

Unveiling fungal diversity in China: New species and records within the Xylariaceae

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Abstract

In this study, we describe 27 new species of xylarialean taxa based on a comprehensive analysis that combines morpho-anatomy and multi-locus phylogenetics using ITS, *rpb2*, and TUB2 loci sequences. The newly identified species include *Anthostomella guizhouensis*, *An. yunnanensis*, *Astrocystis dinghuensis*, *As. guizhouensis*, *As. heterocyclae*, *As. sichuanensis*, *Collodiscula baoshanensis*, *C. quadrangularis*, *Kretzschmaria sichuanensis*, *K. kuankuoshuiensis*, *K. landingshanensis*, *Nemania bannaensis*, *N. buxi*, *N. landingshanensis*, *N. lasiocarpae*, *N. leigongshanensis*, *N. mengmanensis*, *N. subchangningensis*, *Nigropunctata khalidii*, *Pandanicola guizhouensis*, *Rosellinia cerasi*, *R. guiyangensis*, *R. guizhouensis*, *R. limushanensis*, *R. lishuicola*, *R. wuzhishanensis*, and *R. yaorenshanensis*. Additionally, we report the occurrence of xylarialean taxa in China or on the Chinese mainland as new geographical findings, which includes *Anthostomella leucobasis*, *An. pseudobambusicola*, *An. raphidophylli*, *An. smilacis*, *An. vestita*, *Astrocystis bambusae*, *Rosellinia yumingjui*, *Stilbohypoxyton elaeidicola* and *Xylaria frustulosa*, *X. glebulosa*, and *X. longissima*. Morphologically similar species and phylogenetically close taxa are compared and discussed. This extensive exploration enhances our understanding of fungal diversity and distribution, particularly within the context of China's rich ecological landscape and the Xylariaceae.

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INTRODUCTION

Fungi are a diverse and ecologically significant group of organisms that play crucial roles in various ecosystems worldwide. Fungal diversity is vast, and many regions around the world, including China, still have unexplored or underexplored areas. Within this kingdom, the Xylariaceae family stands out as an intriguing group, well-recognized for their diversity, global distribution, ecological activities and the remarkable novel compounds they produce, boasting a wide range of bioactivities (Suwannasai et al. 2023). Within this context, China, with its vast and varied landscapes, offers a unique setting for the discovery and study of fungal diversity.

Generally, the Xylariaceae are not strongly pathogenic but are basically facultative parasites being opportunistic and weakly pathogenic, predominantly inhabiting wood and occasionally seeds. (Whalley 1996, Edwards et al. 2003, Rogers 2000, 2020). They form stromata on freshly fallen wood or branches, occasionally invading living leaves and petioles. A significant number of *Xylaria* species establish associations with ant and termite nests, with stromata typically emerging only after these nests have been abandoned (Suwannasai et al. 2023).

The number of genera in the Xylariaceae family has seen variations in different taxonomic treatments by different authors over the years (Maharachchikumbura et al. 2016, Wendt et al. 2018). Daranagama et al. (2018) provided an updated list of Xylariaceae genera, recognizing 37 based on their examination of type specimens. However, in 2020, Hyde et al. following recent updates, accepted 32 genera in Xylariaceae. Since then, the genus *Dematophora* R. Hartig has been resurrected (Wittstein et al. 2020), and four new genera, namely *Albicollum* Voglmayr, J. Fourn., Tello & Jaklitsch, *Nigropunctata* Samarak. & K.D. Hyde (Samarakoon et al. 2022), *Oligostoma* Voglmayr, J. Fourn. & Jaklitsch, and *Spiririma* Voglmayr, J. Fourn., Tello & Jaklitsch (Voglmayr et al. 2022), have been established within Xylariaceae.

The present study focuses on the exploration of fungal diversity within the Xylariaceae family in China. Our findings unveil a rich collection of discoveries, including 27 newly identified species and also documenting the presence of xylariales taxa in China.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Sample Collection and Morphological Study

The specimens were collected during surveys conducted in the tropical and subtropical regions of China (Guizhou, Yunnan, Hainan provinces) between 2020 and 2022. All related habitat information, including details about elevation, climatic conditions, and geographical features, was recorded. The photos of the collected materials were taken using a Canon G15 camera (Canon Corporation, Tokyo, Japan). Materials were placed in paper bags and were taken to the lab for examination. To preserve the freshness of the specimens, they were dried at room temperature. The dried specimens were carefully labelled and stored in an ultra-low freezer at -80°C for one week to eliminate any insects and their eggs. After this preparation, the specimens were ready for both morphological and molecular studies.

Herbarium materials were deposited at the herbarium of Guizhou Medical University (GMB) and the Herbarium of Cryptogams, Herbarium of Kunming Institute of Botany, Chinese Academy of Sciences (KUN-HKAS), and living cultures were deposited at the Guizhou Medical University Culture Collection (GMBC).

Isolation and morphological characterization

Macroscopic characteristics were observed under an Olympus SZ61 stereomicroscope and photographed with a Canon 700D digital camera fitted to a light microscope (Nikon Ni). Morphological characteristics of specimens were examined, and photomicrographs were taken as described in Long et al. (2019). Materials were mounted in water for anatomical examination and added Melzer's reagent where necessary. More than 30 ascospores and 30 asci were measured using the Tarosoft® image framework (v. 0.9.0.7). Images were arranged using Adobe Photoshop CS6 (Adobe Systems, USA). Pure cultures were obtained by single-ascospore isolation following

the method described in Senanayake et al. (2020). Pure cultures were maintained at 25 °C for 1–2 weeks on PDA (potato dextrose agar) medium.

DNA extraction, PCR amplification and sequencing

Mycelia were scraped from pure culture plates using a sterilized scalpel and were used for DNA extraction following the manufacturer's instructions of the BIOMIGA fungus genomic DNA extraction kit. For some specimens where the ascospores did not germinate, we used a method of directly extracting DNA from the contents of the perithecium. Using a sterile needle under a stereomicroscope, the contents of the ascospore case were picked up and DNA was extracted using a BIOMIGA fungus genomic DNA extraction kit. The DNA samples were kept at –20 °C.

Internal transcribed spacers (ITS), TUB2, and partial second largest subunit of the RNA polymerase II (*rpb2*) were amplified by PCR with primers ITS1/ITS4 (White et al. 1990, Gardes & Bruns 1993), Bt2a/Bt2b or T1/T22 (Glass & Donaldson 1995, O'Donnell & Cigelnik 1997), and RPB2-5F/RPB2-7cR (Liu et al. 1999), respectively. The components of a 25 µL volume PCR mixture were: 9.5 µL of double distilled water, 12.5 µL of PCR Master Mix, 1 µL of each primer and 1 µL of template DNA. Qualified PCR products were checked through 1.5% agarose gel electrophoresis stained with GoldenView, and sent to Sangon Co., China, for sequencing (Xie et al. 2020).

Sequence alignments and phylogenetic analyses

All the sequences obtained were deposited in the GenBank (Table 1). These sequences were compared with each other and all the known sequences in the GenBank by using the BLAST algorithm for identification. The molecular phylogeny was inferred from a combined dataset of ITS, TUB2 and *rpb2* sequences. The sequences retrieved from open databases originated from Hsieh et al. (2010), Stadler et al. (2013), U'Ren et al. (2016), Daranagama et al. (2018), Voglmayr & Beenken (2019), Xie et al. (2019), Hyde et al. (2020abc), Garcia-Aroca et al. (2021), Ma et al. (2022), Pan et al. (2022), Voglmayr et al. (2022), Konta et al. (2023), the BLASTn results of close matches and other *Xylariaceae* representatives. Sequences were aligned using the MAFFT v.7.110 online programme (Katoh et al. 2019) with the default settings, respectively alignment was adjusted manually using BioEdit v.7.0.5.3 (Hall 1999) where necessary. The ML analysis was implemented in RAxML v.8.2.12 using the GTRGAMMA substitution model with 1,000 bootstrap replicates (Stamatakis 2014).

The phylogenetic analyses were performed for Bayesian inference in MrBayes v. 3.2.1 (Ronquist et al. 2012) online. The model of evolution was estimated by MrModeltest 2.2 (Nylander 2004). The Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) sampling in MrBayes v.3.2.2 (Ronquist et al. 2012) was used to determine the posterior probabilities (PP). Six simultaneous Markov chains were run for 1,000,000 generations, and trees were sampled every 1000th generation. The phylogenetic tree was visualized in FIGTREE v.1.4.3 (Rambaut 2012). All analyses were run on the CIPRES Science Gateway v 3.3 webportal (Miller et al. 2010).

RESULTS

Phylogenetic analyses

After exclusion of ambiguously aligned regions and long gaps, the final combined data matrix contained 2,340 characters. *Jackrogersella cohaerens* (Pers.) L. Wendt, Kuhnert & M. Stadler, *Hypoxylon fragiforme* (Pers.) J. Kickx f. and *Daldinia loculatoides* Wollw. & M. Stadler were added as the outgroup. The tree topology derived from Maximum Likelihood (ML) analysis closely resembled that of Bayesian Inference (BI) analysis. The best scoring RAxML tree is shown in Fig. 1.

The sequences of our collected specimens nested within the clades corresponding to their respective genera. Although certain nodes within the clades lacked robust support (they consistently

appeared stable in repeated phylogenetic analyses), most other relationships obtained strong bootstrap support.

In the phylogram (Fig. 1), the genus *Nemania* is represented by three distinct clades, most of which nodes obtained robust bootstrap support. These clades contain 7 novel species. The genus *Rosellinia* is represented by a single large clade, represent 7 new species. Our sequence of the genus *Pandanicola* formed a clade in a relationship with *Anthostomella* species. The sequence of this genus is not present in GenBank. The species within the genera *Anthostomella* and *Xylaria* do not share a common ancestor, and evolved from different ancestral lineages. Previous studies also support the polyphyletic nature of both *Xylaria* and *Anthostomella* within the Xylariaceae (Daranagama et al. 2015, 2018, Wendt et al. 2018, Konta et al. 2020). In the multi-locus phylogeny, presented by Samarakoon et al. (2022), *Nigropunctata* is observed to clusters independently in Xylariales. However, in our phylogenetic analysis (Fig. 1), it does not exhibit an independent clustering but rather shares clades with species from *Anthostomella*. Within GenBank, DNA sequence data are available for three *Stilbohypoxyton* species: *S. elaeidicola*, *S. elaeidis*, and *S. quisquiliarum*. Phylogenetically, *S. quisquiliarum* clusters very distantly from the other two species, representing the *Stilbohypoxyton* polyphyletic status. The genus *Kretzschmaria* forms a monophyletic clade, representing three novel species. The *Astrocystis* species formed a clade that shares a sister relation with the monophyletically supported *Collodiscula* species. The phylogeny of all the novel species is discussed in the notes section of each species.

Taxonomy

Anthostomella Sacc., Atti Soc. Veneto-Trent. Sci. Nat., Padova, Sér. 4 4: 84 (1875).

Notes – The genus *Anthostomella*, originally described by Saccardo, is a complex and diverse group of fungi comprising approximately 95 species (Lu & Hyde 2000, Daranagama et al. 2015, 2016). Within the Xylariaceae, *Anthostomella* species exhibit polyphyletic characteristics, making their taxonomic delineation challenging. However, specific morphological features serve as key criteria for circumscribing the genus, including immersed ascomata, cylindrical asci with short pedicels, and pigmented, equilateral ascospores with germ slits (Daranagama et al. 2016). *Anthostomella*, with its intriguing array of species, has not been extensively studied in China. Yuan & Zhao (1992), Lu et al. (2003), and Jiang et al. (2022) have together contributed to the identification and documentation of 30 species within this genus. Species of *Anthostomella* have been found to be distributed across multiple genera within the phylogenetic tree (Fig. 1), representing its polyphyletic status. Our research extends the understanding of *Anthostomella* in China. Through a combination of morphological and phylogenetic assessments involving markers such as ITS, *rpb2*, and TUB2, we have identified two new species and recorded five new occurrences of this genus.

Anthostomella guizhouensis Y.P. Wu & Q.R. Li, sp. nov.

Fig. 2

Mycobank number: MB850405

Etymology – The name “guizhouensis” refers to the location it was found, Guizhou province.

Description – *Saprobic* on dead bamboo. Sexual morph: Ascomata 518–594 × 264–288 μm (\bar{x} = 563 × 272 μm, n = 10), immersed, visible as conical blackened dots, solitary, without a clypeus, globose in vertical section. Ostioles papillate, black, surrounding by white tissue. Peridium 28–36 μm (\bar{x} = 30 μm, n = 10) wide, comprising several layers, outer layer brown, thick-walled *textura irregularis* cells, inner layer hyaline. Paraphyses 3.6–5 μm (\bar{x} = 4.2 μm, n = 10) wide, shorter than the asci, hyaline, unbranched, without septa. Asci 176–215 × 11.8–14.2 μm (\bar{x} = 188 × 12.6 μm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, long-cylindrical, short pedicellate, apically rounded, wedge-shaped, amyloid apical apparatus, 4.3–5.2 × 4.2–4.5 μm (\bar{x} = 4.6 × 4.3 μm, n = 30). Ascospores 22.3–25.2 × 7.5–8.5 μm (\bar{x} = 23.3 × 7.6 μm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, brown to brownish black, ellipsoidal-inequilaterally ellipsoidal, with narrowly rounded ends,

Table 1 GenBank accession numbers used in this study. The newly generated sequences are marked bold.

Species	Culture collection/ Specimen voucher	Country	ITS	<i>rpb2</i>	β -tubulin	References
<i>Abieticola koreana</i>	EML-F0010-1	South Korea	JN977612	KP792128	KP792126	Park et al. (2005)
<i>Albicollum berberidicola</i>	WU:MYC:0043995	Spain	ON869276	ON808456	ON808499	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Albicollum berberidicola</i>	WU:MYC:0043994	Greece	ON869278	ON808457	ON808501	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Albicollum canicolle</i>	WU:MYC:0043997	Spain	NR182513	ON808458	ON808502	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Albicollum canicolle</i>	WU:MYC:0044000	Spain	ON869280	ON808459	ON808503	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Albicollum longisporum</i>	WU:MYC:0044004	Spain	ON869286	ON808465	ON808509	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Albicollum longisporum</i>	WU:MYC:0044009	Spain	ON869287	ON808466	ON808510	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Albicollum novomexicanum</i>	WU:MYC:0040048	USA	ON869296	–	–	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Albicollum vincensii</i>	WU:MYC:0044014	Austria	ON869297	ON808475	ON808519	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Albicollum vincensii</i>	WU:MYC:0044017	Spain	ON869298	ON808476	ON808520	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Alloanthostomella rubicola</i>	MFLUCC:14-0175	Italy	KP297407	KP340535	KP406618	Daranagama et al. (2016)
<i>Amphirosellinia fushanensis</i>	HAST 91111209	China	GU339496	GQ848339	GQ495950	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Amphirosellinia nigrospora</i>	HAST 91092308	China	GU322457	GQ848340	GQ495951	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Annulohypoxylon cohaerens</i>	HAST, JF 310	France	EF026140	GQ844766	AY951655	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Anthostomella formosa</i>	MFLUCC 14-0170	Italy	KP297403	KP340531	KP406614	Voglmayr et al. (2018)
<i>Anthostomella guizhouensis</i>	GMB1140	China	PP133233	–	PP209122	This study
<i>Anthostomella guizhouensis</i>	GMB1141	China	PP133234	–	PP209123	This study
<i>Anthostomella lamiacearum</i>	MFLU 18-0101	Thailand	MW240669	MW658648	–	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Anthostomella leucobasis</i>	GMB1143	China	PP153382	PP198092	PP203030	This study
<i>Anthostomella obesa</i>	MFLUCC:14-0171	Italy	KP297405	–	KP406616	Daranagama et al. (2016)
<i>Anthostomella pseudobambusicola</i>	GMB1144	China	PP153383	PP198093	PP203031	This study
<i>Anthostomella pseudobambusicola</i>	GMB1146	China	PP153384	PP198094	PP203032	This study
<i>Anthostomella pseudobambusicola</i>	MFLU 16-0255	Thailand	KU940153	–	–	Dai et al. (2017)
<i>Anthostomella raphidophylli</i>	GMB1149	China	PP153385	–	PP203033	This study
<i>Anthostomella raphidophylli</i>	GMB1150	China	PP153386	–	PP203034	This study
<i>Anthostomella smilacis</i>	GMB1151	China	PP153387	–	PP203035	This study
<i>Anthostomella vestita</i>	GMB1152	China	PP153388	–	PP209112	This study
<i>Anthostomella yunnanensis</i>	GMB1153	China	PP133235	–	PP209124	This study
<i>Anthostomella yunnanensis</i>	GMB0801	China	PP133236	–	PP209125	This study

Table 1 Continued.

Species	Culture collection/ Specimen voucher	Country	ITS	<i>rpb2</i>	β -tubulin	References
<i>Anthostomelloides brabeji</i>	CBS:110128	South Africa	EU552098	–	–	Marincowitz et al. (2008)
<i>Anthostomelloides krabiensis</i>	MFLUCC15-0678	Thailand	KX305927	KX305929	–	Tibpromma et al. (2017)
<i>Anthostomelloides leucospermi</i>	CBS:110126	South Africa	EU552100	–	–	Marincowitz et al. (2008)
<i>Anthostomelloides proteae</i>	CBS:110127	South Africa	EU552101	–	–	Marincowitz et al. (2008)
<i>Ascotricha bosei</i>	CBS 448.93	Iraq	KF893283	–	KF893270	Cheng et al. (2015)
<i>Ascotricha chartarum</i>	CBS:234.97	Papua New Guinea	KF893284	–	KF893271	Cheng et al. (2015)
<i>Ascotricha erinacea</i>	CBS:535.73	China	KF893285	–	KF893272	García et al. (2006)
<i>Ascotricha lusitanica</i>	CBS:462.70	Portugal	KF893289	–	KF893275A	García et al. (2006)
<i>Ascotricha</i> sp.	OUCMBIII141331	China	KX709900	–	KX709904	Unpublished
<i>Astrocystis bambusae</i>	GMB0700	China	PP146578	–	PP209113	This study
<i>Astrocystis bambusae</i>	HAST 89021904	China	GU322449	GQ844836	GQ495942	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Astrocystis cocoes</i>	GMB0037	China	MW732441	MW755333	MW755339	Wu et al. (2021)
<i>Astrocystis concavispora</i>	MFLUCC 14.0174	Italy	KP297404	KP340532	KP406615	Daranagama et al. (2015)
<i>Astrocystis dinghuensis</i>	GMB0704	China	PP133237	PP198070	PP197684	This study
<i>Astrocystis dinghuensis</i>	GMB0783	China	PP133238	PP198071	PP197683	This study
<i>Astrocystis guizhouensis</i>	GMB0705	China	PP133239	PP198072	PP197682	This study
<i>Astrocystis guizhouensis</i>	GMB0796	China	PP133240	PP198073	PP197681	This study
<i>Astrocystis heterocyclusae</i>	GMB0706	China	PP153340	PP198074	PP197680	This study
<i>Astrocystis heterocyclusae</i>	GMB0788	China	PP153341	PP198075	PP197679	This study
<i>Astrocystis mirabilis</i>	HAST 94070803	China	GU322448	GQ844835	GQ495941	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Astrocystis multiloculata</i>	GMB0033	China	MW732439	MW755336	MW755336	Wu et al. (2021)
<i>Astrocystis pseudomirabilis</i>	GMB0122	China	ON471845	ON462000	ON461996	Li et al. (2022)
<i>Astrocystis sichuanensis</i>	GMB0708	China	PP153343	PP198076	PP197678	This study
<i>Astrocystis sichuanensis</i>	GMB0709	China	PP153342	–	PP197677	This study
<i>Astrocystis sublimbata</i>	HAST 89032207	China	GU322447	GQ844834	GQ495940	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Astrocystis tessellati</i>	GMB0120	China	ON471849	ON462003	ON461994	Li et al. (2022)
<i>Brunneiperidium gracilentum</i>	MFLUCC:14-0011	Italy	KP297400	KP340528	KP406611	Daranagama et al. (2015)
<i>Ceratocladium microspermum</i>	CBS:488.77	Slovakia	ON400740	ON399324	–	Hernández-Restrepo et al. (2022)
<i>Circinotrichum papakurae</i>	CBS:101373	Brazil	KR611876	–	–	Konta et al. (2023)
<i>Collodiscula bambusae</i>	GZUH0102	China	KP054279	KP276675	KP276674	Li et al. (2015a)
<i>Collodiscula baoshanensis</i>	GMB0720	China	PP153344	PP198077	PP197676	This study

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<i>Collodiscula baoshanensis</i>	GMB0795	China	PP153345	PP198078	PP197675	This study
<i>Collodiscula fangjingshanensis</i>	GZUH0109	China	KR002590	KR002591	KR002592	Li et al. (2015a)
<i>Collodiscula japonica</i>	CBS:124266	China	JF440974	KY624273	KY624316	Jaklitsch & Voglmayr (2012)
<i>Collodiscula lancangjiangensis</i>	GMB0030	China	MW732442	–	MW755343	Wu et al. (2021)
<i>Collodiscula leigongshanensis</i>	GZUH0107	China	KP054281	KR002588	KR002587	Li et al. (2015a)
<i>Collodiscula quadrangularis</i>	GMB0722	China	PP153347	–	PP197674	This study
<i>Collodiscula quadrangularis</i>	GMB0784	China	PP153346	–	PP197673	This study
<i>Collodiscula tubulosa</i>	GACP QR0111	China	MN017302	MN018403	MN018405	Xie et al. (2020)
<i>Coniolariaella gamsii</i>	IRAN:842C	Iran	GU553325	–	–	Asgari et al. (2011)
<i>Daldinia loculatooides</i>	CBS:113279	UK	MH862918	KY624247	KX271246	Vu et al. (2019)
<i>Dematophora pepo</i>	CBS:123592	Peru	MN984620	–	MN987246	Wittstein et al. (2020)
<i>Dematophora bunodes</i>	CBS:123584	Peru	MN984617	–	MN987243	Wittstein et al. (2020)
<i>Dematophora bunodes</i>	CBS:123597	Peru	MN984618	–	MN987244	Wittstein et al. (2020)
<i>Dematophora necatrix</i>	CBS 349.36	Argentina	AY909001	KY624275	KY624310	Peláez et al. (2008)
<i>Emarcea eucalyptigena</i>	CBS:H-22237	Malaysia	MK762711	–	MK776963	Samarakoon et al. (2020)
<i>Engleromyces sinensis</i>	CNUCC 200801	China	MZ622699	MZ622186	MZ622188	Unpublished
<i>Entalbostroma erumpens</i>	ICMP 21152	New Zealand	KX258206	KX258204	KX258205	Johnston et al. (2016)
<i>Entoleuca mammata</i>	JDR 100	France	GU300072	GQ844782	GQ470230	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Gyrothrix eucalypti</i>	CPC:36066	South Africa	MN562109	–	–	Crous et al. (2014)
<i>Halorosellinia krabiensis</i>	MFLU 17-2596	Thailand	MN047119	–	–	Dayarathne et al. (2020)
<i>Halorosellinia rhizophorae</i>	MFLU 17-2591	Thailand	MN047118	–	MN431492	Dayarathne et al. (2020)
<i>Halorosellinia xylocarpi</i>	MFLU 18-0545	Thailand	MN047120	–	MN077076	Dayarathne et al. (2020)
<i>Haploanthostomella elaeidis</i>	MFLU 20-0522	Thailand	MT929161	MT928154	–	Konta et al. (2023)
<i>Helicogermis clypeata</i>	MFLU 18-0852	Thailand	MW240666	MW658647	MW775614	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Hypocopra anomala</i>	TTI-000339	USA	–	MT901033	MT901030	Becker et al. (2020)
<i>Hypocopra rostrata</i>	NRRL 66178	USA	KM067909	–	–	Jayanetti et al. (2015)
<i>Hypocopra zaeae</i>	MFLU 18-0809	Thailand	MW240671	MW658650	MW775616	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Hypocreodendronsanguineum</i>	JDR 169	Mexico	GU322433	GQ844819	GQ487710	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Hypoxylon fragiforme</i>	MUCL 51264	Germany	KC477229	KM186296	KX271282	Stadler et al. (2013)
<i>Kretzschmaria clavus</i>	JDR 114	French Guiana	EF026126	GQ844789	EF025611	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Kretzschmaria deusta</i>	CBS:163.93	Germany	KC477237	KY624227	KX271251	Stadler et al. (2013)
<i>Kretzschmaria guyanensis</i>	HAST 89062903	China	GU300079	GQ844792	GQ478214	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Kretzschmaria hedjaroudei</i>	GUM:1549	Iran	NR161062	OP359597	OP359602	Pourmoghaddam et al. (2018)

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<i>Kretzschmaria kuankuoshuiensis</i>	GMB0728	China	PP153350	–	PP197669	This study
<i>Kretzschmaria landingshanensis</i>	GMB0726	China	PP153353	–	PP197668	This study
<i>Kretzschmaria landingshanensis</i>	GMB0727	China	PP153352	–	PP197667	This study
<i>Kretzschmaria lucidula</i>	JDR 112	French Guiana	EF026125	GQ844790	EF025610	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Kretzschmaria megalospora</i>	JDR 229	Malaysia	EF026124	GQ844791	EF025609	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Kretzschmaria neocaledonica</i>	HAST 94031003	China	GU300078	GQ844788	GQ478213	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Kretzschmaria pavimentosa</i>	JDR 109	China	GU300077	GQ844787	GQ478212	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Kretzschmaria quercicola</i>	TPML150908-046	Korea	KX260114	KX260116	KX260112	Yun et al. (2016)
<i>Kretzschmaria sandvicensis</i>	JDR 113	USA	GU300076	GQ844786	GQ478211	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Kretzschmaria sichuanensis</i>	GMB0729	China	PP153348	–	PP197672	This study
<i>Kretzschmaria sichuanensis</i>	GMB0785	China	PP153349	–	PP197671	This study
<i>Kretzschmaria sichuanensis</i>	GMB0789	China	PP153351	–	PP197670	This study
<i>Kretzschmariella culmorum</i>	JDR 88	France	KX430043	–	KX430046	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Leptomassaria simplex</i>	WU:MYC:0044025	Austria	ON869305	ON808483	ON808527	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Leptomassaria simplex</i>	WU:MYC:0044026	Austria	ON869306	ON808484	ON808528	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Linosporeopsis ischnotheca</i>	WU:40024	Switzerland	MN818952	MN820708	MN820715	Voglmayr & Beenken (2020)
<i>Linosporeopsis ischnotheca</i>	WU:40025	Switzerland	MN818953	MN820709	MN820716	Voglmayr & Beenken (2020)
<i>Linosporeopsis ochracea</i>	WU:40031	Germany	MN818958	MN820714	MN820721	Voglmayr & Beenken (2020)
<i>Linosporeopsis ochracea</i>	WU:40030	Germany	MN818957	MN820713	MN820720	Voglmayr & Beenken (2020)
<i>Lunatiannulus irregularis</i>	MFLUCC:14-0014	Italy	KP297398	KP340526	KP406609	Daranagama et al. (2015)
<i>Melanographium phoenicis</i>	MFLU 18-1587	Thailand	NR168826	–	–	Hyde et al. (2020c)
<i>Nemania abortiva</i>	BISH 467	USA	GU292816	GQ844768	GQ470219	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Nemania aquilariae</i>	HKAS 111935	China	MW729422	MW717891	MW881142	Tibpromma et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania bannaensis</i>	GMB0731	China	PP153355	PP198079	PP197666	This study
<i>Nemania bannaensis</i>	GMB0732	China	PP153354	PP198080	PP197665	This study
<i>Nemania beaumontii</i>	HAST, JF 405	Martinique	GU292819	GQ844772	GQ470222	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Nemania bipapillata</i>	HAST 90080610	China	GU292818	GQ844771	GQ470221	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Nemania buxi</i>	GMB0735	China	PP153356	PP198081	PP197664	This study
<i>Nemania buxi</i>	GMB0790	China	PP153357	PP198082	PP197663	This study

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<i>Nemania camelliae</i>	GMBC0068	China	MW851889	MW836055	MW836029	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania camelliae</i>	GMBC0067	China	MW851888	MW836056	MW836030	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania caries</i>	GMB0069	China	MW851873	MW836069	MW836035	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania caries</i>	GMB0070	China	MW851874	MW836071	MW836036	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania changningensis</i>	GMB0056	China	MW851875	MW836061	MW836027	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania changningensis</i>	GMB0057	China	MW851876	MW836062	MW836028	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania chestersii</i>	JF04024	France	–	DQ631949	DQ840089	Tang et al (2007)
<i>Nemania cyclobalanopsina</i>	GMB0062	China	MW851883	MW836057	MW836025	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania cyclobalanopsina</i>	GMB0061	China	MW851882	MW836058	MW836026	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania delonicis</i>	MFLU 19-2124	Thailand	MW240613	MW342617	MW775574	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Nemania diffusa</i>	HAST 91020401	China	GU292817	GQ844769	GQ470220	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Nemania ethancrensonii</i>	WU:MYC:0040047	USA	ON869311	ON808489	ON808533	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Nemania feicuiensis</i>	GMB0058	China	MW851879	MW836064	MW836024	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania feicuiensis</i>	GMB0059	China	MW851880	MW836063	MW836023	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania fusoidispora</i>	GZUH0098	China	MW851881	MW836070	MW836037	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania hyrcana</i>	GUM:1627	Iran	OP359333	OP359599	OP359604	Pourmoghaddam et al. (2022)
<i>Nemania hyrcana</i>	GUM:1628	Iran	OP359332	OP359598	OP359603	Pourmoghaddam et al. (2022)
<i>Nemania illita</i>	JDR 236	USA	EF026122	GQ844770	EF025608	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Nemania landingshanensis</i>	GMB0791	China	PP153358	PP198083	PP197685	This study
<i>Nemania landingshanensis</i>	GMB0786	China	PP153359	PP198084	PP197686	This study
<i>Nemania lasiocarpae</i>	GMB0742	China	PP153360	PP198085	PP197687	This study
<i>Nemania lasiocarpae</i>	GMB0792	China	PP153361	PP198086	PP197688	This study
<i>Nemania leigongshanensis</i>	GMB0743	China	PP153362	PP198087	PP197689	This study
<i>Nemania leigongshanensis</i>	GMB0787	China	PP153363	PP198088	PP197690	This study
<i>Nemania lishuicola</i>	GMB0065	China	MW851886	MW836065	MW836033	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania longipedicellata</i>	MFLU 18-0819	Thailand	MW240612	MW342616	MW775573	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Nemania macrocarpa</i>	WSP 265	USA	GU292823	GQ844776	GQ470226	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Nemania maritima</i>	HAST 89120401	China	GU292822	GQ844775	GQ47022	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Nemania mengmanensis</i>	GMB0745	China	PP153364	–	PP197691	This study
<i>Nemania mengmanensis</i>	GMB0793	China	PP153365	–	PP197692	This study
<i>Nemania paraphysata</i>	MFLU 19-2121	Thailand	MW240609	MW342613	–	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Nemania plumbea</i>	JF TH 04-01	Thailand	DQ641634	DQ631952	DQ840084	Tang et al (2007)
<i>Nemania prava</i>	TROM:104	Norway	OP289674	–	–	Pourmoghaddam et al. (2022)

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<i>Nemania primolutea</i>	HAST 91102001	China	EF026121	GQ844767	EF025607	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Nemania rubi</i>	GMB0064	China	MW851885	MW836059	MW83602	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania rubi</i>	GMB0063	China	MW851884	MW836060	MW836022	Pi et al. (2021)
<i>Nemania serpens</i>	HAST 235	Canada	GU292820	GQ844773	GQ470223	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Nemania sphaerostoma</i>	JDR 261	USA	GU292821	GQ844774	GQ470224	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Nemania subchangningensis</i>	GMB0749	China	PP153366	–	PP197693	This study
<i>Nemania subchangningensis</i>	GMB0797	China	PP153369	–	PP197694	This study
<i>Nemania thailandensis</i>	MFLU 19-2122	Thailand	MW240610	MW342614	MW775571	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Nemania thailandensis</i>	MFLU 19-2117	Thailand	MW240611	MW342615	MW775572	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Nemania uda</i>	WU:MYC:0040046	Austria	ON869312	ON808488	ON808532	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Nemania yunnanensis</i>	HKAS 111934	China	NR173237	MW717892	MW881141	Tibpromma et al. (2021)
<i>Neoanthostomella fici</i>	MFLU 19-2765	China	MW114390	MW177711	–	Tennakoon et al. (2021)
<i>Neoanthostomella pseudostromatica</i>	MFLUCC11-0610	Thailand	KU940158	–	–	Dai et al. (2014)
<i>Neoanthostomella viticola</i>	MFLUCC 16-0243	Italy	KX505957	–	KX789495	Daranagama et al. (2016)
<i>Neoxylaria arengae</i>	MFLUCC 15-0292	Thailand	MT496747	MT502418	–	Konta et al. (2023)
<i>Neoxylaria juruensis</i>	HAST 92042501	China	GU322439	GQ844825	GQ495932	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Nigropunctata bambusicola</i>	MFLU 19-2134	Thailand	MW240662.	MW658644	–	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Nigropunctata bambusicola</i>	MFLU 19-2145	Thailand	MW240664	MW658646	–	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Nigropunctata khalidii</i>	GMB1156	China	PP153389	–	PP209114	This study
<i>Nigropunctata nigrocircularis</i>	MFLU 19-2130	Thailand	MW240661	–	MW775612	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Nigropunctata thailandica</i>	MFLU 19-2118	Thailand	MW240659	MW658643	–	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Occultitheca rosae</i>	HKAS 102393	China	MW240672	MW658651	MW775617	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Oligostoma insidiosum</i>	WU:MYC:0044034	Austria	ON869313	ON808490	ON808534	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Oligostoma insidiosum</i>	WU:MYC:0044033	Austria	ON869315	ON808492	ON808536	Voglmayr et al. (2022)
<i>Pandanicola guizhouensis</i>	GMB1157	China	PP153367	PP198089	PP209121	This study
<i>Penzigia cantareirensis</i>	HAST, JF 526	Guadeloupe	GU300085	GQ844798	GQ478220	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Podosordaria mexicana</i>	WSP 176	Mexico	GU324762	GQ853039	GQ844840	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Podosordaria muli</i>	WSP 167	Mexico	GU324761	GQ853038	GQ844839	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Poronia pileiformis</i>	WSP 88113001	China	GU324760	GQ853037	GQ502720	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Pseudoanthostomella conorum</i>	IE250-HA-I	Switzerland	KT149745	–	–	Gross & Sieber (2016)
<i>Pseudoanthostomella conorum</i>	AR173	Germany	FN435813	–	–	Jaklitsch & Voglmayr (2011)

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<i>Pseudoanthostomella delitescens</i>	MFLUCC 16-0477	Italy	KX533451	–	KX789490	Daranagama et al. (2016)
<i>Pseudoanthostomella pini-Onigrae</i>	MFLUCC 16-0478	Italy	KX533453	–	–	Daranagama et al. (2016)
<i>Pseudoanthostomella pini-nigrae</i>	MFLU 15-3608	Italy	MW240655	–	–	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Pseudoanthostomella senecionicola</i>	MFLUCC 15-0013	Italy	MW240674	–	MW820913	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Pseudoanthostomella sepelibilis</i>	F-160,798	USA	AY908989	–	–	Unpublished
<i>Pseudoanthostomella thailandica</i>	MFLUCC 15-0017	Thailand	KX533447	KX599538	KX600496	Konta et al. (2023)
<i>Rosellinia aquila</i>	MUCL:51703	France	KY610392	KY624285	KX271253	Wendt et al. (2017)
<i>Rosellinia britannica</i>	HKAS 102349	Italy	MW240606	MW342610.	MW775569	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Rosellinia britannica</i>	MFLU 17-0987	Italy	MW240607	MW342611	MW775570	Samarakoon et al. (2022)
<i>Rosellinia buxi</i>	JDR 99	France	GU300070	GQ844780	GQ470228	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Rosellinia cerasi</i>	GMB0755	China	PP153371	–	PP215122	This study
<i>Rosellinia cerasi</i>	GMB0794	China	PP153373	–	PP215123	This study
<i>Rosellinia cf akulovii</i>	GUM IRN:1632	Iran	OL635184	OL657210	OL657219	Pourmoghaddam et al. (2022)
<i>Rosellinia convexa</i>	MFLU:19-0773	Thailand	MN707567	MN987003	MN987002	Su et al. (2015)
<i>Rosellinia corticium</i>	MUCL:51693	France	KY610393	KY624229	KX271254	Wendt et al. (2017)
<i>Rosellinia corticium</i>	STMA 13324	Germany	MN984621	MN987237	MN987241	Wittstein et al. (2020)
<i>Rosellinia corticium</i>	STMA 12170	Germany	MN984623	–	MN987242	Wittstein et al. (2020)
<i>Rosellinia guiyangensis</i>	GMB0769	China	PP153368	–	PP197695	This study
<i>Rosellinia guiyangensis</i>	GMB0798	China	PP153370	–	PP197696	This study
<i>Rosellinia guizhouensis</i>	GMB0084	China	PP153374	–	PP215124	This study
<i>Rosellinia guizhouensis</i>	GMB0799	China	PP153375	–	PP215125	This study
<i>Rosellinia lamprostoma</i>	HAST 89112602	China	EF026118	GQ844778	EF025604	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Rosellinia limonispota</i>	MUCL:29409	Japan	MN984615	MN987235	MN987240	Wittstein et al. (2020)
<i>Rosellinia limushanensis</i>	GMB0758	China	PP153376	–	PP215121	This study
<i>Rosellinia limushanensis</i>	GMB0802	China	PP153377	–	PP197697	This study
<i>Rosellinia lishuicola</i>	GMB0759	China	PP180028	–	PP197698	This study
<i>Rosellinia lishuicola</i>	GMB0800	China	PP175361	–	PP197699	This study
<i>Rosellinia marcucciana</i>	CBS:123592	France	MN984616	MN987238	–	Wittstein et al. (2020)

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<i>Rosellinia merrillii</i>	HAST 89112601	China (Taiwan)	GU300071	GQ844781	GQ470229	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Rosellinia nectrioides</i>	CBS 449.89	Spain	FJ175181.	MN987239	–	Wittstein et al. (2020)
<i>Rosellinia qiongensis</i>	GMB0083	China	OM001199	–	OM112275	Long et al. (2022)
<i>Rosellinia qiongensis</i>	GMB0082	China	OM001198	–	OM112274	Long et al. (2022)
<i>Rosellinia sanctae-cruciana</i>	HAST 90072903	China	GU292824	GQ844777	GQ470227	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Rosellinia verticillata</i>	GMB0085	China	OM001201	–	OM112277	Long et al. (2022)
<i>Rosellinia verticillata</i>	GMB0084	China	OM001200	–	OM112276	Long et al. (2022)
<i>Rosellinia wuzhishanensis</i>	GMB0757	China	PP153378	–	–	This study
<i>Rosellinia wuzhishanensis</i>	GMB0803	China	PP153379	–	–	This study
<i>Rosellinia yaorenshanensis</i>	GMB0760	China	PP153380	PP198090	PP197700	This study
<i>Rosellinia yaorenshanensis</i>	GMB0801	China	PP153381	PP198091	PP203029	This study
<i>Rosellinia yumingjui</i>	GMB0761	China	PP153390	–	PP209115	This study
<i>Sarcoxyton compunctum</i>	CBS:359_61	South Africa	KT281903	KY624230	KX271255	Senanayake et al. (2015)
<i>Spirodecospora melnikii</i>	HHUF:30656	Japan	LC731937	LC731955	–	Sugita et al. (2022)
<i>Spirodecospora paramelnikii</i>	HUFF:30658	Japan	LC731939	LC731956	–	Sugita et al. (2022)
<i>Spirodecospora paulospiralis</i>	MAFF:247749	Japan	LC731940	LC731957	–	Sugita et al. (2022)
<i>Stilbohypoxyton elaeidicola</i>	GMB0763	China	PP153399	–	PP209120	This study
<i>Stilbohypoxyton elaeicola</i>	HAST 94082615	China	GU322440	GQ844827	GQ495933	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Stilbohypoxyton elaeicola</i>	JDR 173	French Guiana	EF026148	GQ844826	EF025616	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Stilbohypoxyton elaeidis</i>	MFLUCC 15-0295a	Thailand	MT496745	MT502416	MT502420	Konta et al. (2020)
<i>Stilbohypoxyton elaeidis</i>	MFLUCC 15-0295b	Thailand	MT496746	MT502417	MT502421	Konta et al. (2020)
<i>Stilbohypoxyton quisquiliarum</i>	JDR 172	French Guiana	EF026119	GQ853020	EF025605	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Stilbohypoxyton quisquiliarum</i>	HAST 89091608	China	EF026120	GQ853021	EF025606	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Stromatoneurospora phoenix</i>	BCC THA:82041	Thailand	–	MT742606	MT700438	Becker et al. (2010)
<i>Vamsapriya bambusicola</i>	MFLUCC 11-0477	Thailand	KM462835	KM462834	KM462833	Dai et al. (2014)
<i>Vamsapriya breviconidiophora</i>	MFLUCC 14-0436	Thailand	MF621584	–	–	Konta et al. (2020)
<i>Vamsapriya indica</i>	MFLUCC 12-0544	Thailand	KM462839	KM462838	KM462841	Dai et al. (2014)
<i>Vamsapriya khunkonensis</i>	MFLUCC 11-0475	Thailand	MW240620	KM462829	KM462828	Dai et al. (2014)
<i>Vamsapriya yunnana</i>	KUMCC 18-0008	China	MG833874	MG833875	–	Jiang et al. (2018)
<i>Virgaria boninensis</i>	JCM18624	Japan	AB740956	–	–	Nonaka et al. (2013)
<i>Virgaria nigra</i>	NBRC32656	Japan	AB670717	–	–	Nonaka et al. (2013)
<i>Wawelia regia</i>	CBS 110.10	Netherlands	MH854595	–	–	Vu et al. (2019)

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<i>Xenoanthostomella calami</i>	MFLUCC:14-0617A	Thailand	NR185735	–	–	Konta et al. (2023)
<i>Xenoanthostomella chromolaenae</i>	MFLUCC 17-1484	Thailand	MN638863	MN648729	–	Hyde et al. (2020c)
<i>Xenoanthostomella chromolaenae</i>	MFLUCC:17-1484	Thailand	MN638863	MN648729	–	Konta et al. (2023)
<i>Xenoanthostomella cycadis</i>	CBS:137969	Australia	KJ869121	ON399350	–	Crous et al. (2014)
<i>Xylaria arbuscula</i>	HAST 89041211	China	GU300090	GQ844805	GQ478226	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria bambusicola</i>	WSP 205	China	EF026123	GQ844802	AY951762	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria bambusicola</i>	JDR 162	Thailand	GU300088	GQ844801	GQ478223	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria necrophora</i>	PY11	USA	MN846316	MN917808	MN917777	Garcia-Aroca et al. (2021)
<i>Xylaria venosula</i>	HAST 94080508	USA	EF026149	GQ844806	EF025617	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria arbuscula</i> var. <i>plenofissura</i>	HAST 93082814	China	GU339495	GQ844804	GQ478225	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria</i> cf. <i>glebulosa</i>	HAST, JF 431	Martinique	GU322462	GQ848345	GQ495956	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria feejeensis</i>	HAST, JF 565	Martinique	GU322452	GQ848334	GQ495945	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria feejeensis</i>	JDR 180	Thailand	GU322453	GQ848335	GQ495946	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria frustulosa</i>	GMB1046	China	PP146612	PP198098	PP209119	This study
<i>Xylaria frustulosa</i>	HAST 92092010	China	GU322451	GQ844838	GQ495944	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria frustulosa</i>	HAST, JF 771	Guadeloupe	GU322450	GQ844837	GQ495943	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria glebulosa</i>	GMB1052	China	PP146610	PP198096	PP209116	This study
<i>Xylaria glebulosa</i>	GMB1053	China	PP153391	PP198097	PP209117	This study
<i>Xylaria hypoxylon</i>	HAST 152	Belgium	GU300096	GQ844812	GQ260187	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria hypoxylon</i>	HAST 95082001	China	GU300095	GQ844811	GQ487703	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria longissima</i>	GMB1076	China	PP146609	PP198095	PP209118	This study
<i>Xylaria longissima</i>	FCATAS MHX 749	China	MF774331	–	–	Ma & Li (2018)
<i>Xylaria longissima</i>	IRAN:2269C	Iran	KP218906	–	–	Hashemi et al. (2015)
<i>Xylaria necrophora</i>	TG06202017-03	USA	MN846320	MN917809	MN917793	Garcia-Aroca et al. (2021)
<i>Xylaria ophiopoda</i>	HAST 93082805	China	GU322461	GQ848344	GQ495955	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria polymorpha</i>	JDR 1012	USA	GU322460	GQ848343	GQ495954	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria schweinitzii</i>	HAST 92092023	China	GU322463	GQ848346	GQ495957	Hsieh et al. (2010)
<i>Xylaria striata</i>	HAST 304	China	GU300089	GQ844803	GQ478224	Hsieh et al. (2010)
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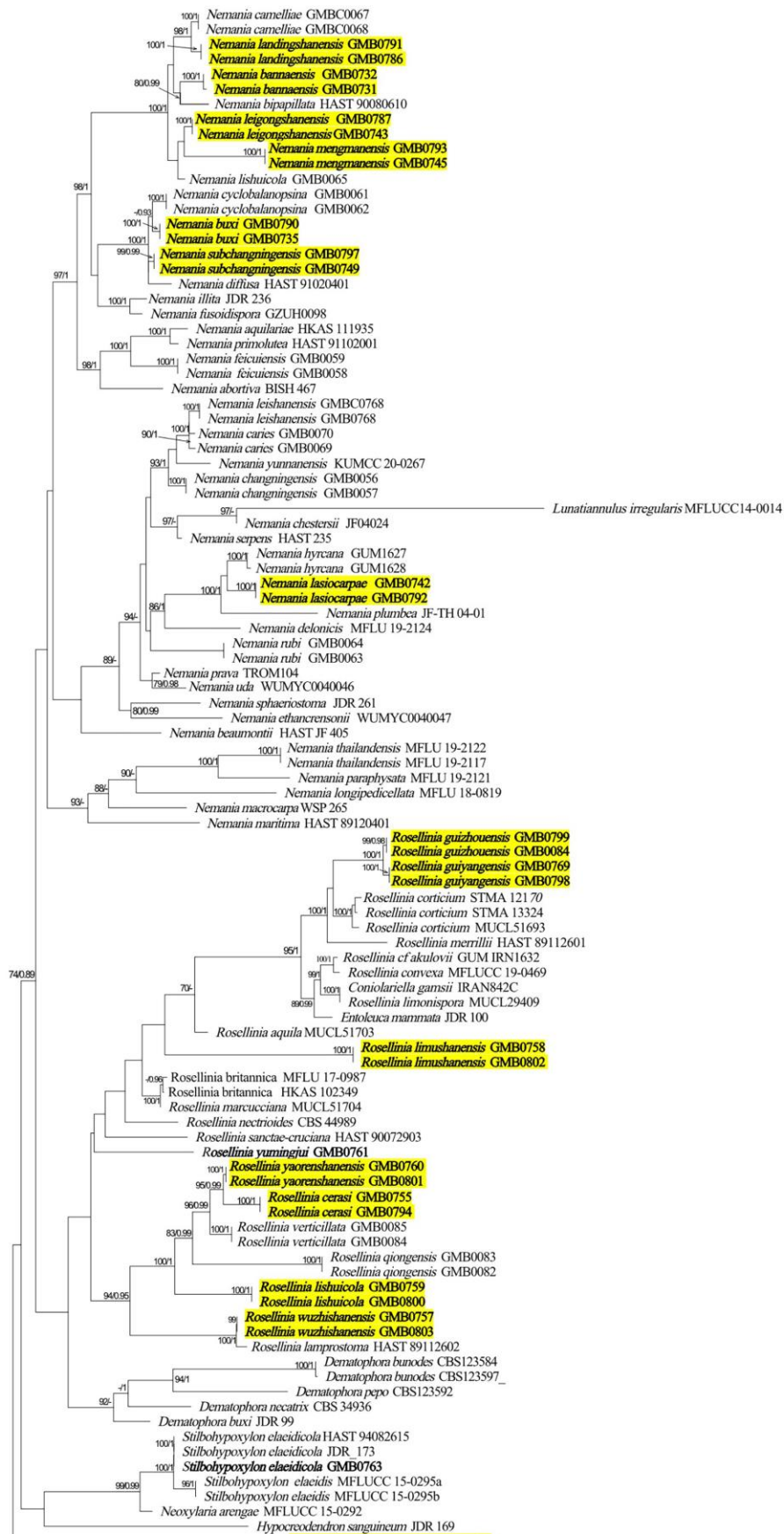


Figure 1 – RAxML tree based on a combined ITS, TUB2 and *rpb2* sequences dataset. Bootstrap support values for maximum likelihood (ML) greater than 70% and Bayesian posterior probabilities (BPP) greater than 0.85 are displayed above the respective branches (ML/BI). The newly described species are marked highlighted, and new records are marked in bold only.

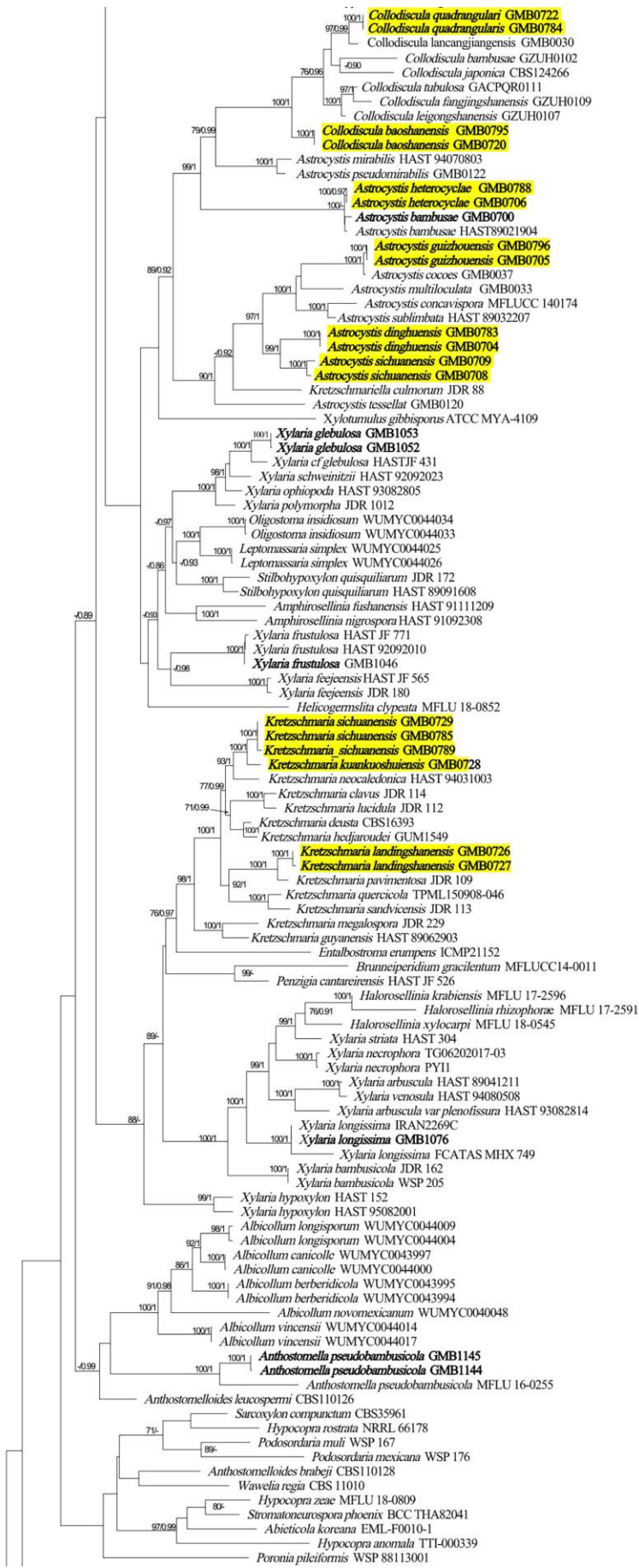


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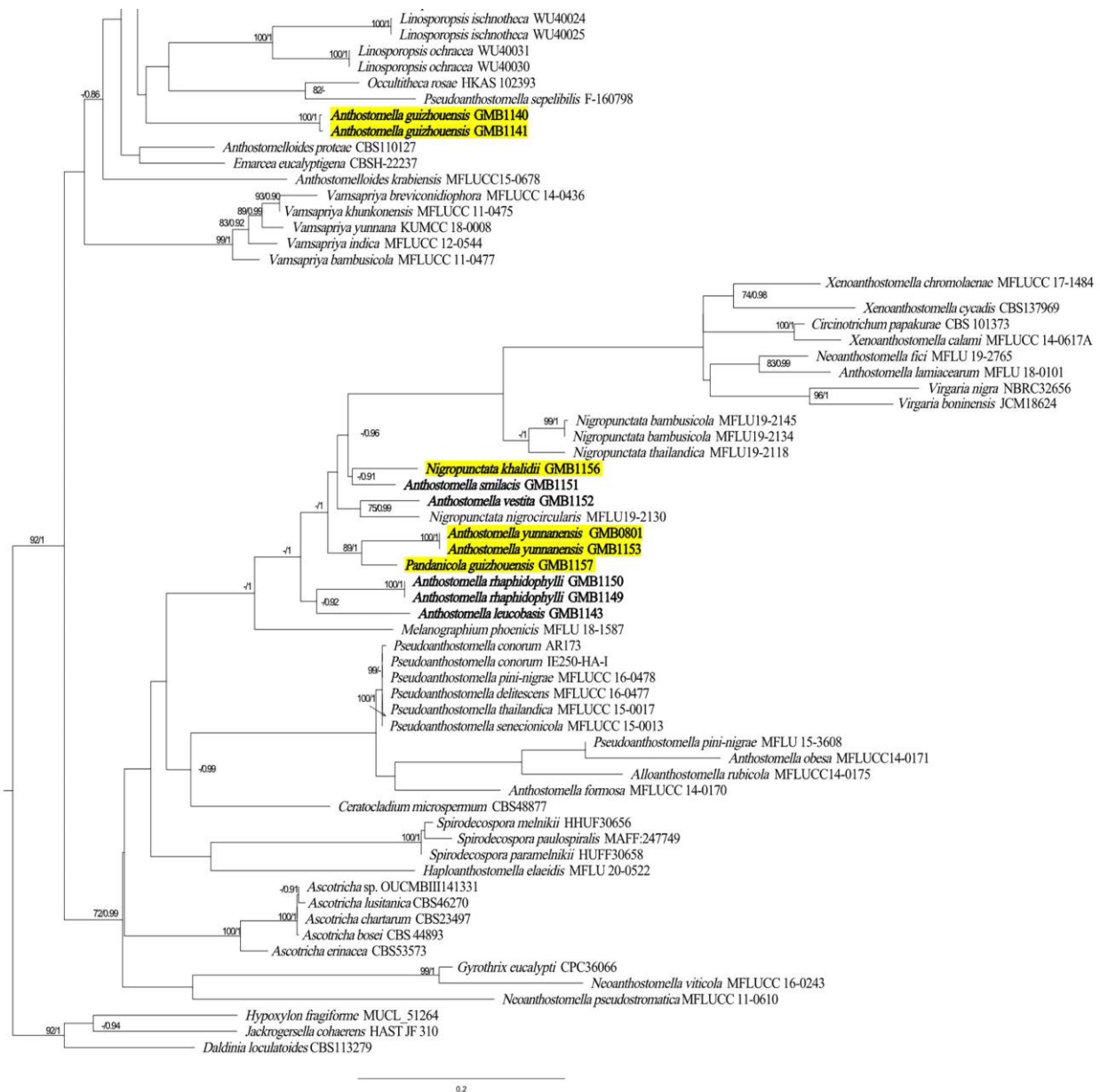


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with a straight germ slit, nearly spore-length, surrounded by a mucilaginous sheath 5.3–7.2 μm ($n = 30$) wide, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Suiyang County, Kuankuoshui Nature Reserve (28.315528°N, 107.103718°E), altitude: 1548 m, on dead wood of bamboo, 2 November 2022, Youpeng Wu, 2022KKS21 (GMB1140, holotype; KUN-HKAS 131168, isotype; no culture was obtained).

Other examined material – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Suiyang County, Kuankuoshui Nature Reserve (28.315418°N, 107.103648°E), altitude: 1548 m, on dead bamboo, 2 November 2022, Youpeng Wu 2022KKS31 (GMB1141; KUN-HKAS 131169; no culture was obtained); CHINA, Guizhou Province, Xishui County, Xishui Nature Reserve (18.483814°N, 109.341436°E), altitude: 1098 m, on dead bamboo, 18 November 2022, Youpeng Wu 2022DXG2 (GMB1142; no culture was obtained).

Notes – Morphologically, *Anthostomella guizhouensis* shares similarities with *An. palmaria* B.S. Lu & K.D. Hyde, as both species have similar-sized ascospores. However, *An. palmaria* possesses a prominent clypeus in the upper part of the ascomata and lacks a visible mucilaginous sheath around the ascospores (Lu & Hyde 2000).

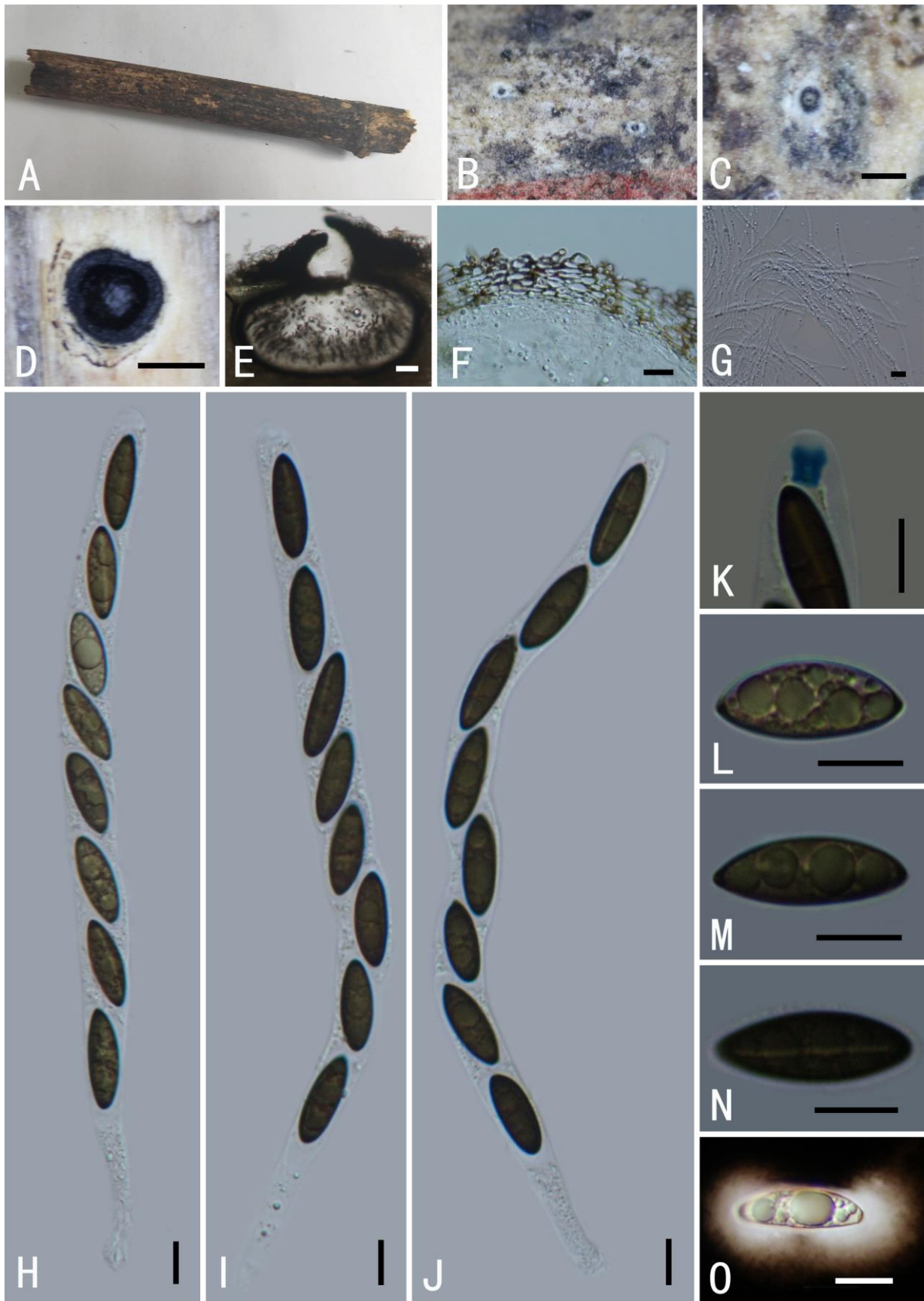


Figure 2 – *Anthostomella guizhouensis* (GMB1140, holotype). A type material. B, C ascomata. D transverse section of ascomata. E, F section of ascomata. G paraphyses. H–J asci with ascospores. K ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). L–O ascospores (O stained in India ink). Scale bars: C = 0.3 mm, D = 0.5 mm, E–O = 10 μ m.

In addition, *An. clypeata* (De Not.) Sacc. and *An. clypeoides* Rehm exhibit similarities to *An. guizhouensis*, as they also possess immersed ascomata with an amyloid apical apparatus. However, both of these species have ascospores characterized by a large brown central cell and a hyaline dwarf cell, and notably, they lack germ slits (Lu & Hyde 2000, Lee & Crous 2003). In the repetitive phylogenetic analysis, it was found to be closely related to the *incertae sedis* genus species of *Occultithea rosae* Samarak., Jian K. Liu & K.D. Hyde. The description of our collections aligns with the genus *Anthostomella*. *Occultithea rosae* found on dead branches of *Rosa* sp. differs by centric ostioles with a periphysate canal, paraphyses longer than the asci embedded in a gelatinous matrix and small (16.5–20 × 6.5–8 µm) ascospore with with a hyaline, rounded basal cell (Samarakoon et al. 2022). Another *incertae sedis* species, *Magnostiolata mucida* Samarak. & K.D. Hyde differs by a black, thin clypeus in the upper part of the ascomata and ellipsoidal, smaller ascospores measuring 12.5–18 × 6.5–9 µm (compared to 22.3–25.2 × 7.5–8.5 µm in *An. guizhouensis*). Additionally, *Magnostiolata mucida* possesses a wider, winged, and thicker mucilaginous sheath (8.5–15 µm wide) (Samarakoon et al. 2022).

Anthostomella leucobasis Ellis & G. Martin, Am. Nat. 16: 809 (1882)

Fig. 3

Synonyms: *Sphaeria leucobasis* Ellis & G. Martin, Am. Nat. 16: 809 (1882)

Description – Saprobiic on dead bamboo culms. Sexual morph: Ascomata 486–540 × 208–228 µm (\bar{x} = 524 × 218 µm, n = 10), immersed, visible as black, circular dots, under a poorly developed black clypeus or without a clypeus, solitary, scattered, subglobose in cross-section with a fattened base. Ostioles centric, ostiolar canal periphysate. *Peridium* 20–25 µm (\bar{x} = 22 µm, n = 10) wide, multi-layered, attached to the host with black inert substrate, outer layer comprising hyaline, thick-walled cells of *textura angularis*. Paraphyses 4.2–5.3 µm (\bar{x} = 4.6 µm, n = 10) wide, shorter than the asci, hyaline, constricted at septa, guttulate. Asci 104–130 × 12.3–16.4 µm (\bar{x} = 118 × 14.2 µm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, apex rounded, with a discoid apical apparatus, amyloid in Melzer's reagent, 1.2–1.8 × 3.6–4.2 µm (\bar{x} = 1.5 × 4 µm, n = 10). Ascospores 13.4–16.4 × 5.8–6.8 µm (\bar{x} = 14.4 × 6 µm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, brown, ellipsoidal, smooth, with broadly rounded ends, with straight germ slit, nearly the spore-length, surrounded by a mucilaginous sheath (1.4–2.1 µm; \bar{x} = 1.8 µm, n = 30) wide, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Distribution – Known from United States of America.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Guiyang City, Huaxi Wetland Park (26.443026°N, 106.671643°E), altitude: 1148 m, on dead bamboo culms, 15 April 2021, Youpeng Wu, 2021HX23 (GMB1143; KUN-HKAS 131170; no culture was obtained).

Notes – Morphologically, *Anthostomella leucobasis* closely resembles *An. conorum* (Fuckel) Sacc. and *An. contaminans* (Durieu & Mont.) Sacc. However, *An. conorum* has larger ascospores (14–19 × 7.5–10 µm) with thin sheaths at both ends and has wedge-shaped ascus apparatus. *Anthostomella contaminans* differs from *An. leucobasis* due to its fusiform, larger ascospores (14–18 × 5–7 µm vs. 11.5–15.5 × 4.5–6.5 µm) (Francis 1975, Lu & Hyde 2000).

Molecular data for this species is unavailable in GenBank. Our collection aligns with the morphological characteristics of *An. leucobasis* (Francis 1975). Phylogenetically also clusters within the *Anthostomella* group. *Anthostomella leucobasis* has previously only been reported in the United States (Francis 1975). This study represents the first documented occurrence of the species in Asia and serves as a new geographical record for China.

Anthostomella pseudobambusicola D.Q. Dai & K.D. Hyde, Fungal Diversity, 82: 1–105 (2017).

Fig. 4

Description – Saprobiic on dead bamboo culms. Sexual morph: Ascomata 520–623 × 380–480 µm (\bar{x} = 580 × 443 µm, n = 10), immersed, conical, globose to subglobose, black, coriaceous, centrally ostiolate, with a black pseudoclypeus. Ostioles centric, ostiolar canal periphysate. *Peridium* 20–32 µm (\bar{x} = 26 µm, n = 10) wide, comprising several layers of compressed, brown to hyaline cells of *textura angularis*. Paraphyses 2–2.6 µm (\bar{x} = 2.3 µm, n = 10) wide, shorter than the

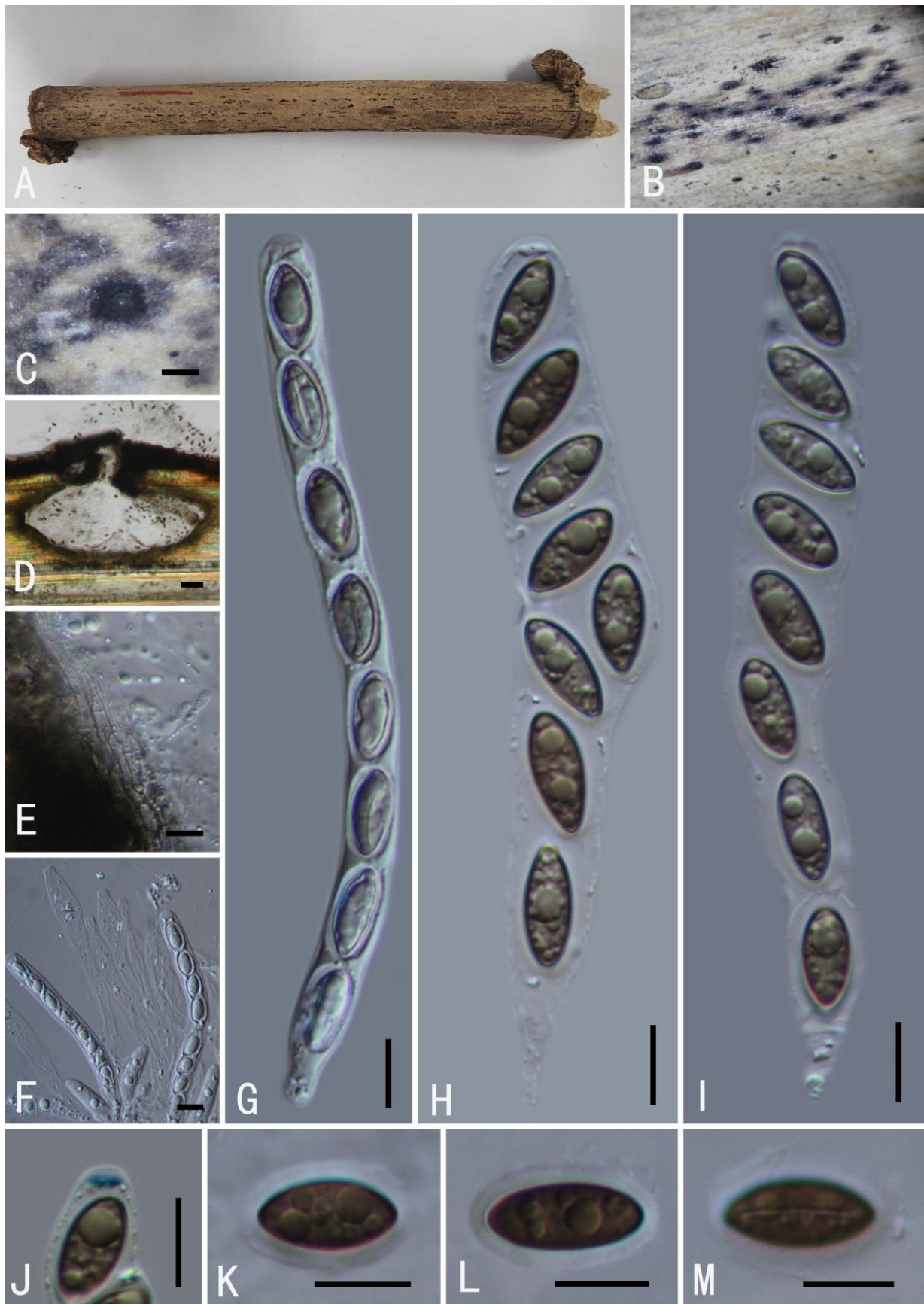


Figure 3 – *Anthostomella leucobasis* (GMB1143). A material. B, C ascomata. D, E section of ascomata. F paraphyses. G–I asci with ascospores. J ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). K–M ascospores. Scale bars: C = 0.2 mm, D = 40 μ m, E–M = 10 μ m.

asci, hyaline, constricted at septa, guttulate. *Asci* 135–191 × 6.7–10.8 μm (\bar{x} = 156 × 7.7 μm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long pedicellate, apex rounded, with a wedge-shaped apical apparatus, amyloid in Melzer's reagent, 1.1–2 × 1.6–3.1 μm (\bar{x} = 1.5 × 2.2 μm, n = 10). Ascospores 9.2–11.2 × 4.2–5.4 μm (\bar{x} = 10.4 × 4.8 μm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, dark brown to black-brown, ellipsoidal-inequilaterally ellipsoidal, smooth, with broadly rounded ends, with straight germ slit, nearly the spore-length, lacking appendages and sheaths. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Distribution – Known from Thailand.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Suiyang County, Kuankuoshui Nature Reserve (28.315410°N, 107.103644°E), altitude: 1548 m, on dead bamboo, 2 May 2022, Youpeng Wu, 2022KKS11 (GMB1144; KUN-HKAS 131171; GMBC1144); CHINA, Guizhou Province, Suiyang County, Kuankuoshui Nature Reserve (28.315408°N, 107.103648°E), altitude: 1546 m, on dead bamboo, 2 November 2022, Youpeng Wu, 2022KKS45 (GMB1145; KUN-HKAS 131172; GMBC1145); CHINA, Guizhou Province, Suiyang County, Kuankuoshui Nature Reserve (28.315618°N, 107.113246°E), altitude: 1552 m, on dead bamboo, 2 November 2022, Youpeng Wu, 2022KKS90 (GMB1146; KUN-HKAS 131173; GMBC1146).

Notes – Morphologically, *Anthostomella pseudobambusicola* shares similarities with *An. bambusicola* Hohn. Both species exhibit immersed ascomata that appear as conical structures, having central blackened ostioles and black clypeus. However, *An. bambusicola* lacks a discernible apical apparatus in Melzer's reagent treatment and features larger ascospores (16.5–24 × 7.5–10 μm) in contrast to the ascospores of *An. pseudobambusicola*, which measure 9.2–11.2 × 4.2–5.4 μm (Dai et al. 2017).

Our collections align morpho-anatomically with the description of *An. pseudobambusicola* (Dai et al. 2017). Furthermore, the initial BLAST results of LSU sequences of our collections showed a 99% similarity with the same taxon. This finding represents a new record for China.

The morphology of *Anthostomella pseudobambusicola* appears inconsistent with the established generic concept of *Anthostomella*, indicating a need for future taxonomic revision. The identified morphological traits deviate from the usual characteristics of *Anthostomella*, underscoring the requirement for thorough analyses.

Anthostomella raphidophylli B.S. Lu & K.D. Hyde, Fungal Diversity Res. Ser. 4: 161 (2000).

Fig. 5

Description – Saprobic on dead bamboo. Sexual morph: Ascomata 304–336 × 155–183 μm (\bar{x} = 322 × 174 μm, n = 10), immersed, visible as grey, circular dots, solitary or aggregated, without a clypeus, in cross-section globose to subglobose with a fattened base. Ostioles centric, ostiolar canal periphysate. Peridium 14–18 μm (\bar{x} = 15 μm, n = 10) wide, multi-layered, attached to the host with black inert substrate, outer layer comprising hyaline, thick-walled cells of *textura angularis*. Paraphyses 4.8–8.5 μm (\bar{x} = 6.3 μm, n = 10) wide, shorter than the asci, hyaline, constricted at septa, guttulate. *Asci* 133–163 × 10.6–16.5 μm (\bar{x} = 153 × 14.2 μm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, apex rounded, with a discoid apical apparatus, amyloid in Melzer's reagent, 1.4–2.6 × 3.5–5 μm (\bar{x} = 1.8 × 4.3 μm, n = 10). Ascospores 17.8–22.8 × 7.1–8.5 μm (\bar{x} = 22.3 × 8 μm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, grey to brown, fusiform to ellipsoidal, smooth, with broadly rounded ends, with a straight germ slit, nearly the spore-length, surrounded by a mucilaginous sheath (7.2–9.4 μm; \bar{x} = 8 μm, n = 30) wide, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Distribution – Known from Argentina; United States.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Suiyang County, Kuankuoshui Nature Reserve (28.315463°N, 107.103626°E), altitude: 1540 m, on dead bamboo, 2 May 2022, Youpeng Wu, 2022KKS17-1 (GMB1149; KUN-HKAS 131174; no culture was obtained); CHINA, Guizhou Province, Suiyang County, Kuankuoshui Nature Reserve (28.315622°N, 107.103814°E), altitude: 1538 m, on dead bamboo, 2 May 2022, Youpeng Wu, 2022KKS17-2 (GMB1150; KUN-HKAS 131175; no culture was obtained).

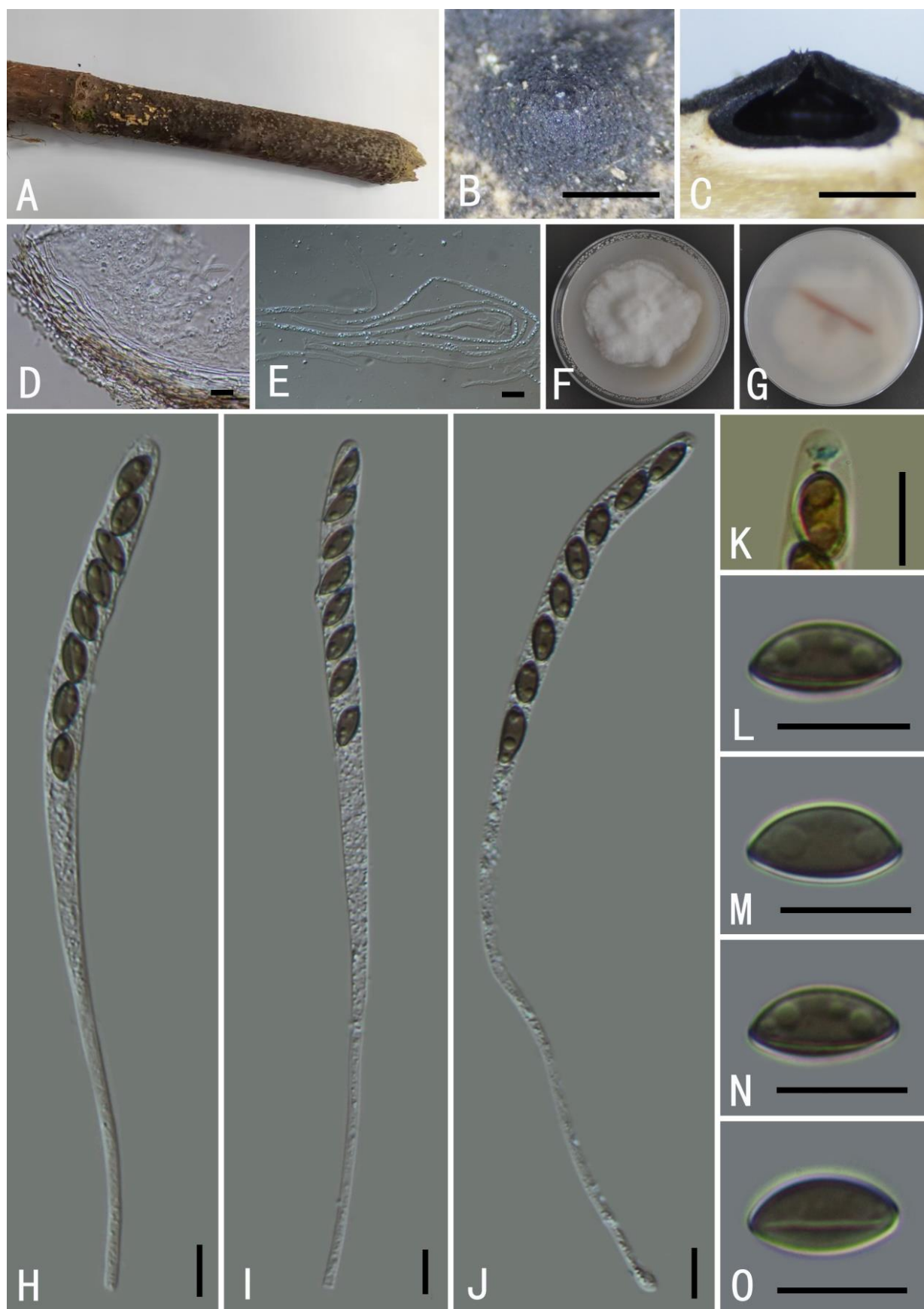


Figure 4 – *Anthostomella pseudobambusicola* (GMB1144). A material. B ascomata. C longitudinal section of ascomata. D section of ascomata. E paraphyses. F, G culture OA. H–J asci with ascospores. K ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). L–O ascospores. Scale bars: B, C = 0.3 mm, D, E, H–O = 10 μ m.

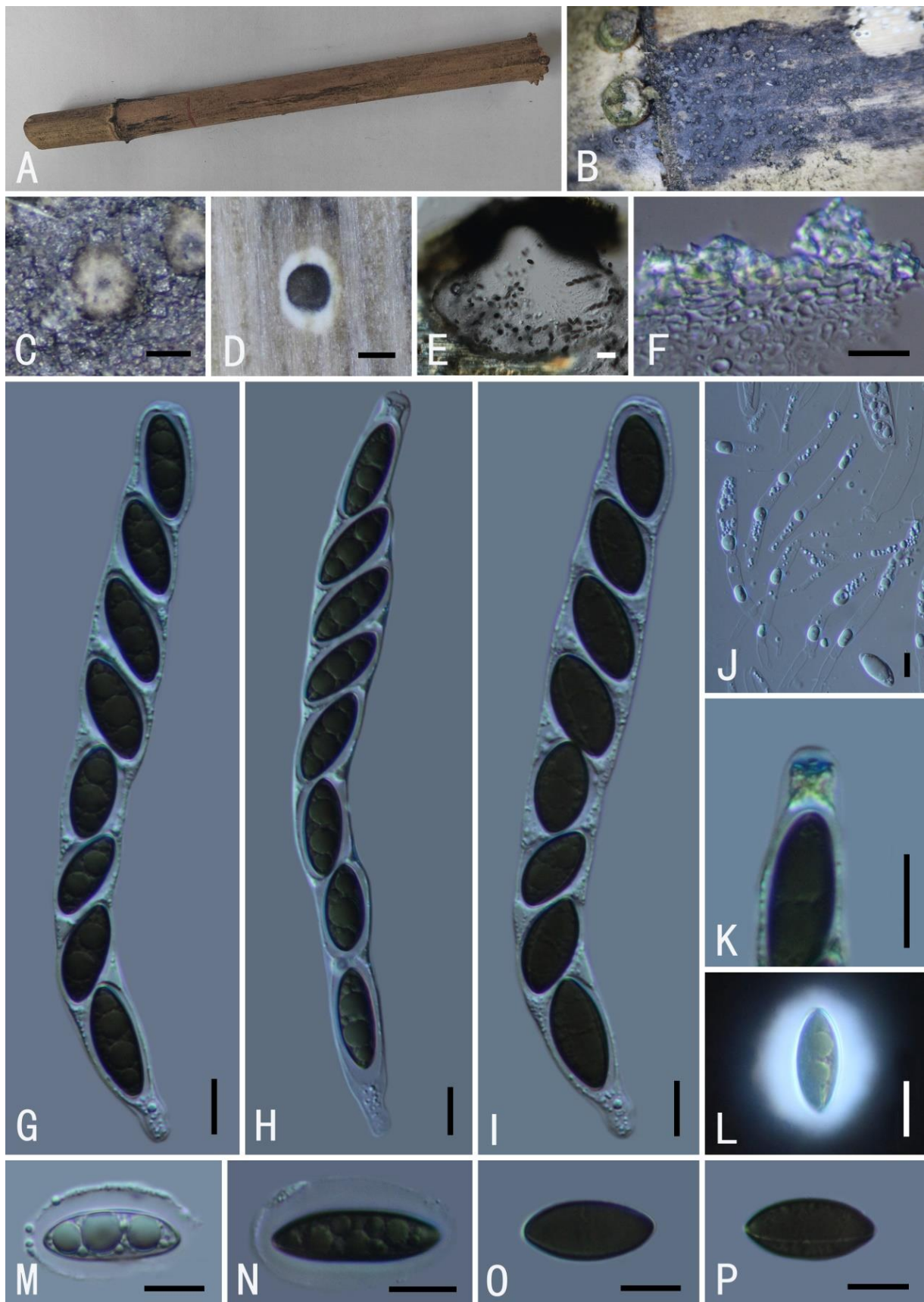


Figure 5 – *Anthostomella raphidophylli* (GMB1149). A material. B, C ascomata. D transverse section of ascomata. E, F section of ascomata. G–I asci with ascospores. J paraphyses. K ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). L–P ascospores (L stained in India ink). Scale bars: C, D = 0.2 mm, E–P = 10 μ m.

Notes – Morphologically, *Anthostomella raphidophylli* shows resemblance to *An. tenacis* (Cooke) Sacc., sharing a similar shape of ascospores. However, the latter species possesses notably smaller ascospores, measuring between $7.5\text{--}12.5 \times 5\text{--}5.6 \mu\text{m}$. Furthermore, in terms of morphological proximity, *An. raphidophylli* can be distinguished from *An. palmicola* (Auersw.) Rabenh. by the smaller ascospores ($9\text{--}12 \times 6\text{--}8 \mu\text{m}$) and ascus apical apparatus not blue in iodine (Lu & Hyde 2000). Our collections description aligns with the established morphological characteristics of *An. raphidophylli*. This study marks the first report of *An. raphidophylli* in China, serving as a new record for the country.

Anthostomella smilacis Fabre, Anns Sci. Nat., Bot., sér. 6 9: 80 (1879)

Fig. 6

Synonymy: *Sordaria smilacis* Auersw., Uni. itin. crypt.: no. 22 (1866)

Sphaeria constipata Mont., Anns Sci. Nat., Bot., sér. 3 11: 43 (1849)

Anthostomella constipata (Mont.) Sacc., Syll. fung. (Abellini) 11: 282 (1895)

Description – Saprobic on dead bamboo culms. Sexual morph: Ascomata $412\text{--}443 \times 292\text{--}443 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 428 \times 362 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 10$), immersed, visible as black, circular dots, solitary or aggregated, covered with a poorly developed clypeus, in cross-section globose to subglobose with a fattened base. Ostioles centric, ostiolar canal periphysate. Peridium $14\text{--}20 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 16 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 10$) wide, multi-layered, attached to the host with light yellow inert substrate, outer layer comprising brown, thick-walled cells of *textura angularis*. Paraphyses $3.1\text{--}3.8 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 3.6 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 10$) wide, shorter than the asci, hyaline, constricted at septa, guttulate. Asci $148\text{--}170 \times 10.2\text{--}11.2 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 162 \times 10.6 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, apex rounded, J-, apical apparatus not blue in Melzer's reagent. Ascospores $16.3\text{--}18.3 \times 7.7\text{--}8.4 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 17.2 \times 8 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), uniseriate, unicellular, brown, ellipsoidal, smooth, with broadly rounded ends, with straight germ slit, nearly the spore-length, surrounded by a mucilaginous sheath ($3.8\text{--}5.2 \mu\text{m}$; $\bar{x} = 4.5 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$) wide, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Distribution – Known from France; Italy; Portugal; Sweden; UK.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Dushan County, Mawei Village (25.333648°N , 107.463978°E), altitude: 860 m, on dead bamboo, 24 November 2021, Youpeng Wu, 2021MWC3 (GMB1151; KUN-HKAS 131176; no culture was obtained).

Notes – Morphologically, *Anthostomella smilacis* shows similarities with *An. contaminans*, sharing similar-sized ascospores. However, *An. contaminans* is distinguished by its narrower ascospores ($14\text{--}18 \times 5\text{--}7 \mu\text{m}$) compared to the wider ascospores of *An. smilacis* ($16.3\text{--}18.3 \times 7.7\text{--}8.4 \mu\text{m}$). Additionally, *An. contaminans* features a distinctive blue apical apparatus when subjected to Melzer's reagent, a characteristic absent in *An. smilacis* (Lu & Hyde 2000). Our collection description aligns with the description of *An. smilacis*. Molecular data for this species is unavailable in GenBank. This study presents *An. smilacis* as a new addition to the mycobiota of China.

Anthostomella vestita Speg., Revta Fac. Agron. Vet. Univ. nac. La Plata, Ser. 26 (1): 39 (1910)

Fig. 7

Description – Saprobic on dead bamboo culms. Sexual morph: Ascomata $212\text{--}268 \times 208\text{--}220 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 242 \times 213 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 10$), immersed, visible as black, circular dots, solitary or aggregated, with a poorly developed clypeus, in cross-section globose to subglobose with a fattened base. Ostioles centric, ostiolar canal periphysate. Peridium $16\text{--}20 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 17.2 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 10$) wide, multi-layered, attached to the host with brown inert substrate, outer layer comprising hyaline, thick-walled cells of *textura angularis*. Paraphyses $3.8\text{--}4.3 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 4 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 10$) wide, shorter than the asci, hyaline, constricted at septa, guttulate. Asci $97.6\text{--}134 \times 10.1\text{--}14.2 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 118 \times 11.4 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, apex rounded, with a discoid apical apparatus, amyloid in Melzer's reagent, $0.6\text{--}1.2 \times 2.4\text{--}3.5 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 0.9 \times 3 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 10$). Ascospores $11.4\text{--}15.3 \times 5.5\text{--}8.3 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 13.3 \times 6.8 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), uniseriate, unicellular, brown, ellipsoidal, smooth, with broadly rounded ends, without a conspicuous germ slit, surrounded by a mucilaginous sheath ($1.8\text{--}3 \mu\text{m}$; $\bar{x} = 2 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$) wide, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: undetermined.

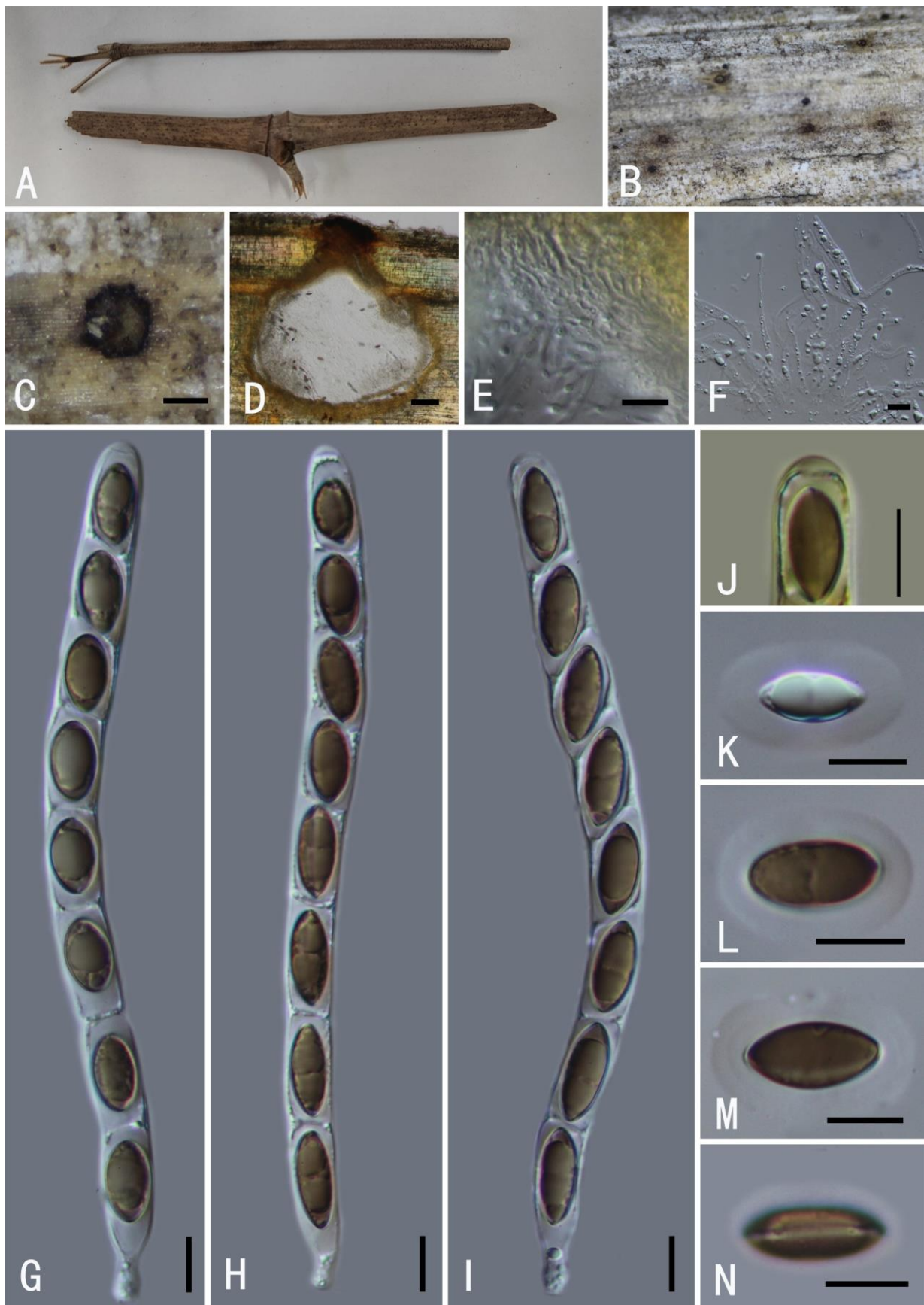


Figure 6 – *Anthostomella smilacis* (GMB1151). A specimen. B, C ascomata. D, E section of ascomata. F paraphyses. G–I asci with ascospores. J ascial apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). K–N ascospores. Scale bars: C = 0.2 mm, D = 40 μ m, E–N = 10 μ m.

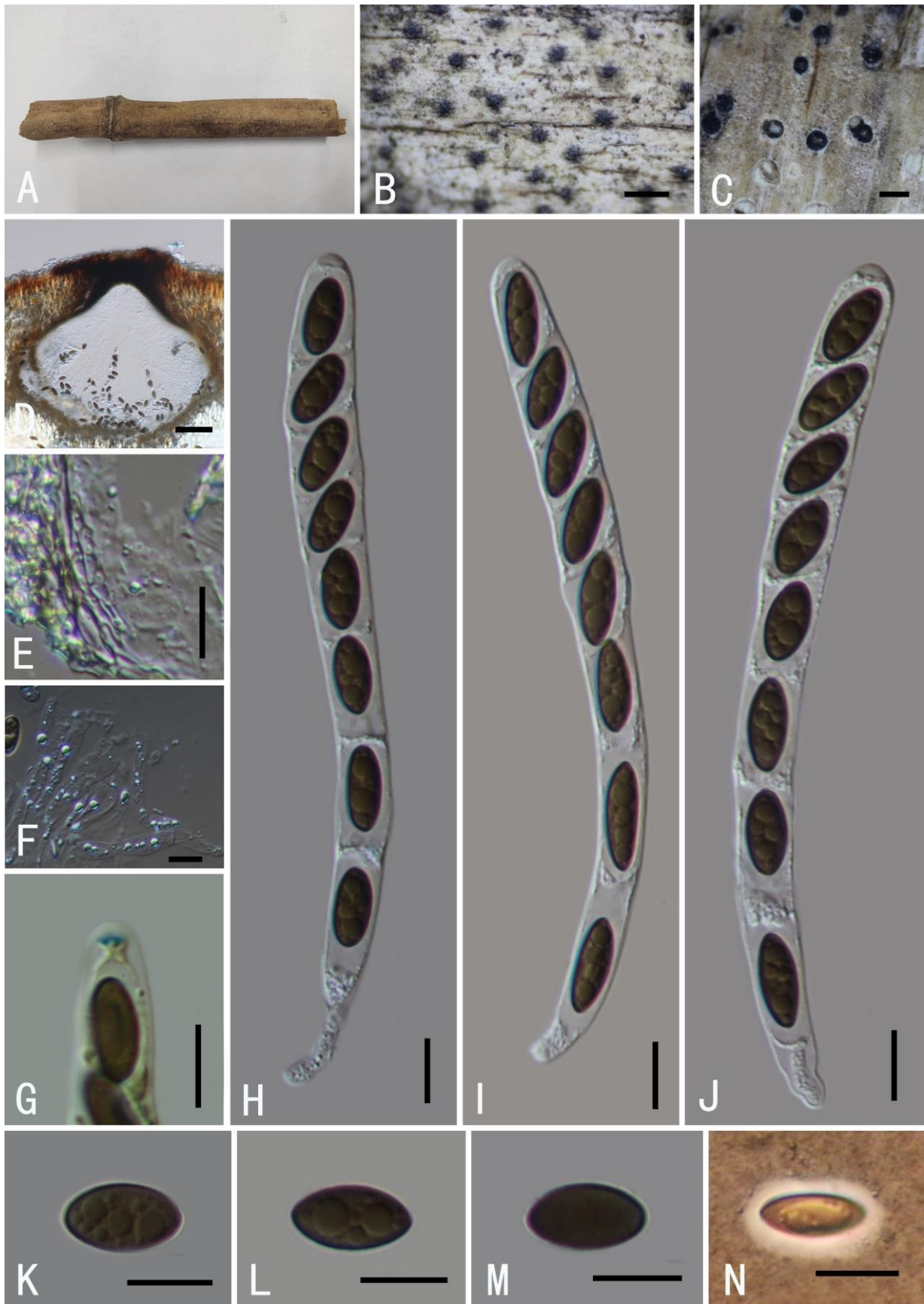


Figure 7 – *Anthostomella vestita* (GMB1152). A specimen. B ascomata. C transverse section of ascomata. D, E section of ascomata. F paraphyses. G ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). H–J asci with ascospores. K–N ascospores (N stained in India ink). Scale bars: B, C = 0.4 mm, D = 40 μ m, E–N = 10 μ m.

Distribution – Known from Chile; South Africa.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Anlong County Suburban (25.333508°N, 104.601632°E), altitude: 856 m, on dead bamboo, 23 September 2021, Youpeng Wu, 2021ALX10 (GMB1152; KUN-HKAS 131178; no culture was obtained).

Notes – Morphologically, *Anthostomella vestita* shows resemblance to *An. puiggarii* Sp., particularly in terms of ascomata size. However, a notable distinction lies in the smaller ascospores of *An. puiggarii* (10.5–13 × 2.5–3 µm vs. 11.4–15.3 × 5.5–8.3 µm). Moreover, *An. puiggarii* features a straight germ slit that is nearly the same length as the spore (Lu & Hyde 2000).

Phylogenetic analyses (Fig. 1) reveal that *An. vestita* forms a sister clade with *An. raphidophylli*. The latter is distinguishable by its wider paraphyses (4.8–8.5 µm), larger ascospores (17.8–22.8 × 7.1–8.5 µm) with a straight germ slit that is nearly spore length. This discovery represents a new addition to the fungal diversity of China (Lu & Hyde 2000).

Anthostomella yunnanensis Y.P. Wu & Q.R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 8

Mycobank number: MB850406

Etymology – The specific epithet refers to its collection location, Yunnan province.

Description – Saprobic on the culm of dead bamboo. Sexual morph: Ascomata 522–616 × 320–382 µm (\bar{x} = 582 × 362 µm, n = 10), immersed, solitary, visible as conical blackened dots, without a clypeus, subglobose to globose in vertical section. Ostioles papillate at the centre, black, surrounded by brown area. Peridium 22–31 µm (\bar{x} = 26 µm, n = 10) wide, comprising several layers, outer layer grey, cells thick-walled *textura irregularis* cells, inner layer hyaline. Paraphyses 3.8–4.5 µm (\bar{x} = 4.2 µm, n = 10) wide, shorter than the asci, hyaline, unbranched, without septa. Asci 200–227 × 11.6–14.6 µm (\bar{x} = 212 × 12.8 µm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, long-cylindrical, short pedicellate, apically rounded, wedge-shaped, amyloid apical apparatus 1.5–2.7 × 3.5–4.2 µm (\bar{x} = 2.2 × 3.8 µm, n = 30). Ascospores 23.8–26.3 × 7.6–8.6 µm (\bar{x} = 24.6 × 7.8 µm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, brown, fusiform or ellipsoidal, with narrowly rounded ends, with a straight germ slit, extends the spore-length, surrounded by a mucilaginous sheath, 5.6–8.5 µm (\bar{x} = 7 µm, n = 30) wide, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Kunming City, Xishan Forest Park (24.648112°N, 102.406672°E), altitude: 1208 m, on dead wood of bamboo, 10 August 2021, Youpeng Wu 2021XS10-1 (GMB1153, holotype; KUN-HKAS 131178, isotype; no culture was obtained). CHINA, Yunnan Province, Kunming City, Xishan Forest Park (24.648124°N, 102.406685°E), altitude: 1215 m, on dead wood of bamboo, 10 August 2021, Youpeng Wu XS23_2021 (GMB0801; no culture was obtained).

Notes – *Anthostomella yunnanensis* exhibits morphological similarities to *An. bruneiensis* K.D. Hyde particularly in terms of ascospore size. However, *An. bruneiensis* has smaller ascomata (260–360 × 280–320 µm) and a thinner mucilaginous sheath (0.5–1 µm) compared to *An. yunnanensis* (ascomata: 522–616 × 320–382 µm, mucilaginous sheath: 5.6–8.5 µm). Another closely related species, *An. uniseriata* J. Fröhl. & K.D. Hyde, can be distinguished from *An. yunnanensis* by its larger ascomata (500–1200 × 500–1000 µm) and smaller ascospores (19.5–24 × 5.5–7.5 µm vs. 23.8–26.3 × 7.6–8.6 µm) (Lu & Hyde 2000). These differences in ascomata size, mucilaginous sheath thickness, and ascospore dimensions and phylogenetic analyses (formed an independent branch) support the recognition of *Anthostomella yunnanensis* as a new species.

Astrocystis Berk. & Broome, J. Linn. Soc., Bot. 14(no. 74): 123 (1873) [1875].

Notes – *Astrocystis*, established by Berkeley and Broome in 1873, finds its niche primarily within monocotyledonous plants, characterized by uni- or occasionally multi-peritheciate stromata development, often beneath the host cuticle or on the surface. The asci have a relatively short stipe and the ascus apical apparatus is relatively small, amyloid and stopper-shaped (Smith et al. 2003). Within the genus, more than 22 species have been documented globally, with five of these species reported within China (Taylor & Hyde 2003, Hyde et al. 2019, Wu et al. 2021, Li et al. 2022). Our

current study contributes significantly to the knowledge of *Astrocystis* in Mainland China, unveiling four newly described species within the genus and documenting a new occurrence.

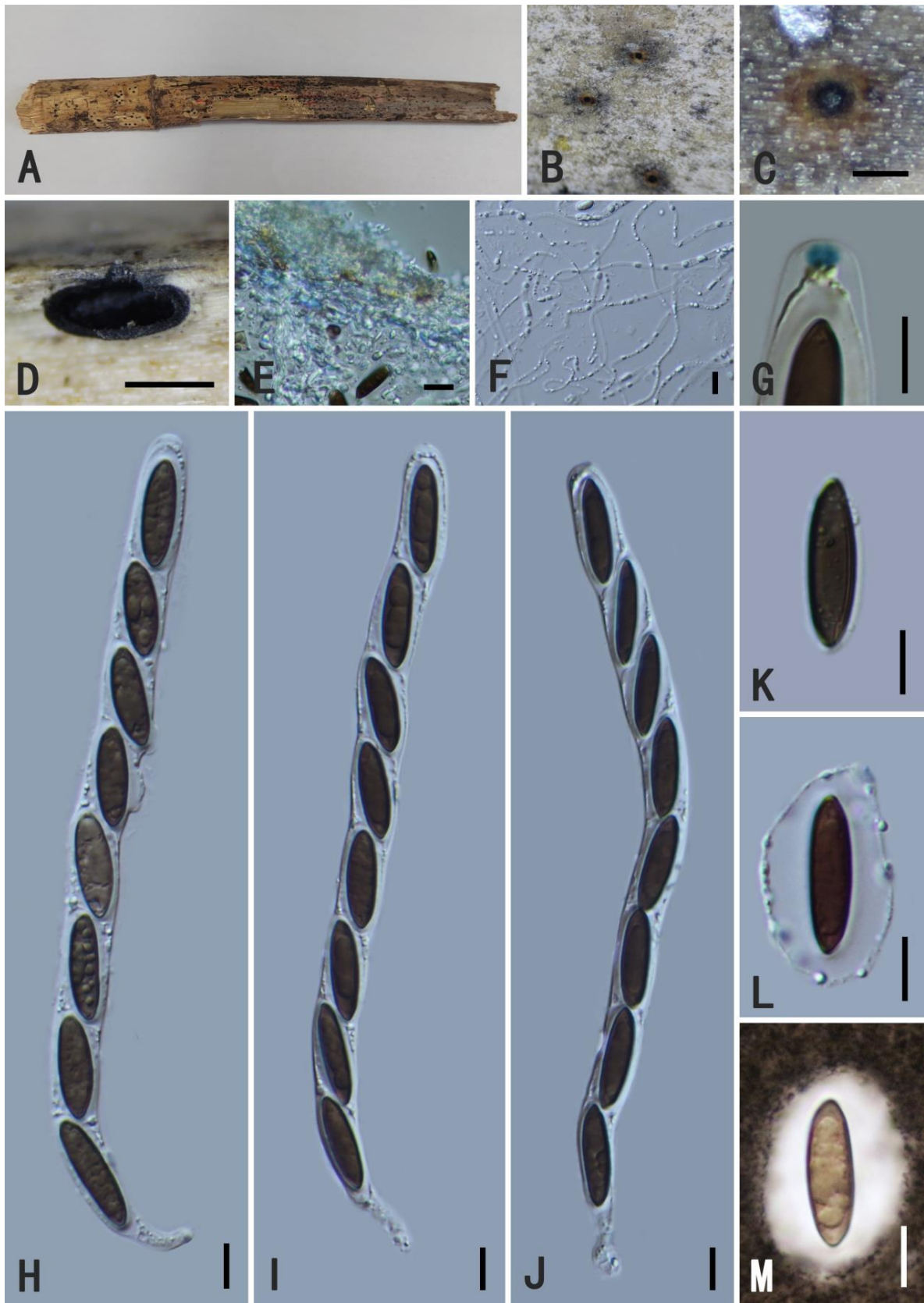


Figure 8 – *Anthostomella yunnanensis* (GMB1153, holotype). A type material. B, C ascomata. D longitudinal section of ascomata. E section of ascomata. F paraphyses. G ascus apical apparatus

(stained in Melzer's reagent). H–J asci with ascospores. K–M ascospores (M stained in India ink). Scale bars: C, D = 0.3 mm, E–M = 10 µm.

Astrocystis bambusae (Henn.) Læssøe & Spooner, Kew Bull. 49(1): 13 (1994) [1993]. Fig. 9

Basionym: *Rosellinia bambusae* Henn. 1908

Description – Saprobiic on dead bamboo culms, visible as black raised lump on the host. Sexual morph: Stromata 0.4–0.6 mm diam., 0.2–0.5 mm high, scattered or gregarious, solitary, superficial, black, hexagonal prismshaped, top blunt, containing one ascomata, with a circle of black tissue at the bottom, with a papillary ostiole. Perithecia 0.3–0.5 mm diam., 0.1–0.4 mm high, comprising black, fragile, carbonaceous tissue. Ostioles at the same level as stromatal surface, with slight papillate openings. Asci 98–135 × 5.5–7.5 µm (\bar{x} = 115 × 6.2 µm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, persistent, apically rounded, with amyloid square-shaped apical apparatus, blue staining in Melzer's reagent, 3.5–5.5 µm high × 1.5–2.5 µm wide (\bar{x} = 4.6 × 1.9 µm). Ascospores 10–13.5 × 4–5.5 µm (\bar{x} = 12 × 4.5 µm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, hyaline when immature, dark brown at maturity, aseptate, equilateral ellipsoid, with rounded ends, smooth, with a straight germ slit nearly full-length, lack appendages and sheath. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours at 25 °C. On oat agar (OA) media, colonies reached 4–5 cm diam., after 2 weeks at 25 °C, white at first, cottony, slightly thinning towards the edge, edge irregular, white from above, reverse similar in colour. No conidia observed on PDA or OA media.

Distribution – Known from Guyana, Thailand, India, the Philippines, China (Taiwan).

Material examined – CHINA, Guangdong Province, Zhaoqing City, Dinghu Mountain Forest Park (23°10'3.71"N, 112°32'20.40"E), altitude: 502 m, dead bamboo culms, 9 September 2020, Qirui Li, DH14 (GMB0700, GMBC0700); CHINA, Hainan Province, Qiongzong Li and Miao Autonomous County, Limu Mountain Forest Park (19°10'45.66"N, 109°44'20.51"E), altitude: 763 m, dead bamboo culms, 17 November 2020, Qirui Li, QZ116-2 (GMB0701, GMBC0701).

Notes – The morpho-anatomical description of our collection aligns with the published description of *As. bambusae*. In the phylogenetic analysis, it also clustered with the same taxon with strong support. This species has previously been documented in Guyana, Thailand, India, the Philippines, and China (Taiwan) (Læssøe & Spooner 1994). In China, this species had been previously documented in Chinese Taipei (Jiang et al. 2022). However, this study marks the first recorded occurrence of this species in mainland China.

Astrocystis dinghuensis S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov. Fig. 10

Mycobank number: MB850407

Etymology – The specific epithet “dinghuensis” refers to its collection location, Dinghushan National Forest Park.

Description – Saprobiic on dead bamboo culms, visible as black raised lump on the host. Sexual morph: Stromata 0.9–3.5 mm long 0.9–2 mm wide, 0.35–0.45 mm thick, erumpent, effused lump with flat top, irregular in outline, with a discoid black base, containing many perithecia, gregarious or solitary, scattered, carbonaceous, embedded on the host surface, smooth, tissue between perithecia woody. Perithecia 265–420 µm diam., 250–305 µm high, comprising black, fragile, carbonaceous tissue. Ostioles at the same level as stromatal surface, with slight papillate openings. Asci 94–119 × 5.5–9 µm (\bar{x} = 107.3 × 7.3 µm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, persistent, apically rounded, with amyloid square-shaped apical apparatus, blue staining in Melzer's reagent, 2.0–3.0 µm high × 1.5–2.5 µm wide (\bar{x} = 2.7 × 1.9 µm, n = 20). Ascospores 10.5–13 × 4–6 µm (\bar{x} = 11.7 × 4.9 µm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, hyaline when immature, slight brown to brown at maturity, inequilateral ellipsoidal, with rounded ends, smooth, with a straight germ slit nearly full-length, surrounded by thin mucilaginous sheath, thickening at both ends, lack appendages. Asexual morph: undetermined.

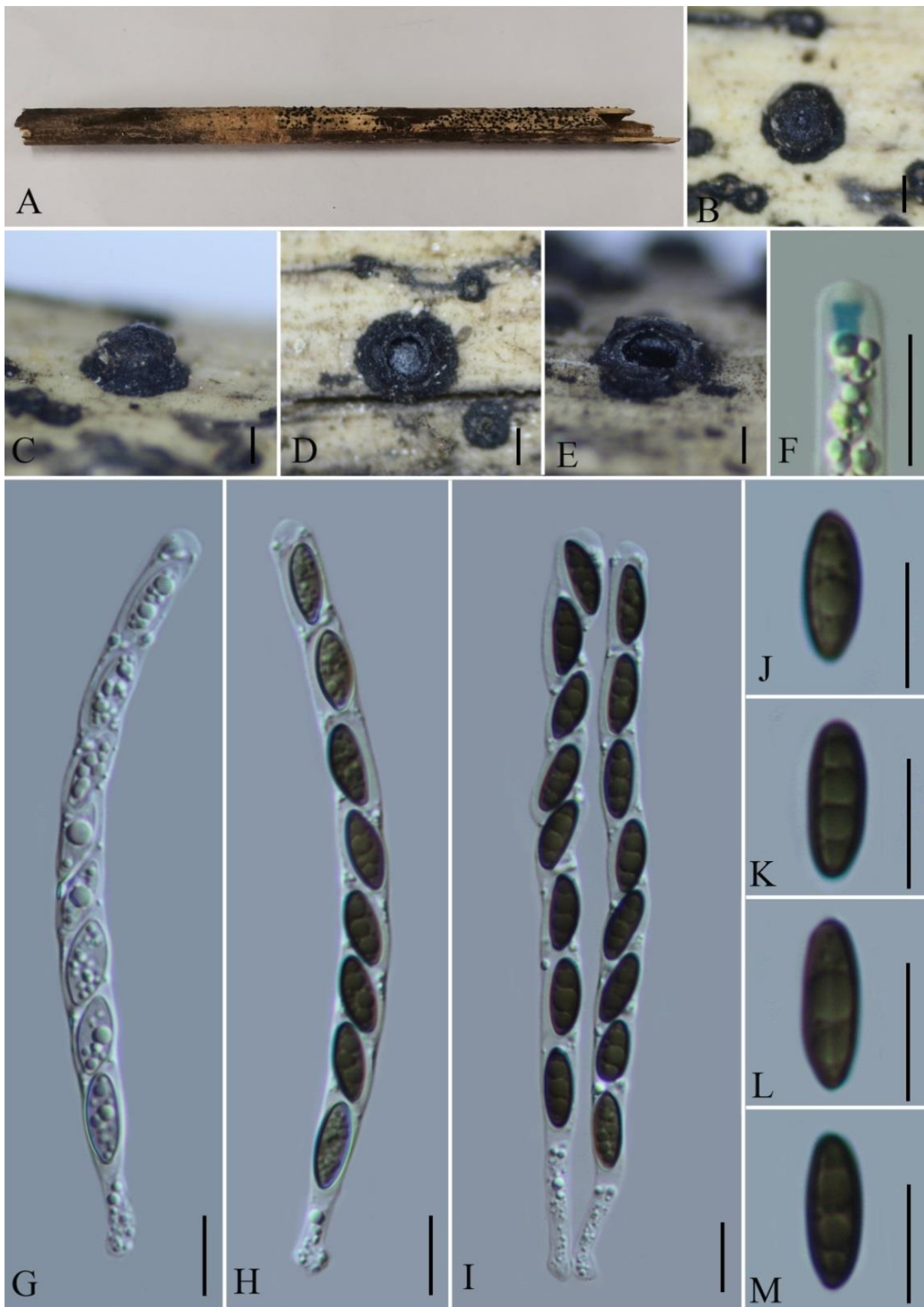


Figure 9 – *Astrocytis bambusae* (GMB0700). A material. B, C stromata on the host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). G–I asci with ascospores. J–M ascospores. Scale bars: B–E = 200 μ m. F–M = 10 μ m.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours at 25 °C. On oat agar (OA) media, colonies reached 4–5 cm diam., after 2 weeks at 25 °C, white at first, cottony, slightly thinning towards the edge, edge irregular, white from above, reverse similar in colour. No conidia were observed on PDA or OA media.

Material examined – CHINA, Guangdong Province, Zhaoqing City, Huangjing Dinghushan National Forest Park (23°10'3.71"N, 112°32'20.40"E), altitude: 502 m, dead branch of bamboo culms, 09 September 2020, Qirui Li, DH13-1 (GMB0704, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131179, isotype; ex-type GMBC0704)

Other examined material – CHINA, Guangdong Province, Zhaoqing City, Huangjing Dinghushan National Forest Park (23°10'63.01"N, 112°32'43.36"E), altitude: 510 m, dead branch of bamboo culms, 09 September 2020, Qirui Li, DH33 (GMB0783, GMBC0783).

Note – Phylogenetically (Fig. 1), it clusters with full support (100/1) to the newly described species *Astrocystis sichuanensis*. However, it can be distinguished from *As. sichuanensis* by its smaller asci (94–119 × 5.5–9 µm vs. 132–158 × 9–12 µm), smaller ascospores (10.5–13 × 4–6 µm vs. 16.5–24 × 6.5–9 µm), and smaller apical apparatus (2.0–3.0 × 1.5–2.5 µm vs. 5.0–6.0 × 3.0–4.5 µm).

Morphologically, *As. dinghuensis* shares similarities with *As. multiloculata* Y.P. Wu & Q.R. Li and *A. tessellati* Y.P. Wu & Q.R. Li, particularly in the morphology of stromata. However, the ascospores of *As. dinghuensis* are smaller than those of *As. multiloculata* (19–25 × 7–11 µm) and *As. tessellati* (16–19.5 × 7–9 µm). Additionally, *As. dinghuensis* has ascospores surrounded by a thin mucilaginous sheath, a feature that lacking in the latter two species. The stromata of *As. dinghuensis* are larger (0.9–3.5 mm long 0.9–2 mm wide, 0.35–0.45 mm thick), compared to *As. tessellati* (0.3–0.7 mm in diameter and 0.25–0.5 mm thick) (Wu et al. 2021).

The recently described *As. guyanae* L.E. Petrini also found on the dead culm of bamboo, is easily distinguishable due to its large ascospores measuring 23–28 × 12–14 µm. Additionally, the stromata of this species are 400–500 µm high and 575–700 µm wide (Petrini 2023).

Astrocystis guizhouensis S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 11

Mycobank number: MB850408

Etymology – The specific epithet “guizhouensis” refers to its collection location, Guizhou province.

Description – Saprobiic on dead bamboo culms, visible as black raised lump on the host. Sexual morph: Stromata 0.45–0.65 mm diam., 0.25–0.5 mm high, superficial, subglobose to dome-shaped, blackened, carbonaceous, with papillate ostioles, containing 1–3 ascomata, gregarious or solitary, scattered, carbonaceous. Perithecia 355–460 µm diam., 250–400 µm high, comprising black, fragile, carbonaceous tissue. Ostioles at the same level as stromatal surface, with slight papillate openings. Asci 127–143 × 8–11.5 µm (\bar{x} = 134.7 × 9.6 µm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, persistent, apically rounded, with an amyloid square-shaped apical apparatus, blue staining in Melzer’s reagent, 3.5–5.5 µm high × 3.0–4.5 µm wide (\bar{x} = 4.8 × 3.9 µm, n = 20). Ascospores 14.5–17.5 × 6.5–8 µm (\bar{x} = 16.1 × 7.4 µm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, hyaline when immature, slight brown to dark brown at maturity, equilateral ellipsoid, with rounded ends, smooth, with a straight germ slit slightly nearly full-length, with thin mucilaginous sheath and pad-like polar sheath, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours at 25 °C. On oat agar (OA) media, colonies reached 4–5.5 cm diam., after 2 weeks at 25 °C, white at first, cottony, thinning towards the edge, edge irregular, white from above, slightly light yellow from the reverse. No conidia were observed on PDA or oat agar (OA) media.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Qiannan Buyi Miao Autonomous Prefecture Mawei Village (25°20'1.13"N, 107°27'50.32"E), altitude: 860 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 25 September 2021, Sihan Long, MWC6 (GMB0705, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131180, isotype; ex-type GMBC0705).

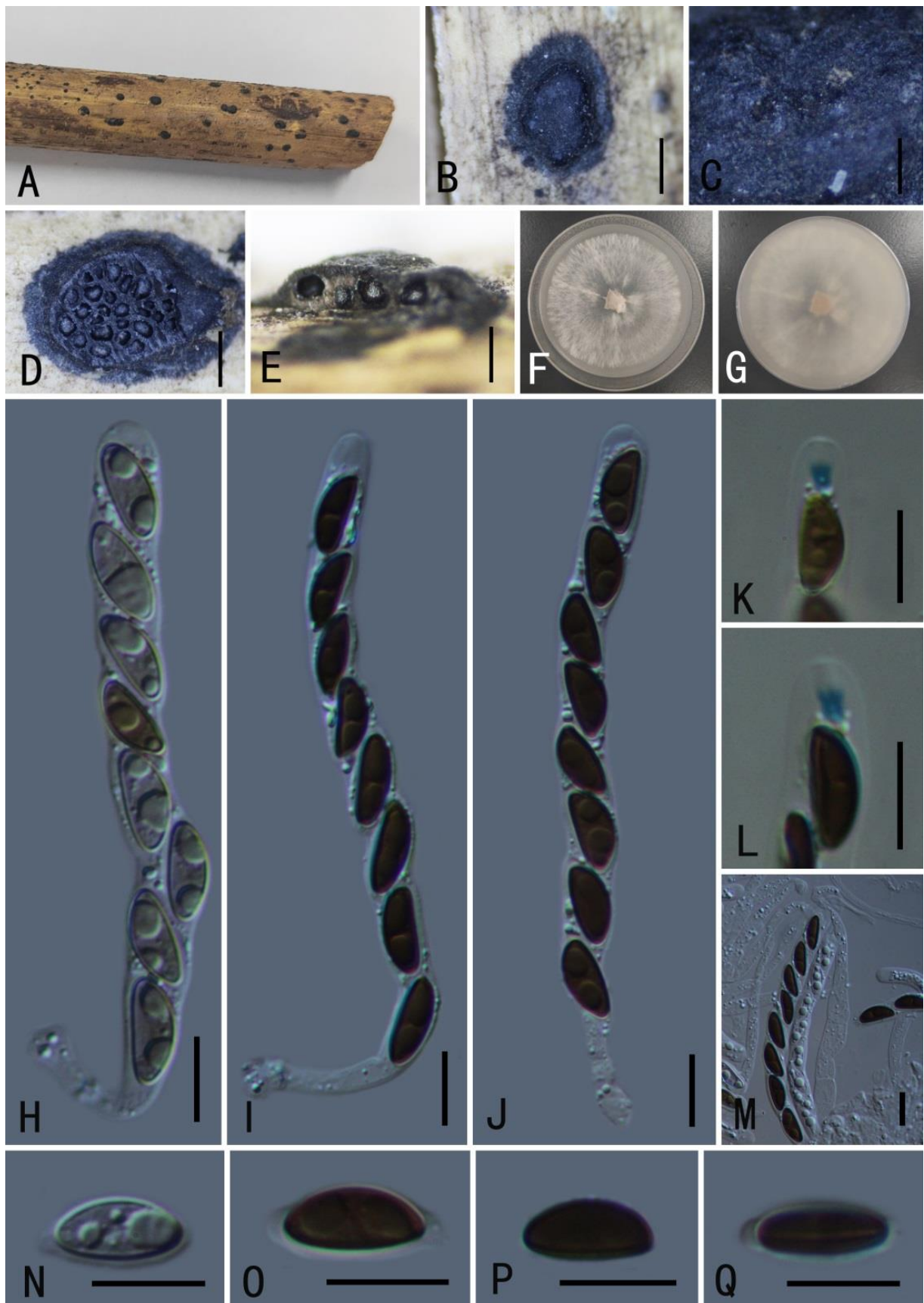


Figure 10 – *Astrocystis dinghuensis* (GMB0704, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F, G cultures on PDA. H–J asci with ascospores. K, L ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). M Paraphyses. N–Q ascospores. Scale bars: B, D–E = 500 μ m, C = 3 mm, H–Q = 10 μ m.

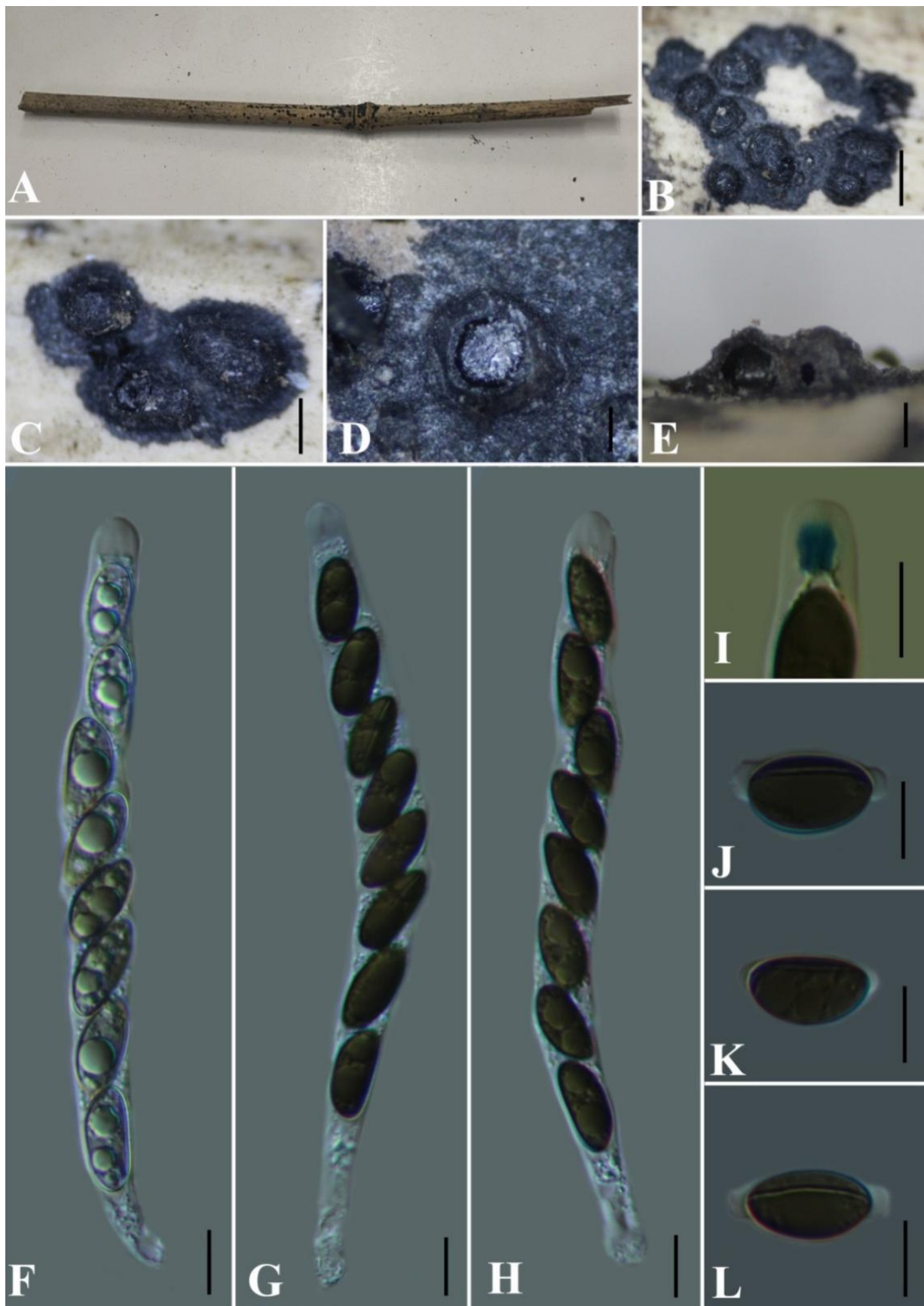


Figure 11 – *Astrocystis guizhouensis* (GMB0705). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). J–L ascospores. Scale bars: B = 1 mm, C = 500 μ m, D–E = 200 μ m, H–Q = 10 μ m.

Other material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Qiannan Buyi Miao Autonomous Prefecture Mawei Village (25°20'39.66"N, 107°27'63.43"E), altitude: 833 m, dead branch of bamboo, 25 September 2021, Sihan Long, MWC34 (GMB0796, GMBC0796).

Notes – Morphologically, *As. guizhouensis* shares similarities with *As. multiloculata* Y.P. Wu & Q.R. Li. However, the latter can be distinguished by its superficial stromata, which contain numerous perithecia (usually more than 8), larger ascospores measuring 19–25 × 7–11 µm, and lack sheathes (Wu et al. 2021). Morphologically, *As. guizhouensis* also shares similarities with *As. cocoes* (Henn.) Læssøe & Spooner in ascospore size and phylogenetically also formed sister clade. *Astrocystis guizhouensis* can be distinguished by its appendage and a larger apical apparatus, measuring 3.5–5.5 × 3.0–4.5 µm, compared to 2.5–3.8 × 2.5–3.1 µm in *As. cocoes*. Additionally, *As. guizhouensis* has smaller stromata, measuring 0.45–0.65 × 0.25–0.5 mm, in contrast to 0.6–0.8 × 0.7–1 mm in *As. cocoes*, and typically possesses 1–3 ascomata, whereas *As. cocoes* usually has only 1 ascoma (Læssøe & Spooner 1994).

In comparison to the recently described *As. guayanae*, also found on the dead culm of bamboo, *As. guizhouensis* differs due to its large ascospores measuring 23–28 × 12–14 µm (Petrini 2023). *Astrocystis guizhouensis* exhibits larger ascospores than *As. sinensis*, *As. ambigens*, *As. nypae*, and *As. rudis*, but smaller ascospores than *As. eleiodoxae* and all of these species were recorded from palms (Petrini 2023).

Astrocystis heterocyclus S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 12

MycoBank number: MB850409

Etymology – The specific epithet “heterocyclus” refers to its host plant *Phyllostachys heterocyclus* (Carr.) Mitford.

Description – Saprobiic on *Phyllostachys heterocyclus* culms, visible as black raised lump on the host. Sexual morph: Stromata 0.65–1 mm diam., 0.4–0.55 mm high, scattered or gregarious, solitary, superficial, black, hexagonal prism shaped, with blunt top, carbonaceous, containing 1–2 ascomata, with a circle of black tissue at the bottom, with papillary ostioles. Perithecia 290–350 µm diam., 390–480 µm high (\bar{x} = 320 × 420 µm, n = 15), comprising black, fragile, carbonaceous tissue. Ostioles at the same level as stromatal surface, with slight papillate openings. Asci 108.5–122 × 8.5–15.5 µm (\bar{x} = 115.3 × 12.5 µm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, persistent, apically rounded, with amyloid square-shaped apical apparatus, blue staining in Melzer’s reagent, 1.5–3.0 µm high × 1.5–2.6 µm wide (\bar{x} = 2.6 × 1.9 µm, n = 20). Ascospores 11–13.5 × 4.5–6 µm (\bar{x} = 12.1 × 5.4 µm, n = 30), overlapped uniseriate, unicellular, hyaline when immature, dark brown at maturity, equilateral ellipsoid, with rounded ends, smooth, with a straight germ slit nearly full-length, surrounded by thin mucilaginous sheath, lack appendages. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours at 25 °C. On oat agar (OA) media, colonies reached 4–5 cm diam., after 2 weeks at 25 °C, white at first, cottony, thinning towards the edge, edge irregular, white from above, slightly light yellow from reverse. No conidia observed on PDA and oat agar (OA) media.

Material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Jinghong City, Dadugang Village (22°25'14.18"N, 100°59'50.78"E), altitude: 1095 m, on the dead culms of *Phyllostachys heterocyclus*, 11 August 2021, Sihan Long, DDG10 (GMB0706, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131181, isotype; ex-type GMBC0706).

Other Material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Jinghong City, Dadugang Village (22°25'81.34"N, 100°59'33.66"E), altitude: 1133 m, dead culms of *Phyllostachys heterocyclus*, 11 August 2021, Sihan Long, DDG30 (GMB0788, GMBC0788).

Notes – Phylogenetically, *Astrocystis heterocyclus* forms a close relationship with *As. bambusae* (Henn.) Læssøe & Spooner, and also morphologically shares similarities such as having hexagonal prism-shaped stromata and oval ascospores. However, *As. heterocyclus* can be distinguished from *As. bambusae* by the presence of a thin mucilaginous sheath surrounding its ascospores, whereas *As. bambusae* lacks this feature. Furthermore, the stromata of *As. heterocyclus*

are larger compared to *As. bambusae*, measuring 0.4–0.55 × 0.65–1 mm, while *As. bambusae* stromata range from 0.2–0.5 × 0.4–0.6 mm (Læssøe & Spooner 1994).

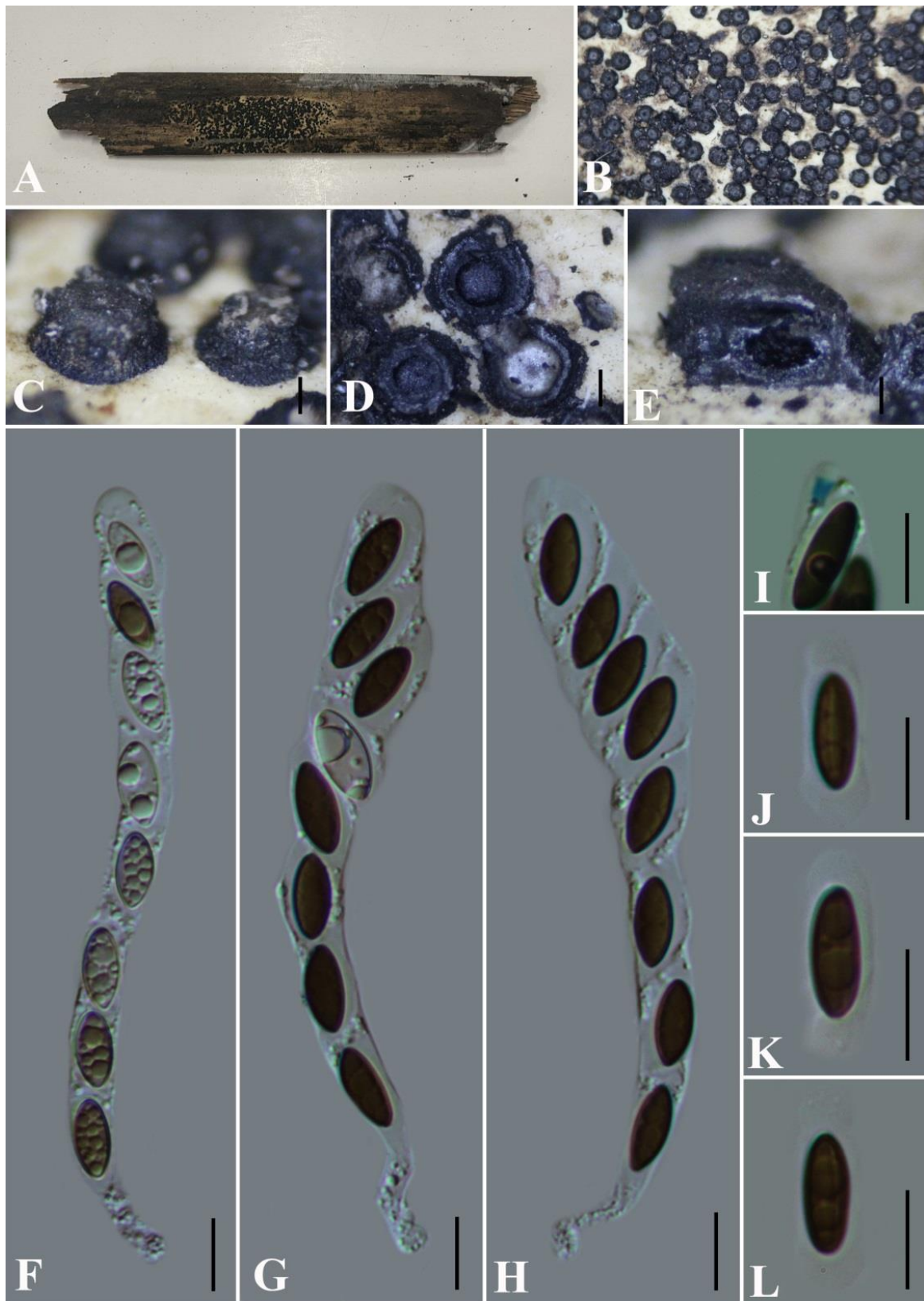


Figure 12 – *Astrocystis heterocyclae* (GMB0706, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). J–L ascospores. Scale bars: B = 1 cm. C–E = 200 μ m. F–L = 10 μ m.

Another morphologically close species, *As. pseudomirabilis* Y.P. Wu & Q.R. Li, exhibits similar ascospore size and morphology but *As. pseudomirabilis* differs in having stromata with a flat top, larger perithecia with a diameter of 370–480 µm, and asci measuring 128–156 × 8–11 µm. Additionally, phylogenetically also distinctly branch from the new species (Li et al. 2022).

Astrocystis sichuanensis S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 13

MycoBank number: MB850410

Etymology – The specific epithet “sichuanensis” refers to its collection location, Sichuan Province, China.

Description – Saprobiic on dead bamboo culms, visible as black raised lump on the host. Sexual morph: Stromata 0.8–4 mm long, 0.7–3 mm wide, 0.4–0.65 mm, erumpent, effused lump with flat top, irregular in outline, with a discoid black base, containing many perithecia, gregarious or solitary, scattered, carbonaceous, embedded on the host surface, thick, smooth, tissue between perithecia woody. Perithecia 245–430 µm diam., 250–360 µm high, comprising black, fragile, carbonaceous tissue. Ostioles at the same level as stromatal surface, with slight papillate openings. Asci 132–158 × 9–12 µm (\bar{x} = 146 × 10.4 µm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, persistent, apically rounded, with amyloid square-shaped apical apparatus, blue staining in Melzer’s reagent, 5.0–6.0 µm high × 3.0–4.5 µm wide (\bar{x} = 5.6 × 3.8 µm, n = 20). Ascospores 16.5–24 × 6.5–9 µm (\bar{x} = 18.9 × 7.8 µm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, hyaline when immature, slight brown to dark brown at maturity, inequilateral ellipsoid to fusiform, with narrowly rounded ends, smooth, with a germ slit nearly full-length, surrounded by thin mucilaginous sheath, lack appendages. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours at 25 °C. On oat agar (OA) media, colonies reached 2–2.5 cm diam. after 2 weeks at 25 °C, white at first, cottony, slight thinning towards the edge, edge irregular, white from above, reverse similar in colour. No conidia observed on PDA and oat agar OA media.

Material examined – CHINA, Sichuan Province, Gulin County, Huangjing Old Forest Nature Reserve (23°10'3.71"N, 112°32'20.40"E), altitude: 1100 m, dead culms of bamboo, 04 August 2022, Sihan Long, HJLL4-1 (GMB0708, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131183, isotype; ex-type GMBC0708).

Other Material examined – CHINA, Sichuan Province, Gulin County, Huangjing Old Forest Nature Reserve (23°10'92.10"N, 112°32'09.33"E), altitude: 1033 m, dead branch of bamboo culms, 04 August 2022, Sihan Long, HJLL29-2 (GMB0709)

Notes – *Astrocystis sichuanensis* shares a similar stromata shape with *As. multiloculata* and *As. tessellati*. However, *As. sichuanensis* can be distinguished from them by the presence of a thin mucilaginous sheath surrounding its equilateral ellipsoid ascospores. Additionally, the stromata of *As. multiloculata* are taller (0.6–3 mm in diameter and 0.6–2.4 mm thick) compared to *As. sichuanensis*, while the stromata of *As. tessellati* are smaller (0.3–0.7 mm in diameter and 0.25–0.5 mm thick vs. 0.8–4 × 0.7–3 mm and 0.4–0.65 mm thick in *As. sichuanensis*) (Wu et al. 2021). The discussion with its phylogenetically close relative has been addressed in the notes section of *Astrocystis dinghuensis*.

In comparison to the keys provided by Petrini (2023), it is closely related to *As. guyanae* and *As. madeirensis*, but these two differ in ascospore size (12–14 µm wide, 23–28 µm long) and stromata dimensions (400–500 µm high, 575–700 µm wide) for *A. guyanae*, whereas *A. madeirensis* has ascospores measuring 9.5–12 µm wide and 22–29 µm long, and stromata dimensions of 375–525 µm high and 400–625 µm wide.

Collodiscula I. Hino & Katum., Bull. Faculty of Agriculture, Yamaguchi University 6: 55 (1955).

Notes – The genus *Collodiscula* is typified by *C. japonica* I. Hino & Katum. discovered on bamboo culms in Japan, is characterized by the presence of superficial stromatal ascomata, a large, J+ (iodine-positive) wedge-shaped ascus, and brown, 1-septate ascospores devoid of a germ slit (Hino & Katumoto 1955).

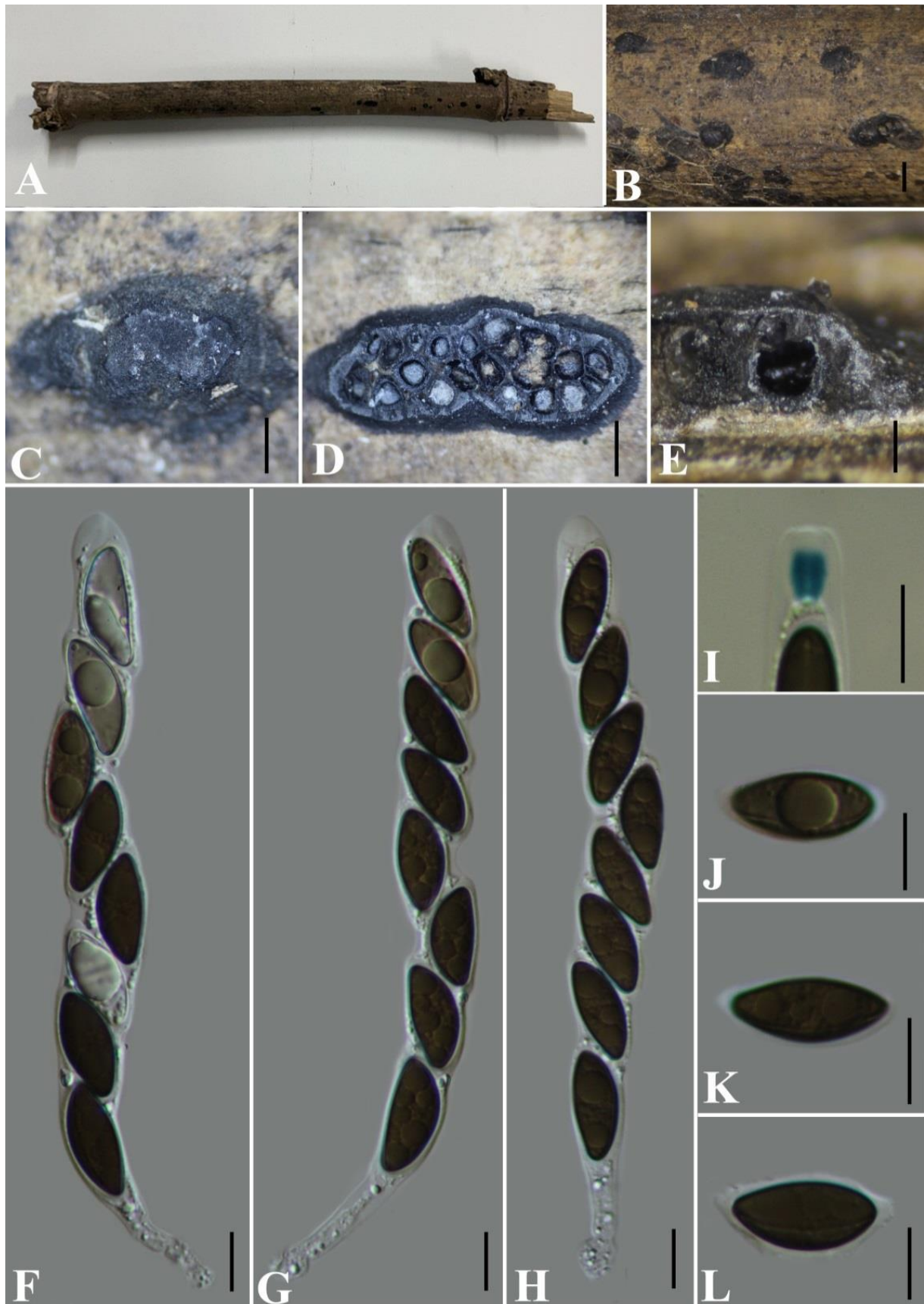


Figure 13 – *Astrocystis sichuanensis* (GMB0708, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). J–L ascospores. Scale bars: B = 2 mm, C–D = 1 mm, E = 200 μm , F–L = 10 μm .

Within the genus, seven species have been documented globally, with six of these species identified within China (Hino & Katumoto 1955, Li et al. 2015a, b, Hyde et al. 2017, Xie et al. 2020, Wu et al. 2021). Notably, all *Collodiscula* species, except for *C. chiangraiensis*, have been observed thriving on bamboo. In our present study, we contribute to the genus by documenting two previously undiscovered *Collodiscula* species inhabiting bamboo twigs. These findings are the result of combines morpho-anatomical and multigene phylogenetic assessments, enriching our understanding of *Collodiscula* diversity.

Collodiscula baoshanensis S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 14

MycoBank number: MB850411

Etymology – The specific epithet “baoshanensis” refers to its collection location, Baoshan City.

Description – Saprobiic on dead bamboo culms. Sexual morph: Stromata 1.1–1.5 mm diam., 0.7–0.9 mm high, superficial, scattered or gregarious, solitary, visible as black, hexagonal prism, containing one ascoma, with a circle of black tissue at the bottom, with a papillary ostiole. External stromatal layer black, carbonaceous, easily chipped away to reveal the thin, black ascomata. Ostioles papillate in the centre, black. Perithecia 0.4–0.8 mm diam., 0.3–0.6 mm high ($\bar{x} = 0.6 \times 0.5$ mm), subglobose to globose. Asci $145.5\text{--}191 \times 8.5\text{--}14 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 171.7 \times 10.3 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), 8-spored, unitunicate, short pedicellate, apically rounded with an amyloid apical apparatus in Melzer’s reagent, $1.3\text{--}1.9 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 1.6 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 20$) broad, very short in height. Ascospores $25.5\text{--}34 \times 7\text{--}10 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 29 \times 8 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), overlapping uniseriate, fusiform, 3-septate, slightly constricted at septa, hyaline when immature, yellowish brown at maturity, with broadly rounded ends, smooth-walled, lacking germ slits or appendages, usually with oil droplets. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours at 25 °C. On OA media, colonies reached 5 cm in one week, dense, thinning towards the edge, edge irregular, white from above, reverse similar in colour. No conidia observed on PDA and oat agar (OA) media.

Material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Baoshan City, Wayao Town ($25^{\circ}17'30.34''\text{N}$, $107^{\circ}56'16.20''\text{E}$), altitude: 1267 m, on branches of bamboo, 5 August 2021, Sihan Long & Qirui Li, WYZ16 (GMB0720, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131184, isotype, ex-type living culture GMBC0720).

Other Material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Baoshan City, Wayao Town ($25^{\circ}17'09.66''\text{N}$, $107^{\circ}56'31.40''\text{E}$), altitude: 1233 m, on branches of bamboo, 5 August 2021. Sihan Long & Qirui Li, WYZ56 (GMB0795, GMBC0795).

Notes – Phylogenetically, *Collodiscula baoshanensis* clusters closely with *C. japonica*, which has ascospores with only one septum, while *C. baoshanensis* has three-septate ascospores (Hino & Katumoto 1955). The 3-septate ascospores of *C. baoshanensis* resemble those of *C. lancangjiangensis*, *C. fangjingshanensis*, and *C. leigongshanensis* (Li et al. 2015a, Wu et al. 2021). However, *C. baoshanensis* can be easily distinguished from *C. fangjingshanensis* and *C. lancangjiangensis* by its wider ascospores measuring $25.5\text{--}34 \times 7\text{--}10 \mu\text{m}$ (compared to $19\text{--}25.5 \times 4.5\text{--}6 \mu\text{m}$ in *C. fangjingshanensis* and $26\text{--}36.5 \times 5\text{--}7.5 \mu\text{m}$ in *C. lancangjiangensis*). Moreover, ascospores of *C. lancangjiangensis* are blunt at both ends and larger apical apparatus, measuring $3.0\text{--}3.5 \mu\text{m}$ in height and $1.5\text{--}2.0 \mu\text{m}$ in width (Li et al. 2015a, Wu et al. 2021). The ascospores of *C. leigongshanensis* have narrow ends with germ slits along the entire length of the spores and a slimy sheath at the ends, and asci have larger apical apparatus measuring $4\text{--}6 \mu\text{m}$ in height and $3.5\text{--}4.5 \mu\text{m}$ in width, which is different from *Collodiscula baoshanensis* (Li et al. 2015a).

Collodiscula quadrangularis S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 15

MycoBank number: MB850412

Etymology – Refers to its host, *Chimonobambusa quadrangularis* (Fenzi) Makino.

Description – Saprobiic on dead culms of bamboo, *Chimonobambusa quadrangularis*. Sexual morph: Stromata 0.55–1 mm diam., 0.45–0.6 mm high, superficial, scattered or gregarious, solitary, visible as black, hexagonal prism, containing 1–2 ascomata, with a circle of black tissue at the

bottom, with a papillary ostiole. The external stromatal layer black, carbonaceous, easily chipped away to reveal the thin, black ascomata. Ostioles papillate in the centre, black. Perithecia 0.35–0.5 mm diam., 0.45–0.6 mm high, subglobose to globose, Asci 215–260 × 10–17 μm (\bar{x} = 239.3 × 14.3 μm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, short pedicellate, apically rounded with a amyloid apical apparatus in Melzer's reagent, 1.7–2.2 μm (\bar{x} = 2 μm, n = 20) broad, 1.8–2.7 μm (\bar{x} = 2.3 μm, n = 20) high. Ascospores 34–42 × 9–12 μm (\bar{x} = 37 × 10.8 μm, n = 30), overlapping uniseriate, fusiform, 3-septate, not or slightly constricted at septa, yellowish brown when immature, dark brown at maturity, with narrowly pointed ends, smooth-walled, with slimy sheathes at the ends, lacking germ slits and appendages, usually with oil droplets. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours at 25 °C. On OA media, colonies reached 4 cm in one week, dense, slightly thinning towards the edge, edge irregular, white from above, reverse similar in colour. No conidia observed on PDA or oat agar (OA) media.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Zunyi City, Suiyang Country, Kuankuoshui National Nature Reserve (28°30'98.33"N, 107°9'27.86"E), altitude: 1589 m, on the dead branch of *Chimonobambusa quadrangularis* (Fenzi) Makino, 1 May 2022, Sihan Long, KKS58-1 (GMB0722, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131185, isotype; ex-type GMBC0722).

Other material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Zunyi City, Suiyang Country, Kuankuoshui National Nature Reserve (28°29'33.64"N, 107°9'23.66"E), altitude: 1634 m, dead bamboo culms, 2 May 2022, Sihan Long, KKS133 (GMB0784, GMBC0784).

Notes – Phylogenetically, *Collodiscula quadrangularis* is closely related to *C. lancangjiangensis*. Morphologically also both shares similarities having 3-septate ascospores with narrowly pointed ends and a slimy sheath at the ends. However, the ascospores of *C. quadrangularis* are larger and wider (34–42 × 9–12 μm) and have slimy sheathes at the ends compared to *C. lancangjiangensis* (26–36.5 × 5–7.5 μm). Additionally, *C. lancangjiangensis* has smaller asci (145–175 × 9–16 μm) and larger apical apparatus 3.0–3.5 μm (Wu et al. 2021).

Collodiscula fangjingshanensis and *C. leigongshanensis*, reported from China, also have 3-septate ascospores, but they differ in size. *Collodiscula fangjingshanensis* has smaller ascospores (19–25.5 × 4.5–6 μm) with a slimy sheath covering the whole spore, while *C. leigongshanensis* has also smaller (28–35 × 8–10.5 μm) with an indistinct germ slit running the whole length of the spore (Li et al. 2015a).

Kretzschmaria Fr. [as '*Kretzschmaria*'], Summa veg. Scand., Sectio Post. (Stockholm): 409 (1849).

Notes – According to Rogers & Ju (1998) extensive study, this genus is categorized into two taxa: Kretzschmarioid and Ustulinoid. Stromata of the former are either stipitate or sessile, often with fused fertile parts and/or stipes, typically featuring entire margins. In contrast, stromata of the latter are mostly sessile but may have attachments through rhizoid-like processes or narrow connectives, typically displaying crenate margins. The genus is represented by 43 species, worldwide (Yun et al. 2016). The documentation of *Kretzschmaria* species from China has been limited (Teng 1963, Tai 1979, Ma 2011, Du et al. 2016a), highlighting the need for further investigations into species diversity. In our current study, we contribute by describing three new species within this genus based on a comprehensive analysis that combines morphoanatomical observations and multigene-based phylogenetic analyses.

Kretzschmaria kuankuoshuiensis S.H. Long & Q.R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 16

Mycobank number: MB850413

Etymology – The specific epithet “kuankuoshuiensis” refers to its collection location, Kuankuoshui National Nature Reserve.

Description – Saprobic on dead twig of unidentified plant. Sexual morph: Stromata 0.5–0.75 cm diam × 1.35–1.85 mm thick, superficial, pulvinate, globose to subglobose, sessile, attachment to substrate with strong connective, with crenate margins; brown-coppery to dark brown, with inconspicuous perithecial mounds and cracks, carbonaceous immediately beneath surface; tissue



Figure 14 – *Collodiscula baoshanensis* (GMB0720, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). J–M ascospores. Scale bars: B = 1 mm, C–E = 500 μ m, F–M = 10 μ m.

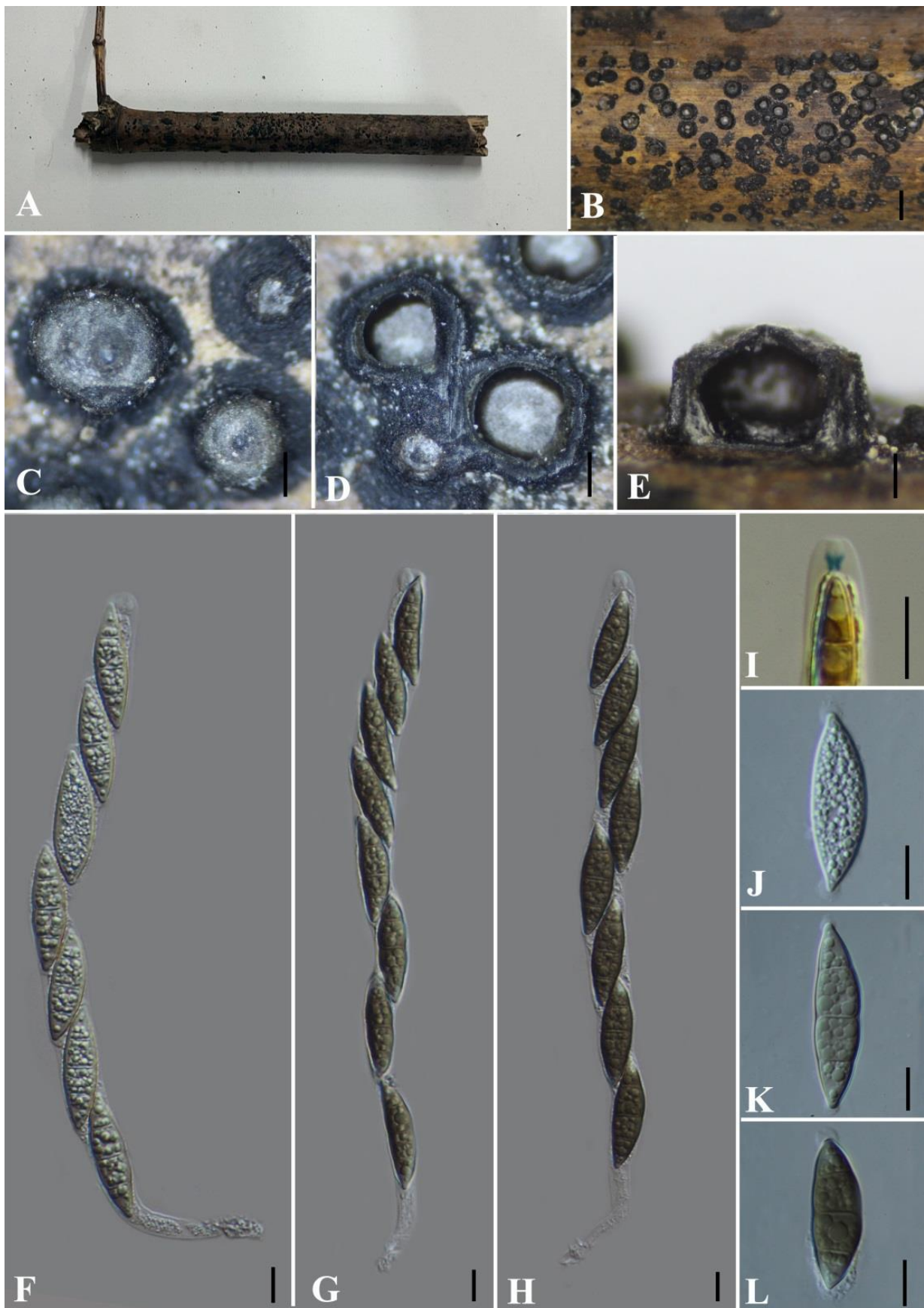


Figure 15 – *Collodiscula quadrangularis* (GMB0722). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). J–L ascospores. Scale bars: B = 2 mm, C–E = 200 μ m, F–L = 10 μ m.



Figure 16 – *Kretzschmaria kuankuoshuiensis* (GMB0728). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). J–L ascospores. Scale bars: B = 1 cm, C–E = 200 μ m, F–L = 10 μ m.

between and beneath perithecia white to light brown. Perithecia 0.45–0.55 mm wide \times 0.6–0.9 mm high, obovoid to cylindrical. Ostioles finely papillate. Asci 239–317 \times 9.5–14 μ m (\bar{x} = 302 \times 12.4 μ m, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long stipitate, with amyloid, urn-shaped apical apparatus, 6.5–8.5 μ m high \times 3.5–4.5 μ m wide, spore bearing part 162.5–177 μ m (\bar{x} = 168 μ m, n =

30) long. Ascospores $26.5\text{--}36 \times 6.5\text{--}9 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 29.3 \times 7.3 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), overlapping uniseriate, unicellular, smooth, hyaline when immature, slight brown to dark brown at maturity, fusoid to fusiform, with narrowly rounded ends, with straight germ slit, $15\text{--}17.5 \mu\text{m}$, about half of spore-length on flattened side; perispore indehiscent in 10% KOH. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours. On OA media, colonies reached 5 cm in two weeks, at $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, white to gray, appressed, with entire margins, with slightly radial on the surface, reverse slightly greyish. No conidia were observed on PDA or OA media.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Zunyi City, Suiyang Country, Kuankuoshui National Nature Reserve ($28^\circ 31' 11.58''\text{N}$, $107^\circ 9' 32.99''\text{E}$), altitude: 1500 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 26 November 2022, Sihan Long, KKS78 (GMB0728, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131186, isotype; ex-type GMBC0728).

Notes – In the phylogenetic tree (Fig. 1), *Kretzschmaria kuankuoshuiensis* is found to be closely related to *K. neocaledonica* (Har. & Pat.) J.D. Rogers & Y.M. Ju. However, there is a notable difference in the apical apparatus between the two species. The apical apparatus of *K. kuankuoshuiensis* is higher, measuring $6.5\text{--}8.5 \times 3.5\text{--}4.5 \mu\text{m}$, compared to *K. neocaledonica* $4.5\text{--}5.5 \times 3\text{--}3.5 \mu\text{m}$ (Rogers & Ju 1998). Moreover, *K. neocaledonica* has large perithecia $0.7\text{--}1.2 \text{ mm}$ in diam. $\times 1.7\text{--}2.5 \text{ mm}$ high. The ITS sequence analysis of *K. kuankuoshuiensis* and *K. neocaledonica* demonstrates a sequence length of 508 base pairs, showing an 85.2% identity and similarity, with 6.1% gap presence, representing 433 matching positions out of 508. The difference from the other phylogenetically closely related species, *K. sichuanensis*, is discussed in the note section of the latter species. Morphologically, *K. kuankuoshuiensis*, *K. clavus* (Fr.) Sacc., and *K. lucidula* (Mont.) share similar dimensions of ascospores and all have finely papillate ostioles. However, the perithecia of *K. kuankuoshuiensis* are smaller than those of *K. clavus*, measuring $0.6\text{--}0.9 \times 0.45\text{--}0.55 \text{ mm}$, compared to $1\text{--}1.5 \times 0.5\text{--}1 \text{ mm}$ for *K. clavus*. *Kretzschmaria lucidula* differs by having stromata that are attached to the substrate by narrow connectives and with fine vertical striations on the sides. Additionally, the apical apparatus of *K. kuankuoshuiensis* is larger ($6.5\text{--}8.5 \times 3.5\text{--}4.5 \mu\text{m}$) than that of *K. lucidula* ($5.5\text{--}7 \times 3\text{--}4 \mu\text{m}$) (Rogers & Ju 1998).

Kretzschmaria landingshanensis S.H. Long & Q.R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 17

Mycobank number: MB850414

Etymology – The specific epithet “landingshanensis” refers to its collection location, Landing Mountain National Forest Park.

Description – Saprobic on dead twig of unidentified plant. Sexual morph: Stromata $0.5\text{--}1.5 \text{ cm}$ long $\times 0.4\text{--}0.8 \text{ cm}$ wide $\times 1.4\text{--}1.7 \text{ mm}$ thick, superficial, pulvinate, discrete, sessile, attachment to substrate with strong connective, with steep thick crenate margins; brown-coppery to dark brown, with inconspicuous perithecial mounds and cracks, carbonaceous immediately beneath surface; tissue between and beneath perithecia black to dark brown. Perithecia $0.5\text{--}0.95 \text{ mm}$ wide $\times 1.5\text{--}1.7 \text{ mm}$ high, obovoid to cylindrical, ostioles coarsely papillate. Asci $274.5\text{--}320 \times 9.5\text{--}14 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 302 \times 12.4 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long stipitate, with amyloid, urn-shaped apical apparatus, $5\text{--}6.5 \mu\text{m}$ high $\times 3\text{--}4 \mu\text{m}$ wide, spore-bearing part $132.5\text{--}172 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 165 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$) long. Ascospores $30.5\text{--}35.5 \times 7.5\text{--}9.5 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 32.2 \times 8.5 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), overlapping uniseriate, unicellular, smooth, hyaline when immature, slight brown to dark brown at maturity, fusoid, with narrowly rounded ends, with a straight germ slit, $14\text{--}15.5 \mu\text{m}$, about half of spore-length on flattened side; perispore indehiscent in 10% KOH. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours; On OA media, colonies reached 5 cm in two weeks, white to gray, appressed, with entire margins, reverse white with slightly greyish colour. No conidia observed on PDA or OA media.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Sandu Shui Autonomous County, Landing Mountain National Forest Park (25.482853°N , $107.8982516^\circ\text{E}$), altitude: 545 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 25 November 2021, Sihan Long, LDS9 (GMB0726, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131188, isotype; ex-type GMBC0726).

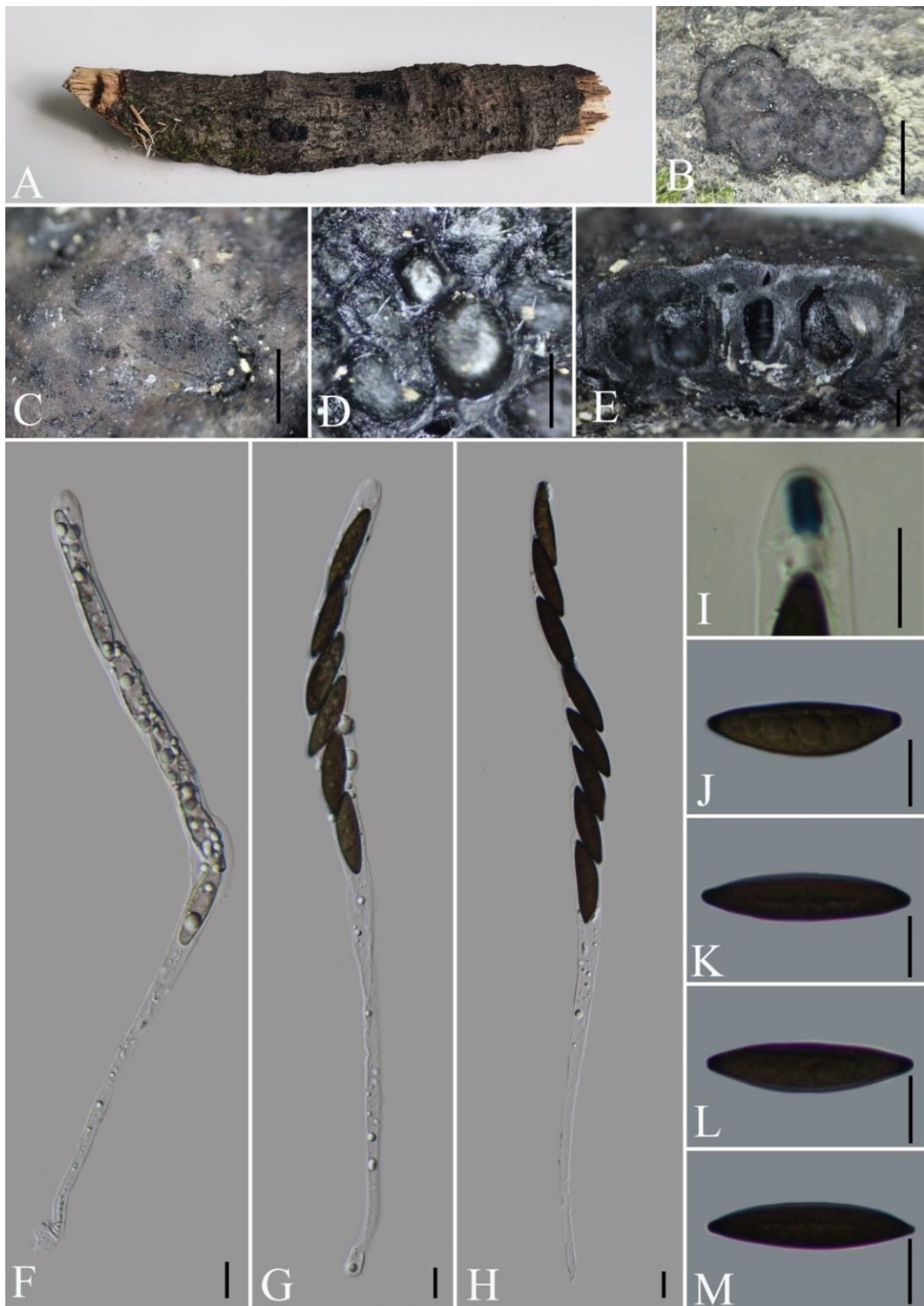


Figure 17 – *Kretzschmaria landingshanensis* (GMB0726, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). J–M ascospores. Scale bars: B = 5 mm, C = 1 mm, D–E = 500 μ m, F–M = 10 μ m.

Other material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Sandu Shui Autonomous County, Yao Ren Shan National Forest Park (25°56'31.11"N, 107°57'0.77"E), altitude: 563 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 23 November 2021, Sihan Long, YRS4 (GMB0727, KUN-HKAS 131189, GMBC0727).

Notes – In the phylogram (Fig. 1), *K. landingshanensis* formed a clade in a sister relationship to *K. pavimentosa* (Ces.) P.M.D. Martin with full support (100/1). Morphologically, also closely resemble, both exhibit similar stromata characteristics, attached to the substrate with a strong connective and have steep thick crenate margins. However, there is a notable difference in the size of ascospores between the two species. The ascospores of *K. landingshanensis* are smaller, measuring 30.5–35.5 × 7.5–9.5 μm, compared to the larger ascospores 35–54 × 8–12 μm of *K. pavimentosa*, (Rogers & Ju 1998, Yun et al. 2016). Furthermore, *K. pavimentosa* has a larger apical apparatus measuring 6–9 × 4.5–6 μm (compared to 5–6.5 × 3–4 μm) (Pourmoghaddam et al. 2018). The ITS sequence analysis reveals a 91.8% sequence similarity and a 3.9% gap presence in the comparison between *K. pavimentosa* and *K. landingshanensis*.

In terms of ascospore size, it closely resembles *K. zonata* (Lév.) P. Martin; however, *K. zonata* can be distinguished by its up-sloped margins, larger stromata measuring up to 8.5 cm long × 2–3.5 cm wide × 1.8–2.54 mm thick, and the presence of a larger apical apparatus measuring 7–9 μm in height × 5–7 μm in width (Pourmoghaddam et al. 2018).

Kretzschmaria sichuanensis S.H. Long & Q.R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 18

Mycobank number: MB850415

Etymology – The specific epithet “sichuanensis” refers to its collection location, Sichuan Province.

Description – Saprobiic on dead twig of unidentified plant. Sexual morph: Stromata 0.5–0.7 cm long × 0.2–0.6 cm wide × 1.1–1.6 mm thick, superficial, pulvinate, discrete, sessile, attachment to substrate with strong connective, with crenate margins; brown to dark brown, with conspicuous perithecial mounds and cracks, carbonaceous immediately beneath surface; tissue between and beneath perithecia black to dark brown. Perithecia 0.6–1 mm wide × 0.9–1.1 mm high, obovoid to cylindrical, Ostioles sharply conical-papillate. Asci 277.5–298.5 × 7–12 μm (\bar{x} = 288.6 × 8.6 μm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long stipitate, with amyloid, urn-shaped apical apparatus, 4.5–5.5 μm high × 3.5–4.5 μm wide, spore-bearing part 180.5–223 μm (\bar{x} = 209 μm, n = 30) long. Ascospores 28.5–35 × 6–7.5 μm (\bar{x} = 31.9 × 6.8 μm, n = 30), overlapping uniseriate, unicellular, smooth, hyaline when immature, slight brown to dark brown at maturity, fusoid, rounded ends, with straight germ slit, 12–17.5 μm, about half of spore-length on flattened side; perispore indehiscent in 10% KOH. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours; On OA media, colonies reached 3.5 cm diam. after 2 weeks at 25 °C, white, velvety, thinning towards the edge, edge irregular, white from above, slightly brown from reverse. No conidia observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Sichuan Province, Gulin County Huangjing Old Forest Nature Reserve (28°13'52.63"N, 105°44'41.36"E), altitude: 1100 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 16 August 2021, Sihan Long, HJLL13 (GMB0729, holotype, KUN-HKAS 1311790, isotype; ex-type GMBC0729).

Other Material examined – CHINA, Sichuan Province, Gulin County Huangjing Old Forest Nature Reserve (28°13'12.87"N, 105°44'63.29"E), altitude: 1133 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 16 August 2021, Sihan Long, HJLL103 (GMB0785, GMBC0785).

Notes – In the phylogram (Fig. 1), *Kretzschmaria sichuanensis* clustered closely with *K. kuankuoshuiensis* and *K. neocaledonica* (Har. & Pat.) J.D. Rogers & Y.M. Ju. However, the stromata of *K. sichuanensis* have the conspicuous perithecial mounds and cracks and sharply conical-papillate ostioles which is different to *K. kuankuoshuiensis*. Moreover, the tissue between and beneath perithecia is white to light brown in *K. kuankuoshuiensis* (This study). The ITS

sequences analysis of *K. sichuanensis* and *K. kuankuoshuiensis* showed a 94.0% similarity, and 3.7% gap presence with 581 matching positions out of 618.

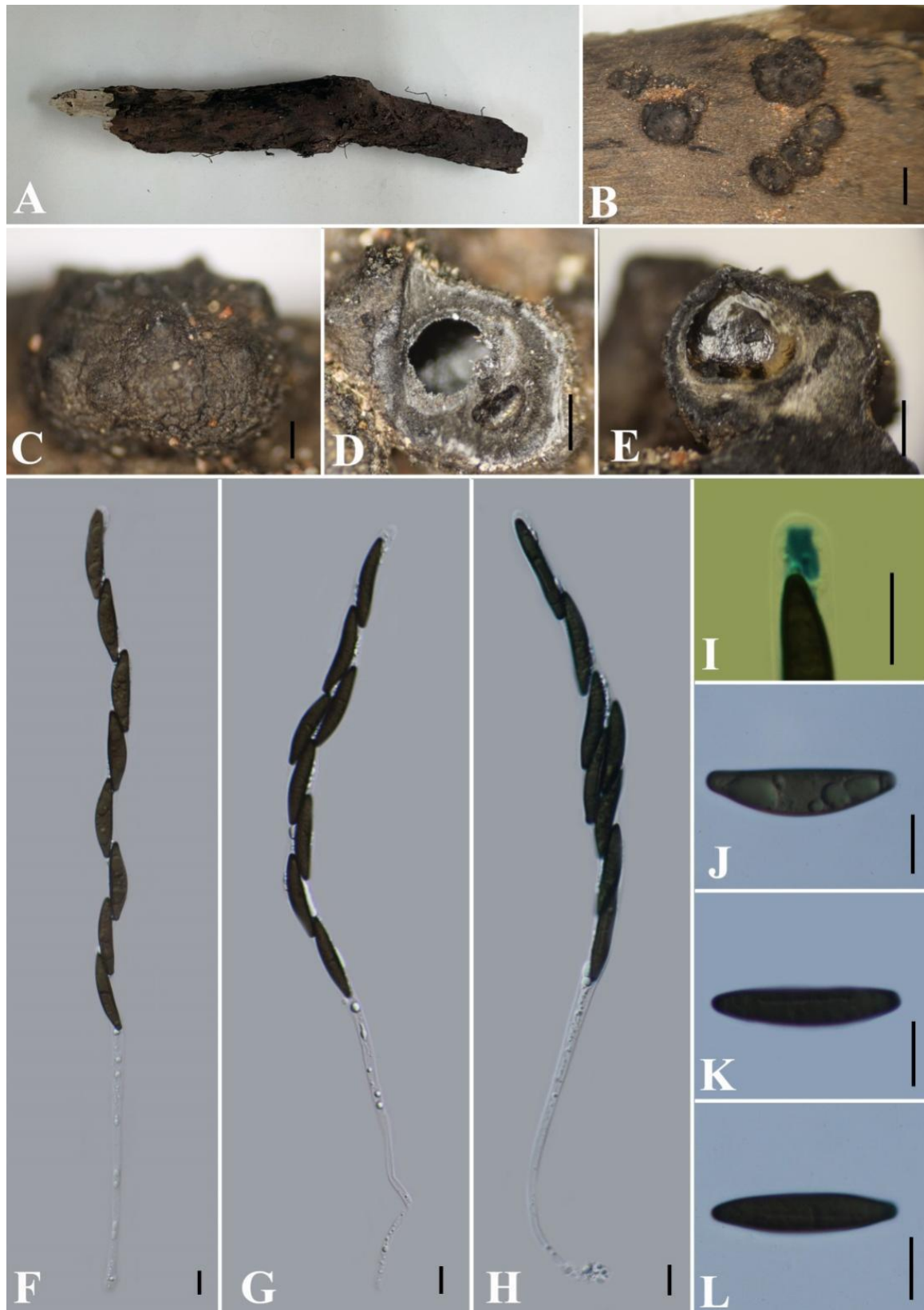


Figure 18 – *Kretzschmaria sichuanensis* (GMB0729, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). J–L ascospores. Scale bars: B = 5 mm, C = 1 mm, D–E = 500 μ m, F–L = 10 μ m.

The perithecia of *K. sichuanensis* is smaller than those of *K. neocaledonica* (0.6–1 × 0.9–1.1 mm vs. 0.7–1.2 × 1.7–2.5 mm) and conspicuously conical (vs. sharply conical-papillate ostioles) (Recio et al. 2014). Morphologically, *K. sichuanensis* exhibits similarities to *K. micropus* (Fr.) Sacc. However, there is a distinguishing feature in the germ slits. In *K. micropus*, the germ slits exceed 20 µm, whereas in *K. sichuanensis*, the germ slits measure 12–17.5 µm. Moreover, the ascospores of *K. micropus* are slight larger 30–40 × 8–12 µm (Rogers & Ju 1998).

Nemania Gray, Nat. Arr. Brit. Pl. (London) 1: 516 (1821).

Notes – *Nemania* Gray (1821), is a species-rich genus within Xylariaceae typified by *N. serpens* (Pers.) Gray (Daranagama et al. 2018, Wendt et al. 2018). Species of *Nemania* are characterized by carbonaceous, multiperitheciate, effused-pulvinate stromata with papillate ostioles and variable presence of soft, whitish, brownish, grey or yellow internal tissue, not release pigments in 10% KOH, unitunicate cylindrical asci, and ascospores with a conspicuous or inconspicuous germ slit of spore length to much less than spore-length (Daranagama et al. 2018). According to our estimation from Index Fungorum (Accessed on October 03, 2023), a total of 78 species of this genus have been reported globally. In China, 15 *Nemania* species have been recorded (Ju et al. 2005, Du et al. 2016b, Ariyawansa et al. 2015, Tibpromma et al. 2021, Pi et al. 2021). In this study, we introduce seven new species based on a comprehensive analysis that combines both morphological observations and multigene phylogenetic analysis using ITS, TUB2, and *rpb2* markers.

Nemania bannaensis S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 19

MycoBank number: MB850416

Etymology – The epithet “Banna” is a short name for Xishuangbannan, referring to the collection location.

Description – Saprobic on decaying wood. Sexual morph: Stromata 5–40 mm long × 4–35 mm wide × 0.6–1 mm thick, pulvinate, attached to substrate along entire area of the base, solitary to gregarious, frequently confluent, with conspicuous perithecial mounds, carbonaceous between the perithecia, surface dull black and slightly shiny at maturity, the interperithecial tissue blackish, carbonaceous; not releasing a coloured pigment in 10% KOH. Perithecia 350–650 µm diam. × 300–420 µm high, subglobose to depressed-spherical. Ostioles coarsely papillate in discoid areas, ostiolar area blackish, shiny, frequently flattened, usually around a circle of white tissue. Asci 159–243 × 6–8 µm (\bar{x} = 201.7 × 7.2 µm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long stipitate, spore-bearing parts 86.5–92 µm (\bar{x} = 88 µm, n = 30) long, apically rounded with an amyloid apical apparatus, 2–3 × 1.5–2 µm (\bar{x} = 2.5 × 1.8 µm, n = 30), tubular with a faint upper rim. Ascospores 10.5–13 × 5.5–7.5 µm (\bar{x} = 12 × 6.1 µm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, ellipsoid-inequilateral, with broadly rounded ends, smooth, hyaline when immature, brown to dark brown at maturity, with a conspicuous, straight germ slit spore-length to slightly less than spore-length on the flattened side; lacking a sheath and appendage; perispore indehiscent in 10% KOH. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics. Colonies grown on PDA, reached 6 cm in one week at 25 °C. On OA media, white, velvety, rosette, high convex in centre, dense, white to cream from above, white irregular edge with light yellow to slightly brown at centre from the below. No conidia observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Jinghong City, Xishuangbannan Primeval Forest Park (22°17'35.40"N, 100°55'57.17"E), altitude: 1100 m, on branches of an unidentified plant, 11 August 2021, Sihan Long, XSBN3 (GMB0731, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131191, isotype, ex-type living culture GMBC0731).

Other material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Yuxi City, Maojuan Mountain Scenic Area, Jinshan Primeval Forest (23°57'8.27"N, 101°30'17.87"E), altitude: 2304 m, on branches of an unidentified plant, 7 July 2021. Sihan Long, JS9 (GMB0732, KUN-HKAS 131192)

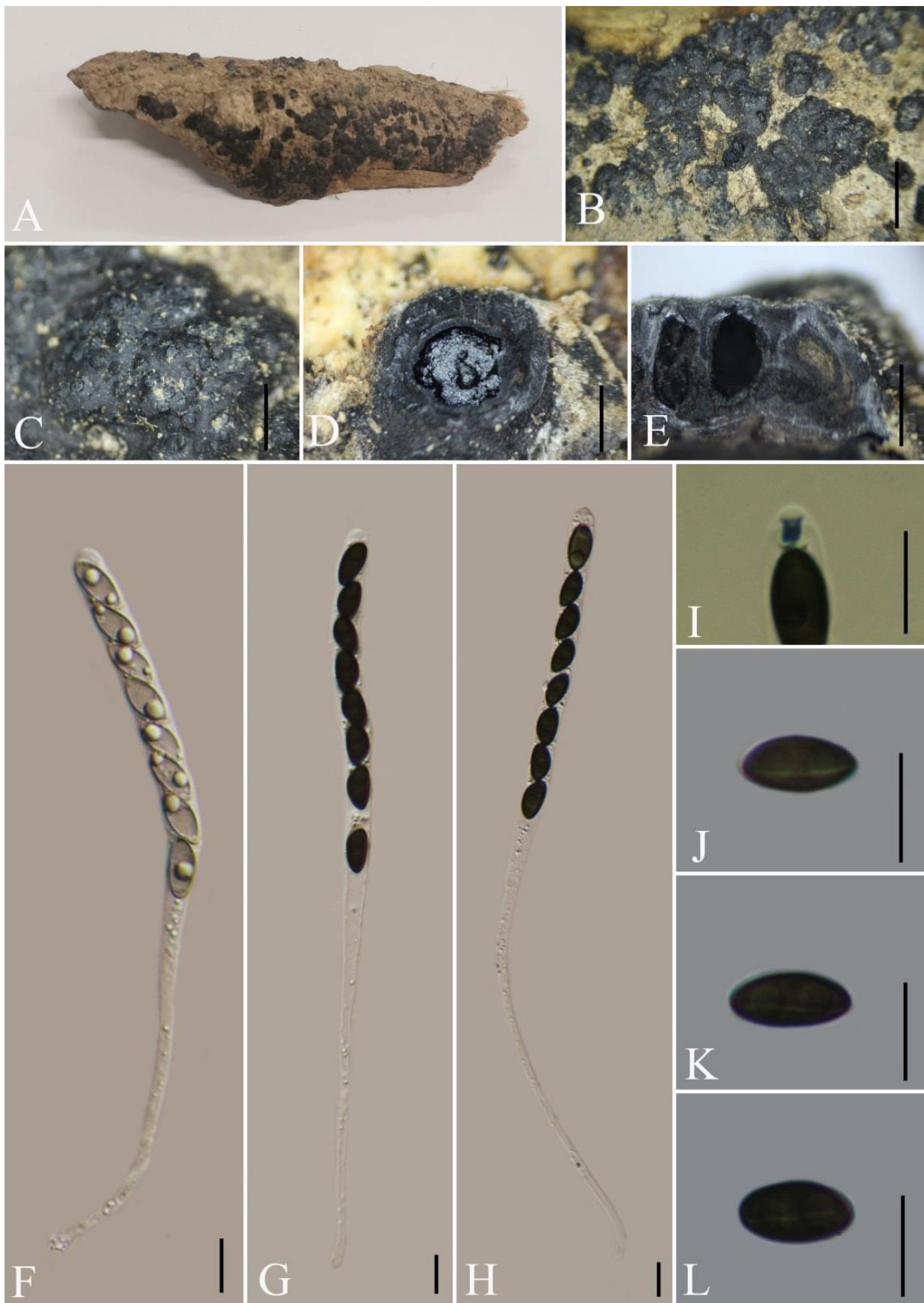


Figure 19 – *Nemanium bannaensis* (GMB0731, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s Reagent). J–L ascospores. Scale bars: B = 1 cm, C = 5 mm, D–E = 500 μ m, F–L = 10 μ m.

Notes – In the initial BLAST result of molecular analysis, *Nemania bannaensis* was found closely related to *N. bipapillata* (Accession: GU292818) and exhibiting morphological similarities, notably a similar size of ascospores. A diagnostic feature of *N. bipapillata* is the configuration of its ostiolar discs, which consist of a raised annulus with an outer diameter of 0.25–0.30 mm encircling an obtusely dome-shaped, shiny black ostiolar papilla and delimited by a narrow furrow. In contrast, *N. bannaensis* features ostioles that are coarsely papillate in discoid areas, with the ostiolar area being blackish, shiny, frequently flattened and usually surrounded by a circle of white tissue. The stromatal surface is initially orange-brown and turns brownish black in *N. bipapillata*, whereas dull black in *N. bannaensis* (Fournier et al. 2018). Furthermore, the stromata of *N. bannaensis* are larger, measuring 5–40 mm in length, 4–35 mm in width, as opposed to the stromata of *N. bipapillata*, which are 0.8–9 mm long, 0.8–2.3 mm wide (Fournier et al. 2018). The analysis of ITS sequences for these two species reveals a sequence length of 536 base pairs, with an 86.9% similarity, and an 8.4% gap presence, indicating 466 matching positions out of the total 536.

Morphologically, *Nemania bannaensis* and *N. creoleuca* share a similar stromata shape, they can be distinguished by the size of their ascospores. *Nemania bannaensis* has shorter ascospores $10.5\text{--}13 \times 5.5\text{--}7.5 \mu\text{m}$ compared to *N. creoleuca* ($12.5\text{--}17 \times 5\text{--}8.5 \mu\text{m}$) (Ju & Rogers 2002). Furthermore, *N. creoleuca* has shorter stromata, measuring 3–20 mm in length, 1–8 mm in width, sometimes with inconspicuous perithecial mounds, while *N. bannaensis* has larger stromata, measuring 5–40 mm in length, 4–35 mm in width, with conspicuous perithecial mounds. Additionally, *N. creoleuca* features whitish, soft tissue between the perithecia, while the interperithecial tissue in *N. bannaensis* is blackish and carbonaceous (Ju & Rogers 2002).

Nemania buxi S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 20

MycoBank number: MB850417

Etymology – The specific epithet refers to the genus of host, *Buxus*.

Description – Saprobiic on decaying wood. Sexual morph: Stromata 3.5–8 mm long \times 3–6.5 mm wide \times 0.75–1.1 mm thick, superficial, gregarious, effused-pulvinate, orbicular to irregularly elongated, often coalescent, with abrupt to sloping margins, surface dark brown, with inconspicuous perithecial contours but roughened by deep cracks and wrinkles, hard-textured, carbonaceous, interior black, entire tissue carbonaceous around the perithecia. Perithecia 0.6–0.9 mm diam. \times 0.65–1 mm high, subglobose obovoid or tubular. Ostioles obtusely papillate, at times inconspicuous, black, overlain by a tan pellicle on developing stromata, the tan colour fading with age; mature stromata lacking KOH extractable pigments. Asci $140.5\text{--}199 \times 5.5\text{--}9 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 170.1 \times 7.5 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long stipitate, the spore-bearing parts $70\text{--}80 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 75 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$) long, with an amyloid apical apparatus, $1.5\text{--}2.5 \times 1.5\text{--}2.5 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 2 \times 2.1 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), tubular with a faint upper rim. Ascospores $10.5\text{--}12.5 \times 5.5\text{--}7.5 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 11.3 \times 6.4 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), uniseriate, unicellular, smooth, dark brown, slightly inequilateral ellipsoid, with rounded ends, with a conspicuous, straight germ slit spore-length to slightly less than spore-length on the flattened side; perispore indehiscent in 10% KOH. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics. Colonies grown on PDA, reached 6 cm in one week at 25 °C. On OA media, white, velvety, rosette, high convex in centre, dense, white to cream from above, white irregular edge, with white from the below. No conidia were observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Linxiang City, Wulao Mountain National Forest Park (23°05'8.27"N, 98°40'17.87"E), altitude: 2583 m, on branches of a plant of *Buxus* sp., 7 August 2021. Sihan Long, WLS15 (GMB0735, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131193, isotype, ex-type living culture GMBC0735).

Other Material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Linxiang City, Wulao Mountain National Forest Park (23°05'10.83"N, 98°40'75.66"E), altitude: 2504 m, on branches of an unidentified plant, 7 August 2021, Sihan Long, WLS77 (GMB0790, GMBC0790).

Notes – In the phylogram (Fig. 1), *Nemania buxi* is closely related to *N. cyclobalanopsina* Y.H. Pi & Q.R. Li. Morphologically, they also share similarities, particularly in the morphology of

their ascospores. However, notable differences are evident in the stromata and perithecia size, as well as features of the ostiole (Pi et al. 2021). Specifically, the stromata of *N. cyclobalanopsina* are larger, measuring 6–26 mm long × 3.5–10 mm wide, whereas those of *N. buxi* are smaller, measuring 3.5–8 mm long × 3–6.5 mm wide (Pi et al. 2021). Additionally, *N. cyclobalanopsina* possesses ostioles that are higher than the stromatal surface, coarsely rounded-papillate, and black, without an encircling disc. In contrast, *N. buxi* has obtusely papillate ostioles, which can be at times inconspicuous, and are overlain by a tan pellicle on developing stromata, with the tan color fading with age. Furthermore, the perithecia of *N. cyclobalanopsina* are smaller, measuring 0.2–0.3 mm diam. and 0.38–0.46 mm high, whereas those of *N. buxi* are larger, measuring 0.6–0.9 mm diam. and 0.65–1 mm high (Pi et al. 2021). The ITS sequence analysis for *N. buxi* and *N. cyclobalanopsina* reveals a sequence length of 502 base pairs, with a 90.0% similarity, and 8.2% gap presence, representing 452 matching positions out of 502.

Morphologically, *N. buxi* also resembles *N. discostoma* J. Fourn. & Lechat. Both species are characterized by black stromata with major cracks on the surface, ostioles that are weakly papillate and typically have a raised-discoid base (Fournier et al. 2018). In *Nemania discostoma*, perithecia are occasionally seated on a thick layer of white soft tissue, and their perithecia are small, measuring 0.5 × 0.25 mm to 0.45–0.5 mm in diameter. In contrast to *N. discostoma*, *N. buxi* features carbonaceous tissue throughout, with the entire tissue around the perithecia being carbonaceous (Fournier et al. 2018).

Nemania landingshanensis S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 21

Mycobank number: MB850418

Etymology – The specific epithet “landingshanensis” refers to the geographical location Landingshan, where the holotype specimen was collected.

Description – Saprobic on decaying wood. Sexual morph: Stromata 1–2 mm long × 1–2 mm wide × 0.65–0.95 mm high, 1–2 perithecia per stromata, rarely three, pulvinate to effused-pulvinate, rarely perithecioid, orbicular, rarely coalescent; single distribution, rarely confluent, surface slight brown to brown, dark brown to black around the ostioles, hard-textured, with inconspicuous to moderately exposed perithecial contours and usually sloping margins, internally black between ascomata, carbonaceous; subperithecial tissue black, conspicuous; does not release a coloured pigment in 10% KOH. Perithecia 0.55–0.8 mm diam. × 0.65–0.7 mm high, subglobose to depressed-spherical. Ostioles conspicuous, shiny black, broadly conic-papillate or more finely papillate at the centre of a slightly raised discoid. Asci 180.5–268 × 6–9 μm (\bar{x} = 228.1 × 7.3 μm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long stipitate, the spore-bearing parts 67–80 μm (\bar{x} = 74 μm, n = 30) long, apically rounded with an amyloid apical apparatus, 2–3 wide, 2.5–4 μm high (\bar{x} = 2.5 × 3 μm, n = 30), jar shape. Ascospores 10–12.5 × 5–7 μm (\bar{x} = 12 × 5.5 μm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, inequilateral ellipsoid to slightly fusoid, with slightly narrowly rounded ends, smooth, brown to dark brown, with a fairly conspicuous, straight, almost spore-length germ slit on the least convex side; lacking a sheath and appendage; perispore indehiscent in 10% KOH. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics. Colonies grow on PDA, reached 6 cm in one week at 25 °C, On OA media, white, velvety, rosette, high convex in centre, dense, white to cream from above, white irregular edge, slightly brown from the below. No conidia were observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Maolan County, Landing Mountain National Forest Park (25.482853°N, 107.8982516°E), altitude: 454 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 23 November 2021, Sihan Long, LDS99 (GMB0791, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131194, isotype, ex-type living culture GMBC0791).

Other Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Maolan County, Landing Mountain National Forest Park (25.486642°N, 107.899274°E), altitude: 469 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 23 November 2021, Sihan Long, LDS168 (GMB0786, GMBC0786).

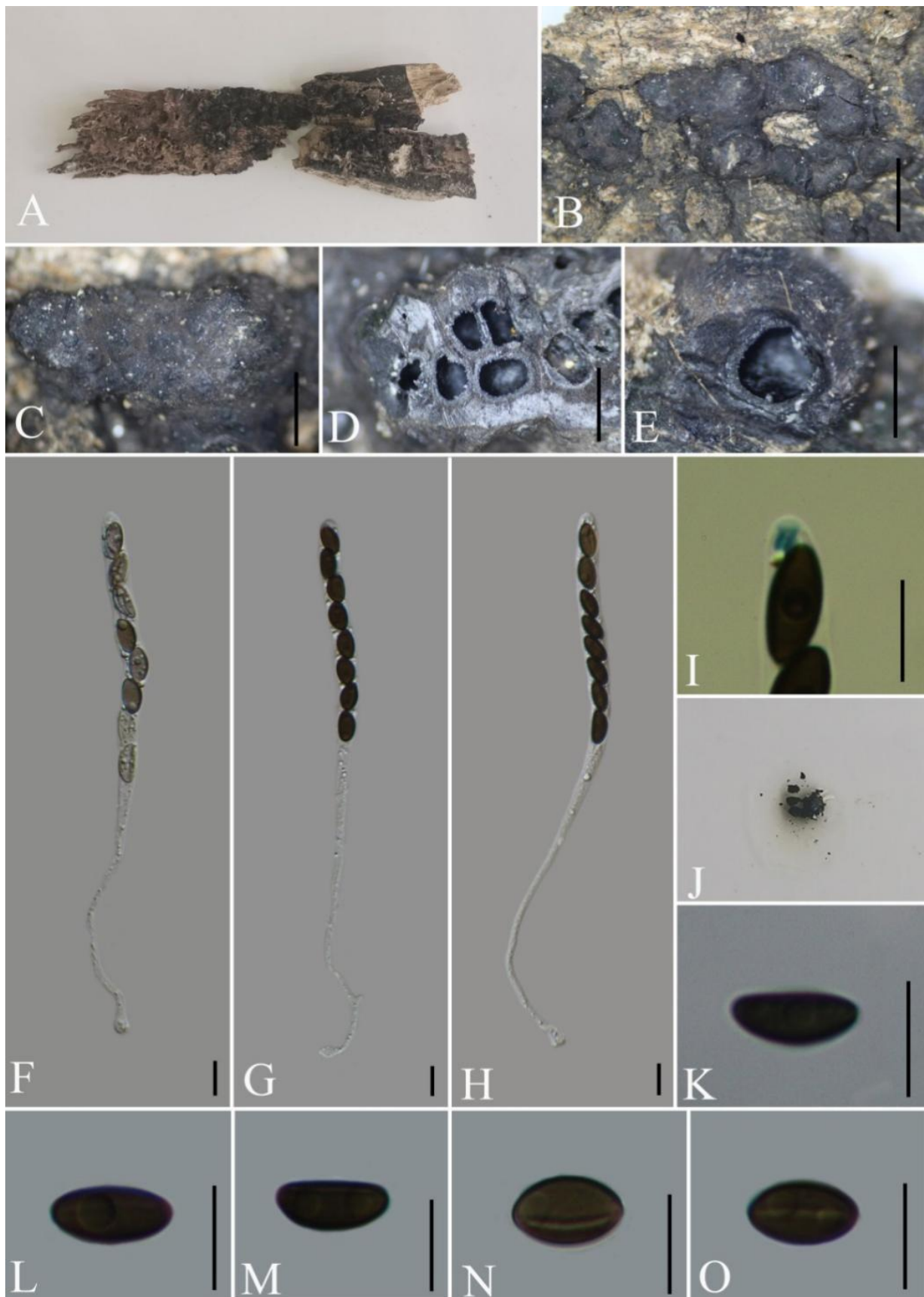


Figure 20 – *Nemanja buxi* (GMB0735, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stromata. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). J pigments in KOH. K ascospore with indehiscent perispore in 10% KOH. L–O ascospores. Scale bars: B, D = 2 mm, C = 3 mm, E = 1 mm, F–I, K–O = 10 μ m.

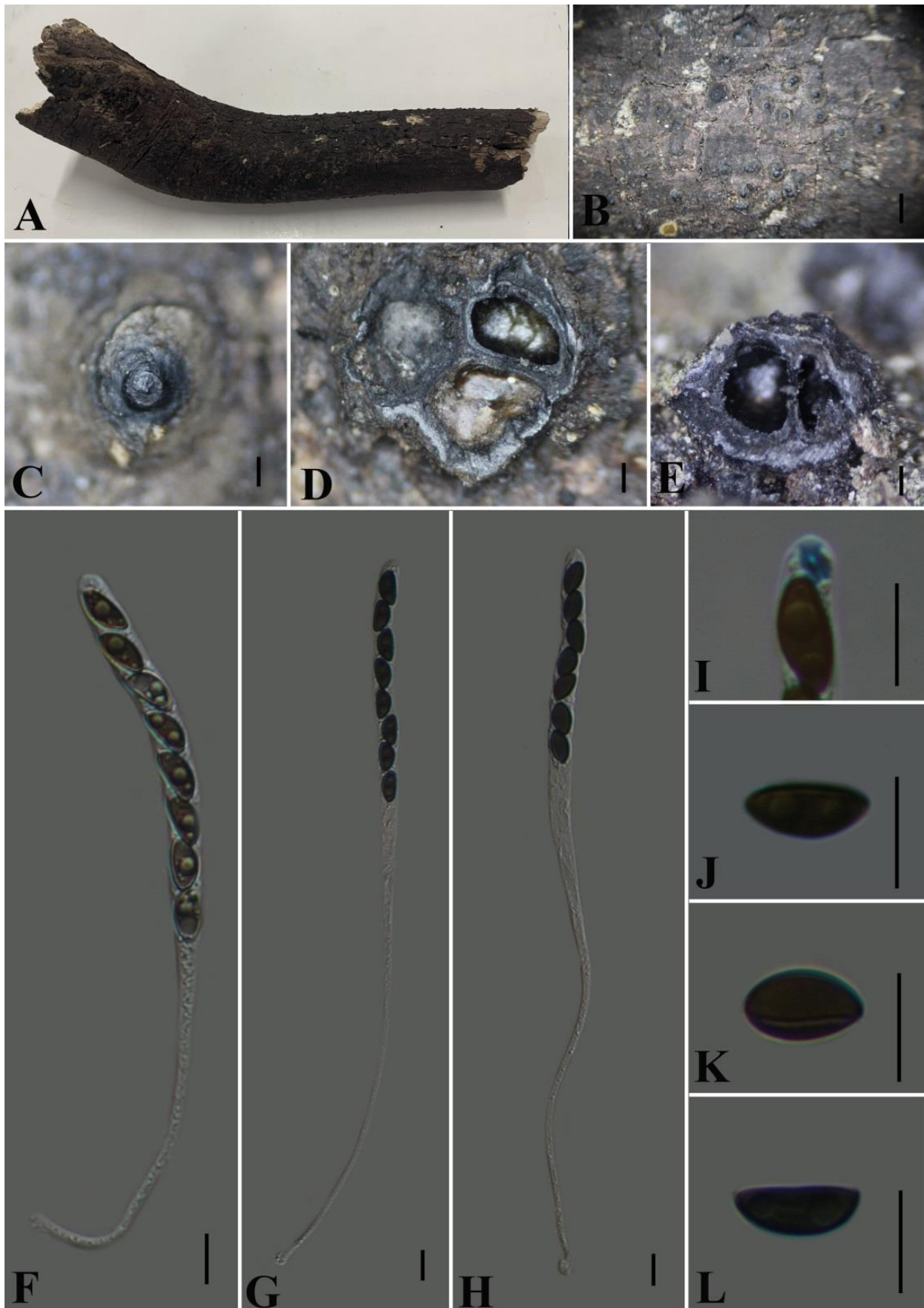


Figure 21 – *Nemanium landingshanensis* (GMB0791, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). J–L ascospores. Scale bars: B = 5 mm, C–E = 200 μ m, F–L = 10 μ m.

Notes – In our phylogram (Fig. 1), *N. landingshanensis* appeared sister to *N. camelliae* Y.H. Pi & Q.R. Li with a strong statistical support of 100/1. These two species share many similarities, but can be differentiated based on the stromatal size, surface coloration, and ostiole characteristics. *Nemania camelliae* stromata are 1.5–4 mm long × 1–2 mm wide, with a dull black surface and inconspicuous to moderately exposed perithecial contours, along with sloping margins (Pi et al. 2021). In contrast, *N. landingshanensis* stromata are slightly larger, measuring 1–4.5 mm long × 1–3.5 mm wide, with a surface that varies from slight brown to brown, with a darker brown to black area around the ostioles. *Nemania camelliae* ostioles are finely papillate, black, and conspicuously sunken in a shallow discoid depression. In contrast, *N. landingshanensis* ostioles are conspicuous either broadly conic-papillate or more finely papillate at the center and not sunken in a shallow discoid depression (Pi et al. 2021). The ITS sequence analysis of *N. landingshanensis* and *N. camelliae* shows a sequence length of 479 base pairs, with 95.8% similarity, and 2.7% gap presence.

Nemania landingshanensis shares morphological similarities with *N. bannaensis* but can be differentiated by the latter's larger stromata (5–40 mm long × 4–35 mm wide), coarsely papillate ostioles in discoid areas, frequently flattened, and the presence of a conspicuous germ slit on the flattened side of its ascospores (This study).

Nemania lasiocarpae S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 22

Mycobank number: MB850419

Etymology – The epithet refers to its host *Populus lasiocarpa* Oliv.

Description – Saprobic on *Populus lasiocarpa*. Sexual morph: Stromata 5–35 mm long × 3–7.5 mm wide × 0.7–1 mm high, pulvinate to effused-pulvinate, orbicular to irregularly lobed, with inconspicuous perithecial mounds, with sloping margins; perithecial contours barely exposed to unexposed, surface dark brown to black, carbonaceous, interior black, entirely carbonaceous around the perithecia; subperithecial tissue inconspicuous; mature stromata lacking KOH extractable pigments. Perithecia 0.4–0.55 mm diam. × 0.6–0.8 mm high, subglobose to depressed-spherical. Ostioles slightly higher than stromatal surface and with openings papillate, without encircling disc. Asci 197–251 × 9.5–13 μm (\bar{x} = 227.4 × 11.3 μm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, long cylindrical, long stipitate, the spore-bearing parts 100–130 μm (\bar{x} = 121 μm) long, with amyloid urn-shaped apical apparatus, 5.5–8 × 4.5–6 μm (\bar{x} = 6.8 × 5.5 μm, n = 30), tubular with a faint upper rim. Ascospores 18.5–22 × 7–9 μm (\bar{x} = 20.5 × 7.9 μm, n = 30), uniseriate unicellular, smooth, light brown, ellipsoid-inequilateral, with broadly and narrowly rounded ends, with a conspicuous, straight germ slit spore-length to slightly much less than spore-length on the flattened side; perispore indehiscent in 10% KOH. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics. Colonies grow on PDA, reached 6 cm in one week at 25 °C. On OA media, colonies white, velvety, rosette, high convex in centre, dense, irregular edge, white from above, orange from below. No conidia were observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Yuxi City, Maojuan Mountain Scenic Area, Jinshan Primeval Forest (23°57'8.27"N, 101°30'17.87"E), altitude: 2405 m, on branches of *Populus lasiocarpa* Oliv., 7 July 2021. Sihan Long, JS18 (GMB0742, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131195, isotype, ex-type living culture GMBC0742).

Other Material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Yuxi City, Maojuan Mountain Scenic Area, Jinshan Primeval Forest (23°57'91.38"N, 101°30'63.91"E), altitude: 2405 m, on branches of an unidentified plant, 7 July 2021. Sihan Long, JS89 (GMB0792, GMBC0792).

Notes – In stromata morphology, it closely resembles *N. plumbea* A.M.C. Tang, Jeewon & K.D. Hyde but can be distinguished from *N. lasiocarpae* by its smaller ascospores, measuring 13–16 × 5.4–6.6 μm (vs. 18.5–22 × 7–9 μm), with a germ slit on the concave side rather than the flattened side, which is a characteristic of the latter (Tang et al. 2007). Furthermore, *N. plumbea* features grey, soft-textured stromata with a persistent mat of white hyphae, setting it apart from the new species (Tang et al. 2007). Morphologically, *N. lasiocarpae* also resembles *N. rubi*, but it can

be easily differentiated based on ascospore morphology. *Nemania rubi* features smaller ascospores, measuring $9\text{--}12 \times 4\text{--}6 \mu\text{m}$, and lacks germ slits (Pi et al. 2021).

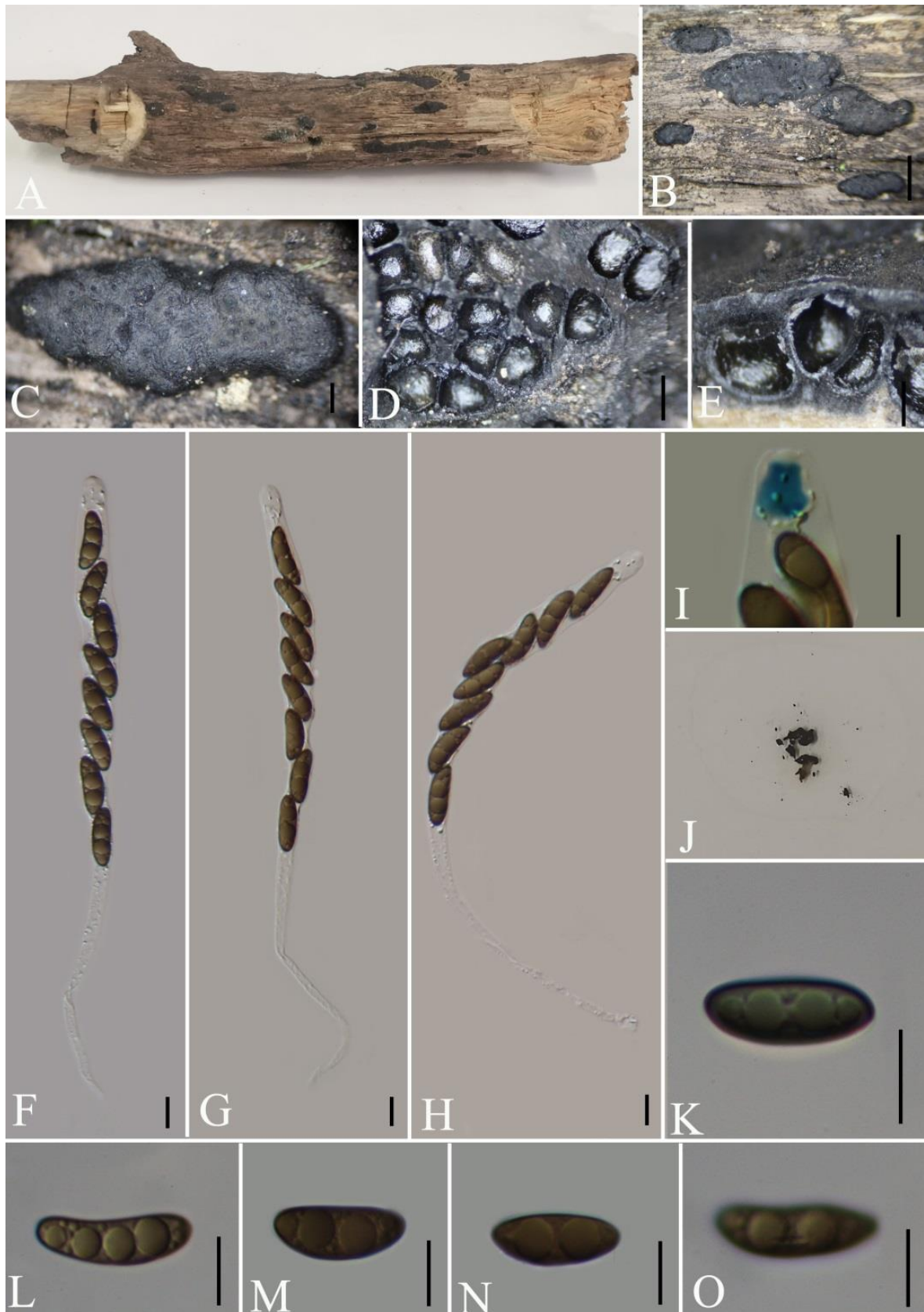


Figure 22 – *Nemania lasiocarpae* (GMB0742, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stromata. F–H asci with ascospores. I pigment in KOH. J ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). K ascospore

with indehiscent perispore in 10% KOH. L–O ascospores. Scale bars: B, C = 1 mm, D, E = 500 μ m, F–I, L–O = 10 μ m.

In our phylogram (Fig. 1), *Nemania lasiocarpae* appeared sister to *N. hyrcana* Pourmoghaddam, Voglmayr & Khodaparast. However, the latter can be distinguished by its stromata, which exhibit a metallic tone and conspicuous perithecial mounds. Additionally, *N. hyrcana* possesses ascospores with a straight germ slit that is much shorter than the spore-length on the dorsal side, and has a smaller apical apparatus measuring 3.5–4 μ m in height and 2.5–3 μ m in width (Pourmoghaddam et al. 2022). The ITS sequence analysis of *N. lasiocarpae* and *N. hyrcana* reveals a sequence length of 548 base pairs, with an 86.3% similarity, and 6.0% gap presence, representing 473 matching positions out of 548.

Nemania leigongshanensis S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 23

MycoBank number: MB850420

Etymology – The specific epithet “leigongshanensis” refers to its collection location in Leigongshan.

Description – Saprobic on decaying wood. Sexual morph: Stromata 3–11.5 mm long \times 1–9 mm wide \times 1–1.3 mm thick, pulvinate, attached to substrate along entire area of the base, frequently confluent, with conspicuous perithecial mounds, surface dull black and slightly shiny at maturity, carbonaceous, stromatal tissue beneath perithecia light brown, stromatal tissue between the perithecia white to light brown loosely fibrous to cottony; not releasing a coloured pigment in 10% KOH. Perithecia 600–800 μ m diam. \times 400–700 μ m high, subglobose. Ostioles slightly higher than the stromatal surface, with openings slightly papillate. Asci 183.5–277 \times 5–7 μ m (\bar{x} = 216.3 \times 6 μ m, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, long cylindrical, long stipitate, spore-bearing parts 65–75 μ m long, apically rounded with an amyloid apical apparatus, 2–3 \times 2–3 μ m (\bar{x} = 1.8 \times 1.5 μ m, n = 30), tubular with a faint upper rim. Ascospores 11–14 \times 5.5–8 μ m (\bar{x} = 12.6 \times 6.8 μ m, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, smooth, brown to dark brown, slightly inequilateral, with narrowly rounded ends, with a germ slit running the whole ascospores length. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Colonies grow slowly on the PDA, reached 4.5 cm in diam., in 2 weeks at 25 °C. On OA media, colonies white, thick in the middle, edges shallow, irregular bands, reverse slightly orange. No conidia observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Leishan town, Leigongshan Nature Reserve (26°20'66.28"N, 108°21'33.38"E), altitude: 802 m, on branches of an unidentified plant, 10 April 2021. Sihan Long, LGS53 (GMB0743, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131196, isotype, ex-type living culture GMBC0743).

Other Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Leishan town, Leigongshan Nature Reserve (26°20'35.34"N, 108°21'91.43"E), altitude: 834 m, on branches of an unidentified plant, 10 April 2021. Sihan Long, LGS150 (GMB0787, GMBC0787).

Notes – Morphologically, *Nemania leigongshanensis* shows resemblance to *N. immersidiscus* Van der Gucht, Y.M. Ju & J.D. Rogers as both share similar features and sized ascospores (Ju & Rogers 2002). However, *N. leigongshanensis* ostioles are slightly elevated than the stromatal surface, and their openings are slightly papillate. In contrast, ostioles in *N. immersidiscus* are finely papillate and more conspicuously sunken within a shallow discoid depression (Ju & Rogers 2002). Additionally, in *N. leigongshanensis*, the stromatal tissue beneath the perithecia presents a light brown colour, while the tissue located between the perithecia appears white to light brown. Furthermore, *N. immersidiscus* often forms a thin layer of white sterile tissue on the host surface, which persists at maturity, which distinguishing it from *N. leigongshanensis* (Ju & Rogers 2002).

In our phylogenetic analyses, *N. leigongshanensis* exhibited a close clustering with *N. lishuicola* and received robust support (96/1). Morphologically, *N. leigongshanensis* differs in having smaller ascospores 11–14 \times 5.5–8 μ m (vs. 12.5–17 \times 5–8.5 μ m) with narrowly rounded ends, while those of *N. lishuicola* had broadly rounded ends and the stromatal tissue beneath and between the perithecia are carbonaceous and black (vs. the stromatal tissue beneath the perithecia

presents a light brown colour, while the tissue located between the perithecia appears white to light brown) (Pi et al. 2021). The ITS analysis of *N. leigongshanensis* and *N. lishuicola* reveals a sequence length of 519 base pairs, with an 88.2% identity, and 10.0% gap presence, indicating 458 matching positions out of 519.

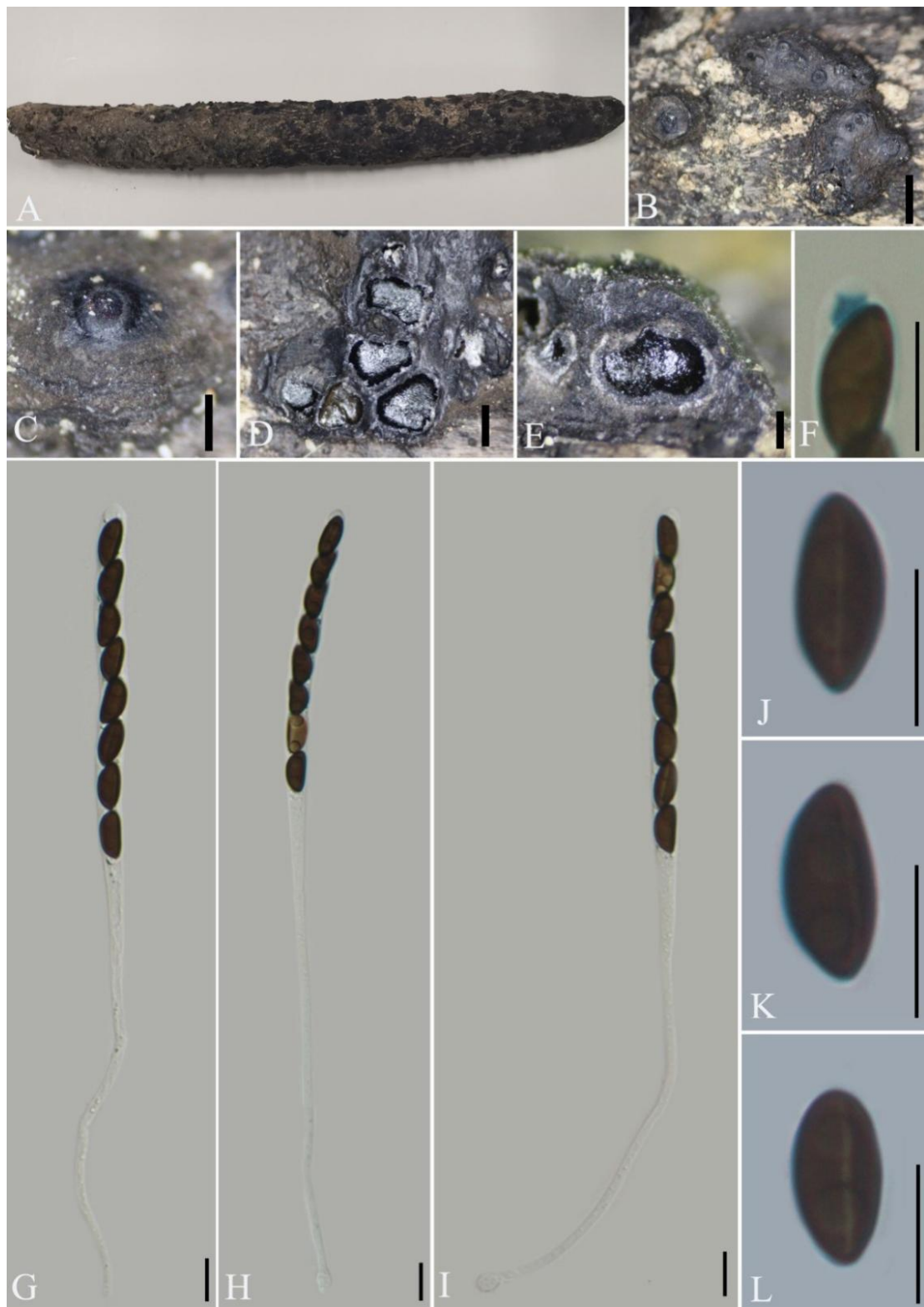


Figure 23 – *Nemania leigongshanensis* (GMB0743, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). G–I asci with ascospores. J–L ascospores. Scale bars: B–C = 500 μ m, D = 200 μ m, F–L = 10 μ m.

Nemania mengmanensis S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 24

MycoBank number: MB850421

Etymology – The specific epithet “mengmanensis” refers to its collection location Mengman county.

Description – Saprobiic on decaying wood. Sexual morph: Stromata 3–6 mm long × 2–5 mm wide × 1–2 mm high, 2 to many perithecia per stromata, pulvinate to effused-pulvinate, rarely perithecioid, orbicular to irregularly elongated, often coalescent; single distribution, usually confluent into irregularly elongated compound stromata, surface dark brown to dull black, hard-textured, with inconspicuous to moderately exposed perithecial contours and usually sloping margins, internally black between ascomata, carbonaceous; subperithecial tissue black, conspicuous; does not release a coloured pigment in 10% KOH. Perithecia 0.5–0.8 mm diam. × 0.7–0.8 mm high, subglobose. Ostioles conspicuous, black, broadly conic-papillate or more finely papillate at the centre of a slightly raised discoid. Asci 188.5–282 × 5.5–7.5 μm (\bar{x} = 231.6 × 6.5 μm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long stipitate, the spore-bearing parts 67–80 μm long, apically rounded with an amyloid apical apparatus, 1–3 wide, 1.5–3.5 μm high (\bar{x} = 2.1 × 2.3 μm, n = 30), jar shape. Ascospores 11–13 × 5–7 μm (\bar{x} = 12.1 × 6.1 μm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, ellipsoid to slightly fusoid, inequilateral, with rounded ends, smooth, slight brown to dark brown, with a fairly conspicuous, straight, almost spore-length germ slit on the least convex side; lacking a sheath and appendage; perispore indehiscent in 10% KOH. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Colonies grow on PDA, reached 6 cm in diameter in one week at 25 °C. On OA media, Colonies white, velvety to hairy, zonnate, rosette, high convex in centre, dense, white from above, irregular edge, white from the below. No conidia were observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Jinghong City, Mengman country (26°18'55.53"N, 100°56'20.51"E), 1201 m, on dead branch of unidentified plant, 23 November 2021, Sihan Long, MM2 (GMB0745, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131197, isotype, ex-type living culture GMBC0745).

Other material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Jinghong City, Mengman country (26°18'63.44"N, 100°56'31.98"E), altitude: 1183 m, dead branch of an unidentified plant, 23 November 2021, Sihan Long, MM13 (GMB0793, GMBC0793).

Notes – The ascospore morphology of *N. mengmanensis* is similar to that of *N. camelliae* and *N. immersidiscus* (Ju & Rogers 2002, Pi et al. 2021). *Nemania immersidiscus* features stromata that can be much larger, with dimensions of (2.5–42 mm long × 2–12 mm wide × 0.65–1 mm thick). These stromata contain white soft tissue between and beneath the perithecia and are sometimes surrounded by white sterile tissue, forming a thin layer on the host surface. This species exhibits finely papillate, black ostioles that are more or less conspicuously sunken in a shallow discoid depression. The apical apparatus in *N. immersidiscus* measures 2.3–2.8 × 2–2.4 μm (Ju & Rogers 2002). *Nemania camelliae* has slightly smaller stromata measuring (1.5–4 mm long × 1–2 mm wide × 0.5–1 mm high) and features a small discoid depression around the ostiolar papilla, which distinguishes it from *N. mengmanensis* (Pi et al. 2021).

In the phylogram (Fig. 1), *Nemania mengmanensis* formed a clade in sister relationship with *N. bannaensis*, which is distinct in having large stromata, measuring 5–40 mm in length, with conspicuous perithecial mounds, small tubular apical apparatus 2–3 × 1.5–2 μm (with faint upper rim). Additionally, its germ slit is spore-length to slightly less than spore-length on the flattened side, and the asci spore-bearing part is relatively large, measuring 86.5–92 μm (This study).

Nemania subchangningensis S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 25

MycoBank number: MB850422

Etymology – The epithet refers to its similar species *Nemania changningensis*.

Description – Saprobiic on decaying wood. Sexual morph: Stromata up to 10–23 mm long × 5.5–12.5 mm wide × 0.6–0.75 mm high, effused-pulvinate, confluent into irregularly elongated

compound stromata, irregularly lobed, plane or with inconspicuous perithecial mounds and sloping margins; surface covered with white tissue, persistent layer, with blackish-grey carbonaceous sub-surface showing through in places; the tissue beneath the perithecial layer inconspicuous, greyish-white in places, the underlying wood blackened; mature stromata lacking KOH extractable pigments. Perithecia 0.35–0.5 mm diam. × 0.45–0.6 mm high, subglobose to depressed-spherical.

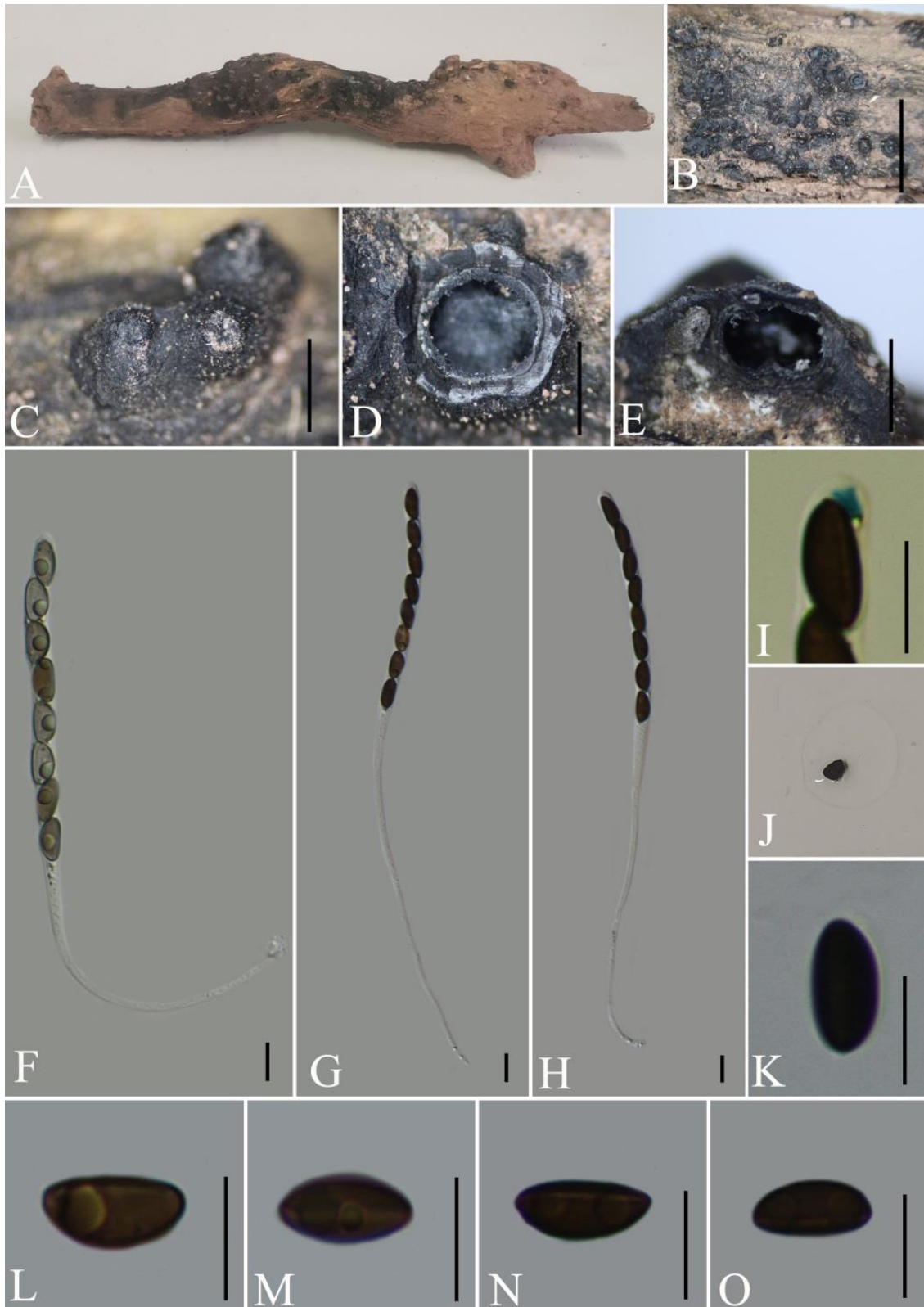


Figure 24 – *Nemaniamanmengensis* (GMB0745, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stromata. F–H asci with

ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). J pigments in KOH. K ascospore with indehiscent perispore in 10% KOH. L–O ascospores. Scale bars: B = 1 cm, C = 1 mm, D, E = 500 μ m, F–I, L–O = 10 μ m.

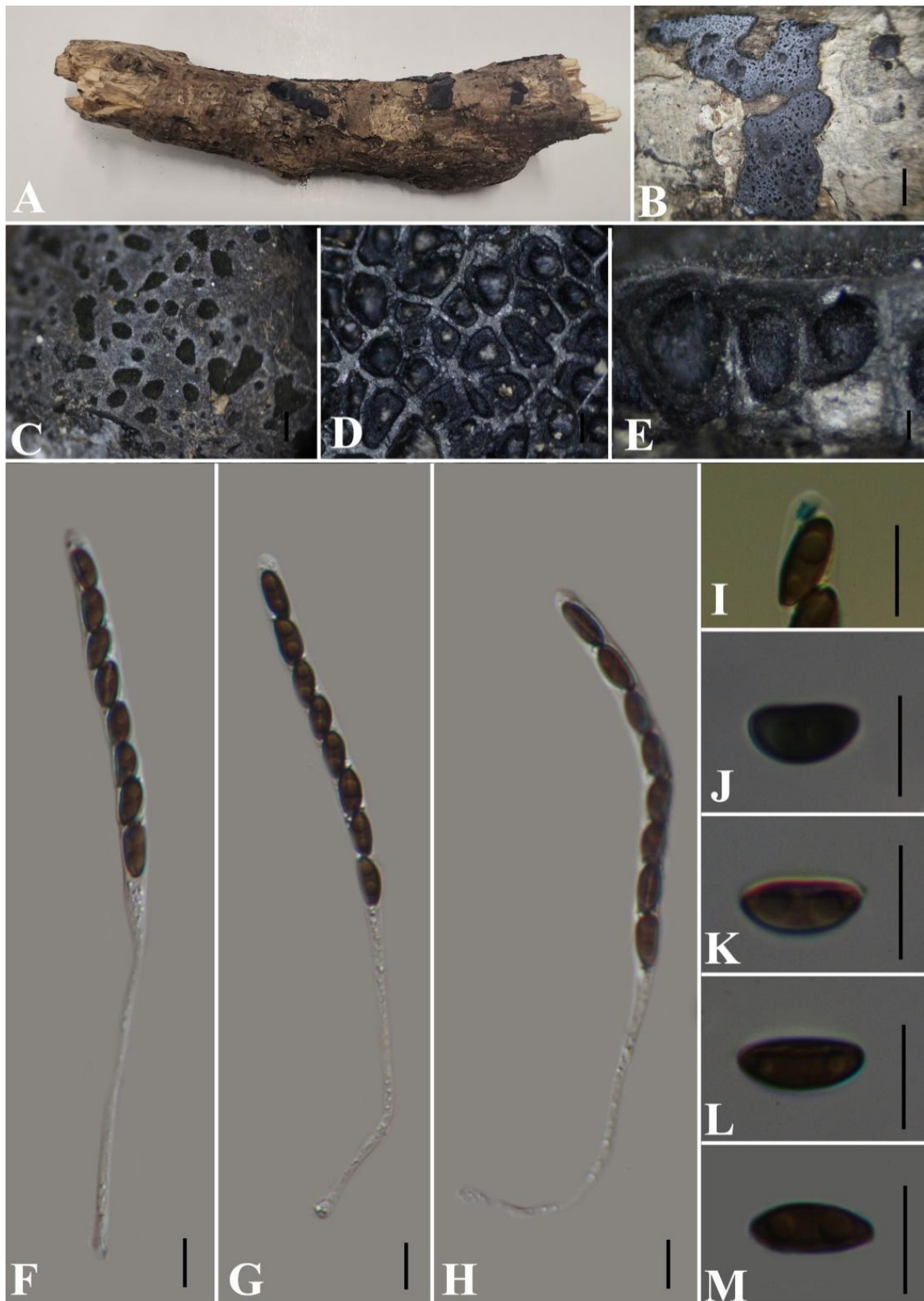


Figure 25 – *Nemaniam subchangningensis* (GMB0749, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with

ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's Reagent). J–M ascospores. Scale bars: B = 1 mm, C–E = 200 μ m, F–M = 10 μ m.

Ostioles slightly higher than stromatal surface and with openings papillate, often surrounded by white tissue, inconspicuous, black, without encircling disc. Asci 136.5–193.5 \times 6–9 μ m (\bar{x} = 165.1 \times 7.1 μ m, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long stipitate, the spore-bearing parts 70–90 μ m long, with a amyloid apical apparatus, 1.5–2 \times 2–3 μ m (\bar{x} = 1.8 \times 2.5 μ m, n = 30), tubular with a faint upper rim. Ascospores 10.5–13 \times 4.5–6.5 μ m (\bar{x} = 11.5 \times 5.5 μ m, n = 30), uniseriate unicellular, smooth, dark brown, slightly inequilateral, with rounded ends, with a conspicuous, straight germ slit spore-length to slightly less than spore-length on the flattened side; perispore indehiscent in 10% KOH. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics. Colonies grow on PDA, reached 6 cm in one week at 25 °C. white. On OA media, colonies velvety, rosette, dense, white to cream from above, irregular edge, white from below. No conidia were observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Yuxi City, Maojuan Mountain Scenic Area, Jinshan Primeval Forest (23°57'8.27"N, 101°30'17.87"E), altitude: 2405 m, on branches of an unidentified plant, 7 July 2021, Sihan Long, JS19 (GMB0749, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131198, isotype, ex-type living culture GMBC0749).

Other material examined – CHINA, Yunnan Province, Yuxi City, Maojuan Mountain Scenic Area, Jinshan Primeval Forest (23°57'48.29"N, 101°30'57.66"E), altitude: 2445 m, on branches of an unidentified plant, 7 July 2021, Sihan Long, JS103 (GMB0797, GMBC0797).

Notes – In the phylogram (Fig. 1), *N. subchangningensis* is closely related to *N. cyclobalanopsina* Y.H. Pi & Q.R. Li. However, there are distinct differences in their stromata morphology. *Nemania subchangningensis* stromata are covered with a persistent layer of white tissue, revealing blackish-grey carbonaceous sub-surface. Additionally, the ostioles in *N. subchangningensis* have papillate openings and are often surrounded by white tissue, setting it apart from *N. cyclobalanopsina* (Pi et al. 2021). The ITS sequence analysis of *N. subchangningensis* and *N. cyclobalanopsina* reveals a sequence length of 506 base pairs, with an 89.5% identity, and 8.9% gap presence, representing 453 matching positions out of 506. Morphologically, *N. subchangningensis* and *N. changningensis* Y.H. Pi & Q.R. Li share similarities in stromata morphology. However, *N. changningensis* lacks germ slits in its ascospores and possesses narrower stromata measuring 2–4 mm wide \times 0.3–0.5 mm high (Pi et al. 2021).

Key to the new species of *Nemania*

1. 10–14 μ m long ascospores.....3
2. 18–22 μ m long ascospore.....*N. lasiocarpae*
3. Asci on average \geq 200 μ m long.....4
3. Asci on average < 200 μ m long.....7
4. Apical apparatus on average < 2 μ m wide.....5
4. Apical apparatus on average \geq 2 μ m wide.....6
5. Stromata 5–40 mm long, asci 159–243 μ m (average 201.7) long, apical apparatus 2.5 \times 1.8 μ m on average, perithecia 350–650 μ m in diameter.....*N. bannaensis*
5. Stromata 3–11.5 mm long, asci 183–277 μ m (average 216) long, apical apparatus 1.8 \times 1.5 μ m on average, perithecia 600–800 μ m in diameter.....*N. leigongshanensis*
6. Stromata 1–2 mm long \times 1–2 mm wide \times 0.65–0.95 mm high, 1-2 perithecia per stromata, rarely three, apical apparatus 3 \times 2.5 μ m on average, ascospores with narrowly rounded end.....*N. landingshanensis*
6. Stromata 3–6 mm long \times 2–5 mm wide \times 1–2 mm high, 2 to many perithecia per stromata, apical apparatus 2.3 \times 2.1 μ m on average, ascospores with rounded end.....*N. mengmanensis*
7. Stromata 3.5–8 mm long, perithecia 0.6–0.9 mm in diameter.....*N. buxi*
7. Stromata 10–23 mm long, perithecia 0.35–0.5 mm in diameter.....*N. subchangningensis*

Nigropunctata Samarak. & K.D. Hyde, in Samarakoon, Hyde, Maharachchikumbura, Stadler, Gareth Jones, Promputtha, Suwannarach, Camporesi, Bulgakov & Liu, Fungal Diversity 112: 68 (2022).

The genus *Nigropunctata*, typified by *N. bambusicola* Samarak. & K.D. Hyde, has recently been introduced within the Xylariales. *Nigropunctata* species are characterized by immersed ascomata with a thick clypeus, white or yellow ectostroma, cylindrical shape with a short pedicel, apically rounded asci that stain amyloid and possess discoid or inverted, hat-shaped apical apparatus, as well as cylindrical to broadly ellipsoidal, aseptate ascospores with a germ slit (Samarakoon et al. 2022). The genus comprises three species, all of which are found on dead bamboo. The multigene phylogeny presented by Samarakoon et al. (2022) demonstrates that *Nigropunctata* clusters independently within Xylariales. However, in our own phylogram, it does not cluster independently but rather shares a clade with *Anthostomella*. In this study, we introduce a new species to this genus based on a combination of morphological and multilocus phylogenetic assessments.

Nigropunctata khalidii Y. P. Wu & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 26

Mycobank number: MB850423

Etymology – The epithet “khalidii” pays tribute to the renowned Pakistani mycologist, Prof. Abdul Nasir Khalid, in recognition of his valuable contributions to the field of mycology.

Description – Saprobic on dead bamboo culms. Sexual morph: Ascomata 608–782 × 762–830 μm (\bar{x} = 683 × 782 μm, n = 10), immersed under a black, poorly developed clypeus, visible as black, circular dots, solitary, scattered, in cross-section subglobose. Ostioles papillate on the centre, black. Peridium 11–16 μm (\bar{x} = 13 μm, n = 10) wide, comprising several layers, outer layer brown, comprising brown to dark brown cells, inner layer thin, composed of hyaline, thin-walled cells of *textura angularis*. Paraphyses 3.6–5.4 μm (\bar{x} = 4.3 μm, n = 10) wide, shorter than the asci, numerous, filamentous, sinuous, septate, constricted at septa, guttulate. Asci 146–173 × 8.6–13.6 μm (\bar{x} = 162 × 11.3 μm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, long-cylindrical, short pedicellate, apically rounded, discoid amyloid apical apparatus, 2.3–3.1 × 2.7–3.7 μm (\bar{x} = 2.7 × 3.4 μm, n = 30). Ascospores 14.8–18 × 6.3–9 μm (\bar{x} = 16 × 7.4 μm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, brown to dark brown, oblong to broadly ellipsoidal, guttulate, lack germ slit. surrounded by a mucilaginous sheath (3.4–4.4 μm; \bar{x} = 4 μm, n = 30) wide. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Material examined – CHINA, Guangdong Province, Zhaoqing City, Dinghu Mountain National Nature Reserve (23.104238°N, 113.346816°E), altitude: 810 m, on dead bamboo, 12 September 2020, Qirui Li, 2020DH13-2 (GMB1156, holotype; KUN-HKAS 131201, isotype; no culture was obtained).

Notes – Morphologically, *N. khalidii* can be readily distinguished from all the *Nigropunctata* species by lacking a germ slit of ascospore. Additionally, *N. nigrocircularis* Samarak. & K. D. Hyde differs by its small ascomata measuring 450–535 × 455–560 μm and an apical apparatus measuring 1.2–2.5 × 3.2–3.6 μm, while *N. bambusicola* Samarak. & K.D. Hyde differs with small ascomata 285–315 × 260–340 μm and discoid, inverted hat-shaped (1.7–2 × 4–4.8 μm) ascal apical apparatus, and *N. thailandica* Samarak. & K.D. Hyde exhibits larger ascal apical apparatus 4.5–6 μm (Samarakoon et al. 2022). Morphologically, it also shares resemblances with *Anthostomella tenacis*. However, *An. tenacis* is distinct in having globose ascomata with smaller asci 65–90 × 6–9 μm, and smaller ascospores measuring 7.5–12.5 × 5–6.5 μm with full length germ slit (Lu & Hyde 2000). The ITS sequence of *N. khalidii* exhibits similarity to that of *N. thailandica*, with a sequence length of 457 base pairs, featuring a 91.5% identity and similarity, with 7.4% gap presence, representing 418 matching positions out of 457.

Pandanicola K.D. Hyde, Sydowia 46(1): 35 (1994).

Notes – *Pandanicola*, a genus delineated by K. D. Hyde, is characterized by immersed ascomata under a black, shiny, dome-shaped clypeus, paraphyses in a gelatinous matrix, broad cylindrical asci without an apical apparatus, and reddish-brown unicellular ascospores featuring

thick, smooth walls and polar germ pores (Hyde 1994). Currently, this genus comprises only two known species. Notably, molecular data for *Pandanicola* are not available in GenBank. In this study, we introduce a novel species, *Pandanicola guizhouensis* based on morphoanatomical observations, and provides a comprehensive analysis combining multigene molecular analysis.

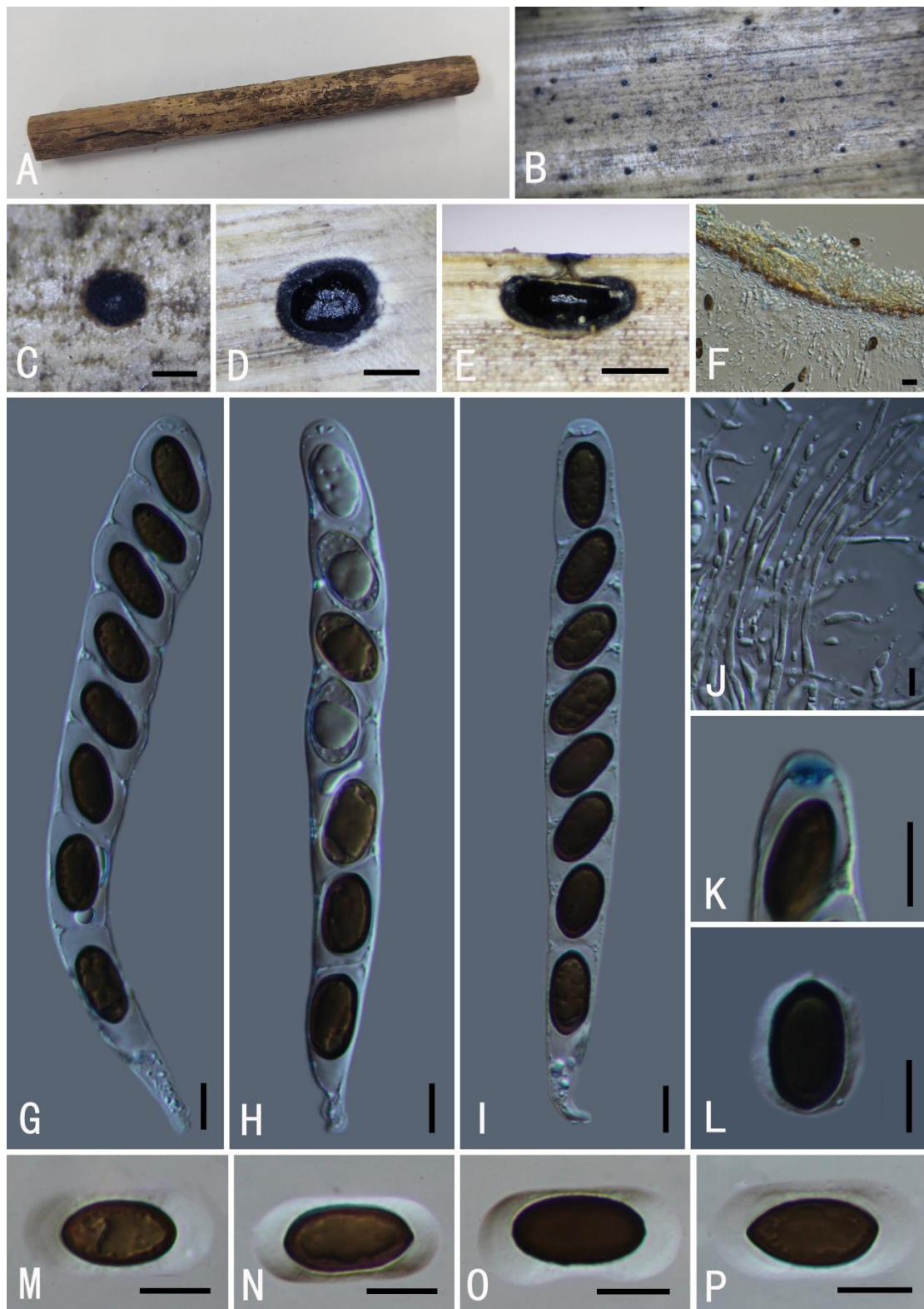


Figure 26 – *Nigropunctata khalidii* (GMB1156, holotype). A type material. B, C ascomata. D transverse section of ascomata. E longitudinal section of ascomata. F section of ascomata. G–I asci with ascospores. J paraphyses. K ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). L–P ascospores. Scale bars: C = 0.3 mm, D, E = 0.5 mm, F–P = 10 μ m.

Pandanicola guizhouensis Y.P. Wu & Q.R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 27

MycoBank number: MB850424

Etymology – The specific epithet refers to its collection location, Guizhou province.

Description – Saprobiic on dead bamboo. Sexual morph: Ascomata 582–634 × 316–378 μm (\bar{x} = 608 × 352 μm, n = 10), immersed under a black, poorly developed clypeus, solitary, slightly raised, dome-shaped areas, globose in vertical section. Ostioles papillate at the centre, black. Peridium 16–24 μm (\bar{x} = 18 μm, n = 10) wide, comprising several layers, outer layer brown, thick-walled angular cells, inner layer hyaline. Paraphyses 3.3–5.4 μm (\bar{x} = 4.6 μm, n = 10) wide, shorter than the asci, hyaline, unbranched, without septa. Asci 173–202 × 10.8–14.2 μm (\bar{x} = 188 × 12.6 μm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, long cylindrical, short pedicellate, apically rounded, apical apparatus not blue in Melzer's reagent. Ascospores 21.4–25.2 × 8.8–10.8 μm (\bar{x} = 23.6 × 9.4 μm, n = 30), uniseriate, unicellular, smooth, light brown, oblong, with narrowly rounded ends, with short germ slits at both ends, surrounded by a mucilaginous sheath (4.3–7.2 μm wide; \bar{x} = 5.2 μm, n = 30), lacking appendages. Asexual morph: undetermined.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Suiyang County, Kuankuoshui Nature Reserve (28.315530°N, 107.103724°E), altitude: 1544 m, on dead wood of bamboo, 2 May 2022, Youpeng Wu 2022KKS5 (GMB1157, holotype; KUN-HKAS 131199, isotype; no culture was obtained).

Other examined material – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Suiyang County, Kuankuoshui Nature Reserve (28.315632°N, 107.103814°E), altitude: 1546 m, on dead bamboo, 2 November 2022, Youpeng Wu, 2022KKS44 (GMB1158; KUN-HKAS 131200; no culture was obtained).

Notes – Morphologically, *Pandanicola guizhouensis* closely resembles *P. calocarpa* (Syd. & P. Syd.) K.D. Hyde. However, *P. calocarpa* has larger, reddish-brown ascospores measuring 24–30 × 12–14 μm, lacks mucilaginous sheaths, which are present in *P. guizhouensis* (Hyde 1994). Another closely related species, *P. graminella*, can be distinguished from *P. guizhouensis* by its smaller ascomata measuring 190 × 140 μm and ascospores 17.5–24 × 10–14 μm (Lu & Hyde 2000).

Phylogenetically (Fig. 1), *P. guizhouensis* is closely related to *Anthostomella yunnanensis*. However, *Anthostomella yunnanensis* can be easily distinguished by the presence of a visible blue apical apparatus in Melzer's reagent and a straight germ slit that is nearly the same length as the spore (This study).

Rosellinia De Not., G. bot. ital. 1(1): 334 (1844).

Notes – *Rosellinia* De Not. proposed in 1844 with *R. aquila* (Fr.) De Not. as its type species, is an important cosmopolitan genus. *Rosellinia* species are characterized by their superficial, subglobose to semiglobose, mammate to cupulate or conical, ostiolate, uniperitheciate, brown to black stromata seated within a subiculum. They possess cylindrical, stipitate asci with amyloid ascal apical plugs typically exhibiting a rounded, angular, or indistinct bulge at the upper rim, plugs often being higher than wide. Most species of *Rosellinia* feature unicellular ascospores with a germ slit. The anamorphs associated with this genus can be geniculosporium-like, nodulisporium-like, or dematophora-like (Petrini 2013a). The genus is represented by approximately 150 species, worldwide (Petrini 2013a, b, Li et al. 2015c, Su et al. 2016, Xie et al. 2019, Long et al. 2022). The research efforts of Teng (1963), Tai (1979), Ju & Rogers (1990, 1999), Yuan & Zhao (1993), Lu et al. (2000), Liu et al. (2010), Petrini (2013a, b), Li & Guo (2015, 2016, 2018), Li et al. (2015c), Su et al. (2016), Xie et al. (2019) and Long et al. (2022) have collectively led to the documentation of a remarkable 51 *Rosellinia* species in China. This extensive cataloging effort underscores the rich diversity of this genus within the country. In this study, we introduce seven new species within this genus and document one new record.

Rosellinia cerasi S.H. Long & Q.R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 28

MycoBank number: MB850425

Etymology – The specific epithet “cerasi” refers to the host, *Cerasus* sp.

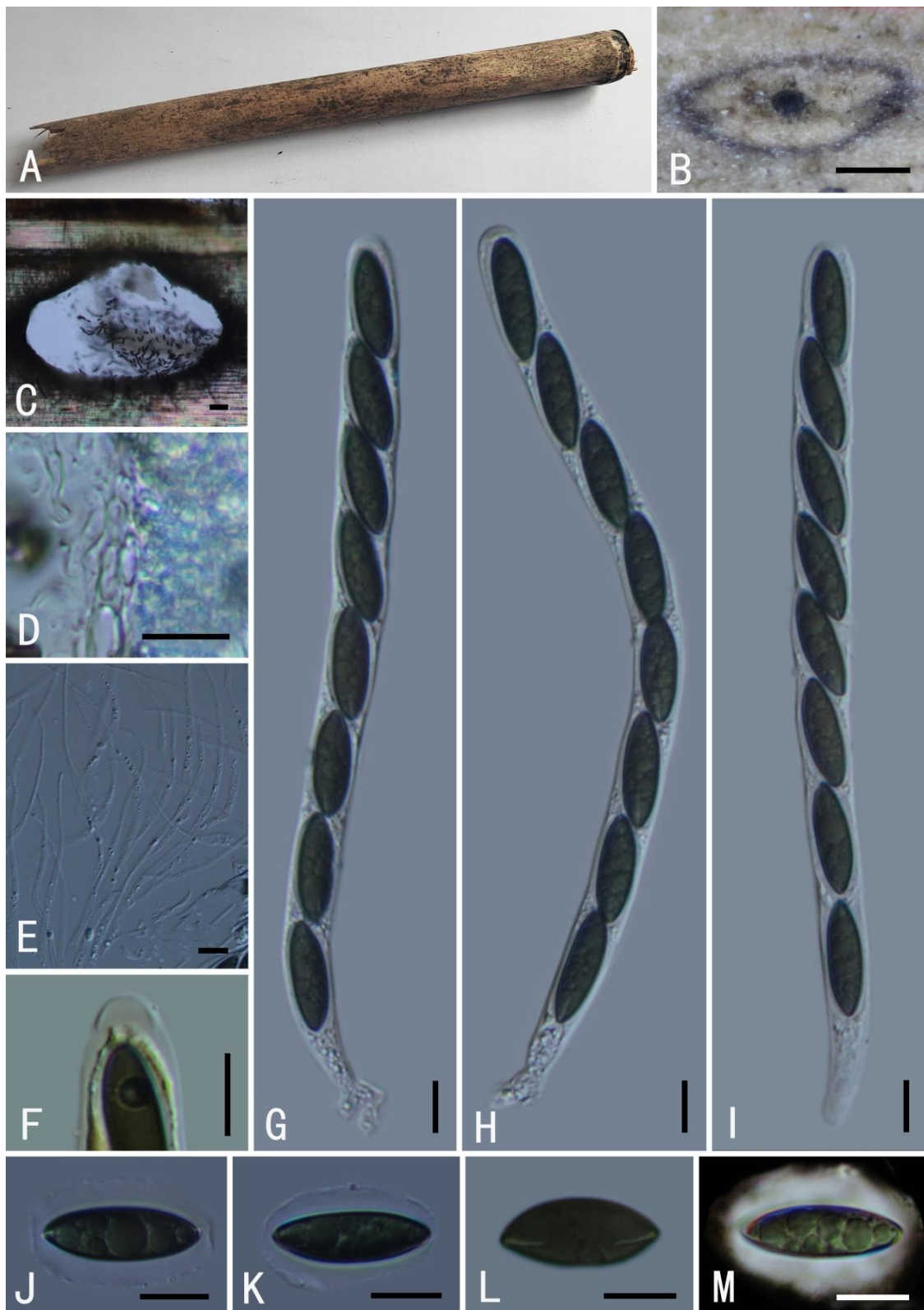


Figure 27 – *Pandanicola guizhouensis* (GMB1157, holotype). A type material. B ascomata. C, D section of ascomata. E paraphyses. F ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). G–I asci with ascospores. J–M ascospores (M stained in India ink). Scale bars: B = 0.4 mm, C = 40 μ m, D–M = 10 μ m.

Description – Saprobic on dead twig of unidentified plant. Sexual morph: Subiculum felted, brown to dark brown, persistent. Stromata 650–900 μ m high \times 700–1000 μ m diam. (\bar{x} = 790 \times 900 mm, n = 20), superficial, scattered to gregarious, solitary, globose, pyriform, dark brown – black,

shiny, carbonaceous. Ostioles black, papillate. Ectostroma 45–80 µm thick, black, carbonaceous. Entostroma disappearing at maturity. Perithecia filling entirely the stroma cavity. Asci 148.5–195.5 × 21–26 µm (\bar{x} = 167.2 × 24.7 µm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, apically rounded, with a long amyloid barrel-shaped apical apparatus in Melzer's reagent, 11.5–15.5 µm high, 7–10 µm wide. Ascospores 52.5–72 × 8–10 µm (\bar{x} = 60.5 × 8.9 µm, n = 30), slightly overlapping uniseriate, fusiform, asymmetrically ellipsoidal, with rounded ends, hyaline when immature, slight brown to brown at maturity, straight to curved, lacking germ slit, lacking appendages and sheath. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours. Colonies on OA white, thin, fluffy, medium dense, irregular edge, white from above, reverse side white at margin, slightly brown at centre. No conidia observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Sichuan Province, Gulin County, Li Moushan National Forest Park (23°10'3.71"N, 112°32'20.40"E), altitude: 1100 m, on the dead branch of *Cerasus* sp., 14 August 2022, Sihan Long, HJLL37 (GMB0755, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131202, isotype; ex-type GMBC0755).

Other material examined – CHINA, Sichuan Province, Gulin County, Li Moushan National Forest Park (23°10'10.66"N, 112°32'34.64"E), altitude: 1106 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 14 August 2022, Sihan Long, HJLL63 (GMB0794, GMBC0794).

Notes – In the phylogenetic tree (Fig. 1), *Rosellinia cerasi* appears to be closely related to *R. yaorenshanensis*, but it can be easily distinguished from *R. yaorenshanensis* by the absence of a germ slit and sheath on its ascospores.

Morphologically, *R. cerasi* belongs to the *R. emergens* group (Petrini 2013a). Species with similar ascospore dimensions include *R. emergens* Sacc. and *R. horrida* Hazsl. However, *R. cerasi* differs from *R. emergens* and *R. horrida* in that it lacks a germ slit on its ascospores. Additionally, the stromata of *R. emergens* (450–825 µm high × 525–800 µm diameter) are smaller in size compared to those of *R. cerasi* (650–900 µm high × 700–1000 µm diameter) (Petrini 2013a).

Rosellinia guiyangensis S.H. Long & Q.R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 29

Mycobank number: MB850426

Etymology – The specific epithet “guiyangensis” refer to the its location, Guiyang City.

Description – Saprobic on dead twig of unidentified plant. Sexual morph: Subiculum felted, dark brown to black, restricted to rim around stromata, persistent. Stromata 0.7–1.1 mm high × 0.8–1.2 mm diam. (\bar{x} = 0.94 × 0.9 mm, n = 20), superficial, scattered to gregarious, solitary, subglobose, with a conical pointed top, lower half embedded in the subiculum, dark, shiny, carbonaceous. Ostioles black, papillate. Ectostroma 80–120 µm thick, black, carbonaceous. Entostroma black. Perithecia globose, 550–620 µm high, 610–920 µm diam. Asci 201–259.5 × 10–15 µm (\bar{x} = 231.3 × 12.1 µm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, apically rounded, with a long amyloid urn-shaped apical apparatus in Melzer's reagent, 12–15.5 µm high, 4–7 µm wide. Ascospores 23.5–31 × 9–13 µm (\bar{x} = 27 × 10.5 µm, n = 30), overlapping uniseriate, fusiform, asymmetrically ellipsoidal, ends rounded or pointed, hyaline when immature, slight brown to brown at maturity, smooth, straight to curved, with a germ slit running the entire length of the spores, entirely surrounded by a thin slimy sheath visible in water and in black ink, with a 2–3.5 µm wide 2.3–3.5 µm long, semiglobose, cellular appendages at one end. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours, colonies on PDA reached 6 cm diameter in 1 week. On OA media, colonies white, fluffy, dense but thinning towards edge, medium dense, white from above, irregular edge, reverse white at margin, white to pale brown at centre. No conidia observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Guiyang City, Guizhou Medical University, Back Mountain (26°22'31.28"N, 106°38'18.38"E), altitude: 1011 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 23 October 2022, Sihan Long, G35 (GMB0769, holotype; KUN-HKAS131203, isotype; ex-type culture GMBC0769).

Other Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Guiyang City, Guizhou Medical University, Back Mountain (26°22'93.10"N, 106°38'33.09"E), altitude: 1029 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 23 October 2022, Sihan Long, G40 (GMB0798, GMBC0798).

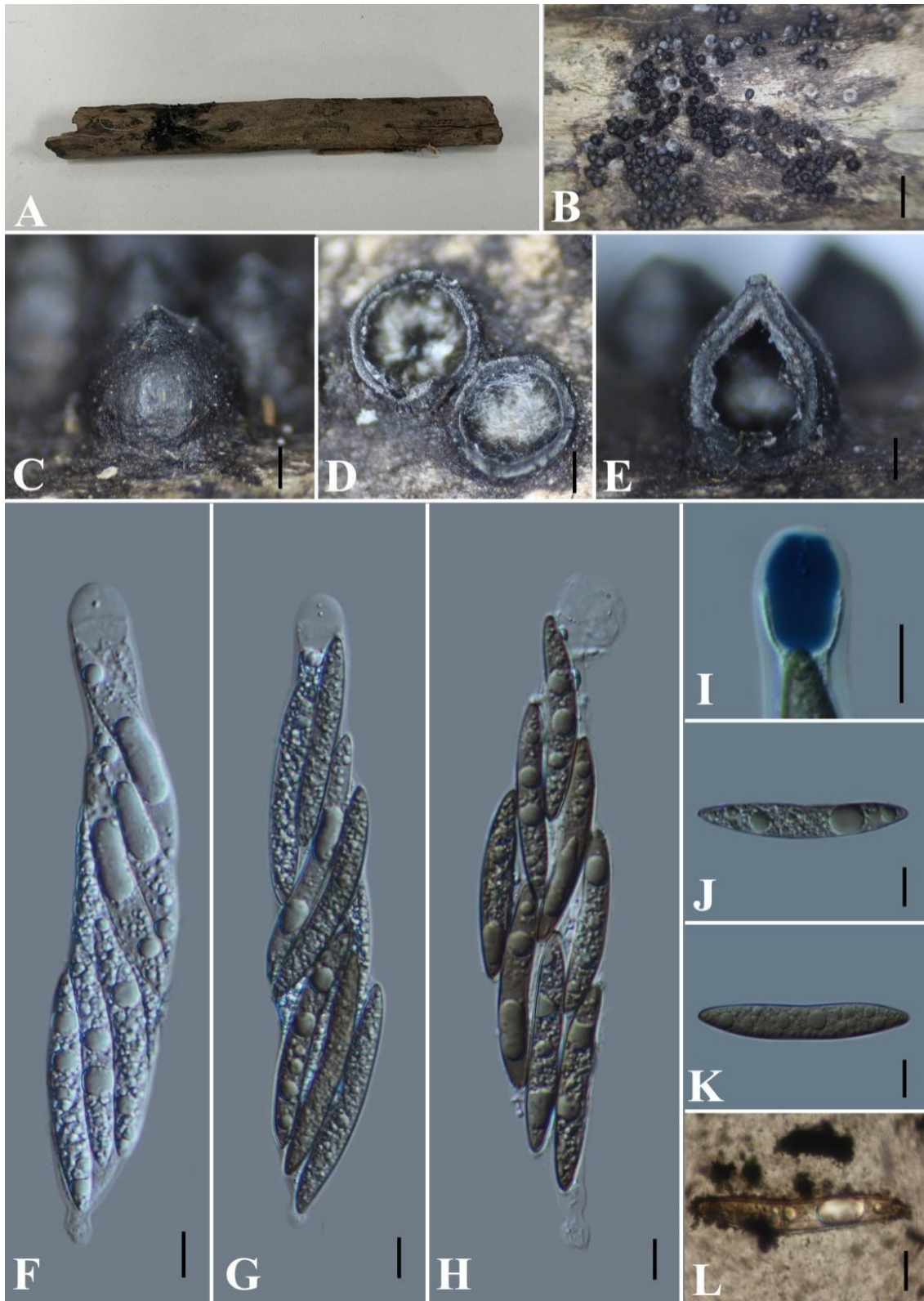


Figure 28 – *Rosellinia cerasi* (GMB0755, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). J–K ascospores. L ascospores in black ink. Scale bars: B = 1 cm, C–E = 200 μ m, F–L = 10 μ m.

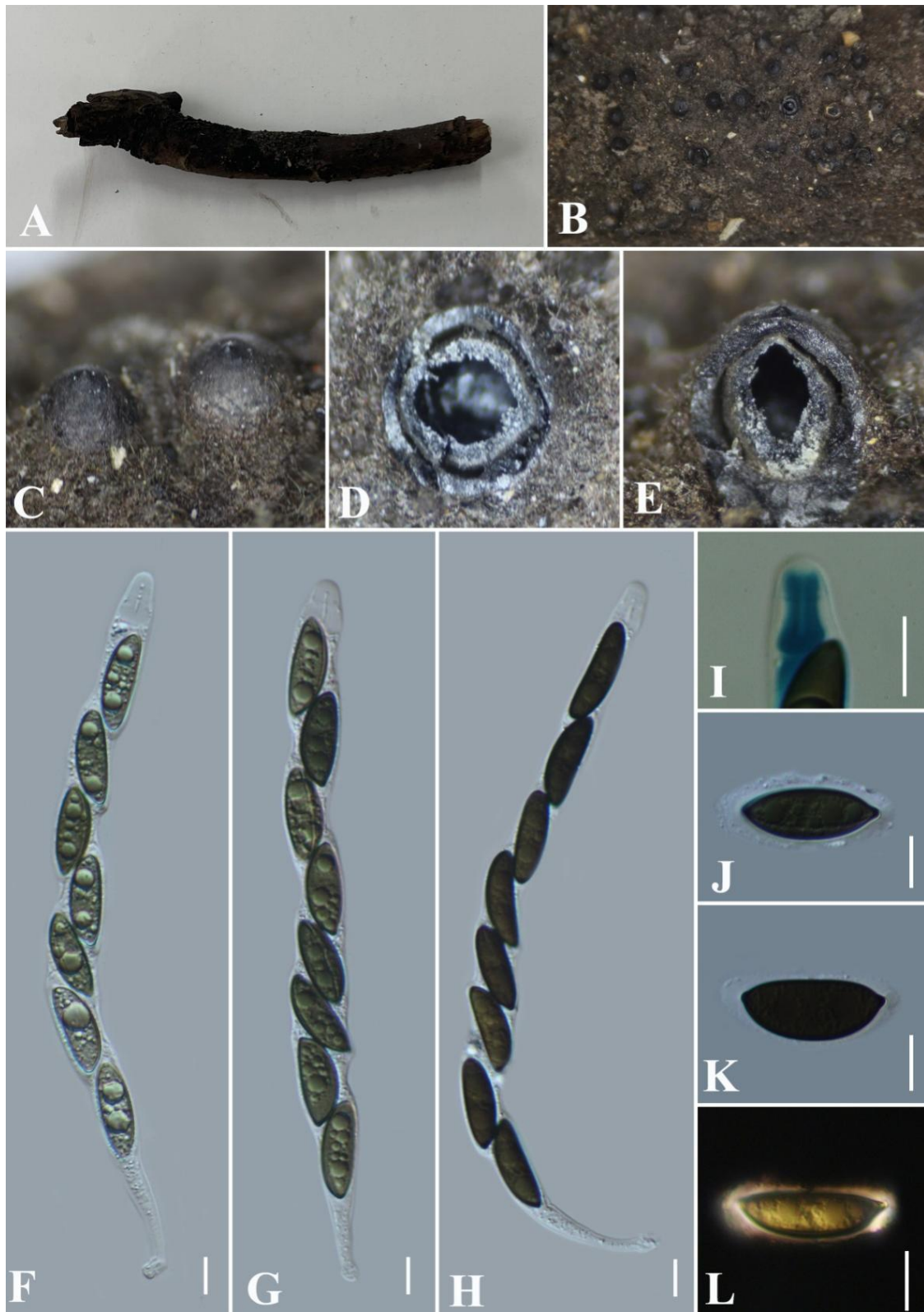


Figure 29 – *Rosellinia guiyangensis* (GMB0769, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s Reagent). J–K ascospores. L ascospores in black ink. Scale bars: F–L = 10 μ m.

Note – Morphologically, *Rosellinia guiyangensis* is closely related to *R. caudata* Petch and *R. guizhouensis*. However, the ascospores of *R. guiyangensis* are wider than those of the latter two species (23.5–31 \times 9–13 μ m in *R. guiyangensis*, 22.5–28.5 \times 7–9.5 μ m in *R. guizhouensis*, and

23.2–27.6 × 8.1–9.9 μm in *R. caudata*) (Petrini 2013a). Additionally, the size of the apical apparatus in *R. guiyangensis* is larger than those in *R. guizhouensis* and *R. caudata* (12–15.5 × 4–7 μm in *R. guiyangensis*, 10–14.5 × 4.5–6 μm in *R. guizhouensis*, and 6.0–9.0 × 4.0–5.0 μm in *R. caudata*). Moreover, ascospores of *R. guizhouensis* lack appendages. Morphologically, *R. guiyangensis* belongs to the *R. aquila* group (Petrini 2013a). Species with similar ascospore dimensions include *R. corticium* (Schwein.) Sacc (phylogenetically also closely related). However, *R. corticium* is readily distinguished from *R. guiyangensis* in having dark brown to reddish-brown subiculum covering young stromata completely that becoming gradually reduced (vs. dark brown to black, restricted to rim around stromata and persistent), and asci with a smaller apical apparatus (6–11 μm high and 4–6 μm diam.) (Petrini 2013a). The ITS sequence analysis of *R. guiyangensis* and *R. corticium* demonstrates a sequence length of 410 base pairs, with a 91.0% identity and similarity, and a minimal 1.5% gap presence, representing 373 matching positions out of 410.

Rosellinia guizhouensis S.H. Long & Q.R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 30

MycoBank number: MB850427

Etymology – The specific epithet “guizhouensis” refer to its locality, Guizhou Province.

Description – Saprobiic on dead twig of unidentified plant. Sexual morph: Subiculum felted, dark brown to black, restricted to rim around stromata, persistent. Stromata 1.1–1.6 mm high × 1.5–1.9 mm diam. (\bar{x} = 1.4 × 1.65 mm, n = 20), superficial, scattered to gregarious, solitary, globose, with a conical pointed top, dark, shiny, carbonaceous. Ostioles black, papillate. Ectostroma 170–250 μm thick, black, carbonaceous. Entostroma black. Perithecia globose, 850–1205 μm high, 1025–1620 μm diam, partly collapsed. Asci 196–240 × 8–11.5 μm (\bar{x} = 213 × 9.2 μm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, apically rounded, with a long amyloid barrel-shaped apical apparatus in Melzer’s reagent, 10–14.5 μm high, 4.5–6 μm wide. Ascospores 22.5–28.5 × 7–9.5 μm (\bar{x} = 25.6 × 8.5 μm, n = 30), slightly overlapping uniseriate, fusiform or long ellipsoid, asymmetrically ellipsoidal, ends rounded, hyaline when immature, slight brown to brown at maturity, smooth, straight to curved, with a germ slit running the entire length of the spores, surrounded by a thin slimy sheath visible in water and in black ink, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours. Colonies on OA white became very light brown, medium dense, irregular edge, white from above, reverse white at margin, light yellow at centre. No conidia observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Sandu Shui Autonomous County, Yao Ren Shan National Forest Park (25°56'31.11"N, 107°57'0.77"E), altitude: 563 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 23 November 2021, Sihan Long YRS26 (GMB0084, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131204, isotype; ex-type GMBC0084).

Other Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Sandu Shui Autonomous County, Yao Ren Shan National Forest Park (25°56'69.99"N, 107°57'33.68"E), altitude: 571 m, on dead branch of unidentified plant, 23 November 2021, Sihan Long YRS109 (GMB0799, GMBC0799).

Notes – Morphologically *R. guizhouensis* belongs to the *R. aquila* group (Petrini 2013a). Species with similar ascospore dimensions include *R. corticium* (Schwein.) Sacc., *R. aquila* (Fr.) Ces, and *R. leopoldensis* L.E. Petrini. However, the apical apparatus of *R. guizhouensis* are larger compared to them (10–14.5 μm high, 4.5–6 μm wide in *R. guizhouensis*; 4.5–9 μm high, 3.5–5.5 μm wide in *R. aquila*; 5.5–12.5 μm high, 3.5–8 μm wide in *R. corticium*; 5.5–7 μm high, 3–4.5 μm wide in *R. leopoldensis*) (Petrini 2013a). Moreover, *Rosellinia corticium* is set apart from *R. guizhouensis* in having ascospores with typically one cellular appendage on the lower end and occasionally an additional cellular appendage on the upper end (Fournier et al. 2017). The discussion with its phylogenetically close relative has been addressed in the notes section of *R. guiyangensis*.

Rosellinia limushanensis S.H. Long & Q.R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 31

MycoBank number: MB850428

Etymology – The specific epithet “limushanensis” refers to the location where this species was discovered, which is Limushan National Forest Park.



Figure 30 – *Rosellinia guizhouensis* (GMB0084, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). J–K ascospores. L ascospores in black ink. Scale bars: B = 5 mm, C–E = 1 mm, F–L = 10 μ m.

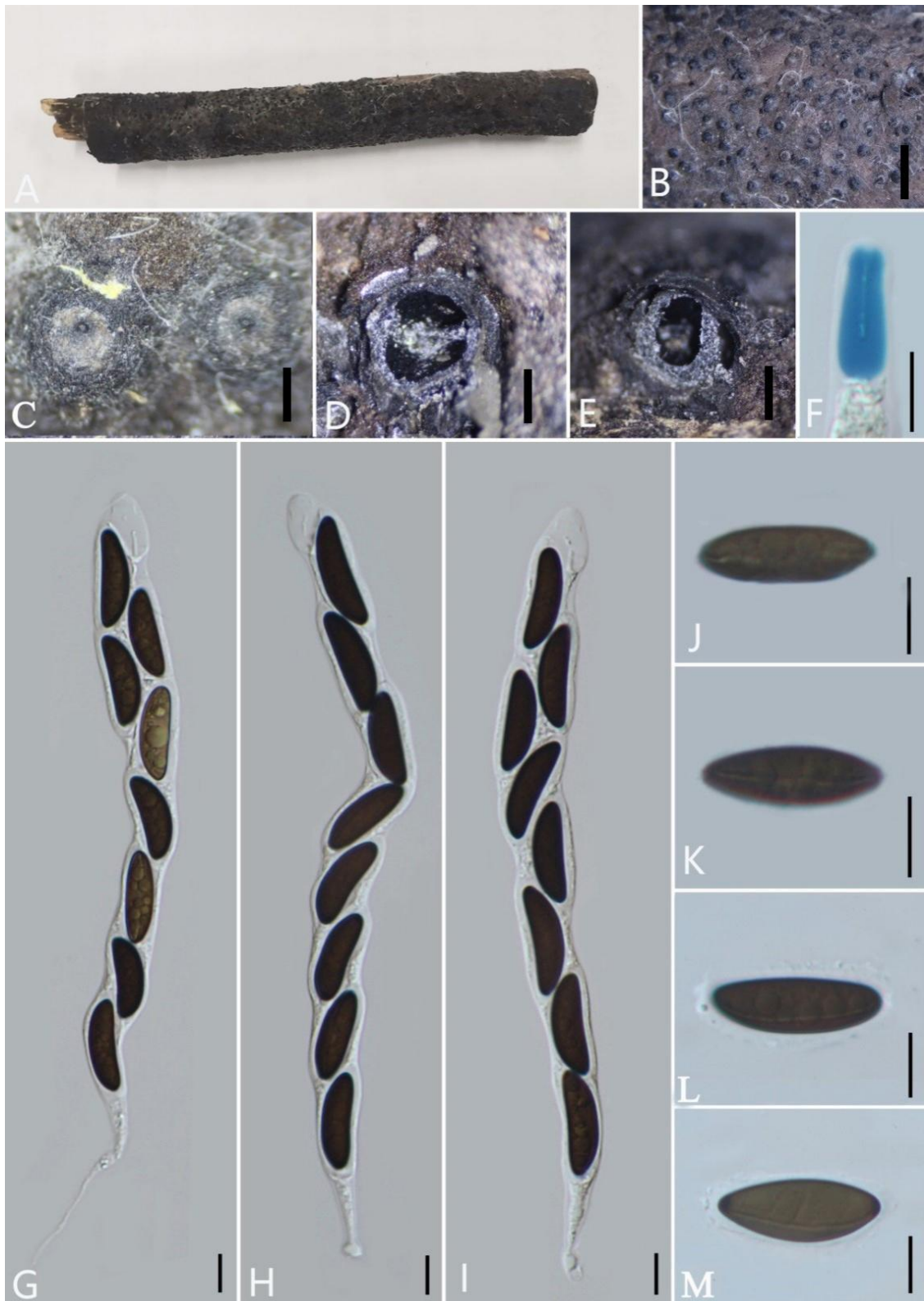


Figure 31 – *Rosellinia limushanensis* (GMB0758, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). G–I asci with ascospores. J–M ascospores. Scale bars: B = 5 cm, C–E = 500 μ m, F–M = 10 μ m.

Description – Saprobic on dead twig of unidentified plant. Sexual morph: Subiculum well developed, felted, dark brown to black, embedding the lower part of the stromata, persistent. Stromata 850–1000 μ m high \times 940–1100 μ m diam. (\bar{x} = 980 \times 1005 mm, n = 20), superficial, half

of them in subiculum, scattered to gregarious, solitary, globose, grey-brown to dark brown, shiny, carbonaceous. Ostioles black, papillate. Ectostroma 100–130 μm thick, black, carbonaceous. Entostroma disappearing at maturity. Perithecia filling entirely the stroma cavity or partly collapsed. Asci 180–214.5 \times 11–18.5 μm (\bar{x} = 193 \times 14.6 μm , n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, apically rounded, with a long amyloid barrel-shaped apical apparatus in Melzer's reagent, 10–13.5 μm high, 5.5–8.5 μm wide. Ascospores 21.5–30.5 \times 7.5–10.5 μm (\bar{x} = 25.1 \times 8.4 μm , n = 30), overlapping uniseriate, fusiform, asymmetrically ellipsoidal, with rounded ends, hyaline when immature, slight brown to brown at maturity, straight to curved, with a germ slit running the entire length of the spores, entirely surrounded by a thin slimy sheath visible in water and in black ink, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours, colonies on PDA reached 6 cm diam. in 1 week. On OA media, colonies white, fluffy, dense but thinning towards edge, medium dense, irregular edge, white from above, reverse white. No conidia observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Hainan Province, Qiongzong Li and Miao Autonomous County, Limushan National Forest Park (19°10'45.73"N, 109°44'19.98"E), altitude: 563 m, on dead branch of unidentified plant, 25 November 2021, Sihan Long, QZ23 (GMB0758, holotype, KUN-HKAS 131205, isotype; ex-type GMBC0758).

Other material examined – CHINA, Hainan Province, Qiongzong Li and Miao Autonomous County, Limushan National Forest Park (19°11'07.36"N, 109°42'82.33"E), altitude: 590 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 26 November 2021, Sihan Long, QZ196 (GMB0802, GMBC0802).

Notes – In the phylogenetic tree (Fig. 1), *R. limushanensis* formed an independent branch within the *Rosellinia*. Morphologically, *R. limushanensis* belongs to the *R. aquila* group (Petrini 2013a). Species with similar ascospore dimensions include *R. caudata* Petch, and *R. corticium* (Schwein.) Sacc. However, the ectostroma (100–130 μm thick) of *R. limushanensis* is larger than that of these and the size of apical apparatus in *R. limushanensis* is also larger (10–13.5 μm high, 5.5–8.5 μm wide in *R. limushanensis*; 6–9 μm high, 4–5 μm wide in *R. caudata*; 5.5–12.5 μm high, 3.5–8 μm wide in *R. corticium*) (Petrini 2013a). It also distinguishes from these species by lacking appendages. Nearly half of stromata of *R. limushanensis* immersed in subiculum. *Rosellinia leopoldensis* L.E. Petrin, which also lacks appendages, differs from *R. limushanensis* by having smaller ascospores, averaging 21.8 \times 7.4 μm (compared to 25.1 \times 8.4 μm), and 5.5–7 μm high, 3–4.5 μm wide apical apparatus (Fournier et al. 2017).

Rosellinia lishuicola S.H. Long & Q.R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 32

Mycobank number: MB850429

Etymology – The epithet refers to the Chinese name of the genus of its host, *Quercus* L.

Description – Saprobic on dead twig of *Quercus* sp. Sexual morph: Subiculum felted, dark brown to black, restricted to rim around stromata, evanescent. Stromata 720–790 μm high \times 780–890 μm diam. (\bar{x} = 749 \times 834 μm , n = 20), superficial, scattered to gregarious, solitary, globose, with a conical pointed top, dark, shiny, carbonaceous. Ostioles black, papillate. Ectostroma 80–100 μm thick, black, carbonaceous. Entostroma disappearing at maturity. Perithecia filling entirely the stroma cavity, not collapsed. Asci 180–235.5 \times 31–52 μm (\bar{x} = 210 \times 40 μm , n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, apically rounded, with a long amyloid barrel-shaped apical apparatus in Melzer's reagent, 18–25.5 μm high, 9–11.5 μm wide. Ascospores 65–130.5 \times 9.5–15 μm (\bar{x} = 93 \times 11.9 μm , n = 30), overlapping uniseriate or biseriate, fusiform, with rounded ends, hyaline when immature, slight brown to brown at maturity, straight to curved, with a germ slit running the entire length of the spores, with two ends surrounded by a thin slimy sheath visible in water and in black ink, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours, colonies on PDA reached 3 cm diam. in 1 week. On OA media, colonies white, medium thin, irregular edge, white from above, reverse white. No conidia observed on PDA or OA media within three months.



Figure 32 – *Rosellinia lishuicola* (GMB0759, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). G–J asci with ascospores. K–L ascospores. Scale bars: B = 1 mm, C–E = 500 μ m, F–L = 10 μ m.

Material examined – CHINA, Hainan Province, Qiongzong Li and Miao Autonomous County (19°7'8.54"N, 109°52'21.06"E), altitude: 107 m, dead branch of *Quercus* sp., 23 November 2020, Sihan Long QZ94 (GMB0759 holotype, KUN-HKAS 131206, isotype; ex-type GMBC0759).

Other material examined – CHINA, Hainan Province, Qiongzong Li and Miao Autonomous County (19°8'63.33"N, 109°53'57.82"E), altitude: 239 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 21 November 2020, Sihan Long QZ1 (GMB0800, GMBC0800).

Notes – In the initial BLAST result of molecular analysis *R. lishuicola* was found to be closely related to *R. qiongensis* S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. Phylogenetically also clusters closely. However, the latter, found on the dead branch of bamboo, differs from *R. lishuicola* in several aspects. These differences include a cream-colored to light brown subiculum, 60–80 µm thick ectostroma, smaller apical apparatus 6.0–6.8 µm in height and 6.6–9.9 µm in width, and ascospores measuring 24.5–31 × 5–8 µm, which lack slimy sheaths (Long et al. 2022).

Morphologically, *R. lishuicola* belongs to the *R. emergens* group (Petrini 2013a). Species with similar ascospore dimensions include *R. Chiangmaiensis* Q.R. Li & J.C. Kang, *R. formosana* Y.M. Ju & J.D. Rogers, *R. markhamiae* Sivan., and *R. megalosperma* Syd. & P. Syd. *Rosellinia Chiangmaiensis* features longer ascospores with a thin mucilaginous sheath, terminating in acute ends, possesses a white to pale yellow subiculum that is confined to the stromatal base, lacks germ slits, and have larger stromata (measuring 600–800 µm in height × 950–1200 µm in width) compared to *R. lishuicola* (Li et al. 2016). The new species exhibits higher apical apparatus when compared to *R. formosana*, *R. markhamiae*, and *R. megalosperma* (Petrini & Petrini 2005, Petrini 2013a). Moreover, *R. megalosperma* differs by its ascospores having caps at the ends and its ascospores lack sheaths (Petrini & Petrini 2005).

Rosellinia wuzhishanensis S.H. Long & Q.R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 33

Mycobank number: MB850430

Etymology – The specific epithet “wuzhishanensis” refers to the location where this species was discovered, which is Wuzhishan City, China.

Description – Saprobiic on dead twig of unidentified plant. Sexual morph: Subiculum felted, remnants at stromata base, dark brown to black, evanescent. Stromata 1200–1400 µm high × 1000–1300 µm diam. (\bar{x} = 1305 × 1005 µm, n = 20), superficial, scattered to gregarious, solitary, globose, dark brown to black, carbonaceous. Ostioles black, papillate. Ectostroma 120–150 µm thick, black, carbonaceous. Entostroma disappears at maturity. Perithecia filling entire stroma cavity. Asci 234.5–295 × 15–17.5 µm (\bar{x} = 272.2 × 16.7 µm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, apically rounded, with a long amyloid barrel-shaped apical apparatus in Melzer’s reagent, 13–15 µm high, 6.5–8 µm wide. Ascospores 33.5–61.5 × 9.5–14 µm (\bar{x} = 48 × 11.6 µm, n = 30), slightly overlapping uniseriate, fusiform, asymmetrically ellipsoidal, narrowly rounded or pointed ends, hyaline when immature, slight brown at maturity, smooth, straight to curved, with a germ slit running the entire length of the spores, two ends surrounded by a thin cap slimy sheath visible in black ink, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours, colonies on PDA reached 3 cm diam. in 1 week. On OA media, colonies white, medium thin, irregular edge, white from above, reverse white. No conidia were observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Hainan Province, Wuzhishan City, Atuoling National Forest Park (18°48'26.47"N, 109°30'55.68"E), altitude: 430 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 19 November 2020, Sihan Long, ATL01 (GMB0757, holotype, ex-type GMBC0757).

Other Material examined – CHINA, Hainan Province, Wuzhishan City, Atuoling National Forest Park (18°48'06.96"N, 109°30'01.62"E), altitude: 526 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 19 November 2020, Sihan Long, ATL60 (GMB0803, GMBC0803).

Notes – In the phylogenetic tree (Fig. 1), *R. wuzhishanensis* is closely related to *R. lamprostoma* Syd. & P. Syd. and exhibits morphological affinities with *R. mearnsii* Tennakoon, Phook. & K.D. Hyde; however, the ascospores of *R. wuzhishanensis* are light brown, fusiform, with narrowly rounded or pointed ends, and possess capitate sheaths at both ends, along with buds that are as long as the ascospores. These distinctive features set *R. wuzhishanensis* apart from *R. lamprostoma* and *R. mearnsii* (Petrini 2013a, Tibpromma et al. 2017, Long et al. 2022).

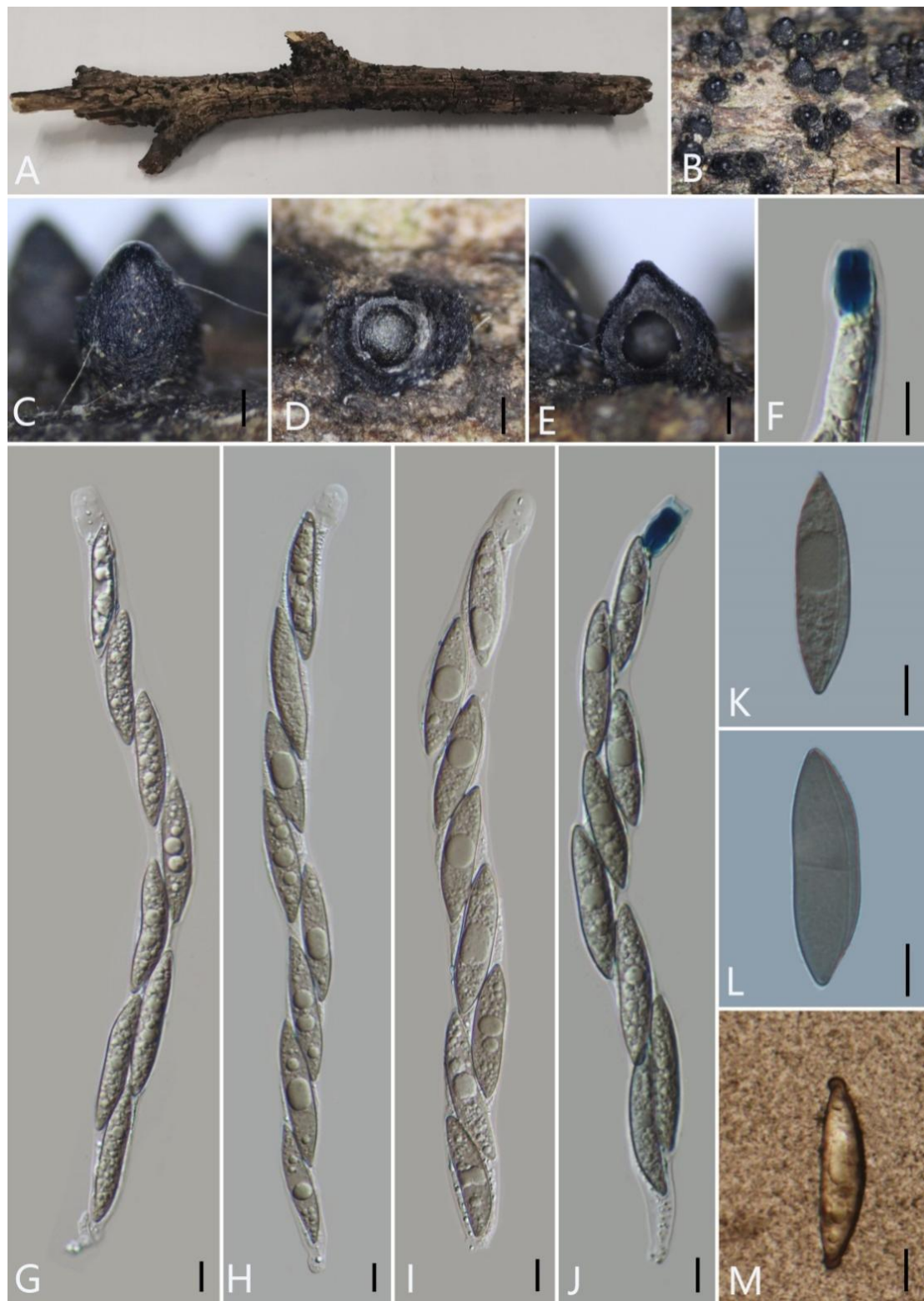


Figure 33 – *Rosellinia wuzhishanensis* (GMB0757, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). G–J asci with ascospores. K–L ascospores. M ascospores in black ink. Scale bars: B = 2 mm, C–E = 500 µm, F–M = 10 µm.

Morphologically, *R. wuzhishanensis* is classified within the *R. emergens* group (Petrini 2013a). Species closely related in terms of morphology include *R. emergens*, *R. markhamiae*, *R. megalosperma*, and *R. megalospora*. However, *R. wuzhishanensis* is significantly different from them by its ascospores having spore-length germ slits and the cap sheaths at both ends. Moreover,

R. markhamiae, *R. megalosperma*, and *R. megalospora* have larger ascospores (*R. markhamiae*: 83.5–112.9 × 10.1–12.7 μm; *R. megalosperma*: 68.1–84.3 × 8.8–11.8 μm; *R. megalospora*: 59–97 × 9–14 μm), making them easily discernible from *R. wuzhishanensis* (Saccas 1956, Sivanesan 1975, Petrini 2013a). In addition, *R. megalospora* and *R. megalosperma* are also distinct in that its ascospores lack sheaths. The stroma of *R. megalospora* is densely gregarious and subglobose to pyriform. *Rosellinia emergens* has ascospores with broadly rounded ends, a characteristic that differs from the pinched or narrowly rounded ends observed in *R. wuzhishanensis* (Petrini 2013a).

Rosellinia yaorenshanensis S. H. Long & Q. R. Li. sp. nov.

Fig. 34

MycoBank number: MB850431

Etymology – The specific epithet “yaorenshanensis” refers to its collection location.

Description – Saprobiic on dead twig of unidentified plant. Sexual morph: Subiculum felted, black, restricted to rim around stromata, evanescent. Stromata 1–1.2 mm high × 0.95–1.1 mm diam. (\bar{x} = 1.1 × 0.99 mm, n = 20), superficial conical from top view, scattered to gregarious, solitary, dark brown to black, shiny, carbonaceous. Ostioles black, finely to coarsely papillate. Ectostroma 100–120 μm thick, black, carbonaceous. Entostroma disappearing at maturity. Perithecia nearly semiglobose, not collapsed. Asci 196.5–226.5 × 24–30 μm (\bar{x} = 209.9 × 28.2 μm, n = 30), 8-spored, cylindrical, short pedicellate, apically rounded, with a amyloid apical apparatus in Melzer’s reagent, urn-shaped, 15–18 μm high, 7.5–9.5 μm wide. Ascospores 54.5–63 × 7.5–9.5 μm (\bar{x} = 58.2 × 8.4 μm, n = 30), overlapping, uniseriate, fusiform, with rounded ends, hyaline when immature, slight brown to brown at maturity, smooth, straight to curved, with a germ slit running the entire length of the spores, slightly constricted at the middle part, entirely surrounded by a thin slimy sheath visible in water and in black ink, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 1 week, colonies on PDA reached 4 cm diam. On OA media, colonies white, medium thin, irregular edge, white from above, reverse white. No conidia were observed on PDA or OA media within three months.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Qiannan Buyi Miao Autonomous Prefecture, Yaoren Mountain (25°17'52.14"N, 108°4'27.01"E), altitude: 651 m, on branches of an unidentified plant, 29 September 2021, YRS49 (GMB0760, holotype; KUN-HKAS 131207, isotype; ex-type culture GMBC0760)

Other Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Qiannan Buyi Miao Autonomous Prefecture, Yaoren Mountain (25°17'63.12"N, 108°3'34.92"E), altitude: 690, on branches of an unidentified plant, 29 September 2021. m, Sihan Long, YRS123 (GMB0801, GMBC0801).

Notes – Morphologically, *R. yaorenshanensis* belongs to the *R. emergens* group (Petrini 2013a), sharing similarities with *R. longispora* Rick. However, *R. longispora* differs from *R. yaorenshanensis* in having longer ascospores (69.4–85.6 × 11.1–14.5 μm vs. 54.5–63 × 7.5–9.5 μm) with acute ends and two bipolar slimy caps but lacking a sheath on sides. Moreover, the ectostroma of *R. longispora* are 40–50 μm thick (vs. 100–120 μm thick) (Fournier et al. 2017).

In the phylogenetic analysis (Fig. 1), *R. yaorenshanensis* clusters closely with *R. cerasi* and *R. verticillata*. However, *R. yaorenshanensis* possesses larger stromata 1–1.2 mm in height and 0.95–1.1 mm in diameter (vs. 630–735 μm in height and 525–700 μm in diameter), wider ascospores (54.5–63 × 7.5–9.5 μm vs. 42–62 × 6.5–12 μm), urn-shaped apical apparatus 15–18 μm high, 7.5–9.5 μm wide (vs barrel-shaped apical apparatus 11.5–15.5 μm high, 7–8 μm wide) (Long et al. 2022). The discussion with the other phylogenetically close *R. cerasi* has been addressed in the notes section of *R. cerasi*.

Rosellinia yumingjui L.E. Petrini Bibliotheca Mycologica, J. Cramer: Stuttgart, pp 410.

Fig. 35

Description – Saprobiic on dead bamboo. Sexual morph: Subiculum felted, dark brown to black, restricted to rim around stromata, persistent. Stromata 0.4–0.6 mm high × 0.45–1.6 μm diam, superficial conical from top view, scattered to gregarious, solitary, dark brown to black, shiny, carbonaceous. Ostioles black, finely to coarsely papillate. Ectostroma 80–110 μm thick, black,

carbonaceous. Entostroma disappearing at maturity. Perithecia nearly semiglobose, not collapsed. Asci $161.5\text{--}204.5 \times 5\text{--}8 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 181 \times 6.3 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, short pedicellate, apically rounded, with an amyloid apical apparatus in Melzer's reagent, urn-shaped, $5.5\text{--}8.5 \mu\text{m}$ high, $3.5\text{--}5 \mu\text{m}$ wide. Ascospores $16\text{--}21 \times 4\text{--}7 \mu\text{m}$ ($\bar{x} = 18.1 \times 5.2 \mu\text{m}$, $n = 30$), overlapping uniseriate, fusiform, piched ends, hyaline when immature, slight brown to brown at maturity, straight to curved, with a germ slit about 1/2 length of the spores, one side and two ends surrounded by a thin slimy sheath visible in water and in black ink, lacking appendages. Asexual morph: Undetermined.



Figure 34 – *Rosellinia yaorenshanensis* (GMB0760, holotype). A type material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with

ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). J ascospores. K ascospores in black ink. Scale bars: B = 5 mm, C–E = 500 μ m, F–K = 10 μ m.

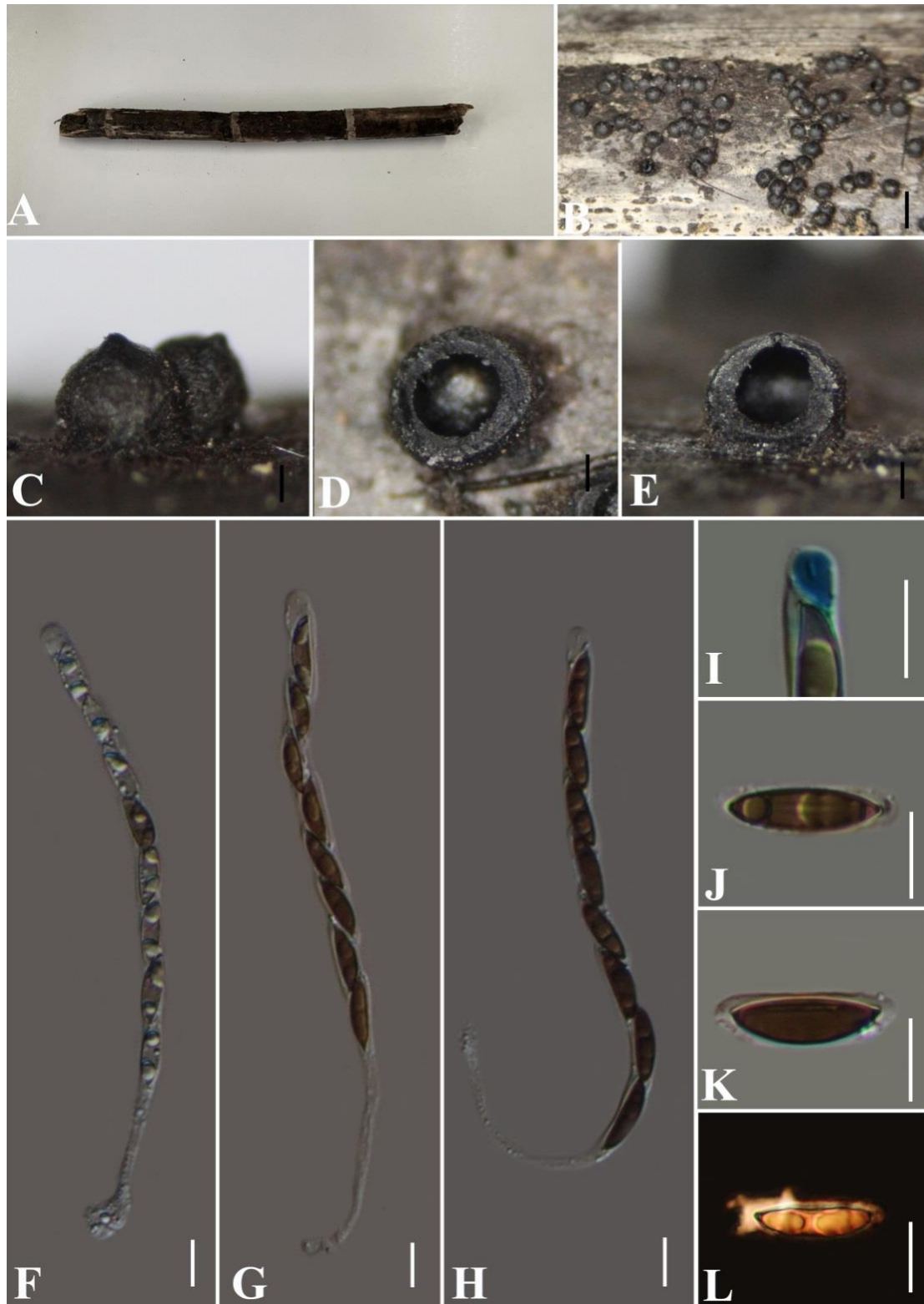


Figure 35 – *Rosellinia yumingjui* (GMB0761). A material. B, C stromata on the surface of host. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F–H asci with ascospores. I ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). J–K ascospores. L ascospores in black ink. Scale bars: B = 1 mm, C–E = 200 μ m, F–L = 10 μ m.

Distribution – Known from China (Taiwan).

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Anshun City, Pingba Country (26°25'9.65"N, 106°24'24.48"E), altitude: 1250 m, on dead bamboos, 25 December 2020, PB129 (GMB0761, KUN-HKAS 131208, living culture GMBC0761)

Notes – Morphologically, *R. yumingjui* is categorized within the *R. mammaeformis* group (Petrini 2013a). Our collection shares key characteristics with *R. yumingjui*, including a germ slit spanning half the spore-length and a thin, slimy sheath surrounded two ends and one side of the spore (Petrini 2013a). Moreover, both our collection and *R. yumingjui* exhibit a saprobic lifestyle, thriving on dead bamboo. Previously, *R. yumingjui* had been described solely based on morphology, with no available DNA sequences in NCBI. In this study, we successfully identify *R. yumingjui* based on its morphology and present, for the first time, molecular data for this species. This discovery also marks a new record for Chinese Mainland.

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Stilbohypoxylon Henn., Hedwigia 41: 16 (1902).

Notes – *Stilbohypoxylon* was introduced by Hennings (1902) with the type species *S. moelleri*. The genus is characterized by globose to pulvinate black stromata, with scales or blunt spines on the surface, cylindrical asci, with an amyloid apical apparatus, brown, ellipsoidal ascospores, often with a thin mucilaginous sheath, with a straight or spiral germ slit and geniculosporium-like asexual morphs (Hennings 1902, Rogers & Ju 1997, Petrini 2004, Daranagama et al. 2018). Globally, the genus is represented by 19 different species (Indexfungorum; Accessed on Oct 2023). In the context of this study, we introduce a new record of this genus in China.

Stilbohypoxylon elaeidicola (Henn.) L.E. Petrini [as ‘elaicicola’], Sydowia 56(1): 55 (2004).

Fig. 36

Description – Saprobic on dead branch of Palm. Sexual morph: Stromata superficial, 0.85–1.3 mm diam, 0.4–0.7 mm high, visible as a black conical, or globose on the top view of host surface, solitary, or in groups, bearing conical to acicular synnematal remnants on mature stromata, carbonaceous, brittle, fragile. Perithecia 290–360 × 320–420 µm (\bar{x} = 332 × 385 µm, n = 25), black, carbonaceous, brittle, conical to mammiform, 1 per stroma, with indistinct ostiolate. Asci 68–82 × 4–6.5 µm (\bar{x} = 75 × 5.2 µm, n = 20), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long pedicellate, apically rounded, with an amyloid apical apparatus, 1.5–2.5 high, 1–2 µm wide. Ascospores 14–18 × 6–7.5 µm (\bar{x} = 16.6 × 6.8 µm, n = 30), uniseriate, hyaline to pale brown when immature, dark brown at

maturity, equilateral ellipsoidal to broadly fusoid, unicellular, with two large guttules, smooth-walled, with a straight germ slit over the whole spore length, two ends surrounded by thin mucilaginous sheath. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

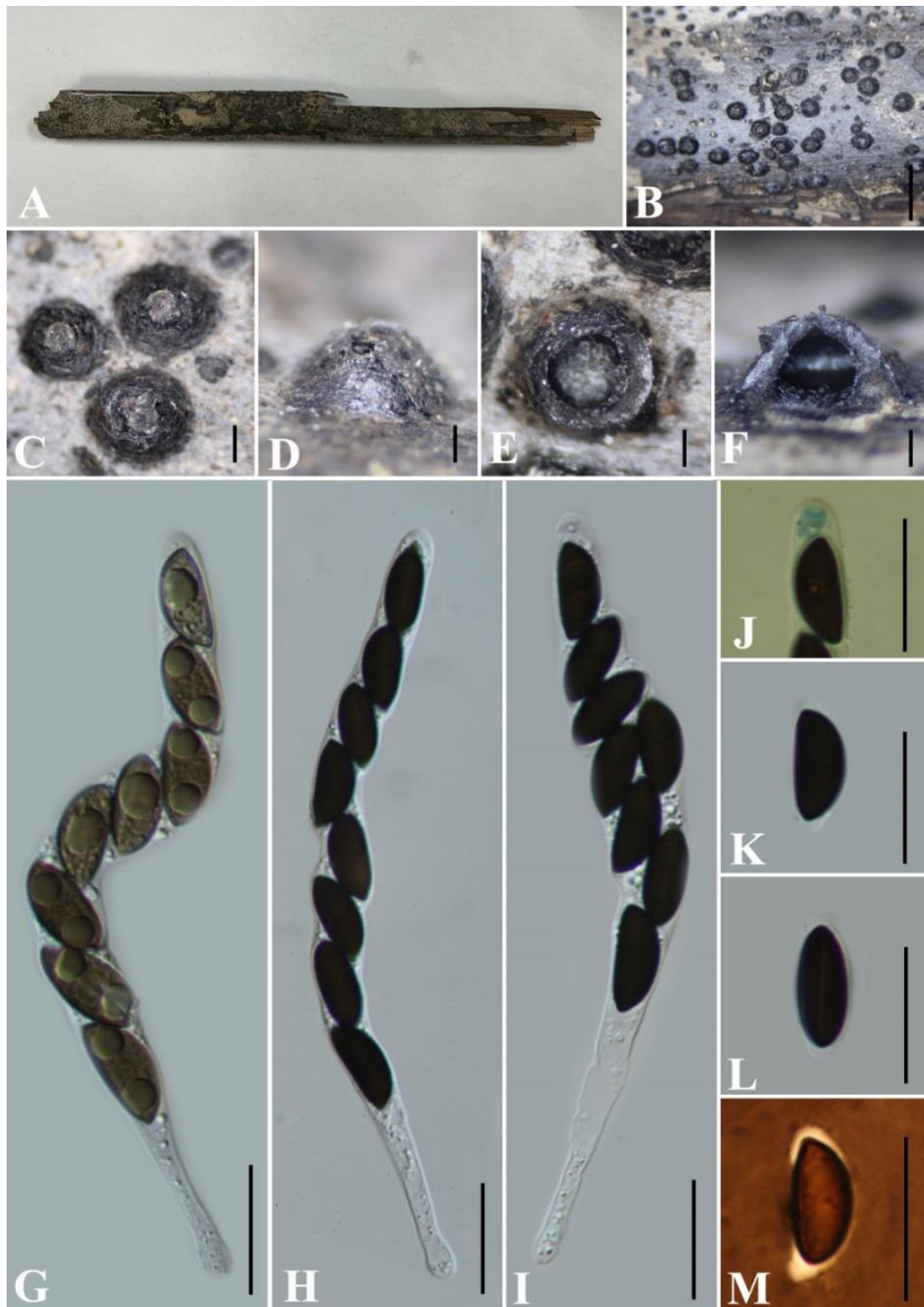


Figure 36 – *Stilbohypoxylon elaeidis* (GMB0763). A material. B–D stromata on the surface of host. E transverse section of stroma. F longitudinal section of stroma. G–I asci with ascospores. J ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s Reagent). K–L ascospores. M ascospores in black ink. Scale bars: B = 5 mm, C = 500 μ m, D–F = 200 μ m, F–L = 10 μ m.

Culture characteristics – Ascospores germinated on PDA within 24 hours, germ tube produced from germ slit. Mycelium immersed in media, mycelium at the center appears as grey to dark-green, towards margin appears white, hyphae, septate, branched, and smooth.

Material examined – CHINA, Hainan Province, Linshui Country, Hangluo Mountain National Forest Park (18°38'33.54"N, 109°40'31.89"E), altitude: 601 m, dead branch of unidentified plant, 18 July 2022, Sihan Long, DLS31 (GMB0763, KUN-HKAS 131209)

Notes – The sequences of our collection, GMB0763, clusters with *Stilbohypoxyton elaeidicola* with a high bootstrap value, and their morpho-anatomical descriptions are also similar, except for the apical apparatus of GMB0763, which are slightly smaller than those of *S. elaeidicola* (1.5–2.5 high, 1–2 µm wide vs. upper 3–4, lower 2–3 × 2–4 high) (Konta et al. 2020). *Stilbohypoxyton elaeidicola* clustered with *S. elaeidis* with high statistical support (Fig. 1). However, these two species are distinct, as discussed in Konta et al. 2020. Our report marks the first instance of its presence in mainland China.

Xylaria Hill ex Schrank, Baier. Fl. (München) 1: 200 (1786).

Notes – The genus *Xylaria*, typified by *Xylaria hypoxylon* (L.) Grev., represents one of the most complex and challenging genera within the *Xylariaceae* family. It plays a vital ecological role as a wood decomposer in forest ecosystems and serves as a prolific source of bioactive secondary metabolites (Ma et al. 2022). The stromata morphology of many *Xylaria* species often exhibits significant variations in colour, size, and overall shape at different developmental stages. These species are characterized by their upright, stipitate, woody to leathery stromata with perithecia entirely immersed (San Martin & Rogers 1989). Over 300 *Xylaria* species have been reported worldwide (Kirk et al. 2008), and Index Fungorum lists more than 800 epithets (Ma et al. 2022). In China, approximately 74 species of *Xylaria* have been documented (Ma et al. 2020, 2022). Furthermore, in this study, we present new records of *Xylaria* in China or mainland China.

Xylaria frustulosa (Berk. & M.A. Curtis) Cooke, Grevillea 12 (61): 5 (1883). Fig. 37

Synonyms: *Kretzschmaria frustulosa* (Berk. & M.A. Curtis) P.M.D. Martin, Jl S. Afr. Bot. 36 (2): 79 (1970)

Hypoxyton frustulosum Berk. & M.A. Curtis, in Berkeley, J. Linn. Soc., Bot. 10 (no. 46): 383 (1868)

Penzigia frustulosa (Berk. & M.A. Curtis) L.W. Mill., in Chardón & Toro, *Monograph Univ. Puerto Rico* 2: 211 (1934)

Description – Saprobic on dead wood. Sexual morph: Stromata 0.5–0.8 mm high × 8–28 mm broad (\bar{x} = 0.6 × 18 mm, n = 10), superficial, erumpent through bark, pulvinate, flat-topped to slightly convex, irregularly orbicular, subsessile, attached to the wood by a wide central connective; surface black to brownish, smooth to wrinkled; interior tissue white to cream-coloured, soft, solid. Perithecia 326–480 µm high × 260–382 µm broad (\bar{x} = 394 × 311 µm, n = 10), ovoid to subglobose. Ostioles obtusely papillate to hemispherical, conspicuous, black. Asci 64.7–84.2 × 5.2–7.5 µm (\bar{x} = 74 × 6.3 µm, n = 30), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long stipitate, apically rounded, with a amyloid wedge-shaped apical apparatus, blue staining in Melzer's reagent, 0.5–1.3 µm (\bar{x} = 0.8 µm, n = 10) high, 0.6–1.7 µm (\bar{x} = 0.95 µm, n = 30) wide. Ascospores 4.8–6 × 2–2.7 µm (\bar{x} = 5.4 × 2.3 µm, n = 30), overlapping uniseriate, unicellular, ellipsoid-equilateral to suboblong, with broadly rounded ends, pale olivaceous brown, without visible germ slit, lacking appendages and sheaths. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Colonies grown on OA at 25 °C for 4 weeks, 6 cm in diam., surface white, cottony, flocculent, edges grayish-white and irregular, reverse side gray-white. Not sporulating on OA nor on PDA.

Distribution – Known from Mexico; Cuba; France; USA; Venezuela; China (Taiwan).

Material examined – CHINA, Hainan Province, Haikou City, Huoshankou Geological Park (19.555248°N, 110.132642°E), altitude: 538 m, on dead wood of unknown plant surface, 18 November 2020, Youpeng Wu, 2020HSK9 (GMB1046; GMBC1046).

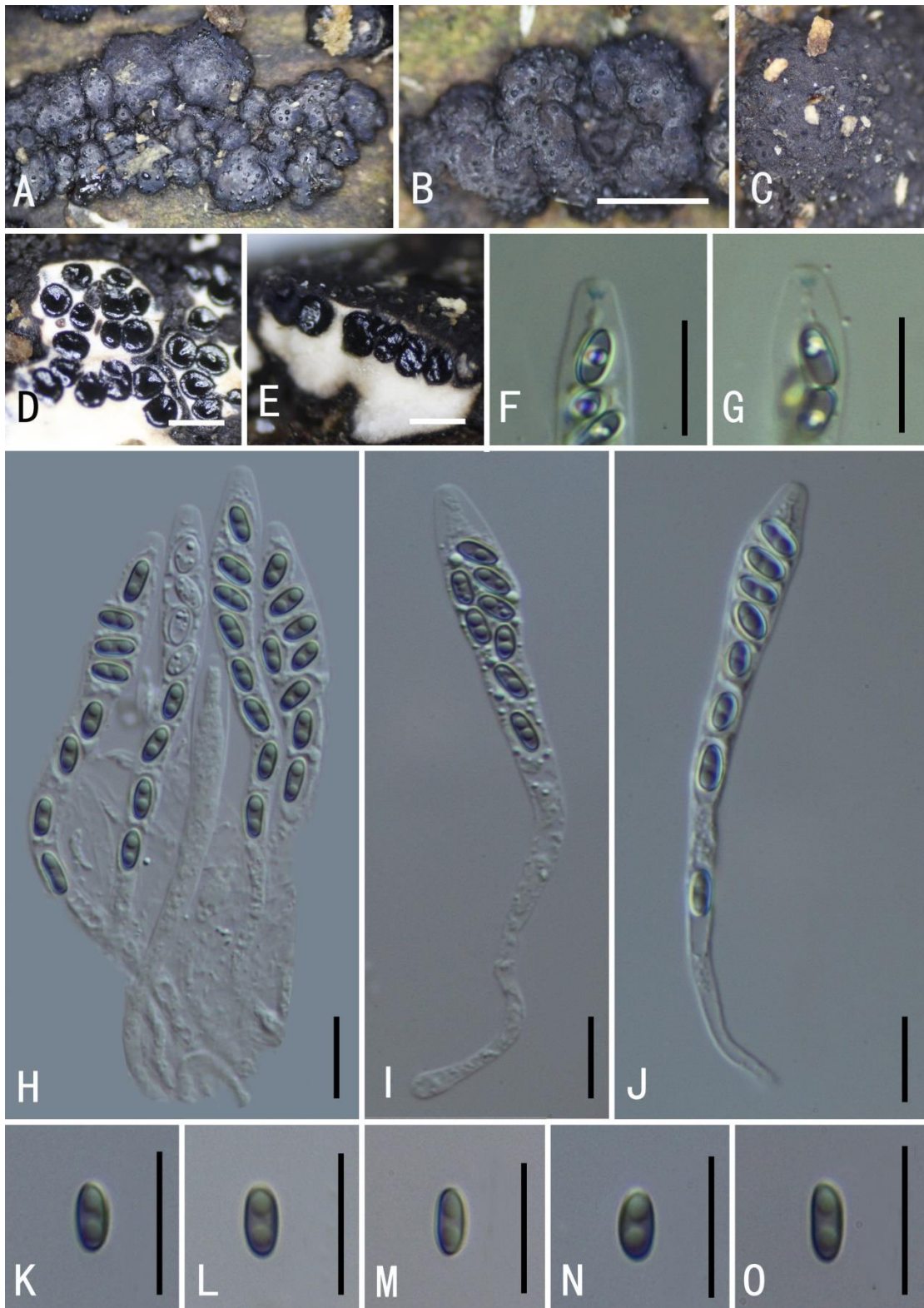


Figure 37 – *Xylaria frustulosa* (GMB1046). A, B stromata. C surface of stromata. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F, G ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer’s reagent). H–J asci with ascospores. K–O ascospores. Scale bars: B = 2 cm, D = 0.3 mm, E = 0.4 mm, F–O = 10 μ m.

Notes – *Xylaria frustulosa* is characterized by the disc-shaped or flattened to pulvinate fruiting bodies, pale greenish brown ascospores, and an inconspicuous germ slit. It has undergone successive taxonomic reclassifications, including shifts between genera such as *Hypoxylon*, *Penzigia*, and *Kretzschmaria* (Jong & Roger 1970, Dennis 1970). Hsieh et al. (2010) confirmed that

this species forms a sister clade with *X. feejeensis*, warranting its placement within the genus *Xylaria*. The description of our collection (GMB1046) aligns with that of *X. frustulosa*. Moreover, based on multi-gene phylogenetic analyses (Fig. 1), the strain GMBC1046 clustered with *X. frustulosa* with high statistical support (100% ML, 1.00 BYPP). This is the first report of this species from mainland China.

Xylaria glebulosa (Ces.) Y.M. Ju & J.D. Rogers, Mycotaxon 73: 405 (1999). Fig. 38

Synonyms: *Hypoxylon glebulosum* Ces., Atti Accad. Sci. fis. mat. Napoli 8 (no. 3): 17 (1879)

Description – Saprobic on dead wood. Sexual morph: Stromata 0.2–0.3 cm high × 0.4–1.2 cm broad ($\bar{x} = 0.26 \times 0.8$ cm, $n = 10$), scattered to gregarious, pulvinate to spherical, with flattened to slightly convex top, on narrow central connective; surface dark brown to black, conspicuously reticulately cracked, carbonaceous; interior tissue white, spongy, solid. Perithecia 410–930 μm high × 380–940 μm broad ($\bar{x} = 640 \times 600$ μm , $n = 10$), spherical. Ostioles conspicuous, black, faint to hemispherical. Asci 187–280 × 12–22 μm ($\bar{x} = 232 \times 18$ μm , $n = 30$), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long stipitate, apically rounded, with an amyloid urn-shaped apical apparatus, blue staining in Melzer's reagent, 10–11.6 μm ($\bar{x} = 11$ μm , $n = 10$) high, 5.8–7.2 μm ($\bar{x} = 6.6$ μm , $n = 30$) wide. Ascospores 28.8–32 × 9.3–12.4 μm ($\bar{x} = 30.5 \times 10.6$ μm , $n = 30$), overlapping uniseriate, unicellular, ellipsoid-inequilateral, frequently with abruptly pointed ends, dark brown, with an oblique germ slit much less than spore-length, lacking appendages and sheaths. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Culture characteristics – Colonies grown on OA at 25 °C for 4 weeks, 6 cm in diam., surface white, cottony, flocculent, edges grayish-white and irregular, reverse side gray-white. Not sporulating on OA nor on PDA.

Distribution – Known from Sri Lanka; China (Taiwan).

Material examined – CHINA, Hainan Province, Haikou City, Huoshankou Geological Park (19.554365°N, 110.13203°E), altitude: 152 m, on dead wood of an unknown plant, 18 November 2020, Youpeng Wu, 2020HSK19 (GMB1052; GMBC1052); CHINA, Hainan Province, Haikou City, Huoshankou Geological Park (19.554372°N, 110.132242°E), altitude: 156 m, on dead wood of unknown plant surface, 18 November 2020, Youpeng Wu, 2020HSK22 (GMB1053; GMBC1053).

Notes – *Xylaria glebulosa* was originally classified in the genus *Hypoxylon*. Ju & Rogers (1996) later reassigned it to the genus *Xylaria* after conducting a morphological analysis of its type specimen of stromata, asci, and ascospores (Ju & Rogers 1996). The description of our new collections is consistent with the description of *X. glebulosa*. The phylogenetic tree further confirms its identification, as it forms a well-supported cluster with the strain of *X. glebulosa* (100% ML, 1.00 BYPP). This study marks its addition as a new record for Hainan Province.

Xylaria longissima Hashemi, Khodap., Zare & Elahinia, Mycologia Iranica 2(1): 2 (2015).

Fig. 39

Description – Saprobic on root of unknown plant. Sexual morph: Stromata 3–6 cm long × 0.2–0.4 cm broad ($\bar{x} = 4.3 \times 0.34$ cm, $n = 10$), caespitose, with long setiform and branched sterile apices; stipe pubescent. Stromatal surface roughened from evidently to slightly perithecial elevations, with light brown peeling outer layer splitting in longitudinal bands; interior white grey. Perithecia 520–760 μm high × 533–746 μm broad ($\bar{x} = 616 \times 620$ μm , $n = 10$), immersed, subglobose to laterally compressed, closely arranged. Ostioles inconspicuous. Asci 186–280 × 7.4–10.4 μm ($\bar{x} = 224 \times 8.7$ μm , $n = 30$), 8-spored, unitunicate, cylindrical, long stipitate, apically rounded, with apical apparatus bluing in Melzer's iodine reagent, rectangular, 3.4–4.8 μm ($\bar{x} = 4.2$ μm , $n = 30$) high, 2.4–3.2 μm ($\bar{x} = 2.8$ μm , $n = 30$) wide. Ascospores 15.7–17.8 × 5.2–8.4 μm ($\bar{x} = 16.5 \times 6.5$ μm , $n = 30$), overlapping uniseriate, unicellular, inequilateral ellipsoid, light brown, with broadly narrowed ends, smooth, with a straight germ slit nearly the spore-length, lacking appendages and sheaths. Asexual morph: Undetermined.

Cultural characteristics – Colonies grown on OA at 25 °C for 2 weeks, reached 4 cm in diam., surface light white, velvety with irregular outgrowths or furrows, with a peripheral fan-shaped extension spreading toward the edge of the Petri dish. After 4 weeks, covered 9 cm white greyish, velvety or inflorescence, appressed with entire margins branched and setiform stromata with white tip.

Distribution – Known from Iran

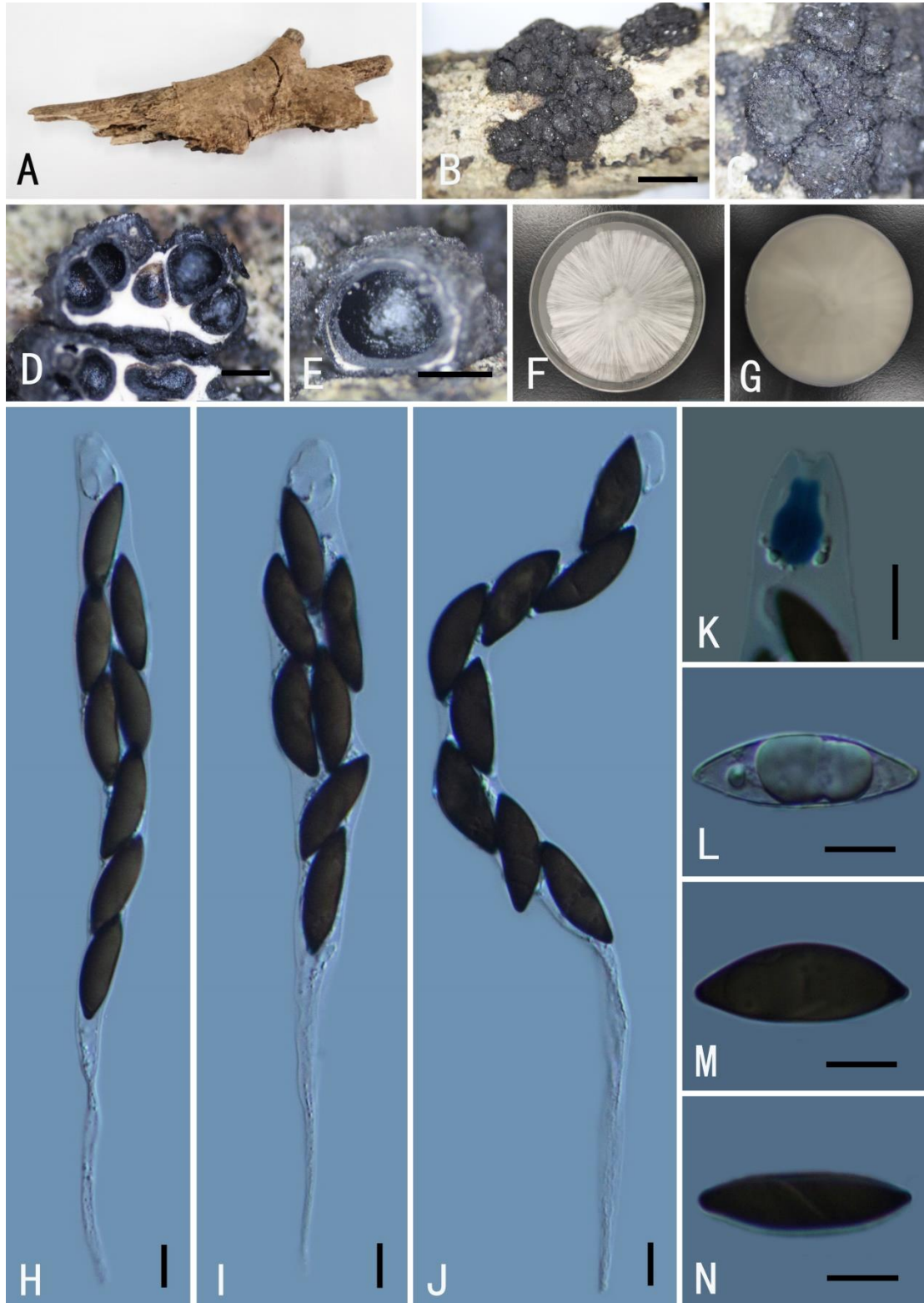


Figure 38 – *Xylaria glebulosa* (GMB1053). A material. B stromata. C surface of stromata. D transverse section of stroma. E longitudinal section of stroma. F, G culture on OA. H–J asci with

ascospores. K ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). L–N ascospores. Scale bars: B = 1 cm, D, E = 0.5 mm, H–N = 10 μ m.

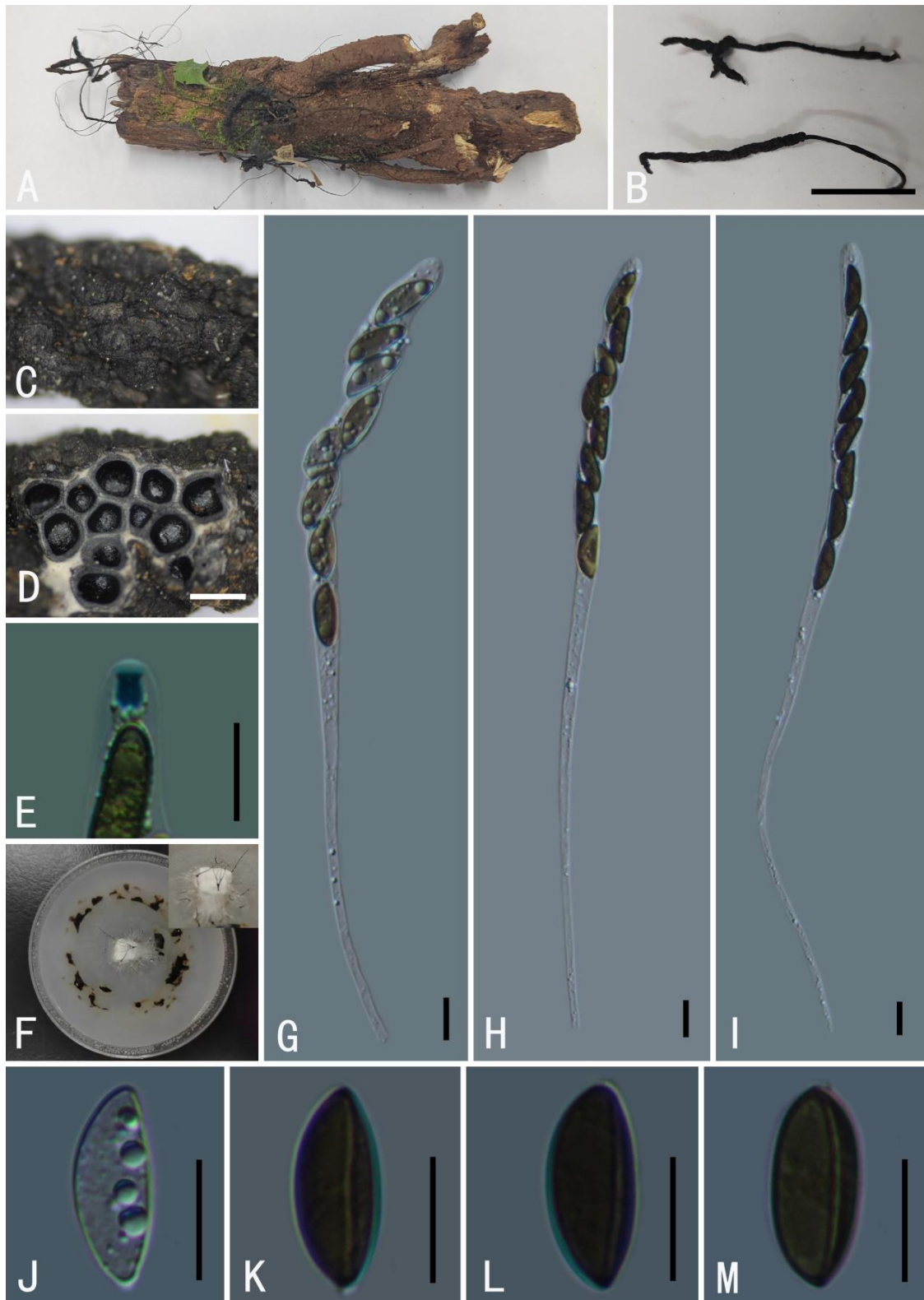


Figure 39 – *Xylaria longissima* (GMB1076). A material. B stromata. C surface of stromata. D transverse section of stroma. E ascus apical apparatus (stained in Melzer's reagent). F culture OA. G–I asci with ascospores. J–M ascospores. Scale bars: B = 4 cm, D = 0.5 mm, E, G–M = 10 μ m.

Material examined – CHINA, Guizhou Province, Libo County, Landingshan Forest Park (25.224635°N, 108.468242°E.), altitude: 578m, on dead wood of unknown plant root, 28 November 2021, Youpeng Wu, 2021LDS62 (GMB1076; GMBC1076).

Notes – *Xylaria longissima*, originally reported from Iran, is characterized by its distinctive features, including very long setiform sterile apices, perithecia that can vary in visibility, a light brown peeling outer layer, and ascospores measuring 16–18 × 5–6 µm with a straight spore-length germ-slit, which distinguish it from other *Xylaria* species (Hashemi et al. 2015). Our newly collected specimen (GMB1076) closely resembles *X. longissima* in terms of morphology. Furthermore, after conducting a BLAST search using ITS sequences on NCBI, we found the closest matching taxon to be *Xylaria longissima* (KP218906) with a 100% sequence homology. This is the first report of this species from mainland China.

DISCUSSION

The year 2020 marked a significant milestone in the realm of mycology, as it witnessed an unprecedented surge in the discovery of new fungal species and records globally. Wang et al. (2021) reported a staggering total of 4,996 newly described fungal names, comprising 652 higher taxa, 2,905 species and intraspecific taxa, 1,342 combinations, and 97 other novelties. This historic high in annual fungal nomenclature encompassed contributions from 103 countries and regions across the world, with East and Southeast Asia emerging as the primary hotspots for these discoveries. Remarkably, China stood out as the leading contributor to this fungal taxonomic surge, unveiling a remarkable 663 new species, accounting for a remarkable 23% of the global total. Among these fungal discoveries, the Xylariaceae family held its ground as the 12th highest family with the most newly described fungal species in 2020 (Wang et al. 2021).

Our current study reveals that, in addition to the 2020 findings, China has further expanded its contribution to global fungal taxonomy by describing an additional 27 new species, thereby augmenting the existing body of knowledge. This extensive exploration of fungal diversity within the Xylariaceae family enriches our understanding of the intricate web of fungal life within China's rich ecological landscape.

The rate of fungal species description remains at a relatively low level, and this presents a long-term and arduous task for mycologists to efficiently discover and describe the vast number of undescribed fungi. The fungal kingdom is vast and incredibly diverse, with countless species awaiting discovery.

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Abbreviations list:

An.: *Anthostomella*

As.: *Astrocystis*

ITS: Internal Transcribed Spacer

TUB2: β-tubulin gene

rpb2: DNA-directed RNA polymerase II subunit 2

GMB: Guizhou Medical University

GMBC: Guizhou Medical University Culture Collection

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