is known from Finland and Sweden, found from the southern boreal zone up to subalpine forests of the northern boreal zone, sporulating from late July to September on both acid and richer soils. A blast search of the ITS sequence of *I. ranaria* in NCBI's GenBank and the UNITE nucleotide databases gave no matches or further information.

Typus: **Finland**, Satakunta, Hämeenkyrö, Tuokkola, the cemetery Vanha hautausmaa, WGS84: 61.6319, 23.1956, 64 m.a.s.l., margin of lawn near *Betula pendula* and *Abies* sp., on mull soil, 8 Sep. 2023, T. Siuvatti & J. Vauras, JV33839 (**holotype** TUR-A 216819, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX057436; **isotype** GB-0207738).

Additional materials examined: **Finland**, Kuusamo, Oulanka National Park, Päähkänänkallio – Venänniemi, moist depression of *Salix* scrub, *Picea abies* and *Betula* sp. also nearby, 21 Aug. 2015, D. Bandini, B. Oertel & J. Vauras, JV31113 (TUR-A 203468); *ibid.*, JV31114 (TUR-A 203544); *ibid.*, JV31115 (TUR-A 203545); Perä-Pohjanmaa, Rovaniemi, Pisavaara, NE corner of the Strict Nature Reserve, brookside forest with *Betula* and *Picea abies*, 4 Sep. 2013, J. Vauras, JV30123 (TUR-A 198950, GB-0207739, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX057433). **Sweden**, Lycksele lappmark, Tärna, Hemavan Portbron vid Jobäcken, moist herb-rich subalpine *Betula pubescens* forest with *Salix* spp., 27 Jul. 2014, E. Larsson, EL25-14 (GB-0207761, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX057434); Medelpad, Borgsjö, Erikslund, near the river Ljungan, rather moist mixed forest with *Picea abies*, *Betula*, *Populus tremula*, *Salix* and *Alnus incana*, 1 Sep. 1989, J. Ruotsalainen & J. Vauras, JV3741 (TUR-A 175807, GB-0207740, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX057435).

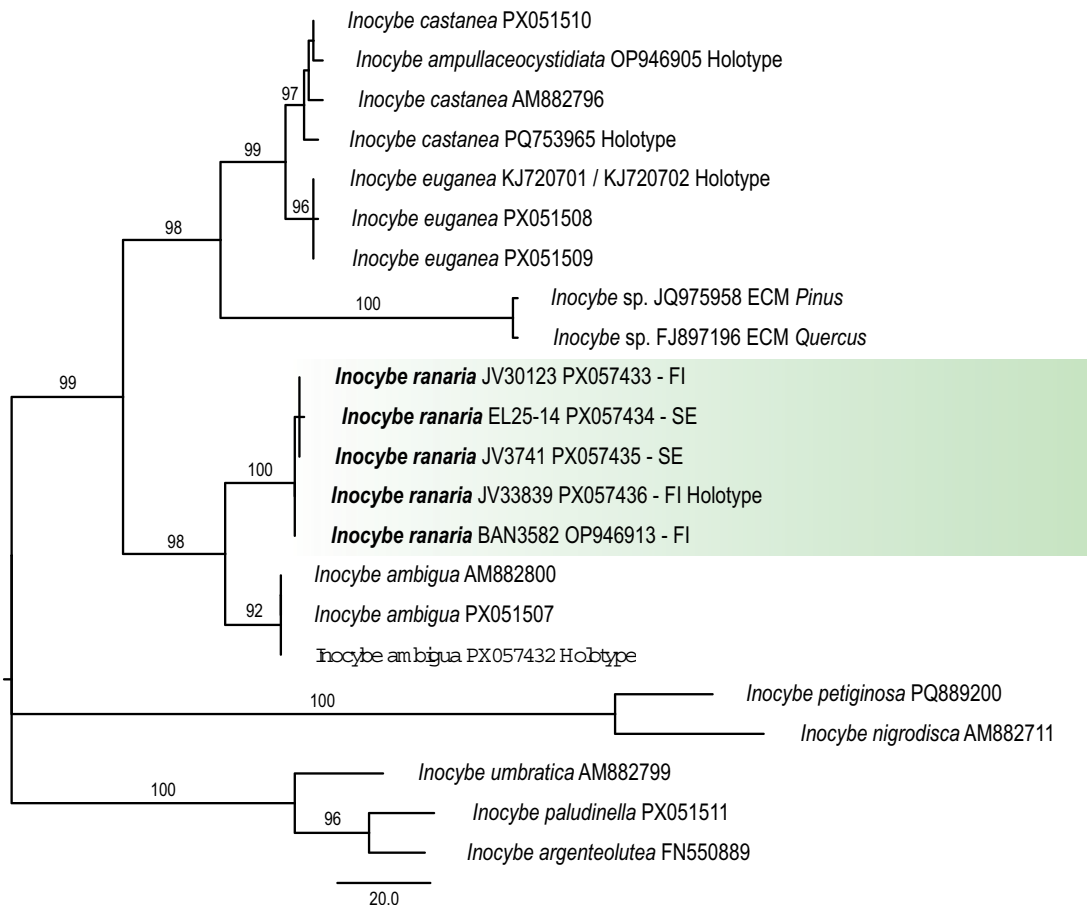
Collections studied for comparison: *Inocybe ambigua*. **Finland**, Varsinais-Soumi, Koski TI, Vähä-Sorvasto, Sulkalammi, in moist forest near a spring pond, close to *Betula pubescens*, *Picea abies*, *Pinus sylvestris* and *Salix* spp., 19 Jul. 1991, M-L. Heinonen, P. Heinonen & J. Vauras, JV5555 (GB-0207740, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX051507). **Sweden**, Värmland, Övre Ullerud, Butorp, in *Picea* forest close to small brook on calcareous ground, 30 Jul. 1991, B. Jansson (GB-0182144, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank AM882800). *Inocybe euganea*. **Norway**, Oppland, Lesja, Lesjaverken kyrkje, 20 Aug. 2022, S. Kholša, (EL49-22, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX051509). **Sweden**, Värmland, Fryksände, Gultberget, 25 Aug. 1991, L. Bood (GB-0207766, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX051508). *Inocybe castanea*. **Finland**, Tavastia australis, Ruovesi, Juupajoki, in moist coniferous forest, 5 Sep. 2005, E. Larsson (GB-0248076, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank AM882796). **Sweden**, Medelpad, Timrå, Indalsälvens delta NR, moist mixed forest with *Picea abies*, *Betula pubescens*, and *Salix* spp., 12 Sep. 2014, T. Læssøe & E. Larsson (EL144-14, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX051510).



Notes: *Inocybe ranaria* would traditionally be placed in sect. *Petiginosae* (Heim 1931), but recent phylogenetic studies show that the *I. castanea* clade belongs in the new sect. *Umbraticae* (Chen *et al.* 2024). It is similar in morphology to *I. ambigua*, *I. euganea* and *I. castanea*. In the phylogeny *I. ranaria* clusters with *I. ambigua* as closest relative, and it is the closest match when blasting the ITS sequence in GenBank (95.2 % similarity). *Inocybe ranaria* differ from *I. ambigua* by having on average somewhat broader spores 5.2–6.4 µm, vs 4.5–5.7 µm (Romagnesi 1979, Stangl 1989, own observations) with distinct obtuse nodules, *I. ambigua* has only an angular outline of the spores. The two species have no or only few microcrystals under the top crown of crystals. Further, both species favour moist and richer soils. *Inocybe ambigua* was described from France by Romagnesi (1979) but occurs also in the boreal zone of Fennoscandia (Jacobsson & Larsson 2018). Both *I. euganea* (Gilberto *et al.* 2018) and *I. castanea* (Peck 1904, Jacobsson & Larsson 2018) have about the same spore measurements as *I. ranaria*, and they also occur in boreal to subalpine ecosystems in Fennoscandia but in

general on drier localities. *Inocybe euganea* was described from Italy and mossy *Castanea* forest. It can be discriminated by having a warmer yellowish brown pileus colour and no distinct longitudinally striate stipe. *Inocybe castanea* was described from a coniferous forest of North America, it can be discriminated by having a darker chestnut colour of the pileus, on average longer pleurocystidia, lack of a distinct persistent velipellis and is most often collected in coniferous dominated forests, but can also be found in subalpine *Betula* forests. Both *I. euganea* and *I. castanea* usually have abundant microcrystals under the top crown of crystals. We identify *I. ampullaceocystidiata* (Shchukin 1985) to be a synonym of *I. castanea* according to morphology and ITS data obtained from the holotype (TAA122532, GenBank OP946905) that is identical with that of the holotype of *I. castanea* (NYSf676, GenBank PQ753965).

Supplementary material: doi:10.6084/m9.figshare.29994781 (alignment).



Phylogram obtained using PAUP v. 4.0b10 (Swofford 2003) based on ITS and LSU data showing the position of *Inocybe ranaria* among its closest relatives in the *Inocybe castanea* clade. Heuristic searches with 1000 random-addition sequence replicates and tree bisection-reconnection (TBR) branch swapping were performed. Relative robustness of clades was assessed by the bootstrap method using 1000 heuristic search replicates with 100 random taxon addition sequence replicates and TBR branch swapping. Bootstrap support values are indicated on branches. *Inocybe ranaria* is marked in **bold** and a coloured block, the holotype is indicated.

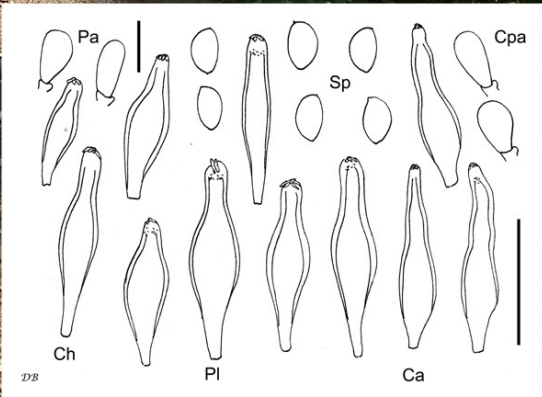
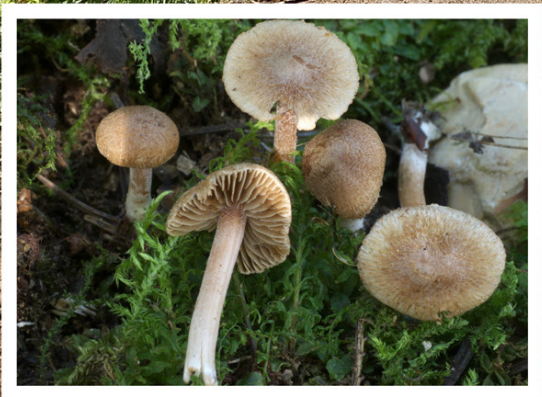
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Inocybe giovannii





Inocybe giovannii Bandini, B. Oertel & U. Eberh., *sp. nov.*

Etymology: Named after Giovanni Bandini for his unfaltering moral and practical support of D. Bandini's *Inocybe* research.

Classification: *Inocybaceae*, *Agaricales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Pileus 15–40 mm wide, at first (sub)campanulate, soon broadly convex or expanded, without or with rather low large umbo, rarely with more prominent umbo, margin at first slightly incurved to decurved, later straight or even uplifted, and then pileus depressed around the centre; young basidiomata usually covered with abundant, often cobweb-like remnants of a whitish velipellis, vanishing soon or visible even later at the centre; colour ochraceous to (sometimes speckled) ochraceous-brownish (Mu 10YR 5/6–5/8, 6/6–6/8, 7/8; 7.5YR 5/4–5/6, 6/6; Munsell 2009), often paler to yellow towards the margin, sometimes with faint orange to orange-reddish hue at the centre; surface at first tomentose, then tomentose-lanose, lanose to subsquamulose or even squarrose at the centre with small to larger fibre bundles, often areolate-diffracted at the centre and tomentose-fibrillose towards the margin; no remnants of a cortina observed. **Lamellae** moderately crowded to subdistant (ca 30–45), somewhat thickish, adnate to broadly adnate, (sub)ventricose, at first strikingly white, later ochraceous to ochraceous with greyish or brownish hue, sometimes with rusty blots; edge often uneven, fimbriate, whitish. **Stipe** 20–60 × 2–5 mm, straight or curved, sometimes widening towards the base, base sometimes somewhat thickened, when young usually covered with a thick layer of whitish tomentum, later longitudinally striate or glabrous, at first whitish to pale flesh-coloured or yellowish, later often entirely with more or less intense reddish tinge, at the apex always with pinkish hue or more or less intensely pinkish-reddish; roughly pruinose, as if strewn with salt, on the entire length. **Context** whitish in the pileus, in the stipe at first whitish then with reddish tinge or reddish at least in the (cortex near the) apex. **Smell** spermatic, at least when cut. **Colour of exsiccata** pileus brown in different intensities with or without reddish hue (Mu 10YR 5/8, 4/4–4/6; 7.5YR 5/4–5/6, 4/4–4/6), lamellae and stipe concolourous or a little lighter, no darkening or blackening on drying. **Basidiospores** 7.4–10.4 µm (av. 8.9 µm, SD 0.5 µm) × 5.0–7.1 µm (av. 5.5 µm, SD 0.3 µm); Q = 1.4–1.9 (av. 1.6, SD 0.1) (n = 120 of 3 coll.), usually broadly (sub)amygdaloid, mostly without, rarely with faint suprahilar depression, apex mostly (sub)acute, sometimes subobtuse, often with indistinct pseudoporus. **Basidia** 25–31 × 7–10 µm, generally 4-spored, rarely also 2-spored and then spore length up to 11.5 µm. **Pleurocystidia** 39–80 µm (av. 61 µm, SD 11 µm) × 9–20 µm (av. 14 µm, SD 3 µm); Q = 2.8–6.7 (av. 4.4, SD 0.9) (n = 45 of 3 coll.), mostly (sub)utriform, also (sub)fusiform, very often transition between bulge and neck clearly demarcated, usually with short or longer neck, sometimes without neck, with short or

longer pedicel, apex usually crystalliferous, walls up to 3.0 (3.5) µm thick at the apex, wall thickness can vary within the same collection, intensely yellow-green with 3 % KOH. **Cheilocystidia** more variable in size and shape; intermixed with numerous colourless, (sub)clavate to (sub)cylindrical, thin-walled paracystidia. **Caulocystidia** on entire length of the stipe, 40–90(–100) × 8–15 µm, mostly (sub)utriform or (sub)lageniform, often with rather long and somewhat wavy (undate) neck and without or with short pedicel, apex usually crystalliferous, walls up to 1.5(–2.5) µm thick at the apex, intensely yellow green with 3 % KOH; intermixed with numerous colourless (sub)clavate to subglobose, thin-walled cauloparacystidia.

Habit, habitat and distribution: Most often collected under conifers, sometimes with *Picea abies* as the only tree present, but sometimes no conifers noted. The species grows on calcareous, often somewhat humid soil, at low to subalpine elevations. Based on ITS data (UNITE database: SH0955436.10FU; Kõljalg *et al.* 2013), the species occurs in Europe, Asia and North Africa.

Typus: **Germany**, Baden-Württemberg, Alb-Donau-Kreis, Ehingen, Briel, TK25 7623/4, alt. 675 m, *Abies alba*, *Fagus sylvatica*, *Picea abies*, 1 Oct. 2021, D. Bandini & J. Christan (**holotype** STU SMNS-STU-F0007565, **isotype** personal collection D. Bandini DB1-10-21-19; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX281927).

Additional materials examined (selection): **Austria**, Tirol, Reutte, Bichlbach-Lahn, ÖK25V 2215-Ost, alt. ca 1140 m, *Picea abies*, 16 Oct. 2017, B. Oertel (pers. coll. D. Bandini DB16-10-17-1b). **France**, Alsace, département du Bas-Rhin (67), commune de Mothern, UTM 32N: 0439405/5421255, *Quercus* sp., *Carpinus betulus*, *Fagus sylvatica*, *Corylus avellana*, 8 Oct. 2021, J.-M. Trendel (pers. coll. D. Bandini DB8-10-21-1-Trendel). **Germany**, Baden-Württemberg, Rhein-Neckar-Kreis, Wiesenbach, TK25 6618/2, alt. ca 180 m, *F. sylvatica*, 16 Oct. 2011, D. Bandini (pers. coll. DB16-10-11-2; ITS sequence GenBank MW856432); *ibid.*, at some distance, alt. ca 160 m, *F. sylvatica*, 23 Sep. 2014, D. Bandini (STU SMNS-STU-F-0900985, pers. coll. DB23-9-14-2; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank MW845931); Baden-Württemberg, Alb-Donau-Kreis, Ehingen, Briel, TK25 7623/4, alt. ca 680 m, *Abies alba*, *F. sylvatica*, *P. abies*, 1 Oct. 2021, D. Bandini & J. Christan (STU SMNS-STU-F-0901914, pers. coll. D. Bandini DB1-10-21-17; ITS sequence Genbank PX281928); *ibid.*, at some distance, alt. c. 680 m, *F. sylvatica*, *Quercus robur*, *A. alba*, *P. abies*, 2 Oct. 2021, D. Bandini, J. Christan, B. Oertel & U. Eberhardt (STU SMNS-STU-F-0901915, pers. coll. D. Bandini DB2-10-21-11; ITS sequence GenBank PX281924); Bayern, Ostallgäu, Halblech, near nature reserve “Ammergebirge”, Kenzenhütte, TK25 8431/1/3, alt. ca 1200 m, *P. abies*, 17 Sep. 2018, H. & E. Huijser (pers. coll. D. Bandini DB17-9-18-3); *ibid.*, Pfronten, TK25 8429/1, alt. ca 900 m, *Alnus incana*, *P. abies*, *C. avellana*, 12 Aug. 2021, D. Bandini (pers. coll. DB12-8-21-23); *ibid.*, Pfronten, Breitenberg, TK25 8429/3, alt. ca 1800 m, *P. abies*, 13 Sep. 2021, D. Bandini (STU SMNS-STU-F-0901916, pers. coll. DB13-9-21-11; ITS

Colour illustrations: Germany, Baden-Württemberg, Alb-Donau-Kreis, Ehingen, Briel, mixed forest. Type collection in situ; Drawing: spores (Sp), caulocystidia (Ca), cheilocystidia (Ch), cauloparacystidia (Cpa), cheiloparacystidia (Pa) and pleurocystidia (Pl) (photos and drawing credit: D. Bandini). Scale bars: all others = 50 µm; spores = 10 µm.



sequence GenBank PX281925); *ibid.*, Pfronten, Achthal, TK25 8429/1, alt. ca 980 m, *P. abies*, *F. sylvatica*, 21 Sep. 2021, *D. Bandini* (STU SMNS-STU-F-0901913, pers. coll. DB21-9-21-8; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX281926); Rheinland-Pfalz, Rhein-Pfalz-Kreis, Böhl-Iggelheim, TK25 6615/4, alt. ca 110 m, *Q. robur*, *Alnus glutinosa*, *C. avellana*, *P. sylvestris*, 6 Sep. 2014, *D. Bandini* (pers. coll. DB6-9-14-9).

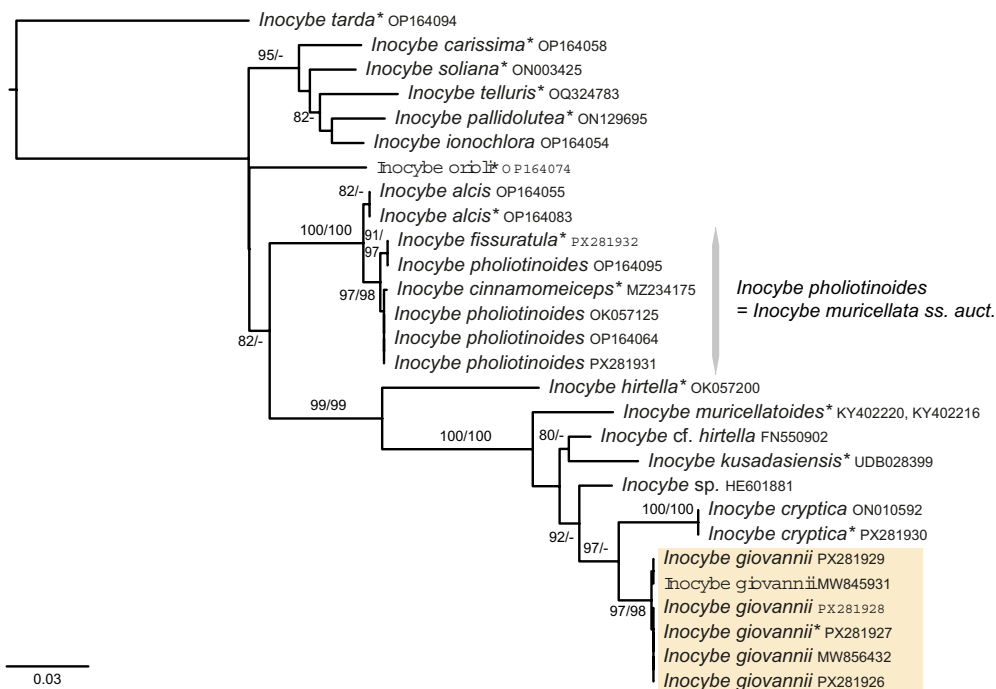
Notes: *Inocybe giovannii* is characterized by the ochraceous to ochraceous brownish pileus colour, up to squarrose pileus surface, whitish velipellis, at first strikingly white lamellae, with age pinkish-reddish stipe at least near the apex and a rather rough salt-grain-like pruina on the entire length. Confusion can most easily occur with the other ingroup species included in the tree figure, but, apart from macroscopic differences, either spores or cystidia or both differ in dimensions.

In earlier publications we treated *I. giovannii* as *I. muricellata* (e.g. Bandini *et al.* 2021a, 2022a, c). As additional collections became available, it became clear that spore size and cystidia shapes consistently differed from the original description of *I. muricellata* (Bresadola 1905). A recent morphological examination of the holotype (S-F14463) (for micromorphology see Supplementary Fig. 1; no sequence data available) confirmed that the older name *I. muricellata* may indeed be synonymous with the species we referred to as *I. pholiotinoides* in the past. Given the number of similar species in this clade, we hesitate to synonymize *I. muricellata* and *I. pholiotinoides* without molecular support. However, the recently described *I. cinnamomeiceps* (holotype M-0216701) and *I. fissuratula* (holotype M-0216731) (Ludwig 2017) are

shown here to cluster with and are treated as synonyms of *I. pholiotinoides*. *Inocybe scabelliformis* (Malençon & Bertault 1970), considered by Kuyper (1986) as another synonym of *I. pholiotinoides* and *I. muricellata*, differs from *I. giovannii* by e.g., darker and less yellow pileus colours, less strikingly, more dingy coloured lamellae when young, distinctly longer spores and cystidia that are more fusiform and thick-walled down to the base of the cells, without demarcation between bulge and neck (see Supplementary Fig. 2 for micromorphology of holotype MPU312226; no sequence data available).

Based on a megablast search of NCBI's GenBank nuc-core database accessed 2 Sep. 2025, the closest ITS sequence hit ordered by Max Score of the holotype of *I. giovannii* was from an unidentified sequence, a *Quercus ilex* ectomycorrhiza sequence from Sardegna, Italy (Genbank HE601881, Unite SH0151512.10FU, 93 %). The most similar identified sequences are from *I. kusadasiensis* (Unite SH0955440.10FU, ca 92 %). For the LSU, the closest hits were 98.7 % for "*I. cf. hirtella*" EL707 from Spain (GenBank FN550902), which is not *I. hirtella*, followed by sequences from *I. somae* and *I. mycenoides* with 96.3 % similarity (see Bandini *et al.* 2022c). *Inocybe giovannii* (as *I. muricellata*) was also included in more extensive trees in Bandini *et al.* (2021a, 2022a, c). Allí *et al.* (2024) mistook *I. giovannii* for *I. subporospora*; however, morphology and type sequence refer *I. subporospora* to *I. tjallingiorum* (see Bandini *et al.* 2021a). The BLAST results and the tree figure show clearly that *I. giovannii* is different from all sequenced species.

Supplementary material: doi: 10.57754/FDAT.034my-8s396 (supplementary figures, alignment and tree).



Maximum Likelihood phylogram obtained from a MAFFT v. 7.526 (Katoh *et al.* 2019) alignment and analysed by IQ-TREE v. 1.6.12 (Trifinopoulos *et al.* 2016, Kalyaanamoorthy *et al.* 2017, Hoang *et al.* 2018) based on ITS and LSU data of the clade including *Inocybe giovannii*. *Inocybe tarda* was used as outgroup. Sequences are identified by GenBank accession numbers resp. UNITE numbers. Support values were obtained from 1000 replicates of SH-like approximate likelihood ratio tests (SH-aLRT) and ultrafast bootstrap (ufb). Support values ≥ 80 % were given for SH-aLRT and ≥ 95 % for ufb; * indicates type sequences or sequences that matched the respective type sequence in ≥ 99 % similarity BLAST searches. For species names without *, we were not aware of published type sequences. The clade of the new species is indicated in yellow.





Inocybe leucantheana Bandini, Kehlet & Heilm.-Claus., *sp. nov.*

Etymology: Named based on its similarity to *Inocybe bellidiana*, as the flowers of members of the plant genus *Leucantheum* share the combination of yellow and white colours with the flowers in *Bellis*.

Classification: *Inocybaceae*, *Agaricales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Pileus 10–25 mm wide, at first conico-convex, soon expanded, without or with a more or less prominent broad umbo, margin decurved to straight or even uplifted, and then pileus depressed around the umbo; young basidiomata with faint remnants of a fugacious whitish velipellis; colour white, whitish, dingy whitish to ivory or cream-coloured (Mu 10YR 8/1–8/4; Munsell 1975), often yellowish in the centre, with age suffused in different intensities with yellowish, orange to orange reddish tinges, especially at the centre; surface smooth to minutely rimulose or minutely innately fibrillose towards the margin; young basidiomata with faint remnants of a pale cortina. **Lamellae** moderately crowded (ca 24–50), almost free to emarginate adnate, (sub)ventricose, at first pale whitish greyish, with age brown(ish) with greyish to faintly reddish hue; edge fimbriate, whitish to concolourous. **Stipe** 25–60 × (1–)2–5(–7) mm, straight or curved, when young covered with whitish tomentum, later longitudinally striate or (almost) glabrous, at first watery whitish to pale yellowish, later flesh-coloured to clay pink in different intensities; pruinose only near the apex. **Context** whitish in the pileus, and at first in the stipe, later sometimes with somewhat flesh-coloured tinge. **Smell** spermatic, at least when cut. **Colour of exsiccata** pileus brown with reddish hue (Mu 7.5YR 5/4–5/6, 4/6), lamellae and stipe concolourous or a little lighter in colour, apparently getting somewhat reddish on drying. **Basidiospores** 7–9.5 µm (av. 8.3–8.5 µm, SD 0.5 µm) × 4.3–5.8 µm (av. 5.1 µm, SD 0.2 µm); Q = 1.4–2.0 (av. 1.6, SD 0.1) (n = 60 of 2 coll.), smooth, (sub)amygdaloid to (sub)ellipsoid, without or with only faint suprahilar depression, apex (sub)obtuse to subacute. **Basidia** 22–28 × 7–10 µm, generally 4-spored. **Pleurocystidia** 45–80 µm (av. 55–59 µm, SD 7 µm) × 11–21 µm (av. 14–17 µm, SD 2 µm); Q = 3.4–5.6 (av. 4.3, SD 0.5) (n = 15 of 1 coll.), mostly (sub)utriform or (sub)fusiform, also subcylindrical or (sub)lageniform, without or with short or longer neck, with short or without pedicel, apex crystalliferous or not, walls up to 1.5(–2.5) µm thick at the apex, yellow green with 3 % KOH. **Cheilocystidia** similar to cheilocystidia but somewhat more variable in size and shape; intermixed with numerous colourless, (sub)clavate, to subovoid, thin-walled paracystidia. **Caulocystidia** only near the apex of the stipe, 35–80 × 8–15 µm, oblong and narrow, mostly somewhat deformed, near the apex often somewhat bent or bulging or subcapitate, mostly no distinct

neck visible, without or with only short pedicel, apex without or with only very few and very small crystals, walls up to 1.0(–1.5) µm thick, yellow green with 3 % KOH; intermixed with some colourless, (sub)clavate to subovoid, thin-walled cauloparacystidia.

Ecology and distribution: *Inocybe leucantheana* occurs with both deciduous and coniferous hosts in forests on somewhat calcareous ground. The type locality is a moist mixed forest dominated by *Alnus glutinosa*, but with scattered individuals of *Betula pubescens* and *Picea abies*, and a very rich presence of members of *Entoloma* subgenus *cyanula* (including *E. anatinum*, *E. callipygmaeum*, *E. erhardtii*, *E. queletii* and *E. phaeosdiscum*). The Dutch records are from mixed forests on sandy soil, with *Betula* and *Quercus* as stable hosts. Finally, the Estonian collection represented by a sequence in UNITE (TUF118879) was collected in a *Picea abies* stand. Based on sequences (mainly from soil samples) deposited in UNITE, *I. leucantheana* (SH1700693.10FU) is widespread in Estonia, but with specimens also from Finland and matching environmental sequences also from Latvia and Japan. The GlobalFungi database contain further matching sequences from Russia, Belarus and the Netherlands, suggesting a wide distribution in the temperate region.

Typus: **Denmark**, Zealand, Helvigstrup Skov, 55.5667711°N, 11.8870930°E, with *Alnus*, *Betula* and *Picea* in moist forest on wet ground, 22 Sep. 2022, P. Schilling & T. Kehlet, coll. DMS-10293008 (**holotype** C, NHMD001862572, ITS sequence GenBank PX585991).

Additional materials examined: **Denmark**, Zealand, Helvigstrup Skov, 55.5667711°N, 11.8870930°E, with *Alnus*, *Betula* and *Picea* in moist forest on wet ground, 19 Aug. 2021, T. Kehlet, DMS-10199254. **Netherlands**, Drenthe, Hoogeveen, Stuifzand, alt. 23 m, *Quercus robur*, *Betula* sp., 17 Oct. 2022, D. Bandini (DB17-10-22-16); *ibid.*, at some distance from former location, alt. 23 m, *Quercus robur*, *Betula* sp., 17 Oct. 2022, D. Bandini (DB17-10-22-20); Drenthe, Eursinge, alt. 22 m, *Quercus robur*, *Betula* sp., *Pinus sylvestris*, 19 Oct. 2022, D. Bandini (DB19-10-22-3); *ibid.*, at some distance from former location, alt. 22 m, *Quercus robur*, *Betula* sp., *Pinus sylvestris*, 19 Oct. 2022, D. Bandini (DB19-10-22-7).

Notes: *Inocybe leucantheana* is a typical member of the *I. geophylla*-clade, characterized by the almost smooth pileus with predominantly whitish colours and a stipe that is only pruinose near the apex. Based on ITS sequence data, it is most closely related to other taxa with reddening flesh, i.e. *I. whitei*, *I. pudica* and *I. armeniaca*. The reddening reaction is, however, sometimes quite weak in *I. leucantheana* and was not noted in the type collection, which was first identified as *I. bellidiana* due to the gracile whitish sporocarps, with distinct buff colours at the cap umbo. The two species further share a preference for rich, somewhat humid soils, but preliminary

Colour illustrations: *Inocybe leucantheana* habitat in mixed woodland on rich, moist soil; Helvigstrup Skov, Denmark, the type locality. *In situ* basidiomata of the holotype (DMS-10293008) (photo credits: T. Kehlet). Drawing: spores (Sp), caulocystidia (Ca), cheilocystidia (Ch), cauloparacystidia (Cpa), cheiloparacystidia (Pa) and pleurocystidia (Pl) (drawing credit: D. Bandini). Scale bars: all others = 50 µm; spores = 10 µm.

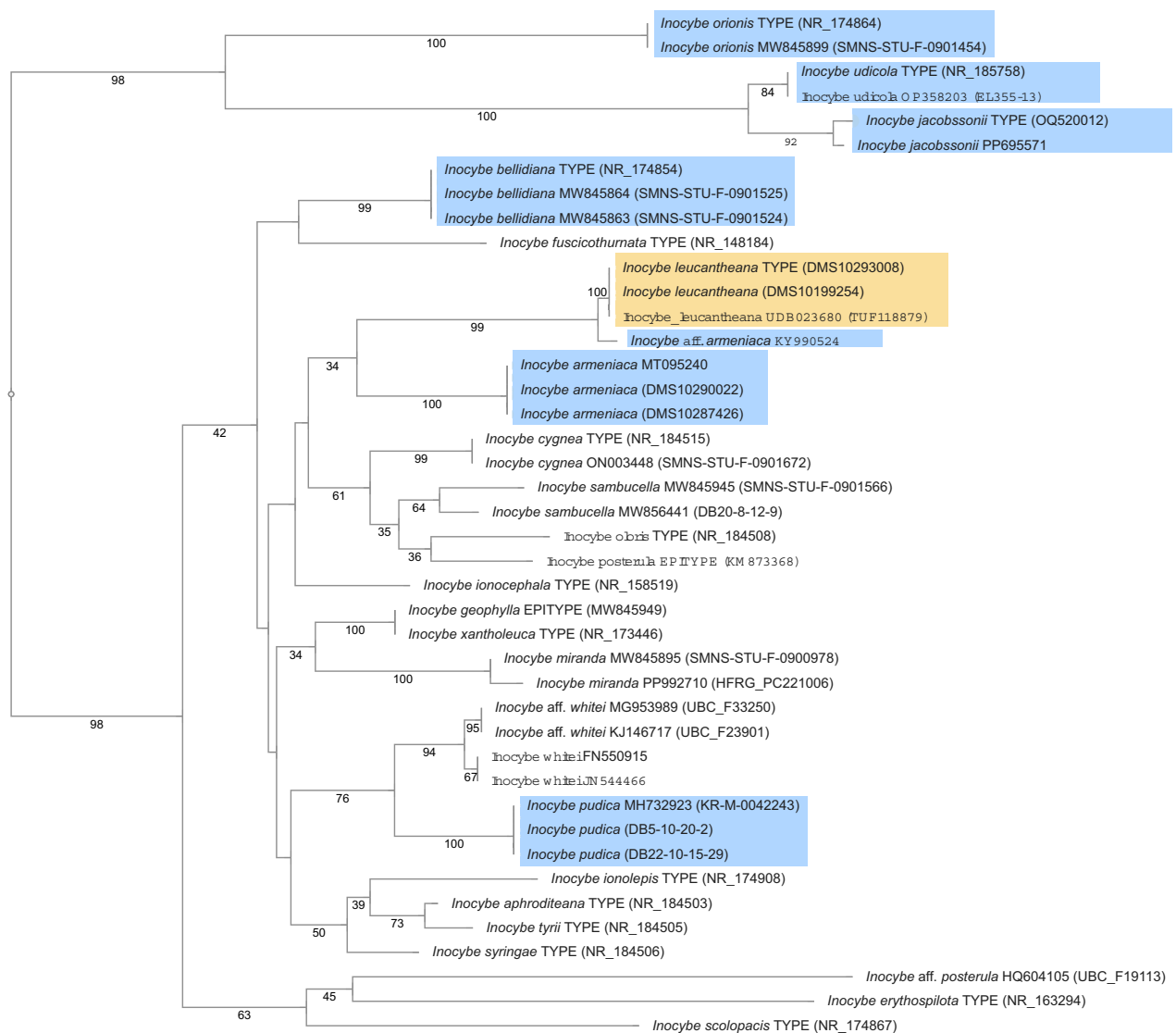


evidence suggests that *I. bellidiana* is ectomycorrhizal only with deciduous hosts, while conifers have been present in many but not all known growing sites of *I. leucantheana*. The lack of a (faint) reddening reaction in *I. bellidiana* should further help separate the two species in the field, while differences in spore and cystidia shape separate the two species in the microscope: In *I. bellidiana* the spores tend to have a characteristic bulgy dorsal side and the hymenial cystidia are predominantly subfusiform to subcylindrical, without a well-differentiated neck (Bandini *et al.* 2021a).

Among the reddening taxa, *I. armeniaca* is the most similar taxon, based on the often only faintly reddening flesh. It differs by a usually acute umbo on the cap, distinctly shorter and on av. somewhat wider, at most short-necked

pleurocystidia, and only faint reaction of walls with KOH. *Inocybe pudica*, another species with reddening context, has stockier basidiomata, on av. longer spores, on av. shorter but wider pleurocystidia, often with long curved pedicel, and the reaction of walls of hymenial cystidia with KOH is weaker. Other similar taxa include *I. orionis*, *I. jacobssonii* and *I. udicola*, which all differ by more brownish colours towards the cap centre and a lack of a reddening reaction in the flesh and cap cuticle. The north American sequence KY990524 comes close but differs in two substitutions and one indel in the ITS region of the DNA and may represent a separate species.

Supplementary material: doi 10.6084/m9.figshare.30448190 (alignment, raw tree)



Neighbour-Joining phylogram obtained from a MAFFT v. 7.526 (Katoh *et al.* 2019) alignment, analysed and visualised by Archaeopteryx.js v. 2.0 (Zmasek & Zhang 2022) based on 128 gap-free sites on the ITS2 region, showing the position of *Inocybe leucantheana* within the *I. geophylla* clade. Support values are bootstrap values obtained from 1000 replicates. Sequences are mostly identified by type status and GenBank accession numbers, supplemented by my fungarium numbers if available. DMS-numbers refer to sequences obtained from collections from the Danish Fungal Atlas (Frøslev *et al.* 2025) available through GBIF. The clade of the new species is indicated in yellow. Names of species discussed as similar are indicated in blue.



Inosperma confusum





Inosperma confusum Ferisin, Esteve-Rav., Pancorbo & Dovana, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: From Latin 'confusus' (Z K L F K U H I H U V W R) in distinguishing it from other similar species within *Inosperma cervicolor* group.

& O D V V L *Inosperma* ~~*Inocybaceae*~~, *Agaricales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Pileus 20–35 mm diam., at first campanulate, later convex, distinctly to barely obtusely umbonate; margin involute when young often fibrillose and often showing traces of veil; surface tomentose to appressed fibrillose, initially covered by a conspicuous whitish veil fully coating the light brown to greyish brown or ochre brown surface, usually persisting at the margin. **Lamellae** subdistant, adnate, subventricose, greyish brown; edge thick, undulate to crenate, white to light brown, paler than sides. **Stipe** 30–70 × 4–6 mm, cylindrical, regular, sometimes slightly thickened towards the base; whitish to pale brown, strongly fibrillose, tomentose-flocculose towards apex; often reddening in places when touched or with age. **Context** brownish to reddish in pileus and at stipe base. **Odour** initially aromatic with a sweet note, becoming earthy at maturity. **Taste** indistinct. **Basidiospores** (10.5–)12.7–13.7–14.9(–17.0) × (6.5–)7.2–7.7–8.2(–9.0) µm, Q = (1.41–)1.63–1.80–1.97(–2.23) (n = 90); smooth, light brown, ellipsoid to subphaseoliform, apiculus not very distinct, usually with a large internal guttule, without germ pore; wall up to 0.8 µm thick. **Basidia** 40–47 × 10–15 µm, clavate, 4-spored; sterigmata up to 8 µm long; not very abundant on gill edge and intermingled with cheilocystidia. **Hymenophoral trama** regular, made of cylindrical-ellipsoid elements 10–16 µm wide, with brownish walls; subhymenium of elements up to 100 × 7–13 µm. **Cheilocystidia** abundant, (30–)40–50(–55) × 8–12(–15) µm, hyaline to pale reddish brown, thin-walled, mostly cylindrical with rounded apex, sometimes narrowly subclavate, with a wavy profile, sometimes constrained in the middle. **Caulocystidia** similar but often longer, 50–60(–65) × (9–)10–14 µm. **Pileipellis** undifferentiated, of ascending terminal elements tending towards a trichoderm, cylindrical, 50–110 × 7–14 µm. **Clamp connections** present.

Habitat and distribution: On soil, gregarious to subcaespitose, in the Mediterranean region, found in calcareous soils, with evergreen oak (*Quercus ilex*, *Fagaceae*) and Aleppo pine (*Pinus halepensis*, *Pinaceae*). Known so far only from Italy and Spain.

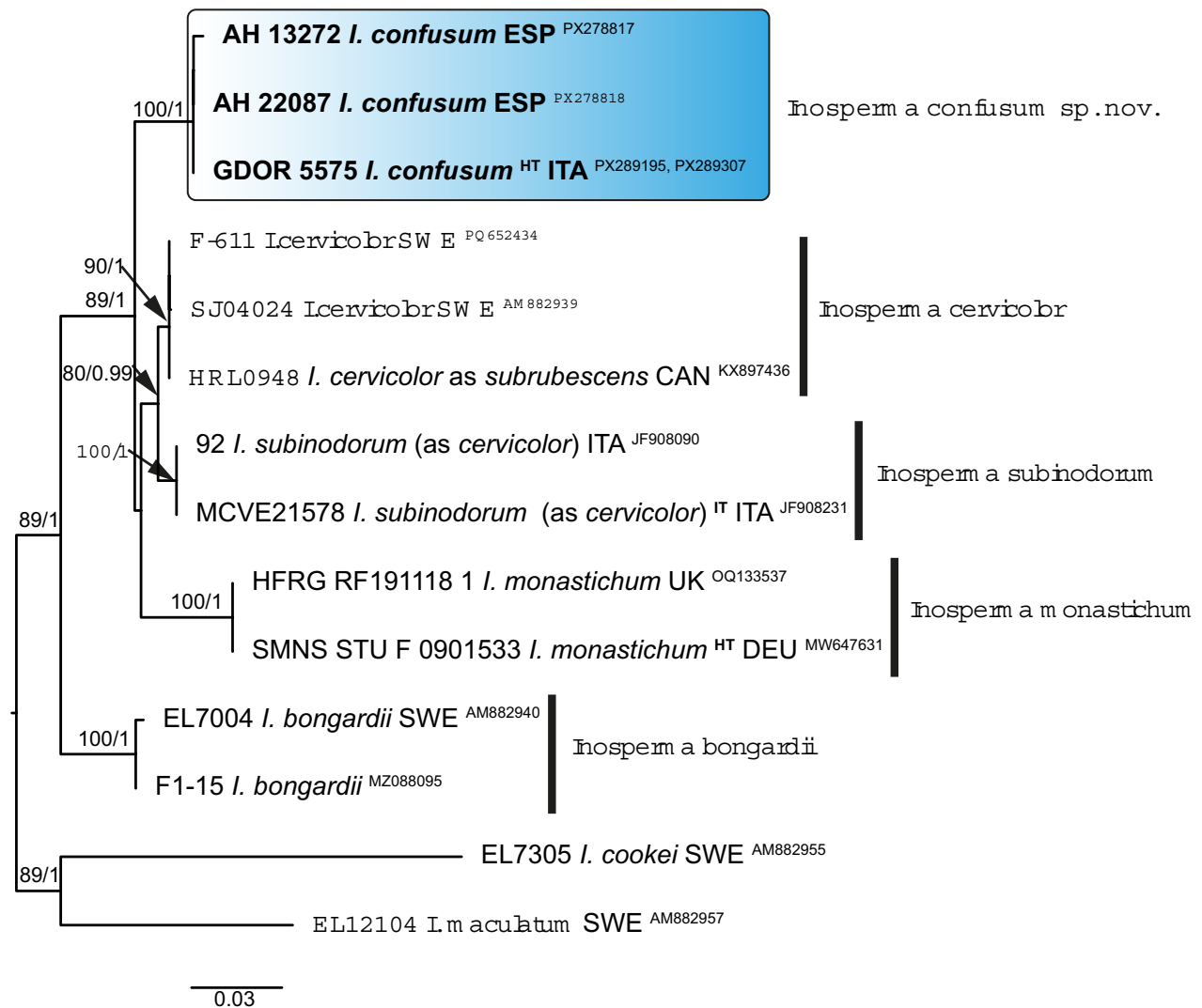
Typus: **Italy**, Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Grado, under *Quercus ilex* and *Pinus halepensis*, 3 Nov. 2020, G. Ferisin (**holotype** GDOR 5575; ITS, LSU and *RPB2* sequences GenBank PX289195, PX289307 and PX317238).

Colour illustrations: *Inosperma confusum* habitat from the type locality in Grado, Italy. *Inosperma confusum* basidiomata in typical habitat (on the left, holotype GDOR 5575 from Italy, Grado; on the right AH 22087 from Spain, Mallorca). Microscopy pictures from top to bottom: cheilocystidia and basidia, cheilocystidia, basidiospores. Scale bars: basidiomata = 10 mm; cheilocystidia and basidiospores = 10 µm.

Additional materials examined: **Spain**, Balearic Islands, Mallorca, Artà, in calcareous soil under *Arbutus unedo* (*Ericaceae*), *Quercus ilex* and *Pinus halepensis*, 28 Oct. 1996, J.L. Siquier (AH 22087; ITS+LSU sequence GenBank PX278818); Castilla-La Mancha, Guadalajara, Tamajón, Ciudad Encantada, in calcareous soil under *Quercus ilex* subsp. *ballota* and *Juniperus thurifera* (*Cupressaceae*), 26 Apr. 1991, M. Heykoop (AH 13272; ITS+LSU sequence GenBank PX278817).

Notes: The terminology follows that of Vellinga (1988) and Kuyper (1986). *Inosperma confusum* is a species of the Mediterranean maquis, which seems to be associated with *Quercus ilex* and *Pinus halepensis* on calcareous soils, and probably also *Cistaceae*. Its size and general appearance resemble those of *Inosperma cervicolor*, which is also its closest genetic relative. *Inosperma confusum* is characterised by its medium size; its light brown to brown pileus surface, covered in youth by a tomentose-woolly whitish velipellis; also, its cylindrical to narrowly subclavate, often undulate, cheilocystidia; and its comparatively large basidiospores, often reaching 13.5–14 µm in length. The ITS+LSU sequence of *I. confusum* shows 94.17 % similarity to that of *I. cervicolor* (voucher SJ04024; GenBank AM882939) when blasted in GenBank. Beyond its genetic distinction, *I. cervicolor* differs morphologically in having a squamulose to squamose, rough pileus with contrasting scales at maturity, and in producing a strong, earthy or DDT-like odour when cut (Kuyper 1986, Bon 1997). Its cystidia are somewhat broader at the apex and often subcapitate, and its spores are smaller, rarely exceeding 13 µm in length and 7.5 µm in width. In our experience, *Inosperma cervicolor* is occasionally found in humid Mediterranean ecosystems with evergreen oaks, but it more typically occurs in moister continental habitats in association with coniferous, frondose or mixed forests (*Pinaceae* and *Fagaceae*) on basic soils. The larger species *Inosperma bongardii* and *I. pisciodorum* exhibit a distinctive initial odour: the former fruity (orange, Muscari-like) or floral, the latter tending towards a fishy or pelargonium-like smell. *Inosperma monastichum* is distinguished by its small size, smooth to slightly fibrillose pileus, much smaller spores, an odour ranging from aromatic to faintly unpleasant (Bandini *et al.* 2021b). The ITS+LSU sequence of *I. confusum* shows 90.78 % similarity to that of *I. monastichum* (holotype) when blasted in GenBank. Finally, *Inosperma subinodorum*, a new species also described in this *Fungal Planet* contribution, is a species typically associated with *Picea* in the Alps. It possesses a distinctly squamulose pileus and lacks any characteristic odour. The ITS+LSU sequence of *I. confusum* shows 91.94 % similarity to that of *I. subinodorum* (holotype) when blasted in GenBank.

Supplementary material: doi:10.6084/m9.figshare.29767040 (alignment).



The 50 % majority rule consensus tree resulting from the Bayesian analysis of the ITS and LSU regions. Bootstrap values ≥ 75 % and posterior probabilities ≥ 0.80 are shown above the branches. The maximum likelihood (ML) analyses were performed using IQ-TREE v. 2.4.0 (Minh *et al.* 2020). The partitioning scheme and model parameters were estimated by the partition merging option and ModelFinder (Kalyaanamoorthy *et al.* 2017) as implemented in IQ-TREE, with two partitions corresponding to the ITS and LSU DNA regions. Ten ML searches were performed, retaining the best likelihood tree. Node support was assessed using 1000 standard non-parametric bootstrap replicates (significant when ≥ 75 %). Bayesian inference (BI) was conducted with MrBayes v. 3.2.7 (Ronquist *et al.* 2012) using the same partitioning scheme. Voucher numbers and GenBank accession numbers are provided for all sequences, including those generated in this study, as well as country ISO alpha3 code abbreviations. Type collections are indicated in superscript: HT = holotype, IT = isotype. The tree was rooted with sequences of *Inosperma maculatum* and *I. cookei*. The new species described is highlighted in the coloured rectangle. Sequences newly generated are indicated in **bold**. The scale bar represents the expected number of nucleotide changes per site.

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Inosperma friesii E. Larss., Esteve-Rav. & Pancorbo, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: Named in honour of the Swedish mycologist, Elias Fries.

Classification: *Inocybaceae*, *Agaricales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Pileus 20–50 mm diam., as young conical, conical-convex or campanulate, later becoming plano-convex to expanded, with indistinct low to a broad obtuse umbo, margin inflexed when young, later deflexed, becoming straight and often wavy, straw-yellow to ochraceous yellow, rather uniformly coloured, surface sericeous smooth, radially fibrillose, fibrils often diverging towards the margin, becoming rimulose, velipellis whitish, often distinct forming a velar patch around the centre. **Lamellae** rather crowded, interspersed with lamellulae, L = 48–56, up to 5 mm broad, subventricose, adnate-submarginate, first whitish to pale beige with a greyish tone, then grey-ochraceous to light tobacco brown, without olive tinges, margin white, fimbriate. **Stipe** 30–55 × 3–8 mm, equal cylindrical to subcylindrical, base clavate to moderately or distinctly bulbous, white, cream white to pale yellowish, with age yellowish ochraceous, finely subflocculose at apex, smoother or sparsely fibrillose towards the base. **Cortina** present in young basidiomes, soon disappearing. **Context** in pileus and stem initially whitish, becoming pale yellow-ochraceous in some mature specimens. **Smell** aromatic rather unpleasant reminding of *Lactarius quietus*. **Taste** as smell. **Basidiospores** (6.7–)7.1–8.0–8.8(–9.8) × (3.5–)4.0–4.6–5.2(–5.8) µm, Q = (1.37–)1.51–1.7–1.97(–2.21), (n = 357/5), smooth, phaseoliform to subphaseoliform, ellipsoid to subovoid, very pale yellowish brown. **Basidia** 26–31–38 × 7–8–10 µm, Q = 3.0–3.6–4.5 clavate, mainly 4-spored, pale yellowish, some with intracellular brown greenish pigments. **Pleurocystidia** absent. **Cheilocystidia** (22.0–)25.7–33.1–40.7(–48.1) × (6.9–)7.8–10.2–13.4(–14.3) µm, Q = (2.7–)2.8–3.6–4.7(–5.0), (n = 171/4), thin-walled, pale yellowish, clavate to subclavate, subcylindrical with rounded apex, in some substrangled towards the middle of its length, often with two or three septa at the base. **Caulocystidia** (25.7–)29.7–47.6–69.7(–77.5) × (8.1–)8.6–11.8–17.0(–17.3) µm, Q = (2.4–)2.7–4.0–6.5(–6.8), present near stipe apex, similar in shape to cheilocystidia, but in general longer, multiseptate, irregularly shaped. **Clamp connections** present.

Ecology and distribution: The species is ectomycorrhizal (ECM), most often collected in mixed deciduous forests likely associated with *Corylus avellana* (*Betulaceae*), *Fagus sylvatica* and *Castanea sativa* (*Fagaceae*), but several other potential host trees were also observed as *Populus tremula* (*Salicaceae*) and *Abies alba* (*Pinaceae*). It is known from

the hemiboreal and nemoral zones in Europe, sporulating from late July to October on both acid and rich soils. Blast searches of NCBI's GenBank and the UNITE database gave matches to ITS data from a soil sample in Germany (GenBank GQ219881), ECM of *Abies alba* in Slovenia (GenBank MN265550, MN265551, MN265552, MK820084) and basidiomata from Austria (GenBank UDB07676179, UDB0802475), suggesting the species to have broad host preferences and a wide distribution in Europe.

Typus: **Sweden**, Västra Götalands, Långared, Östad säteri, Djurgården, 57°57'10.70"N, 12°24'30.69"E, 75 m.a.s.l., in mixed deciduous dominated forest with *Corylus avellana*, *Populus tremula*, *Quercus robur*, *Fagus sylvatica* and *Pinus sylvestris*, on rich soil, 18 Sep. 2014, E. Larsson, EL161-14 (**holotype** GB-0207737; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PV962265; **isotype** AH 59983).

Additional materials examined: **Spain**, Castilla-León, Salamanca, Linares de Riofrío, fuente del Cántaro, 40°34'3"N, 5°54'49" W, 990 m.a.s.l., in *Castanea sativa* and *Alnus glutinosa* forest in acidic soil, 26 Sep. 1991, F. Esteve-Raventós & A. Altés (AH 15648; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PV989624 and PV989625); País Vasco, Gipuzkoa, Aia-Sagastizabal 43°13'58"N, 02°10'30"W, 609 m, in mixed forest litter under *Fagus sylvatica* and *Picea abies*, 15 Oct. 2011, J. Teres (A3033548-2; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PV989626 and PV989627). **Denmark**, Jylland, Vejle, Barrit, Staksrode Skov, in forest with *Fagus sylvatica* on sandy and clay soil, 20 Sep. 2017, E. Larsson, EL314-17 (GB-0207735; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PV962266). **Sweden**, Västragötaland, Långared, Östad, Ekedalen, 57°57'58"N, 12°24'16"E, 78 m, in mixed deciduous forest under *Corylus avellana*, 26 Jul. 2004, E. Larsson, EL104-04 (GB-0240782; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank AM882952; AH 59984); Småland, Femsjö, Femsjö kyrkoreservat, in mixed forest under *Corylus avellana*, 19 Sep. 2009, E. Larsson & A. Molia, EL225-09 (GB-0207736; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PV962267).

Collections studied for comparison: *Inosperma cookei*. **Sweden**, Bohuslän, Tanum, Greby kleva, mixed deciduous forest on calcareous ground, under *Corylus*, 6 Sep. 2016, E. Larsson (EL299-16; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PV987799); Västergötland, Horla, Yxnäs, meadow area with *Populus*, *Betula* and *Quercus*, 28 Sep. 2014, E. Larsson (EL192-14; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PV987800). *Inosperma quietiodor*. **Sweden**, Västergötland, Östeplana, Östeplana hed, grazed meadow area with *Quercus*, *Corylus* and *Tilia*, 27 Sep. 2004, E. Larsson (EL115-04; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank AM882960); Västergötland, Medelplana, Råbäcks munkångar, mixed deciduous forest on calcareous ground, 10 Sep. 1994, L. & A. Stridvall (GB-0127900; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank AM882961). *Inosperma kuthanii*. **Czechoslovakia**, Moravica, Starý Podvůr, near Hodonín, Kuthan, 26 Sep. 1975, (M0020326, isotype; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX057437).

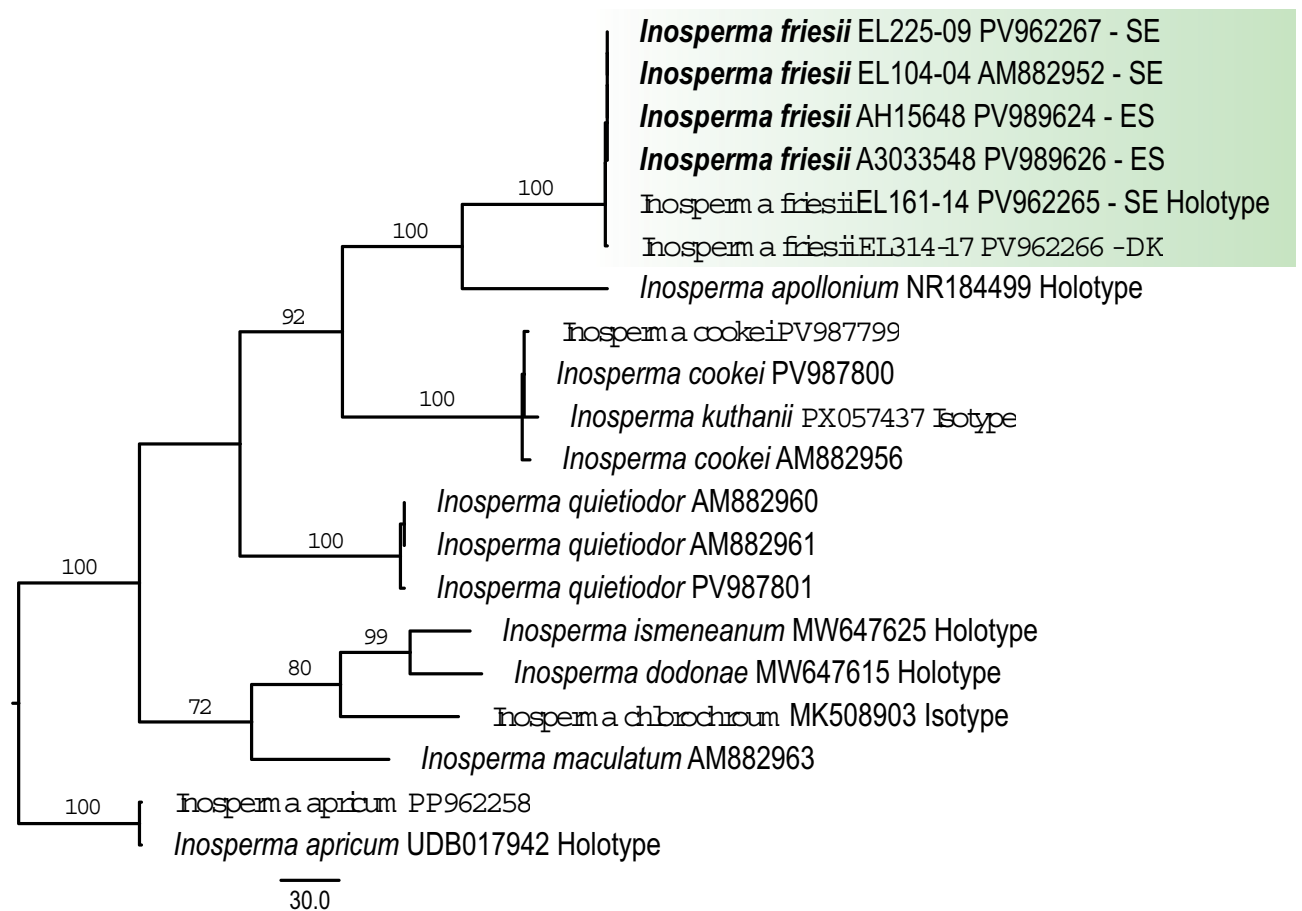
Colour illustrations: *Inosperma friesii* habitat in the boreo-nemoral zone in Sweden, Småland, Femsjö, Fries-minnet, the place where Elias Fries grew up and started to study mycology and where this species has been found. *In situ* basidiomata of the holotype (GB-0207737); photos from bottom to top, SEM basidiospores, OM basidiospores, cheilocystidia, caulocystidia from the upper part of the stipe. Scale bars: basidiomata = 1 cm; cystidia = 50 µm; OM spores = 10 µm; SEM spores = 2 µm.



Notes: *Inosperma friesii* is similar in morphology to *I. cookei*, *I. apollonium* and *I. quietiodor* and they can also co-occur on the same locality. In the phylogeny *I. friesii* clusters with *I. apollonium* as closest relative, and *I. apollonium* is also the closest match with a described species when blasting the ITS sequence in GenBank (84.3 % similarity). *Inosperma cookei* differs from *I. friesii* by the strong smell of honey and distinctly claviform to pyriform cheilocystidia (Bresadola 1892, Kuyper 1986, Larsson *et al.* 2009). Both *I. apollonium* and *I. friesii* have narrowly claviform and smaller cheilocystidia. In *I. apollonium*, the cheilocystidia show a typically wavy outline (Bandini *et al.* 2022b) and the spores are on average larger than in *I. friesii* (9.7–5.2 vs 8.0–4.6 µm). *Inosperma kuthanii* (Stangl & Veselsky 1979) turns out to be a synonym of *I.*

cookei according to ITS data obtained from the isotype (M0020326) that is identical with that of *I. cookei*. The similarity in morphology was already noticed by Kuyper (1986) who regarded it as a variety, *I. cookei* var. *kuthanii*. *Inosperma friesii* seems to have a smell that reminds of *I. quietiodor*, and two of our collections were initially determined to be *I. quietiodor*. But *I. quietiodor* differs by having larger spores with an ellipsoid or barely reniform profile (Bon 1976, Kuyper 1986). Terminology follows Vellinga (1988) and Kuyper (1986).

Supplementary material: doi: 10.6084/m9.figshare.30001117 (alignment and tree).



Phylogram obtained using PAUP v. 4.0b10 (Swofford 2003) based on ITS and LSU data showing the position of *I. friesii* among its closest relatives in *Inosperma*. Heuristic searches with 1000 random-addition sequence replicates and tree bisection-reconnection (TBR) branch swapping were performed. Relative robustness of clades was assessed by the bootstrap method using 1000 heuristic search replicates with 100 random taxon addition sequence replicates and TBR branch swapping. Bootstrap support values are indicated on branches. *Inosperma friesii* is marked in bold and a coloured block, the holotype is indicated.

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Inosperma subinodorum Bizio, Esteve-Rav. & Pancorbo, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: From Latin ‘*sub*’ = under, below or beneath, and ‘*inodorus*, *a*, *um*’ = odourless, without smell; referring to the faint or indistinct odour of this species.

Classification: *Inocybaceae*, *Agaricales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Pileus 15–40 mm, conical-convex to flat-convex, shallowly to indistinctly umbonate when expanded; surface typically covered with rust-brown scales around the centre (leptotoid appearance), more sparsely arranged towards the margin, contrasting with the light brownish background colour; margin fimbriate, veil apparently absent or not observed. **Lamellae** adnate, submarginate, broad to subventricose, initially beige or light brown, then brownish with a slight olive tinge, tending to become rust-coloured in damaged or altered spots; margin wavy, whitish fibrillose. **Stipe** 20–50 × 2–5 mm, subcylindrical or slightly attenuated, light brown, gradually lighter towards the base, subflocculose at the apex, smoother towards the base, sometimes with whitish fibrils, tending to redden slightly in damaged areas or with age. **Context** initially whitish in the pileus and at the base of the stipe, later concolourous to brownish along the stipe, reddening in broken or damaged areas; **smell** absent or weak, sometimes slightly mouldy, somewhat unpleasant; **taste** sweetish. **Basidiospores** (10.5–)11.5–13.0–14.8(–16.0) × (6.2–)6.5–7.3–8.0(–9.6) µm, Q = (1.5–)1.6–1.8–2.0(–2.2), (n = 216/4), smooth, ellipsoid, subphaseoliform, yellowish ochraceous. **Basidia** 33.5–40.8–44.8 × 6.5–11.6–14.5 µm, narrowly clavate, mainly 4-spored, hyaline, some with intracellular brown pigment. **Pleurocystidia** absent. **Cheilocystidia** (23.8–)30.1–43.1–61.2(–87.4) × (6.3–)6.9–9.6–14.1(–17.2) µm, Q = (1.9–)3.0–4.6–6.3(–7.5), (n = 111/4), subcylindrical with round apex, subclavate, subcapitate, hyaline, thin-walled, some with brown contents. **Caulocystidia** (37.2–)41.4–60.0–81.3(–97.1) × (7.6–)8.9–13.1–22.3(–25.6) µm, Q = (1.8–)2.6–4.9–7.3(–7.9), (n = 35/2), present near apex, similar in shape to cheilocystidia, generally larger, irregularly shaped, often with a T-shaped apex, abundant. **Clamp connections** present.

Habitat and distribution: Ectomycorrhizal (ECM) in montane coniferous forests in the Alps, sometimes mixed with deciduous, and associating with *Picea abies* and *Larix decidua*, likely with a preference for acidic or acidified soils in calcareous ground. Known from Italy and Switzerland, but probably widespread in the Alps and central Europe, at an altitude of 1250–1750 m.

Colour illustrations: Habitat of *Inosperma subinodorum* in *Picea abies* forest in Tabiadon di Val, Italy, at 1270 m.a.s.l. (type locality). *In situ* basidiomata of the holotype (AH 56188); from bottom to top: SEM basidiospores; OM basidiospores; cheilocystidia; caulocystidia (AH 46862) in the upper part of the stipe. Scale bars: basidiomata = 10 mm; cystidia = 50 µm; OM spores = 10 µm; SEM spores = 2 µm.

Typus: **Italy**, Belluno, Falcade, Tabiadon di Val, 46°22′04″N, 11°53′12″E, 1270 m.a.s.l., in *Picea abies* forest on calcareous ground, 26 Aug. 1997, *E. Bizio* (**holotype** AH 56188; ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX046529; **isotype** MCVE21578; ITS sequence GenBank JF908231).

Additional materials examined: **Italy**, Belluno, Falcade, Tabiadon di Val, 46°21′17″N, 11°52′59″E, 1137 m.a.s.l., in *Picea abies* forest, 16 Dec. 1992, *E. Bizio*, MCVE19921 (ex MCVE92; ITS sequence GenBank JF908090; Trento, Moena, Passo S. Pellegrino, 46°22′37″N, 11°49′33″E, 1750 m.a.s.l., in *Picea abies* forest on acid igneous rock, 5 Sep. 1999, *E. Bizio* EB19990905, AH 56192; Belluno, Falcade, Tabiadon di Val, 46°22′04″N, 11°53′12″E, 1270 m.a.s.l., in *Picea abies* forest on calcareous ground, 27 Aug. 2002, *E. Bizio*, EB20020827, AH 56189; Belluno, Falcade, Centrale Elettrica Cavia, 46°22′01″N 11°50′05″E 1535 m.a.s.l., in *Picea abies* forest on acid igneous rock, 4 Sep. 2003, *E. Bizio*, EB20030904, AH 56190, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX046530; Belluno, Falcade, Centrale Elettrica Cavia, 46°22′01″N, 11°50′05″E, 1535 m.a.s.l., in *Picea abies* forest on acid igneous rock, 16 Aug. 2005, *E. Bizio* EB20050816, AH 56191, ITS-LSU sequence GenBank PX046531; Belluno, Malga Framont, Agordo, 46°18′53″N 12°03′13″E, 1595 m.a.s.l., in *Picea abies* forest on calcareous ground, 15 Aug. 2019, *E. Bizio* EB20190815, AH 46964. **Switzerland**, Grisones, Scuol, Ftan, God Chauols, 46°47′40.62″N, 10°14′29.45″E, 1720 m.a.s.l., in forest with *Picea excelsa* and *Larix decidua*, 11 Sep. 1995, *G. Moreno*, *E. Horak* & *F. Esteve-Raventós*, AH 46862, ITS sequence GenBank PX046532.

Notes: The terminology follows that of Vellinga (1988) and Kuyper (1986). This species is characterised by its typically squamous pileus with more or less erect and dark scales, especially in the centre, which contrast with a paler background (leptotoid appearance at maturity); a flattened, obtusely umbonate pileus in mature specimens; caulocystidia larger than cheilocystidia; and, notably, its faint earthy to hardly distinctive odour and habitat. It appears to form an ectomycorrhizal association with conifers at montane elevations in the Alps (central Europe), particularly spruce (*Picea abies*), on acidic soils (quartz porphyry), and occasionally on acidified calcareous (Werfen) soils. *Inosperma bongardii* and *I. pisciodorum* exhibit a distinctive aromatic odour: the former is fruity (orange, Muscari-like) or floral, while the latter tends to develop a fishy or pelargonium-like smell. Both species have a nearly smooth and pale pileus when young, which sometimes breaks into flat, slightly contrasting scales as they develop or under certain environmental conditions. Their cystidia are clavate and larger than in *I. subinodorum*, and usually exhibit distinct reddish contents upon maturation. *Inosperma cervicolor*, the species phylogenetically closest to *I. subinodorum*, is characterised by a clear, strong and unpleasant odour, reminiscent of damp earth, or mould, sometimes compared to the smell of dry sausage or insecticide (Bon 1997). The cap exhibits a

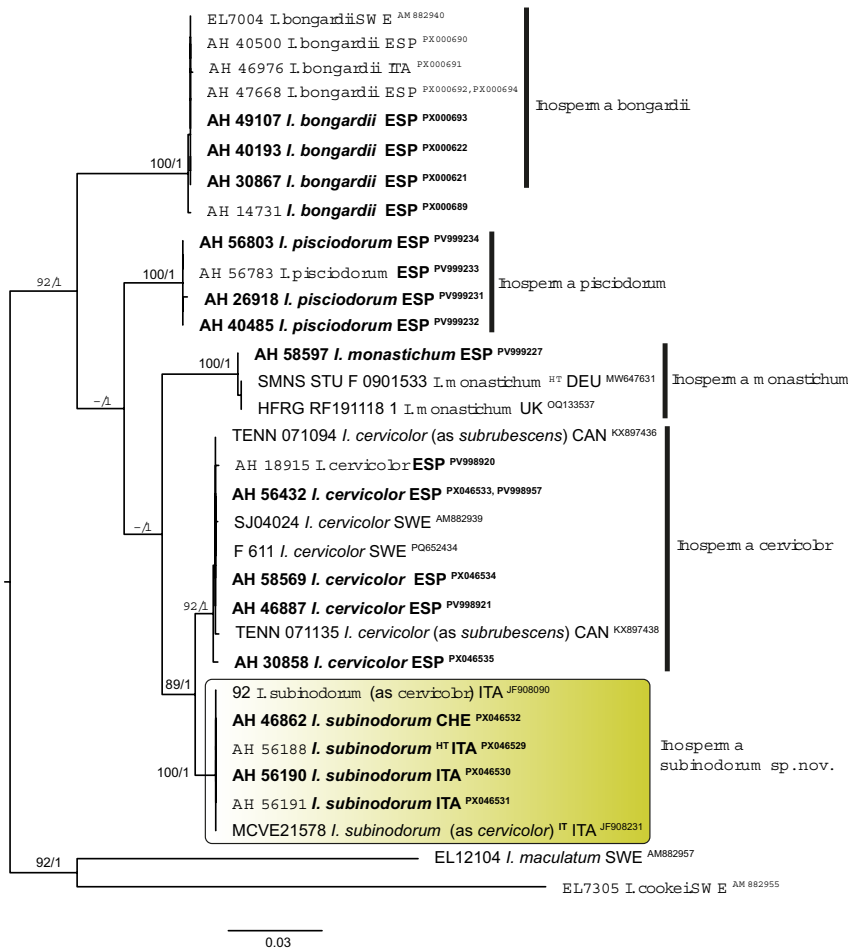


typically scaly appearance with background-coloured scales, and the cystidia are claviform to often subcapitate (Kuyper 1986, Stangl 1989 Bon, 1997). Finally, *I. monastichum* is distinguished by its small size, smooth or slightly fibrillose cap; smaller spores; cylindrical, non-capitate cystidia; and an odour ranging from aromatic to slightly unpleasant (Bandini *et al.* 2021b).

According to the description, habitat, iconography, and distribution provided by Ferrari (2007, 2010) for the *f. inolens* of *Inosperma cervicolor*, it can be assumed that this may correspond to *I. subinodorum*, although molecular studies of Ferrari's collections of this odourless form have not yet been conducted.

The phylogenetic analysis revealed that the species most closely related to *Inosperma subinodorum* is *I. cervicolor*, with strong support [bootstrap value (BS) = 89 %, Bayesian posterior probability (BPP) = 1] and a similarity range of 96–97.5 % with the holotype collection (AH 56188). More distantly related taxa with unresolved relationships include *I. monastichum*, *I. pisciodorum* and *I. bongardii*, which show 91.75 %, 92.76 %, and 84.4–84.8 % similarity to the holotype collection, respectively.

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Majority rule (50 %) consensus tree resulting from the Bayesian analysis of the ITS and LSU regions. Bootstrap values ≥ 75 % and posterior probabilities ≥ 0.80 are shown above the branches. ML analyses were performed using IQ-TREE v. 2.4.0 (Minh *et al.* 2020). The partitioning scheme and model parameters were estimated by the partition merging option and ModelFinder (Kalyaanamoorthy *et al.* 2017) as implemented in IQ-TREE, with two partitions corresponding to the ITS and LSU DNA regions. Ten ML searches were performed, retaining the best likelihood tree. Node support was assessed using 1000 standard non-parametric bootstrap replicates (significant when ≥ 75 %). Bayesian inference (BI) was conducted with MrBayes v. 3.2.7 (Ronquist *et al.* 2012) using the same partitioning scheme. Voucher numbers and GenBank accession numbers are provided for all sequences, including those generated in this study, as well as country ISO alpha3 code abbreviations. Type collections are indicated in superscript: HT = holotype, IT = isotype. The tree was rooted with sequences of *Inosperma maculatum* and *I. cookei*. The new species described is highlighted in the coloured rectangle. Sequences newly generated are indicated in **bold**. The scale bar represents the expected number of nucleotide changes per site.

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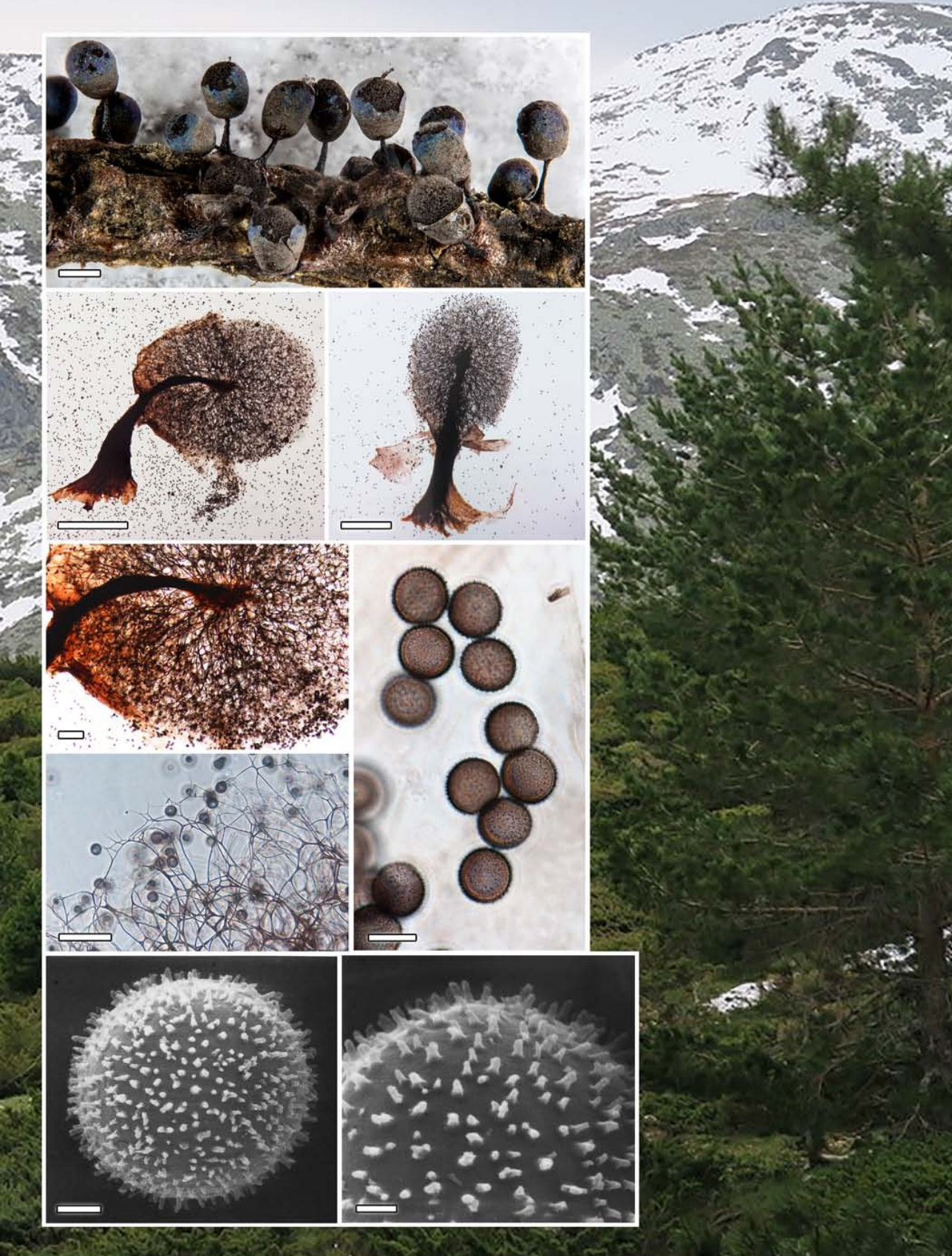
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Lamproderma stephensonii





Lamproderma stephensonii G. Moreno, López-Vill., & A. Sánchez, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: *stephensonii* in honour of Steven L. Stephenson, for his work in the field of *Myxomycetes*.

Classification: *Lamprodermataceae*, *Physarales*, *Myxomycetes*.

Sporocarps abundant, densely aggregated, stalked, 2–3 mm tall. *Sporotheca* obovoid or broadly cylindrical, 1.0–2.1 × 0.9–1.2 mm, with an obtuse apex, blackish. *Peridium* membranous, greyish with a violet iridescence, persistent mainly in the lower half of the sporotheca. *Stalk* cylindrical, widened towards the base, solid, brownish black, inner fibers thick and dark reddish brown, up to 1 mm long, 1/2–1/3 of the height of the sporotheca. *Columella* a continuation of the stalk, reddish brown, reaching 2/3 the height of the sporotheca. *Capillitium* very dense, anastomosed, sinuous, emerging along the columella, reddish brown, paler towards the periphery, with elongated, free, spiny tips. *Hypothallus* membranous, reddish brown. *Spores* globose to subglobose, black in mass, uniformly violaceous brown under transmitted light, 11–13.5 µm in diam, av. 12.32 × 12.32 µm, Qav = 1 (n = 25), with spines. Under SEM the spore ornamentation is formed by bacula, densely and regularly distributed, reaching 0.5 µm in height. *Plasmodium* unknown.

Habitat and distribution: This is a nivicolous species occurring in groups on various coniferous substrates, including twigs and needles of *Abies alba* and *Pinus sylvestris*. Rare in the areas studied.

Typus: **Spain**, Segovia, Pto. de Navafría, twigs of *Pinus sylvestris*, 20 Mar. 2001, A. Sánchez (**holotype** AH 30037; nSSU, mtSSU and EF1A sequences GenBank PV535322, PV535326 and PV550373).

Additional material examined: **Italy**, Cuneo, Pratolungo-Roviera N44°14'26.05", E7°10'31.55", 1570 m.a.s.l., on living twigs and needles of *Abies alba*, 2 May 2019, E. Richard & F. Hairie (**paratype**, AH 50591, duplicate in MM40311; nSSU, mtSSU and EF1A sequences GenBank PV535323, PV535327 and PV550374). **Spain**, Segovia, Navafría mountain pass, twigs of *Pinus sylvestris*, 19 Mar. 2001, A. Sánchez (**paratype** AH 29308; nSSU, mtSSU, EF1A and COI sequences GenBank PV535320, PV535325, PV550371 and PV550376); *ibid.*, 1770 m.a.s.l., 24 Mar. 2001 (**paratype** AH 28551; nSSU, mtSSU, EF1A and COI sequences GenBank PV535319, PV535324, PV550370 and PV550375); *ibid.*, 1800 m.a.s.l. (**paratype** AH 49190); *ibid.*, 27 Mar. 2001 (**paratype** AH 30036; nSSU, EF1A and COI sequences GenBank PV535321, PV550372 and PV550377).

Colour illustrations: Spain, Segovia, Navafría mountain pass, where the holotype was collected. Sporocarps; sporocarp; capillitium and columella; tips of the capillitium; spores by LM; spore by SEM (holotype). Scale bars: sporocarps = 1 mm; sporocarps under LM = 0.5 mm; capillitium and columella = 100 µm; capillitium = 50 µm; spores under LM = 10 µm, spores under SEM = 2 µm.

Notes: *Lamproderma stephensonii* is characterised by its densely aggregated sporocarps, noticeable large in size, with a persistent peridium mainly in the lower part of the sporotheca, a solid stalk formed by reddish brown inner fibres, a reddish brown capillitium, whitish towards the periphery, and spinose, relatively large (11–13.5 µm diam.) spores.

Lamproderma stephensonii can be confused with other species of *Lamproderma* in the *ovoideum* complex. It was originally described as *L. ovoideoechinulatum* var. *microsporum*. Indeed, *L. ovoideoechinulatum* is the closest species both macro- and microscopically. *Lamproderma ovoideoechinulatum* can be distinguished by its shorter stalk (up to 1/3 of the height of the sporotheca), and larger spores 12.5–15(–16) µm in diam, with irregularly distributed spines (Poulain & Meyer 2005) and a paler area that is absent in the new species.

Lamproderma ovoideum has a darker capillitium as viewed under transmitted light and larger spores (13–16 µm diam.) with very subtle, dense, and regularly distributed ornamentation (Moreno *et al.* 2002). Under SEM the spores are ornamented by short pila.

Lamproderma cucumer is characterized by very short stalks (sometimes it even appears to be sessile), and its spores are warted under transmitted light and shortly pilated under SEM.

Lamproderma piriforme has large spores (15–20 µm in diam) and the spore ornamentation is similar to that of *L. ovoideum*.

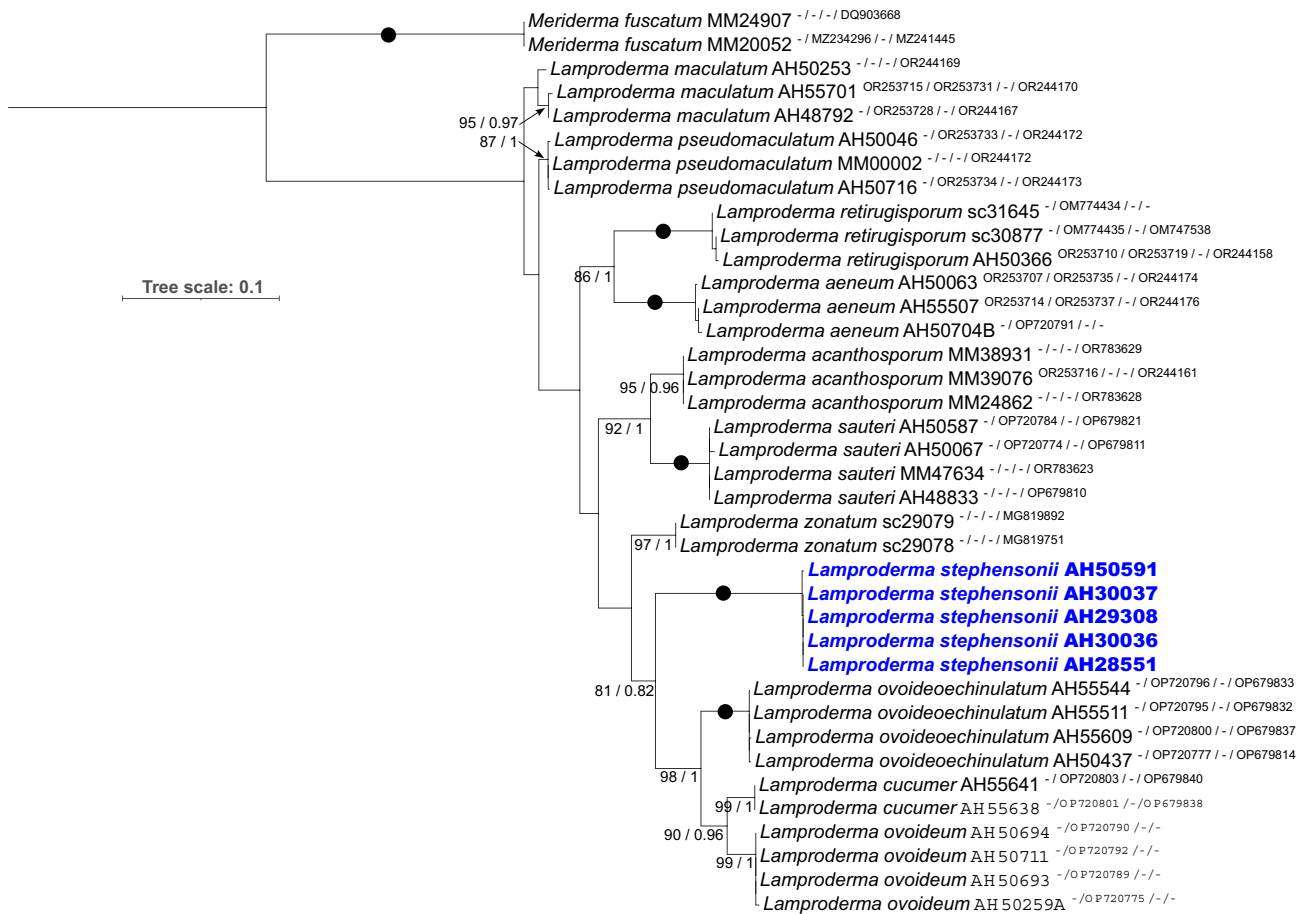
The presence of fibres in the stalk of this *Lamproderma* reminds one of the genus *Comatracha*. However, members of the latter genus develop the fibres on the outer surface of the stalk. In addition, nivicolous species of *Comatracha* usually retain remnants of the peridium attached to the sporotheca. These species are *Comatracha fusiformis*, and *C. pseudoalpina*.

Comatracha fusiformis differs by its long, fusiform sporotheca retaining remnants of the peridium and spores 12–14 µm in diam. By SEM, the ornamentation is formed by dense, regularly distributed stellate baculae (Singer *et al.* 2005). An instructive macrograph of the species is available in Poulain *et al.* (2011).

Comatracha nivalis is characterized by its small, globose, brownish sporocarps, scattered or clustered, with abundant remnants of the silver peridium, especially in the lower half of the sporotheca. The columella reaches up to 2/3 the height of the sporotheca. The capillitium has spiny free ends which are sometimes dichotomous or trichotomous and attached to remnants of the peridium. Spores verrucose, 10–12 µm diam (Moreno *et al.* 2012).

Comatracha pseudoalpina differs by its strongly aggregated sporocarps, very short stalk, the long and broad sporotheca, a persistent peridium at maturity that has irregular scales or patches where the spores remain attached (Moreno *et al.* 2004). Excellent macrographs of this species are available in Moreno *et al.* (2010) and Poulain *et al.* (2011).

Supplementary material: The alignment in fasta format and phylogenetic tree in pdf format are deposited at figshare.com (doi: 10.6084/m9.figshare.30340141).



Phylogram obtained from maximum likelihood (ML) analysis based on a combined *COI* / *EF1A* / mtSSU / nSSU alignment in IQ-TREE 1.6.12 (Nguyen *et al.* 2015). The ML analysis with 1000 ultrafast bootstrap replicates (Minh *et al.* 2013) which gave a best tree with a final likelihood value of -7304.0992 is presented. The best-fit model identified for the entire alignment in IQ-TREE using ModelFinder (Kalyaanamoorthy *et al.* 2017) was SYM+G4. Two specimens of the genus *Meriderma* were selected as the outgroup. In total, 38 sequences were included in the analyses, which comprise 2592 characters including gaps. The values on the branches represent $\geq 75\%$ ultrafast bootstrap support / ≥ 0.75 approximate Bayes test; black dots represent full support (100/1). The scale bar shows the expected number of nucleotide substitutions per site. The new species is indicated in **bold** and blue, and it is surrounded by a coloured rectangle.

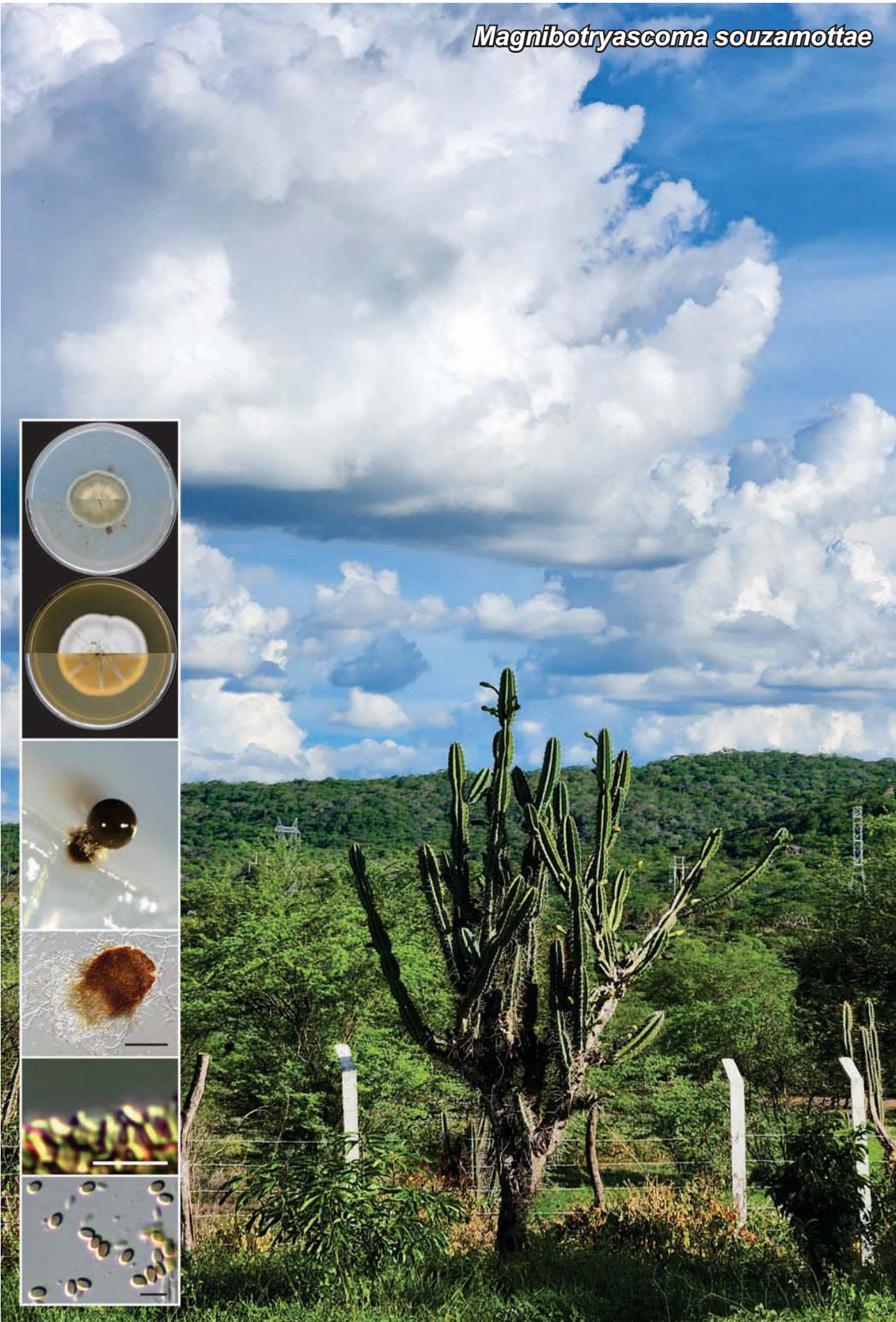
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Magnibotryascoma souzamottae





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Magnibotryascoma souzamottae G.G. Barreto, G.M.R. Albuquerque, L.O. Ferro, P.H.F. Oliveira & J.D.P. Bezerra, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: Named in honour of Prof. Dr Cristina Maria de Souza Motta for her contribution to fungal taxonomy at the URM culture collection of the Universidade Federal de Pernambuco (Recife, Brazil).

Classification: *Teichosporaceae*, *Pleosporales*, *Dothideomycetes*.

Hyphae septate, smooth, thin-walled, hyaline when young, becoming pale brown at maturity, 1.5–4 µm wide. **Conidiomata** on culture media and occasionally immersed, globose to subglobose, brown to dark brown, ostiolate, (65–)83.5–297(–) µm diam. **Pycnidia** wall of brown textura angularis. **Conidiophores** reduced to conidiogenous cells. **Conidiogenous cells** enteroblastic, phialidic, discrete, cylindrical to oblong, hyaline, pale brown, 4–7(–13) × 1.5–2 µm. **Conidia** globose to subglobose, hyaline when young and pale brown at maturity, aseptate, smooth-walled, (3.5–)4–5 µm diam. **Sexual-morph** not observed. **P**

Culture characteristics: On PDA surface velvety, greenish brown, reverse greenish brown, reaching 36 mm diam. after 2 wk at 25 °C. On MEA surface velvety, white to greyish, reverse brownish, reaching 52 mm diam. after 2 wk at 25 °C.

Typus: Brazil, Pernambuco state, Itaíba municipality, Curral Velho, 37°14'40"W, isolated as an endophyte from cladodes of *T. inamoena*, Sep. 2013, J.D.P. Bezerra (holotype UFG 54426, culture ex-type URM 8863 = CBS 141534 = FCCUFG 187; ITS, LSU, *tef-1*, and *rpb2* sequences GenBank PV424206, PV424210, PV432749, and PV432752).

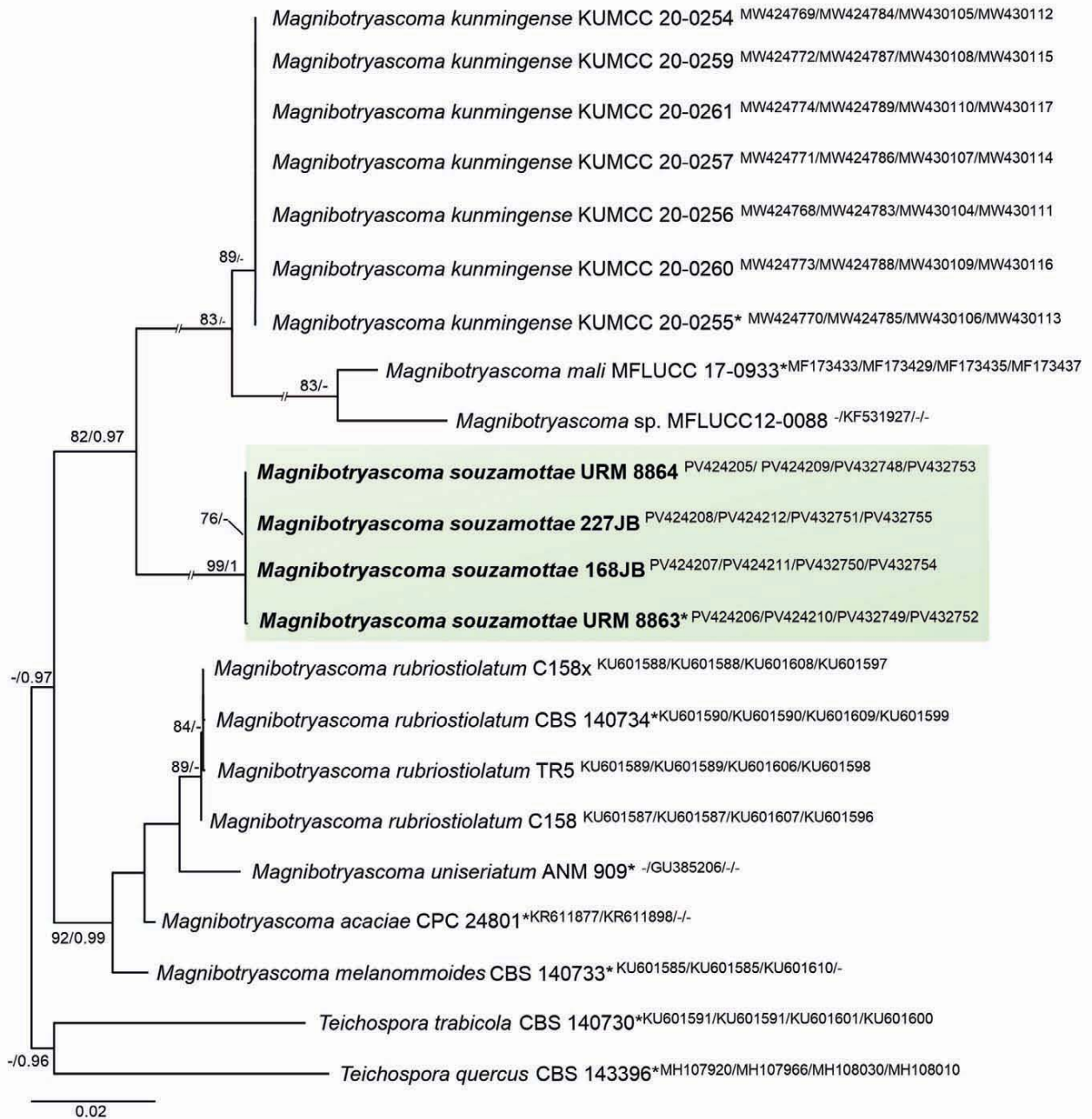
Additional material examined: Brazil, Pernambuco state, 37°14'40"W, isolated as an endophyte from cladodes of *T. inamoena*, Sep. 2013, J.D.P. Bezerra, isolates URM 8864 = CBS 141533 = FCCUFG 188; ITS, LSU, *tef-1*, and *rpb2* sequences GenBank PV424205, PV424209, PV432748, and PV432753; Itaíba municipality, Curral Velho farm, 9°08'53"S, 37°12'04"W, isolated as endophytes from cladodes of *T. inamoena*, Sep. 2013, J.D.P. Bezerra, isolate 168JB; ITS, LSU, *tef-1*, and *rpb2* sequences GenBank PV424207, PV424211, PV432750, and PV432754; ibid., isolated as an endophyte from cladodes of *Pilosocereus gounellei* (*Cactaceae*), isolate 227JB; ITS, LSU, *tef-1*, and *rpb2* sequences GenBank PV424208, PV424212, PV432751, and PV432755.

Notes: Studying endophytic fungi associated with cacti in Brazil, some isolates presented morphological features and phylogenetic relationships with *Magnibotryascoma* (*Teichosporaceae*) species. *Magnibotryascoma souzamottae* *sp. nov.* is morphologically and phylogenetically related to *M. kunmingense* and *M. mali*, differing in the size of pycnidia (150–180 × 250–380 µm in *M. kunmingense* and 136–186 × 173–316 µm in *M. mali*) (Hyde *et al.* 2017, Mortimer *et al.* 2021) and by having pale brown conidiogenous cells and the absence of guttules in globose to subglobose conidia of *M. souzamottae*.

Based on a megablast search of NCBI's GenBank nucleotide database, the closest hit using the LSU sequence is *M. mali* [MFLUCC 17-0933, GenBank NG_059830; Identities = 785/789 (99 %), no gaps], best hit using the ITS sequence had highest similarity to *M. melanommoides* [CBS 140733, GenBank NR_154632; Identities = 437/485 (90 %), 21 gaps (4 %)], the closet hit using *tef-1* sequence is *Teichospora trabicola* [CBS 140730, GenBank KU601601; Identities = 689/721 (96 %), no gaps], and the closet hit using *rpb2* sequence is *M. rubriostiolatum* [CBS 140734, GenBank KU601599; Identities = 799/893 (89 %), no gaps].

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Colour illustrations: Caatinga dry forest, Brazil. Colony on PDA and MEA media; pycnidium on PDA medium; pycnidium; conidiogenous cells and conidia; conidia. Scale bars: pycnidium = 50 µm; all others = 10 µm.



Phylogenetic tree derived from a Maximum Likelihood (ML) analysis based on LSU, ITS, *tef-1* and *rpb2* sequences of *Magnibotryascoma* conducted in IQ-TREE v. 1.6.12 software (Nguyen *et al.* 2015) involving 5000 bootstrap replications and the ultrafast bootstrap (UFboot2) method was used to calculate branch support (Hoang *et al.* 2018). Bayesian inference (BI) was conducted in MrBayes on XSEDE v. 3.2.7a (Ronquist *et al.* 2012). The substitution models GTR+I (LSU and *tef-1*), HKY+G (ITS) and GTR+G (*rpb2*) were used for both analyses. Confidence values for ML-BS $\geq 70\%$ (IQ-TREE) and BPP ≥ 0.95 are included near the nodes. The species obtained in this study are in bold. Ex-type strains are marked with an asterisk (*) and GenBank accession numbers (superscript; ITS/LSU/*tef-1*/*rpb2*) are indicated for all species. The tree was rooted to *Teichospora quercus* (CBS 143396) and *Teichospora trubicola* (CBS 140730).

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Marasmius ballator F.E. Guard, J.D.W. Dearnaley & T. Lebel, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: The epithet ‘ballator’ is Latin for dancer, the basidiomata resembling of a group of ballet dancers in tutus. It is a noun in apposition.

Classification: *Marasmiaceae*, *Agaricales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Basidiomata small to medium, collybioid. *Pileus* 7–15(–35) mm diam., parabolic as juvenile, convex-campanulate, opening to almost applanate on maturity, central disc umbonate, pileus deeply striate-sulcate, with shallow half-striations alternating with full sulci. Pileal disc thick, off-white (78; Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh 1969), pileus greyish white (78), with vinaceous grey (80) to livid vinaceous (77) striations [dark violet (83) in juvenile pilei]. *Lamellae* creamy-white, non-marginate, distant, 8–12 with 0–1 tier shallow *lamellulae*, free to adnexed and occasional low cross-venations. *Stipe* 40–60 × 0.5–2 mm, cartilaginous, cylindrical, reddish brown bay (19) base, grading to apricot (47), then buff (52) upper half and white apex, non-insititious insertion and strigose hairs at base with thin cream mycelial mat binding substrate leaves and twigs. *Basidiospores* mean $20.5 \pm 0.98 \times 4.7 \pm 0.22 \mu\text{m}$, $Q_m = 4.42 \pm 0.29$, range $19.1\text{--}22.4 \times 4.3\text{--}5.1 \mu\text{m}$, $Q_{\min} = 3.76$, $Q_{\max} = 5.12$, $n = 20$, smooth, inamyloid, clavate. *Basidia* 4-spored, $28\text{--}37 \times 8.5\text{--}10 \mu\text{m}$. *Basidioles* long, cylindrical to narrowly clavate, $30\text{--}40 \times 6\text{--}9 \mu\text{m}$. *Cheilocystidia* *Globulares*-type cells, $13\text{--}22 \times 6.5\text{--}10 \mu\text{m}$, oblong, clavate, pyriform, thin-walled inamyloid. *Pleurocystidia* absent. *Lamellar trama* hyphae $3.5\text{--}4.5 \mu\text{m}$ diam., thin-walled, weakly dextrinoid. *Pileipellis* a hymeniderm of *Globulares*-type cells, $16\text{--}27 \times 8\text{--}13 \mu\text{m}$, subglobose to broadly clavate, inamyloid, thin-walled. *Pileal trama* hyphae $5\text{--}6.5 \mu\text{m}$ diam., interwoven, dextrinoid. *Caulocystidia* absent. *Clamp connections* present in all tissues.

Habit, habitat and distribution: Gregarious on leaf litter in subtropical rainforest. *Marasmius ballator* has been found in one area of central New South Wales, Australia.

Typus: **Australia**, New South Wales, Dorriggo National Park, The Glades, $S30^{\circ}22'18.14''$, $E152^{\circ}43'32.16''$, in leaf litter and twigs, 20 Mar. 2025, K. Millichamp, F2025008 (**holotype** BRI AQ1054442; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PX121960 and PX121952).

Additional material examined: **Australia**, New South Wales, Dorriggo National Park, The Glades, $S30^{\circ}22'20.64''$, $E152^{\circ}43'31.16''$, in leaf litter and twigs, 20 Mar. 2025, C. Marciniak, CM0050, DAR87346; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PX121961 and PX121958.

Notes: *Marasmius ballator* is characterised by its moderately robust stature, striped, sulcate pileus, *Globulares*-type cells in pileipellis and elongate basidiospores. It is in sect. *Globulares*, subsect. *Atrorubentes*, ser. *Purpureostriati* (Oliveira *et al.* 2020). *Marasmius ballator* is part of a large clade of (mostly Asian) morphologically similar species including *M. purpureostriatus* and *M. grandiviridis* from Thailand, *M. galbinus* from China, *M. musisporus* from Papua New Guinea and Australia, *M. carbinensis* *sp. nov.* and one other undescribed species from Australia. They differ in pileal size, length of basidiospores and colour of striations. Molecularly, it is sister with low support to *M. galbinus*, *M. musisporus* and *M. carbinensis*.

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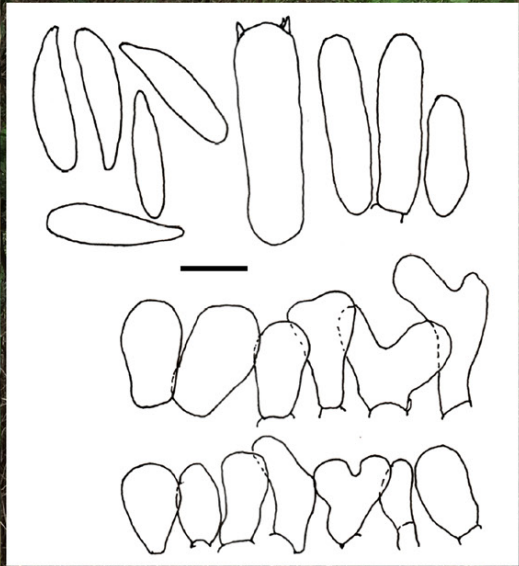
Colour illustrations: Understory of subtropical rainforest in Dorriggo National Park, Australia, showing *Marasmius ballator* in situ. Basidiomata with mycelial mat and details of pileal upper surface and lamellae. (Images by K. Millichamp). Illustration: upper row basidium, basidiospores and basidioles; lower row cheilocystidia and pileipellis *Globulares*-type cells (Illustration by F.E. Guard). Scale bars: basidiomata with mycelial mat and details of pileal upper surface and lamellae = 10 mm; illustration = 10 μm .



Phylogenetic tree of series *Purpureostriati* inferred from a Maximum Likelihood (RAxML) analysis of the ITS region (ITS1, 5.8S rDNA and ITS2) with 1500 bootstrap iterations using Geneious Prime v. 2023.2.1. (<https://www.geneious.com>) software. The ML bootstrap proportions > 50 % are shown at the nodes. *Marasmius* sequences in red font are of *M. ballator* sp. nov. and *M. carbinensis* sp. nov. also described elsewhere in this paper. *Marasmius lebeliae* (ser. *Crinipes*) is used as the outgroup.



Marasmius carbinensis





Marasmius carbinensis F.E. Guard, J.D.W. Dearnaley & T. Lebel, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: The epithet *carbinensis* refers to the region, Mt Carbine, in far north Queensland, where the holotype and other collections of this species were made.

Classification: *Marasmiaceae*, *Agaricales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Basidiomata small to medium, collybioid. **Pileus** 8–25 mm GL DP SDU DEROLF FRQ YH [WR S OD Q R depressed central disc, deeply sulcate-striate remainder of pileus with alternating shorter, shallow sulci, corresponding with the lamellae and lamellulae, off-white to straw (50; Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh 1969), dry surface, sulci and central disc blood red (41) in juveniles to clay pink (30) to fawn (29) in mature pilei. **Context** very thin, white, translucent. **Lamellae** distant, 12–16, free to adnexed, cream, non-marginate, with 1–2 tiers **lamellulae**. **Stipe** cartilaginous, central, hollow, 30–

– P P V PR R W K F \ OL Q G U L with vertical crease, pinkish fawn lower half ± whitish bloom, pale apex, and strigose base with a small mycelial mat binding the substrate. May have a strong **odour** of spring onions. **Spore print** white. **Basidiospores** 21–23.5 × 5–6.2 µm, Q = 3.39–4.36, (mean 22.5 ± 0.74 × 5.5 ± 0.34 µm, Qm = 3.96 ± 0.30), n = 30 from 3 specimens. **Basidia** 4-spored, 30–43 × 10–11.5 µm. **Basidioles** 26–30 × 8–11 µm, narrowly clavate to cylindrical. **Cheilocystidia** sparse *Globulares*-type cells, smooth, sub-globose, pyriform, broadly clavate, occasionally EL & G – **Pleurocystidia** absent. **Lamellar trama** weakly dextrinoid, hyphae 4.5–6.5 µm diam. **Pileipellis** a hymeniderm of *Globulares*-type cells, commonly broadly clavate, rarely bluntly bifurcate, irregular, 15–25 × 7.5–14 µm. **Pileal trama** weakly dextrinoid, hyphae 3.5–5 µm diam. **Stipe** hyphae parallel, cortex hyphae 5–8 µm diam., medulla hyphae 6–10 µm diam., no **caulocystidia**. **Clamp connections** present in all tissues.

Habit, habitat and distribution: Gregarious in well-vegetated monsoonal savannah woodland, riparian *Melaleuca* swamp forest and managed grassy parkland under *Acacia melanoxylon* and *Eucalyptus* (iron bark) species. *Marasmius carbinensis* occurs across the tropical monsoon forests of northern Australia, including Northern Territory and Queensland.

Savannah woodland on Brooklyn Wildlife Sanctuary near Mt. Carbine, Australia, where the holotype was found. Basidiomata on substrate; insets showing lamellae and upper surface of pileus. Illustration: upper row basidiospores, basidium, basidioles, middle row pileipellis *Globulares*-type cells, bottom row cheilocystidia *Globulares*-type cells. Scale bars: basidiomata, lamellae and upper surface of pileus = 10 mm; illustration = 10 µm.

Typus: Australia, Queensland, Mt Carbine District, Brooklyn AWC Wildlife Sanctuary, by a track south of main road in savannah woodland S16°34'15.1", E145°6'59.7" in litter and twigs of horehound (*Hyptis suaveolens*), 6 Mar. 2018, S.J. McMullan-Fisher & F.E. Guard, SMF3046 (holotype BRI AQ1031102, isotype MEL 2522022; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PX121964 and PX121951).

Additional materials examined: **Australia**, Queensland, Mt Carbine Caravan Park, Mt Carbine, in grassy understorey of open ironbark and black wattle woodland, 5 Mar. 2018, F.E. Guard, M.D. Barrett & S.J. McMullan-Fisher, SMF3037, MEL 2522017; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PX121963 and PX121950; *ibid.*, Brooklyn Wildlife Sanctuary, Mt Carbine, south of Station Creek, east of highway in *Melaleuca* riparian forest, on leaf litter, 8 Mar. 2018, F.E. Guard & S.J. McMullan-Fisher, SMF3057, BRI AQ1032230; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PX121962 and PX121948; *ibid.*, Cairns, 1 Jan. 2018, B. Newling, NEWLING465QSC, envt; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PX121965 and PX121949; *ibid.*, Northern Territory, Fogg Dam, black wattle and *Melaleuca* forest, on roadside embankment in leaf litter, 24 Jan. 2014, G.M. Bonito, C.N. Barrett, M.D. Barrett & T. Lebel, GMB543, MEL 2382888; ITS sequence GenBank KP012759.

Notes: *Marasmius carbinensis* with its deeply sulcate, striped pileus, long basidiospores, *Globulares*-type cheilocystidia and pileipellis cells and absence of pleurocystidia is one of a number of *Marasmius* species in Australia and overseas that are in ser. *Purpureostriati* (Oliveira & Moncalvo 2020), in subsect. *Atrorubentes* (Oliveira *et al.* 2024) of sect. *Globulares* (Oliveira *et al.* 2024). It is morphologically similar to *M. musisporus*, (Desjardin & Horak 1997) but lacks the greyish lilac tones and has much shorter basidiospores (mean length 22 µm c.f. 35 µm). It is also very similar to *M. campestris* (Liang *et al.* 2017), but has slightly shorter, narrower basidiospores and no caulocystidia. Phylogenetically it forms a well-supported clade (89/1.0) in the series *Purpureostriati*, with *M. musisporus* (Australia and PNG) and an undescribed species, *Marasmius* sp. “pink stripe” from southeast Queensland as its sisters with low support.

For phylogenetic tree, see *Marasmius ballator* (FP 1890).

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Marasmius clocca





Marasmius clocca F.E. Guard, J.D.W. Dearnaley & T. Lebel, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: The epithet *clocca* is Latin for 'bell or cloche-shaped cap' and refers to the shape of the pileus. It is a noun in apposition.

Classification: *Marasmiaceae*, *Agaricales*, *Agaricomycetes*.

Basidiomata small, marasmioid. **Pileus** 3–9(–12) mm diam., parabolic, campanulate with slightly flared margin, apricot (47; Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh 1969), orange (48) to sienna (11), pileal margin paler, central disc and inner third smooth, dry, outer two-thirds shallowly sulcate. Juveniles darker pilei - apricot (47) to rust (13), parabolic. **Flesh** white, very thin. **Lamellae** white, margin $\pm$ concolorous with pileus, free to occasionally adnexed, 11–15 with 0–1 tier *lamellulae*, occasional peripheral bifurcations and low cross-lamellae. **Stipe** central, filiform, hollow, (15–)25–40(–50) $\times$ 0.2–0.5 mm, glabrous, purplish chestnut base (21), rusty-tawny mid-stipe (14) with cream apex, insertion non-insititious, with tiny cream basal disc. Juvenile stipe paler with lower half rusty tawny and upper half white. **Spore print** white. **Basidiospores** 14.7–17 $\times$ 3.5–4 μ m, $Q = 3.64\text{--}4.64$, (mean $16 \pm 0.65 \times 3.7 \pm 0.22 \mu$ m, $Q_m = 4.25 \pm 0.25$, $n = 20$), smooth, inamyloid, clavate, slightly curved in profile. **Basidia** 4-spored, 22–24 $\times$ 8 μ m. **Basidioles** narrow fusoid to clavate 20–27 $\times$ 5–7 μ m. **Cheilocystidia** *Siccus*-type cells, cylindric, narrowly clavate, ovoid, main body 9–17 $\times$ 5.5–10.5 μ m, with thin to thick-walled, multiple apical setules, 2–4 $\times$ 0.5–1 μ m, occasionally bifid. **Lamellar trama** faintly dextrinoid, hyphae 3.5–4.5 μ m diam. **Pileal trama** dextrinoid, hyphae 5–7 μ m diam. **Pileipellis** a hymeniderm of *Siccus*-type cells, cylindric, clavate, occasionally branching, main body 11–17.5 $\times$ 5.5–12.5 μ m, multiple, apical setules 2–4 $\times$ 0.5 μ m, occasionally bifid. **Pleurocystidia** absent. **Stipe** parallel hyphae, medulla hyphae 3.5–6 μ m diam., thin-walled, cortex hyphae 4–6 μ m diam., thick-walled. **Caulocystidia** absent. **Clamp connections** present in all tissues.

Habit, habitat and distribution: Gregarious, often in large numbers, in leaf litter by roadsides in rainforest from tropical north Queensland to subtropics of mid-coast New South Wales in Australia; occasionally on well-rotted bark.

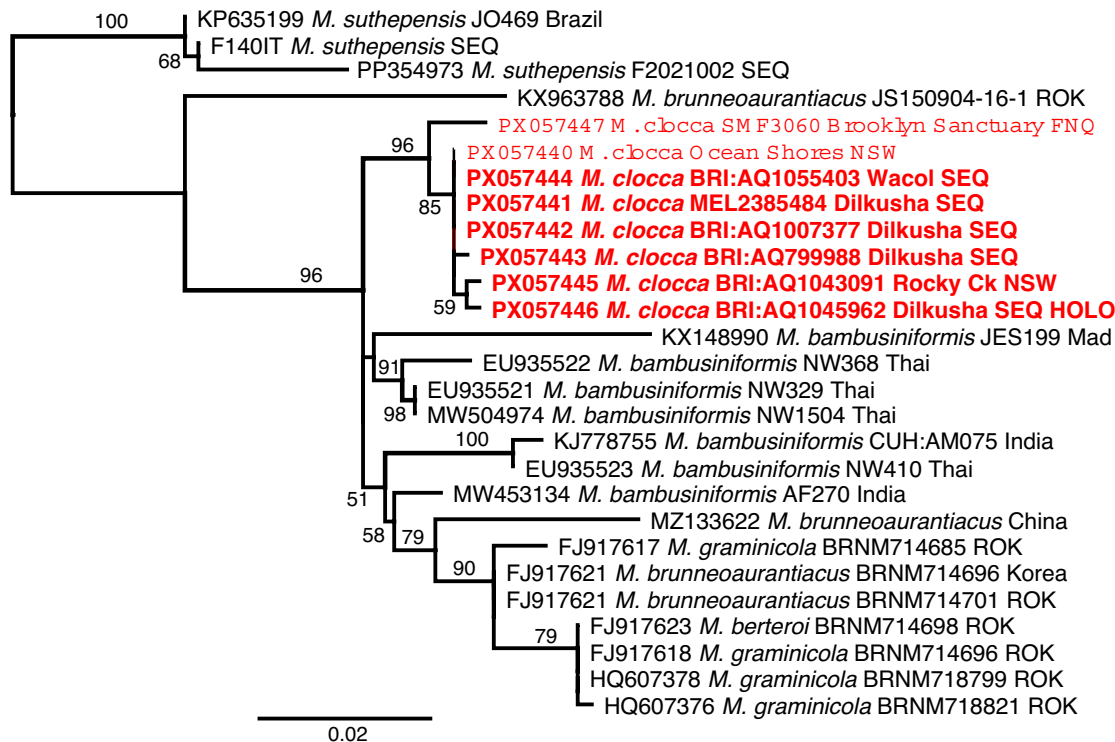
Typus: **Australia**, Queensland, Dilkusha Nature Refuge, S26°44'23.8", E152°53'35.3" in leaf litter of regenerating subtropical rainforest, road verge above Lot 3, 13 Jan. 2024, *F.E. Guard*, F2024010 (**holotype** BRI AQ 1045962; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PX057446 and PX121953).

Additional materials examined: **Australia**, Queensland, Brisbane, Wacol, Pooh Corner, 27 Jan. 2012, *N.A. Fechner*, NAF27012012 (BRI AQ 1055403; ITS sequence GenBank PX057444); Dilkusha Nature Refuge, road verge near Elsie's Grove, 3 Feb. 2018, *F.E. Guard*, F2018013 (BRI AQ799988; ITS sequence GenBank PX057443); Dilkusha Nature Refuge, road verge near carpark corner, 1 May 2019, *F.E. Guard*, F2019035 (BRI AQ1007377; ITS sequence GenBank PX057442); New South Wales, Big Scrub, Rocky Creek Dam Loop, road verge in subtropical rainforest, 20 Feb. 2022, *F.E. Guard*, F2022010 (BRI AQ1043091; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PX057445 and PX057448); Ocean Shores, Binya Place, suburban garden mulch, 24 Feb. 2022, *F.E. Guard*, F2022029 (BRI AQ1041079; ITS and LSU sequences GenBank PX057440 and PX057449).

Notes: *Marasmius clocca* is characterised by its small, orange sienna, plicate parabolic to bell-shaped pileus, subdistant lamellae and smooth non-insititious stipe. It has moderately long spores (14.7–17 $\times$ 3.5–4 μ m) and lacks pleurocystidia and caulocystidia. Morphologically it is very similar to *M. bambusiniiformis* Singer (1976), *sensu* Wannathes *et al.* (2009) and Tan *et al.* (2009) but across eight collections the mean of the spore means is 15.2 $\times$ 4.0 μ m vs 16.2 $\times$ 3.2 μ m and 16.9 $\times$ 3.4 μ m respectively. DNA analysis shows *M. bambusiniiformis* is not a monophyletic clade and there are probably several species within the series. *Marasmius clocca* is sister to the *M. bambusiniiformis* collections from Thailand, with strong support (96/1.0). It is in sect. *Globulares*, subsect. *Leonini*, ser. *Bambusiniiformis* (Oliveira *et al.* 2024). There are other morphologically similar, but molecularly distinct, species in Australia, which have not yet been described.

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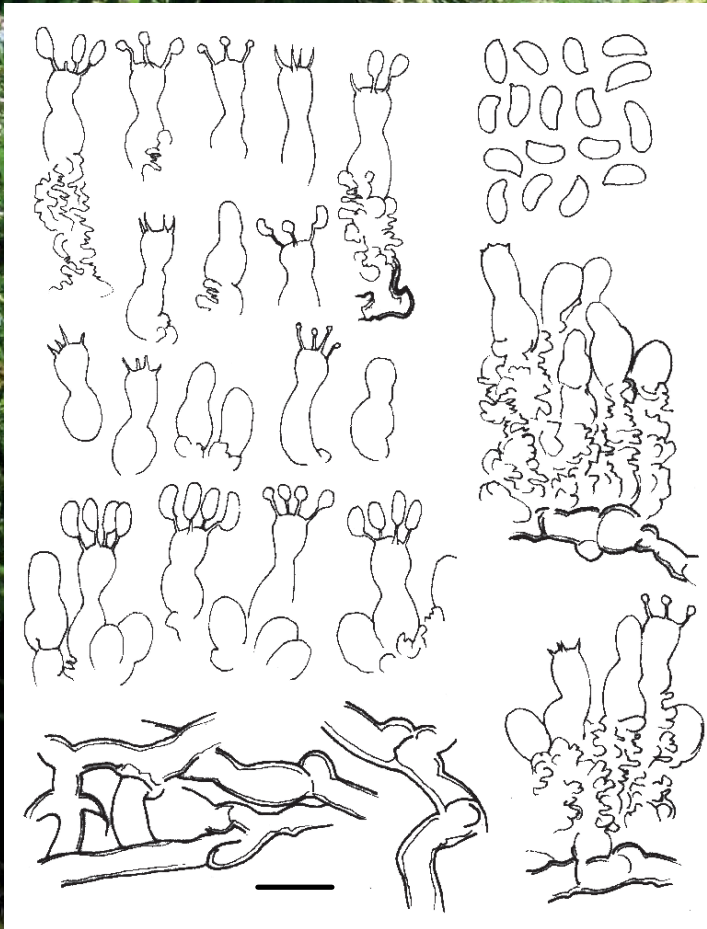
Colour illustrations: Road verge in regenerating subtropical rainforest, Queensland, Australia, holotype site. Basidiomata in situ and illustrating lamellae. Illustration: upper row: basidium, basidioles, cheilocystidia *Siccus*-type cells; lower row: basidiospores, pileipellis *Siccus*-type cells. Scale bars: basidiomata = 10 mm; illustration = 10 μ m. All images by F.E. Guard.



Phylogenetic analysis of series *Bambusiniiformis* inferred from Maximum Likelihood (RAxML) analysis of the ITS region (ITS1, 5.8S rDNA and ITS2) using Geneious Prime v. 2023.2.1 (<https://www.geneious.com>) software. The ML bootstrap proportions (from 1500 replications) are shown at the nodes. *Marasmius* sequences in red font are of *M. clocca* sp. nov. *Marasmius suthepensis* (ser. *Graminicolae*) is used as outgroup.



Mycobernardia involucriformis





Mycobernardia involucriformis G. Gruhn & Ghobad-Nejhad, *sp. nov.*

Etymology: Referring to the involucre-like layer of collapsed basidia.

Classification: Corticiaceae, Corticiales, Agaricomycetes.

Basidiomata annual, resupinate, adnate, patches 10 × 5 cm, very thin, 20–60 µm, ceraceous, continuous and cream in W KH ǐ HO G VWURQJO\ SRUXORVH D Q G when dry. Margin indistinct, concolourous. **Hyphal system** monomitic, hyphae hyaline, smooth, with clamps, arranged perpendicularly in a comb-like pattern, negative in Melzer's reagent; hymenium formed on an involucre-like layer of collapsed basidia; tramal hyphae thin-walled, 2 µm diam.; basal hyphae with slightly thickened walls, 10–12 µm long, 2.5–5 µm wide, frequently anastomosing, refractive in KOH–phloxine. **Cystidia**, cystidioles, and dendrohyphidia absent. **Basidia** initially ovoid, later pleural to urniform, clamped, with 4 sterigmata (exceptionally 6 in two observations), sparsely arranged, repetitive, with collapsed basidia at the base forming an involucre-like layer, 11.0–13.4 × 4.2–4.7 µm (width measured at the basal swelling). **Basidiospores** moderately allantoid, smooth, hyaline, thin-walled, negative in Melzer's reagent, 4.5–5.5 × 1.8–2.3 µm, L = 4.7 µm, W = 2 µm, Q = 2.37.

Habit, habitat and distribution: Collected in a very rainy place in the Caribbean Island Martinique, in an old and forgotten plantation of cacao, on a bamboo log fallen in the river.

Typus: France, Martinique, Commune of Le Prêcheur, Anse Couleuvre, trail to the Couleuvre River waterfall, 30 m.a.s.l., on dead *Bambusa* sp. (*Poaceae*), 9 Aug. 2012, G. Gruhn, GG-MAR12-237 (holotype LIP, ITS sequence GenBank PX260308); isotype K-M001447196.

Notes: The genus *Mycobernardia*, W\ S L ǐ H M. Z *incrustans*, was established by Ghobad-Nejhad *et al.* (2021) to accommodate *Galzinia incrustans*. Two additional species were described in the genus from China viz., *M. yunnanensis* (Li *et al.* 2024) and *M. tenuis* (Wang *et al.* 2025). *Mycobernardia involucriformis* is distinguished by its

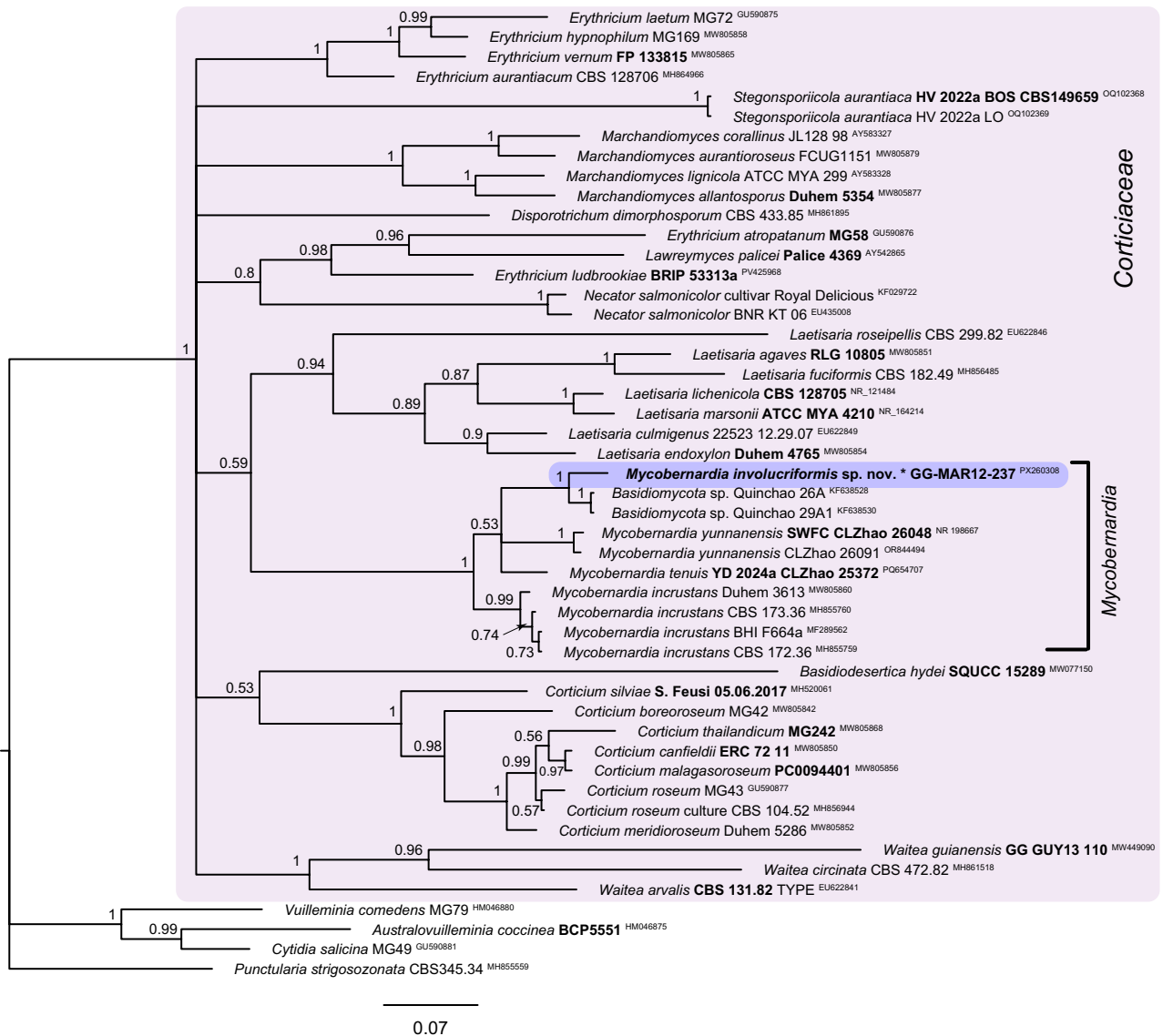
thin, ceraceous basidiomata, monomitic hyphal system with clamps, pleural to urniform basidia with new ones formed on an involucre-like layer of collapsed basidia, and moderately allantoid basidiospores measuring 4.5–5.5 × 1.8–2.3 µm.

% DVL GLD E D V D O F O D P S V D U H G L I ǐ F X abundance of collapsed basidia. The new species differs from *M. incrustans* by its urniform basidia (vs subcylindrical to suburniform; Eriksson & Ryvarden 1975) and its basidiomata being porulose in dry state and lacking a rose tint. Compared to *M. involucriformis*, *M. yunnanensis* has membranaceous and olivaceous basidiomata, subcylindrical to subclavate basidia, and larger basidiospores measuring 4.8–6 × 2–3 P *et al.* 2024). *Mycobernardia tenuis* differs from *M. involucriformis* by its subcylindrical to subclavate basidia and larger basidiospores measuring 6–8.5 × 2–3.5 µm (Wang *et al.* 2025). Among the four species currently in *Mycobernardia*, two species show some sort of basidia repetition: the generic type *M. incrustans* and the new species *M. involucriformis*. The involucre-like sheath of collapsed basidia in *M. involucriformis* reminds of *Basidioidendron* which however is a heterobasidiomycete producing phragmobasidia. The two environmental sequences KF638528 and KF638530 deposited in GenBank as *Basidiomycota* sp. and isolated from historic wood in Chile are nested together with the new species *M. involucriformis* in a distinct clade. Moreover, the GenBank sequence MF289562 deposited as *Galzinia* sp. (isolated from a polypore in Boston, USA) is nested well within the *M. incrustans* clade and represents *M. incrustans*.

Based on a megablast search of NCBI's GenBank nucleotide database, the closest hits using the ITS sequence had the highest similarity to *Mycobernardia incrustans* [strain Duhem 3613, GenBank MW805860; Identities = 538/578 (93 %), no gaps], *Basidiomycota* sp. isolated from historic wood in Chile [strain Quinchao 26A, GenBank KF638528; Identities = 493/509 (97 %), no gaps], and *Galzinia* sp. isolated from a polypore in Boston, USA [strain BHI-F664a, GenBank MF289562; Identities = 518/549 (94 %), no gaps].

Supplementary material GR L P ǐ J V v1 (alignment).

Colour illustrations: Photo of trail to the Couleuvre River waterfall where the holotype was isolated. Basidioma from the holotype (photo credit: G. Gruhn); line-drawing (by G. Gruhn) from a section through the basidioma of the holotype with basidia, basidiospores, and basal hyphae. Scale bars: basidioma = 2 cm; line-drawing = 10 µm.



Phylogenetic tree of *Corticiaceae* species obtained from a Bayesian analysis of the ITS alignment (49 taxa, 580 characters including alignment gaps). Bayesian inference was performed using MrBayes v. 3.2.7a (Ronquist *et al.* 2012) implemented in CIPRES Science Gateway (Miller *et al.* 2010). The new species is indicated in bold font and in the blue box. The ex-type sequence is indicated with an asterisk (*). Strains from material with a type status are indicated in bold font. Numbers before nodes indicate Bayesian posterior probability values (BPP). *Punctularia strigosozonata* was used as an outgroup. The scale bar represents the expected number of changes per site.

