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## ***Hebeloma nauseosum* (Hymenogastraceae, Agaricales) in north-east Italy**

(versione italiana a pag. 5)

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**Key words:**  
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**Abstract:** A find of *Hebeloma nauseosum* from the province of Trieste (Italy), near the border with Slovenia, is described with images of basidiomes and main microcharacter; an ITS sequence of the collection was generated and submitted in GenBank.

### **INTRODUCTION**

During a dry and windy period that was hindering the growth of mushrooms some species were found in a small sheltered basin in the province of Trieste, Italy, not very distant from the border with Slovenia, where some GMV (Gruppo Micologi di Verona) members were holding a mycological meeting.

*H. sinapizans* (Paulet) Gillet, *Hygrophorus discoxanthus* (Fr.) Rea, *Caloboletus radicans* (Pers.) Vizzini, *Macrolepiota procera* (Scop.) Singer, *Mycena haematopus* (Pers.) P. Kumm. and *Suillellus queletii* (Schulzer) Vizzini, Simonini & Gelardi also were found, together with *Hebeloma nauseosum* in the same area.

This is the first phylogenetically evidenced report of *H. nauseosum* from north-east Italy, after some reports from central Italy (*Hebeloma.org*).

### **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

The basidiomes were photographed in habitat; microcharacters were studied on dried material rehydrated with 5% KOH and 10% ammonia and photographed in Congo red; spores were photographed in Melzer's reagent for the dextrinoidity and in water. Cheilocystidia measurement is written in the format L x A x M x B where L = length, A = maximum width at the apex, M = minimum width in upper part below the apex, B = maximum width in lower third; the following taxonomically relevant ratios were also calculated between the width values: A/M, A/B, B/M. Each interval of measurement is represented as (a) b – c (d), where a = absolute minimum value, range b – c contains the 10% to 90% percentile ranges of the values, d = absolute maximum value. The letter n in parentheses represents the number of values measured.

All images from the author.

The ITS sequence was generated by Niccolò Forin from the University of Padua and submitted in GenBank with accession number PQ046173.

### **TAXONOMY**

***Hebeloma nauseosum* sacc.**

*Sylloge fungorum* 9: 102 (1891)

Heterotypic synonyms (fide Beker *et al.* 2016):

*Hebeloma fusipes* Bres., Boll. Soc. Bot. It. 1:196 (1892);

*Hebeloma gigaspernum* Gröger & Zschiesch., Z. Mykol. 47(2):201 (1981);

*Hebeloma groegeri* Bon, Documents Mycologiques 31(123):27 (2002).

### **Macroscopic characters**

*Pileus* 10 – 28 mm broad, convex then applanate; at centre pale brownish beige, at margin whitish (indistinctly two-coloured); smooth, viscidulous (earth lumps easily adhering).

*Lamellae* little crowded (30 – 34), intermixed with 1 – 3 lamellulae, adnate with a little decurrent tooth, pale brown; edge white, without drops.

*Stipe* 15 – 25 x 2 – 4 mm, cylindraceous, base equal, obtuse; almost glabrous, white.

*Context* with a strong sweetish odour.



### Microscopic characters

*Basidiospores* (n=30) (11.2) 12.5 – 15.0 (19.5) × (7.4) 7.7 – 9.0 (10) µm, Q (1.43) 1.56 – 1.83 (1.95), on average 1.71; in front view fusiform-oval to narrowly citriform, in side view amygdaliform-citriform, apex little papillate to strongly papillate; ornamentation scarce to medium visible (O2-3), dextrinoidity medium (O3), perispore loosened in some spores (P1-2).

*Basidia* 35 – 53 × 10 – 13 µm, 4-spored.

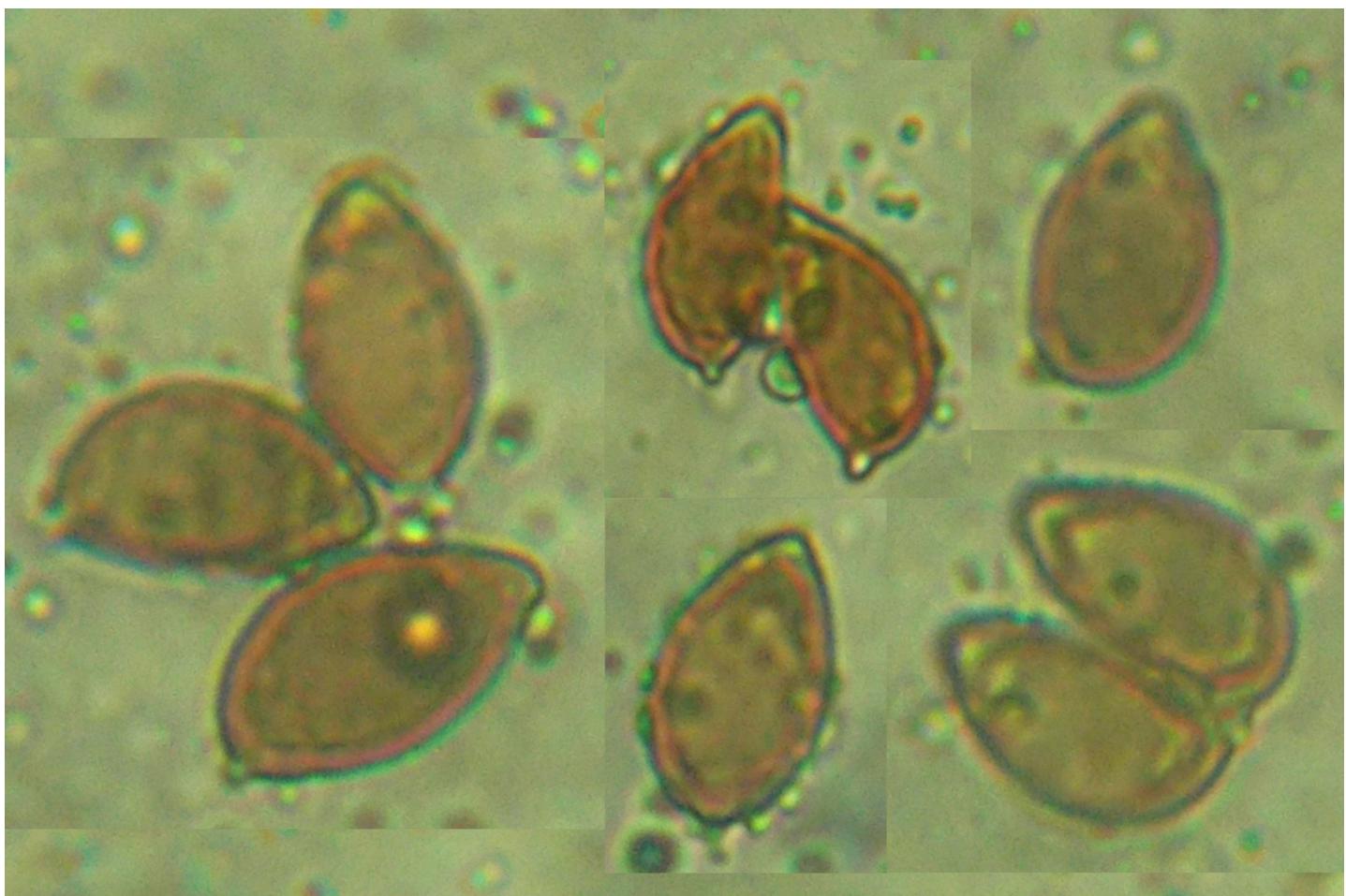
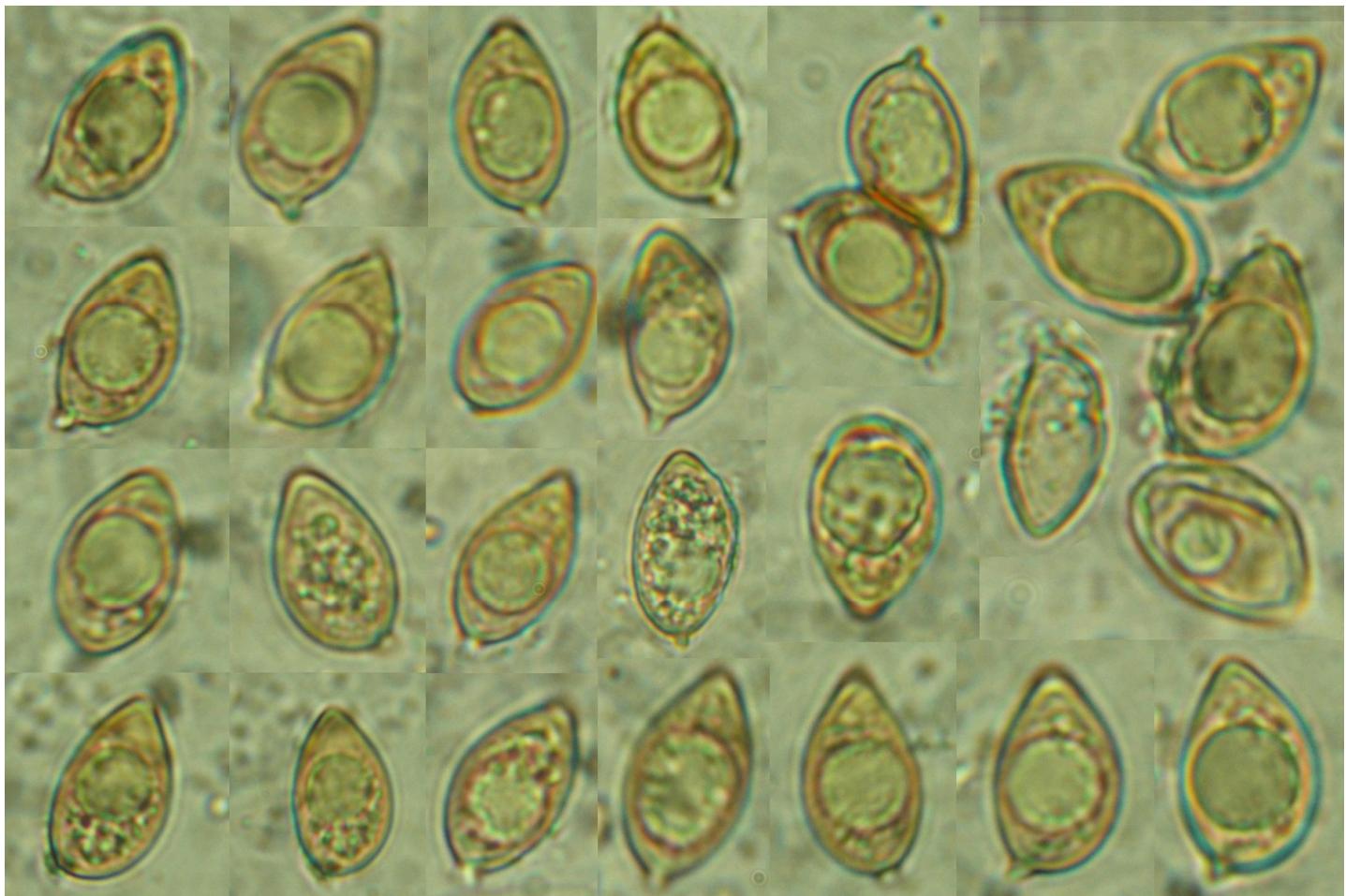
*Pleurocystidia* absent.

*Cheilocystidia* (n=50) (14.0) 20.0 – 81.8 (85.5) × (3.9) 4.5 – 10.4 (18.2) × (4.1) 4.5 – 7.3 (10.4) × (2.3) 3.0 – 9.2 (9.3) µm, cylindraceous, lageniform, utriform, clavate, sometimes cylindraceous-tapering to clavate-capitate or capitate-stipitate, numerous small and like paracystidia, A/M = (0.75) 0.96 – 1.65 (2.63), A/M = (0.63) 0.73 – 3.55 (6.62), B/M = (0.26) 0.44 – 1.56 (1.75); thin-walled, hyaline, numerous.

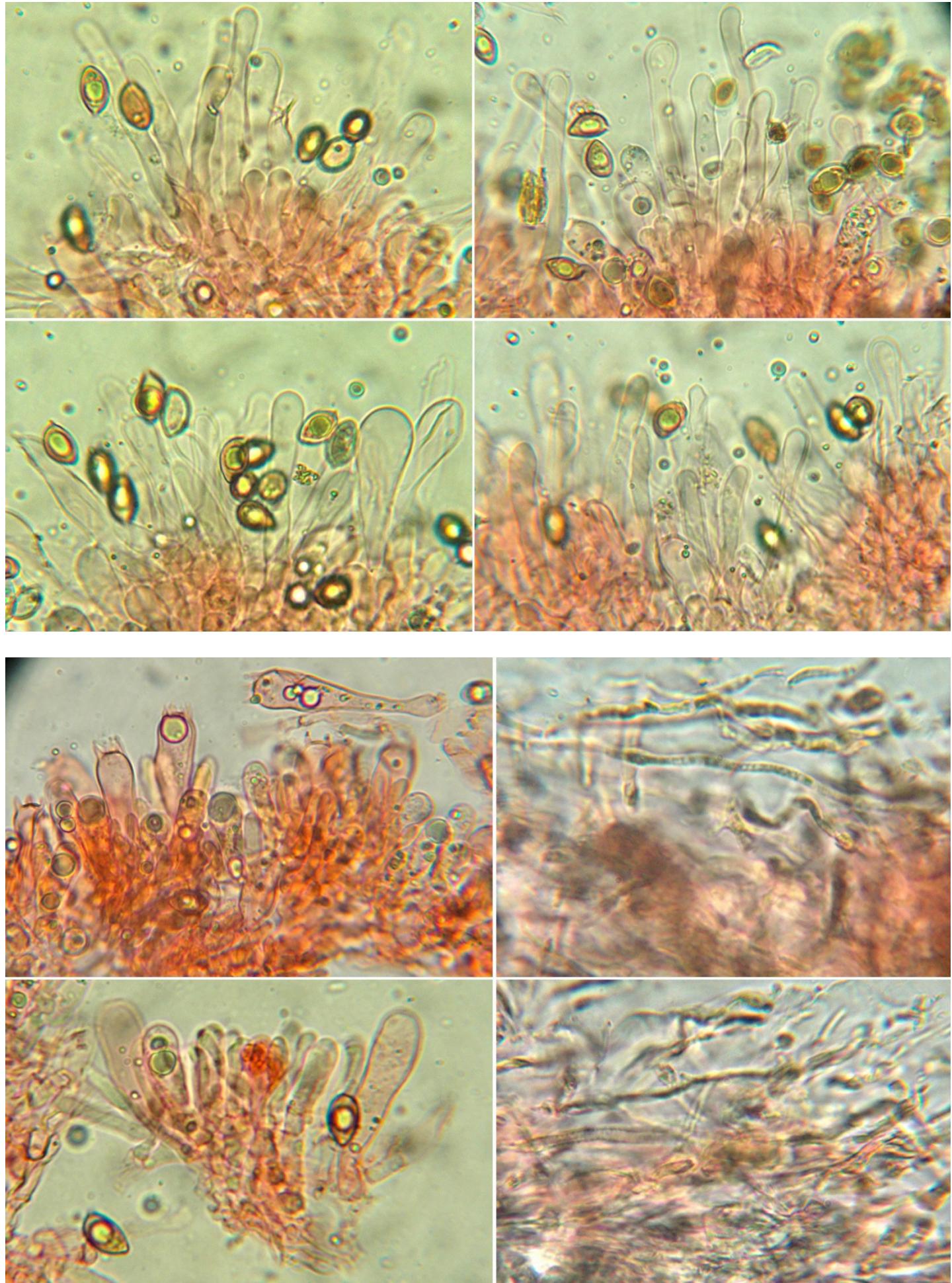
*Pileipellis* (observed at centre of pileus) structured as an ixocutis 100 – 110 µm broad, composed of 2 – 4 µm broad, hyaline, gelified, often incrusted hyphae.

*Clamp connections* present.

**Collection examined and Habitat:** Italy, province of Trieste, Monrupino county, locality Percedol's Basin (Conca di Percedol), growing gregarious on the ground with scattered hornbeams (*Carpinus betulus*) and Turkey oaks (*Quercus cerris*) nearby, 20 October 2021, legit P. Voto, PAD H0062116; GenBank PQ046173 - ITS.



Spores in water (above), in Melzer's reagent (below) / spore in acqua (sopra), nel reagente di Melzer (sotto)



Above: cheilocystidia; below: left hymenium, right pileipellis / Sopra: cheilocistidi; sotto: imenio (sx), pileipellis (dx)

## NOTES

All parameters of this collection conform to the general knowledge of *Hebeloma nauseosum*.

Regarding spore ornamentation, Beker *et al.* (2016) report it as O(2)3-4 which is almost similar to O3-4 as defined by Grilli *et al.* (2020); other authors, among which Vesterholt 2005 (descriptions of the synonyms *H. fusipes* and *H. gigaspernum*) and the website *Hebeloma.org* (continuously updated) report it as less accentuated: O(2)3 and O2-3 respectively.

Due to a strong smell the species belongs to *Hebeloma* sect. *Sacchariolentia* (J.E. Lange ex Bon) H. Boyle in which another relevant character shared by all members is little differentiated cheilocystidia. In this section, the only other species sharing very broad spores, averagely more than 7 µm broad, is *H. odoratissimus* (Britzelm.) Sacc., also present in north-west Italy (Voto 2022). This taxon differs by having a dry, tomentose to velutinate, often cracking pileus; in microscopy its dry pileus is confirmed by a thin, at most 70 µm broad ixocutis (compared to usually 100 – 120 µm in *H. nauseosum*).

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## ***Hebeloma nauseosum* (Hymenogastraceae, Agaricales) nel nord-est d'Italia**

**Parole chiave:**  
sequenza molecolare  
tassonomia

**Riassunto:** Si descrive una raccolta di *Hebeloma nauseosum* dalla provincia di Trieste (Italia), presso il confine con la Slovenia, con immagini dei basidiomi e dei principali microcaratteri; una sequenza ITS della raccolta è stata generata e registrata in GenBank.

## INTRODUZIONE

Durante un periodo asciutto e ventoso che inibiva la crescita fungina alcune specie sono state ritrovate in una piccola conca protetta in provincia di Trieste, Italia, non molto distante dal confine con la Slovenia, dove alcuni soci del GMV (Gruppo Micologi di Verona) stavano svolgendo un incontro micologico.

Insieme a *Hebeloma nauseosum* sono stati repertati nella stessa area anche *H. sinapizans* (Paulet) Gillet, *Hygrophorus discoxanthus* (Fr.) Rea, *Caloboletus radicans* (Pers.) Vizzini, *Macrolepiota procera* (Scop.) Singer, *Mycena haematopus* (Pers.) P. Kumm. e *Suillellus queletii* (Schulzer) Vizzini, Simonini & Gelardi.

Si tratta della prima documentazione con supporto molecolare di *H. nauseosum* dal nord-est Italia, dopo alcune segnalazioni dall'Italia centrale (*Hebeloma.org*).

## MATERIALI E METODI

I basidiomi sono stati fotografati in habitat; i microcaratteri sono stati studiati su materiale essiccato reidratato con KOH al 5% e ammoniaca al 10% e fotografati in rosso Congo; le spore sono state fotografate nel reagente di Melzer per la destrinoidia e in acqua. La misurazione dei cheilocistidi è riportata nel formato L x A x M x B dove L = lunghezza, A = massima ampiezza all'apice, M = minima ampiezza nella porzione superiore sotto l'apice, B = massima ampiezza nella porzione inferiore; sono stati calcolati anche i seguenti quozienti tassonomicamente rilevanti tra i valori delle ampiezze: A/M, A/B, B/M. Ciascun intervallo di misurazione è rappresentato nel formato (a) b – c (d), dove a = valore minimo assoluto, l'intervallo b – c contiene gli intervalli percentile dal 10% al 90% dei valori, d = valore massimo assoluto. La lettera n in parentesi si riferisce al numero di valori misurati. Tutte le immagini sono dell'autore.

La sequenza ITS è stata generata da Niccolò Forin all'Università di Padova e registrata in GenBank con numero di accesso PQ046173.

## TASSONOMIA

***Hebeloma nauseosum*** sacc.  
*Sylloge fungorum* 9: 102 (1891)

Sinonimi eterotipici (fide Beker *et al.* 2016):

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### Caratteri macroscopici

*Cappello* 10 – 28 mm di diametro, convesso poi spianato; al centro beige brunastro pallido, al margine biancastro (indistintamente di due colori); liscio, viscidulo (zolle di terra facilmente aderenti).

*Lamelle* poco fitte (30 – 34), inframmezzate da 1 – 3 lamellule, adnate con un dentino decorrente, di colore bruno pallido; filo bianco, privo di guttule.

*Gumbo* 15 – 25 × 2 – 4 mm, cilindraceo, base uguale e ottusa; quasi glabro, bianco.

*Carne* con un forte odore dolciastro.

### Caratteri microscopici

*Basidiospore* (n=30) (11.2) 12.5 – 15.0 (19.5) × (7.4) 7.7 – 9.0 (10) µm, Q (1.43) 1.56 – 1.83 (1.95), in media 1.71; in vista frontale da fusiformi-ovali a strettamente citriformi, in vista laterale amigdaliformi-citriformi, apice da un po' a fortemente papillato; ornamentazione da scarsa a mediamente visibile (O2-3), destrinoidia media (O3), perisporio distaccato in alcune spore (P1-2).

*Basidi* 35 – 53 × 10 – 13 µm, 4-sporici.

*Pleurocistidi* assenti.

*Cheilocistidi* (n=50) (14.0) 20.0 – 81.8 (85.5) × (3.9) 4.5 – 10.4 (18.2) × (4.1) 4.5 – 7.3 (10.4) × (2.3) 3.0 – 9.2 (9.3) µm, cilindracei, lageniformi, utriformi, claviformi, a volte da cilindraceo-attenuati a clavato-capitati o capitato-stipitati, numerosi di piccole dimensioni e simili a paracistidi, A/M = (0.75) 0.96 – 1.65 (2.63), A/M = (0.63) 0.73 – 3.55 (6.62), B/M = (0.26) 0.44 – 1.56 (1.75); a parete sottile, ialini, numerosi.

*Pileipellis* (osservata al centro del cappello) strutturata come una ixocutis ampia 100 – 110 µm, composta da ife larghe 2 – 4 µm, ialine, gelificate, sovente incrostate.

*Giunti a fibbia* presenti.

**Raccolta esaminata e Habitat:** Italia, provincia di Trieste, comune di Monrupino, località Conca di Percedol, crescente gregario al suolo con sparsi carpini (*Carpinus betulus*) e cerri (*Quercus cerris*) nei pressi, 20 ottobre 2021, legit P. Voto, PAD H0062116; GenBank PQ046173 - ITS.

### COMMENTI

Tutti i parametri di questa raccolta sono conformi con la conoscenza generale di *Hebeloma nauseosum*.

Riguardo all'ornamentazione sporale, Beker *et al.* (2016) la riportano come O(2)3-4 che è quasi simile a O3-4 come definita da Grilli *et al.* (2020); altri autori, tra cui Vesterholt 2005 (descrizioni dei sinonimi *H. fusipes* e *H. gigaspernum*) e il sito web *Hebeloma.org* (continuamente aggiornato) la riportano meno accentuata: O(2)3 e O2-3 rispettivamente.

A causa del forte odore la specie appartiene a *Hebeloma sect. Sacchariolentia* (J.E. Lange ex Bon) H. Boyle in cui un altro carattere rilevante condiviso da tutti i membri è dato dai cheilocistidi poco differenziati. In questa sezione, l'unica altra specie che condivide spore molto larghe, in media larghe più di 7 µm, è *H. odoratissimus* (Britzelm.) Sacc., anch'essa presente nel nord-est (Voto 2022). Questo taxon differisce per avere il cappello asciutto, da tomentoso a vellutato, sovente screpolato; in microscopia il suo cappello asciutto si accompagna a una ixocutis sottile, spessa al più 70 µm (in confronto ai solitamente 100 – 120 µm di *H. nauseosum*).

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## ***Entoloma coracis* in the Nordio forest**

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### **Key words:**

*Agaricales*

*Entolomataceae*

Mediterranean

**Abstract:** A finding in the Nordio forest (Italy) of the recently described *Entoloma coracis* is reported with morphological descriptions, colour images of the basidiomes and its main microcharacters, and comments on sister taxa.

### **INTRODUCTION**

Continuing the revision of the author's *Entoloma* collections from the Nordio forest, it is now the turn of two finds dating back to the years 2010 and 2013 and identified at the time as *E. corvinus*. The morphological revision, based on the key by Noordeloos *et al.* (2022), shows that they must now be ascribed to *Entoloma coracis*, recently described in 2021 (Crous *et al.* 2021). This new species is most likely also present in other herbaria and old Mediterranean collections under the name *E. corvinus*, a very look-alike species restricted, in its modern concept by Noordeloos *et al.* (2022), to an alpine habitat and morphologically differentiated by the shape of the cheilocystidia.

### **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

Basidiomes were photographed fresh on the collection day, in habitat and indoors, and all morphological characters were observed, photographed and described before exsiccation.

The herbarium code PAD, taken from Index Herbariorum (<https://sweetgum.nybg.org/science/ih/>), accessible online, refers to the Università degli Studi di Padova, Padua (Italy). All images by the author.



*Entoloma coracis* 14.11.2013



*Entoloma coracis* 14.11.2013

***Entoloma coracis*** Brandrud, Dima, Noordel., G.M. Jansen & Vila  
*Persoonia* 46: 445 (2021)

#### Macroscopic characters

*Pileus* 1.0 – 3.7 cm broad, convex, somewhat depressed at centre, margin involute; cuticle tomentose to squamulose, not translucently striate, in external half radially innately fibrillose, black to violaceous-bluish black, not discolouring.

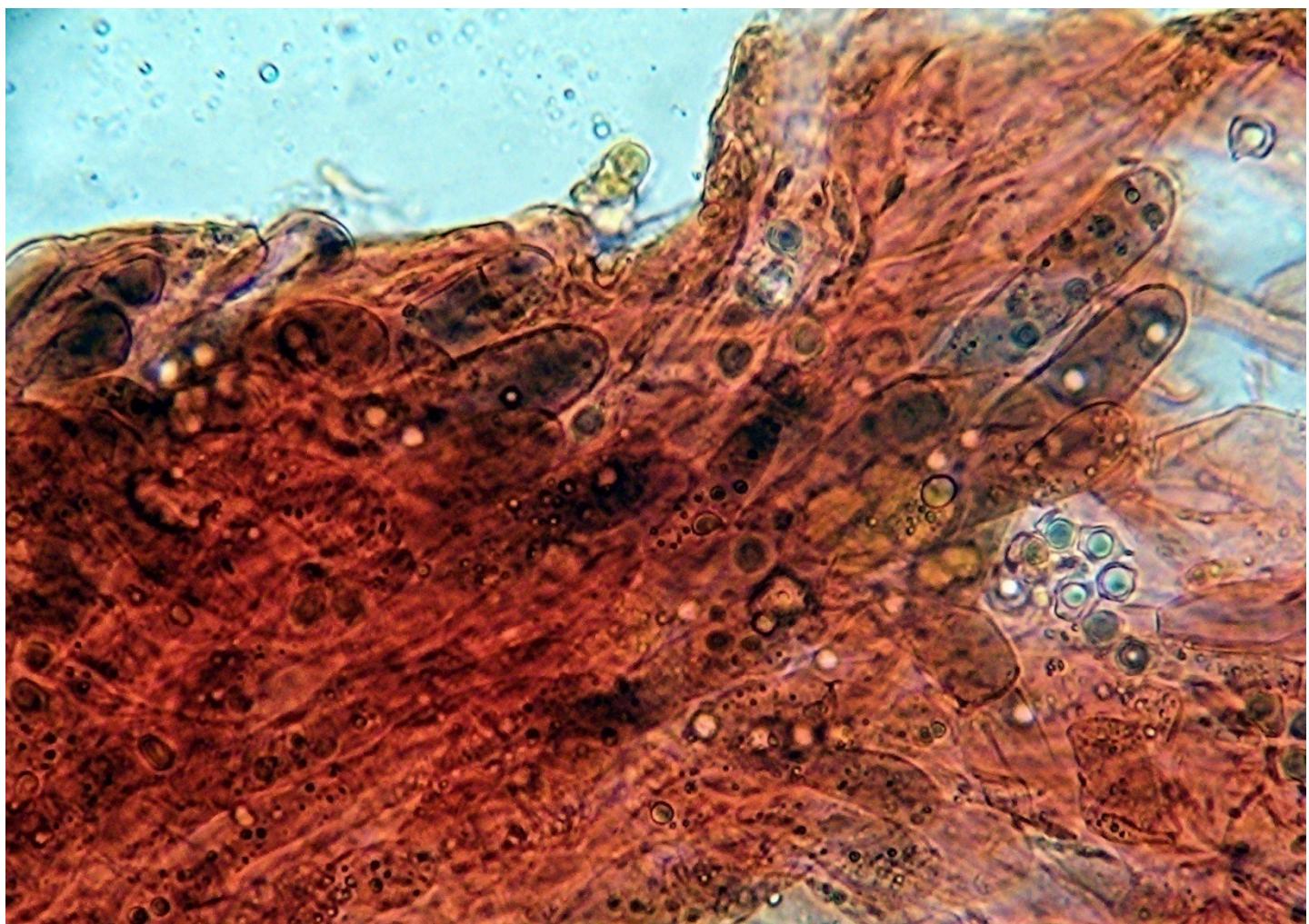
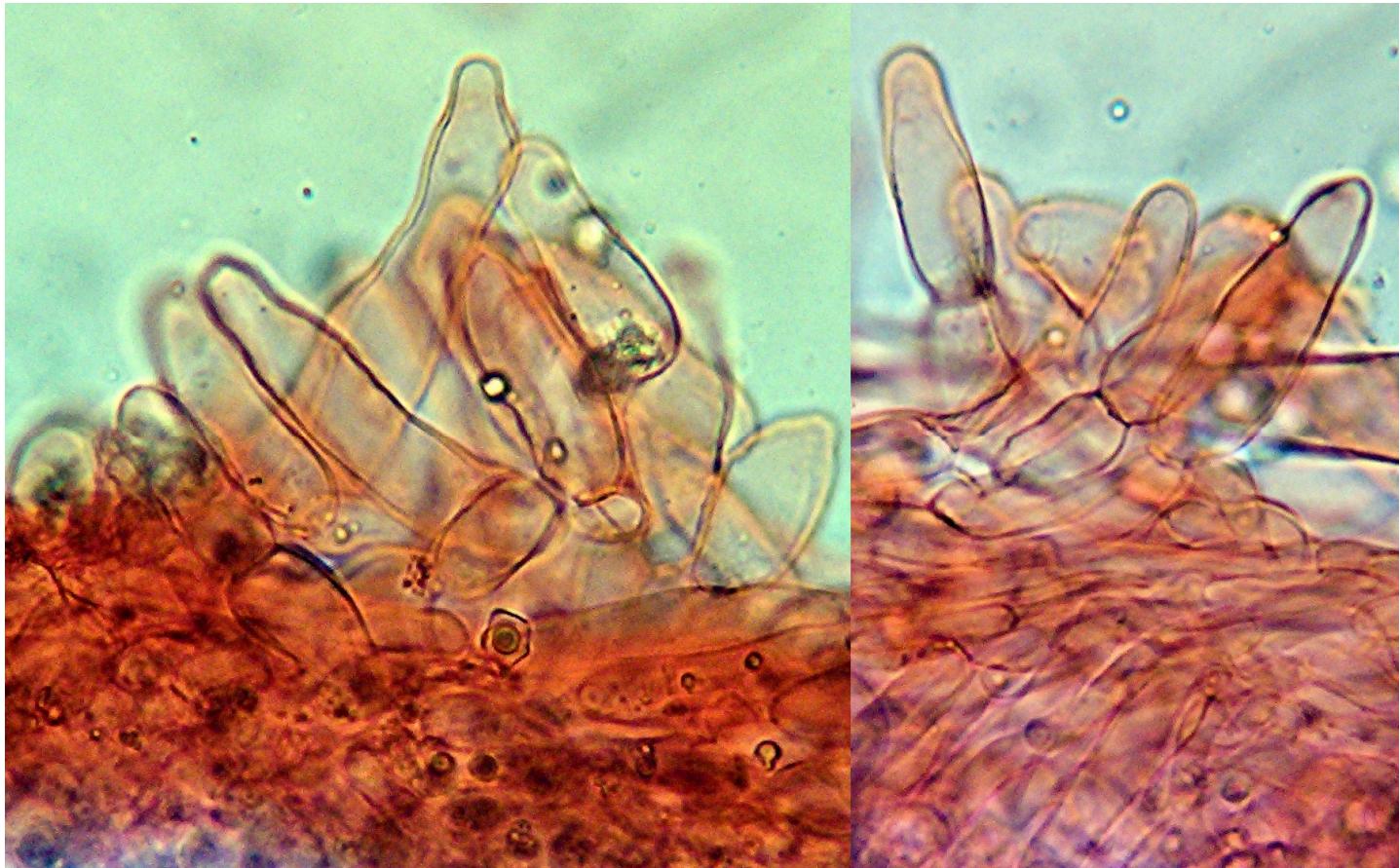
*Lamellae* 32 – 34, intermixed with lamellulae, emarginate-adnate, little ventricose; white, then pinkish; edge concolorous.

*Stipe* 30 – 100 × 2 – 4 mm, somewhat broader toward the base and tapering toward the apex, straight to twisted, striate-fibrillose, blackish to bluish blackish; base with abundant white mycelium often rising up to almost half the height; hollow.

*Context* white in stipe, concolorous with the external surface in the stipe cortex and inside the pileus.

*Entoloma coracis* 17.11.2010





Above: cheilocystidia; below: pileipellis. In Congo red / Sopra: cheilocistidi; sotto: pileipellis. In rosso Congo

## Microscopic characters

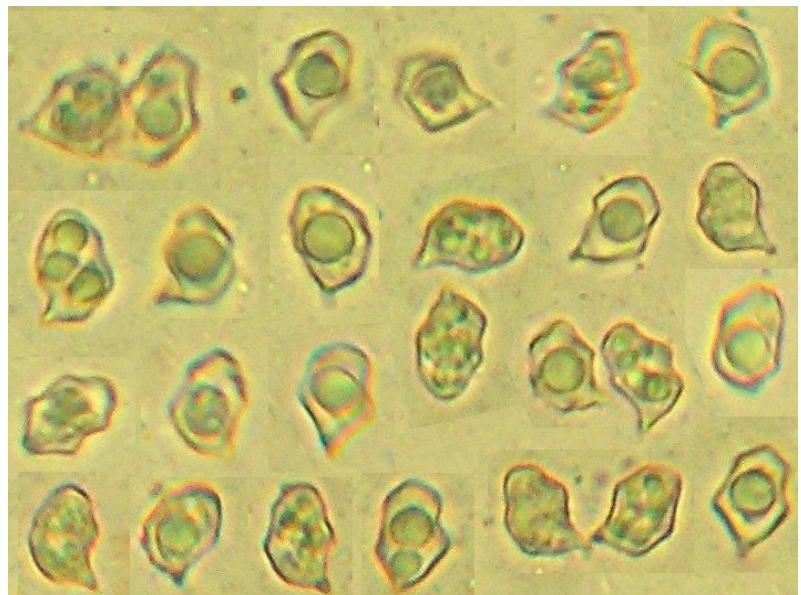
*Basidiospores* (8.0) 8.7 – 10.5 (11.7) × (5.7) 6.2 – 7.5 (7.9)  $\mu\text{m}$ , on average 9.1 – 10.4 × 6.3 – 7.3  $\mu\text{m}$ ,  $Q = 1.2 - 1.6$ , on average 1.4; heterodiametrical, with 5 – 7 angles in side view.

*Basidia* 26 – 34 × 10 – 12  $\mu\text{m}$ , clavate to clavate-subcapitate, 4-spored.

*Cheilocystidia* 30 – 60 (80) × 7 – 17  $\mu\text{m}$  (last element), often septate, cylindric or tapering at apex, occasionally subclavate or slightly swollen at apex, hyaline, numerous; edge sterile.

*Pileipellis* a cutis with transitions to a trichoderm composed of cylindraceous to narrowly clavate terminal elements, 40 – 100 × 9 – 20  $\mu\text{m}$ ; pigment intracellular with dark granular inclusions.

Clamp connections absent.



Spores in Congo red / spore in rosso Congo

**Collection examined and Habitat:** Italy, Veneto, Venice, S. Anna di Chioggia, Nordio forest. Two specimens scattered, in the forest, 17 November 2010, *legit anon.*, PAD H0062117; three specimens scattered, in a mossy clearing with *Quercus ilex*, *Populus alba* and other broadleaves, 14 November 2013, *legit P. Voto*, PAD H0062118.

## NOTES

*Entoloma coracis* is a termophilic species of deciduous forests and xerophytic grasslands, mostly on calcareous soil, distributed from South Norway to the Mediterranean (Noordeloos *et al.* 2022).

Its cheilocystidia in part apically attenuated are shared by the species of the /Rhombisporum clade which however differ by 4- to 5- angled (sub) isodiametrical spores.

Following the recent key by Noordeloos *et al.* (2022), a collybioid habit, a trichodermic pileipellis and absence of clamp connections include this species in *Entoloma* subgenus *Cyanula* (Romagn.) Noordel (key 4). Furthermore, with its opaque, not translucently striate pileus pigmented with dark violaceous colours, it falls within the subkey 4.1. In this subkey, the presence of fusiform cheilocystidia, defined as porphyrogriseum-type, place *E. coracis* in the following restricted group of species.

*E. rhynchocystidiatum* Noordel. & Liiv, *E. holmvassalenense* Eidissen, Lorås & Weholt and *E. nordlandicum* Noordel., Lorås, Eidissen & Dima, all northern Europe species, differ by cheilocystidia mostly attenuated in a mucronate shape (rhynchocystidiatum-type); *E. violaceoserrulatum* Noordel., Brandrud, O.V. Morozova & Dima has refractive granules in the cheilocystidia and is reported from Northern European calcareous grasslands; *E. uranochroum* Hauskn. & Noordel. has a bright bluish pileus; *E. porphyrogriseum* Noordel. and *E. roseotinctum* Noordel. & Liiv have dark bluish pilei fairly quickly discolouring to brownish tints; *E. azureopallidum* Corriol has pilei with bluish tinges and a subalpine to alpine habitat.

Two other taxa are probably relevant for studies on *Entoloma* in the Mediterranean area.

*E. meridionale* Mešić, Vila, Polemis, Noordel. & Dima, a Mediterranean termophilic species reported from Croatia, Greece and Spain, differs by apically rounded, not tapering, cheilocystidia (Lebeuf *et al.* 2021).

*E. corvinum* (Kühner) Noordel., the name originally misapplied to this collection, is treated by Noordeloos *et al.* (2022) as a species with alpine habitat and, likewise *E. meridionale*, a banally rounded apex of cheilocystidia.

Since *E. corvinus* is a recurrent name in Mediterranean fungaria, all Mediterranean collections identified with this name need to be revised and *E. meridionale* and *E. coracis* may be the correct names to replace.

Another description of *E. coracis*, supported by a molecular sequence, is in Bañares Baudet & Moreno (2023), from the Canary Islands.

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## *Entoloma coracis* in bosco Nordio

### Parole chiave:

*Agaricales*  
*Entolomataceae*  
 Mediterraneo

**Riassunto:** Segnalazione di una raccolta nel bosco Nordio di *Entoloma coracis*, descritto di recente, corredata da descrizioni morfologiche, immagini a colori dei basidiomi e dei suoi microcaratteri principali, e commenti sui taxa più simili.

## INTRODUZIONE

Proseguendo nella revisione delle raccolte dell'autore di specie di *Entoloma* dal bosco Nordio, è ora la volta di due ritrovamenti che risalgono agli anni 2010 e 2013 e che furono identificate all'epoca come *E. corvinus*. La revisione morfologica, basata sulla chiave in Noordeloos et al. (2022), mostra che essi devono attualmente essere ascritti a *Entoloma coracis*, recentemente descritto nel 2021 (Crous et al. 2021). Questa nuova specie è molto probabilmente presente anche in altri erbari e vecchie raccolte mediterranee col nome *E. corvinus*, una specie molto simile ristretta, nel suo concetto moderno di Noordeloos et al. (2022), a un habitat alpino e differenziata morfologicamente dalla forma dei cheilocistidi.

## MATERIALI E METODI

I basidiomi sono stati fotografati freschi il giorno della raccolta, in habitat e in ambiente interno, e tutti i caratteri morfologici sono stati osservati, fotografati e descritti prima dell'essiccamiento.

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***Entoloma coracis*** Brandrud, Dima, Noordel., G.M. Jansen & Vila  
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### Caratteri macroscopici

*Cappello* 1.0 – 3.7 cm di diametro, convesso, un po' depresso al centro, margine involuto; cuticola da tomentosa a squamuosa, non striata per trasparenza, nella metà esterna con fibrille innate disposte radialmente, di colore da nero a nero violaceo-bluastro, non sbiadente.

*Lamelle* 32 – 34, frammiste da lamellule, smarginate-adnate, un po' ventricose; bianche, poi rosastre; filo concolore.

*Gambo* 30 – 100 × 2 – 4 mm, un po' ingrossato verso la base e rastremato verso l'apice, da dritto a ritorto, striato-fibrilloso, da nerastro a nerastro-bluastro; base con abbondante micelio bianco sovente risalente fino a quasi metà altezza; cavo.

*Carne* bianca nel gambo, concolore con la superficie esterna nella corteccia stipitale e all'interno del cappello.

## Caratteri microscopici

*Basidiospore* (8.0) 8.7 – 10.5 (11.7) × (5.7) 6.2 – 7.5 (7.9)  $\mu\text{m}$ , in media 9.1 – 10.4 × 6.3 – 7.3  $\mu\text{m}$ , Q = 1.2 – 1.6, in media 1.4; eterodiametrichi, con 5 – 7 angoli in vista laterale.

*Basidi* 26 – 34 × 10 – 12  $\mu\text{m}$ , da clavati a clavati-subcapitati, 4-sporici.

*Cheilocistidi* 30 – 60 (80) × 7 – 17  $\mu\text{m}$  (ultimo elemento), sovente settati, cilindrici o rastremati all'apice, occasionalmente subclavati o leggermente rigonfi all'apice, ialini, numerosi; filo sterile.

*Pileipellis* di tipo cutis con transizione a trichoderma, composta di elementi terminali da cilindracei a strettamente clavati, 40 – 100 × 9 – 20  $\mu\text{m}$ ; pigmento intracellulare con inclusioni granulari scure.

*Giunti a fibbia* assenti.

**Raccolta esaminata e Habitat:** Italia, Veneto, Venezia, S. Anna di Chioggia, bosco Nordio. Due esemplari sparsi, all'interno del bosco, 17 novembre 2010, *legit anon.*, PAD H0062117; tre esemplari sparsi, in una radura muschiosa con *Quercus ilex*, *Populus alba* e altre latifoglie, 14 novembre 2013, *legit P. Voto*, PAD H0062118.

## COMMENTI

*Entoloma coracis* è una specie termofila di boschi decidui e prati xerofitici, per lo più su suolo calcareo, distribuita dalla Norvegia meridionale al Mediterraneo (Noordeloos *et al.* 2022).

I suoi cheilocistidi in parte apicalmente rastremati sono condivisi dalle specie del clado /Rhombisporum le quali tuttavia differiscono per le spore con 4 – 5 angoli e (sub) isodiametrichi.

Seguendo la recente chiave in Noordeloos *et al.* (2022), l'habitus collybioide, la pileipellis trichodermica e l'assenza di giunti a fibbia includono questa specie in *Entoloma* sottogenere *Cyanula* (Romagn.) Noordel (chiave 4). Inoltre, col suo cappello opaco, non striato per trasparenza e pigmentato con toni violacei scuri, essa rientra nella subchiave 4.1. In questa subchiave, la presenza di cheilocistidi fusiformi, definiti di tipo porphyrogriseum, colloca *E. coracis* nel seguente ristretto gruppo di specie.

*E. rhynchocystidiatum* Noordel. & Liiv, *E. holmvassalenense* Eidissen, Lorås & Weholt e *E. nordlandicum* Noordel., Lorås, Eidissen & Dima, tutte specie nord europee, differiscono per i cheilocistidi principalmente rastremati con morfologia mucronata (di tipo rhynchocystidiatum); *E. violaceoserrulatum* Noordel., Brandrud, O.V. Morozova & Dima ha granulazioni rifrangenti nei cheilocistidi ed è segnalata da prati calcarei del nord Europa; *E. uranochroum* Hauskn. & Noordel. ha il cappello bluastro vivace; *E. porphyrogriseum* Noordel. e *E. roseotinctum* Noordel. & Liiv hanno il cappello bluastro scuro e abbastanza velocemente sbiadente verso tinte brunastre; *E. azureopallidum* Corriol ha il cappello di toni bluastri e habitat da subalpino ad alpino.

Due altri taxa sono probabilmente rilevanti per gli studi su *Entoloma* nell'areale mediterraneo.

*E. meridionale* Mešić, Vila, Polemis, Noordel. & Dima, una specie termofila mediterranea segnalata in Croazia, Grecia e Spagna, si differenzia per i cheilocistidi arrotondati all'apice, non rastremati (Lebeuf *et al.* 2021).

*E. corvinum* (Kühner) Noordel., il nome originariamente male applicato a questa raccolta, viene trattato da Noordeloos *et al.* (2022) come una specie con habitat alpino e, similmente a *E. meridionale*, apice dei cheilocistidi banalmente arrotondati.

Poiché *E. corvinus* è un nome ricorrente nei fungari mediterranei, tutte le raccolte mediterranee identificate con questo nome necessitano di essere revisionate e *E. meridionale* e *E. coracis* potrebbero essere i nomi corretti da rimpiazzare.

Un'altra descrizione di *E. coracis*, supportata da una sequenza molecolare, è in Bañares Baudet & Moreno (2023), proveniente dalle Isole Canarie.

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## ***Diatrypella placenta* (Ascomycota, Xylariales) in Bosnia and Herzegovina**

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### **Key words:**

*Diatrypaceae*

*Alnus*

**Abstract:** *Diatrypella placenta* is described from Bosnia with photographs of ascomes and main microcharacters. A comparison is made with similar members of the genus.

## **INTRODUCTION**

The species here treated is a so called pyrenomycetous fungus of the family Diatrypaceae Nitschke. It is composed of a hollow perithecioid growing under tree bark and erumpent outside at maturity.

Its study was carried on both classical morphology-based literature (Glawe 1986, Glawe & Rogers 1984; Medardi 2006, Rehm 1882) and modern phylogeny-based literature (Konta *et al.* 2020; Vasilyeva & Stephenson 2005; Yang *et al.* 2022), some of the above-mentioned works also providing identification keys (Glawe & Rogers 1984; Vasilyeva & Stephenson 2005).

Basing on the morphological characters of the collection, among which the parameters of spores (allantoid, hyaline, aseptate), ascospores (polysporous: bearing more than eight spores, unitunicate), and the habitat (erumpent from *Alnus* bark), its identification search led to the genus *Diatrypella*. However, modern molecular analyses (e.g. Konta *et al.* 2020; Vasilyeva & Stephenson 2005; Yang *et al.* 2022) have shown that the morphology is not always coherent with the phylogeny; for instance species with 8-spored ascospores classically belonging to the genus *Diatrype* fall in the clade of the genus *Diatrypella* classically characterized by polysporous ascospores and vice versa. *Diatrypella placenta* is not present in the main fungal genetic repositories (GenBank, UNITE).

## **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

The ascomes were photographed in habitat; the micro characters were studied on fresh material in water. The spore width was measured from the midpoint dorsal side to the midpoint ventral side (width in front view), and from the midpoint dorsal side to the midpoint of a line connecting the ventral extremity at each end of the spore (width in side view). All images by the author.

## **TAXONOMY**

***Diatrypella placenta* Rehm**  
*Hedwigia* 21 (8): 117 (1882)

= *Diatrype discoidea* var. *alni* Ravenel, Fungi Amer. exs., N 188, 1878 (fide Vasilyeva & Stephenson 2005)

### **Description of teleomorph**

*Stromata* 1 – 4 mm broad, isolate (none found coalescing), erumpent through tree bark, more or less circular to sometimes elongate, pulvinate with upper surface very low convex to flat, with more or less distinct narrow grooves extending radially from the perithecial ostioles; brownish to purplish brown and blackish brown, bearing several perithecia; pseudoparenchymatous tissue whitish to brownish.

*Perithecia* black, usually homogeneously distributed, superiorly terminating in ostioles.

*Ostioles* circular, flattened, sulcate.

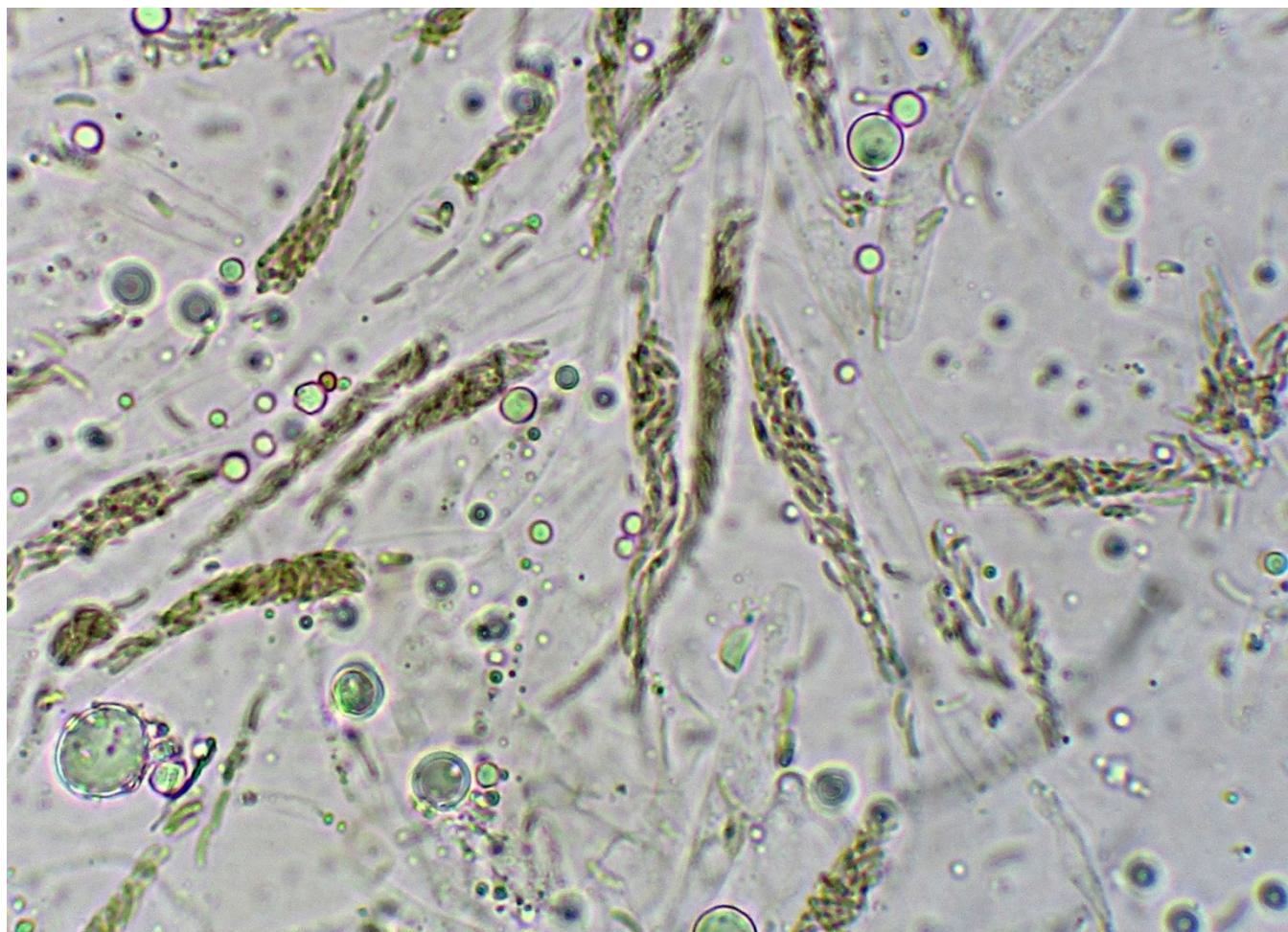
*Ascii* 45 – 60 × 5 – 7 µm in the spore-bearing portion (p. sp.), narrowly fusiform-cylindrical, long-stipitate, polysporous, unitunicate, apical ring almost inamyloid.

*Ascospores* 4.50 – 5.20 µm long, 0.60 – 0.70 µm wide in front view, 1.15 – 1.30 µm in side view, cylindrical in front view, allantoid to suballantoid in side view, subhyaline.





Spores / spore (scale bar = 1  $\mu\text{m}$ )



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**Collection examined and Habitat:** Bosnia and Herzegovina, Banja Luka, Prijedor, Čejreci, on dead wood of *Alnus glutinosa*, 6 February 2024, legit D. Trivič, in the author's pers. herb

#### NOTES

This species seems little reported both in published literature and in websites. It is reported from Europe [Austria (Kahr et al. 1996; Rehm 1882; marn.at website), France (Mombert website), Poland (Chlebicki 2008), Russia (inaturalist.org website)] and North America [Canada (Pilley & Trieselmann 1968), USA (Petersen 1979; Ravenel 1882 sub nom. *D. discoidea* var. *alni*)]. This Bosnian collection most likely is the first report from the entire Balkan area.

Very small spores, sulcate ostioles, narrow grooves more or less extending radially from the ostioles on the stromatal surface, and alder habitat are the main characteristics identifying *Diatrypella placenta*.

The two following species also are specialized with *Alnus* wood.

*Diatrypella rimosa* Shear (Shear 1902), described from USA, has somewhat similar stromata with weakly sulcate ostioles but differs by white to creamy white entostromata tissue, by transversally, not radially, fissured stromatal surface, and by longer spores ( $5 - 7 \times 1.5 \mu\text{m}$ ).

*Diatrypella verrucaeformis* (Ehrh. ex Pers.) Nitschke is distinguished by its sub conical stromata little emerging from the bark and  $6 - 8 \mu\text{m}$  long ascospores.

*Diatrypella discoidea* Cooke & Peck has ascospores of similar length and similarly sulcate ostioles but is a *Betula* host fungus.

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## ***Inocybe huijsmanii* in Bosnia and Herzegovina**

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### **Key words:**

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*Inocybaceae*

**Abstract:** Based on morphological data, *Inocybe huijsmanii*, an old species of Kuyper (1986) recently revised by Bandini, Oertel & Eberhardt (2021), is reported for the first time from Bosnia, and most probably from the entire Balkan region, with a brief description and colour images of the basidiomes in situ and the main microcharacters.

### **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

The basidiomes were photographed in habitat; the micro characters were studied on fresh material in ammonia for the picture of the pleurocystidium, in Congo red for all other characters. All images by the author.

### **TAXONOMY**

***Inocybe huijsmanii*** Kuyper  
*Persoonia*, Suppl. 3: 134 (1986)

### **Macroscopic characters**

*Pileus* 7.5 – 18.0 mm broad, conical-convex then broadly convex, umboinate, margin involute to straight, smooth, glabrous, with age radially innately fibrillose, when fresh very pale lilaceous, then yellowish-ochraceous at centre and whitish to sometimes pale pinkish-lilac outside centre.





*Lamellae* subdistant 25 – 32, with 1 to 2 tiers of lamellulae, adnate, subventricose to ventricose little, at first whitish then brownish grey; edge whitish, fimbriate.

*Stipe* 13 – 25 × 0.7 – 1.6 mm, cylindrical, straight to somewhat flexuous, colour pale brownish ochraceous below a whitish tomentose-fibrillose covering, towards apex with a faint lilac shade, scarcely pruinose only near the apex.

*Context* with an indistinct smell.



### Microscopic characters

*Basidiospores* (8.10) 8.35 – 9.69 (10.22) × (4.81) 4.86 – 5.50 (6.00) µm, on average 9.00 – 9.10 × 5.15 – 5.25 µm, Q = (1.5) 1.6 – 1.9 (2.0), on average 1.75; in front view elliptic to navicular, in side view amygdaliform with a sometimes bulging dorsal side to adaxially flattened, sometimes with a suprahilar depression, apex rounded to conical or papillate; smooth; germ pore sometimes visible as a small callus.

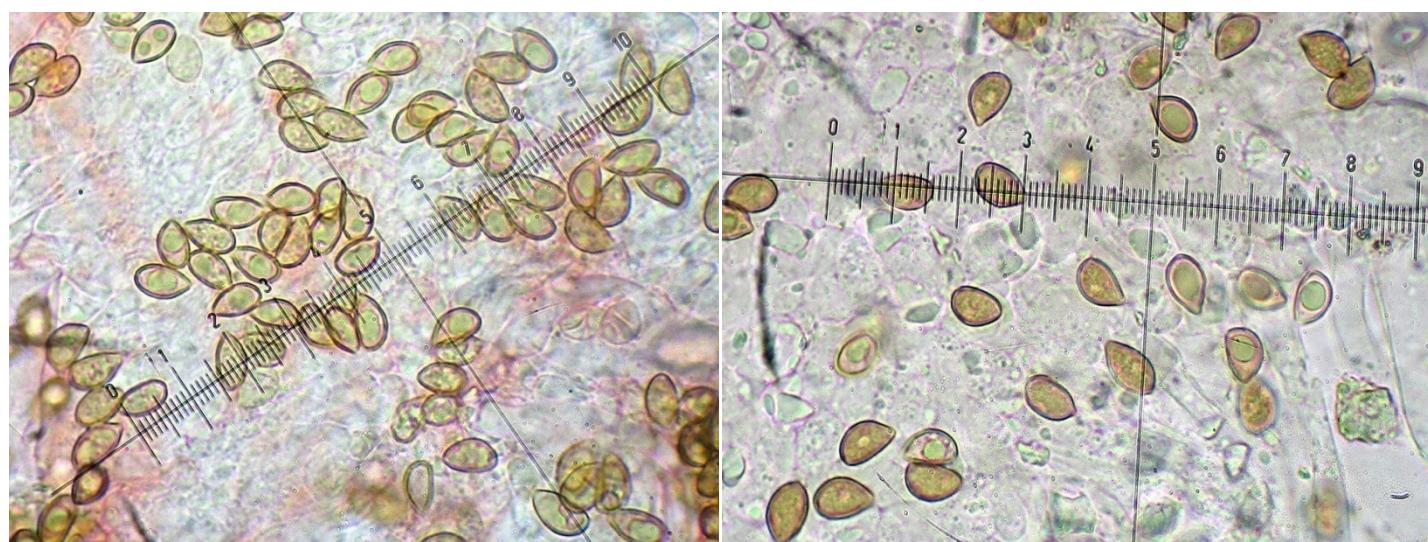
*Basidia* 20.8 – 30.8 × 7.8 – 12.3 µm, 4-spored, clavate.

*Pleurocystidia* 50.0 – 70.0 × 10.0 – 18.0 µm, mainly utriform to subutriform or subfusiform, neck mostly elongate and more often somewhat tapering than cylindrical; apex obtuse to rounded, crystalliferous; walls slightly thickened up to about 1 µm, greenish-yellowish in 5% KOH.

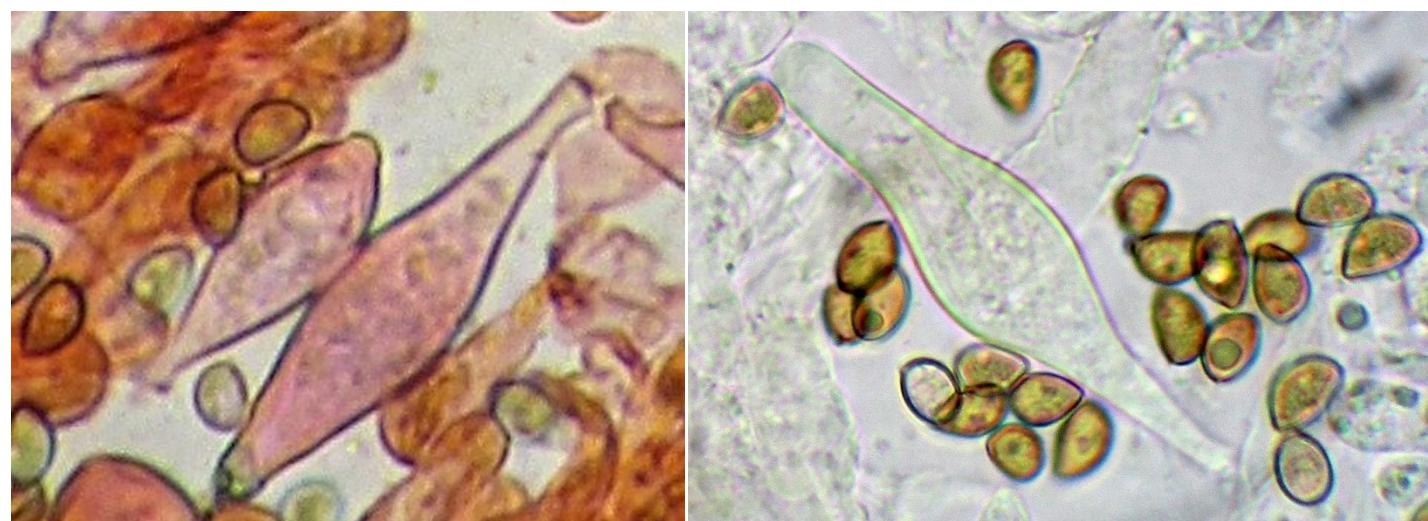
*Cheilocystidia* similar to the pleurocystidia, intermixed with small paracystidia.

*Caulocystidia* similar to the pleurocystidia, only present at the extreme apex of the stipe.

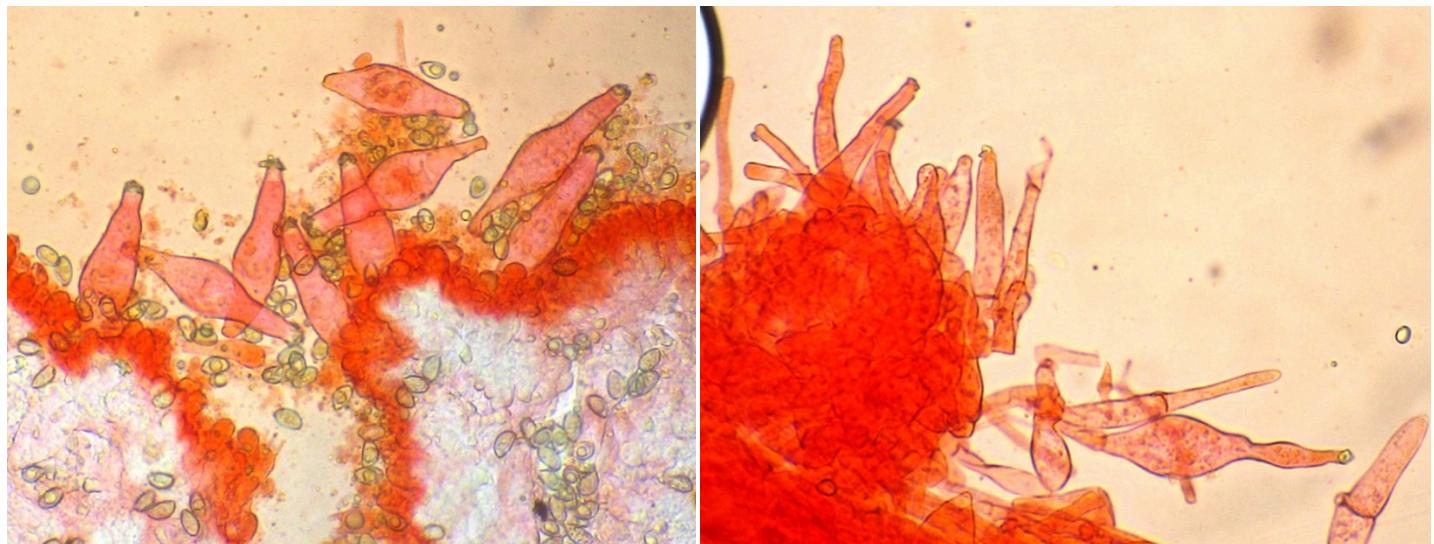
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Spores in Congo red



Pleurocystidia. Left: in Congo red, right: colour in ammonia



Left: pleurocystidia. Right: caulocystidia. In Congo red

**Collections examined and Habitat:** Bosnia and Herzegovina, Prijedor, Ljubija, Brisevo village; gregarious, in a mixed wood of hornbeam (*Carpinus sp.*), lime (*Tilia sp.*) and maple (*Acer sp.*), 8 and 19 June 2024, legit D. Trivič, in pers. herb.

## NOTES

*Inocybe huismanii* is characterized by small basidiomes with sometimes a light covering of a pale pinkish-lilac velipellis on the pileus and sometimes lilaceous tints at the stipe apex. With the vanishing of this veil, which went almost unnoticed in this collection, the pileus appears whitish to alutaceous. Other characteristics are almost thin-walled cystidia, medium spore size, and scarcity of caulocystidia. The subpapillate spore apex is also reported by Bandini, Oertel & Eberhardt (2021) and Kuyper (1986).

The spore size in this collection falls on the lower end of the expected range [(8.0) 8.5 – 10.5 × 5.0 – 6.0 µm, on average 9.1 – 10.1 × 5.2 – 5.8 µm, Q = 1.6 – 1.9, on average 1.7 – 1.8 (Kuyper 1986, protolog); 8.6 – 10.7 × 4.4 – 5.8 µm, on average 9.6 × 5.2 µm, Q = 1.6 – 2.2, on average 1.9 (Bandini, Oertel & Eberhardt 2021, paratype revision)].

Bandini, Oertel & Eberhardt (2021) studied unsequenced isotypes of *I. bolbitioides* Carteret & Reumaux and *I. gypsea* Carteret & Reumaux. In both cases they found longer spores and consequently a higher quotient (on average 10.8 × 5.4 µm, Q = 2.0 and 11.0 × 5.4 µm, Q = 2.0, respectively). However, as they found presence of 2-spored basidia they comment that a synonymy with *I. huismanii* ‘cannot entirely be excluded’.

*I. huismanii* is very similar to *I. bellidiana* Bandini, B. Oertel & U. Eberh. which shares the pale coloured pileus. However, its spores are more characteristically bulgy on the dorsal side and somewhat shorter (6.8 – 10.1 × 4.3 – 6.0 µm) resulting in a lower quotient (1.4 – 2.1, on average 1.7), and cystidia feature a partly tapering and seldom elongate apex (Bandini, Oertel & Eberhardt 2021). Also, this species has close lamellae (ca. 40 – 50) which is a sensible difference versus the subdistant lamellae of *I. huismanii* (25 – 35 in the protolog, 25 – 32 in this collection).

Kuyper (1986) commented that probably *I. huismanii* is confused with the common *Inocybe griseolilacina* J.E. Lange; however, this taxon differs by a less smooth pileus surface and thicker-walled cystidia (Bandini, Oertel & Eberhardt 2021).

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## ***Psathyrella* sect. *Cystidiosae* and first record of *Psathyrella cloverae* in the Dominican Republic**

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**Abstract:** The American species of *Psathyrella* sect. *Cystidiosae* are studied using morphological and molecular (nrITS, tef1- $\alpha$ , LSU) data. This study includes the first report of *P. cloverae* from the Dominican Republic herein described with images of the basidiomes in habitat and the main microcharacters. *P. varzeae* and *P. hesleri* are demonstrated to be later synonyms of *P. cloverae*. *P. smithii* is also treated as a later synonym though based only on morphological data due to the unsuccessful molecular analysis of its isotype. The distribution of *P. cloverae* covers a wide range of climate and vegetation types, and ranges from South America (Brazil) through Central America (Caribbean, Costa Rica, Mexico) up to North America. Based on non-type molecular studies, *P. cystidiosa* is phylogenetically closer to the Central American species *P. pivae* and is therefore considered to be a different species from *P. cloverae*.

## INTRODUCTION

The family *Psathyrellaceae* Vilgalys, Moncalvo & Redhead (synonyms: *Zerovaemycetaceae* Gorovij, *nomen anamorphosis*, restricted priority; *Coprinaceae* Overeem & Weese pro maxima parte, excluding the type name) includes, with phylogenetic support, several genera, including *Coprinellus* P. Karst., *Coprinopsis* P. Karst., *Homophron* (Britzelm.) Örstadius & E. Larss., *Lacrymaria* Pat., *Parasola* Redhead, Vilgalys & Hopple, *Psathyrella* Fr. ex Quél. and others. In the past the name used instead of *Psathyrellaceae* was *Coprinaceae* Overeem & Weese (inclusive of only two genera, *Coprinus* Pers. and *Psathyrella* Fr. ex Quél.), until Redhead *et al.* (2001) demonstrated, based on phylogenetic data, that the *Coprinaceae* also included a small number of taxa belonging to the different family *Agaricaceae* Chevall. Since these taxa also included *Coprinus comatus* (O.F. Müll.) Pers., the type name of *Coprinus*, in turn the type name of the family *Coprinaceae*, it was necessary to assign a new name, *Psathyrellaceae*, replacing *Coprinaceae*, to include the rest of the species.

For this family it is customary to informally distinguish species with a ‘coprinoid’ habit and species with a ‘psathyelloid’ habit. The former group includes taxa usually characterized, among other characters, by the deliquescence of the basidiomes, while the members of the latter group do not usually deliquesce. Among the psathyelloid taxa, there are two groups of species well characterized morphologically by possessing pleurocystidia more or less strongly thick-walled and usually incrusted.

In the past, Smith (1972), not yet possessing phylogenetic evidence, treated the members of these two groups in *Psathyrella* subgenus *Homophron* Britzelm. This subgenus was further split into the sections *Homophron* Britzelm., characterized by pale spores, and *Cystidiosae* A.H. Sm. 1972, characterized by well pigmented spores. Current phylogenetic knowledge (see Örstadius, Ryberg & Larsson 2015) demonstrates that in this group the presence/absence of veil, and not the spore colour, is the most relevant morphological character for separating the species. Consequently, we can morphologically distinguish the species with a veil, however scanty, and with well-pigmented spores, from those completely devoid of any trace of veil and with more or less pale spores. This distinction, although sometimes difficult to evaluate regarding the veil which is affected by the degree of freshness of the specimens, is necessary because the taxa of the first group belong to

the genus *Psathyrella* Fr. ex Quél., while the taxa of the second group constitute the genus *Homophron* (Britzelm.) Örstadius & E. Larss., phylogenetically very distant (Örstadius, Ryberg & Larsson 2015).

Basing on phylogenetic evidence, the Smith's taxon *Psathyrella* sect. *Cystidiosae* 1972, type name *P. cystidiosa* (Peck) A.H. Sm., is therefore not taxonomically based on the most important character. However, it is a nomenclaturally valid taxon and we propose an emendation to its definition (as see below).

Romagnesi (1982) had proposed *Psathyrella* sect. *Pygmaeae* Romagn., type name *P. pygmaea* (Bull.) Singer. However, since the type names of both sections belong to the same phylogenetically supported clade, the Romagnesi's section must be treated as a later synonym of *Psathyrella* sect. *Cystidiosae* (I.C.N. Art. 11.3).

Due to the presence of a veil our Dominican collection belongs to *Psathyrella* sect. *Cystidiosae* and corresponds phylogenetically to the holotype of *P. cloverae* (Crous *et al.* 2019). We therefore attempted to sequence holotypes, isotypes, and other representative collections related to American taxa to ascertain any presumed cases of synonymy. As we expected on a morphological basis, for *P. hesleri* and *P. varzeae* the ITS sequences obtained support their synonymy with *P. cloverae*. For *P. smithii* we propose its synonymy only on a morphological basis since repeated molecular analyses of the isotype have failed.

Regarding *P. cystidiosa*, we only obtained one ITS sequence out of five non-types collections from the MIN and TEN herbaria. That sequence does not nest in the 'cloverae subclade' but beside *P. pivae* ('piva subclade'). An LSU sequence, in GenBank, obtained from another non-type collection of *P. cystidiosa* (Crous *et al.* 2019) also nests beside *P. pivae*. Therefore, there is reliable molecular support to believe that this species is excluded from synonymy with *P. cloverae* notwithstanding a close morphological similarity.

Finally, we have evaluated which name, among *P. cloverae*, *P. hesleri*, *P. smithii* and *P. varzeae*, was to be chosen to have priority. *P. cloverae* and *P. hesleri* were described in the same work (Smith 1972), while *P. varzeae* and *P. smithii* were later. The name *P. hesleri* has a somewhat contorted history: Smith (1972) described it from a collection identified as *P. cystidiosa* that he considered to be misidentified. Our analysis confirms that he was correct in noting the misidentification, but mistaken in not recognizing it as his new species *P. cloverae*, thus creating a superfluous double. Therefore we propose to assign priority to the epithet *P. cloverae*.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

### Morphology

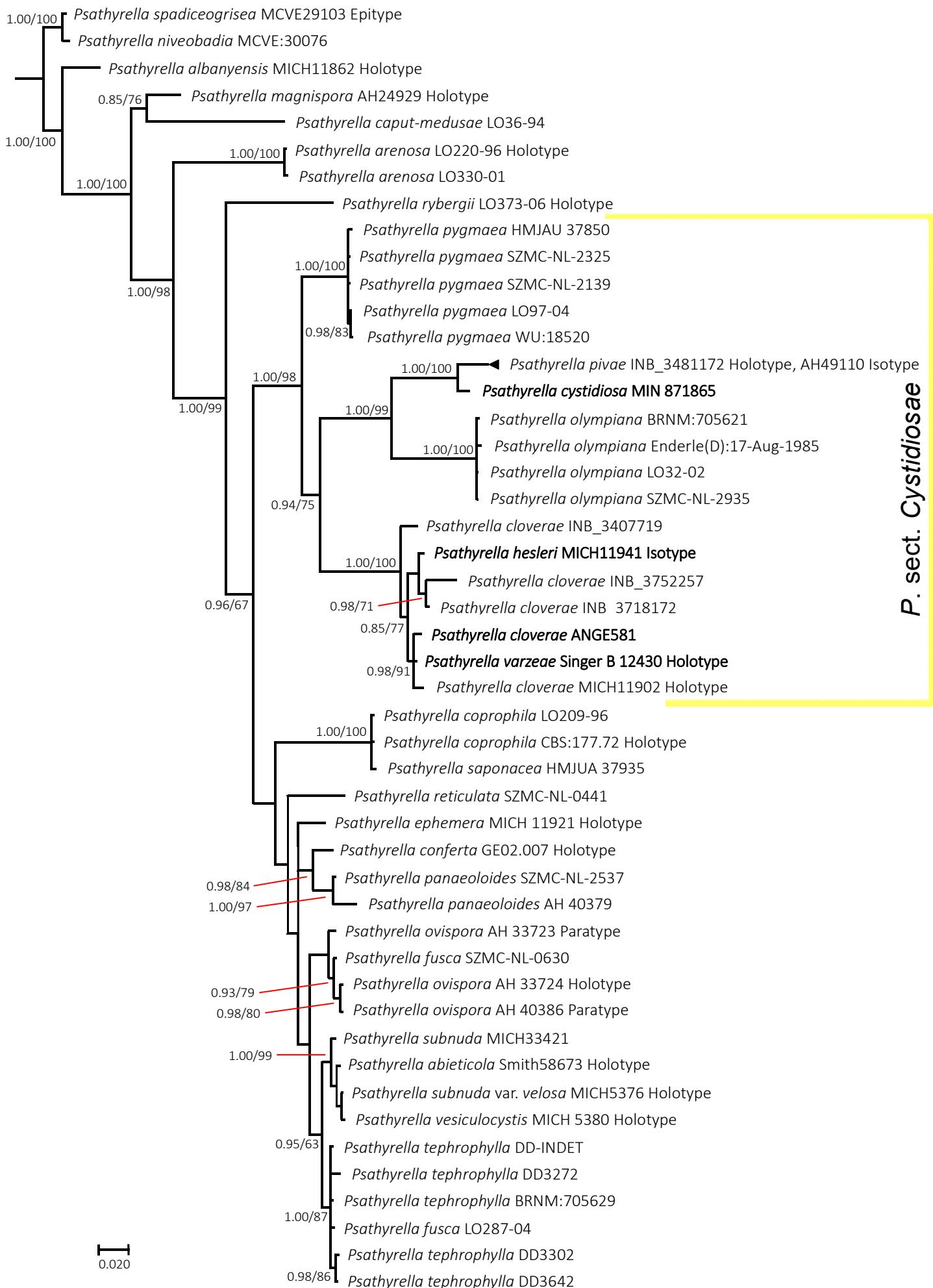
The basidiomes of the Dominican collection were photographed fresh in the habitat by C.A. using a digital camera Nikon Coolpix 8400 and subsequently dried. Microscopic characters were studied and described by P.V. on dried material revived and observed in 5% KOH or 30% NH<sub>4</sub>OH; in some cases Congo red was also added for enhanced clarity in images. The same procedure was used by P.V. for the micro revision of the isotype of *P. smithii*.

Special terms used in this paper are: 'indented' (referred to the spores): meaning that the base presents a lateral protrusion like a tooth (as it happens in other *Psathyrella* species, e.g. *P. albescens* Hesler & A.H. Sm.); 'lepto-' (referred to the cystidia): a prefix meaning thinned-wall; 'metuloid' (referred to the cystidia): meaning thick-walled; 'muricate' (referred to the cystidia): meaning the presence of incrustations on the cell walls; 'paracystidia': sterile cells of the gill edge with a clavate to ellipsoid shape, distinctly different from the pleurocystidia.

For the description of the vegetation present in the Dominican collecting site of *P. cloverae*, see Parra *et al.* (2018).

The herbaria cited in this paper are: Instituto Politécnico Nacional, Mexico city (Mexico), code ENCB; Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago (USA), code F; Jardín Botánico Nacional Dr. Rafael M. Moscoso, Santo Domingo (Dominican Republic), code JBSD; University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (USA), code MICH; University of Minnesota, St. Paul (USA), code MIN; Università degli Studi di Padova, Padua (Italy), code PAD; University of Tennessee, Knoxville (USA), code TENN; Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto (Canada), code TRTC. Their codes are taken from the online Index Herbariorum (<https://sweetgum.nybg.org/science/ih/>).

The authors of the images in the figures are shown in square brackets.



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**Figure 1** (above): A 50% majority rule ITS rDNA-28S rDNA- *tef1-α* consensus phylogram of the /cystidiosa clade of genus *Psathyrella* (with *P. spadiceogrisea* and *P. niveobadia* of /spadiceogrisea clade as outgroups) obtained using MrBayes from 2700 sampled trees. Nodes were annotated if they were supported by  $\geq 0.95$  Bayesian posterior probability (left) or  $\geq 70\%$  maximum likelihood bootstrap proportions (right). Nonsignificant support values are exceptionally represented inside parentheses. New sequences generated in this study are in bold

**Table 1** (below). Fungal taxa, voucher numbers and GenBank accession numbers of the sequences used in the phylogenetic analyses; in red sequences generated in this work. Names in parentheses indicate misidentifications ('as') or prior synonyms ('→')

Taxa names of <i>Psathyrella</i>	Collection ID	ITS	<i>tef1-α</i>	LSU
<i>P. abieticola</i> Holotype	Smith58673/USA	KC992891	–	KC992891
<i>P. albanyensis</i> Holotype	MICH11862/USA	MF325952	MF521823	–
<i>P. arenosa</i> Holotype	LO220-96/Sweden	KC992895	KJ732784	–
<i>P. arenosa</i>	LO330-01/Sweden	KC992896	KJ732785	KC992896
<i>P. caput-medusae</i>	LO36-94/Sweden	KC992927	KJ732814	KC992927
<i>P. cloverae</i> Holotype	MICH11902/USA	MF966417	–	–
<i>P. cloverae</i>	INB_3407719/Costa Rica	MF966508	–	–
<i>P. cloverae</i>	INB_3752257/ Costa Rica	MF966509	–	–
<i>P. cloverae</i>	INB_3718172/ Costa Rica	MF966510	–	–
<i>P. cloverae</i>	ANGE581/Dominican Rep.	MZ856314	OK546186	–
<i>P. cloverae</i> (duplicate)	ANGE581/Dominican Rep.	PP476873	PP493201	–
<i>P. conferta</i> Holotype	GE02.007 (PC)/France	KC992890	–	KC992890
<i>P. coprophila</i> Holotype (→ <i>P. saponacea</i> )	CBS:177.72/UK	MH860433	–	MH872163
<i>P. coprophila</i> (→ <i>P. saponacea</i> )	LO209-96/Sweden	DQ389717	–	DQ389717
<i>P. cystidiosa</i>	MIN 871865/USA	PP469638	–	–
<i>P. ephemera</i> Holotype	MICH 11921/USA	NR_161023	–	–
<i>P. fusca</i>	LO287-04/Sweden	KC992892	KJ732779	KC992892
<i>P. fusca</i> (→ <i>P. tehrophylla</i> )	DD-INDET/Belgium	MK583508	–	–
<i>P. fusca</i> (→ <i>P. tehrophylla</i> )	DD3272/Belgium	MK577903	–	–
<i>P. fusca</i> (→ <i>P. tehrophylla</i> )	DD3302/Belgium	MK577904	–	–
<i>P. fusca</i> (→ <i>P. tehrophylla</i> )	DD3642/Belgium	MK577902	–	MK57791
<i>P. fusca</i> (→ <i>P. tehrophylla</i> )	BRNM:705629/Czech Rep.	AM712270	–	AM712270
<i>P. hesleri</i> Isotype (→ <i>P. cloverae</i> )	MICH11941/USA	PP476871	–	–
<i>P. magnispora</i> Holotype	AH24929/Spain	KC992863	–	–
<i>P. niveobadia</i>	MCVE:30076/Italy	MK400421	MK408675	–
<i>P. olympiana</i>	LO32-02/Sweden	DQ389722	KJ732817	DQ389722
<i>P. olympiana</i>	SZMC-NL-2935/Hungary	FN396103	FN396211	FN396156
<i>P. olympiana</i>	Enderle(D):17-Aug-1985 /Germany	AM712267	–	AM712267
<i>P. olympiana</i>	BRNM:705621/Czech Rep.	AM712268	–	AM712268
<i>P. ovispora</i> Holotype	AH 33724/Spain	MF966497	–	MN190260
<i>P. ovispora</i> Paratype	AH 33723/Spain	MF966496	–	MN190261
<i>P. ovispora</i> Paratype	AH 40386/Spain	MN190257	–	–
<i>P. ovispora</i> (as <i>P. fusca</i> )	SZMC-NL-0630/Hungary	FM878030	FM897256	FM876288
<i>P. panaeoloides</i>	SZMC-NL-2537/Hungary	FM878022	FM897255	FM876279

Taxa names of <i>Psathyrella</i>	Collection ID	ITS	<i>tef1-α</i>	LSU
<i>P. panaeoloides</i>	AH 40379/Spain	MF966501	–	–
<i>P. pivae</i> Holotype	INB_3481172/Costa Rica	MF966507	–	–
<i>P. pivae</i> Isotype	AH49110/Costa Rica	–	–	MN161533
<i>P. pygmaea</i>	HMJAU 37850/China	MG734744	MH161170	MH155959
<i>P. pygmaea</i>	WU:18520/Germany	AM712269		AM712269
<i>P. pygmaea</i>	SZMC-NL-2139/Hungary	FM878010	FM897258	FM876266
<i>P. pygmaea</i>	SZMC-NL-2325/Hungary	FM878011	FM897224	FM876267
<i>P. pygmaea</i>	LO97-04/Sweden	DQ389718	KJ732811	DQ389718
<i>P. reticulata</i>	SZMC-NL-0441/Hungary	–	FM897227	FN396193
<i>P. rybergii</i> Holotype	LO373-06/Sweden	KC992893	KJ732781	KC992893
<i>P. saponacea</i>	HMJUA 37935/China	MH155965	–	MH155960
<i>P. spadiceogrisea</i> Epitype	MCVE29103/France	MF325997	MF521779	–
<i>P. subnuda</i> (→ <i>P. abieticola</i> )	MICH33421/USA	MF326000	MF521778	–
<i>P. subnuda</i> var. <i>velosa</i> Holotype (→ <i>P. abieticola</i> )	MICH5376/USA	MF326005	MF521773	–
<i>P. varzeae</i> Holotype (→ <i>P. cloverae</i> )	Singer B 12430/Brazil	PP476872	–	–
<i>P. vesiculocystis</i> Holotype (→ <i>P. abieticola</i> )	MICH 5380/USA	MF326007	MF521772	–

## Phylogenetic analyses

The phylogenetic analyses were commissioned to the Alvalab laboratory (Spain) which also generated all new sequences proposed in this paper except that of the isotype of *Psathyrella hesleri*, generated by Ida Broman Nielsen and Tobias Frøslev (Denmark).

BLASTn (Altschul *et al.* 1990) was used to select the most closely related ITS rDNA sequences from the International Nucleotide Sequence Database Collaboration public database (INSDC, Arita *et al.* 2021), as well as LSU and *tef1-α* sequences of the same collections. Sequences first were aligned in MEGA 5.0 (Tamura *et al.* 2011) with its Clustal W application and then realigned manually as needed to establish positional homology. Aligned loci were loaded in MrBayes 3.2.6 (Ronquist *et al.* 2012), where a Bayesian analysis was performed (three partitions: ITS, LSU, *tef1-α*; model GTR+G+I, two simultaneous runs, four chains, temperature set to 0.2, sampling every 100th generation) until the average split frequencies between the simultaneous runs fell below 0.01 after 0.36 M generations. Finally, a full search for the best-scoring maximum likelihood tree was performed in RAxML 8.2.12 (Stamatakis 2014) using the standard search algorithm (same partitions, GTRGAMMAI model, 2000 bootstrap replications). The significance threshold was set above 0.95 for posterior probability (PP) and 70% bootstrap proportions (BP).

## RESULTS

### Emendation

*Psathyrella* sect. *Cystidiosae* A.H. Sm. emend. Voto  
*Memoirs of the New York Botanical Garden* 24:246 (1972)

Species of *Psathyrella* having pleurocystidia with crystalliferous to incrusted apex, and with walls in most cases yellowish and slightly to distinctly thickened.

Synonym: *Psathyrella* sect. *Pygmeae* Romagn., *Bull. trimest. Soc. mycol. Fr.* 98(1):10 (1982)

### Notes

This emendation is proposed basing on the characters of all species so far known to phylogenetically belong to this section. As shown by the phylogram, *P. rybergii* Örstadius & E. Larss. is a sister node to the “cystidiosa clade”; its pleurocystidia share a pale yellow pigment but are neither incrusted nor thick-walled therefore it is ruled out of the section.

This section comprises only two species in Europe: *P. pygmaea* (Bull.) Singer and *P. olympiana* A.H. Sm., both also present in North America. More species, and more names, are present in the American continent, beside the autonymous species, which are discussed below.

## Taxonomy

*P. cloverae* A.H. Sm.

*Memoirs of the New York Botanical Garden* **24**:248. 1972

Typus: E. Clover 1229 (MICH11902), USA, Texas, Hidalgo, Canal South Mission, 2.VI.1933

*Molecular heterotypical synonyms proposed here:*

= *Psathyrella hesleri* A.H. Sm., *Mem. N. Y. Bot. Gard.* **24**: 249. 1972;

= *Psathyrella varzeae* Singer, *Fieldiana Botany* **21**: 102. 1989.

*Morphological heterotypical synonyms proposed here:*

= *Psathyrella smithii* Guzmán, *Bol. Soc. Mex. Mic.* **8**:94. 1974.

Description of the Dominican collection (Fig. 2-8).



Fig. 2. *Psathyrella cloverae*. ANGE581. Bar: 10mm [C. Angelini]

## Macroscopic characters

*Pileus* (young and fresh specimens not observed) 18 – 32 mm; convex, sometimes undulate; margin radially ribbed-striated up to two thirds of the radius, with inconspicuous whitish residues of veil; surface smooth, hygrophanous, grey-brownish at first, often with an olivaceous shade while discoloring, finally beige to whitish with a (pale) greyish violaceous necropigment from the margin.

*Lamellae* approx. 30, intermixed with 3 – 7 lamellulae; adnate; not or slightly ventricose; greyish purplish brown; edge pale.

*Stipe* 15 – 36 × 3.0 – 6.0 mm, cylindrical or slightly tapering upwards, straight to somewhat flexuous, base equal or somewhat swollen; surface white, flocculose at apex, minutely flocculose elsewhere.  
*Context* white in stipe.

### Macroscopic characters

*Spores* ( $n = 20$ ) (6.82) 7.20 – 8.00 (8.60) × (4.39) 4.55 – 5.20 (5.80)  $\mu\text{m}$ , on average 7.51 × 4.76  $\mu\text{m}$ ,  $Q = (1.35)$  1.48 – 1.69 (1.73), on average 1.58; in face view oval to oval-pentagonal or elliptic, base broadly rounded to truncate, in side view adaxially flattened, subamygdaliform, subphaseoliform, sometimes weakly indented above the base; in water and in ammonia orange- to reddish- brown, in KOH grey-brown (cocoa-brown); germ pore distinct, 0.8 – 1.5  $\mu\text{m}$  broad, broadly rounded to truncate; ; apiculus very small.

*Basidia* 4-spored, very rarely 2-spored, 16.0 – 19.5 × 7.5 – 9.0  $\mu\text{m}$ , clavate.

*Pleurocystidia* (33.0) 40.0 – 50.0 × (12.5) 13.0 – 18.0 (22.0)  $\mu\text{m}$ ; (ventricose) fusoid, ventricose-lageniform, utriform, mucronate-clavate; metuloid with walls 0.7 – 1.4 (2.0)  $\mu\text{m}$  thick at extreme base and 3.0 – 5.2  $\mu\text{m}$  thick in neck, often completely occluding the space in extreme apex, hyaline to yellowish in ammonia; apex subacute to obtuse, sometimes rounded, muricate with incrustations; pedicel often elongate; abundant near the edge.

*Cheilocystidia* of three kinds, a) similar to pleurocystidia, scarce; b) paracystidia 15.0 – 26.0 × 8.8 – 13.0 (17.0)  $\mu\text{m}$ , clavate to ellipsoid, thin-walled, abundant; c) intermediate with paracystidioid shape and thickened walls or with more or less utriform shape and thin walls, scattered.

*Pileipellis* composed of a paraderm of cellular elements.

*Caulocystidia* more or less similar to pleurocystidia or smaller in size, occasionally thin-walled; scattered to abundant. *Clamp connections* present.

**Habitat and collection examined:** gregarious, growing on a fallen degraded trunk in a humid rain forest with deciduous trees; Dominican Republic, P.to Plata, Sosúa, Puerto Chiquito, (19°44'50.1"N 70°31'34.2"W), 4 January 2016, legit C. Angelini ANGE581, exsiccatum in JBSD124849, duplicate in PAD H0062119; GenBank: MZ856314 and PP476873- ITS, OK546186 and PP493201- *tef1-α* (same collection sequenced twice).

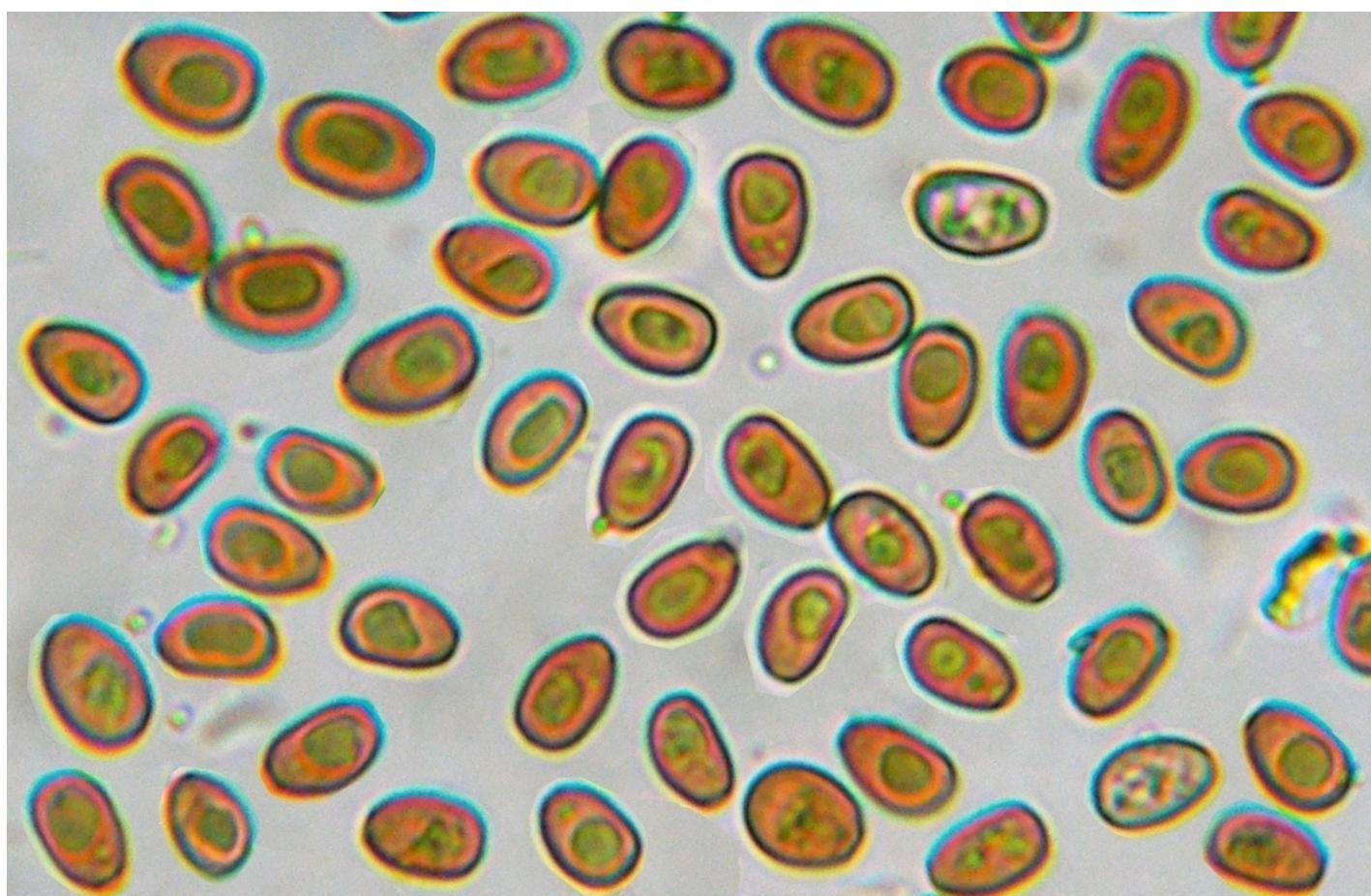


Fig. 3: *P. cloverae*, ANGE581. Spores in water [P. Voto]

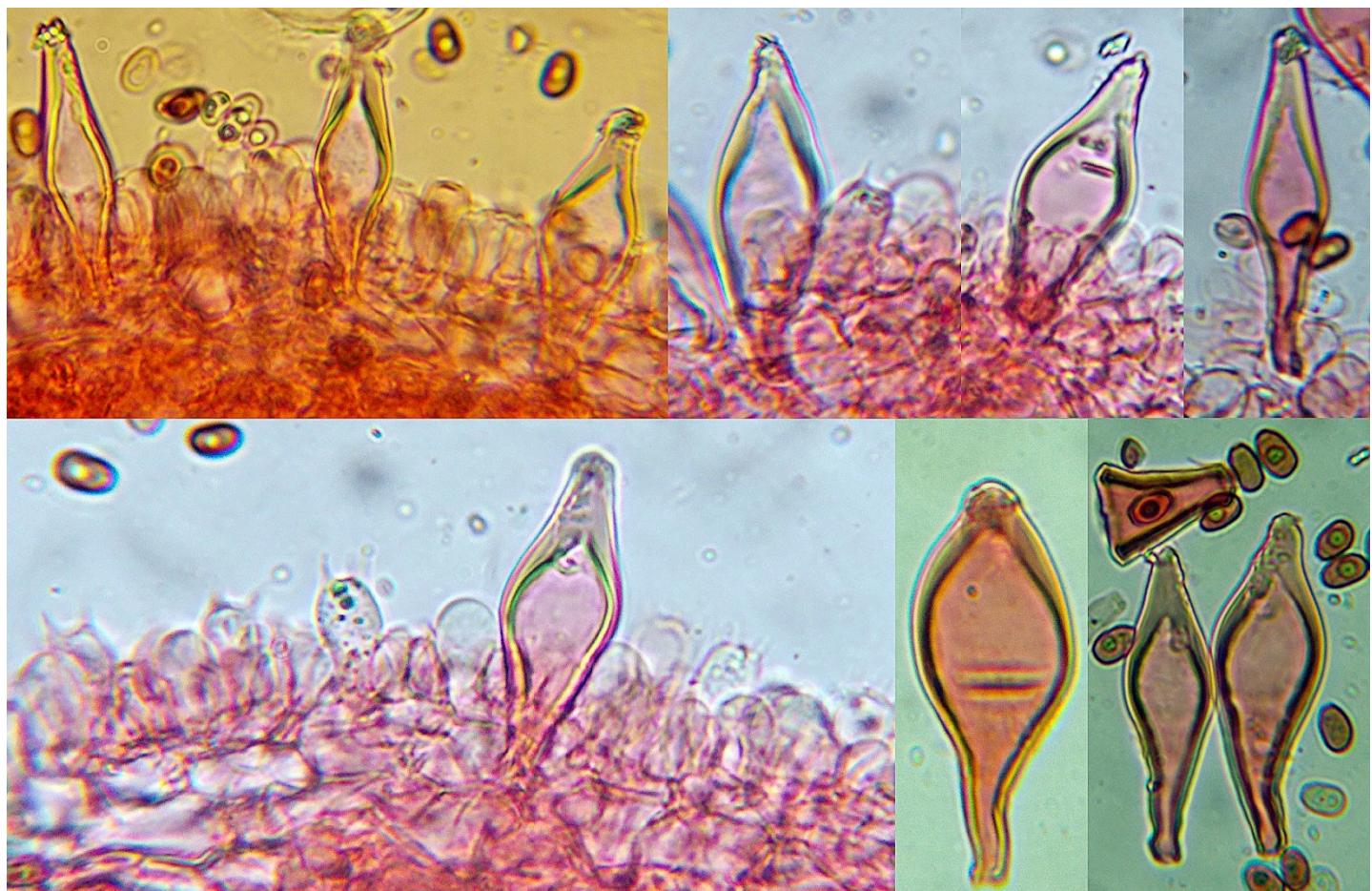


Fig. 4: *P. cloverae*, ANGE581. Pleurocystidia in Congo red [P. Voto]

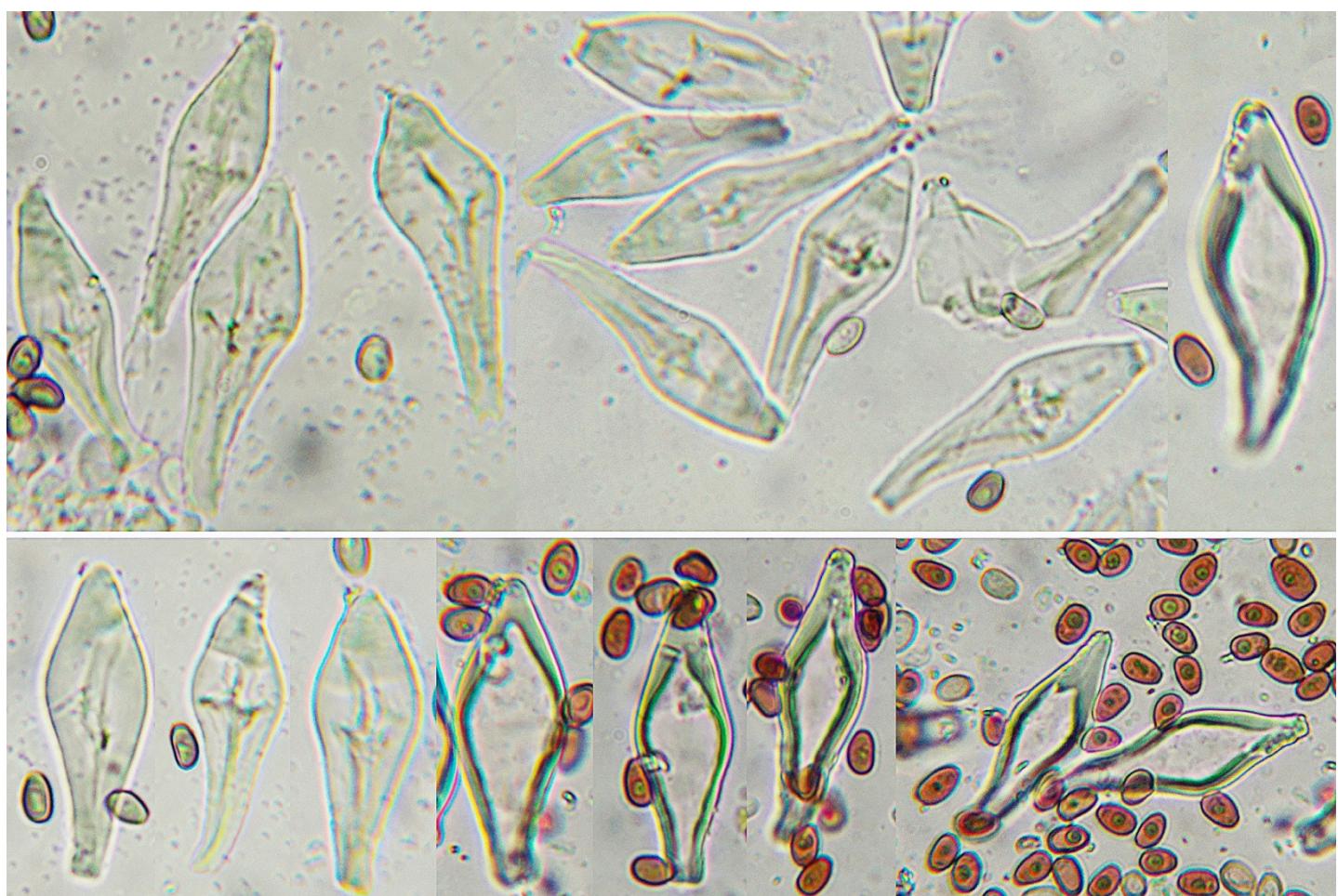


Fig. 5: *P. cloverae*, ANGE581. Pleurocystidia in 5% KOH (top), in ammonia (bottom) [P. Voto]

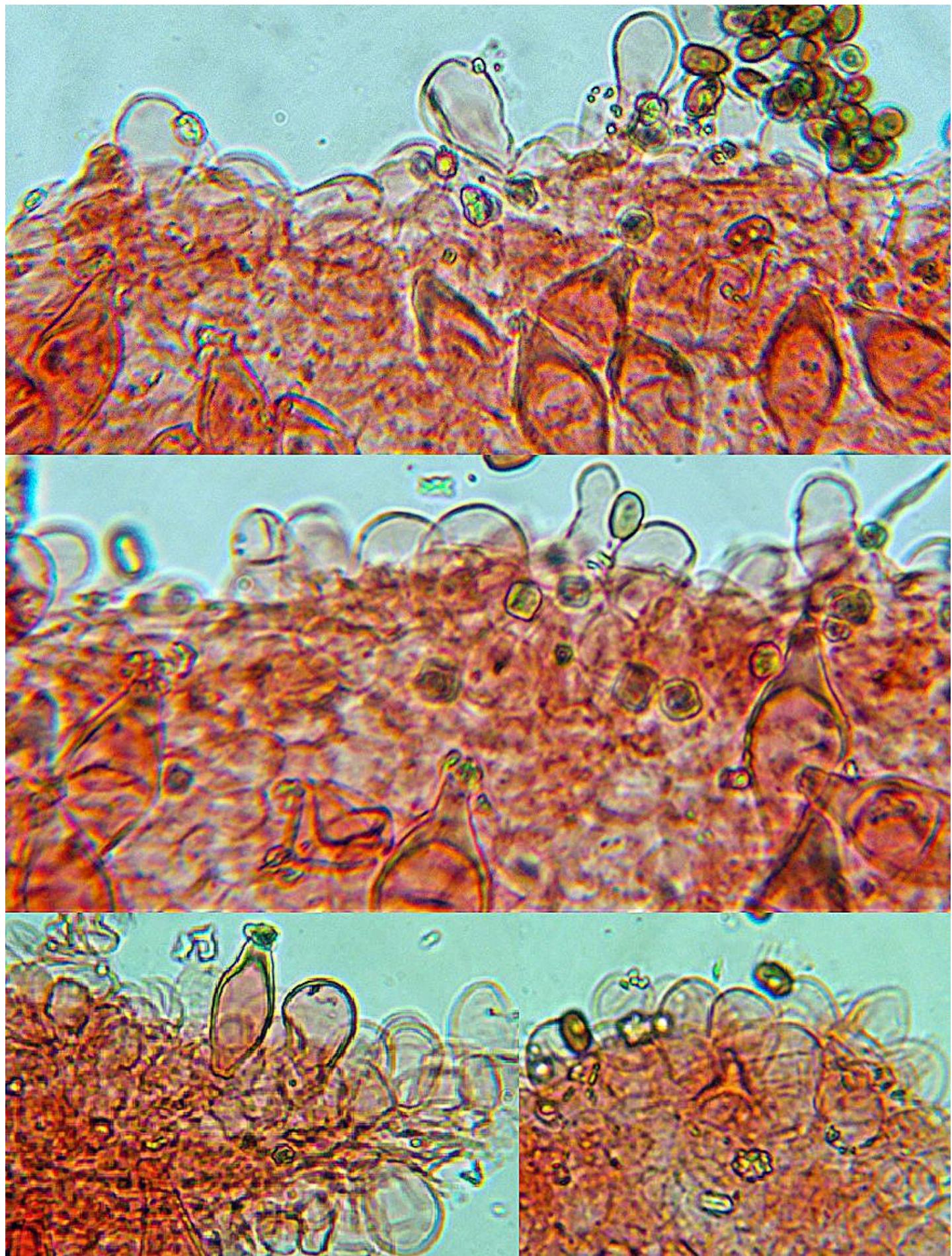


Fig. 6: *P. cloverae*, ANGE581. Gill edge in Congo red [P. Voto]

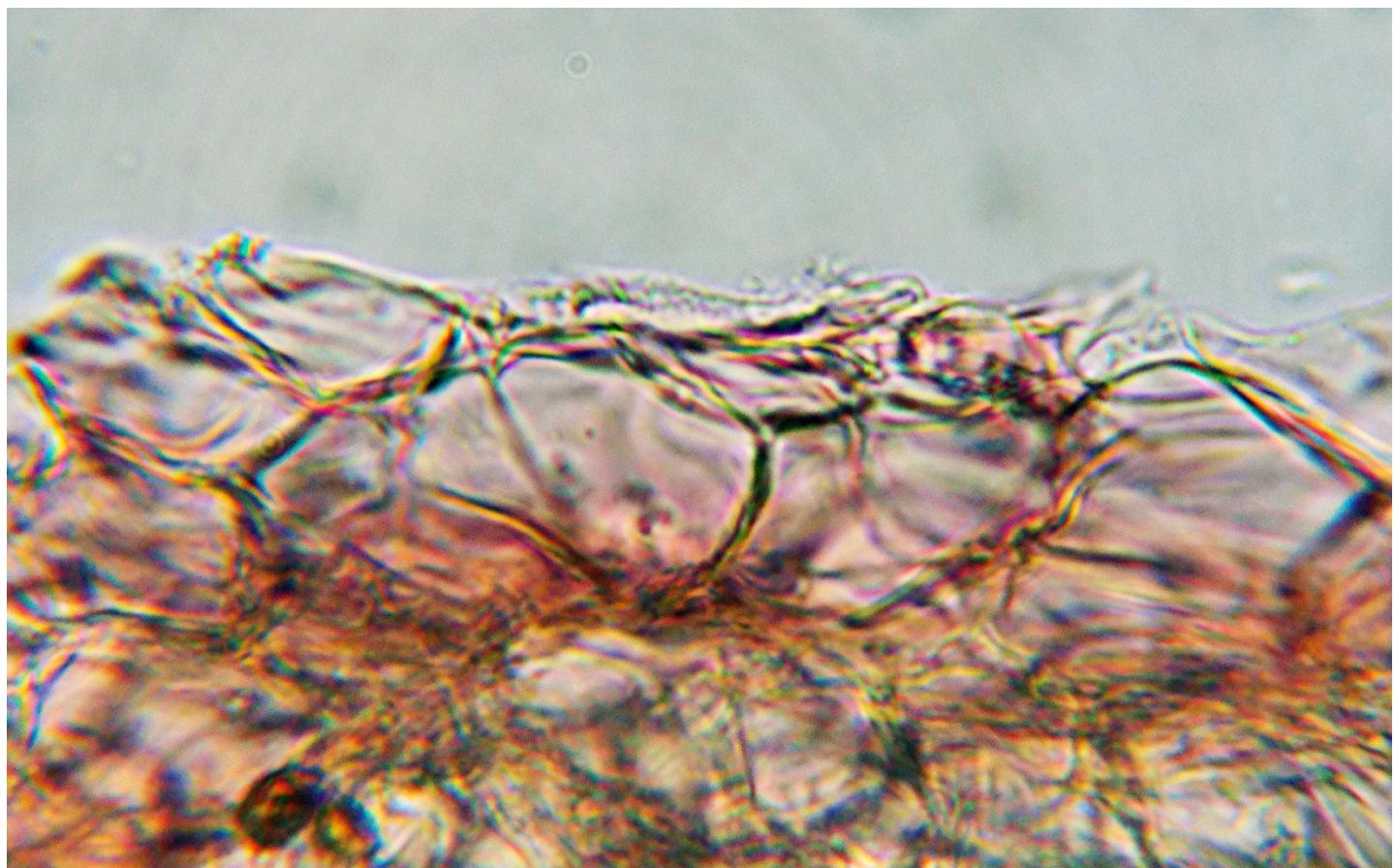


Fig. 7: *P. cloverae*, ANGE581. Pileipellis in Congo red [P. Voto]

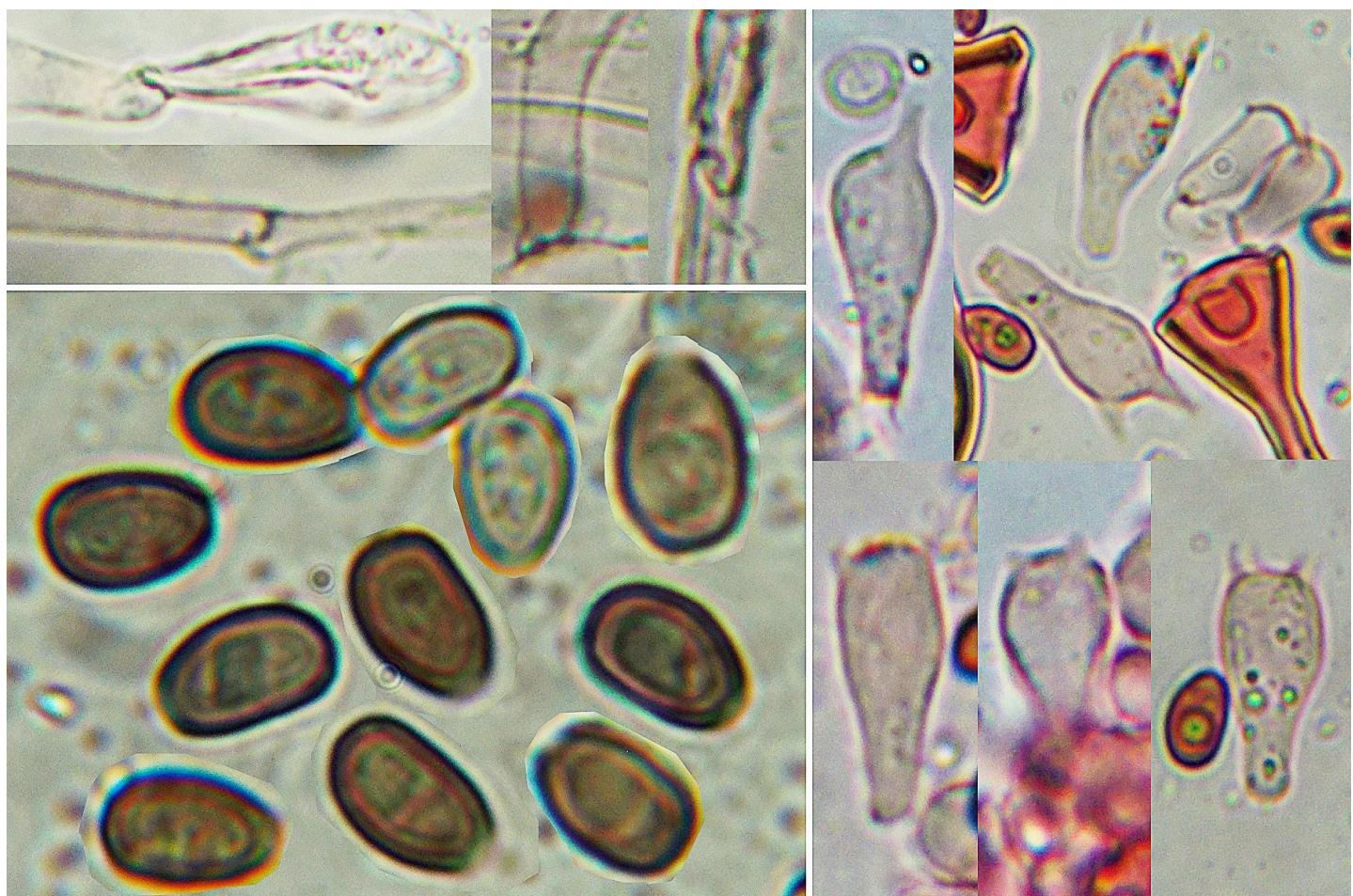


Fig. 8: *P. cloverae*, ANGE581. Clamps in pileipellis in Congo red (top left), spore germ pore in 5% KOH (bottom left), basidia in Congo red (right) [P. Voto]

General description of *Psathyrella cloverae*

(Based on ANGE581 and the original descriptions of all species synonymized)

### **Macroscopic characters**

*Pileus* 15– 40 (80) mm broad; obtusely conic then through conical-convex to convex, margin sometimes radially lobed when expanded; usually translucently striate up to two thirds of radius; dull cinnamon brown to strong brown, hygrophanous, discoloring from centre through pale brown, dull greyish brown, dull dingy cinnamon brown to honey yellow, yellowish brown, ochraceous-yellow, olivaceous-yellow, finally beige to whitish often with greyish violaceous necropigment from margin; surface lubricous; veil made of a coating of delicate white fibrillose flecks, initially dense, later fugacious.

*Lamellae* approx. 30– 40 intermixed with 3 – 7 lamellulae, adnate, narrow, possibly intervenose, whitish then dark purplish brown, edge fimbriate, pale.

*Stipe* (15) 20– 90 (108) × (1.0) 2.0– 6.0 mm, equal or slightly broadening downward (up to 8.0 mm broad), base often abruptly swollen or with a narrow marginate bulb; hollow; at the top flocculose, below at most minutely flocculose-pruinose but glabrescent and silky; white, discoloring pallid above and brownish below.

*Context* pale brownish, very thin and fragile in pileus, white in stipe; smell indistinctive, taste indistinctive to bitter. Spore print dark (greyish, purplish) brown.

### **Microscopic characters**

*Spores* (6.5) 7.0 – 9.5 (10.5) × 4.0 – 5.5 (6.0) µm, in face view oblong, elliptic, (broadly) oval, oval-pentagonal, base broadly rounded to truncate, in profile adaxially flattened, subamygdaliform, subphaseoliform to phaseoliform or weakly indented above the base, smooth, in water and in ammonia orange- to reddish- brown, in KOH grey brown (cocoa-colour) or chocolate-brown, in Melzer's reagent tawny to reddish tan; germ pore distinct, 0.8 – 1.5 µm broad, mostly broadly rounded to truncate; apiculus very small.

*Basidia* 11– 30 × 7– 9 µm, 4-spored, very rarely 2-spored, (narrowly) clavate, hyaline in KOH.

*Pleurocystidia* metuloid, 33– 90 × 8– 22 (26) µm; narrowly to ventricose fusoid, also ventricose-lageniform, triform, mucronate-clavate, pedicel short to elongate; walls 0.7 – 1.4 (2.0) µm thick at extreme base and 3.0 – 5.2 µm thick in neck, often completely occluding the space in extreme apex, hyaline to yellowish in ammonia; apex obtuse to acute, sometimes rounded, mostly with (sub) hyaline incrustations in fresh material; cell body (sub) hyaline in KOH, content not distinctive; very abundant.

*Cheilocystidia* metuloid like the pleurocystidia but smaller, sometimes simply clavate, not abundant; paracystidia thin-walled, 15– 30 × 7– 13 (17) µm, clavate to ellipsoid or sometimes subtriform, hyaline in KOH, numerous.

*Caulocystidia* similar to pleurocystidia but generally smaller, somewhat more versiform, possibly thin-walled, and with apex obtuse to subacute; scattered to abundant.

*Pileipellis* a paraderm composed of a layer of vesiculose to sometimes clavate or pedicellate cells 1 – 4 deep with (sub) hyaline, sometimes subgelatinous wall in KOH.

*Clamp connections* numerous.

**Habitat and collection examined:** scattered to gregarious or caespitose, saprotroph on the ground or on rotten deciduous wood in or out of forest, March through September; in tropical to temperate climate, in boreal and austral hemisphere. Brazil: Amazonas, Lago Janauari (*P. varzeae*, holotype). Dominican Republic: (ANGE581). Mexico: Chichotla, Mitzalhoc falls (*P. smithii*, holotype). USA: Tennessee, Knox Co., Knoxville (*P. hesleri*, holotype); Texas, Hidalgo Co., Mission (*P. cloverae*, holotype).

### **NOTES**

By this study it emerges that *P. cloverae* is a taxon embracing a series of synonyms described throughout a great portion of the entire American continent, from Northern Brazil to the northern states of the USA, apparently independent of the type of climate and vegetation.

Its distinctive characteristics are its small to medium size; a brown pileus discoloring from the centre into various shades of yellowish and olivaceous shades, conical then convex, deeply striate when fresh; a dense but

fugacious veil of fibrillose flocks on the pileus but scarcely present on the stipe; hyaline to yellowish, metuloid and muricate pleurocystidia; leptoparacystidia and leptocheilocystidia present on the gill edge; spores generally  $7.0 - 9.5 \times 4.0 - 5.5 \mu\text{m}$ , usually in part oval-pentagonal in front view and in part (sub) phaseoliform in side view, of a medium brown colour and with a large germ pore; a detriticolous habitat.

The three taxa we list among the synonymies represent species which had been separated only by weakly sustainable morphological differences, as commented below.

#### a) Notes on *Psathyrella hesleri*

In mycoportal.com there are two collections reported with the same date and place of collection (21 July 1948, United States, Tennessee, Knox, Knoxville, Highland Ave., in lawn, 35.96083333 -83.93222222) but with two different names and voucher numbers: *P. cystidiosa*, TENN-F-018562, and *P. hesleri*, TENN-F-017725. P. B. Matheny contributed to resolving this ambiguity by hypothesizing that TENN-F-018562 was considered Peck's true "*P. cystidiosa*" until Smith (1972), examining that collection, described it as a new species, *P. hesleri*, and housed the portion of exsiccata received for study in TENN-F-017725 (holotype) and MICH 11941 (isotype). Then, TENN-F-018562 was never updated with the name change and Smith did not refer to TENN-F-018562 under *P. hesleri* in his monograph.

Smith (1972) only compares *P. hesleri* with *P. subagraria* (G.F. Atk.) A.H. Sm., easily differentiated by thin-walled cystidia, and with *P. spadicea* P. Kumm. [currently *Homophron spadiceum* (P. Kumm) Örstadius & E. Larss.], strongly distinguishable by the absolute absence of veil and pale spores. No comparison is made with the truly closest species, such as *P. cloverae* and *P. cystidiosa*, although he places these species very close to each other in his key.

As no sequences of *P. hesleri* were available in the databases, we tried to sequence the holotype, TENN-F-017725, a non-type collection, MIN 920377, and the isotype, MICH 11941; we succeeded to generate an ITS sequence only from the latter (GB PP476871) and the phylogenetic evidence supports its synonymy with *P. cloverae*.

#### b) Notes on *Psathyrella smithii*

Guzmán & Johnson (1974) describe this species from a veil-less Mexican collection on the ground among grass, with a striate, fissured pileus with greyish yellowish brown, darker in the centre, colours, and spores (6.6)  $7.2 - 8.4 \times (4.2) 4.8 - 6 \mu\text{m}$ , elliptic-globose in front view, subphaseoliform in side view. They comment that *P. cystidiosa* only differs by the spore size and the absence of incrustations on pleurocystidia (for this assumed absence of incrustations see below, comments on *P. cystidiosa*).

Our revision of the isotype Johnson 1973-051132 (TRTC 154105) follows (Fig. 9-11):

*Spores* ( $n = 123$ ) (6.29)  $6.65 - 7.74 (8.46) \times (3.85) 4.41 - 5.16 (5.56)$ , on average  $7.14 \times 4.76 \mu\text{m}$ ;  $Q = (1.24) 136 - 1.64 (1.82)$ , on average 1.51; inconspicuously tridimensional, in front view elliptic, ovoid, subpentagonal, base broadly rounded to truncate or sometimes weakly oblique to indented (like in *P. albescens*), in side view adaxially flattened to subphaseoliform or sometimes phaseoliform to subamygdaliform; in water orangish brown, in ammonia more brownish; germ pore distinct but small,  $0.8 - 1.5 \mu\text{m}$  broad.

*Pleurocystidia*  $35.0 - 72.0 \times 10.0 - 34.5 \mu\text{m}$ ; fusiform to claviform, sometimes utriform, apex in fusiform and utriform cells obtuse to sometimes subacute or mucronate, peduncle short to elongate and narrow to stocky; walls up to  $2.5 \mu\text{m}$  thickened towards the apex, greenish to weakly yellowish in ammonia; apical crystals mostly scarce to absent.

*Clamp connections* numerous.

The spore shape of *Psathyrella smithii*, as described in the protolog and as observed in our revision, is precisely the same as the shape found in the Dominican material (compare figure 40 in Guzmán & Johnson 1974 and our figure 3). Pleurocystidia walls are hyaline to pale coloured as in *P. cloverae*. We find no differences between *P. smithii* and *P. cloverae*.

Unfortunately, we have made multiple unsuccessful attempts to sequence this isotype Johnson 1973-051132 (we housed the remaining material at PAD H0062120 as isoparatype). We could not obtain the holotype at ENCB (Mexico).



Fig. 9: *P. smithii* isotype Johnson 1973-051132 (TRTC 154105). Exsiccata received [P. Voto]

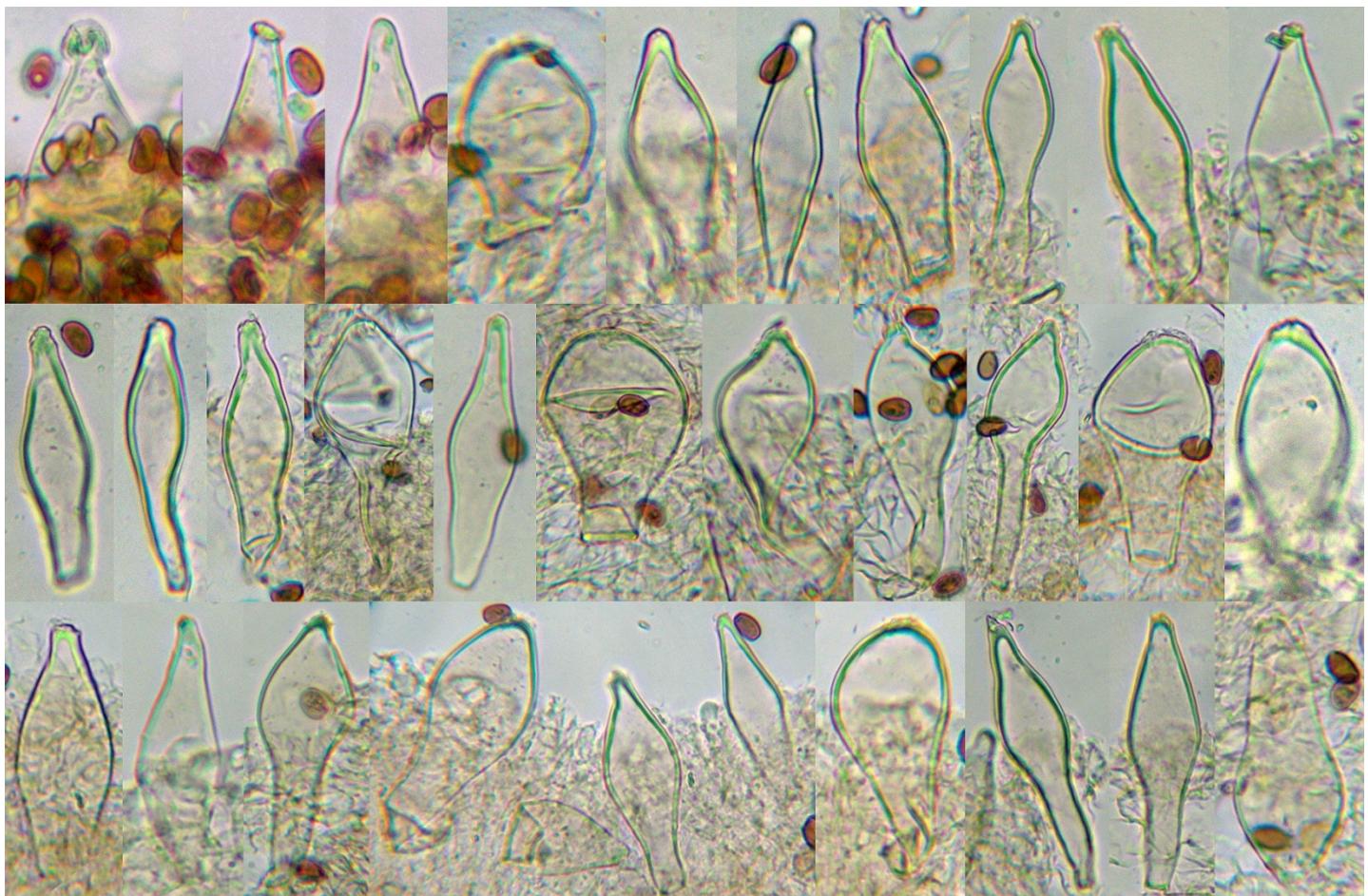


Fig. 10: *P. smithii*, isotype Johnson 1973-051132. Hymenial metuloid cystidia in Congo red [P. Voto]

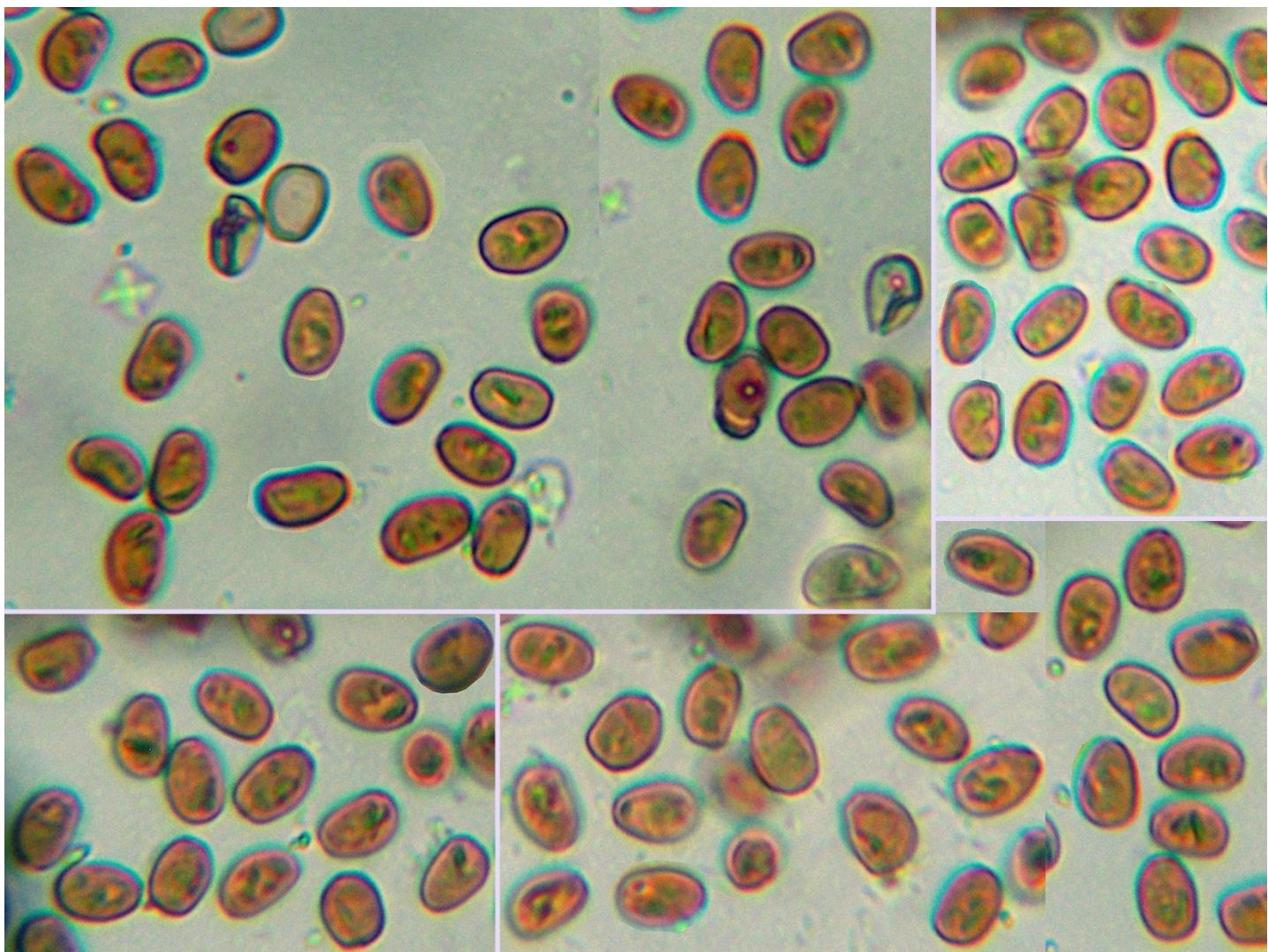


Fig. 11: *P. smithii*, isotype Johnson 1973-051132. Spores in water [P. Voto]

c) Notes on *P. varzeae*

Singer (1989) only compared this species with *P. cystidiosa*, ignoring *P. hesleri*, *P. cloverae* and *P. smithii*. He differentiated it from *P. cystidiosa* by a truncate germ pore, a darker colour of the pileus, somewhat shorter spores and metuloid cystidia, a longer stipe, and the habitat in varzea vegetation of the Amazon forest. All these morphological characters are usually subject to an intraspecific range of variability in *Psathyrella* species. We succeeded generating an ITS sequence (GB PP476872) from the holotype, F 1053727, voucher Singer B 12430, and the phylogenetic evidence supports the synonymy with *P. cloverae*.

*P. cystidiosa* (Peck) A.H. Sm., *Mem. N. Y. Bot. Gard.* 24: 250. 1972.

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Smith (1972), in his observations, only distinguished *P. cloverae* from *P. cystidiosa* by the copious universal veil and long narrow basidia of the former but he himself specified that the veil of *P. cloverae* is delicate, therefore much liable to be often found already reduced or absent as occurred, for example, in the holotype collection of the synonymous *P. varzeae*.

Also, Smith (1972) did not mention any incrustations on the pleurocystidia of *P. cystidiosa* but they are reported as present in the description by Padamsee (2001).

In addition to the Smith's (1972) description, we gathered some additional descriptive information as follows.

Padamsee (2001) (cumulative description of four collections examined) reports the pileus deep yellowish brown at margin and medium yellowish brown at centre when young, light greyish yellowish brown at margin

and light yellowish brown at centre when mature, mostly glabrous with scattered micaceous particles, slightly ridged, possibly rugulose; spores (7.5) 7.9 – 9.5 × (4.1) 4.3 – 5.1 (5.3) µm, on average 8.3 – 8.9 × 4.7 – 4.9 µm, obovate in front view, reniform in side view; pleurocystidia crystalliferous and with yellowish thickened-walls; habitat on ground or on fallen branches.

Kuo's website (see reference) reports a collection from Illinois identified as *P. cystidiosa* and described with the pileus brown and drying out to yellowish buff or brownish, the margin becoming finely lined, no veil seen on about 20 specimens collected, spores 7 – 9.5 × 4 – 5 µm, crystals present in the image of the pleurocystidia.

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (see reference) hosts a page with some data on *P. cystidiosa*: pileus up to 30 mm broad, with concentric zones of colour from light yellowish brown at the centre to deep yellowish brown towards the edge; stipe 16-50 × 1-3 mm, white; habitat on soil or on dead wood in shady places of deciduous forests; the species is considered rare and endemic to Minnesota (USA).

McLaughlin (1998, 1999) also offers some comments on Minnesota's collections.

Since no ITS sequences of *P. cystidiosa* were available in the databases, we attempted to sequence five non-type collections (MIN 859496, MIN 871863, MIN 871864, MIN 871865 and MIN 890991) the first four of which from Padamsee (2001) which we consider a reliable reference for this species. We obtained an ITS sequence only from the first (GenBank acc. no. PP469638). The LSU region of MIN 859496 had been previously sequenced (Padamsee *et al.* 2008). Because these two sequences are nested beside the holotype of *P. pivae* Heykoop, G. Moreno & M. Mata, outside the clade of *P. cloverae*, there is sufficient phylogenetic support to consider *P. cystidiosa* different from *P. cloverae*. Morphologically, *P. pivae* differs by larger spores.

From all morphological data that we have gathered on *P. cystidiosa*, it seems that a solid morphological difference between it and *P. cloverae* is difficult to delineate. Following Smith (1972) the scarcity of veil of *P. cystidiosa* from young stage seems to be a sufficiently appreciable difference (the pileus is glabrous in the basionym description by Peck 1913). This is so at least in case of collections with distinctly developed veil which would exclude *P. cystidiosa*.

Furthermore, all the descriptions consulted seem to indicate two other possible differences regarding the pileus.

A distinct striation is usually reported for *P. cloverae* while it is defined as absent to scarce for *P. cystidiosa* (the pileus is sometimes obscurely striate on the margin when dry in the basionym description by Peck 1913).

The pileus colour of *P. cystidiosa* is usually reported as pale brown to deep or medium yellowish brown discoloring to light (greyish) yellowish brown colour (it is defined as pale brown when moist, and yellowish drab with a brownish centre when dry in the basionym description by Peck 1913). In contrast, for *P. cloverae* the colour is saturated brown, cinnamon brown to strong brown or tawny discoloring to greyish brown, pale cinnamon, honey-yellow, often with an olivaceous shade. These two differences are evidently only partial as they are strongly conditioned by the degree of freshness and discoloration of the specimens due to hygrophaneity.

Finally, Smith (1972), citing Peck (1913), reports that the pileus of *P. cystidiosa* sometimes becomes lacerate when expanded; this character was not reported by Padamsee (2001) but was detected in the *P. smithii*'s type collection by Guzmán & Johnson (1974).

Eventually, cases will occur where only the molecular analyses can differentiate the two species with certainty.

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## New data and update in the *Panaeolus papilionaceus* complex, first record of *P. punjabensis* and new finds of *P. sylvaticus* in the Dominican Republic

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**Abstract:** *Panaeolus punjabensis*, recently described from Pakistan, is first documented from the Dominican Republic based on morphological description and molecular analyses (ITS sequence and phylogram). An updating on the *Panaeolus papilionaceus* complex is reported based on new molecular evidence on *P. papilionaceus* var. *parvisporus*. New finds of *P. sylvaticus* in the Dominican Republic are documented with photographs and morphological notes.

## INTRODUCTION

In the family Galeropsidaceae, the genus *Panaeolus* has a cosmopolitan diffusion and is mainly composed of fimicolous to nitrophilous species (Voto & Angelini 2024). It is widely spread in the Dominican Republic where the habit of raising numerous herbivorous farm animals (such as cows, sheep, goats, horses and donkeys) exclusively on pasture in grassy unwooded spaces creates a particularly favourable habitat.

To the four Dominican species of *Panaeolus* (*P. antillarum*, *P. mexicanus*, *P. pantropicalis* sp. nov., *P. sylvaticus*) documented in previous works (Voto & Angelini 2021; Angelini & Voto 2023; Voto & Angelini 2024) we add now *P. punjabensis*.

In the second part of the work, following very recent new molecular evidence, we propose an update of our previous work regarding nomenclatural issues in the *Panaeolus papilionaceus* complex.

Finally, new photographs of *P. sylvaticus* are published showing more chromatic aspects of its pileus.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

### Morphology

The collections of *Panaeolus punjabensis* and *P. sylvaticus* were photographed when fresh *in situ* by C. Angelini using a digital camera Nikon Coolpix 8400 and subsequently dried; macroscopic characters were observed by C. Angelini on fresh material; microscopic characters were studied, described and photographed by P. Voto on dried material revived with 10% NH4OH or 5% KOH and in some cases using Congo red as mounting medium for imaging. All collections are housed in C. Angelini's personal herbarium and will successively be transferred to the herbarium JBSD (Jardín Botánico Nacional Dr. Rafael M. Moscoso, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic). The authors of the images in the figures are shown in square brackets.

### DNA extraction, PCR and DNA sequencing

Total DNA was extracted from dry specimens employing a modified protocol based on Murray & Thompson (1980). PCR reactions (Mullis & Falloona 1987) included 35 cycles with an annealing temperature of 54 °C. The primers ITS1F and ITS4 (White *et al.* 1990; Gardes & Bruns 1993) were employed to amplify the ITS rDNA region. PCR products were checked in 1% agarose gels, and amplicons were sequenced with one or both PCR primers. Sequences were corrected to remove reading errors in chromatograms. An alignment of ITS rDNA

sequences related to the one obtained from the sample studied was assembled, using the dataset employed before (Voto & Angelini 2024) as well as selected sequences produced by Consiglio & Marchetti (2023).

### Sequence alignment and phylogenetic analyses

Sequences first were aligned in MEGA 5.0 (Tamura *et al.* 2011) with its Clustal W application and then realigned manually as needed to establish positional homology. Aligned sequences were loaded in MrBayes 3.2.6 (Ronquist *et al.* 2012) and subjected to Bayesian analysis (one partition, GTR+G+I model, two simultaneous runs, four chains, temperature set to 0.2, sampling every 100th generation) until the average split frequencies between the simultaneous runs fell below 0.01 after 14.55 M generations. Finally, a full search for the best-scoring maximum likelihood tree was performed in RAxML 8.2.12 (Stamatakis 2014) using the standard search algorithm (same partitions, GTRGAMMA1 model, 2000 bootstrap replications). The significance threshold was set above 0.95 for posterior probability (PP) and 70% bootstrap proportions (BP).

## RESULTS

### Phylogenetic analyses

Our phylogram demonstrates that *Panaeolus punjabensis* is a cosmopolitan species that, besides Asia (Pakistan) and Central America (Dominican Republic) is also present in Africa (Egypt and Namibia).

Concerning the *Panaeolus papilionaceus* complex, the results obtained in our previous work (Voto & Angelini 2024) are confirmed with the corrections, thanks to the inclusion of the holotype of *Panaeolus papilionaceus* var. *parvisporus*, that the clade there identified as *P. parvisporus* must be named *P. retirugis* and that this name must be treated as autonomous, not as a synonym of *P. papilionaceus*.

**Table 1.** Data of specimens used in this study. The column 'Current name' is used for the current name of species which are synonymised (in bold) or vouchers which are misidentified (not in bold). Current names proposed here or in Voto & Angelini (2024) are in red, those proposed by other authors are identified by asterisks (\*: Malysheva *et al.* 2019, \*\*: Asif *et al.* 2023). The accession numbers of the newly generated sequences are in bold blue. Bold capital letters after species names represent Holotype (T), Epitype (E), Paratypes (P) and Lectotypes (L)

species name in GenBank	current name	voucher/origin	ITS
<i>Galeropsis bispora</i> T	<i>P. plantaginiformis</i> *	LE 2863/Uzbekistan	MK397580
<i>G. desertorum</i>	<i>P. desertorum</i> *	NL-1863/Hungary	JX968154
<i>Gastrocybe iberica</i> T	<i>P. desertorum</i> *	AH 9990/Spain	MK397542
<i>G. iberica</i> P	<i>P. desertorum</i> *	AH 9993/Spain	MK397543
<i>G. iberica</i>	<i>P. desertorum</i> *	AH 10396/Spain	MK397544
<i>G. iberica</i>	<i>P. desertorum</i> *	AH 42860/Spain	MK397545
<i>G. iberica</i>	<i>P. desertorum</i> *	AH 10493/Spain	MK397546
<i>Panaeolus acuminatus</i> E		Gerhardt 83049 (B)/Germany	PP447476
<i>P. acuminatus</i>		CBS:270.47/?	MH856251
<i>P. acuminatus</i>		AMB 20065/Italy	PP447475
<i>P. acuminatus</i>		inaturalist.org/observations/141352004/USA	OQ372246
<i>P. acuminatus</i>		SGL09/China	OR035540
<i>P. acuminatus</i>		CBS 269.47/?	MH856250
<i>P. acuminatus</i>	<i>P. olivaceus</i>	PRM 935914/Czech Republic	MW352021
<i>P. acuminatus</i>	<i>P. fimicola</i>	4084/Italy	JF908518
<i>P. alcis</i>		Mushroom Observer #88085/Sweden	KM982723
<i>P. alcis</i>		SAT-14-239-20/USA(Alaska)	MW597122
<i>P. antillarum</i>		SFSU:DED7874/Thailand	MF497585
<i>P. antillarum</i>		PAD H0061942/Dominican Republic	PP590043

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<i>P. antillarum</i>		CORT:013830/Dominican Republic	MF497586
<i>P. antillarum</i>		JL27/China	ON059337
<i>P. antillarum</i>		EGDA-N15/Egypt	ON024905
<i>P. antillarum</i>		BR5020167127933/Togo	OR035499
<i>P. antillarum</i>		WANG 140007/Taiwan	KR998382
<i>P. antillarum</i>		FLAS-F-69480/USA	OQ746434
<i>P. antillarum</i>		DQS36F/Philippines	MZ735416
<i>P. antillarum</i>		HYW22/Thailand	OR035522
<i>P. antillarum</i>		HYW21/Thailand	OR035520
<i>P. antillarum</i>	<i>P. semiovatus</i>	748/Italy	JF908515
<i>P. axfordii</i> T		MFLU:19-2367/China	NR_169700
<i>P. bisporus</i>	<i>P. cyanescens</i>	KaiR95/Benin	MT110229
<i>P. bisporus</i>	<i>P. cyanescens</i>	MushroomObserver.org/188954/USA	MG966283
<i>P. bisporus</i>	<i>P. cyanescens</i>	HYW197/China	OR035518
<i>P. bisporus</i>	<i>P. cyanescens</i>	T2507/China	OR035542
<i>P. cambodginiens</i>	<i>P. cyanescens</i>	NBRC-30222/Japan?	AB158633
<i>P. campanulatus</i>	<i>P. papilionaceus</i>	10141/Italy	JF908522
<i>P. campanulatus</i>	<i>P. papilionaceus</i>	Mushroom2/China	MT451920
<i>P. campanulatus</i>	<i>P. cinctulus</i>	/China	JF961376
<i>P. castaneifolius</i>	<i>P. foenisecii</i>	Mushroom Observer 90428/USA	KX010428
<i>P. cinctulus</i> E		Gerhardt 83052/Germany	PP447483
<i>P. cinctulus</i>		iNAT:56796374/USA	OQ147191
<i>P. cinctulus</i>		iNAT:126276059/USA	OP751540
<i>P. cinctulus</i>		S.D. Russell ONT iNaturalist 130442846/USA	OP549138
<i>P. cinctulus</i>		PRM 935916, Mushroom Observer 204889/Italy	MW352022
<i>P. cinctulus</i>		Mushroom Observer # 321948/USA	MH590045
<i>P. cinctulus</i>		OMDL K. Canan iNaturalist # 169757989/USA	OR987159
<i>P. cinctulus</i>		OMDL K. Canan iNaturalist # 170057671/USA	OR987260
<i>P. cinctulus</i>		MCVE 1084/Italy	PP447482
<i>P. cinctulus</i>		iNat86856915/USA	OQ389417
<i>P. cinctulus</i>		BR5020180462561/Netherlands	OR035501
<i>P. cinctulus</i>		HYW186/China	OR035517
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		AF163/China	OQ450458
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		D36/China	KT002152
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		MHHNU 31855/China	OP862802
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		SIV1/India	MK855517
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		FS1/India	MK855516
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		SIV2/India	MK855518
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		LAH37983_Panaeolus_cyanescens_sm38/PAK	OR668690
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		LAH37985_Panaeolus_cyanescens_sm40/PAK	OR668692
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		MES-4248/USA	OR664094
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		BP17M/Philippines	OR062405
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		1S/Croatia?	KU640168
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		18S/?	HM035084

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<i>P. cyanescens</i>		0709305/JG/France	PP447485
<i>P. cyanescens</i>		AMB 20070/Italy	PP447484
<i>P. cyanescens</i> var.	<i>P. cyanescens</i>	n. 6576 AQUI/Italy	EU834287
<i>P. desertorum</i>		LE 313090/Russia	MK397566
<i>P. desertorum</i>		LE 313250/Russia	MK397568
<i>P. desertorum</i>		LE 313091/Greece	MK397567
<i>P. desertorum</i>		B. Dima BG-2022-10-19-1/Hungary	PP447487
<i>P. desertorum</i>		GB-0073426/Hungary	PP447486
<i>P. desertorum</i>	<i>P. plantaginiformis</i>	LE 2864/Uzbekistan	MH055384
<i>P. desertorum</i>	<i>P. plantaginiformis</i>	LE 2865/Uzbekistan	MH055383
<i>P. dunensis</i>		AMB 20210/France	PP447489
<i>P. dunensis</i>		AMB 20211/Italy	PP447490
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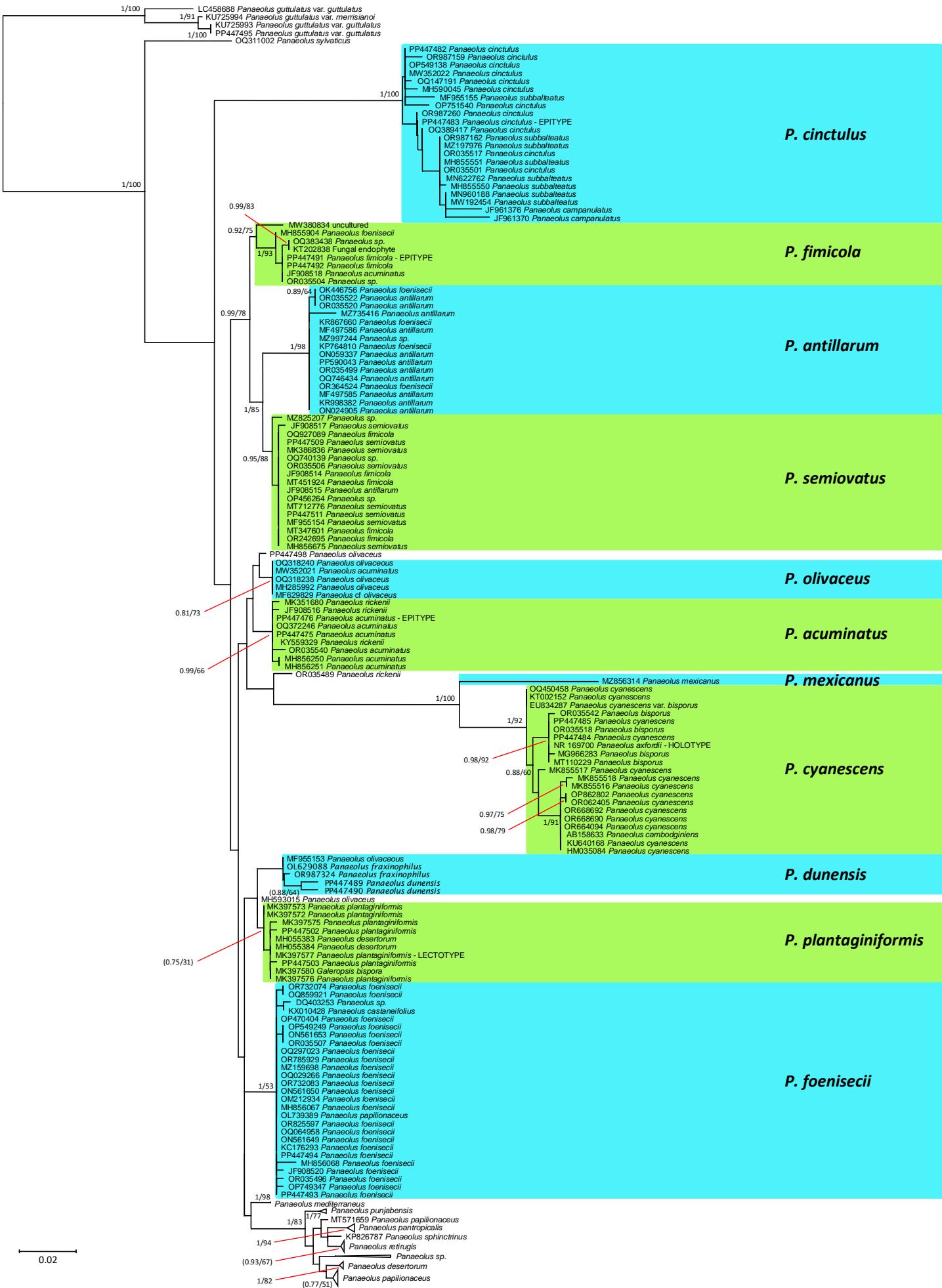
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**Figure 1** (next page). Best scoring ITS rDNA phylogram of genus *Panaeolus* (with *P. guttulatus* as outgroup) obtained using RAxML. Nodes were annotated if they were supported by  $\geq 0.95$  Bayesian posterior probability (left) or  $\geq 70\%$  maximum likelihood bootstrap proportions (right). Nonsignificant support values are exceptionally represented inside parentheses. Sequences newly generated in this study are in bold.

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=? *Panaeolus alcis* (as 'alcidis') sensu Kaur, Atri & Kaur (2014)

### Macroscopic characters

*Pileus* (primordia and young specimens not observed): 12 – 18 mm broad, paraboloid-convex; off-white to pale grey, at centre with a pale ochraceous-pinkish shade; cuticle dry, cracking and eroded with age, margin not striate; veil absent.

*Lamellae* adnate, spaced, approx 18 – 20, intermixed with 1-3 lamellulae, adnate, ventricose; at first olivaceous, then violaceous-bluish grey with blackish spots ("salt and pepper" appearance); edge pale.

*Stipe* 110 – 130 × 3 – 4.5 mm, base swollen up to 6.6 mm, cylindric, flexuous, straight to twisted; surface pale brownish with an olivaceous shade at apex, medium to darkish brown to reddish-violaceous brown elsewhere, distinctly covered in white pruina at apex and white fibrils elsewhere, base covered with white mycelial felt and floccules; bruising blue towards base; annulus absent.

*Context* not examined.



Fig. 2: *P. punjabensis*. ANGE188 [C. Angelini]



Fig. 3: *P. punjabensis*. ANGE188 [C. Angelini]



Fig. 4: *P. punjabensis*. ANGE188 [C. Angelini]

## Microscopic characters

*Basidiospores* (n=20) (14.0) 15.0 – 17.6 (19.2) × 9.0 – 10.2 (12.0) × 7.7 – 9.5 µm, Q 1.50 – 1.73 × 1.65 – 1.94; in front view broadly elliptic to broadly fusiform or subhexagonal, base obtuse to conical-obtuse, in side view elliptic-oblong; apex not or little protruding; dark brown to blackish brown in 5% KOH, distinctly thick-walled; germ pore distinct, 2.0 – 2.5 µm broad.

*Basidia* 24.0 – 34.0 × 10.0 – 13.7 µm, stoutly cylindric to stoutly subululiform, rarely clavate, 4-spored; hyaline.

*Cheilocystidia* 35.0 – 50.0 µm long, base 5.0 – 11.5 µm broad, apex (3.0) 5.0 – 11.0 µm broad, lageniform, lageniform-clavate, clavate-to capitate-pedicellate, rarely cylindric or tapering at apex, usually when swollen at apex then little ventricose at base; mostly hyaline and smooth, thin-walled, abundant.  
*Pleurocystidia* absent.

*Pileipellis* cellular composed of up to 30 µm broad elements.

*Pileocystidia* approx. 35 – 45 × 7 – 13 µm, lageniform, scattered.

*Clamp connections* found in pileus trama and at base of cheilocystidia.

**Collection examined and habitat:** Dominican Republic, P.to Plata, Cabarete, on grassy, heavily horse grazed ground of back dunes among shrubs of *Coccocloba uvifera*, 12 November 2023, legit C. Angelini (pers. herb. ANGE1898), GenBank: PP998475 - ITS.

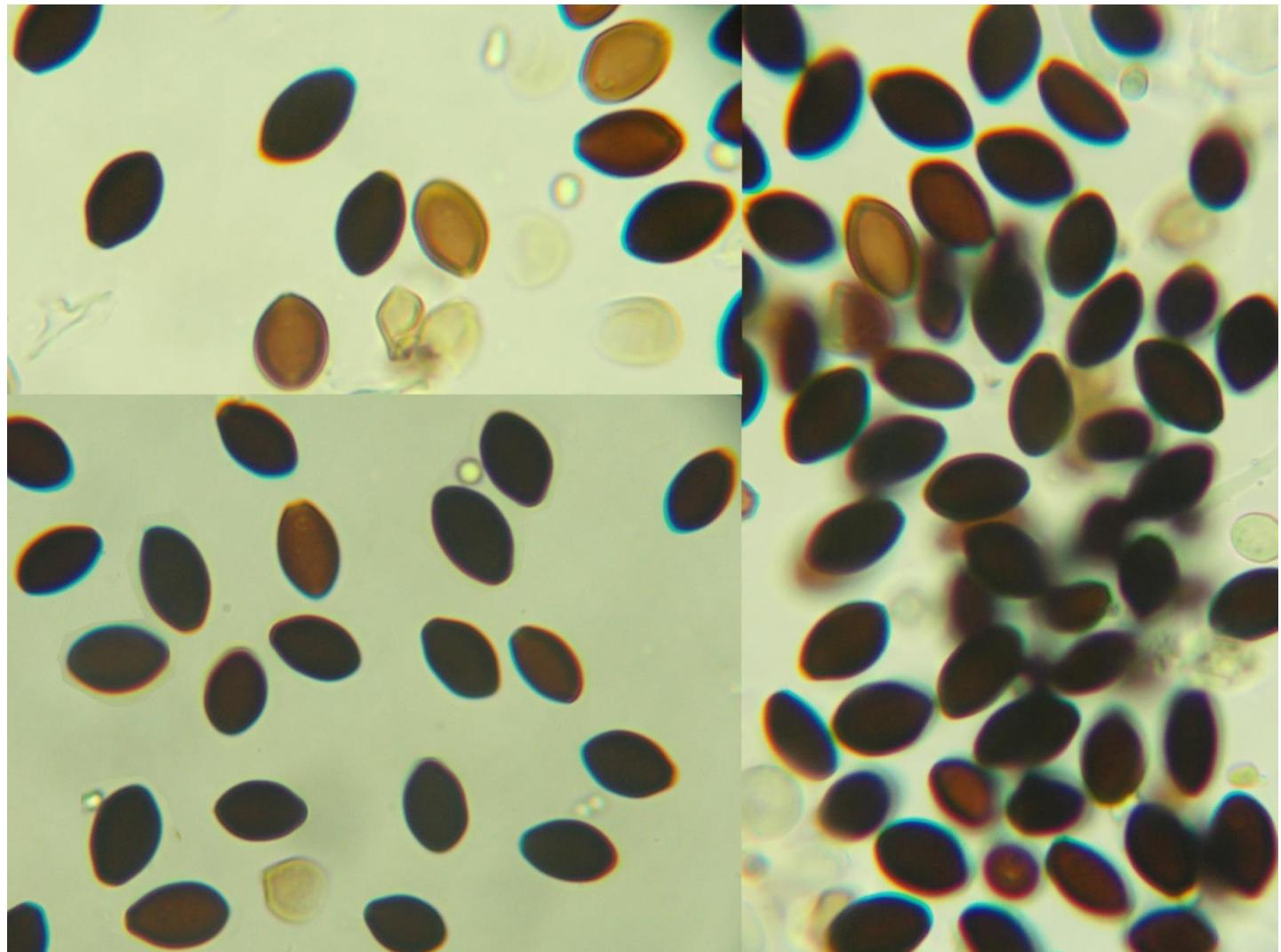


Fig 6: *P. punjabensis*. ANGE1898. Spores in 5% KOH [P. Voto]

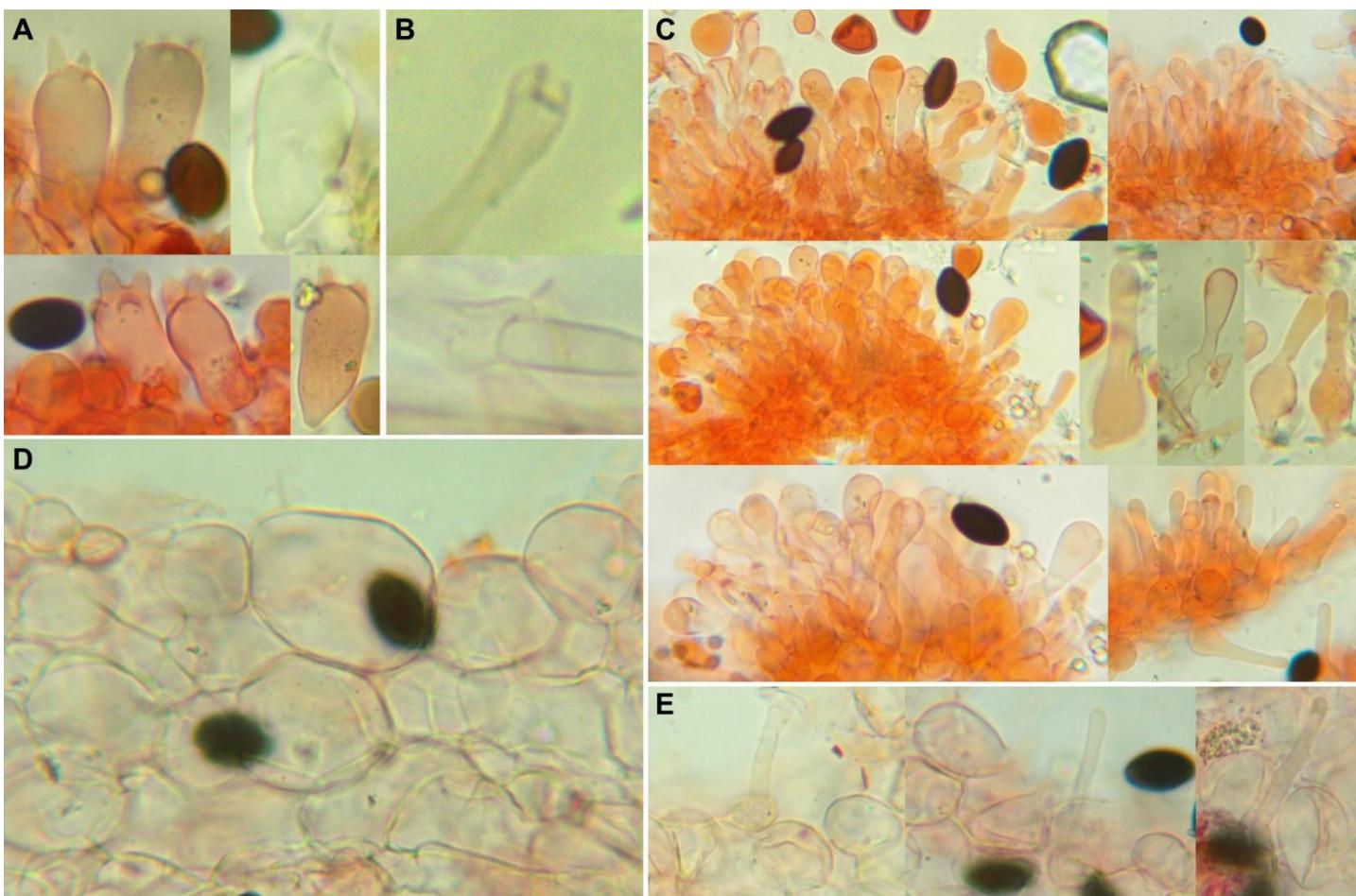


Fig 7: *P. punjabensis*. ANGE1898. A) Basidia, B) Clamps, C) Cheilocystidia, D) Pileipellis, E) Pileocystidia. All images in Congo red [P. Voto]

## Notes

Our description offers new relevant data integrating those reported in the protolog (Asif *et al.* 2023).

In particular we have noticed in our collection a not striate margin of pileus, a partial lentiform shape of the spores, narrower and 4-spored basidia, lageniform and scattered pileocystidia, presence of clamps.

*Panaeolus punjabensis* is characterized by absence of pleurocystidia (subgenus *Panaeolus*), agaricoid habit, absence of veil, whitish to pale grey pileus with ochraceous shades only at centre, and tending to crack and peel off, bluish tints on handling or bruising (we have not performed chemical tests attesting the presence of hallucinogenic substances), a mixture of lageniform to lageniform-clavate or claviform-capitate cheilocystidia, large elliptic-subfusiform, scarcely hexagonal-lentiform spores, habitat on nitrogenous soil with herbivorous dung present or directly on dung in tropical/subtropical climate.

Beyond the Indian region and the Caribbean, the taxon is also present, based on Genbank ITS sequences, in Egypt and in Namibia, evincing a broad diffusion.

Morphologically, the closest taxon seems to be *Panaeolus moellerianus* Singer, typified from the Macquarie Island in Oceania on humus among graminaceous plants, unsequenced. The pileus is defined as scrobiculate to reticulate-wrinkled (Singer 1960).

There are other unveiled, large-spored species in subgenus *Panaeolus*, they all differ by distinctly lentiform spores: *P. cinctulus* (Bolton) Sacc. (with also a partially eccentric germ pore), *P. acuminatus* (P. Kumm.) Quél., *P. paludosus* Cleland and *P. goossensiae* Beeli.

Finally, we report an unsequenced collection identified as *P. alcis* (as 'alcidis') by Kaur, Atri & Kaur M (2014), from India. This material features all characteristics we found in our collection. The authors report having noticed a bluing also on the pileus and in the context. We are convinced this represents a misidentification of *P. punjabensis*.

## NEW DATA IN THE PANAEOCUS PAPILIONACEUS COMPLEX

An ITS sequence of the holotype of *Panaeolus papilionaceus* var. *parvisporus* has very recently become available (it was repeatedly and unsuccessfully tried by Voto & Angelini 2024). Since the phylogram demonstrates that it nests in the clade *Panaeolus papillionaceus* s.str. (see Fig. 1), the systematics of the *Panaeolus papilionaceus* complex as proposed in Voto & Angelini (2024) needs to be reassessed.

Voto & Angelini (2024) had phylogenetically demonstrated the presence in Europe of two taxa in the *P. papilionaceus* complex (ignoring the galeroïd taxa).

Basing on the ITS sequences obtained from two German paratypes of *P. papilionaceus* var. *parvisporus*, they assumed that these two taxa could be separated on the base of the spore length: a large-spored (more than 15 µm long on average) taxon identified as *P. papilionaceus* (= *P. campanulatus* = *P. retirugis* = *P. sphinctrinus*) and a small-spored (at most 15 µm long on average) taxon they named *P. parvisporus* comb. nov. (the choice of the names followed the systematics proposed by Gerhardt 1996, 2012).

With the new molecular evidence of a small-spored collection occurring in the clade of *P. papilionaceus* s.str., the separation based on the spore length would become incorrect. The only morphological difference between these two taxa would therefore be based on the tendency towards a smooth and more greyish pileus in *P. papilionaceus* compared to a corrugated and more brownish pileus in *P. retirugis*.

However, we have examined the three following considerations.

a) Over time, several authors (e.g. Hora 1957; Ola'h 1970; Watling & Gregory 1987; Bon & Courtecuisse 2003) having treated the *Panaeolus papilionaceus* complex never reported small-spored collections combined with a smooth, non-corrugated pileus;

b) In all descriptions of the above mentioned authors the pileus breadth of *P. papilionaceus* falls in the range 20-45 mm. Therefore, a pileus 8-15 mm broad, as described by Gerhardt (1996) for *P. papilionaceus* var. *parvisporus*, is unusually very small;

c) In Bulliard's (1782, table 58) iconography of *Agaricus papilionaceus* (see reproduction in Voto & Angelini 2024 figure 19) mature pilei are drawn conical-convex to convex, and in Fries's (1821) sanction they are defined convex. On the contrary, Gerhardt (1996) defines the pileus of *P. papilionaceus* var. *parvisporus* as thimble-shaped to campanulate.

Ultimately, basing on these observations, we propose to treat the type collection of *P. papilionaceus* var. *parvisporus* as consisting of still immature specimens and therefore with spores not yet of the definitive size.

On this assumption, we confirm Voto & Angelini's (2024) proposal of using the spore length for separating the two taxa, we add to it the pileus characteristics and we renounce the use of the epithet '*parvisporus*' instead of '*retirugis*'.

The two European non-galeroïd taxa of the *P. papilionaceus* complex are therefore:

- *P. papilionaceus* (= *P. campanulatus* = *P. sphinctrinus*) with spores on average more than 15 µm long, and pileus smooth and mostly in the greyish tones;

- *P. retirugis* (= *P. papilionaceus* var. *parvisporus* = *P. parvisporus*) with spores on average at most 15 µm long, and pileus corrugated and mostly in the brownish tones.

Pileus colour and corrugation of course may depend on environmental conditioning and the freshness of the basidiomata.

The tree used in Voto & Angelini's (2024) is here reproduced expanded with the sequence of the typus of *P. papilionaceus* var. *parvisporus* and some others and with the names of the species updated.

*Panaeolus sylvaticus* Silva-Filho & Cortez (Fig. 8-10)

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**Collections examined and habitat.** Dominican Republic, P.to Plata, Cabarete, Sea Horse Ranch, gregarious on woody debris between piles of decaying plant material (landfill of material from pruning) in an almond forest near the beach, 4 February 2024, legit C. Angelini, pers. herb. ANGE1992; ibid, pers. herb. ANGE1993.



Fig. 8: *P. sylvaticus*. ANGE1992 [C. Angelini]



Fig. 9: *P. sylvaticus*. ANGE1993 [C. Angelini]

## Notes

Our two new collections feature morphological data fully correspondent to those already reported in Angelini & Voto (2023). We can only add that we found occasional larger spores attaining to 11.1x8.1x5.8 µm and somewhat more evident greenish-yellowish mucus or content of cheilocystidia (Fig. 10). The photographs here published show the colours in discoloring pilei.

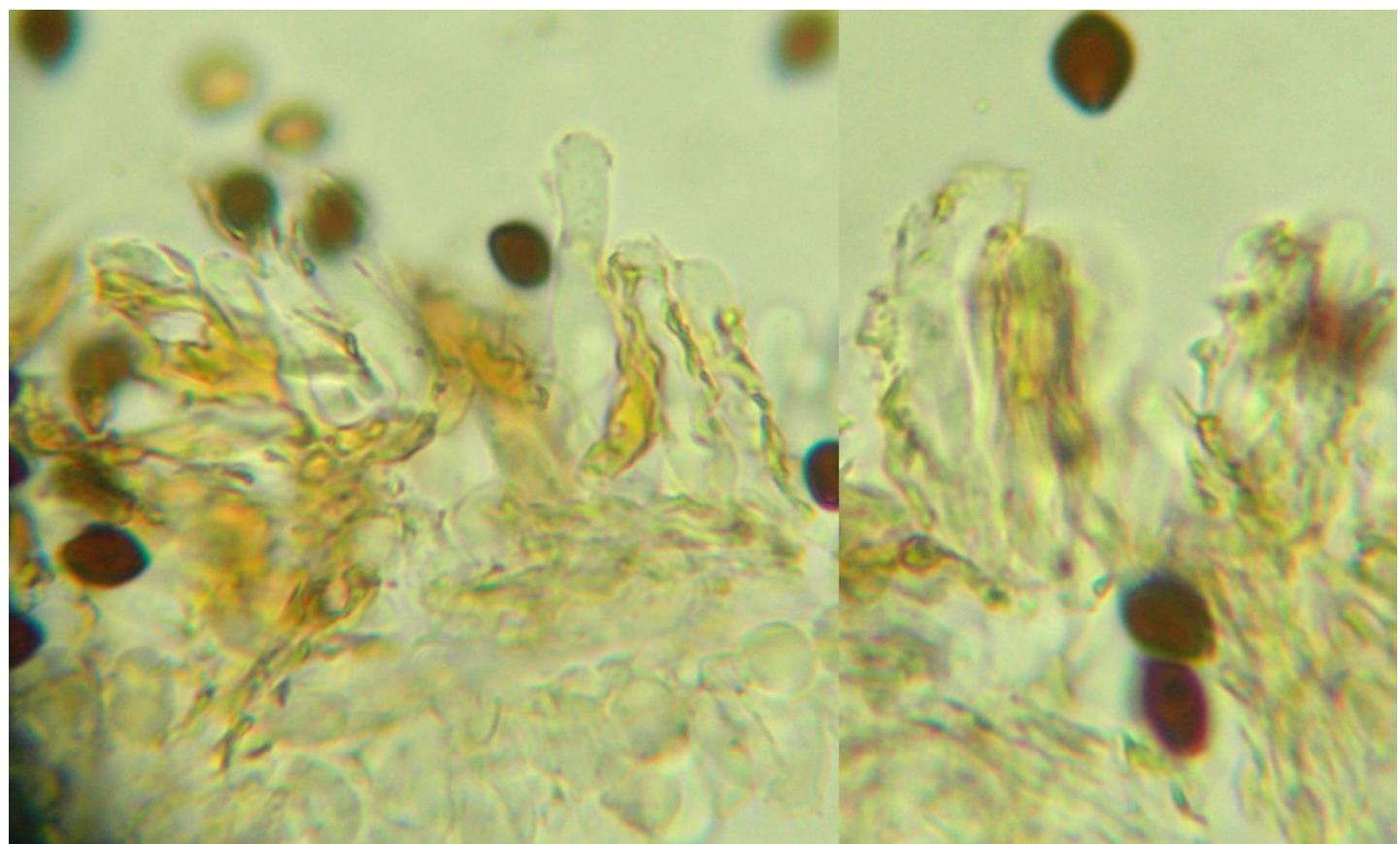


Fig. 10: *P. sylvaticus*. ANGE1992. Cheilocystidia in 5% KOH

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## ***Rommelaarsia flavovirens* in Bosnia and Herzegovina**

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### **Key words:**

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**Abstract:** *Rommelaarsia flavovirens*, a species described, together with its monospecific genus, in 2015 from collections from Western Europe is reported from Bosnia.

### **INTRODUCTION**

This species is regularly found every year in a damp portion of an unkempt meadow near a river since the beginning of the spring, from March to May.

### **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

The basidiomes were photographed fresh in habitat; microcharacters were observed and photographed on fresh material in water.

### **TAXONOMY**

***Rommelaarsia flavovirens*** Baral, Tanchaud & Romm.

*Ascomycete.org* 7 (6): 323 (2015)





## BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEXUAL STATE

Apothecia moist 0.5–1.0 mm diam., non-translucent, round to roundish, non-gelatinous, gregarious, sometimes two or three side by side; dull coloured, beige to pale yellowish olivaceous and a little darkening from margin; cyathiform at start, then concave and finally applanate, margin distinct, whitish tomentose to hairy toothed; subsessile to shortly stipitate, loosely attached to the substrate; external surface sterile, concolorous to brownish, whitish tomentose to hairy like the margin.

Asci 55.0 – 75.0 × 6.0 – 9.0 µm, 8-spored, with obliquely biseriate spores; tapering toward a narrowly obtuse apex provided with a small, approx. 1.0-1.5 µm broad, amyloid ring; base with a short to long, often flexuous stalk arising from croziers.

Ascospores 8.0 – 12.0 × 2.5 – 3.4 µm, oblong to fusiform or narrowly clavate, apex narrowly obtuse, without sheath.

Paraphyses subcylindrical or narrowly lanceolate, septate; apex obtuse or subacute, not forked, not exuding; contents free of refractive vacuoles.

Ectal excipulum composed in the exterior layer by greenish yellow encrusted hyphae.

**Collection examined and habitat:** Bosnia and Herzegovina, Banja Luka, Prijedor, in a damp unkempt grassy area near river Sana, gregarious on rotting stalks of *Equisetum arvense* L., 13 March 2023, legit D. Trivić, in pers. herb.



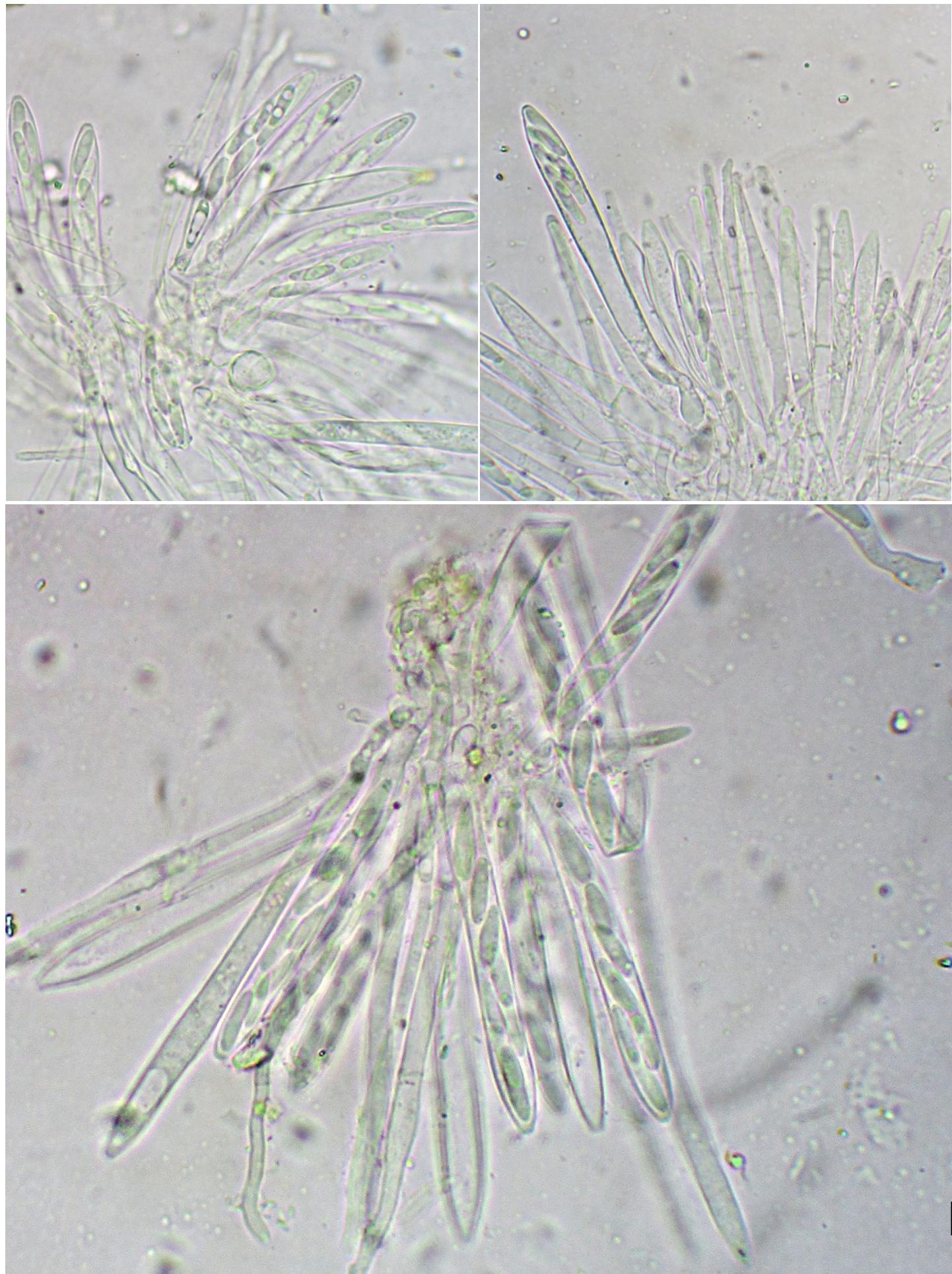
Asci and spores in water (scale bar = 1 µm)

## NOTES

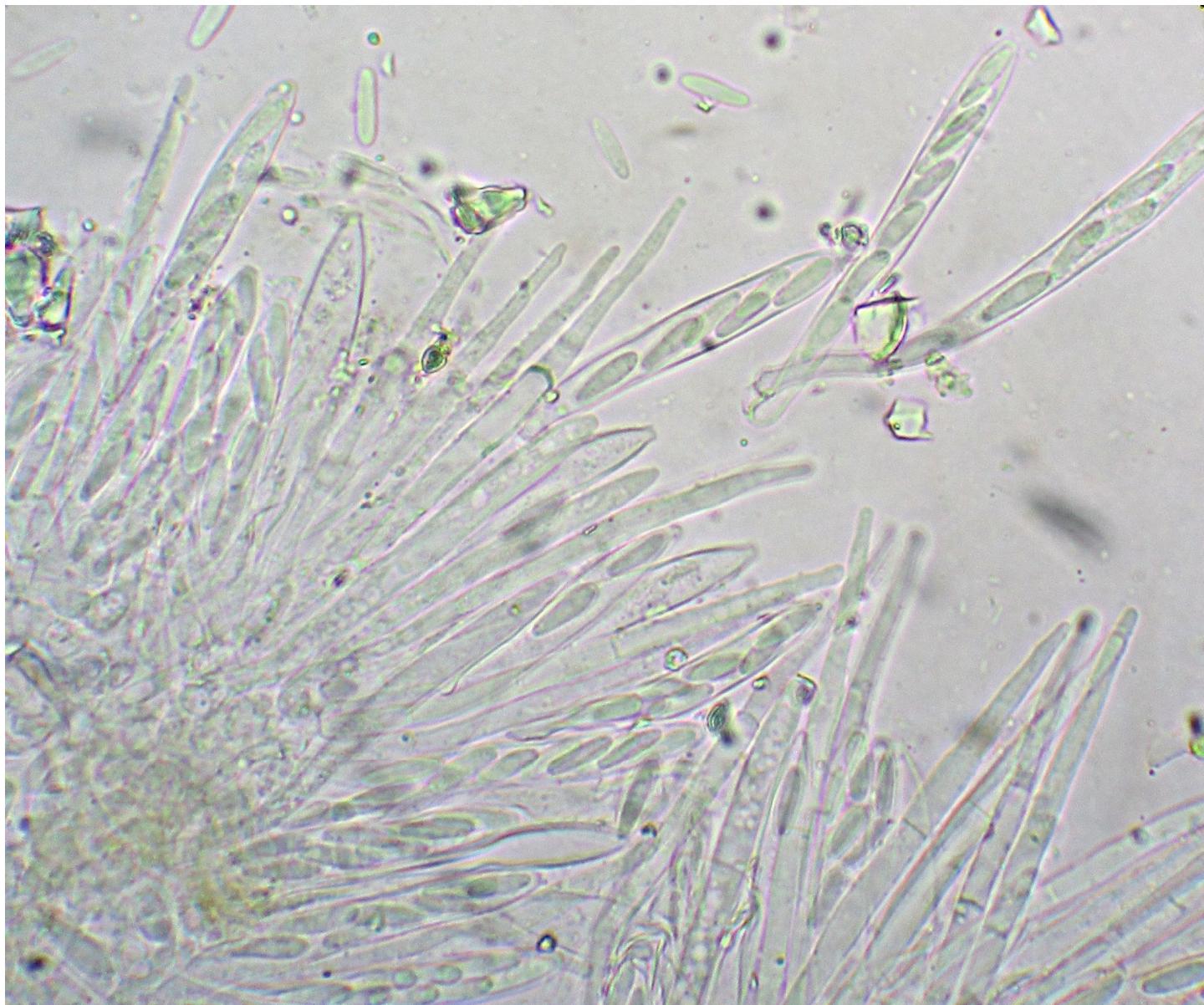
Greenish-yellow exudate encrusting the cortical hyphae of the ectal excipulum separate this species and its genus by the look-alike taxa of the genus *Psilachnum* Höhn. which also differ by having refractive vacuoles in paraphyses and hairs (Baral & Haelewaters 2015).

*Stamnaria americana* Massee & Morgan has somewhat similar colours (orangish to yellowish) and an identical habitat (on *Equisetum* ssp.) but differs by distinctly larger spores (Haelewaters, Filippova & Baral 2018).

The species of the genus *Cistella* Quél., some of which appear phylogenetically close in the tree by Baral & Haelewaters (2015), were also checked but none was found to be morphologically comparable.



Asci and spores in water



Asci and spores in water

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