

Hyphomycetous fungal diversity in the northeastern hill forests of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam and Nagaland

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ABSTRACT

Owing to inaccessible hilly terrains, dense forest cover and prevailing hostile weather conditions, northeastern states of India have so far remained less explored for fungi. First of its kind, the present study was undertaken to document the hyphomycetous fungal diversity of the region. About 60 litter samples were gathered from the various places visited in three states of the region, viz. Arunachal Pradesh, Assam and Nagaland. A total of 68 species in 52 genera of fungi were recorded from the samples, following moist chamber incubation. Taxonomic diagnosis is given to each of these along with photo-micrographic illustrations.

INTRODUCTION

India encompasses two megabiodiversity zones of the world, the wet-evergreen forests of Western Ghats in the south and humid mountainous forests of northeastern Himalayas. While continued financial support from various national funding agencies facilitated documentation of biological wealth of the forests of Western Ghats in the south to some extent, the rich and luxuriant forests of the northeastern Himalayas in the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura remained unexplored largely due to inaccessible hilly terrains, dense forest cover and prevailing hostile weather conditions in the region.

Owing to steep altitudinal variations, the northeastern hill forests exhibit a temperature to sub-tropical climatic condition (Ao and Bordoloi, 2004). The region harbours a variety of wild flowering plants, bamboos, canes, wild bananas, grasses, annuals, shrubs, lianas, wild mushrooms, algae, aquatics and extensive canopy of tall trees interspersed by epiphytic mosses, ferns and lichens. While some data

on lichen and macrofungi is available (Sarbhoy *et al.*, 1996; Sati *et al.*, 1997; Bilgrami *et al.*, 2004; Dhingra, 2006) not much has been made known on microfungial diversity of the region.

An explorative trip was undertaken during July 2006, to a few localities in Arunachal Pradesh, Assam and Nagaland, as part of an 'All-India Coordinated Project on Taxonomy (AICOPTAX) of Fungi' of the Ministry of Environment and Forests, New Delhi, to document the mycoflora of the region. This paper details out the hyphomycetous fungi documented from this foray.

Hyphomycetes are a big group and constitute 22% of the fungal domain (Hawksworth *et al.*, 1995). These are asexual morphs or anamorphs, typically microscopic and reproductive propagules, the spores or conidia. The mode of spore formation is a stable, biological phenomenon and conidium development or conidium ontogeny has been the criteria based on which the asexual fungi have been diagnosed and classified (Hughes, 1953; Subramanian, 1971; Ellis, 1971, 1976; Matsushima, 1971, 1975; Carmichael *et al.*,

1980; Seifert and Gams, 2001). The shape of conidiogenous cells and conidium, development and mode of secession of conidium and type of proliferation of the conidiogenous cells are characters closely reflective of conidium ontogeny. Further, shape of conidiogenous cells and their position on the conidiophore, pattern of branching and arrangement of conidiophores have also been considered significant to distinguish the genera of Hyphomycetes. Characters such as aggregation of conidiophores in the form of sporodochium or synnemata, development of stromata, presence or absence, position and arrangement of setae and pigmentation in conidia or conidiophores have all led to the delimitation of many genera of the Hyphomycetes (Kirk et al., 2001).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

About 60 litter samples were gathered from the various places visited in the region (Fig. 1). Dead and decaying plant

litter constituted bulk of the samples collected. Fallen leaves, small pieces of twigs or decaying wood bark were picked up at a site and placed in collection bags. A piece of naphthalene pellet was added to each bag to deter extraneous insects and worms present in the samples from feeding on the fungi during transit.

Conventional mycological techniques were followed to isolate, diagnose and document the fungi in the laboratory (Hawksworth, 1974). The specimens based on which descriptions written were deposited at the Herbarium of the Department of Botany, Goa University (Herb. GUBH) and part of some of the newly described fungi from the region was deposited at HIO (Herb. Cryptogamic India Orientalis, New Delhi).

RESULTS

Though not exhaustive, in the present study, a total of 68 species in 52 genera of hyphomycetous fungi were

Table 1: Hyphomycetous fungi documented from Arunachal Pradesh, Assam and Nagaland

| Fungus | Substrate | Locality | Acc. No. |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------|
| <i>Acremonium strictum</i> | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-24 |
| <i>Acrodictys demissii</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-32 |
| <i>Acrodictys erecta</i> | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-39 |
| <i>Acrodictys globulosa</i> | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-41 |
| <i>Chaetopsina hongkongensis</i> | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-79 |
| <i>Chaetopsina nimbae</i> | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-20 |
| <i>Chloridium claviforme</i> | Decaying leaf | Tezu | GUBH:AN-43 |
| <i>Chloridium</i> sp. | Bamboo culm | Tezu | GUBH:AN-69 |
| <i>Cladosporium cladosporioides</i> | Decaying leaf | Kaziranga | GUBH:AN-77 |
| <i>Codinaea fertilis</i> | Calamus leaf | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-83 |
| <i>Cordella</i> sp. | Decaying leaf | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-55 |
| <i>Curvularia pallescens</i> | Grass culm | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-65 |
| <i>Cylindrocladium</i> sp. | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-78 |
| <i>Dactylaria uniseptata</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-34 |
| <i>Dendryphiella infuscans</i> | Bamboo culm | Tezu | GUBH:AN-70 |
| <i>Dendryphon comosum</i> | Decaying twig | Tezu | GUBH:AN-73 |
| <i>Dendryphiopsis biseptata</i> | Decaying twig | Tezu | GUBH:AN-45 |
| <i>Dicranidin gracilis</i> | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-57 |
| <i>Dischloridium laeense</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-13 |
| <i>Edmundsonia pulchra</i> | Bamboo culm | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-63 |



Fig. 1 Map of North-eastern States of India showing collection sites (*)

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| Fungus | Substrate | Locality | Acc. No. |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|------------|
| <i>Fusarium incarnatum</i> | Grass culm | Kaziranga | GUBH:AN-2 |
| <i>Gangliostilbe indicu</i> | Bamboo culm | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-64 |
| <i>Gliocladium aurifilum</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-18 |
| <i>Graphium putredinis</i> | Unidentified bark | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-76 |
| <i>Helicoma indicum</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-35 |
| <i>Helicomycetes roseus</i> | Bamboo culm | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-74 |
| <i>Helicosporium pluragmitis</i> | <i>Dillenia</i> leaf | Tezu | GUBH:AN-11 |
| <i>Hermatomyces tucumanensis</i> | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-59 |
| <i>Kostermansinda minima</i> | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-42 |
| <i>Menisporopsis</i> sp. | Grass culm | Kaziranga | GUBH:AN-4 |
| <i>Minimidochium setosum</i> | Grass culm | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-7 |
| <i>Monodictys abuiensis</i> | Bamboo leaf | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-9 |
| <i>Monodictys paradoxo</i> | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-58 |
| <i>Monodictys putredinis</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-14 |
| <i>Monodictys</i> sp. | Decaying twig | Tezu | GUBH:AN-33 |
| <i>Myrothecium advena</i> | Decaying leaf | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-51 |
| <i>Nigrospora sphaerica</i> | Bamboo leaf | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-10 |
| <i>Nigrospora</i> sp. | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-23 |
| <i>Periconia cookei</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-30 |
| <i>Periconia sacchari</i> | Grass culm | Kaziranga | GUBH:AN-5 |
| <i>Peirakia</i> sp. | Decaying twig | Kaziranga | GUBH:AN-62 |
| <i>Phaeoisaria clenatidis</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-60 |
| <i>Phaeorumularia</i> sp. | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-22 |
| <i>Phaeostalagnus tenuissimus</i> | Wild banana leaf | Kaziranga | GUBH:AN-81 |
| <i>Pithomyces chararum</i> | Decaying leaf | Tezu | GUBH:AN-48 |
| <i>Pithomyces graminicola</i> | Grass culm | Kaziranga | GUBH:AN-3 |
| <i>Pithomyces pulvinatus</i> | Decaying twig | Tezu | GUBH:AN-71 |
| <i>Pithomyces sacchari</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-31 |
| <i>Pleurophragmium</i> sp. | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-38 |
| <i>Pleurophragmium</i> sp. | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-40 |
| <i>Podosporium nitgirense</i> | Bamboo culm | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-17 |
| <i>Podosporium rigidum</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-16 |
| <i>Sarcocladium cryzae</i> | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-37 |
| <i>Sporidicoides verrucosa</i> | Decaying bark | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-75 |
| <i>Sporidesmium malabarica</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-29 |
| <i>Sporidesmium usapae</i> | Grass culm | Kaziranga | GUBH:AN-1 |
| <i>Sporidesmium</i> sp. | Decaying twig | Tezu | GUBH:AN-72 |
| <i>Taeniolaella stilbospora</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-21 |
| <i>Tetraploa aristata</i> | Grass culm | Kaziranga | GUBH:AN-6 |
| <i>Torula herbarum</i> | Decaying leaf | Tezu | GUBH:AN-46 |
| <i>Trichobotrys effusa</i> | Bamboo leaf | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-8 |
| <i>Veronaca</i> sp. | Bamboo culm | Tezu | GUBH:AN-67 |
| <i>Virgatospora echinofibrosa</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-27 |
| <i>Virgatospora natarajanensis</i> | Bamboo leaf | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-26 |
| <i>Vittalia indica</i> | Decaying twig | Tezu | GUBH:AN-50 |
| <i>Volutella</i> sp. | Decaying twig | Namdapha pass | GUBH:AN-19 |
| <i>Wiesneriomyces laurinus</i> | Decaying twig | Mokokchung | GUBH:AN-12 |
| <i>Xenosporium africanum</i> | Bamboo culm | Tezu | GUBH:AN-68 |

recorded for the first time from the northeastern part of the country. Two of these taxa, viz. *Helicoma indicum* Gawas & Bhat and *Vitalia indica* Gawas & Bhat were found to be new to science (Gawas & Bhat, 2007). The fungi are listed (Table 1), described and illustrated below.

Acremonium strictum W. Gams, 1971.
Cephalosporium-artige Schimmelpilze
(Stuttgart): 42. (Fig.2)

Colonies effuse, white.
Conidiophores mononematous, macronematous, unbranched sub-hyaline, 18 - 26 × 3 - 4 µm. *Conidiogenous cells* monophialidic, integrated, terminal. *Conidia* solitary, arising in slimy heads, hyaline to subhyaline, ellipsoidal, smooth, aseptate, 3 - 3.5 × 1 - 1.5 µm.

Specimen examined: On decaying twigs of an unidentified tree, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH:AN-24.

Acrodictys dennisii M.B. Ellis, 1964.
Mycol. Pap. 79: 15. (Fig. 3)

Colonies effuse, grayish brown.
Conidiophores mononematous, macronematous, erect, dark brown, smooth, 2-4-septate, arising individually, 130 - 160 × 5 - 7 µm. *Conidiogenous cells* terminal, monoblastic. *Conidia* borne singly, dry, dark brown to black, broadly clavate, muriform, 10 - 45 × 7 - 38 µm.

Specimen examined: On decaying twig of an unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. UBH:AN-32

Acrodictys erecta (Ellis & Everh.) M.B. Ellis, 1961. *Mycol. Pap.* 79: 12. (Fig. 4)

Colonies effuse, grayish brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, erect, straight, smooth, septate, 80 - 125 × 6 - 8 µm. *Conidiogenous cells* terminal, monoblastic. *Conidia*, solitary, dry, pale to dark brown, muriform,

with characteristic transverse and longitudinal septa, 25 - 35 × 15 - 20 µm.

Specimen examined: On a dead and decaying bamboo twig, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 11.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH:AN-39.

Acrodictys globulosa (Toth) M.B. Ellis, 1965. *Mycol. Pap.* 103: 34. (Fig. 5)

Colonies effuse, granular, light brown. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, erect, straight, smooth, 3-7-septate, arising individually, 60 - 90 × 4 - 6 µm. *Conidiogenous cells* terminal, monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, pale brown, globose, smooth, 18 - 24 µm diam., with transverse and longitudinal septa; young conidia, hyaline to sub-hyaline.

Specimen examined: On a dead and decaying bamboo twig, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, coll. DJ Bhat, 11.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-41

Chaetopsina hongkongensis Goh & K.D. Hyde, 1997. *Mycol. Res.* 101(12): 1518. (Fig. 6)

Colonies effuse, hairy, dark brown.
Conidiophores mononematous, macronematous, branched, olivaceous brown, smooth, 150 - 230 × 8 - 10 µm. *Conidiogenous cells* polyphialidic, discrete, elongated, terminal and intercalary. *Conidia* aggregated in slimy heads, cylindrical with rounded ends, smooth, hyaline, aseptate, 6 - 8 × 2 - 2.5 µm.

Specimen examined: On decaying twigs of an unidentified tree, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH:AN-79.

Chaetopsina nimbae Rambelli, 1992. *Mycotaxon* 44(2): 328. (Fig. 7)

Colonies effuse, hairy, light brown. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, olivaceous brown, smooth, 4-6-septate, setiform, 300 - 350 × 4 - 6 µm. *Conidiogenous cells* polyphialidic, discrete.

intercalary. *Conidia* aggregated in slimy heads, cylindrical with rounded ends, smooth hyaline, aseptate, $8 - 12 \times 2 - 2.5 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On decaying twigs of an unidentified tree, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-20.

Chloridium claviforme (Preuss) W. Gams & Hol-Jech., 1976. *Stud. Mycol.* 13: 31.

Colonies effuse, white, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, light brown, paler towards the apex, unbranched, smooth, 2-4-septate, $130 - 150 \times 1 - 3 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* monophialidic, terminal, proliferating. *Conidia* in slimy heads, ellipsoidal, smooth, hyaline, aseptate, $2 - 2.5 \times 1 - 1.5 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On decaying leaves of an unidentified tree, Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-43.

Cladosporium eladosporioides (Fresen.) G.A. de Vries, 1952. *Contrib. Knowledge on the Genus Cladosporium Link et Fries*: 57. (Fig. 9)

Colonies effuse, light brown, powdery. *Conidiospores* mononematous, macronematous, brown, 5-10-septate, branched, $80 - 100 \times 3 - 5 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* terminal, polyblastic. Ramoconidia present with elongated, prominent polyblastic scars. *Conidia* catenate, dry, broadly fusiform with scars at the point of attachment, $6 - 6.5 \times 3 - 4.5 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On decomposing leaf-litter of an unidentified tree, Kaziranga National Park, Assam, DJ Bhat, 15.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-77.

Codiaeae fertilis S. Hughes & W.B. Kenr. 1968. *N.Z. J. Bot.* 6: 347. (Fig. 10)

Colonies effuse: hairy, dark brown.

Conidiophores mononematous, macronematous, unbranched, smooth, dark brown, paler towards the apex, $130 - 150 \times 2 - 4 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* polyphialidic, integrated, with conspicuous coilerettes. *Conidia* aggregated in slimy heads, falcate, smooth, subhyaline, 3-septate, with 1-setulae, at each end, $12 - 17 \times 2 - 4.5 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On dead and decaying *Calamus* leaves, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-83.

Curvularia pallescens Boedijn, 1933. *Bulletin du Jardin Botanique de Buitenzorg*, 3 Serie 13(1): 127. (Fig. 11)

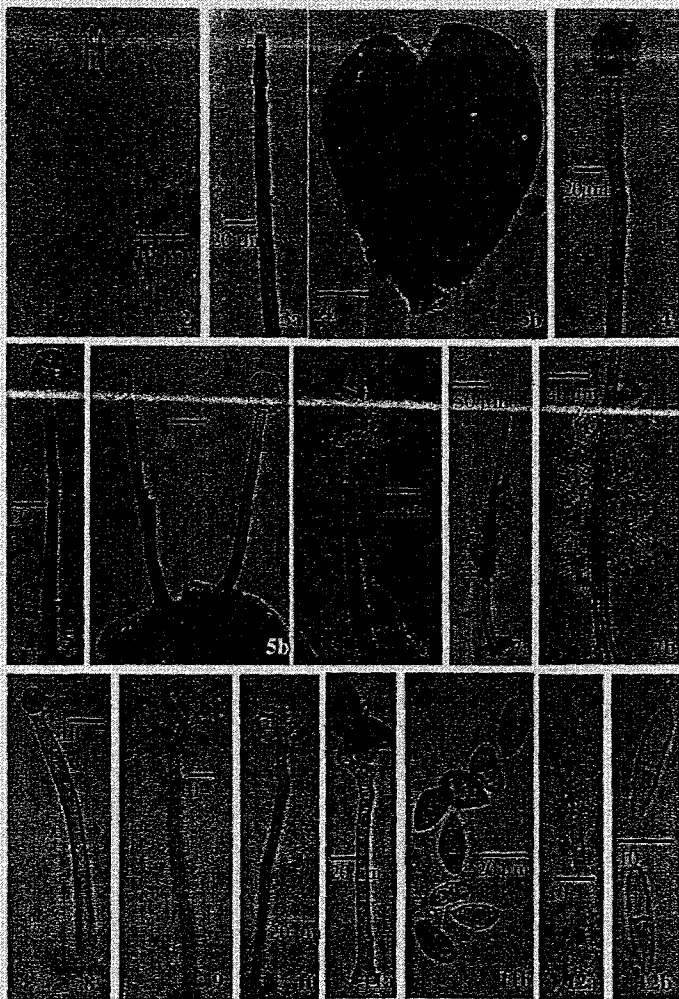
Colonies effuse, dark brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, olivaceous brown, unbranched, $80 - 120 \times 4 - 6.5 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* polytretic, terminal becoming intercalary, sympodial. *Conidia* solitary, ellipsoidal, with swollen central cell, sometimes curved, pale brown, smooth, 3-4-septate, $20 - 26 \times 8 - 15 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On dead grass culms, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.2006, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-65.

Dactylaria uniseptata Matsush., 1971. *Microfungi of the Solomon Islands and Papua-New Guinea* (Osaka): 19. (Fig. 12)

Colonies effuse, white, velvety. *Conidiospores* mononematous, macronematous, subhyaline, 2-4-septate, smooth, $45 - 60 \times 2 - 4 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* discrete, polyblastic, denticulate. *Conidia* solitary, clavate, hyaline to sub-hyaline, uniseptate, smooth, $17 - 20 \times 5 - 7 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On decaying twig of an unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-34



Figs 2-12. 2. *Acremonium strictum*; 3. (a), (b) *Acrodictys demisii*. (a) conidiophore, (b) conidia; 4. *Acrodictys erecta*; 5. (a), (b) *Acrodictys globulosa*; 6. *Chaetopsina hongkongensis*; 7. (a), (b) *Chaetopsina nimbae*; 8. *Clitoridium* sp.; 9. *Cladosporium cladosporioides*; 10. *Codinaea ferilis*; 11. (a), (b) *Curvularia pallescens*. (a) conidiophore, (b) conidia; 12. (a), (b) *Dactylaria uniseptata*. (a) conidiophore, (b) conidia.



Fig. 13-21. 13a, b. *Dendryphiella infuscans*. a. conidiophore, b. conidia; 14 a, b. *Dendryphion comosum*. a. conidiophore, b. conidia; 15. *Dendryphopsis bisepata*; 16. *Dicranidion gracilis*; 17 a, b. *Dischloridium lacense*. a. conidiophore, b. conidia; 18. *Edmundmasonia pulchra*; 19 a, b. *Fusarium incarnatum*. a. conidiophore, b. conidia; 20. *Gangliostible indica*. 21 a, b. *Gliocladium auriflum* a. synnemata b. closer view.

Dendryphiella infuscans (Thum.) -M.B. Ellis, 1971. *Dematiaceous Hyphomycetes* (Kew): 500. (Fig. 13)

Colonies effuse, dark brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, mid to dark brown, $180 - 220 \times 6 - 10 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* polytretic, terminal becoming intercalary, sympodial. *Conidia* in chains, oblong, rounded at both ends, pale to mid brown, smooth, uniseptate, $16 - 20 \times 6 - 10 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On dead bamboo culms, Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.2006. Herb. No. GUBH:AN-70.

Dendryphion comosum Wallr., 1833. Fl. Crypt. Germ., 2: 300 (Fig. 14)

Colonies effuse, dark brown. *Conidiophores* macronematous, mononematous, mid to dark brown, 4-5-septate, branched, $150 - 170 \times 8 - 11 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* polytretic, discrete, terminal. *Conidia* catenate, cylindrical, pale to olivaceous brown, minutely verruculose, 1-8-septate, constricted at the septa, $5 - 30 \times 7 - 10 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of an unidentified tree, Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.2006. Herb. No. GUBH:AN-73.

Dendryphiopsis biseptata Morgan-Jones, R.C. Sinclair & Eicker, 1983, Mycotaxon 17: 304. (Fig.15)

Colonies effuse, dark brown. *Conidiophores* macronematous, mononematous, mid to dark brown, $320 - 350 \times 8 - 10 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* monotretic integrated, terminal. *Conidia* solitary, oblong, rounded at both ends, mid to dark brown, 2-septate, $25 - 45 \times 18 - 20 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of an unidentified tree, Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.2006. Herb. No. GUBH:AN-45.

Dicranidium gracilliss Matsush. 1971. *Microfungi of the Solomon Islands and Papua-New Guinea* (Osaka): 24. (Fig. 16)

Colonies effuse, grayish white, wet, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, micronematous, arising singly or in a palisade layer, subhyaline. *Conidiogenous cells* terminal, monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, Y-shaped, hyaline, multiseptate, smooth, $17 - 23 \mu\text{m}$ long.

Specimen examined: On decaying twig of an unidentified tree, Namdapha National Park, DJ Bhat, 11.07.06. Herb. No. GUBH:AN-57

Dischloridium laeense (Matsush.) B. Sutton, 1976. *Kavaka* (1977) 4: 47. (Fig. 17)

Colonies effuse, hairy, dark brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, mid to dark brown, 3-5-septate, unbranched, smooth, $210 - 250 \times 6 - 8.5 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* monophialidic, terminal, sometimes proliferating. *Conidia* in slimy heads, smooth, subhyaline, aseptate, cylindrical with rounded apex and truncate base, $20 - 22 \times 12 - 15 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On decaying twigs of an unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06. Herb. No. GUBH:AN-13.

Edmundsonia pulchra Subram. 1958. *J. Indian bot. Soc.* 37: 403. (Fig. 18)

Colonies effuse, hairy, dark brown. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, pale dark brown, 3-7-septate, unbranched, smooth, $480 - 610 \times 4 - 8 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, clavate, phragmo-septate, subhyaline, $20 - 28 \times 6 - 10 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On dead bamboo culms, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06. Herb. No. GUBH:AN-63.

Fusarium incarnatum (Desm.) Sacc., 1886, *Syll. fung.* (Abellini) 4: 712. (Fig. 19)

Colonies effuse, white.
Conidiophores macronematous, mononematous, septate, profusely branched, smooth, subhyaline to hyaline, $80 - 100 \times 2 - 3 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* initially polyblastic later becoming monophialadic. *Conidia* smooth, hyaline, falcate; blastoconidia dry, 1-3 septate, $30 - 35 \times 4 - 6 \mu\text{m}$; phialoconidia inslimy heads, 3-5 septate, $20 - 32 \times 4 - 6 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On decaying culms of unidentified grass, Kaziranga Heritage Park, Assam, DJ Bhat, 15.07.2006, Herb. No. GUBH AN-02.

Gangliostilbe indica Subram. & Vittal, in Vittal, 1976, (1975) *Kavaka* 3: 70 (Fig. 20)

Colonies effuse, hairy, dark brown. *Conidiophores* synnematous, dark brown to black, septate, unbranched, $270 - 350 \mu\text{m}$ long, $18 - 22 \mu\text{m}$ wide at the stipe region, flared at the tip. *Conidiogenous cells* gangliar, terminal, mostly recurved. *Conidia* solitary, dark brown, smooth, clavate, guttulate, with 3 unequal septa, $35 - 45 \times 14 - 20 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On dead bamboo culms, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-64.

Gliocladium aurifilum (W.R. Gerard) Seifert, Samuels & W. Gams, 1985, in Seifert, *Stud. Mycol.* 27: 148. (Fig. 21)

Colonies effuse, white.
Conidiophores synnematous, septate, branched, smooth, pale to mid brown, $1500 - 2000 \times 140 - 200 \mu\text{m}$. Each conidiophore densely branched at the apex to give a brush-like appearance. *Conidiogenous cells* monophialadic. *Conidia* in slimy heads, smooth, subhyaline, ovoid, aseptate, $6 - 6.5 \times 3 - 3.5 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On decaying culms of an unidentified grass, Mokokchung,

Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.08.2006, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-18.

Graphium putredinis (Corda) S. Hughes, 1958, *Can. J. Bot.* 36: 770. (Fig. 22)

Colonies effuse, dark brown.
Conidiophores synnematous, pale brown, $440 - 550 \mu\text{m}$ long, $12 - 16 \mu\text{m}$ wide in the stipe region. *Conidiogenous cells* annelidic. *Conidia* aseptate, hyaline to pale olivaceous brown, smooth, ellipsoidal, $4 - 6 \times 2 - 2.5 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On decaying twigs of an unidentified tree, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-76

Helicoma indicum Gawas & Bhar, 2007, *Mycotaxon* 100: 295-303. (Fig. 23)

Conidiophores macronematous, mononematous, grouped in dense fascicles, divergent, olivaceous brown, septate, smooth, up to $200 \mu\text{m}$, $2 - 3 \mu\text{m}$ wide. *Conidiogenous cells* polyblastic, distinctly denticulate, terminal, integrated. *Conidia* solitary, dry, hyaline, smooth, uniseptate, coiled 0.5-0.75 times, $5.5 - 7.5 \mu\text{m}$ diam; conidial filament $3 - 3.5 \mu\text{m}$ wide.

Specimen examined: On dead twig of unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland, coil. by DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-35, HCIO 46952.

Helicomyces roseus Link, 1809, *Magazin Ges. naturf. Freunde, Berlin* 3: (1-2) 21. (Fig. 24)

Colonies effuse, grayish white, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, dark to medium brown, 3-6-septate, branched, smooth, $55 - 70 \times 3 - 7 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* polyblastic, distinctly denticulate. *Conidia* solitary, hyaline, smooth, uniseriately coiled, multiseptate, $40 - 50 \mu\text{m}$ diam., filaments $3 - 4.5 \mu\text{m}$ wide.



Figs 22-29. 22. (a), (b) *Graphium putredinis*; (c) Synnemata, (b) Conidia; 23. *Helicoma indicum*; 24. *Helicomycetes roseus*; 25. *Helicosporium phragmitis*; 26. *Hermatomyces lucimananensis*; 27. *Koesteriansinda minima*; 28. (a), (b) *Minimidochium setosum*. (a) Sporodochia (b) Conidia 29. (a), (b) *Monodictys abuiensis*. (a), (b) conidia

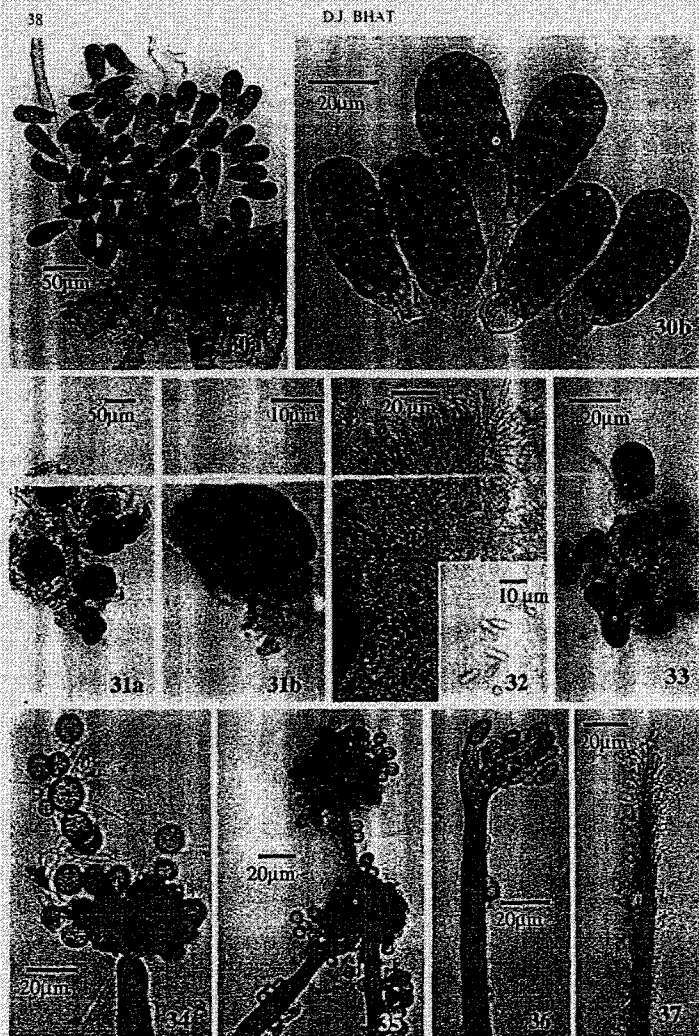


Fig. 30-37. 30 (a), (b) *Monodictys paradoxa* a, b conidia; 31. *Monodictys putredinis*; 32. *Myrothecium roridum*; 33. *Nigrospora sphaerica*; 34. *Periconia byssoides*; 35. *Periconia cookei*; 36. *Periconia sacchari*; 37. *Phaeoisaria clematidis*.

Specimen examined: On dead bamboo culms. Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH-AN-74.

Helicosporium phragmitis Hohn., 1905. *Annls. Mycol.*, 3: 338. (Fig.25)

Colonies effuse, grayish brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, olivaceous to dark brown, setiform at the apex, $100 - 150 \times 2 - 4.5 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* discrete, polyblastic, minutely denticulate. *Conidia* solitary, hyaline, smooth, helicoid, multiseptate, $14 - 20 \mu\text{m}$ diam; filaments $1.5 - 2.5 \mu\text{m}$ wide.

Specimen examined: On decaying leaves of *Dillenia* sp., Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh., DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-11

Hermatomyces tucumanensis Speg., 1911. *Annals del Museo Nacional de Hist. Nat. de Buenos Aires* 13: 446. (Fig. 26)

Colonies punctate; dark brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* in compact fascicles, micronematous, arising from a cushion-like mycelial mat, pale brown. *Conidiogenous cells* monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, smooth, muriform, with central cells dark brown to black, peripheral cells pale coloured, $20 - 32 \times 16 - 20 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On decaying twigs of an unidentified tree, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 11.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-59

Kostermansinda minima Cabello & Aramb. 1987. *Mycotaxon* 29: 32. (Fig. 27)

Colonies effuse, dark brown, hairy, velvety. *Conidiophores* synnematous, macronematous, septate, olivaceous to dark brown, flared and fertile at the tip, $200 - 230 \times 18 - 25 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, ellipsoidal, muriform, $20 - 27 \times 16 - 18 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On unidentified cane culms, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal

Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 11.07.06. Herb. No. GUBH: 42

Minimidochium setosum B. Sutton, 1969. *Can. J. Bot.* (1970) 47(12): 2095. (Fig. 28)

Colonies effuse, pale brown. *Conidiomata* sporodochial, setiform. *Setae* long, slender, dark brown to black. *Conidiophores* sporodochial, pecticately branched above, subhyaline to pale brown. $90 - 240 \mu\text{m}$ long. *Conidiogenous cells* monophialidic, discrete, with inconspicuous collarette. *Conidia* aggregated fusiform, curved, smooth, subhyaline, with setulae, aseptate, $5.5 - 7.5 \times 2 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined On dead bamboo culms, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-07.

Monodictys abuensis (Chouhan & Panwar) V. Rao & de Hoog, 1986. *Stud. Mycol.* 28: 26. (Fig.29)

Colonies effuse, dark brown, granular, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, micronematous. *Conidiogenous cells* terminal, monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, dark brown to black, irregularly globose, $45 - 70 \mu\text{m}$ in diam., with several transverse and longitudinal septa.

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland. DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-09.

Monodictys paradoxa (Corda) S. Hughes, 1958. *Can. J. Bot.* 36: 786. (Fig. 30)

Conidiophores micro-orsemi-macronematous, mononematous, arising singly or in fascicles, subhyaline. *Conidiogenous cells* polyblastic. *Conidia* irregularly oblong, muriform, dark-brown, $35 - 55 \times 15 - 20 \mu\text{m}$, with a hyaline basal cell.

Specimen examined: On dead twig of unidentified tree, Namdapha National Park, leg DJ Bhat, 11.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-58

Monodictys putredinis (Wallr.) S. Hughes, 1958. *Can J. Bot.* 36: 785. (Fig. 31)

Colonies effuse, dark brown, granular, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, micronematous to semi-macronematous. *Conidiogenous cells* terminal, monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, dark brown to black, sub-globose to pyriform. $15-28 \times 12-20 \mu\text{m}$, with several transverse and longitudinal septa, constricted at the septa.

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-14.

Myrothecium roridum Tode, 1790. *Fung. meckelenb. sel.* (Luneburg) 1: 25. (Fig. 32)

Colonies gregarious, greenish. *Conidiophores* sporodochinal, penicillately branched, subhyaline to pale bluish green, $100-400 \mu\text{m}$ wide. *Conidiogenous cells* monophialidic, discrete. *Conidia* aggregated in slimy mass, cylindrical, rounded at both ends, smooth, subhyaline, appearing dark green in mass, aseptate, $6-8.5 \times 2-2.5 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On dead leaves of an unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.2006, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-51.

Nigrospora sphaerica (Sacc.) E.W. Mason, 1927. *Trans. Br. mycol. Soc.* 12: 158. (Fig. 33)

Colonies effuse, cottony, grayish brown. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, branched, hyaline to pale brown, 2-6-septate, $4-7 \mu\text{m}$ wide. *Conidiogenous cells* wedge-shaped,

monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, black, spherical, aseptate, $10-16 \mu\text{m}$ in diam.

Specimen examined: On dead bamboo leaves, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-10.

Periconia byssoides Pers., 1801. *Syn. meth. fung.* (Gottingen): 18. (Fig. 34)

Colonies effuse, hairy, dark brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, arising individually or in groups, dark brown, 6-9-septate, unbranched, $400-1100 \times 10-15 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* terminal, discrete, polyblastic. *Conidia* arising in chains, brown, spherical, aseptate, verrucose, $8-16 \mu\text{m}$ in diam.

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of an unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-25.

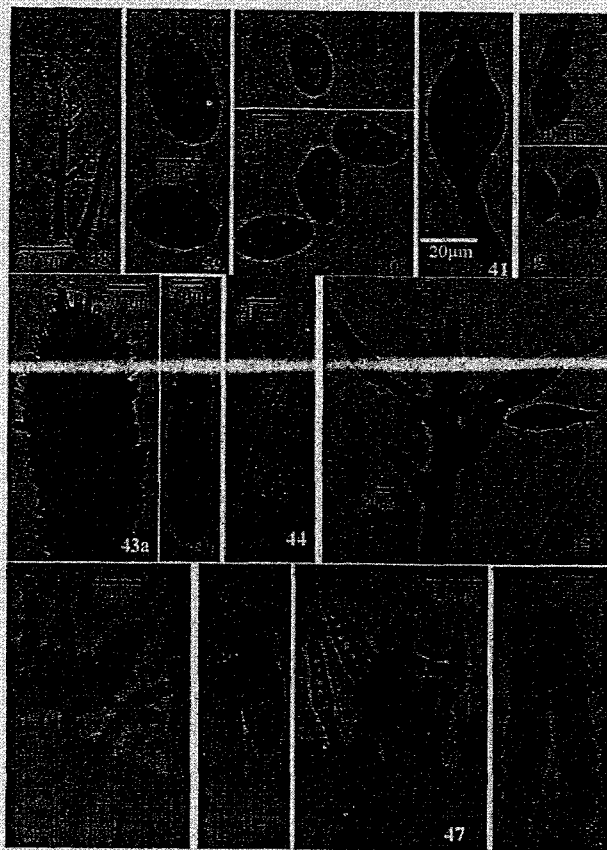
Periconia cookei E.W. Mason & M.B. Ellis, 1953. *Mycol. Pap.* 56: 72. (Fig. 35)

Colonies effuse, cottony, dark brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, often arising in groups, dark brown, septate, rarely branched, $640-730 \times 10-15 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* polyblastic, discrete, developing on swollen apical cells. *Conidia* in chains, brown, spherical, verruculose, $7-10 \mu\text{m}$ in diam.

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-30.

Periconia sacchari J.R. Johnst., 1917. In Johnston & Stevenson, *J. Dept. Agric. Porto Rico* 1: 225. (Fig. 36)

Colonies effuse, dark brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, arising individually or in groups, dark brown, septate, unbranched, $70-100 \times 2-3.5 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* monoblastic, discrete, formed directly on the



Figs. 38-48. 38. *Phaeotalagnus tenuissimus*; 39. *Pithomyces chartarum*; 40. *Pithomyces graminicola*; 41. *Pithomyces pulvinatus*; 42. *Pithomyces sacchari*; 43. (a), (b) *Podosporium nilgirensis* (a) synnemata (b) conidia; 44. *Spadicoides verrucosa*; 45. *Sporidesmiopsis malabarica*; 46. (a), (b) *Sporidesmium uapacae* (a) conidiophores, (b) conidia; 47. *Sporidesmium* sp.; 48. *Taeniolella stilbospora*.



Figs. 49-57. 49. *Tetraploa aristata*; 50. *Torula herbarum*; 51. *Trichobotrys effusa*;
 52. *Vernoniaea* sp.; 53. (a), (b) *Virgatospora echinofibrosa*, (a) synnemata (b) conidia;
 54. *Virgatospora natarajanensis*; 55. *Vitattia indica*; 56. *Wiesneriomyces laurinus*;
 57. *Xenosporium africanum*.

swollen apical cells. *Conidia* in chains, brown, spherical, verruculose, 6–8.5 µm in diam.

Specimen examined: On unidentified grass culms, Kaziranga Heritage Park, Assam, DJ Bhat, 15.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH-AN-05.

Phaeoisaria clematidis (Fuckel) S. Hughes, 1958. *Can. J. Bot.* 36: 794. (Fig. 37)

Colonies effuse, dark brown. *Conidiophores* synnematos, olivaceous to dark brown, compactly packed, fertile at the tip, septate, 70–140 × 2–2.5 µm. *Conidiogenous cells* polyblastic, denticulate, recurved at the tip. *Conidia* clavate, pointed at the base, hyaline, aseptate, 3–6.5 × 1–2.5 µm.

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of an unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH-AN-60.

Phaeostalagmus tenuissimus (Corda) W. Gams & Hol.-Jech., 1976, in Gams & Holubova-Jechova. *Stud. Mycol.* 13: 93. (Fig. 38)

Colonies effuse, hairy, dark brown. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, sometimes branched, mid to pale brown, 60–120 × 4–6 µm. *Conidiogenous cells* monophialidic, verticillately arranged. *Conidia* aggregated in slimy heads, ellipsoidal to cylindrical, rounded at both the ends, slightly allantoid, hyaline, smooth, aseptate, 9–10.5 × 3–3.5 µm.

Specimen examined: On decaying wild banana leaves, Kaziranga Heritage Park, Assam, DJ Bhat, 15.07.2006, Herb. No. GUBH-AN-81.

Pithomyces chartarum (Berk. & M.A. Curtis) M.B. Ellis, 1960. *Mycol. Pap.* 76: 13. (Fig. 39)

Colonies effuse, cottony, dark brown. *Conidiophores* semi-macronematous, pale to olivaceous brown. *Conidiogenous cells* terminal, monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, broadly ellipsoidal, verruculose, dictyoseptate, with 2–4 transverse septa and 2–3 longitudinal septa, olivaceous to dark brown, 16–28 × 12–16 µm.

Specimen examined: On decaying twigs of an unidentified tree, Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH-AN-48.

Pithomyces graminicola R.Y. Roy & B. Rai, 1968. *Trans. Br. mycol. Soc.* 51 (1): 154. (Fig. 40)

Colonies effuse, grayish brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* micronematous to semi-macronematous, pale to olivaceous brown, smooth. *Conidiogenous cells* terminal, monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, obovoid to ellipsoidal, reddish brown, smooth, 0–2-transversely septate, 8–15 × 5–6 µm.

Specimen examined: On decaying twigs of an unidentified plant, Kaziranga Heritage Park, Assam, DJ Bhat, 15.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH-AN-03.

Pithomyces pulvinatus (Cooke & Massee) M.B. Ellis, 1965. *Mycol. Pap.* 103: 41. (Fig. 41)

Colonies effuse, granular, grayish brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* micronematous to semi-micronematous, pale to olivaceous brown, smooth. *Conidiogenous cells* monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, irregularly shaped, smooth, multiseptate, dark brown to black, 80–120 × 25–30 µm, with tapering subhyaline apical end and a protruding, dark colored, truncate basal end.

Specimen examined: On decaying twigs of an unidentified herbaceous plant, Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH-AN-71.

Pithomyces sacchari M.B. Ellis, 1960. *Mycol. Pap.* 76: 17. (Fig. 42)

Colonies effuse, granular, dark brown. *Conidiophores* micronematous to semi-macronematous, pale to olivaceous brown. *Conidiogenous cells* monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, clavate, sometimes curved, echinulate, dictyoseptate with 2-3 transverse septa and 0-2 longitudinal septa, olivaceous to dark brown, $18-26 \times 6-10 \mu\text{m}$ with a protruding truncate, subhyaline base.

Specimen examined: On dead culms of an unidentified grass, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-31

Podosporium nilgirensis (Subram.) M.B. Ellis, 1976. *More Dematiaceae Hyponmycetes* (Kew): 383. (Fig. 43)

Colonies effuse, hairy, dark brown. *Conidiophores* synnematosus, mid to dark brown, compactly arranged, branched, $740-900 \times 24-40 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* monotretic terminal, sometimes recurved. *Conidia* solitary, obclavate, rounded at the apex, truncate at the base, olive brown, smooth, 3-6-septate, $60-64 \times 6-8.5 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On dead bamboo culms, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.2006, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-17.

Podosporium rigidum Schwein., 1832. *Trans. Am. phil. Soc.*, Ser. 2 4(2): 278.

Colonies effuse, hairy, dark brown. *Conidiophores* macronematous, synnematosus, mid to dark brown, branched, $600-1000 \times 30-50 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* monotretic, terminal, precurrently proliferating. *Conidia* solitary, obclavate rounded at the apex, truncate at the base, pale to olivaceous brown, smooth, 4-8-septate, $45-70 \times 12-15 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of an unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland,

DJ Bhat, 09.07.2006 Herb. No. GUBH: AN-16.

Sarocladium oryzae (Sawada) W. Gams & D. Hawks., 1975, *Kavaka* (1976) 3: 58.

Colonies effuse, dark brown. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, profusely branched, smooth, hyaline, $80-120 \times 2-4 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* monophialidic, discrete. *Conidia* in slimy aggregates, ellipsoidal to cylindrical, variable in size, $1.5-2 \times 3-3.5 \mu\text{m}$ long.

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of an unidentified tree, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.2006, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-37.

Spadicoides verrucosa V. Rao & de Hoog, 1986. *Stud. Mycol.* 28: 42. (Fig. 44)

Colonies effuse, hairy, dark brown. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, pale brown, subhyaline at the apex, unbranched, $70-170 \times 2-3 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* polytretic, intercalary, integrated. *Conidia* solitary, ovoid, subhyaline to pale brown, minutely verruculose, aseptate, $3-4.5 \times 2-2.5 \mu\text{m}$.

Specimen examined: On bark of unidentified tree, Namdapha National Park, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.2006, Herb No. GUBH: AN-75.

Sporidesmiopsis malabarica Subram. & Bhat, 1987, *Kavaka*, 15(1,2): 71. (Fig. 45)

Conidiophores macronematous, mononematous, dark brown to black, branched at the apex, $230-500 \times 8-10.5 \mu\text{m}$. *Conidiogenous cells* monoblastic, terminal, percurrent, *Conidia* solitary, obclavate, smooth, dark brown, $70 \approx 100 \mu\text{m}$ long, $15-20 \mu\text{m}$ in the broadest region, with several transverse pseudosepta.

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland, coll. by DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-29

Sporidesmium uapacae M.B. Ellis, 1958. *Mycol. Pap.* 70: 77. (Fig. 46)

Colonies effuse, hairy, dark brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, olivaceous to dark brown, 2-4-septate, unbranched, 20-45 x 4-6 µm. *Conidiogenous cells* monoblastic, terminal, determinate. *Conidia* solitary, obclavate, smooth, olivaceous to dark brown, with several transverse pseudosepta, acute at the tip, 35-45 x 4-8.5 µm.

Specimen examined: On decaying culms of unidentified grass, Kaziranga Heritage Park, Assam, DJ Bhat, 15.07.06. Herb. No. GUBH: AN-01.

Taeniolella stilbospora (Corda) S. Hughes, 1958, *Can. J. Bot.* 36: 817. (Fig. 48)

Colonies effuse, dark brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* micronematous, olivaceous brown. *Conidiogenous cells* monoblastic, terminal. *Conidia* solitary, cylindrical, rounded at the apex, olivaceous to dark brown, verrucose, 2-8-septate, constricted at the septa, 14-52 x 12-14 µm.

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of an unidentified tree, Mokochung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-21

Tetraploa aristata Berk. & Broome, 1850. *Ann. Mag. nat. Hist.*, Ser. 2 5: 459. (Fig. 49)

Colonies effuse, dark brown, granular, velvety. *Conidiophores* micronematous. *Conidiogenous cells* monoblastic. *Conidia* solitary, sub-hyaline to pale brown, verruculose, muriform, with cells arranged in 4 rows, appendaged, 14-25 x 12-18 µm, appendages multiseptate, setiform, diverging from one another, 50-84 x 4-6 µm.

Specimen examined: On unidentified grass culms, Kaziranga Heritage Park,

Assam, DJ Bhat, 15.07.06. Herb. No. GUBH: AN-06.

Torula herbarum (Pers.) Link, 1809. *Magazin Ges. naturf. Freunde, Berlin* 3: 9. (Fig. 50)

Colonies effuse, dark brown, granular, velvety. *Conidiophores* semi-macronematous, subhyaline to midbrown. *Conidiogenous cells* polyblastic, collapsing on secession of conidia. *Conidia* in chains, cylindrical with rounded ends, olivaceous to mid brown, echinulate, 2-5 septate, constricted at the septa, 20-60 x 6-9 µm.

Specimen examined: On decaying leaves of an unidentified tree, Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-46.

Trichobotrys effusa (Berk. & Broome) Petch, 1924. *Ann. R. bot. Gdns Peradeniya* 9: 169. (Fig. 51)

Colonies effuse, cottony, dark brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, macronematous, narrow, long, olivaceous to dark brown, verrucose, setiform at the tip. *Conidiogenous cells* polyblastic, intercalary. *Conidia* in basipetal chains, globose, olivaceous brown, minutely verruculose, aseptate, 4-4.5 µm in diam.

Specimen examined: On dead and decaying bamboo leaves, Mokochung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.06. Herb. No. GUBH: AN-08.

Virgatospira echinofibrosa Finley, 1967. *Mycologia* 59: 538. (Fig. 53)

Colonies effuse, dark brown. *Conidiophores* symmetomous, dark brown to black, compact at the base, flared at the tip, branched, 850-1000 µm long, 50-60 µm wide in the stipe region. *Conidiogenous cells* monophialidic, terminal, discrete, verrucose. *Conidia* aggregated in slimy heads, ellipsoidal, with a rounded protruding beak at both ends, dark brown, with distinct

longitudinal striations. 3-septate, 35 – 45 × 9.5 – 10.5 µm.

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of an unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland. DJ Bhat, 09.07.2006. Herb. No. GUBH: AN-27.

Virgatospora natarajanensis D'Souza, Singh & Bhat, 2002, *Mycotaxon* 82: 133-143. (Fig. 54)

Colonies effuse, dark brown. *Conidiophores* synnematos, pale brown at the base, dark brown to black at the apex. 700 – 850 µm long, 45 – 65 µm wide in the stipe region. *Conidiogenous cells* monophialidic, terminal, discrete, verruculose. *Conidia* aggregated in slimy heads, fusiform, dark to greenish brown, distinct longitudinal striations; uniseptate, 8 – 8.5 × 3 – 3.5 µm.

Specimen examined: On dead and decaying bamboo leaves, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.08.2006. Herb. No. GUBH: AN-26.

Vittalia indica Gawas & Bhat, 2007. *Mycotaxon* 100: 295-303. (Fig. 55)

Colonies effuse, floccose, grayish. *Conidiophores* macronematous, mononematous, long, flexuous, subhyaline to pale brown, smooth, septate, branched, indistinguishable from the mycelium, 2 – 3.5 µm wide. *Conidiogenous cells* monotretic, non-cicatrized, intercalary, smooth, subhyaline. *Conidia* fusiform, curved, rounded at both ends, 3-euseptate, verruculose, pale brown, 11-14 (sometimes up to 19) × 3 – 4.5 µm.

Specimen examined: On dead twig of unidentified tree, Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh, coll. by DJ Bhat, 13.07.06. Herb. No. GUBH: AN-50, HClO 46950.

Wiesneriomyces laurinus (Tassi) P.M. Kirk, 1984. *Trans. Br. mycol. Soc.* 82(4): 748. (Fig. 56)

Colonies sporadic, dark brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* sporodochial, macronematous, setaceous, olivaceous grey. Setae long, septate, smooth, inwardly curved, dark brown to black, pointed at the apex and swollen at the base, 200 – 400 × 4 – 7.5 µm. *Conidiogenous cells* polyblastic, denticulate. *Conidia* in unbranched chains attached to one another through a narrow isthmus, forming slimy aggregates, hyaline, smooth, on cessation oliiform, aseptate, 10 – 12 × 3.5 – 4.5 µm

Specimen examined: On dead twigs of an unidentified tree, Mokokchung, Nagaland, DJ Bhat, 09.07.06, Herb. No. GUBH: AN-12

Xenosporium africanum Piroz., 1966. In Deighton & Pirozynski, *Mycol. Pap.* 105: 33. (Fig. 57)

Colonies effuse, dark brown, velvety. *Conidiophores* mononematous, micronematous, unbranched, olivaceous to dark brown. *Conidiogenous cells* monoblastic, terminal. *Conidia* solitary, slightly curved, olivaceous to dark brown, smooth, uniform, 45 – 65 × 22 – 35 µm, bearing secondary conidia. Secondary conidia, solitary, spherical, pale to olivaceous brown, smooth, uniform, 18 – 24 µm in diameter.

Specimen examined: On decaying twig of an unidentified tree, Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh, DJ Bhat, 13.07.06, Herb No. GUBH: AN-68.

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