

Moth Akanthomyces

*Akanthomyces aculeatus* Lebert



OVERALL: Daniels, PVSP, 2/11/2018,  
Bonnie Ott.  
OVERALL: Murray Hill, 9/21/2018,  
*J. Solem*.  
OVERALL: MPENA, 1/8/2019,  
*A. Schrad*.  
OVERALL: Kindler Road, 1/23/2019,  
*S. Muller*.

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Hypocreales

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**ID:** Short white rods on moths.

**Habitat:** Parasite on moths; mostly wet summers.

**Fruiting Body:** Tiny, white rod-like structures arise from white mycelium partially or entirely covering the dead moth.

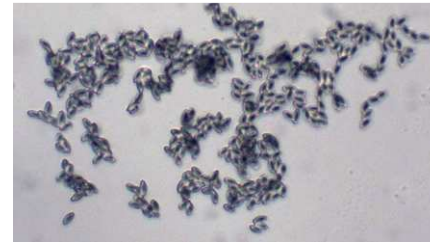
**Spores:** Hyaline. Fusiform, smooth, hyaline.

**Frequency:** Uncommon.

**Locations:** DANPV, GONRA, MPENA, MURHL, SAVPK.

Notes: Mycobank 431365. Identification by A.E. Bessette by examination of Daniels specimen (*pers. comm.*); that specimen was found 4ft. up on bark of a deciduous sapling.

**References:** E&S 32.



SPORES (3.9-5.0 x 2.2-2.6 μm): Murray Hill,  
9/21/2018, *R. Solem*.