



Proposal for a subdivision of the family Psathyrellaceae based on a taxon-rich phylogenetic analysis with iterative multigene guide tree

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Abstract

The family Psathyrellaceae was analysed using phylogenetic and morphological characters. A total of 18,133 sequences (ITS, 5.8S, LSU, *ef-1 α* , *β -tubulin*), with 45 newly generated, were evaluated from a wide geographic sampling. Special attention was given to the alignment procedures and an iterative multigene guide tree was used to achieve the best possible phylogenetic hypotheses. A new generic system is proposed, which includes the known genera *Coprinellus*, *Coprinopsis*, *Cystoagaricus*, *Homophron*, *Hormographiella*, *Kauffmania*, *Lacrymaria*, *Parasola*, *Psathyrella* and *Typhrasa*. Six new, monophyletic genera are recognized, viz. *Candolleomyces*, *Britzelmayria*, *Narcissea*, *Olotia*, *Punjabia* and *Tulosesus*, and the corresponding new combinations are proposed. *Galerella floriformis* is shown to belong to the Psathyrellaceae and the new genus *Hausknechtia* is erected for it. *Psathyrella* is subdivided into 18 sections (sections *Noli-tangere*, *Saponaceae*, *Stridvalliorum*, *Arenosae*, *Confusae*, *Sublatisporae*, *Sinefibularum* are new), and sections *Pennatae*, *Pygmaeae* and *Pseudostropharia* are emended. *Coprinellus* is divided into nine sections (*Disseminati*, *Aureogramulati*, *Curti*, *Hepthemeri* and *Deminuti* are new), and 20 sections are proposed for *Coprinopsis* (*Cinereae*, *Filamentiferae*, *Melanthiniae*, *Alopeciae*, *Xenobiae*, *Phlyctidosporae*, *Krieglsteinerorum*, *Erythrocephalae*, *Geesteranorum*, *Mitraesporae*, *Radiatae*, *Subniveae* and *Canocipes* are new). And lastly, *Parasola* is divided into sections *Parasola* and *Conopileae*. Many problematic species groups still need revision. A key to the genera based on morphological characters is included.

Keywords Psathyrellaceae · Systematics · Molecular phylogenetics · Iterative multigene guide tree alignment · Indel coding

Introduction

When the work of Hopple et al. (1999) and especially Redhead et al. (2001) was published at the dawn of the new millennium, it became apparent that molecular biology techniques would profoundly alter the classical systematics of many dark-spored agarics. Until that time, morphological features were the sole basis for determining family relationships,

as in Smith (1972), Romagnesi (1944, 1982), Kühner and Romagnesi (1953), Orton and Watling (1979), Kits van Waveren (1985), Singer (1986), Citérin (1992, 1994) and other authors.

However, the traditional way of working had limits, such as when certain features (e.g. rough spores, a grainy veil, and so on) are not necessarily bound to a systematic position. Extensive comparisons of gene sequences not only led to the splitting of the historical genus *Coprinus* Pers. (Redhead et al. 2001) and the establishment of the family Psathyrellaceae Vilgalys, Moncalvo & Redhead, but also to various transfers of taxa. For instance, the work of Larsson and Örstadius (2008) showed that *Psathyrella conopilea* (Br.) A. Pearson & Dennis belongs to the genus *Parasola* Redhead, Vilgalys & Hopple, while *Psathyrella marcescibilis* (Britzelm.) Singer and *P. pannucioides* (J.E. Lange) M.M. Moser were recognized as members of the genus *Coprinopsis* P. Karst. Moreover, the work of Örstadius et al. (2015) identified further recombinations and the establishment of new genera like

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Kauffmania Örstadius & E. Larss., *Typhrasa* Örstadius & E. Larss. and *Homophron* (Britzelm.) Örstadius & E. Larss. Knowledge of the relationships within the family made rapid progress through the works of Padamsee et al. (2007), Vašutová et al. (2008), Nagy et al. (2009, 2010a, b, 2011a, b, 2012a, b, 2013a, b), Nagy, Vágvölgyi et al. (2013b) and Szarkándi et al. (2017). In the meantime, new taxa described by molecular phylogenetic analyses are often described in the context of just a few related species. Examples are Hazi et al. (2011), Melzer et al. (2017), Yan and Bau (2017), Deschuyteneer et al. (2017), Broussal et al. (2018) and Melzer (2018). If only a few close sequences are used and these are from one or two regions only, there is a risk that the phylogeny will not reflect the truthfulness that would be possible if all the sequences from all regions in the corresponding section were included in the analysis.

This paper presents the Psathyrellaceae in full extent, which is possible with the currently available data, based on a phylogenetic analysis, while also giving regard to the morphology of the taxa. A classification is proposed which is as comprehensive as possible while not unnecessarily complicated, with the ranks of subgenus and subsection being omitted.

Material and methods

Sequence sampling and selection

On March 5, 2018, NCBI GenBank and Unite using PlutoF (Abarenkov et al. 2010) were searched for all nucleotide sequences, concerning the family Psathyrellaceae. From NCBI GenBank, a total of 17,864 raw sequences were exported, further 224 raw sequences from Unite.

All sequences which are classified in the taxonomic group Psathyrellaceae (taxid184208 @ NCBI GenBank) and those that are close to it were collected. Numerous sequences described as “uncultivated” were also analysed, as well as those that were obviously given the wrong taxa names (incorrect determinations). The sequences of the taxonomic group *Coprinus* (taxid5345 @ NCBI GenBank) were completely exported initially and later critically checked as all others as described below.

From these sources, the basic database with 18,133 single sequences was created. These were first tested for their orientation. The reversed complement sequences were determined and replaced by the generated forward sequences. For the preliminary examination of all sequences, they had to be roughly aligned and sorted. This was done with Mafft using the L-INS-i procedure at default settings. Indels were not coded in the preliminary examination. Partitioning was limited to the ITS1, 5.8S, ITS2, LSU, β -*tub*, and *ef-1 α* regions.

No MSA filters were applied, but as usual the introns were removed from the protein coding sequences. Using RAxML

(model GTR+CAT; final tree optimized by GTR+G) via CIPRES, both the preliminary single phylogenies of the regions and the preliminary multigene phylogeny were tested for exclusion of sequences. This was done before the addition of the specially selected outgroup to avoid conflicts.

Sequences which undoubtedly do not belong to the family Psathyrellaceae were excluded. In addition, those without ITS1 and ITS2 regions or only a very short part of them, as well as clearly erroneous sequences that caused incorrect branch lengths or wrong positioning in the topology, were sorted out.

For 100% identical sequences associated to different taxa, the most likely name and sequence ID was chosen. For this, the deposited vouchers and the associated literature were used to ensure the best possible species designation. However, identical sequences for which more than one or different regions were present were kept in the sequence collection in any case.

Sequences with untrue gaps created by the sequence author (deleted regions) were excluded as this would create nonsense gaps in the alignments and errors in the gap matrices. Thus, untrue deviations would have been caused, because the indels were coded and used for the phylogeny. This exclusion did not apply to sequences in which only introns were deleted because they were also removed in the present study (see chapter “[The introns of the haploid nuclear genome](#)”).

Note that this was only the preliminary sequence sorting procedure. For the fine selection and error detection, see chapter “[Combinability tests of loci, detailed error check of sequence sets from vouchers](#)”. The final “filtered” ingroup sequences are listed in Table S1.01 in Supplement S1. The outgroup sequences are listed in Table 1.

Later available sequences could not be included in the analysis, but are mentioned in the text in important cases. Several times it was necessary to verify determinations by comparison with collections of the authors. The sequencing for these specimens was performed by Pablo Alvarado (ALVALAB, Spain). The sequences were then deposited in NCBI GenBank. See Table S1.01 in Supplement S1 as well.

Reference sampling

Many sequences in the databases have been collected in the context of studies on fungal diversity, mycorrhizal communities, etc. For these studies, exact identifications are often irrelevant. This explains the fact that many sequences in the databases are not designated to a species or have been given an incorrect name.

To avoid confusion, the names are mostly left as they were originally. Additions or corrections of names due to interim recombinations and synonymizations were omitted even if they were clearly possible. Only changes by the same authors in later publications were adopted to ensure better clarity. As a

result, different taxon names can sometimes be found in one clade. In the phylograms and in Table S1.01 in Supplement S1, the names of the vouchers or reference IDs were adopted as they are listed in the databases to ensure an unmistakable identification. Therefore, the spelling sometimes does not match the real authors' names (e.g. LO = Leif Örstadius, Ulje = Uljé).

For this reason, references were selected in which the probability of an exact determination is very high. Of course, type material is most suitable, but it is not always available. Sometimes no type collection exists (e.g. *Psathyrella microrhiza*) or sequencing is not allowed (e.g. L). The investigation can also fail for older exiccates, which would be an unnecessary consumption of valuable resources. The same purpose is also served by well-described collections from reliable sources, for which an exact determination can be assumed to be certain. A reference voucher (abbreviated as Ref.v.) was therefore selected in each case, accompanied by a comprehensive description of the taxon. Publications by authors with a focus on the taxonomy of Psathyrellaceae were preferred.

In the systematic part, the recognized species with the currently valid name are mentioned. The corresponding reference voucher (abbreviated as Ref.v.), as well as a literature source that allows conclusions on the quality of the determination, is mentioned.

Morphologically studied material

A large number of members of the Psathyrellaceae family have been studied as fresh or dried material to get a more detailed view of the features. The procedure of light microscopy is well known and is not described in detail here. The results are recorded in notes, line drawings or photos and archived by the authors. No voucher is preserved for some small specimens when there is no material left after the examination.

The list in supplement S3 contains all morphologically examined collections as a complete overview, regardless of whether mentioned in the text. Vouchers are stored in the herbaria A. Melzer (AM, AV, CA, HIAS), and D. Wächter (DW); others are designated by name. Samples loaned from the Herbarium GENT are marked with their catalogue number only, because almost all labels are handwritten and sometimes unreadable. The GENT material includes collections from Belgium, France and the Netherlands.

The spore size is simply referred to as “small” (predominantly below 8 µm in length, if remarkably shorter “very small”), medium-sized (about 8–10 µm) and “large” (10–13 µm, if considerably larger “very large”). As the spores of many species are highly variable, this has to be understood as a rough classification.

Phylogenetic analysis

Region selection of molecular phylogenetic markers

Potential and final selected regions First, a computer-aided determination was made to find out, which of the regions are covered by a sufficient number of sequences (temporarily programmed routines of the authors were used for this step). It turned out that the following regions were considered for the analysis as they were sufficiently covered:

- From the ribosomal DNA (rRNA), which is a part of the nuclear genome:
- SSU (small subunit 18S rRNA gene) → later excluded from the analysis (see the following explanation)
- ITS1 (internal transcribed spacer 1)
- 5.8S (5.8S rRNA gene)
- ITS2 (internal transcribed spacer 2)
- LSU (large subunit 28S rRNA gene)
- From the haploid nuclear genome (these are particularly suitable for the reconstruction of higher phylogenetic relationships):
- *β-tub* (*β-tubulin gene*)
- *ef-1α* (*translation elongation factor 1-α gene*)

All other regions were not used for the analysis because there were obviously too few sequences available. As the following tests have shown, all regions except the SSU region were sufficient and reasonable to be used.

Check whether the sequences of the SSU region are usable

From publications of other authors concerning the family Psathyrellaceae, it was already known as probable that the identified regions do not cause phylogenetic conflicts and are therefore suitable for analysis. As described in the chapter “[Combinability tests of loci, detailed error check of sequence sets from vouchers](#)”, this was checked again and confirmed. The only exception was the SSU region, which was not discussed in detail in these studies. Whether the SSU region is meaningful because of its known low phylogenetic information content was therefore not clear at first, especially considering that the phylogenetic analysis covers the entire Psathyrellaceae family plus the genera in the outgroup. There were only 44 sequences from the SSU region (see Table S1.01 in Supplement S1 and Table 1). These are comparatively few. They were aligned with Mafft—with the L-INS-i method. There were no regions that were difficult to align. The available sequences spanned the complete SSU region, i.e. approx. 2180 sites. After trimming the alignment to the inner edges of the terminal gaps, 2099 bp evaluable alignment length remained. With AliView, the sites diverging from the majority rule consensus were first optically checked—this is shown in Fig. 1.

Table 1 List of taxa and GenBank accession numbers used in the present phylogenetic study for the outgroup

Designation	Seq.-ID	SSU	ITS, 5.8S	LSU	β -tub	<i>ef-1α</i>
<i>Agrocybe praecox</i> (Pers.) Fayod	PBM2310	AY705956.1	AY818348.1	AY646101.1		DQ061276.1
<i>Agrocybe pusiola</i> (Fr.) R. Heim	LO304-05		DQ389732.1	DQ389732.1		
<i>Bolbitius excoriatus</i> Dähncke, Hauskn., Krisai, Contu & Vizzini	LO23-10		KC456419.1	KC456419.1		KJ732834.1
<i>Bolbitius reticulatus</i> (Pers.) Ricken	WU30001		JX968249.1	JX968366.1		JX968455.1
<i>Bolbitius subvolvatus</i> Hauskn., Contu & Krisai	WU28379		JX968248.1	JX968365.1		JX968454.1
<i>Bolbitius vitellinus</i> (Pers.) Fr.	AFTOL-ID 730		DQ200920.1	AY691807.1		DQ408148.1
<i>Conocybe anthracophila</i> Maire & Kühner ex Kühner & Watling	WU14367		JX968212.1	JX968329.1		JX968430.1
<i>Conocybe appendiculata</i> J.E. Lange & Kühner ex Watling	2226		JF908596.1			
<i>Conocybe cylindracea</i> Maire & Kühner ex Singer	WU20796		JX968240.1	JX968358.1		JX968449.1
<i>Conocybe karinae</i> Gubitz & Hauskn.	WU28526		JX968151.1	JX968268.1		JX968384.1
<i>Conocybe monikae</i> Hauskn.	WU22612		JX968200.1	JX968317.1		JX968420.1
<i>Coprinus comatus</i> (O. F. Müll.) Pers.	ECV 3198		AY854066.1	AY635772.1		AY881026.1
<i>Coprinus comatus</i>	KACC49373		AF345823.1			
<i>Daedaleopsis rubescens</i> (Alb. & Schwein.) Imazeki	041		EU661889.1			
<i>Flammula alnicola</i> (Fr.) P. Kumm.	PBM2608	DQ113916.1	DQ486703.1	DQ457666.1		GU187699.1
<i>Galerella nigeriensis</i> Tkalčec, Mešić & Čerkez	CNF1/5859		JX968251.1	JX968368.1		JX968457.1
<i>Ganoderma lipsiense</i> (Batsch) G.F. Atk.	Cui5604		FJ627253.1			
<i>Gymnopus alkalivirens</i> (Singer) Halling	GG85 88		GU234034.1			
<i>Kuehneromyces rostratus</i> Singer & A.H. Sm.	PBM2703	DQ457624.1	DQ490638.1	DQ457684.1		GU187712.1
<i>Laccaria masoniae</i> G. Stev.	GMM7200		KU685656.1	KU685799.1		KU686084.1
<i>Laccaria proxima</i> (Boud.) Pat.	GMM7584		KU685717.1	KU685858.1		KU686120.1
<i>Laccaria</i> sp.	DED7426		KU685628.1	KU685771.1		KU686076.1
<i>Oligoporus lacteus</i> (Fr.) Gilb. & Ryvarden	Cui5724		FJ627254.1			
<i>Pachylepyrium carbonicola</i> (A.H. Sm.) Singer	TENN028785	HQ832428.1	HQ222014.1	HQ222015.1		
<i>Pachylepyrium funariophilum</i> (M. M. Moser) Singer	Moser49/8/type		KF830096.1	KF830086.1		
<i>Pholiotina aberrans</i> (Kühner) Singer	NL-3161		JX968256.1	JX968373.1		JX968459.1
<i>Pholiotina cyanopus</i> (G. F. Atk.) Singer	WU2134		JX968157.1	JX968274.1		JX968388.1
<i>Pholiotina dasypus</i> (Romagn.) P.-A. Moreau	NL-2279		JX968152.1	JX968269.1		JX968385.1
<i>Pholiotina vexans</i> (P.D. Orton) Bon	NL-3967		JX968265.1	JX968380.1		JX968466.1
<i>Psathyrella ornatispora</i> M. Villarreal & Esteve-Rav.	AH26978/type		KC992968.1	KC992968.1		KJ732833.1
<i>Schizophyllum commune</i> Fr.	UTHSCDI14-5		LT217536.1	LT217568.1		LT217602.1
<i>Simocybe serrulata</i> (Murrill) Singer	PBM2536	DQ465343.1	DQ494696.1	AY745706.1		GU187755.1
<i>Stropharia ambigua</i> (Peck) Zeller	PBM2257	DQ092924.1	AY818350.1	AY646102.1		GU187756.1
<i>Trogia venenata</i> Zhu L. Yang, Y. C. Li & L.P. Tang	TC2-18		KT968070.1		KT972030.1	KT971798.1
Uncultured <i>Tubaria</i>	09S10C53		HG937047.1	HG937047.1		
<i>Xeromphalina campanella</i> (Batsch) Kühner & Maire	PBM2315		DQ494702.1	DQ470826.1		GU187758.1

Coloured sites in Fig. 1 differ from the consensus. Grey areas are sites matching the consensus. “V” regions (variable regions) of high divergence could not even be identified across the whole family including the outgroup. The phylogenetic content is obviously very low. This was investigated in more detail with Noisy. The following settings for Noisy were used, deviating from the default:

- missing ?N—this is necessary because the terminal gaps are filled with “?”.
- nogap—this makes sense, because the indels were examined separately for phylogenetic content and an evaluation as 5th state character is not useful—see also chapter “[Indel coding method and indel matrices](#)”.

Results:

- Length of the alignment: 2099 sites
- Constant sites: 2020
- Singleton sites: 43
- Phylogenetically informative sites: 31
- Phylogenetically very informative sites: 5
- Sum of phylogenetically informative sites with a reliability score > 80%: 28—corresponds to 1.3%

The result is shown as a visual representation in Fig. 2. The yellow area shows which sites (black lines) could have been used for the study (in addition to the 2020 constant sites).

Furthermore, the phylogenetically informative indels were analysed in the trimmed SSU alignment, as described in chapter “[Indel coding method and indel matrices](#)”.

Results:

- Sum of gap positions (total): 7
Of those:
- Informative gap positions: 3
- Uninformative gap positions: 4

The indels of the SSU region also contain only very little phylogenetic information. The SSU region is covered with too few sequences and has a very low phylogenetic content compared to the sum of all partitions. Therefore, the SSU region was not used for the analysis.

Determination of region boundaries of the SSU, ITS1, 5.8S, ITS2 and LSU regions

One aim of the analysis was to completely remove the SSU region fragments in the ITS1 alignment. Also, the ITS1, 5.8S, ITS2, and LSU regions should be exactly separated for phylogenetic content calculations, best fit model calculations, partitioning, etc. The region boundaries should therefore be determined exactly. The region analysis was performed with ITSx (Bengtsson-Palme et al. 2013) and HMMER including the databases. The alignments showed distinct motifs (in each case majority rule consensus) for the respective regions. These are as follows:

- SSU end motif:
...GAACCTGCGGAAGGATCATTA
- **ITS1 start** motif:
ATGAATATCTATGGC...
- **ITS1 end** motif:
...CCTATAAAACAAAATA
- 5.8S start motif:
CAACTTTCAGCAACGGATCTC...

- 5.8S end motif:
...CCTGTTTGAGTGTTCATTA
- **ITS2 start** motif:
AATTCTCAACCT...
- **ITS2 end** motif:
...GGACAATCTTTTGACA
- LSU start motif:
ATTTGACCTCAAATCAGG...

At the same time, the exact length of the 5.8S region could also be determined—it is exactly 158 sites long for almost all sequences. A few sequences of the genus *Parasola* contain a deletion, so that the 5.8S region of these sequences is only 157 base pairs long. Some of them also contain some more indels, but most of them are probably stutter sites. See also chapter “[MSA of the 5.8S region](#)” and Fig. 14.

Sequence selection for the outgroup and root branch validation

It goes without saying that a meticulous outgroup selection is indispensable for a large phylogenetic study like this one. Extensive pre-tests were conducted with different compositions of outgroups, different outgroup sizes, different divergences to the ingroup and different loci. Among other things, the following important findings were obtained:

- As not uncommon in large phylogenetic studies, the root node of the Psathyrellaceae family is mathematically unstable and, if the outgroup was selected unfavourably, shifts to an extreme position in the tree where it does not belong. This is favoured by a too small outgroup, too few loci, and too high divergence from outgroup to ingroup.
- The higher phylogeny of critical genera and/or species close to the family Psathyrellaceae can only be solved mathematically with an outgroup selection specifically dedicated to this problem. Especially when only rapidly evolving loci are present for the critical species. These genera/species are *Mythicomyces*, *Stagnicola perplexa* and *Pachylepyrium*. All 3 do not belong to the family Psathyrellaceae, but fall into it in case of an unfavourable outgroup selection. Details can be found in the results chapter “[Outgroup and critical genera](#)”.
- A too large outgroup is not directly harmful, but should also be avoided because of the high influence on the overall length of the partitions, since the already enormous computing time of the MCMCMC (several months—even using supercomputer clusters as used in this study) would be unnecessarily extended.

Mainly for these reasons, special care was taken to choose an outgroup as close to the family as possible, containing all critical taxa/genera, and if possible only sets with all loci.



Fig. 1 Sites of the SSU alignment diverging from the majority rule consensus; representation from AliView; colours: nucleotides in AliView colour code; coloured sites differ from the majority rule

consensus; grey areas are sites matching the consensus; white are indels or missing data; the scale represents the site numbering

Special attention was also paid to the ability of root branch *stabilization*. The final outgroup found to be optimal can be taken from the phylogram in Fig. 39. The corresponding sequences can be found in Table 1. “Seq.-ID” is the voucher number or the most useful reference number if no voucher number was given by the original authors. The resulting stable position of the root branch was confirmed by various tests and probably currently provides the most accurate possible rooting of the family Psathyrellaceae. See also chapter “[Plausibility check using a “HLPGT” \(high-level phylogeny guide tree\)](#)”.

MSA of the problematic ITS1 and ITS2 regions

Alignment strategy for the ITS1 and ITS2 regions

The alignment of the ITS region posed a major problem due to the many rapidly evolving, indel-rich areas in these regions. An alignment of these regions without an *iterative multigene guide tree*, which was also calculated from conserved regions of the other loci, cannot achieve the truthfulness like an alignment with such a guide tree. In the course of the study, it was even shown that such an alignment procedure is indispensable in order to obtain a low-conflict and thus best truthful phylogram. Other authors Nagy et al. (2013a) and Tóth et al. (2013) have already found that the accuracy of the guide tree is the decisive factor for a truthful alignment of the ITS1 and

ITS2 regions. At this point, it should again be mentioned that the exclusion of divergent regions (filtering with Gblocks (Castresana 2000) and similar programs) also leads to a distortion of the phylogeny—see chapter “[MSA filter for divergent regions \(not applied\)](#)”. Therefore, it was necessary to apply an iterative multigene guide tree refinement method for the ITS region, which includes the conserved regions (5.8S, LSU, *ef-1 α* and *β -tub*) and also the indel partitions in the guide tree. Originally, the resulting best tree from a Bayesian analysis should be used as guide tree. However, this idea had to be discarded as it would have required an exorbitant amount of time. Therefore, after each alignment step, an ML analysis with RAxML via CIPRES (model: GTRCAT, refinement under GTR+G for DNA, GTR2 + G with acquisition bias correction according to Lewis (2001) for the indel partitions) with the partitions as described in chapter “[Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments](#)” was carried out instead and the resulting best tree was used as guide tree for the next refinement of the ITS1 respectively ITS2 alignment. Prank requires a rooted binary tree (i.e. straight bifurcating). Each tree therefore had to be rooted (root branch identification see chapter “[Sequence selection for the outgroup and root branch validation](#)”). This step was done with Treegraph. The alignment result was again the basis for a further ML analysis with RAxML via CIPRES (models as described before). The resulting best tree was again

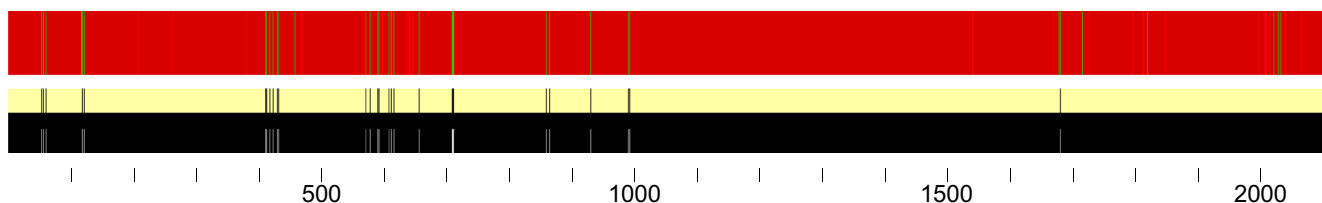


Fig. 2 Visual representation of the phylogenetic content of the alignment of the SSU region and the columns theoretically remaining/removed by the MSA filter. Graphic created with Noisy. Red: phylogenetically uninformative and constant sites; green: phylogenetically informative and

very informative sites; black lines in the yellow bar: phylogenetically informative and very informative sites that have a reliability score > 80% and thus would remain in the alignment after application of the filter

used as a guide tree for the next refinement step of the ITS MSAs. This was done in a loop until no significant change in the best tree from the previous one was detectable respectively no significant change in the recorded values (see Table 3) occurred. The trees were evaluated using Treegraph and Node Integrator (authors' tool) with which the number of nodes of $\geq 75\%$ bootstrap as well as the average bootstrap values of all branches and the “weighted cumulative node reliability S” (according to WÄCHTER) were calculated. The computational comparison of the trees was also performed with Node Integrator (authors' tool), which determines the percentage of equal nodes from the new tree to the previous tree. Also the Robinson-Foulds distances (RF), the weighted Robinson-Foulds distances (WRF) and the weighted Robinson-Foulds distances incl. support consideration of common bipartitions (WRF2) were recorded. These were calculated with RAxML.

Selection of the alignment method for the iteration loops of the guide tree

The initial alignment of the ITS region was carried out with Mafft using the FFT-NS-2 method, as it turned out to be advantageous after some preliminary tests. The gap matrices of the initial alignment were coded with SeqState (Müller 2005) as described in chapter “[Indel coding method and indel matrices](#)”. The initial alignments including gap matrices were combined with the alignments and gap matrices of the other regions. With RAxML (settings as described before), the best tree for the complete phylogeny was calculated. This tree was rooted with Treegraph and served as multigene guide tree for the first alignment step. The quality values from this tree were recorded as described above.

It had to be checked which alignment method with guide tree is most advantageous for the alignment steps. For this purpose, the ITS1 region was again aligned with 4 different probabilistic methods—this time with guide tree—and the results were evaluated. The following 4 tests were performed with Prank. The switch `-once` was set to disable the automated iteration of Prank.

- Test 1: settings: **Leave Gappy Regions** (+F set); rest: default settings
 Test 2: settings: +F disabled; rest: default settings
 Test 3: settings: **Leave Gappy Regions** (+F set); **-uselogs** set; rest: default settings
 Test 4: settings: +F disabled; **-uselogs** set; rest: default settings

The results were evaluated as previously described by comparing the single phylogeny of the ITS1 alignments

including gap matrices (also calculated with RAxML via CIPRES, settings as described before) with the total phylogeny. In addition, the sum of the informative sites with a reliability score $> 80\%$ was calculated with Noisy. Table 2 shows the test results.

The diagram in Fig. 3 shows the weighted cumulative node reliability $S_{(b)}$ (according to WÄCHTER) from tests 1 to 4.

Test 2 turned out to be the best method; therefore, this method (i.e. **Prank**—with default setting) was used for all subsequent iteration steps of the ITS1 and ITS2 regions. The method with the function +F (Leave Gappy Regions) was clearly worse in both cases. For the ITS2 region, it was assumed that the procedure from test 2 was also best choice.

Following alignment loop of the ITS1 and ITS2 regions with iterative multigene guide tree over all regions

After each iteration step, it was necessary to analyse how far the respective alignment was still from the optimum. After the respective alignment, which including the gap matrices was reintegrated into the overall partition, another ML bootstrap analysis with RAxML via CIPRES (settings as described before) was performed and the best tree calculated from this was compared with the previous tree and evaluated as described above and below.

Among others, the following values were traced:

- The length of the ITS1 alignment
- The gap matrix length of the ITS1 alignment
- The length of the ITS2 alignment
- The gap matrix length of the ITS2 alignment
- The number of nodes of the total phylogeny with ML bootstrap values $\geq 75\%$
- The average ML bootstrap values of the total phylogeny
- The percentage of identical nodes to the previous phylogeny with a ML bootstrap value $\geq 75\%$. Node Comparator (author's tool) was used to calculate the percentage of identical nodes of the total phylogram resulting from the new iteration in relation to nodes with $\geq 75\%$ reliability of the previous total phylogram
- The “weighted cumulative node reliability S” according to Wächter (see below)
- The $-\log$ Likelihood score of the total phylogeny from RAxML (model: GTRCAT; refinement under GTR+G for DNA; GTR2+G with acquisition bias correction according to Lewis (2001) for Indel partitions)
- The Robinson-Foulds distances (RF)
- The weighted Robinson-Foulds distances (WRF)
- The weighted Robinson-Foulds distances including support consideration of common bipartitions (WRF2)

Weighted cumulative node reliability S

A new method was developed to analyse the calculated trees qualitatively. This is briefly presented here. To analyse the level of support of the trees, the bootstrap values were counted according to their size from $b = 0$ to $b = 100$ (the percentage sign of bootstrap values is not used in the following formulas for simplification). The numbers n were weighted linearly according to the bootstrap values b and summed up. This sum was divided by the number of all nodes in order to obtain a percentage ratio in the diagram from which the function.

$$S_{(b)} = \frac{\sum_{i=b}^{100} n_i \cdot i}{\sum_{i=0}^{100} n_i} \text{ results, with :}$$

- S = weighted cumulative node reliability S
- b = magnitude of the bootstrap value
- n = number of the respective bootstrap value size
- i = control variable

From this curve, the AUC (area under curve) was determined by the formula

$$AUC_S = \int_b^{100} S_{(b)} = \int_b^{100} \frac{\sum_{i=b}^{100} n_i \cdot i}{\sum_{i=0}^{100} n_i}$$

AUC_S = area under curve S —the area under curve S in general
 respectively for the complete bootstrap range from 0 to 100 with

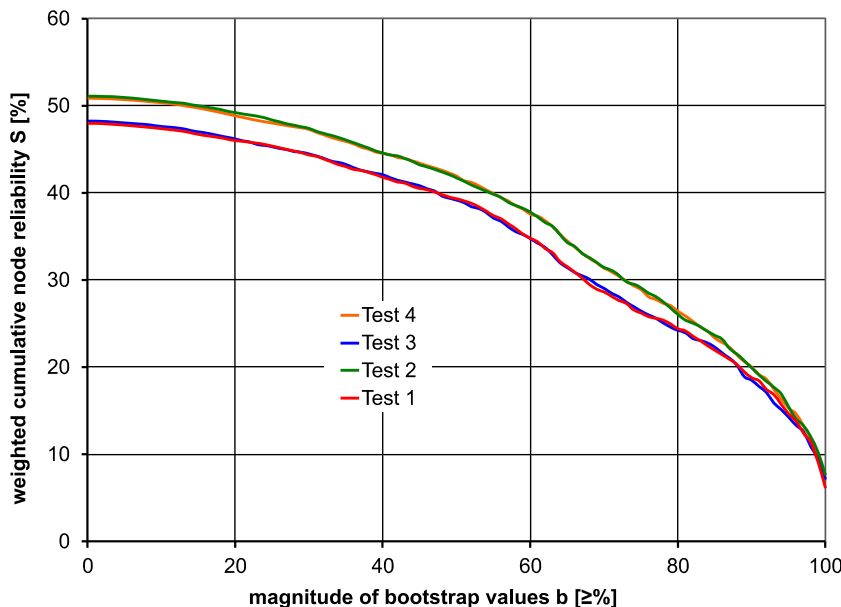
$$AUC_{S_{total}} = \int_0^{100} S_{(0 \leq b \leq 100)} = \int_0^{100} \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{100} n_i \cdot i}{\sum_{i=0}^{100} n_i}$$

$AUC_{S_{total}}$ = the area under the complete curve S
 In order to make the values of the iteration steps comparable, the relation to an ideal tree was used, which would have only bootstrap values of 100, from which the formula

Table 2 Results of the alignment tests for the first iteration step of the ITS1 alignment to determine the most advantageous method for the iteration loop: *bold + italic*: relevant columns; *italic*: advantageous result

Test	Method	Opticalinspection	Length (sites)	Gaps	Sum of informative sites with reliability score > 80%	-logLikelihood score @ GTR+G RAxML.single phylogeny	Number of nodes ≥ 75% bootstr.	Averagebootstrap values (%)	AUCs _{total} % of cum. node reliability (%)	Identical nodes overall phylogeny ≥ 75% (%)
1	Prank LGR	Some mis-recognized blocks	1581	1458	361	41,492	493	48	35.3	82.8
2	Prank	OK	883	888	402	40,868	551	51.1	37.8	83.7
3	Prank LGR uselogs	Some mis-recognized blocks	1578	1464	363	41,465	498	48.2	35.3	82.4
4	Prank uselogs	OK	925	893	395	40,763	547	50.8	37.7	81.7

Fig. 3 Weighted cumulative node reliability $S_{(b)}$ of alignment tests 1 to 4 for the first iteration step of the ITS1 alignment (diagram created with Node Integrator)



$$\begin{aligned}
 AUC_{S_{total}\%} &= \frac{\int_0^{100} \sum_{i=0}^{100} n_i \cdot i}{\int_0^{100} \sum_{i=0}^{100} n_i \cdot 100} \cdot 100 \\
 &= \frac{\int_0^{100} \sum_{i=0}^{100} n_i \cdot i}{100 \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{100} n_i \cdot 100} \cdot 100 = \frac{\int_0^{100} \sum_{i=0}^{100} n_i \cdot i}{\sum_{i=0}^{100} n_i \cdot 100}
 \end{aligned}$$

or simply, since $AUC_{S_{total\ max}} = 100 \cdot 100$

$$AUC_{S_{total}\%} = \frac{\int_0^{100} S_{(0 \geq b \leq 100)}}{100 \cdot 100} \cdot 100 = \frac{\int_0^{100} S_{(0 \geq b \leq 100)}}{100} \text{ results.}$$

$AUC_{S_{total}\%}$ = the area under the complete curve S as a ratio to an ideal 100% tree

This formula would give 100% if all nodes in the tree had the bootstrap value 100%, and correspondingly less the smaller they become (where the numbers n are weighted). The formulas were implemented in a tool (Node Integrator). One criticism of this procedure could be that the tree with the highest bootstrap values does not have to be the most truthful one. However, the goal was not to optimize or increase the bootstrap values of the iterative multigene guide tree alignments. The fact that the bootstrap values increase is a positive side effect which can be controlled quickly and easily with this method, but the purpose was to record the change of the bootstrap values with this method to determine the end of the iteration loop.

The curves $S_{(b)}$ in the diagram Fig. 4 show the result. A strong increase was clearly visible after the first iteration step. After that, especially poorly supported nodes were slightly

improved. After 4 iteration steps, no significant change was visible. After the 5th iteration step, the LSU region was also aligned using the guide tree from iteration step 5 and included in the evaluation (see chapter “[MSA of the LSU region and range selection](#)”). The ITS1 and ITS2 alignments and gap matrices of the last step were used for the final tree inferences. After completion of the final phylogeny, the values of the final ML tree from RAxML were additionally included in Table 3 and diagram Fig. 4. The final calculation of the ML phylogeny is explained in chapter “[Final maximum likelihood \(ML\) estimation and bootstrapping](#)”.

Table 3 shows the test results.

It can be seen that already with the first iteration step, there was a substantial leap-like improvement in the alignments. After that, the improvement was small but steady. Only a few more iteration steps had to be done until no significant improvement could be detected. Step 6 is not qualitatively comparable to step 5 as far as the previous phylogeny is concerned; since the LSU region was added, therefore the corresponding values are entered in brackets in Table 3. The best values of the important tracing values are shown in italics.

The final ITS1 and ITS2 alignments were then trimmed with Mega (Tamura et al. 2013) to the exact boundaries of the regions using the motifs (see chapter “[Determination of region boundaries of the SSU, ITS1, 5.8S, ITS2 and LSU regions](#)”).

Checking the final ITS1 alignment

Figure 5 shows the final MSA of the ITS1 region. Figure 6 shows the sites differing from the majority rule consensus. Both alignment graphics are already in phylogenetic order of the final total tree.

The phylogenetically informative content was analysed with Noisy. However, Noisy was not used for MSA filtering (see chapter “[MSA filter for divergent regions \(not applied\)](#)” for reason). The following settings for Noisy were used, deviating from the default:

- –missing? N—this is necessary because the terminal gaps are filled with “?”.
- –nogap—this makes sense, because the indels were examined separately for phylogenetic content and an evaluation as 5th state character is not useful—see also chapter “[Indel coding method and indel matrices](#)”.

Results:

- Length of the alignment: 933 sites
- Constant sites: 413
- Singleton Sites: 61
- Phylogenetically informative sites: 77
- Phylogenetically very informative sites: 382
- Sum of phylogenetically informative sites with a reliability score > 80%: 404—corresponds to 43.3%

The result as graphical representation shows Fig. 7.

Checking the final ITS2 alignment

Figure 8 shows the final MSA of the ITS2 region. Figure 9 shows the sites differing from the majority rule consensus. Both alignment graphics are also already in phylogenetic order of the final total tree.

The phylogenetic information content was again analysed with Noisy (settings as described above).

Results:

- Length of the alignment: 700 sites
- Constant sites: 288
- Singleton Sites: 44
- Phylogenetically informative sites: 63
- Phylogenetically very informative sites: 305
- Sum of phylogenetically informative sites with a reliability score > 80%: 337—corresponds to 48.1%

The result as graphical representation shows Fig. 10.

The ITS alignments thus prepared were the basis for the indel coding (see chapter “[Indel coding method and indel matrices](#)”) model determination and partitioning (see chapter “[Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments](#)”).

MSA of the LSU region and range selection

Testing and initial alignment of the LSU region

Only LSU sequences reaching at least up to the right end of domain D1 were used and some shorter ones as exceptions which seemed important for rare taxa. After sorting, 745 LSU sequences were available (see sequence Table S1.01 in Supplement S1). For the LSU region, it was initially unclear whether there were areas with indels that were difficult to align (gappy regions). Therefore, indels and also the change of phylogeny when using a multigene guide tree were analysed in more detail. It turned out that the LSU region also contains indels that are difficult to align and must be aligned with a multigene guide tree. This was performed and evaluated in the course of the iteration loop of the ITS1 and ITS2 alignments after the 5th iteration step as final refinement step of the LSU alignment (see chapter “[MSA of the problematic ITS1 and ITS2 regions](#)”).

The initial LSU alignment which was used for the alignment tests described below was carried out with Mafft using the iterative refinement method “E-INS-i”. The terminal gaps and the projecting ends of the ITS2 region were removed. The initial LSU motif was the one described in chapter “[Determination of region boundaries of the SSU, ITS1, 5.8S, ITS2, and LSU regions](#)”.

For an alignment test with different software or methods, all gaps were removed from this alignment, re-aligned and evaluated using different methods. The following 9 tests were performed:

- Test 1:
Software: **Mafft** (on cbrc.jp); version: 7.372; method: *L-INS-i*
Settings: default
- Test 2:
Software: **Mafft** (on cbrc.jp); version: 7.372; method: *L-INS-i*
Settings: *Leave Gappy regions*; rest: default
- Test 3:
Software: **Mafft** (on cbrc.jp); version: 7.372; method: *E-INS-i*
Settings: default
- Test 4:
Software: **Mafft** (on cbrc.jp); version: 7.372; method: *E-INS-i*
Settings: *Leave Gappy regions*; rest: default

- Test 5:
Software: **Probalign** (Roshan and Livesay 2006) (over Cipres); version: 1.4
Settings: default
- Test 6:
Software: **Prank** (local); version: 140603
Settings: *Leave Gappy Regions* (+F set); rest: default settings
- Test 7:
Software: **Prank** (local); version: 140603
Settings: +F disabled; rest: default settings
- Test 8:
Software: **Prank** (local); version: 140603
Settings: *Leave Gappy Regions* (+F set); *-uselogs* set; rest: default settings
- Test 9:
Software: **Prank** (local); version: 140603
Settings: +F disabled; *-uselogs* set; rest: default settings

The -logLikelihood score for the model GTR+G (Generalised Time-Reversible—Tavaré 1986) was calculated from the alignments resulting from these tests using JModelTest (Darriba et al. 2012) (via Cipres), since this model was determined to be the best fit model for the LSU region (see chapter “Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments”). Table 4 shows the relevant test results.

The method used in test 3 turned out to be the best for the initial alignment; therefore, this method (i.e. **Mafft**—method: **E-INS-i**) was used.

Refinement of the LSU alignment using the iterative multigene guide tree

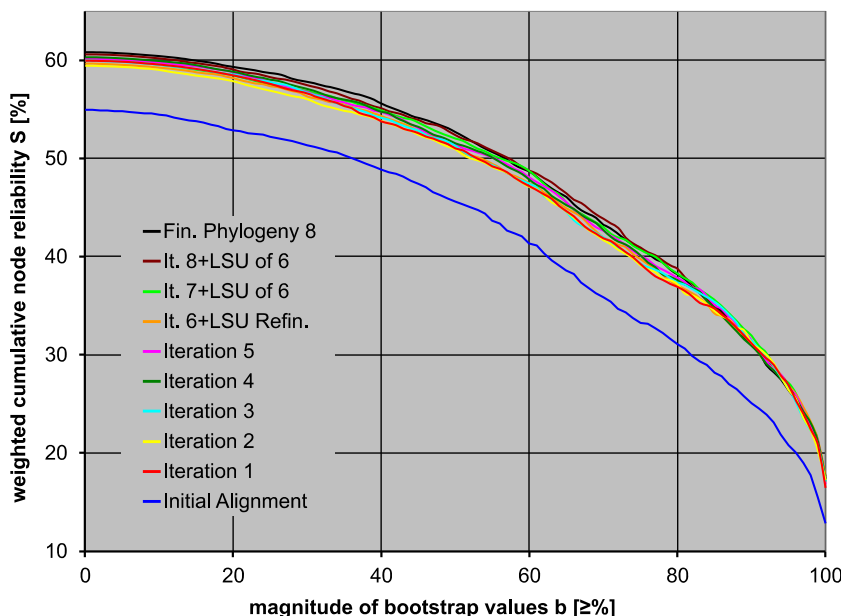
As mentioned above, refinement was performed using the multigene guide tree from iteration step 5 using **Prank** during the ITS1 and ITS2 MSA iteration loop (for statistical results, see chapter “MSA of the problematic ITS1 and ITS2 regions”). The alignment improved significantly in that process. So, the final alignment method of the LSU region used for the tree inference was **Prank with +F disabled, -uselogs and -once** set, using the multigene guide tree from iteration step 5.

The left end of the alignment was then exactly trimmed with Mega (Tamura et al. 2013) based on the motif (consensus) ATTTGACCTCAAATCAGG...—see chapter “Determination of region boundaries of the SSU, ITS1, 5.8S, ITS2 and LSU regions”. The frayed right ends were trimmed to a meaningful length. The alignment thus prepared was the basis for the indel coding of the LSU region (see chapter “Indel coding method and indel matrices”) and the partitioning (see chapter “Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments”).

Figure 11 shows the 1499 sites long MSA of the LSU region in phylogenetic order of the final tree.

The LSU alignment was analysed in more detail for areas of phylogenetic informative content in order to define the area to be used. This was first checked optically with AliView. The domains could be identified by the sites deviating from the majority rule consensus, as Fig. 12 illustrates by the already final alignment.

Fig. 4 The weighted cumulative node reliability S shows the increase in bootstrap values after each iteration step, after refinement and after the final ML phylogeny



The phylogenetically informative content in the D regions was clearly recognizable, but pi-positions (parsimony informative positions) were also present in the C regions. This was analysed with Noisy more detailed. Again, Noisy was not used for MSA filtering (reason see chapter “[MSA filter for divergent regions \(not applied\)](#)”). The following settings for Noisy were used, deviating from the default:

- –missing ?N—this is necessary because the terminal gaps are filled with “?”.
- –nogap—this makes sense, because the indels were examined separately for phylogenetic content and an evaluation as 5th state character is not useful—see also chapter “[Indel coding method and indel matrices](#)”.

Results:

- Length of the alignment: 1499 sites
- Constant sites: 946
- Singleton Sites: 180

- Phylogenetically informative sites: 201
- Phylogenetically very informative sites: 172
- Sum of phylogenetically informative sites with a reliability score > 80%: 285—corresponds to 19%

The result as graphical representation shows Fig. 13.

The LSU alignment thus prepared was the basis for the indel coding of the LSU region (see chapter “[Indel coding method and indel matrices](#)”), model determination and partitioning (see chapter “[Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments](#)”).

MSA of the 5.8S region

All 5.8S sequences were embedded in between the ITS sequences. These are listed in Table S1.01 in Supplement S1. Within the 5.8S alignment, there were no regions difficult to align and no phylogenetically informative indels were expected. Nevertheless, indels were analysed more detailedly (see chapter “[Indel coding method and indel matrices](#)”).

Table 3 Tracing of the values for the determination of the end of the iteration loop, additionally (for information) values of the refinement and the final ML phylogeny. The best values of the important tracing values are shown in italics

Step	Length ITS1 (sites)	Gaps ITS1	Length ITS2 (sites)	Gaps ITS2	Number of nodes $\geq 75\%$ bootstrap	Average bootstrap values (%)
Initial alignment	590	637	624	550	618	54.9
Iteration 01	888	903	633	835	724	59.5
Iteration 02	954	880	692	820	720	59.4
Iteration 03	912	883	678	860	722	59.9
Iteration 04	872	916	680	816	743	60.3
Iteration 05	998	925	704	844	740	60.2
It. 6 + LSU refin.	896	947	696	830	(735)	(59.7)
It. 7 + LSU of 6	943	913	710	833	752	60
It. 8 + LSU of 6	933	900	700	838	759	60.6
Fin. phylogeny 8	933	900	700	838	758	60.8
Step	Identical nodes to the previous phylogeny $\geq 75\%$ (%)	–logLikelihoodscore total phylogeny @RAxML	AUC _S total % of cum. node reliability (%)	RF distance (%)	WRF distance (%)	WRF2 distance (%)
Initial alignment	–	149,069	42.1	–	–	–
Iteration 01	97.1	147,227	47.5	24.6	5.8	12.8
Iteration 02	98.1	146,742	47.3	21.5	4.7	8.4
Iteration 03	98.3	146,870	47.6	22.8	5.1	8.4
Iteration 04	99.4	146,791	48	21.5	4.4	8.2
Iteration 05	98.9	146,353	48	22.4	4.7	8.2
It. 6 + lsu refin.	(98.4)	(146,321)	(47.6)	(23.9)	(5)	(8.6)
It. 7 + lsu of 6	98.5	146,084	48.2	23.3	4.9	8.3
It. 8 + lsu of 6	98.8	146,084	48.6	22.6	4.6	7.9
Fin. phylogeny 8	99.5	146,052	48.6	19.6	3.8	5.2

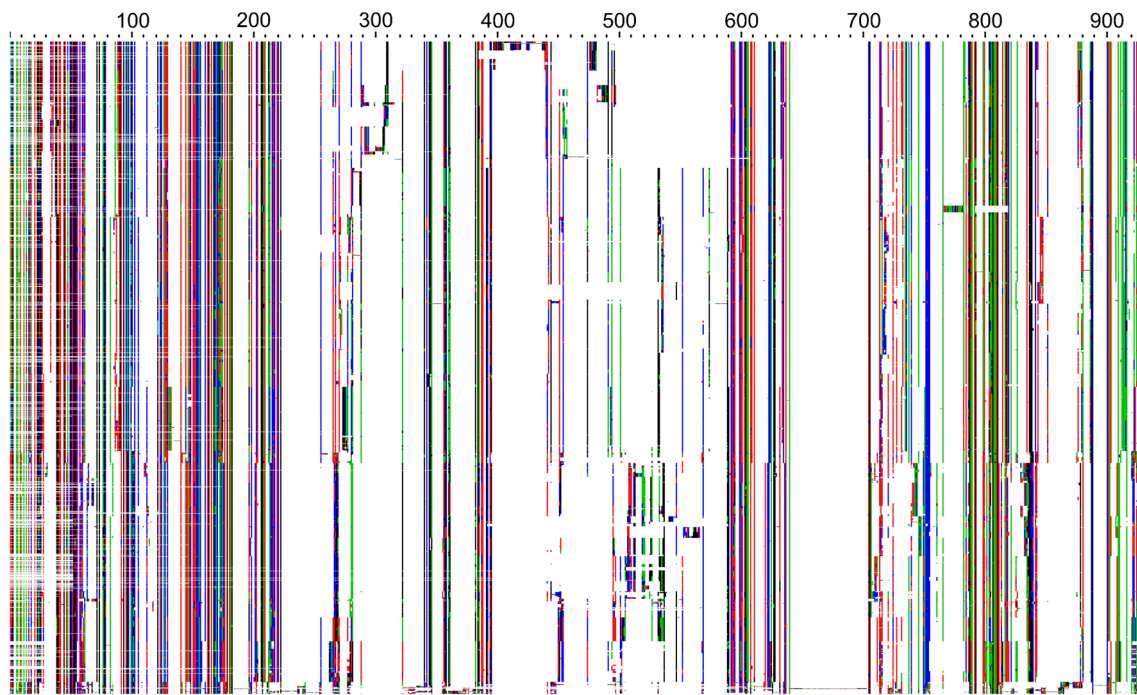


Fig. 5 Final MSA of the ITS1 region; representation from AliView; colours: nucleotides in AliView colour code; the scale represents the site numbering

Since the alignment was part of the initial ITS alignment, the 5.8S region only had to be trimmed with Mega (Tamura et al. 2013) and visually checked. The alignment was impeccable, so there was no need for further testing with other alignment procedures or refinement. The final alignment in phylogenetic order of the final total tree is shown in Fig. 14,

which clearly shows the conservation even across the entire family.

However, there were also quite clear uniform divergences, for example in section *Spadiceogriseae*, in which 2 sites deviated unanimously from the whole family, or a deletion that occurs only in clades within

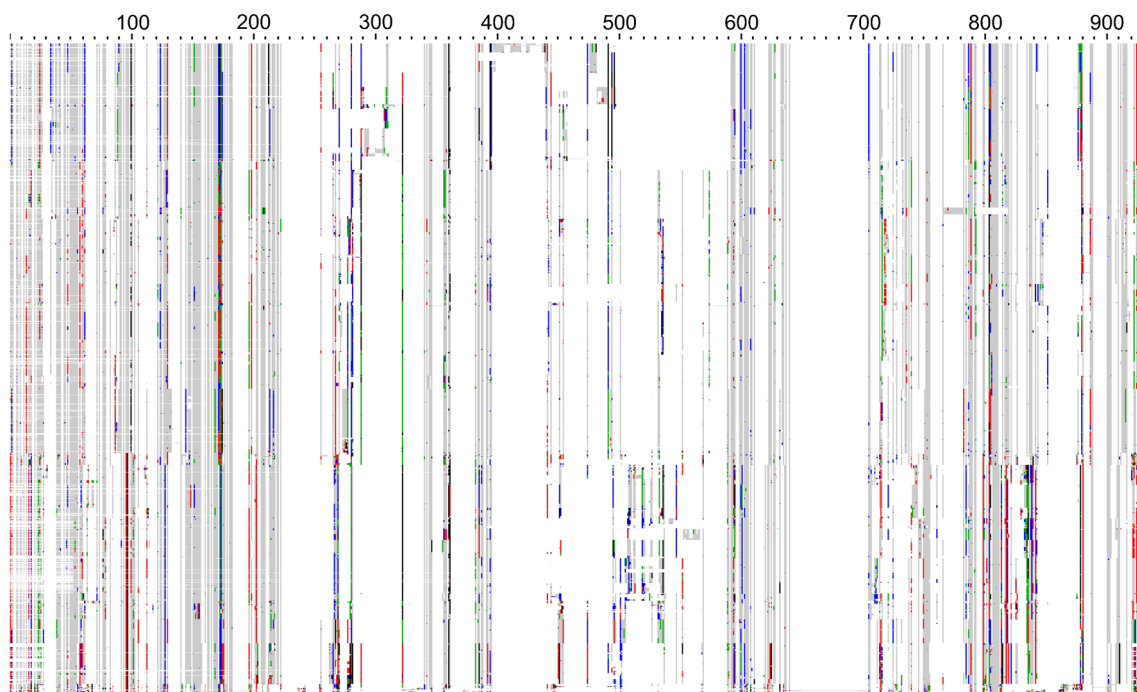


Fig. 6 Sites of the ITS1 alignment diverging from the majority rule consensus; representation from AliView; colours: nucleotides in AliView colour code; coloured sites differ from the majority rule

consensus; grey areas are sites matching the consensus; white are indels or missing data; the scale represents the site numbering

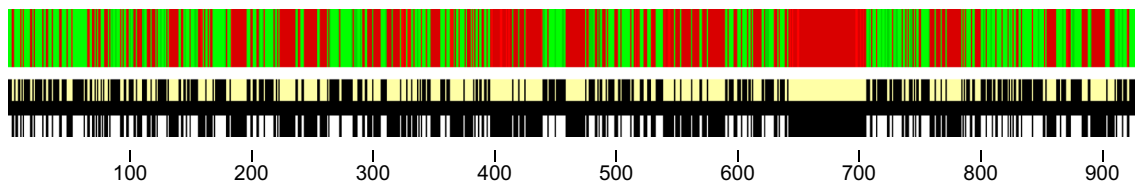


Fig. 7 Visual representation of the phylogenetic content of the alignment of the ITS1 region and the columns theoretically remaining/removed by the MSA filter. Graphic created with Noisy. Red: phylogenetically uninformed and constant sites; green: phylogenetically informative and

very informative sites; black lines in the yellow bar: phylogenetically informative and very informative sites that have a reliability score > 80% and thus would remain in the alignment after application of the filter

Parasola (this is for example a phylogenetically informed indel). Both can clearly be seen in Fig. 15, which shows the sites in 5.8S alignment that deviate from the majority rule consensus.

The phylogenetically informative content of the 5.8S region was analysed with Noisy. The following settings for Noisy were used, deviating from the default:

- –missing ?N—this is necessary because the terminal gaps are filled with “?”.
- –nogap—this makes sense, because the indels were examined separately for phylogenetic content and an evaluation as 5th state character is not useful—see also chapter “[Indel coding method and indel matrices](#)”.

Results:

- Length of the alignment: 167 sites
- Constant sites: 84

- Singleton Sites: 39
- Phylogenetically informative sites: 16
- Phylogenetically very informative sites: 28
- Sum of phylogenetically informative sites with a reliability score > 80%: 41—corresponds to 24.6%

Although it is not obvious at first glance, the 5.8S region contains 24.6% phylogenetically informative sites. This is even higher than at the LSU region, which has only 19% informative content (see chapter “[MSA of the LSU region and range selection](#)”). The result as a visual representation is shown in Fig. 16.

The use of the 5.8S region was therefore found to be very reasonable.

The 5.8S alignment thus prepared was the basis for the indel coding of the 5.8S region (see chapter “[Indel coding method and indel matrices](#)”), model determination and partitioning (see chapter “[Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments](#)”).

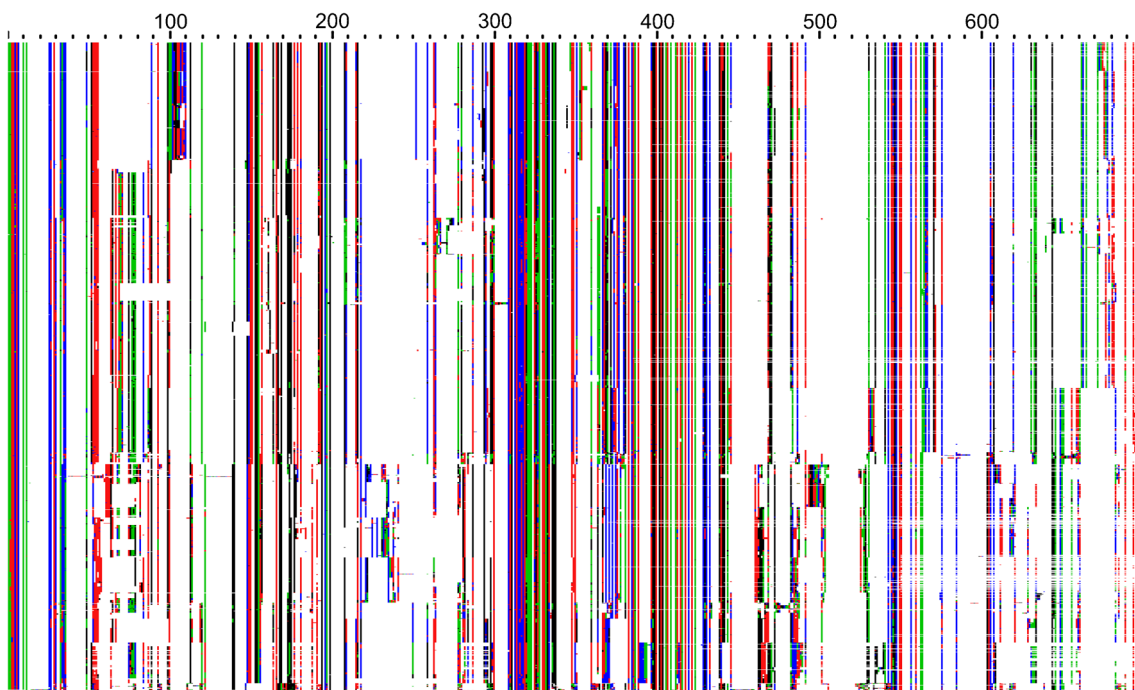


Fig. 8 Final MSA of the ITS2 region; representation from AliView; colours: nucleotides in AliView colour code; the scale represents the site numbering

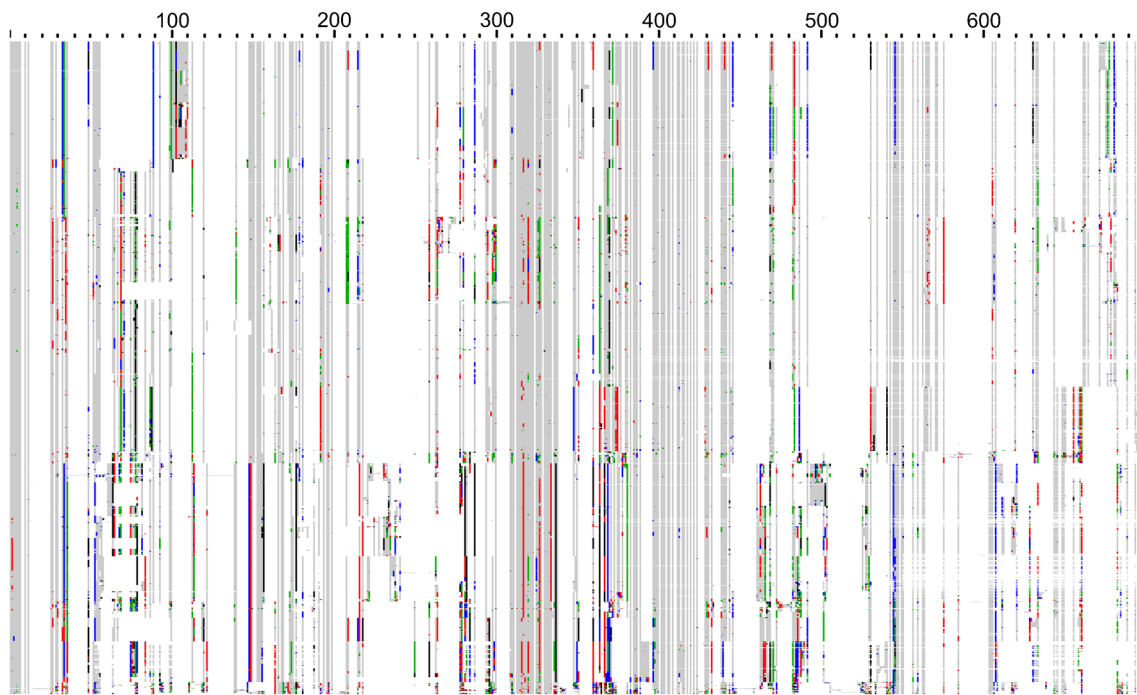


Fig. 9 Sites of the ITS2 alignment diverging from the majority rule consensus; representation from AliView; colours: nucleotides in AliView colour code; coloured sites differ from the majority rule

consensus; grey areas are sites matching the consensus; white are indels or missing data; the scale represents the site numbering

MSA of the β -*tub* region and its exon extraction

From the β -*tubulin* region, 297 sequences were present after sorting out (see chapter “Sequence sampling and selection”; see Table S1.01 in Supplement S1). The intron regions were removed from the alignment after the usability study (see chapter “The introns of the haploid nuclear genome”). The alignment did therefore not make any special demands. The sequences were aligned with Mafft using the iterative refinement method “L-INS-i”. This was also tested with the “E-INS-i” method which, however, yielded a worse result. After the removal of some stutter sites, the exons and introns were identifiable.

Figure 17 shows the translation of the complete 621-bp-long nucleotide alignment including the introns in phylogenetic order of the final tree. The pink areas were removed from the alignment. These were the beginning and the end in the area of the terminal gaps and the 2 introns. The numbering of the exons and introns corresponds to the interpretation of Russo et al. (1992).

All introns started with the donator GT and ended with the acceptor AG, which made the extraction of the exons very easy. The amino acid sequence over exon 6 to 7 is divided intron-overstretching.

Figure 18 shows the final β -*tub* alignment after removal of the introns as codon representation which is 384 sites (128 amino acids) long.

An ORF that spanned over the range of bp 9 to beyond the end of the consensus sequence out of the alignment is a small part of the total ORF that forms the β -*tubulin* protein. The match of this ORF was tested with SWISS-MODEL. As expected, this section corresponds to a fragment of the β -*tubulin* protein models—e.g. SMTL ID 5fnv.1.D (Yang et al. 2016)—which was used as a template for a purely informative calculation of the section model of the consensus amino acid sequence over the alignment. Figure 19 shows this section model.

The β -*tubulin* alignment is consistently phylogenetically informative, as can already be seen from the presentation of

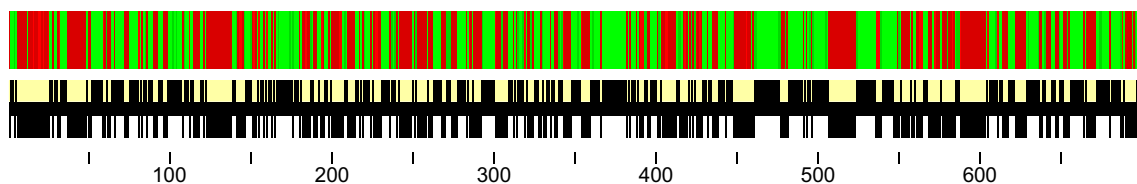


Fig. 10 Visual representation of the phylogenetic content of the alignment of the ITS2 region and the columns theoretically remaining/removed by the MSA filter. Graphic created with Noisy. Red: phylogenetically uninformative and constant sites; green: phylogenetically

informative and very informative sites; black lines in the yellow bar: phylogenetically informative and very informative sites that have a reliability score > 80% and thus would remain in the alignment after application of the filter

Table 4 Test results of the alignment tests for the LSU region; entries in *italic font*: advantageous result; entries marked with a ♦: not advantageous result; bold line: the selected first alignment method

Test	How were related sections identified?	Were indels well separated?	-logLikelihood score @GTR+G	Length (bp)
1	<i>Correctly detected</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>19,021</i>	1541
2	♦ Twice offset in terminal gap areas	<i>Yes</i>	♦ 20,343	1535
3	<i>Correctly detected</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>18,866</i>	1542
4	♦ Twice offset in terminal gap areas	<i>Yes</i>	♦ 20,846	1535
5	♦ No, jagged, a lot of manual work would have been necessary	♦ Yes, but also false detections	21,130	1581
6	♦ No, jagged, a lot of manual work would have been necessary	♦ Yes, but also false detections	19,934	3248
7	♦ No, jagged, a lot of manual work would have been necessary	♦ Yes, but also false detections	18,985	2444
8	♦ No, completely jagged	♦ Not relevant	Not investigated	
9	♦ No, jagged, a lot of manual work would have been necessary	♦ Yes, but also false detections	18,966	2334

the sites deviating from the majority rule consensus in Fig. 20.

With Noisy, the phylogenetically informative fractions of the codon positions were analysed in relation to the respective codon partition. The following settings for Noisy were used deviating from the default:

- –missing ?N—this is necessary because the terminal gaps are filled with “?”.
- –nogap—this makes sense because the few gaps present are most likely sequencing errors and cannot be considered phylogenetically informative—see also chapter “[Indel coding method and indel matrices](#)”.

The result as a visual representation is shown in Fig. 21. The black bars in the yellow marked area are the sites that would remain in alignment if Noisy was used for filtering the MSA—but MSA filtering was generally not applied

(reason see chapter “[MSA filter for divergent regions \(not applied\)](#)”).

Results:

β-tubulin codon 1 partition (128 sites):

- Constant sites: 87
- Singleton Sites: 8
- Phylogenetically informative sites: 22
- Phylogenetically very informative sites: 11
- Sum of phylogenetically informative sites with a reliability score > 80%: 30—corresponds to 23.4%

β-tubulin codon 2 partition (128 sites):

- Constant sites: 104
- Singleton Sites: 14
- Phylogenetically informative sites: 6
- Phylogenetically very informative sites: 4

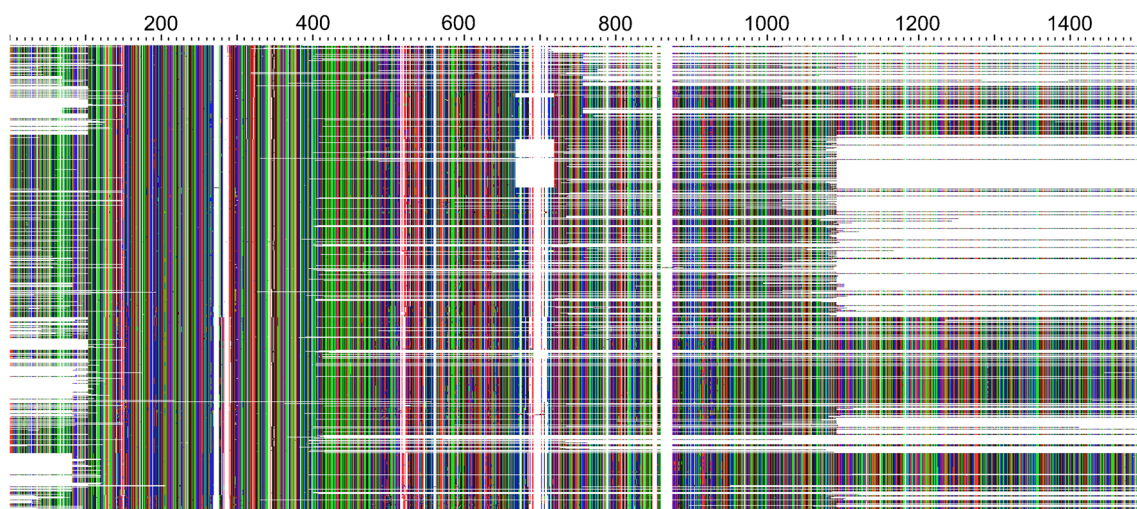


Fig. 11 Final MSA of the LSU region; representation from AliView; colours: nucleotides in AliView colour code; the scale represents the site numbering

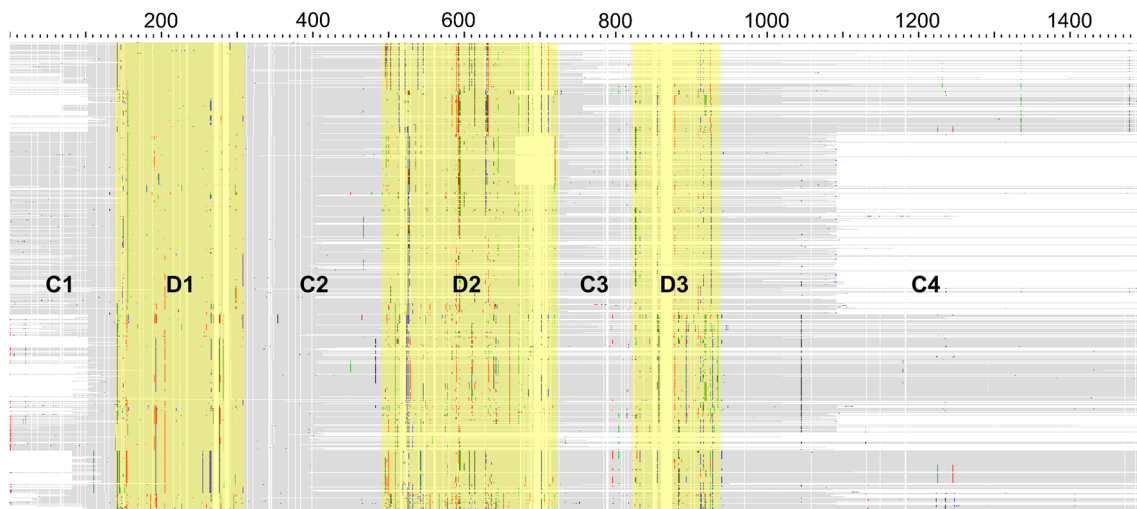


Fig. 12 Sites of the LSU alignment diverging from the majority rule consensus in phylogenetic order of the final total tree with the left end domains; representation from AliView; colours: nucleotides in AliView colour code; coloured sites differ from the majority rule consensus; grey

areas are sites matching the consensus; white are indels or missing data; Yellow areas are divergent “D” areas of the domains. “C” areas are the conserved regions of the domains; the scale represents the site numbering

- Sum of phylogenetically informative sites with a reliability score > 80%: 7—corresponds to 5.5%

β-tubulin codon 3 partition (128 sites):

- Constant sites: 7
- Singleton Sites: 6
- Phylogenetically informative sites: 36
- Phylogenetically very informative sites: 79
- Sum of phylogenetically informative sites with a reliability score > 80%: 109—corresponds to 85.2%

The results show that codon position 3 has a multiple information content compared to codon positions 1 and 2. See also diagram Fig. 29.

MSA of the *ef-1α* region and its exon extraction

From the *ef-1α* region, 185 sequences were present after sorting out (reason see chapter “[Sequence sampling and selection](#)”; see Table S1.01 in Supplement S1). Since the intron regions were also removed from the alignment (see chapter “[The introns of the haploid nuclear](#)

[genome](#)”), this alignment also had no special requirements. The sequences were also aligned with Mafft using the iterative refinement method “L-INS-i”, for testing purposes also with the “E-INS-i” method, which also yielded a slightly worse result here. After the removal of some stutter sites the exons and introns were identifiable.

Figure 22 shows the translation of the complete 1338-bp-long nucleotide alignment including the introns in phylogenetic order of the final tree. The pink areas were removed from the alignment. These were the start and the end in the area of the terminal gaps, and the 4 introns and the exon at the end, as Fig. 23 shows.

All introns also started with the donator GT and ended with the acceptor AG. The amino acid sequence over exons 2 to 3 and 3 to 4 are divided intron-overstretching.

Figure 23 shows the final *ef-1α* alignment after removal of the introns as codon representation which is 993 sites (331 amino acids) long.

An ORF that spanned over the range of bp 10 to beyond the end of the consensus sequence out of alignment is a section of the entire ORF that forms the *ef-1α* protein. The match of this ORF was checked with

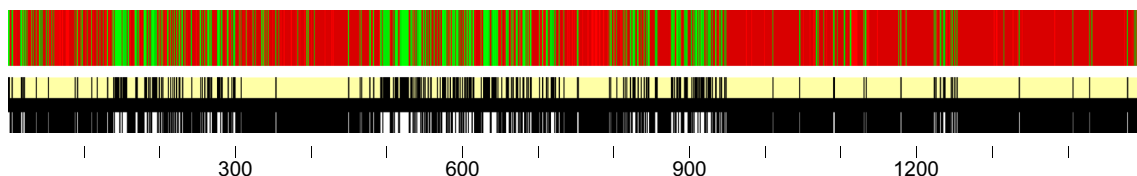
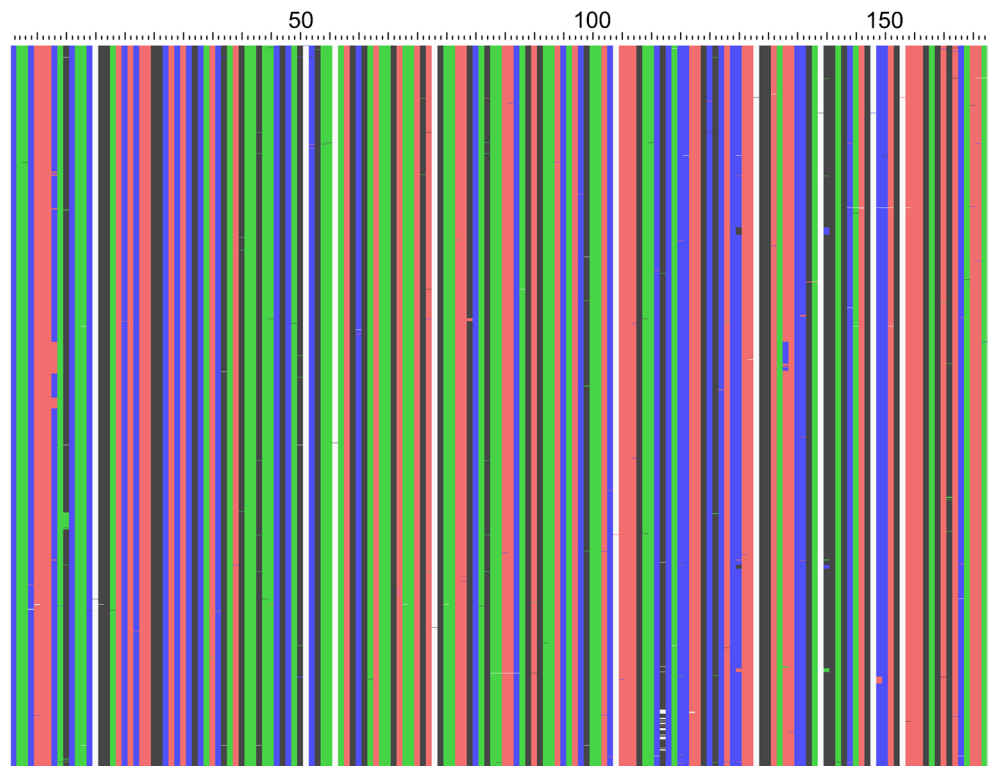


Fig. 13 Visual representation of the phylogenetic content of the alignment of the LSU region and the columns theoretically remaining/removed by the MSA filter. Graphic created with Noisy. Red: phylogenetically uninformative and constant sites; green: phylogenetically

informative and very informative sites; black lines in the yellow bar: phylogenetically informative and very informative sites that have a reliability score > 80% and thus would remain in the alignment after application of the filter

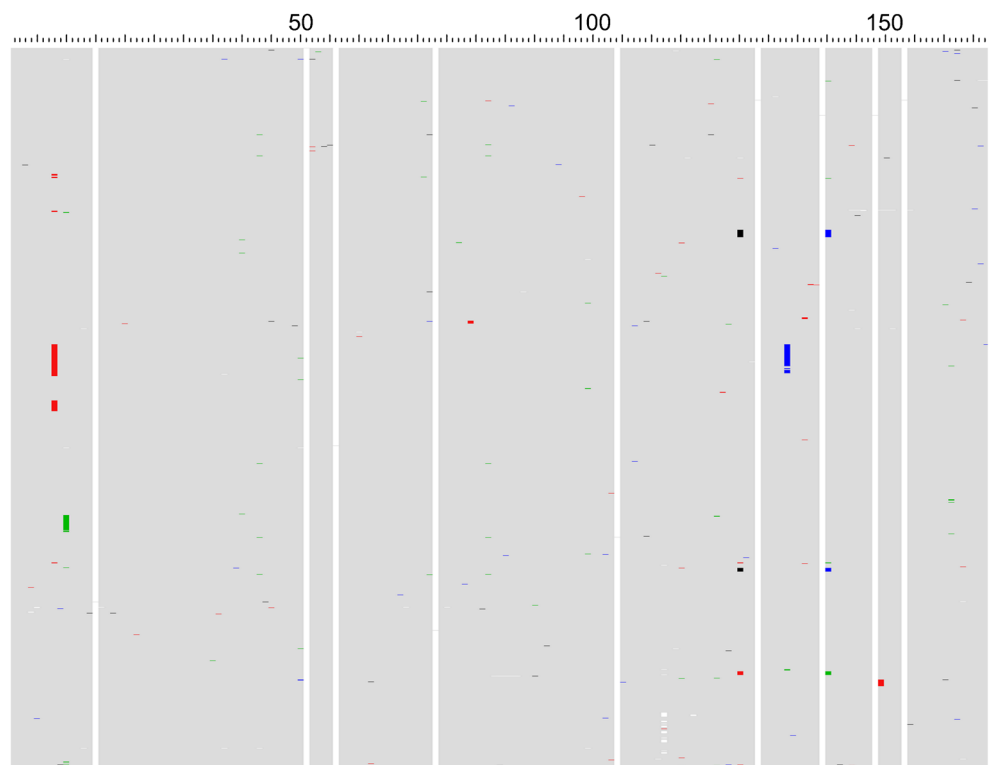
Fig. 14 Complete final MSA of the 5.8S region; representation from AliView; colours: nucleotides in AliView colour code; the scale represents the site numbering



SWISS-MODEL. As expected, the section corresponds to a fragment of the *elongation factor 1 α* proteins—e.g. SMTL ID 2b7c.1 (Pittman et al. 2006)—which was used as a template for a calculation of the section

model of the consensus amino acid sequence over the *ef-1 α* alignment. Figure 24 shows this section model of the complete ORF.

Fig. 15 Sites of the 5.8S alignment diverging from the majority rule consensus; representation from AliView; colours: nucleotides in AliView colour code; coloured sites differ from the majority rule consensus; grey areas are sites matching the consensus; white are indels or missing data; the scale represents the site numbering



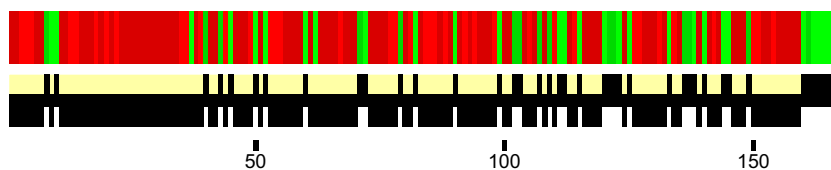


Fig. 16 Visual representation of the phylogenetic content of the alignment of the 5.8S region and the columns theoretically remaining/removed by the MSA filter. Graphic created with Noisy. Red: phylogenetically uninformative and constant sites; green: phylogenetically

informative and very informative sites; black lines in the yellow bar: phylogenetically informative and very informative sites that have a reliability score > 80% and thus would remain in the alignment after application of the filter

The *ef-1α* alignment is consistently phylogenetically informative as can already be seen from the presentation of the sites deviating from the majority rule consensus in Fig. 25.

Here too, Noisy was used to analyse the phylogenetically informative proportions of the codon positions in relation to the respective codon partition. The same settings as for the *β-tubulin* alignment were used.

The results are shown as an optical representation in Fig. 26. The black bars in the yellow marked area are the sites that would remain in alignment if Noisy was used for filtering the MSA—but MSA filtering was generally not applied (reason see chapter “MSA filter for divergent regions (not applied)”).

Results:*ef-1α* codon 1 partition (331 sites):

- Constant sites: 213
- Singleton Sites: 42
- Phylogenetically informative sites: 36
- Phylogenetically very informative sites: 40
- Sum of phylogenetically informative sites with a reliability score > 80%: 53—corresponds to 16%

ef-1α codon 3 partition (331 sites):

- Constant sites: 228
- Singleton Sites: 45
- Phylogenetically informative sites: 28
- Phylogenetically very informative sites: 30
- Sum of phylogenetically informative sites with a reliability score > 80%: 45—corresponds to 13.6%

ef-1α codon 3 partition (331 sites):

- Constant sites: 33
- Singleton Sites: 7
- Phylogenetically informative sites: 97
- Phylogenetically very informative sites: 194
- Sum of phylogenetically informative sites with a reliability score > 80%: 254—corresponds to 76.7%

The results show that in the *ef-1α* gene, the information content of codon position 3 is several times higher than that in the codon positions 1 and 2. See also diagram Fig. 29.

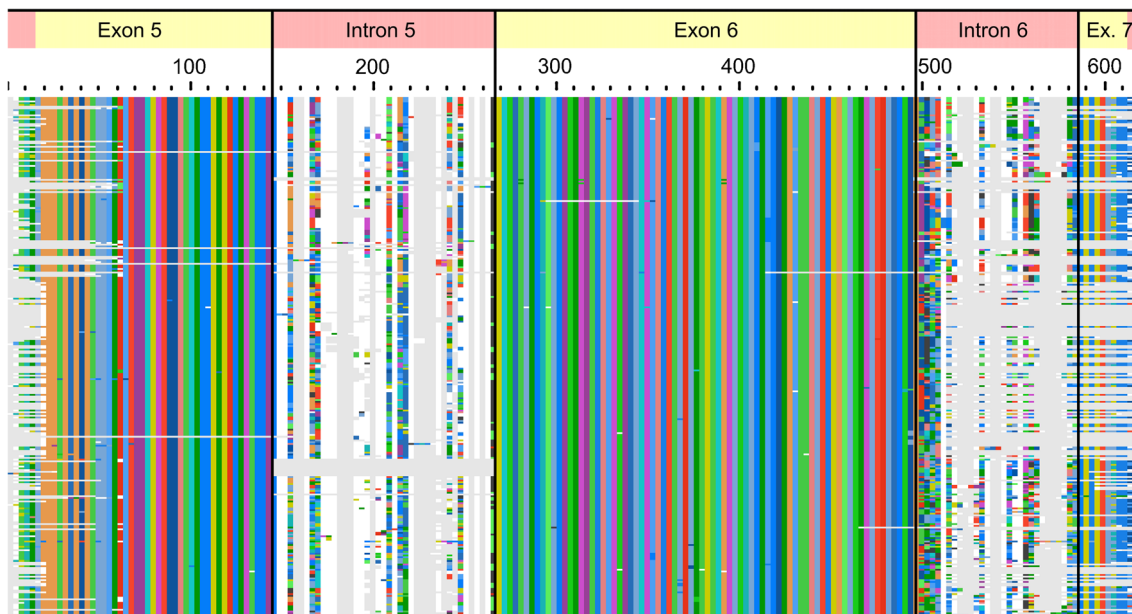
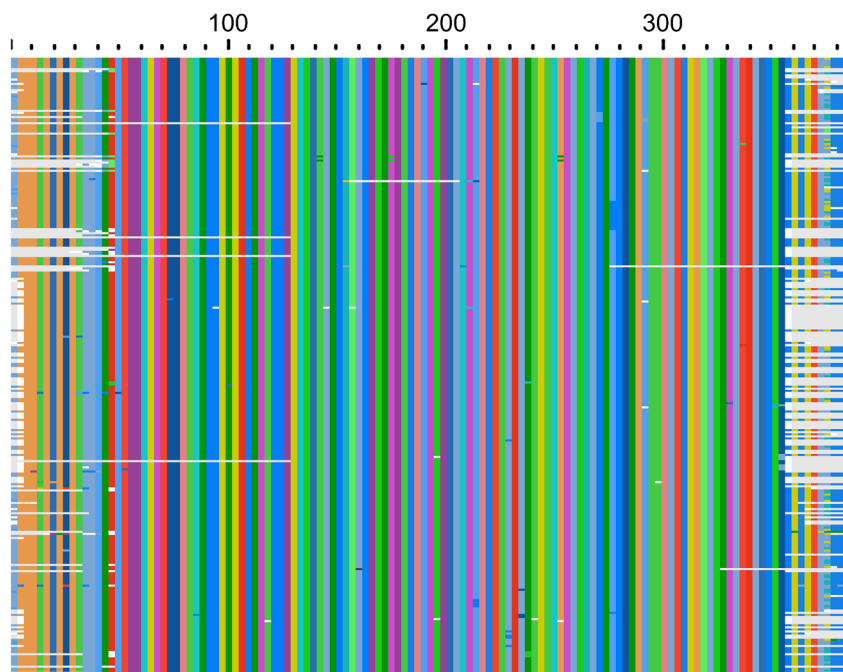


Fig. 17 Translation of the *β-tub* alignment including introns in phylogenetic order of the final tree; representation from AliView; colours: codons in ClustalX colour code (Larkin et al. 2007)

Fig. 18 Final β -*tub* alignment as codon representation; representation from AliView; colours: codons in ClustalX colour code (Larkin et al. 2007)



The introns of the haploid nuclear genome

It was investigated whether the introns of the β -*tubulin* and the *ef-1 α* region are usable for phylogeny. Therefore, only the completely present introns were extracted from the alignment with Mega (Tamura et al. 2013). Without a guide tree, the introns cannot be aligned at all. Therefore, the alignment had to be done at a later time. The alignment was done with the last guide tree from the ITS alignment iteration loop (see chapter “MSA of the problematic ITS1 and ITS2 regions”) with Prank. The settings of Prank were +F disabled; -uselogs set because these settings gave the best results in the test; additionally, -prunetree was set because the guide tree contained all sequence sets. Furthermore, -once was set to switch off the further iterations at Prank.

The result is it turned out that all introns can be aligned on a lower clades level, but because of the extreme divergence, they are ambiguous and therefore unsafe and not usable for phylogeny. The introns were therefore not used for this study.

MSA filter for divergent regions (not applied)

Two reasons are often cited why divergent areas should be excluded from the alignments by MSA filters. On the one hand, the computing time becomes shorter. On the other hand, if the difference between the sequences in the divergent areas is so distinctive that a false alignment occurs, the phylogeny is distorted accordingly. By excluding these “gappy regions”, the phylogeny would be more accurate. This is correct in principle, but only if there is a false alignment in these “gappy regions”. If an expansion of the sequences is present only, but

all bases in the “gappy regions” are aligned correctly, then exactly the opposite happens: instead of removing incorrectly aligned areas, phylogenetic information is removed. This exactly was found out in the study “Current Methods for Automated Filtering of Multiple Sequence Alignments Frequently Worsen Single-Gene Phylogenetic Inference” Tan et al. (2015). This study has also shown that, at the current state of the art, no filtering of divergent areas should be used at all.

Our own results also clearly showed the high phylogenetic information content of the indels (as explained below). For these reasons, the ITS and LSU regions relevant in this respect were aligned in our study with an iterative multigene guide tree method, without applying any filters for divergent regions. Similarly, no MSA filters were applied to the other regions. One exception are the intron regions, which do not allow proper alignment. They had to be excluded as usual.

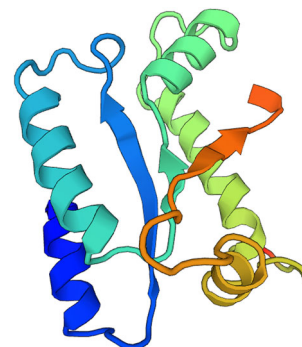
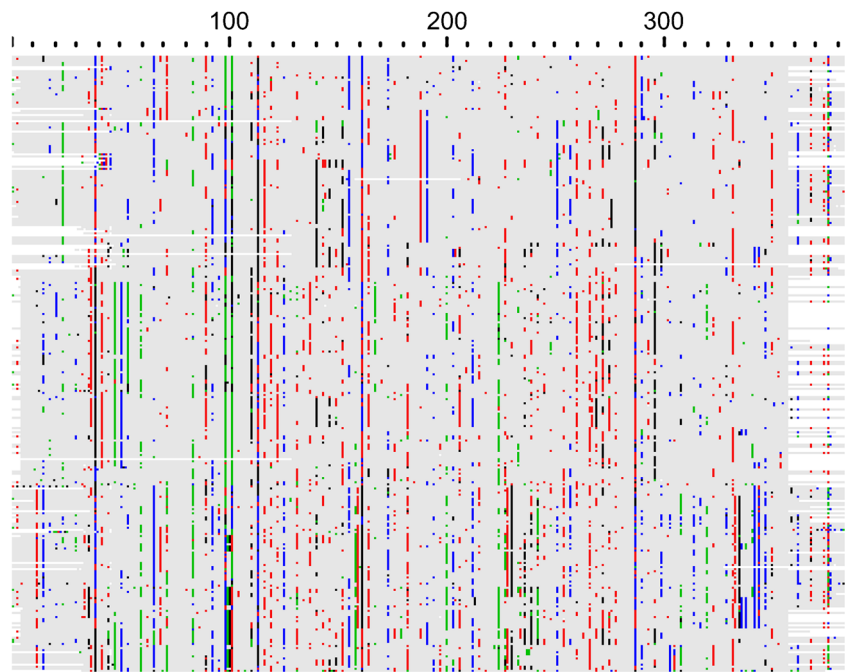


Fig. 19 Predicted protein section model of the consensus of the β -*tubulin* alignment of the family Psathyrellaceae; blue: start of the alignment; red: end of the alignment; representation from SWISS-MODEL

Fig. 20 Sites of the β -tubulin alignment diverging from the majority rule consensus; representation from AliView; colours: nucleotides in AliView colour code; coloured sites differ from the majority rule consensus; grey areas are sites matching the consensus; white are missing data; the scale represents the site numbering



Indel coding method and indel matrices

Selection of the indel coding method

The best known methods for indel coding are “5th-state coding”, SIC = “simple indel coding” (Simmons and Ochoterena 2000) and MCIC = “modified complex indel coding” (Müller 2006). As it was recognized in the study “*The relative performance of indel-coding methods in simulations*” Simmons et al. (2007), 5th state coding is the coding that contains the highest apparent phylogenetic information compared to other methods. The authors of study “*Re-Mind the Gap! Insertion – Deletion Data Reveal Neglected Phylogenetic Potential of the Nuclear Ribosomal Internal Transcribed Spacer (ITS) of Fungi*” Nagy et al. (2012) rightly state, however, that this method evaluates each multiple indel as a multiple biological event and is therefore rather unsuitable. Simmons et al. (2007) come to the conclusion that SIC and MCIC are superior to all other methods and approximately equivalent in performance. However, since MCIC is more critical in terms of coding bias correction (see chapter “*Models for the indel partitions*”), the SIC procedure was chosen for the present study. SeqState (Müller 2005) was selected as coding software.

Calculation of the number of phylogenetically informative gaps

For all statistical evaluations, the number of phylogenetically informative gaps of the matrices was calculated by

$$I = \sum_{n=1}^x C_n$$

$$C_n = \begin{cases} 1, & \neg \exists! s \in G_n : (A(s) \vee P(s)) \text{ with} \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- I number of informative gaps in the matrix
 G gap position (column)
 n number of the gap position G
 x total number of gap positions G in the matrix
 C information (0/1) of gap position G with number n
 s sequence
 A gap is absent

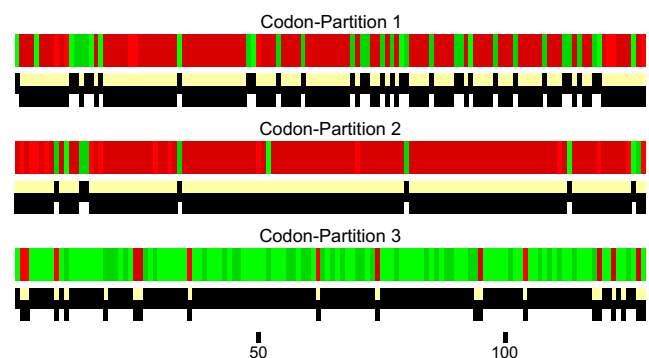


Fig. 21 Visual representation of the phylogenetic content of the 3 β -tubulin-codon partitions and the columns theoretically remaining/removed by the MSA filter. Graphics created with Noisy. Red: phylogenetically uninformative and constant sites; green: phylogenetically informative and very informative sites; black lines in the yellow bars: phylogenetically informative and very informative sites that have a reliability score > 80% and thus would remain in the alignment after application of the filter

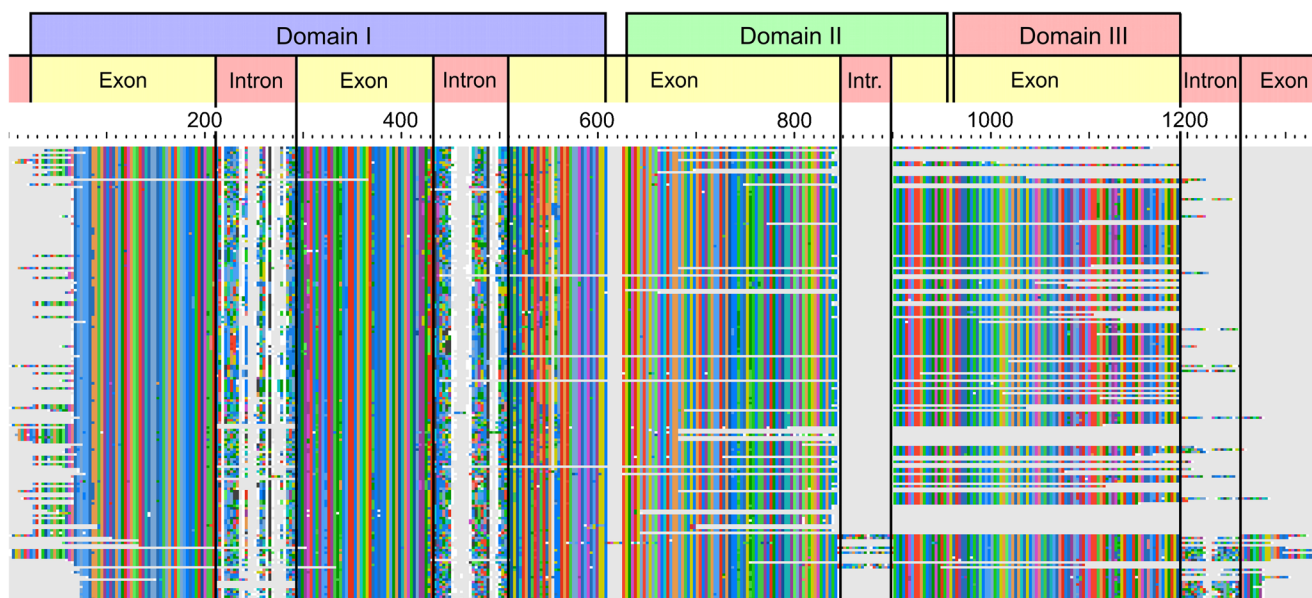


Fig. 22 Translation of the *ef-1α* alignment including introns in phylogenetic order of the final tree; representation from AliView; colours: codons in ClustalX colour code (Larkin et al. 2007)

P gap is present

Gap matrices of ITS1, 5.8S and ITS2 regions

The gap matrices of the ITS1 and ITS2 regions are shortened by the MSA refinement using the iterative multigene guide tree and gradually approach the length that corresponds to optimal truthfulness. Figure 27 shows as an example the gap matrices of the ITS1, 5.8S and ITS2 regions in a row after the last iteration step in phylogenetic order of the final tree.

Results ITS1 region:

- Sum of gap positions (total): 900
Of those:
- Informative gap positions: 676—corresponds to 75.1%
- Uninformative gap positions: 224—corresponds to 24.9%

Results 5.8S region:

- Sum of gap positions (total): 18
Of those:
- Informative gap positions: 3—corresponds to 16.7%
- Uninformative gap positions: 15—corresponds to 83.3%

Results ITS2 region:

- Sum of gap positions (total): 838
Of those:
- Informative gap positions: 625—corresponds to 74.6%
- Uninformative gap positions: 213—corresponds to 25.4%

The astonishingly high values of ITS1 and ITS2 prove the high information content and thus the importance of the

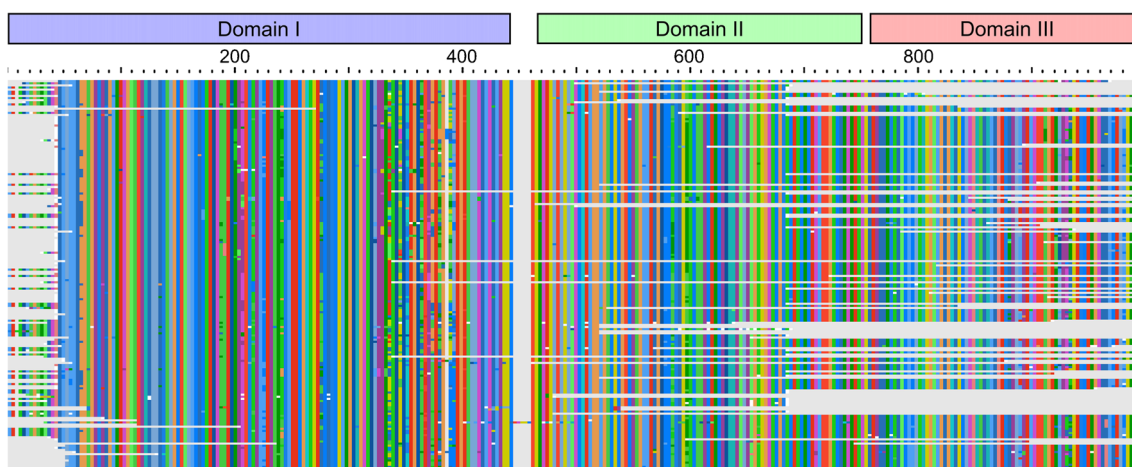


Fig. 23 Final *ef-1α* alignment as codon representation; representation from AliView; colours: codons in ClustalX colour code (Larkin et al. 2007)

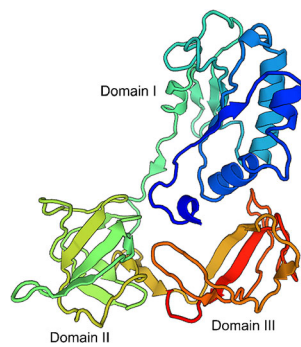


Fig. 24 Predicted protein section model of the consensus of *ef-1α* alignment of the family Psathyrellaceae; blue: start of the alignment; red: end of the alignment; representation from SWISS-MODEL

indels, but also that MSA filters should not be used. See also diagram Fig. 29.

Gap matrix of the LSU region

Figure 28 shows the gap matrix of the final LSU alignment, also in phylogenetic order of the final total tree. The LSU region also contains distinct indels, especially at the level of higher phylogeny, as can be clearly seen in Fig. 28.

Results:

- Sum of gap positions (total): 218
Of those:
- Informative gap positions: 94—corresponds to 43.1%
- Uninformative gap positions: 124—corresponds to 56.9%

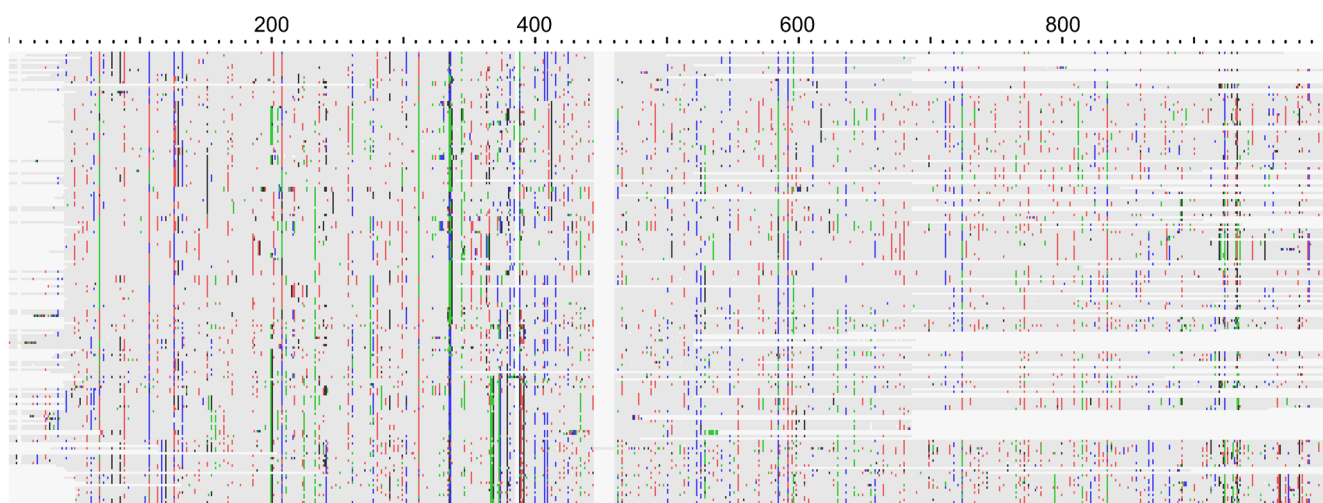


Fig. 25 Sites of the *ef-1α* alignment diverging from the majority rule consensus; representation from AliView; colours: nucleotides in AliView colour code; coloured sites differ from the majority rule

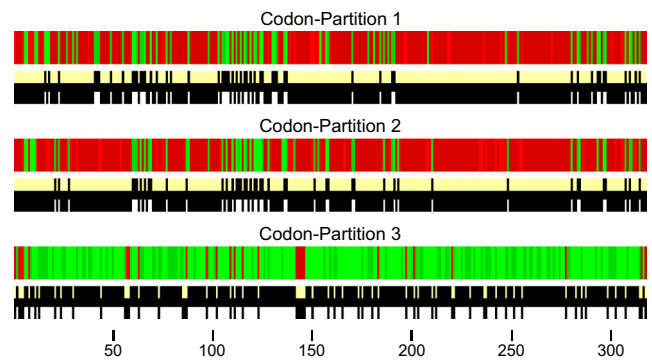


Fig. 26 Visual representation of the phylogenetic content of the 3 *ef-1α* codon partitions and the columns theoretically remaining/removed by the MSA filter. Graphics created with Noisy. Red: phylogenetically uninformative and constant sites; green: phylogenetically informative and very informative sites; black lines in the yellow bars: phylogenetically informative and very informative sites that have a reliability score > 80% and thus would remain in the alignment after application of the filter

Gap matrices of the β -*tub* and *ef-1α* regions

It was to be expected that hardly any phylogenetically informative indels were present in these regions. Nevertheless, this was investigated.

Result for the β -*tub* gap matrix:

- Sum of gap positions (total): 11
Of those:
- Informative gap positions: 4—corresponds to 36.4%
- Uninformative gap positions: 7—corresponds to 63.6%
- Gap positions—divisible by 3: 0

Result for the *ef-1α* gap matrix:

consensus; grey areas are sites matching the consensus; white are indels or missing data; the scale represents the site numbering

- Sum of gap positions (total): 24
Of those:
- Informative gap positions: 2—corresponds to 8.3%
- Uninformative gap positions: 22—corresponds to 91.7%
- Gap positions—divisible by 3: 3—corresponds to 12.5%
- Informative gap positions—divisible by 3: 1—corresponds to 4.2%

Since there were no usable indels in these regions, no indel partitions were created for the β -*tub* and *ef-1 α* regions.

Proportion of information content of the regions

After completion of the last iteration step, the approximate information content of all final alignments and gap matrices in relation to the total length of all partitions was examined on the basis of the informative sites or binary positions. Table 5 summarizes the lengths and informative positions of all regions and gap matrices. The phylogenetically informative sites with a reliability score > 80% were used for DNA alignments. For the gap matrices (indels), the number of informative gaps was used. Since the significance of the gap matrices (dual system \rightarrow base 2) is 2^1 and that of the nucleotides (quadral system \rightarrow base 4) is 4^1 , only 50% of the significance of the gap matrices was used for the calculation of information content.

The diagram in Fig. 29 shows the approximate percentages of the information content of all alignments and gap matrices used in this study, relative to the total length of all partitions.

Of course, this description only applies to the case examined in the present study and is only approximate. In addition, it was not taken into account that many sequence sets lacked sequences outside the ITS1 and ITS2 regions.

Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments

Partitioning method and software

The alignments of the individual regions were not sub-partitioned in smaller parts, since there is still no properly functioning algorithm for it. The k-means algorithm sometimes used for this purpose is no longer recommended by the authors of PartitionFinder except for morphology matrices, as it has been proven (see e.g. Baca et al. 2016) that it generates bad inference for the following phylogenetic analysis. Therefore, the biologically logical pre-partitioning of the individual DNA alignments, codon position alignments and indel matrices was only used as previously described. However, in order to avoid over-partitioning, all alignments and gap matrices were analysed with PartitionFinder for the best partitioning scheme.

Partitioning was performed in 2 steps. The first level could only be carried out without a guide tree for the first and intermediate alignments. The second level was performed after the multigene guide tree iteration, with the final alignments and also with guide tree. Attempts with software which included codon models failed—obviously because of the amount of data.

Settings in PartitionFinder:

The following settings were used in PartitionFinder:

- *User tree*: not possible for the first partitioning step and for the intermediate partitioning steps. Used for final partitioning.
- *Branch length linking between partitions*: The phylogeny software used in this study (MrBayes and RAxML) support both unlinked branch lengths. However, it was assumed as usual that the branch lengths between the partitions evolve in equal rates, therefore “branchlengths = linked” was used.
- *Evolution models for the nucleotide partitions*: all models supported by MrBayes were chosen except those involving proportions of invariable sites. MrBayes supports the following models: JC, K80, SYM, F81, HKY, GTR, JC+G, K80+G, SYM+G, F81+G, HKY+G, GTR+G, JC+I, K80+I, SYM+I, F81+I, HKY+I, GTR+I, JC+I+G, K80+I+G, SYM+I+G, F81+I+G, HKY+I+G, GTR+I+G. To avoid the ping-pong effect described by Rannala (2002), Nylander et al. (2004) and later Stamatakis (2006), which occurs when gamma distribution and proportion of invariant sites (+I) are applied simultaneously, the +I option was not used, although in many publications this is not the case. Based on this, the following models were included: JC, K80, SYM, F81, HKY, GTR, JC+G, K80+G, SYM+G, F81+G, HKY+G, GTR+G. RAxML does not support all of these models, but RAxML was used as a secondary phylogeny software.
- *Evolution model for the indel partitions*: for the reason described in the following chapter “Models for the indel partitions”, acquisition bias correction (Lewis 2001) should be enabled. For this purpose, PartitionFinder provides the model “BINARY+G+A”, which was used.
- *Information Criteria*: always 2 runs were started. One with the corrected Akaike information criterion (AICc) and one with the Bayesian information criterion (BIC). As the tests of the authors of PartitionFinder showed, a significant difference between the result when using BIC and AICc is rarely to be expected. However, in the study “The relative performance of AIC, AICc and BIC in the presence of unobserved heterogeneity” Brewer et al. (2016), the authors showed that the BIC often produces better results for data sets with high heterogeneity. Our tests showed that in the data set used in the present study, the BIC score was always more constant in the results

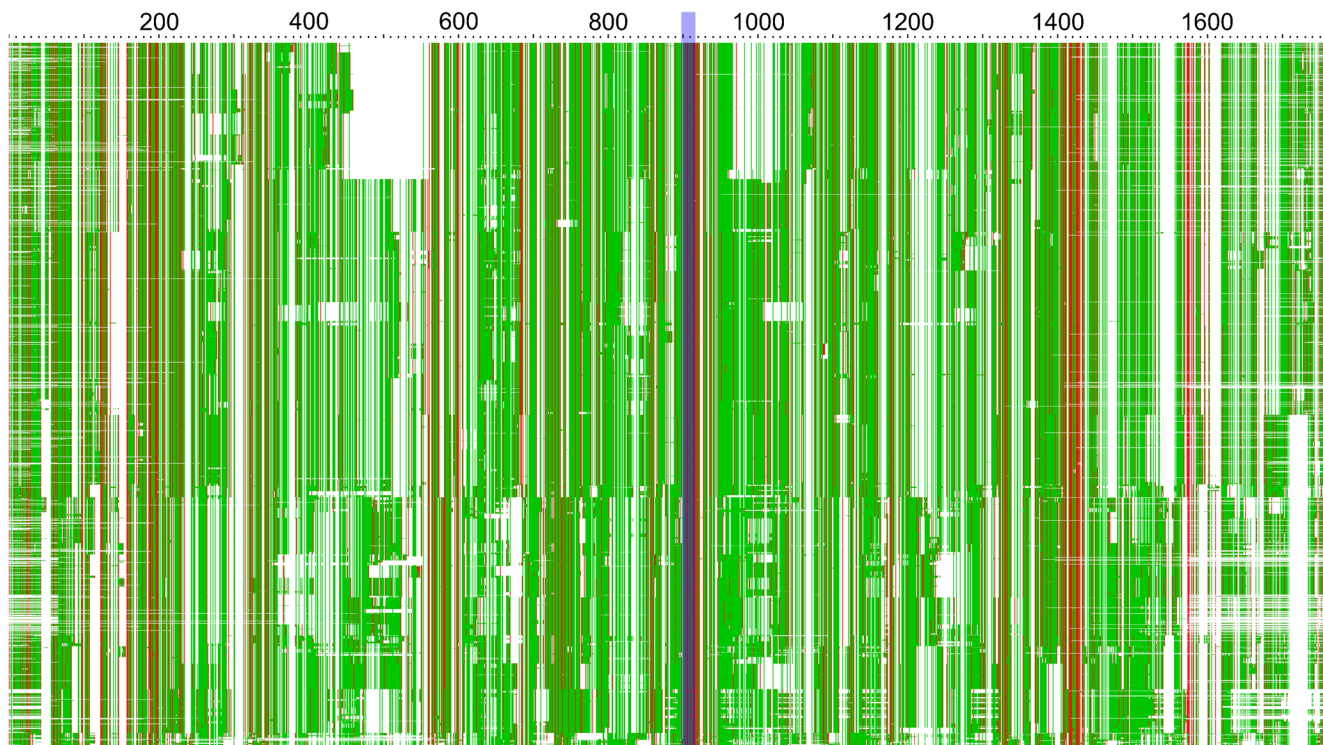


Fig. 27 Sequential gap matrices of the ITS1, 5.8S and ITS2 regions after the last iteration step. Green stands for gap not present; red stands for gap present; white: no indel data in this region; blue background: 5.8S gap matrix; representation from AliView; the scale represents the site numbering

between different calculation programs. The results of the two runs were compared and evaluated—see below.

- *Search algorithm*: “all” was used for all analyses, with the exception for the DNA total phylogenies, where “greedy”
- *Search software*: only PhyML (Guindon et al. 2010) was used, since “all” would have caused an exorbitantly high calculation time.
- *Search software*: only PhyML (Guindon et al. 2010) could be used for DNA partitions, since RAxML does



Fig. 28 Gap matrix of the LSU alignment: Green stands for gap not present; red stands for gap present; white: no indel data in this region; representation from AliView; the scale represents the site numbering

not provide the required models. For the indel partitions, however, only RAxML could be used, since only this provides the BINARY+G+A model.

First and intermediate partitions of the overall phylogeny

The previously described 4 DNA alignments, 6 codon position alignments and 4 indel matrices were programmed as input in PartitionFinder. These were always those from the previous iteration step, respectively the first alignments/first indel matrices at the first partitioning. The partitions of the individual iteration steps were combined according to the respective results and used for the next iteration step.

Final partitioning of the overall phylogeny

After the multigene guide tree iteration, the resulting final 4 DNA alignments, 6 codon position alignments and 4 indel matrices were programmed as input in PartitionFinder. The final guide tree from the multigene guide tree iteration was programmed for the final partitioning as described above.

Result for the nucleotide alignments:

The results were different for both information criteria:

- Result according to the BIC information criterion: *all 10 DNA partitions as single partitions*
- Result according to the AICc information criterion: *5 partitions combined by the following data blocks* (ITS1, ITS2) (LSU, BET1) (BET2, ALP1, ALP2) (BET3, ALP3)

Note that “*BET*” is used as a shortcut for the *β-tub* codon alignments and “*ALP*” is used for the *ef-1α* alignments.

Since over-partitioning is less critical than under-partitioning (see e.g. Brown and Lemmon 2007) and because partitioning according to the BIC information criterion produced better convergence values in the pre-tests, the BIC information criterion was chosen. The 10 DNA partitions were therefore used as single partitions.

Result for the indel matrices:

The results were different for the BIC and AICc information criteria as well. Note that “IND” is used as a shortcut for “indel matrix”.

- Result according to the BIC information criterion: *3 partitions combined by the following data blocks:* (IND_ITS1, IND_ITS2) (IND_58S) (IND_LSU)
- Result according to the AICc information criterion: *1 partition combined by all data blocks:* (IND_ITS1, IND_58S, IND_ITS2, IND_LSU)

The partitioning scheme was chosen according to the BIC information criterion as well. The 3 indel partitions therefore were combined.

Final partitioning scheme of the total phylogeny and models for the DNA partitions for MrBayes

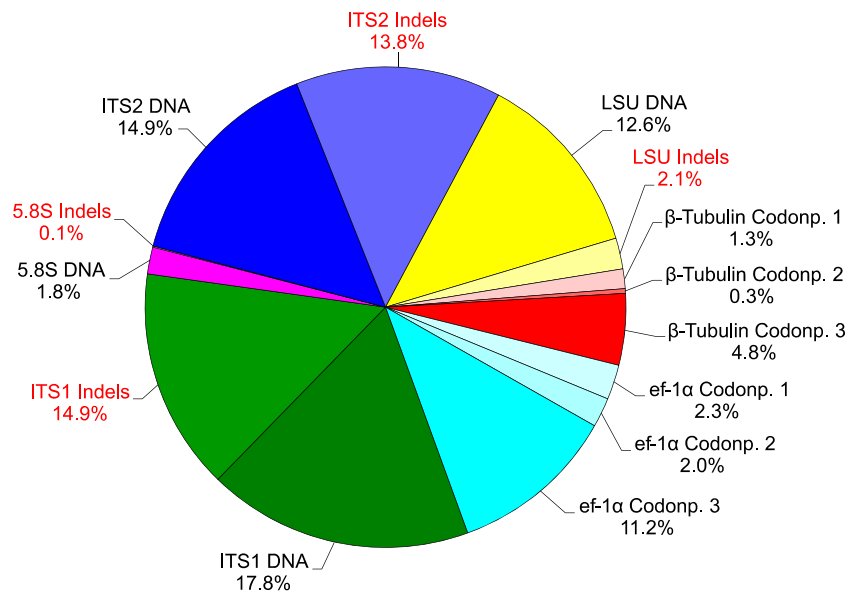
The partitioning schemes determined were combined to form the following final partitioning scheme of the total phylogeny:

- ITS1 = 1-933;
- 58S = 934-1100;
- ITS2 = 1101-1800;
- LSU = 1801-3299;
- BETcodon1 = 3300-3683\3;

Table 5 Lengths and informative positions of all alignments and gap matrices; italicized entries: indels

	Total length	No. of informative positions	Weighting	No. of informative positions weighted
ITS1 DNA	933	404	1	404
ITS1 <i>Indels</i>	<i>900</i>	<i>676</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>338</i>
5.8S DNA	167	41	1	41
5.8S <i>Indels</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>1.5</i>
ITS2 DNA	700	337	1	337
ITS2 <i>Indels</i>	<i>838</i>	<i>625</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>312.5</i>
LSU DNA	1499	285	1	285
LSU <i>Indels</i>	<i>218</i>	<i>94</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>47</i>
<i>β-Tubulin</i> Codonp. 1	128	30	1	30
<i>β-Tubulin</i> Codonp. 2	128	7	1	7
<i>β-Tubulin</i> Codonp. 3	128	109	1	109
<i>ef-1α</i> Codonp. 1	331	53	1	53
<i>ef-1α</i> Codonp. 2	331	45	1	45
<i>ef-1α</i> Codonp. 3	331	254	1	254

Fig. 29 Approximate percentage of the information content of all alignments and gap matrices used in this study, relative to the total length of all partitions; red font: indels; colour marking as in Table 5



- BETcodon2 = 3301-3683\3;
- BETcodon3 = 3302-3683\3;
- ALPcodon1 = 3684-4676\3;
- ALPcodon2 = 3685-4676\3;
- ALPcodon3 = 3686-4676\3;
- IND_ITS1_ITS2 = 4677-5576 5595-6432;
- IND_58S = 5577-5594;
- IND_LSU = 6433-6650;

This was used for the final phylogeny.

The calculated best fit models proposed by PartitionFinder for the final partitioning scheme using the guide tree were used for MrBayes. These were:

- Partition ITS1: GTR+G
- Partition 58S: K80+G
- Partition ITS2: GTR+G
- Partition LSU: GTR+G
- Partition BETcodon1: SYM+G
- Partition BETcodon2: GTR+G
- Partition BETcodon3: GTR+G
- Partition ALPcodon1: HKY+G
- Partition ALPcodon2: SYM+G
- Partition ALPcodon3: GTR+G

Partitioning for the individual phylogenies (*β-tubulin* and *ef-1α* alignments)

For the partitioning of the single phylogenies for the combinability tests and detailed error check (see chapter “Combinability tests of loci, detailed error check of sequence sets from vouchers”), only the alignments from the haploid nuclear genome had to be examined, since the individual

regions were not partitioned in smaller parts as described above. For the single phylogeny of ITS1+5.8S+ITS2+indels and for LSU+indels, the final partitioning scheme as described above was reduced to the respective regions (ITS or LSU). For the *β-tubulin* alignment and the *ef-1α* alignment, a single calculation was performed in each case. The settings for PartitionFinder were also as described above.

Partitioning of the β-tubulin alignment for the single phylogeny:

The results were different for the BIC and AICc information criteria:

- Result according to the BIC information criterion: *Codon positions 1, 2, and 3 as separate partitions*
- Result according to the AICc information criterion: *Codon positions 1, 2, and 3 as one partition*

Again, the partitioning scheme was chosen according to the BIC information criterion.

Partitioning of the ef-1α alignment for the single phylogeny:

There was no difference between the BIC and AICc information criteria.

Result according to the BIC and AICc information criteria: *Codon position 1, 2, and 3 as separate partitions.*

The partitions were combined accordingly.

Models for the indel partitions

The programs used for the tree inferences (MrBayes and RAXML) do not provide methods that consider indels using realistic stochastic models. However, both programs provide alternatives to include indel partitions in the calculation. For

indel partitions and other binary or multi-state partitions, models with “acquisition bias correction” should be used, for example, the two-parameter model “Mkv” (Lewis 2001), which is often proposed and available in both programs. In MrBayes, a model similar to the F81 model (Felsenstein 1981) was implemented especially for restriction sites and binary partitions, which is also proposed for indel partitions by the authors of MrBayes. Therefore, it was chosen for the analyses with MrBayes. Since version 8, RAxML includes a two parameter model (two state time-reversible model) for binary partitions, which was chosen for the indel partitions processed in RAxML. RAxML also provides the acquisition bias correction according to the method of Lewis (2001), which was used.

Settings at MrBayes for the indel partitions

The following settings were used:

- *Data type*: the data type “Restriction” was used for the reason described above.
- *Model*: the model described above is selected automatically by MrBayes as soon as data type “Restriction” has been set and does not need to be programmed.
- *State Frequencies*: since gap matrices are not matrices with arbitrary state labels, the stationary state frequencies were left according to the default setting, i.e. estimated according to the Dirichlet function.
- *Across-Site Rate Variation*: a gamma distribution was assumed.
- *Coding Bias*: since the determination of gaps is made by the sequence length change, neither always present nor always absent states can be recorded. Thus, the setting “coding=variable” is the correct one for this partition and was set.

Settings in RAxML for the indel partitions

The following settings were used:

- *Data type*: BIN
- *Correction for acquisition bias (ASC_)*: yes
- *Acquisition bias correction type*: Lewis

Bayesian tree inference of the phylogeny and Bayesian posterior probabilities

The main part of Bayesian MCMCMC analysis (Metropolis-coupled Markov Chains with Monte Carlo simulation) was done via Cipres with MrBayes 3.2.6 64-bit, as parallel version

on 8 processors of the Cipres cluster at the San Diego Supercomputer Center.

The previously mentioned 1744 taxon sets were programmed as input. The total length of the alignments and matrices was 6650 characters, with 4676 for the DNA alignments and 1974 for the gap matrices. The selected data type was “mixed”. The missing characters were programmed as described above with “?”, the gaps with “-”.

MrBayes commands:

```
dimensions ntax=1744 nchar=6650;
Format datatype=mixed(dna:1-4676,restriction:4677-6650) missing=? gap=- interleave=no;
```

The 13 partitions from PartitionFinder described in chapter “[Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments](#)” were programmed.

MrBayes commands:

```
charset ITS1 = 1-933;
charset 58S = 934-1100;
charset ITS2 = 1101-1800;
charset LSU = 1801-3299;
charset BET1 = 3300-3683\3;
charset BET2 = 3301-3683\3;
charset BET3 = 3302-3683\3;
charset ALP1 = 3684-4676\3;
charset ALP2 = 3685-4676\3;
charset ALP3 = 3686-4676\3;
charset IND_ITS1_ITS2 = 4677-5576 5595-6432;
charset IND_58S = 5577-5594;
charset IND_LSU = 6433-6650;
partition favored= 13: ITS1, 58S, ITS2, LSU, BET1, BET2, BET3, ALP1, ALP2, ALP3, IND_ITS1_ITS2, IND_58S, IND_LSU;
set partition=favored;
```

The models resulting from PartitionFinder described under “[Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments](#)” were also programmed for the DNA partitions and the model described under “[Models for the indel partitions](#)” was programmed for the indel partitions.

MrBayes commands:

```
lset applyto=(1) nucmodel=4by4 nst=6 rates=gamma;
[GTR+G model for ITS1 Partition]
lset applyto=(2) nucmodel=4by4 nst=2 rates=gamma;
prset applyto=(2) statefreqpr=fixed(equal); [K80+G model for 58S Partition]
lset applyto=(3) nucmodel=4by4 nst=6 rates=gamma;
[GTR+G model for ITS2 Partition]
```

```

lset applyto=(4) nucmodel=4by4 nst=6 rates=gamma;
[GTR+G model for LSU Partition]
lset applyto=(5) nucmodel=4by4 nst=6 rates=gamma;
prset applyto=(5) statefreqpr=fixed(equal); [SYM+G
model for BET1 Partition]
lset applyto=(6) nucmodel=4by4 nst=6 rates=gamma;
[GTR+G model for BET2 Partition]
lset applyto=(7) nucmodel=4by4 nst=6 rates=gamma;
[GTR+G model for BET3 Partition]
lset applyto=(8) nucmodel=4by4 nst=2 rates=gamma;
[HKY+G model for ALP1 Partition]
lset applyto=(9) nucmodel=4by4 nst=6 rates=gamma;
prset applyto=(9) statefreqpr=fixed(equal); [SYM+G
model for ALP2 Partition]
lset applyto=(10) nucmodel=4by4 nst=6 rates=gamma;
[GTR+G model for ALP3 Partition]
lset applyto=(11) coding=variable rates=gamma; [set-
tings for IND_ITS1_ITS2 Partition]
lset applyto=(12) coding=variable rates=gamma; [set-
tings for IND_58S Partition]
lset applyto=(13) coding=variable rates=gamma; [set-
tings for IND_LSU Partition]

```

No outgroup was programmed. The model parameters over the partitions were set to be unlinked and “ratepr” was set to “variable” to allow the partitions to evolve at different rates.

MrBayes command:

```

unlink statefreq=(all) revmat=(all) shape=(all)
pinvar=(all) tratio=(all);
prset applyto=(all) ratepr=variable;

```

The remaining parameters were left at default settings. This resulted in 39 active parameters which were monitored with Tracer.

One problem (concerning the flood of data) was the sample frequency and the diagnostic frequency. After a test run, which took 18 days computing time, these values could be calculated more closely. According to this estimation, about 100 million generations were necessary, but for safety reasons, the sample frequency was calculated for 120 million generations with a maximum of 2GB sampled trees and diagnostic data. So the following final values were set:

- Sample frequency of Markov chains and print frequency: 5000 generations
- Diagnostic frequency: 50000 generations

A stop rule was programmed to deviation of split frequency=0.01, but this was done just routinely, as a very long

estimated computing time (120 to 160 days) and continuous monitoring would have meant that it could have been stopped manually. The number of generations was gradually increased, while continuous monitoring the parameters with Tracer. Topology convergence diagnostic was enabled. Two independent analyses were used (anyway, the stop rule needs at least two analyses to compare the split frequencies between two runs). One cold chain and three incremental heated Markov chains were programmed, i.e. a total of 8 MCMCMC. For the convergence diagnostics, the first 25% of the runs were discarded.

MrBayes command:

```

mcmc ngen=xxx samplefreq=5000 printfreq=5000
diagfreq=50000 nruns=2 stoprule=YES stopval=0.01
mcmcdiag=YES;

```

“ngen=xxx” stands here for the number of generations used continuously for the next statistics. The increment was 2 million, so that after about each 3 days, an intermediate result could be stored and statistically evaluated. The estimated computing time including statistics and programming breaks was 120 to 160 days. The actual computing time was 150 days.

The average standard deviation of split frequency was recorded continuously and visualized as a diagram. For an analysis of this size, MrBayes converged surprisingly quickly and the ASDSF had a good steepness until the end of the calculation—see diagram Fig. 30.

It took 105.4 million generations to reach ASDSF = 0.01. A total of 42,162 trees were sampled. After removal of the trees within the 25% burn-in phase, the remaining 31,622 trees were used to calculate the 50% majority rule consensus trees and the Bayesian posterior probabilities.

All following phylograms and cladograms follow the 50% majority consensus rule. Branch support values on the branches in *blue* are MrBayes posterior probabilities; those *under* the branches are ML bootstrap support values. A -lnL score of 146,382 was reached.

No manual collapsing of the phylograms and cladograms were made (except the desired collapsing to triangle leaves).

Final maximum likelihood (ML) estimation and bootstrapping

As described in chapter “MSA of the problematic ITS1 and ITS2 regions”, a final ML analysis with the final partitioning scheme (see chapter “Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments”) was performed after the multigene guide tree iteration. This ML analysis is described in this

chapter, while all previous ML analyses have already been described in the corresponding chapters.

The final maximum likelihood analysis was performed using Cipres with RAxML 8.2.10 as parallel version on 12 processors/48 cores. The partitions were programmed according to chapter “[Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments](#)”:

DNA, ITS1 = 1-933
 DNA, 58S = 934-1100
 DNA, ITS2 = 1101-1800
 DNA, LSU = 1801-3299
 DNA, BET1 = 3300-3683\3
 DNA, BET2 = 3301-3683\3
 DNA, BET3 = 3302-3683\3
 DNA, ALP1 = 3684-4676\3
 DNA, ALP2 = 3685-4676\3
 DNA, ALP3 = 3686-4676\3
 ASC_BIN, IND_ITS1_ITS2 = 4677-5576, 5595-6432
 ASC_BIN, IND_58S = 5577-5594
 ASC_BIN, IND_LSU = 6433-6650

No outgroup was programmed.

For all DNA partitions, the GTR substitution matrix (Tavaré 1986) was used under the CAT model of RAxML as this was found to be the best combination in all previous tests. The final optimization was computed under gamma distribution. For the CAT model, 25 distinct rate categories were used (this does not affect the 4 rate categories for the gamma approximation).

For the binary partitions, the “two state time-reversible model” as described in chapter “[Models for the indel partitions](#)” was used, with acquisition bias correction, according to the procedure of Paul Lewis (2001).

At the pre-test, 300 ML bootstrap inferences were required up to convergence according to the MRE-based (majority rule) bootstrapping criterion. However, 1000 ML bootstrap inferences were used. One thousand trees were sampled of these and the best tree was labelled with the ML bootstrap support values. This was merged with the Bayesian tree using Treegraph.

A final -lnL score of 146,052 was reached. In all following phylograms, ML bootstrap values are given in black numbers under the branches. Conflict values, i.e. those where the branches were located at a different position than in the Bayesian tree, are shown in square brackets [xx], where the value in the square brackets shows the ML bootstrap value, the fictitious common branch would have had in the ML phylogram. Even if unusual, none of the low ML bootstrap values were deleted.

Combinability tests of loci, detailed error check of sequence sets from vouchers

It was examined whether the different loci may be combined for phylogeny. Additionally, any existing differences between the topology positions of all sequence sets in the single phylogenies and the total phylogeny were checked and, if necessary, the conflicted sequence set discarded. A congruence test of all single topologies to the total topology was performed as well.

For the loci *ef-1 α* , *β -tub*, LSU, LSU+indels and ITS1+5.8S+ITS2+indels, a ML bootstrap analysis with RAxML was performed in each case and the result was compared with the total phylogeny. Nodes with high support values (> 70%), which differed in position at the individual phylogenies compared to the total phylogeny, were considered a conflict. In such cases, appropriate measures have been taken (exclusion of the corresponding sequence or exclusion of the complete sequence set). Furthermore, for quality assurance purposes, a preliminary tree was calculated with MrBayes without removing the conflict causing sets, while the convergence values and other quality values were recorded. After 2 months of calculation and analysis time, which was necessary to eliminate the conflict causing sequence sets, there were no more conflicts in the higher and lower phylogeny detectable. Likewise, there was no longer any doubt about the combinability of the loci (including gap matrices). Please note that this procedure is not intended to sort out sequences in order to obtain a “desired beautiful result”. Quite the opposite was the goal, namely to keep strongly divergent sequences or sequence sets in the analysis. The goal of this method was to find out those sequences from sets that most likely could not belong together or were faulty due to their different positioning. MrBayes was only able to achieve a useful convergence after the main part of the sequence sets identified as erroneous were removed.

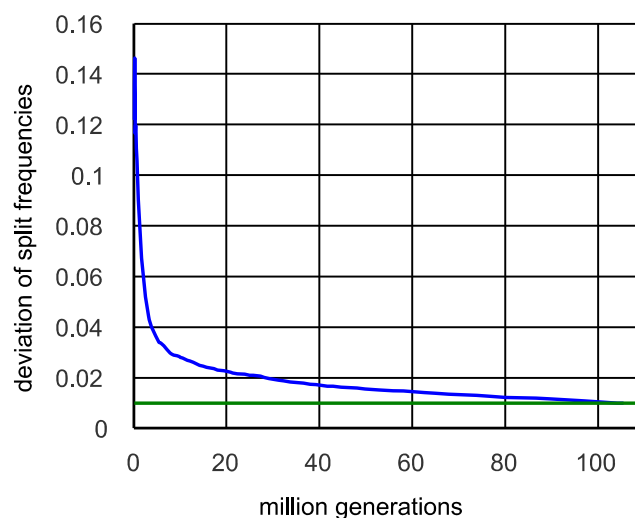


Fig. 30 Average standard deviation of split frequencies of the Bayesian MCMCMC analysis plotted over the generations

This procedure is time-consuming but crucial for the high quality of the final phylogram. After completion of the sorting work, all nodes of the higher phylogeny exhibited excellent probability values (for final result, see e.g. collapsed total phylogram—Fig. 42).

Plausibility check using a “HLPGT” (high-level phylogeny guide tree)

Purpose of the HLPGT

The HLPGT was used to control and ensure the truthfulness of the higher phylogeny from the initial alignment of the ITS1 and ITS2 regions until the final tree inference was done. This was reached by continuously comparing the HLPGT with the alignment guide trees until the final tree was inferred. Please note that the HLPGT was *not* used as a guide tree for the alignments at all.

Creation and application of the HLPGT

Before the alignment of all loci was done, a phylogenetic tree was calculated from an alignment containing *only* the sequence sets containing at least one *ef-1 α* and/or *β -tubulin* sequence (see Table S1.01 in Supplement S1 and Table 1). This “high-level phylogeny guide tree” offers the maximum possible truthfulness for a first alignment concerning *higher* phylogeny, since it has the lowest missing data level. The areas of the ITS1 and ITS2 regions that are difficult to align have little harmful effects and are of little importance for a high-level phylogeny guide tree, since it is used to detect and control the higher phylogeny *before* the iterative alignment. The HLPGT is therefore accurate in the higher phylogeny, but still inaccurate in the lower phylogeny. So, this guide tree was not used as a guide tree for the iteration. Such a high-level phylogeny guide tree is particularly advantageous if, as in the case of this study, there are only relatively few sequences that determine the higher phylogeny (LSU, *β -tubulin*, *ef-1 α*) but many that determine the lower phylogeny (ITS1, ITS2) respectively additionally areas that are difficult to align such as in the ITS1 and ITS2 regions. Several HLPGTs were computed and evaluated using different alignment, partitioning, and calculation methods. Different alignment combinations and alignment software were also investigated and evaluated. The best result was obtained with the following composition:

- ITS1 to ITS2 aligned with Mafft using the FFT-NS-2 method
- LSU aligned with Mafft using the E-INS-i method
- *β -tubulin* and *ef-1 α* see chapters “MSA of the *β -tub* region and its exon extraction” and “MSA of the *ef-1 α* region and its exon extraction”

The gap matrices were coded with SeqState (Müller 2005). The best partitioning scheme was determined by using PartitionFinder. The following 11 partitions were found as best scheme: (ITS2+ITS1) (58S) (LSU) (BET1) (BET2) (BET3) (ALP1) (ALP2) (ALP3), (IND ITS1, IND ITS2) (IND LSU, IND 58S). The HLPGT was calculated with RAxML 8.2.10. The HLPGT essentially showed the topology as in Fig. 42, i.e. the same as the final topology; therefore, the representation of the HLPGT as a graphic is omitted at this point.

Comparison with other phylogenetic studies

In addition to several others, the studies Padamsee et al. (2007); Larsson and Örstadius (2008); Vašutová et al. (2008); Nagy et al. (2009, 2011a, 2013a); Nagy, Urban et al. (2010a); Hazi et al. (2011); Nagy, Walther et al. (2011b); Nagy, Vágvolgyi et al. (2013b); Tóth et al. (2013); Örstadius et al. (2015); and Szarkándi et al. (2017) were mainly used for comparison and control purposes of the phylogenetic analysis. Within these studies, some species and sections already appeared at different positions. Even whole genera are shifted (example: *Coprinellus*—see Örstadius et al. (2015) to Nagy, Urban et al. (2010a) or Nagy, Vágvolgyi et al. (2013b) to Tóth et al. (2013)). The contradictions in these studies were analysed to the best of our ability. However, a comparison with other studies is only meaningful if there were at least qualitatively similar conditions as in this study. Therefore, the phylogeny influencing factors used in the previously mentioned studies were recorded, for example regions used, alignment strategy, indel coding, models, partitions, phylogeny software and others. However, the detailed comparison would go beyond the scope of this study and will not be elaborated.

The rough result

Only 2 studies, namely Nagy et al. (2013a) and Tóth et al. (2013), use an iterative guide tree alignment procedure. In some cases, the higher phylogeny could also be used as a comparison, whereby in Tóth et al. (2013) the phylogenetic tree which described by the authors as uploaded to TreeBASE was missing there and therefore was not comprehensible at all. From all other studies listed above, only the lower phylogeny of some genera, sections or clades could be used for comparison. The comparison was carried out with the best possible precision. Some essential differences between the studies listed above and the present one could be explained by the unfavourable phylogenetic influencing factors chosen in some studies (see chapter “Summary of phylogenetic findings concerning the workflow”).

Summary of phylogenetic findings concerning the workflow

High support values of the final 1744 taxa containing consensus tree were achieved across the entire Psathyrellaceae family using an iterative multigene guide tree alignment procedure for an alignment set consisting of ITS1, 5.8S, ITS2, LSU, β -*tub* and *ef-1 α* regions and the indel matrices from ITS1, 5.8S, ITS2 and LSU alignments. The high phylogenetic information content of the indels within the ITS1 and ITS2 regions was determined and with it the necessity to include them in the phylogenetic analysis using an iterative multigene guide tree alignment instead of removing difficult alignable areas using MSA filters.

As can be seen from the final phylogram, there are some clades where the internal branches are short, while the terminal branches are relatively long. For example, this is the case with genus *Psathyrella*—sections *Noli-tangere* and *Spadiceogriseae* or genus *Candolleomyces*. This is a serious phylogenetic problem and phylogenetic analyses are often difficult to reproduce. However, the main problem with Psathyrellaceae is the higher phylogeny, which strongly depends on the workflow, alignment procedure, regions used, partitioning and use of indel matrices, *but less* on the phylogeny software used to reconstruct the tree. The high phylogenetic content of all regions, but also of the indel matrices, is shown as a percentage in diagram Fig. 29. It should be noted that this diagram applies only to the specific case of this analysis and not to the Psathyrellaceae family in general, but it clearly shows that omitting regions or gap matrices means that phylogenetic information is withheld in such analysis. And this automatically must lead to another, in some cases to a more or less distorted topology. An exception, however, is if only one clade is studied in which one or more of the regions are conserved. For example, in one of the above examples—*Psathyrella spadiceogriseae*—the LSU region (at least in the range of domains described in the chapter “MSA of the LSU region and range selection”) is completely irrelevant if the clade is studied alone, but of high importance if the clade is studied within other clades with diverging LSU regions. It must therefore be checked at each analysis whether regions can be omitted without problems.

A serious problem is the correct alignment of the ITS region, which *cannot* be solved *without* an iterative multigene guide tree, which also includes conserved regions. This fact will also cause a distorted phylogeny, if ignored. For the correct calculation of the root position, the choice of sequence sets for the outgroup is a crucial, important point.

The following points summarize the important factors in large, accurate phylogenetic reconstruction analyses like the present one:

- Region selection—see chapter “[Region selection of molecular phylogenetic markers](#)”.
- Data quality: ensured by the selection method applied as described above (chapter “[Sequence sampling and selection](#)”) and sorting out erroneous sequence sets (chapter “[Combinability tests of loci, detailed error check of sequence sets from vouchers](#)”).
- Sufficient and overlapping alignment length—see chapter “[Sequence sampling and selection](#)”.
- Selection of sequence sets for the outgroup—see chapter “[Sequence selection for the outgroup and root branch validation](#)”.
- Correct alignment of indel-rich areas—see chapters “[MSA of the problematic ITS1 and ITS2 regions](#)” to “[MSA of the LSU region and range selection](#)”.
- Using MSA Filters should be omitted—see chapter “[MSA filter for divergent regions \(not applied\)](#)”.
- Use of indels as gap matrices—see chapter “[Indel coding method and indel matrices](#)”.
- Phylogenetic content of the data—see chapter “[Proportion of information content of the regions](#)”.
- Best possible model selection—see chapters “[Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments](#)” and “[Models for the indel partitions](#)”. Over-fitting of the models to the data leads to a reduction in support values, while under-fitting leads to high support values for a false topology. Ideal is the model that is least complex but sufficient to model the data. Normally, this selection is done by a model test software. But what if the results of the programs are different? In such cases of doubt, the over-fitting model was chosen to avoid the previously described effect, i.e. the correct topology was given priority.
- Sufficient partitioning with simultaneous avoidance of over-partitioning—see chapter “[Partitioning of alignments and indel matrices/model selection for DNA alignments](#)”.
- Conflict-free combinability of regions—see chapter “[Combinability tests of loci, detailed error check of sequence sets from vouchers](#)”.

Phylogenetic results and discussion

Overview

As expected, the genera *Coprinopsis*, *Cystoagaricus*, *Homophron*, *Kauffmania*, *Lacrymaria*, *Parasola* and *Typhrasa* could be shown to be monophyletic. In contrast, *Coprinellus* is not uniform and forms two clades. The species group within the clade /*patouillardii* does not belong to *Coprinopsis*, as previously thought. It does not belong to *Coprinellus sensu stricto* either (which is labelled as the clade

/Coprinellus A, since that is where the type of the genus belongs). The clade /Coprinellus B deviates morphologically as well as phylogenetically from /Coprinellus A.

Within the historical genus *Psathyrella*, /candolleana and /supernula are clearly separated, as is /codinae. *Psathyrella* is thus paraphyletic. Surprisingly, the results show that *Galerella floriformis* Hauskn. belongs to the Psathyrellaceae. *Coprinellus pakistanicus* does not belong to *Coprinellus* but constitutes another separated clade.

There is some residual uncertainty in the higher phylogeny because not as many sequences of the *ef-1 α* - and *β -tubulin*-region (and LSU region) were available than was the case for ITS sequences. However, despite these shortcomings, this phylogenetic analysis is considered to be relatively robust, as well as being the most accurate that is possible to achieve with the existing data.

The present study shows that the available sequence data of family Psathyrellaceae form different distinct clades. After comparing all available morphologic data, the 16 coloured clades in Fig. 31 were detected as different genera, nine of which already exist and seven new as proposed below. The evolution takes place in two main directions: on one hand in the direction of the crown group /Coprinopsis, on the other hand in the direction of the crown groups /Psathyrella and /Coprinellus.

All in all, the result of the phylogenetic analysis fits well with the main morphological characteristic groups of fungi within the clades. The systematic and nomenclatorial consequences are discussed below.

Coprinellus

As previously mentioned, the historical classification of the taxa which have been assigned to the genus *Coprinellus* produces a diphyletic system. However, /patouillardii positions itself in between with relatively high divergence to the neighbour clades, as shown by the 360° radial consensus phylogram in Fig. 32.

/Coprinellus A

This clade was found to comprise 15 confirmed and several unclear taxa, which are distributed over 9 subclades. These are shown in the 310° radial consensus phylogram in Fig. 33.

Pileocystidia may be absent or present and are then utriform or lageniform, partially capitate; sclerocystidia do not occur. The spores mostly have a smooth surface, although some species have rough spores or a perispodium. The most important common feature is the veil which is always present, at least partially, and consists of globose to subglobose elements. In addition, chains of subcylindrical cells often appear, which are sometimes thick-walled and encrusted.

The name for /Coprinellus A must be *Coprinellus* P. Karst., because the type of the genus is included here: *Coprinellus deliquescens* (Bull.) P. Karst., Bidr Känn Finl Nat Folk 32:542, 1879, designated by Earle (1909:384). Readhead et al. (2001) accepted this typification with explicit reference to the representation in Horak (1968). The synonymization with *Coprinus silvaticus* Peck is wrong, because Peck (1872) described and drew a fungus that is reminiscent of *Parasola* (see Melzer 2017). In the possible event that *C. deliquescens* is rejected because of ambiguity, then *Coprinellus tardus* (P. Karst.) P. Karst. would be the next valid type.

For the differentiation in sections, the available names are *Coprinellus* (= /deliquescens), *Micacei* (Fr.) D.J. Schaf. (= /micaceus), *Domestici* (Singer) D.J. Schaf. (= /domesticus) and *Flocculosi* Citérin (= /flocculosus). The remaining clades will be considered below as further sections and the following names will be proposed for them: *Aureogranulati* (= /aureogranulatus), *Curti* (= /curtus), *Deminuti* (= /deminutus), *Disseminati* (= /disseminatus), and *Hepthemeri* (= /hepthemerus).

/patouillardii

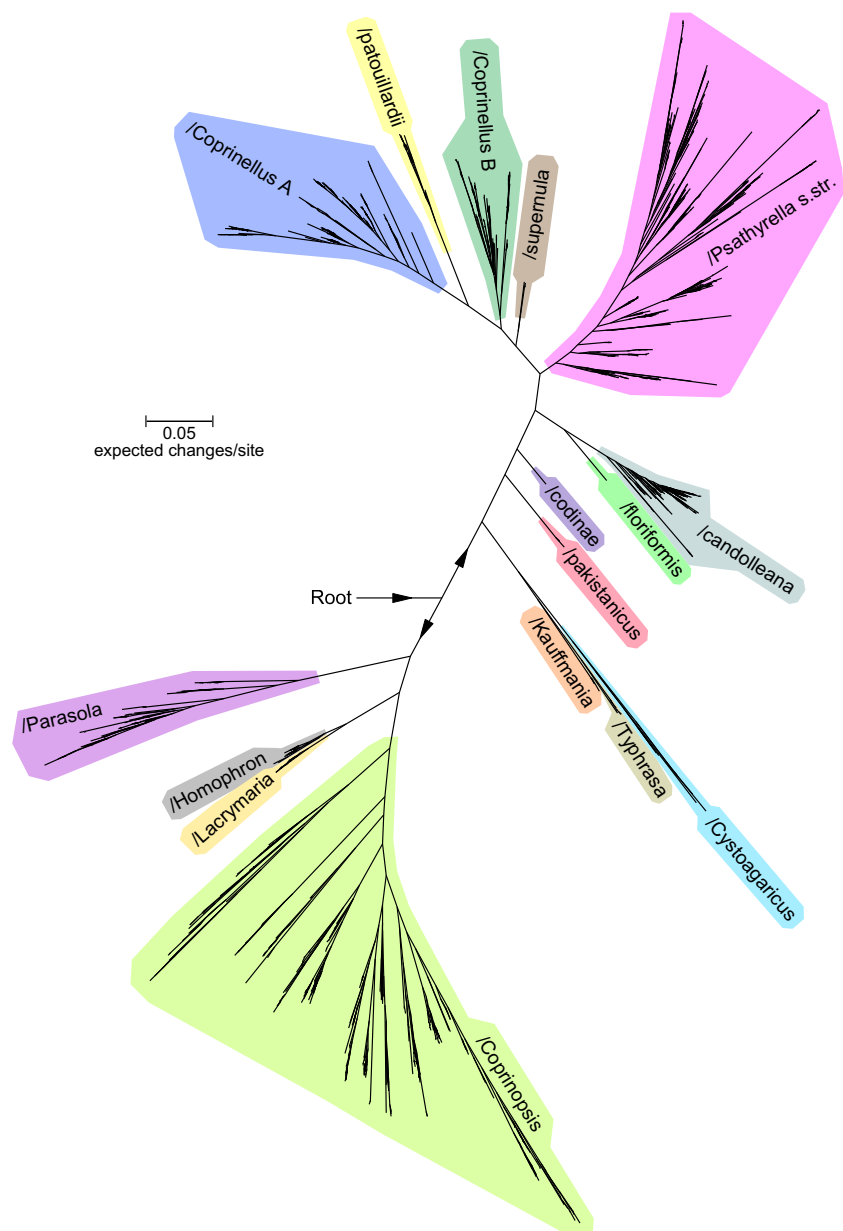
This clade is extremely sensitive to the applied phylogenetic technique, since inappropriate techniques can result in a very different positioning of this clade. It must be emphasized that in the present work, no manual influence was exerted on the multigene guide tree and no constraints or other leads were programmed, so the calculated positions only resulted mathematically from the described alignment technique under use of an iterative multigene guide tree. The ITS region can be incorrectly aligned with the ITS of the genus *Psathyrella*, resulting in phylograms where the clade falls within *Psathyrella*; for example Nagy, Urban et al. (2010a) position the clade /patouillardii close to *Psathyrella fagetophila* Örstadius & Enderle and *Psathyrella umbrina* Kits van Wav. In contrast, Örstadius et al. (2015) show /cordisporus (= /patouillardii) to be far from *Psathyrella*.

Coprinus patouillardii Qué. and *Coprinus cordisporus* Gibbs were transferred to the genus *Coprinopsis* (Moreno and Manjón 2010 resp. Krieglsteiner and Gminder 2010), because the pileipellis is supposedly similar. Keirle et al. (2004) have also examined the pileipellis and found “...a cutis of somewhat inflated to cylindrical, radially arranged hyphae...”. Still, it might not be a pure cutis, but more detailed studies are needed here. The statement by Uljé and Noordeloos (1993) “Pileipellis made up of (sub)globose to ellipsoid elements, smooth to granular, up to 50 μ m wide” is certainly an editorial mistake because this description clearly refers to the veil.

Rejinders (1979) has analysed the veil elements in detail and commented on this "...immediately over the cap, the hyphae are divided into short cells. There is no sharp boundary between veil and pileus trama, and this is also the case in older stages".

The phylogenetic results make it clear that /patouillardii cannot be placed in *Coprinopsis* (see Fig. 31). Proximity to /*Coprinellus A* is indicated by the structure of the veil; there also are globose to subglobose elements mixed with chains of subcylindrical cells. But there are important morphological differences. In addition to the pileipellis, these are the polygonal, strongly flattened spores. The establishment of a genus is therefore justified and *Narcissea* will be proposed as the name (see below).

Fig. 31 360° radial consensus phylogram of the entire family Psathyrellaceae with the 16 clades, which were confirmed or established as genera in this study



/*Coprinellus B*

In this clade, 30 unique taxa were found, which always have lageniform (to subutriform) pileocystidia; some also have sclerocystidia. A veil is often lacking; if present, it usually consists of chains of slightly diverticulate cells. Only the species with polygonal spores have a veil of globose to subglobose cells.

The separation of *Coprinellus* is recommended for phylogenetic and morphological reasons; the name *Tulosesus* will be proposed below. At first sight, the morphological features do not give any apparent reason for a division into sections. No sharp phylogenetic separation can be recognized between the species with and without a veil. The

differences between them are very delicate, but nevertheless they exist.

/supernula

The two previously known species of this clade, *Psathyrella supernula* (Britzelm.) Örstadius & Enderle and *Psathyrella multipedata* (Peck) A.H. Sm., are usually found in small to very large clusters of fruiting bodies and have a long pseudorrhiza and green deposits on the cystidia. They show similarities to *Coprinellus christianopolitanus* Örstadius & E. Larss. regarding the shape of the pileocystidia and presence of green deposits, while the LSU of *C. christianopolitanus* is almost identical to the LSU of the clade /supernula. The morphological and phylogenetic characteristics allow the clade /supernula to be considered a separate genus. The name *Britzelmayria* is proposed below. The resulting phylogenetic position of /supernula is shown in the radial phylogram in Fig. 31.

/Psathyrella s. str

The revised genus as refined by this study shows 18 distinct subclades (see Fig. 34). Some of these can be assigned to existing taxonomic categories which can still stand as sections: *Cystopsathyra* (Singer) Kits van Wav. (= /kellermanii), *Pseudostropharia* A.H. Sm. (= /caput-medusae), *Hydrophilae* Romagn. ex Singer (= /piluliformis), *Pygmaeae* Romagn. (= /pygmaea), *Obtusatae* (Fr.) Singer (= /obtusata), *Spadiceogriseae* Kits van Wav. (= /spadiceogrisea), *Atomatae* Romagn. ex Singer (= /prona), *Microrhizae* Romagn. ex Singer (= /microrhiza), *Lutenses* Kits van Wav. (= /lutensis), *Pennatae* Romagn. ex Romagn. (= /fibrillosa) and *Psathyrella* Kits van Wav. (= /corrugis).

The remaining subclades will be considered below as further sections and the following names will be proposed for them: *Arenosae* (= /arenosa), *Confusae* (= /gordonii), *Jacobssoniorum* (= /jacobssonii), *Noli-tangere* (= /noli-tangere), *Saponaceae* (= /saponacea), *Stridvalliorum* (= /stridvalii) and *Sinefibularum* (= /vinosofulva).

Fig. 32 360° radial consensus phylogram of the complete historical genus *Coprinellus* with the “disturbing” clade /patouillardii

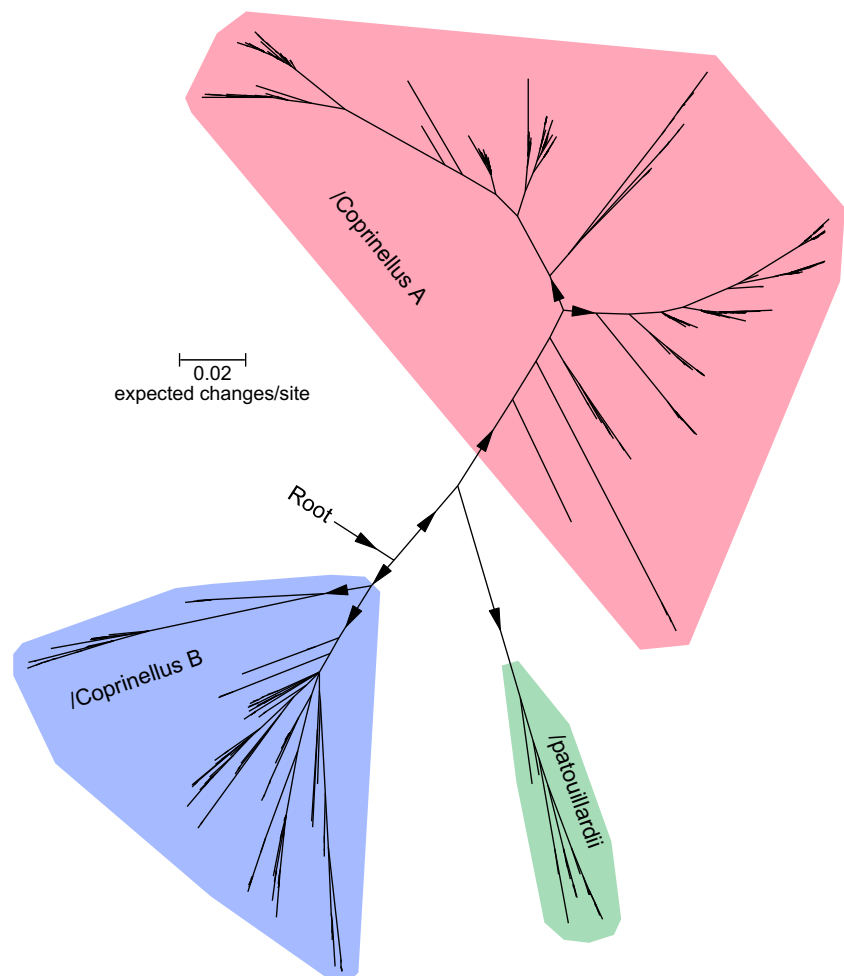
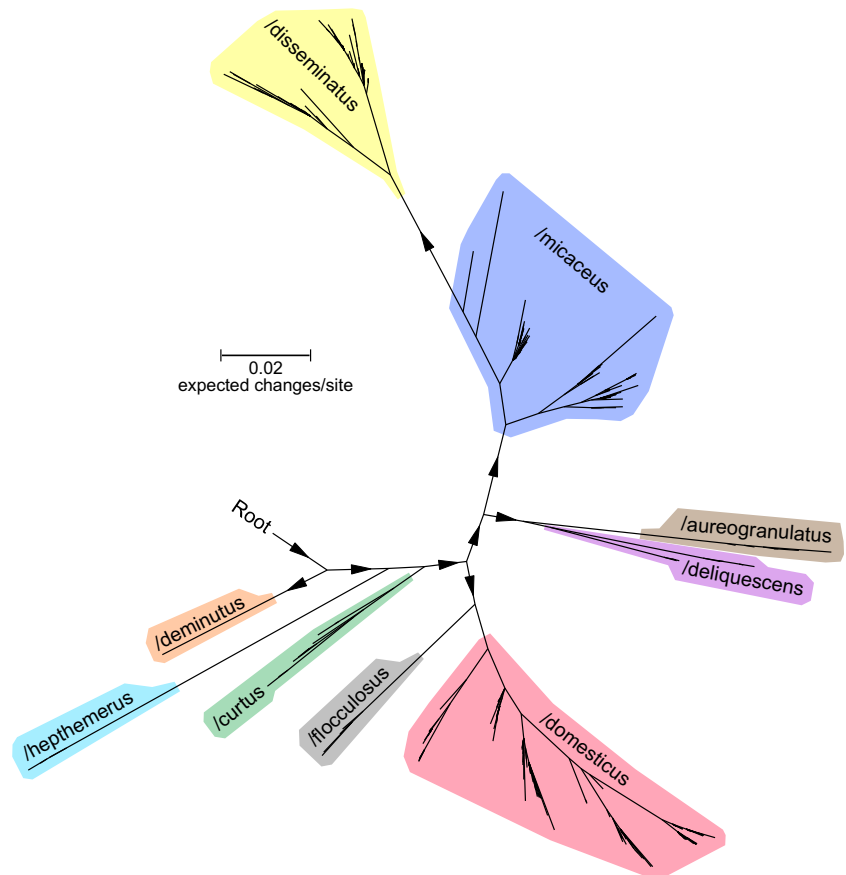


Fig. 33 310° radial consensus phylogram of *Coprinellus* A



It should be noted that few of these clades have striking characteristics found in all species. The only clades which are defined relatively well in morphological terms are */Cystopsathyra* with globose veil elements, */vinosofulva* without clamps, */lutensis* with striking deposits on the cystidia, and */spadiceogrisea* with predominantly clavate and sphaeropedunculate marginal cells. Of course, no general statement can be usefully made for clades with only a few or even a single species.

The clade */fibrillosa* represents a very fanned-out crown group. It could be further split into four sections, but their morphology would overlap; therefore, this is refrained from for the time being.

/candolleana

This clade can be subdivided into 13 distinct subclades, which could be established as sections from a phylogenetic point of view. The radial phylogram (Fig. 35) illustrates the crown group */candolleana* s. str., in which the neotype of *Psathyrella candolleana* (Fr.) Maire is located. All other subclades are therefore not considered */candolleana*. Noteworthy is the extraordinary accumulation of indefinite (or unnamed) species, which have a very similar morphology despite apparent molecular biological separability. The only

branch that has an unusual length is that of */typhae*; this subclade comprises an indeterminate collection and *Psathyrella typhae* (Kalchbr.) A. Pearson & Dennis. This species can be recognized by its ecology, growing on aquatic plants just above the water level. In principle, the section name *Typhicolae* (Romagn.) Singer ex Singer, *Sydowia* 15:67, 1962 “1961”, could be used for */typhae*. However, taking into account the incomplete state of knowledge, a further subdivision of the entire species complex is avoided for the time being as the sections emerging phylogenetically are not sufficiently understood and morphologically distinct.

The search for morphological properties that are valid for each species is difficult and has not been completed for a long time. Members of the *candolleana* group are not often thoroughly examined. The main criterion which differentiates */candolleana* from *Psathyrella* could be the complete absence of pleurocystidia. *Psathyrella* probably always has pleurocystidia, although they can be extremely rare and only found after a long search. However, the final tests have not yet been carried out to find exceptions. A second may be the veil, with sphaerocysts with slightly thickened walls being observed for *Psathyrella candolleana*, *P. sulcatotuberculosa* (J. Favre) Einhell., *P. aberdarensis* A. Melzer, Kimani & R. Ullrich and *P. bivelata* Contu (hence the name). However, further examinations are necessary here. So far, the fleeting

veil has rarely been closely observed. Already the phylogenetic results justify the transferring of all the taxa in /candolleana to a separate genus; the name *Candolleomyces* will be proposed (see below).

/floriformis

In the original description of *Galerella floriformis* (Hausknecht and Contu 2003), young basidiomata are compared with *Coprinus* and it is described as “... a very spectacular member of the genus”. Tóth et al. (2013) also draw attention to the special phylogenetic position. It is impossible to place this species in the genus *Galerella* Earle, and an assignment into *Candolleomyces* does not seem sensible due to the deliquescent lamellae and the absence of cheilocystidia. *Hausknechtia* will be proposed below as the name of the new genus.

/codinae

Psathyrella codinae Deschuyteneer, A. Melzer & Pérez-De-Gregorio has no morphological features that would otherwise preclude it from belonging to *Psathyrella* (compare Deschuyteneer et al. 2018). The phylogenetic result, however, is clear; the species must be transferred to a new genus, to be named as *Olotia* (see below).

/pakistanicus

The “*Coprinellus*” specimen MEL 2382843A in the National Herbarium of Victoria is preserved with the find data: Australia, Northern Territory, Darwin, Casuarina coastal Reserve, Darwin surf club 1st parking area, mulch on garden bed, 2014-01-22, leg. G. M. Bonito. The voucher was sequenced (Bonito G, Barrett M, Udovicic F, Lebel T, Fleshy Macrofungi of Northern Tropical Australia: Filling in the sampling gap, unpublished) and filed under GenBank accession number KP012718.1. Within the same clade are two uncultured *Psathyrella*-species (vouchers 2.54E, 2.67E) from the unpublished work Gouveia GV, Yano de Melo AM, da Costa MM, Gouveia J: Soil microbial diversity of a Brazilian semiarid region. From a phylogenetic point of view, these three collections belong to the same species and form a separate genus. No statement could be made about their characteristics because further information was not available. It is noteworthy that the taxa were determined as both *Coprinellus* and *Psathyrella*.

A surprising turn came when the work of Hussain et al. (2018a, 2018b) was published and *Coprinellus pakistanicus* Usman & Khalid was described. The sequence MH366735 (voucher LAH35322) proved to be 100% identical to KP012718.1, the sequence of the Australian voucher. In fact, there was a detailed description (pages 53–55 and colour

photograph on page 45) of the taxon at this time, which allows proposing the new genus *Punjabia* (see Fig. 82 as well).

/Cystoagaricus

The genus *Cystoagaricus* Singer emend. Örstadius & E. Larss. includes only lignicolous, rather large species with a fibrous-scaly pileus. The spores are never dominantly ellipsoid in shape, generally being subtriangular, rounded-angular, broadly ellipsoid, mitriform or even irregular in outline instead.

/Typhrasa

The unique feature of the genus *Typhrasa* Örstadius & E. Larss. is the presence of cystidia with large refractive globules.

/Kauffmania

Kauffmania larga (Kauffman) Örstadius & E. Larss., the only species in this monotypic genus, is a relatively stately fungus with pale spores with no or only an indistinct germ pore. There is no single morphological feature to distinguish it from *Psathyrella* at first glance.

/Coprinopsis

Of the historical genera analysed in this phylogenetic study, *Coprinopsis* P. Karst. is the most heterogeneous, in terms of habit and micro-features. Phylogenetically, there are 20 subclades detectable, which are considered here as sections. A system of sections and subsections can be conceived as illustrated by Fig. 36. However, this is avoided as it would be complicated and some apparent gaps could be closed by an increase of the available data (sharpening the boundaries of some taxonomic units) and the discovery of further species.

Usable names are *Coprinopsis* (= /friesii), *Picacei* Penn. in Kauffman (= /picacea), *Atramentariae* (Fr.) D.J. Schaf. (= /atramentaria), *Narcotici* (Uljé & Noordel.) D.J. Schaf. (= /narcotica), *Lanatulae* (Fr.) D.J. Schaf. (= /lagopus) and *Nivei* (Citérin) D.J. Schaf. (= /nivea).

The remaining subclades will be considered below as further sections and the following names will be proposed for them: *Alopeciae* (= /alopecia), *Canocipes* (= /canoceps), *Cinereae* (= /cinerea), *Subniveae* (= /cortinata), *Erythrocephalae* (= /erythrocephala), *Filamentiferae* (= /filamentifera), *Geesteranorum* (= /geesterani), *Krieglsteinerorum* (= /krieglsteineri), *Melanthiniae* (= /melanthinia), *Mitraesporae* (= /mitraespora), *Phlyctidosporae* (= /phlyctidospora), *Quartoconatae* (= /marcescibilis), *Radiatae* (= /radiata), and *Xenobiae* (= /xenobia).

The subclades are each more or less homogeneous in their morphology, although they often lack exclusive characteristics, making it difficult to offer a precise morphological description in some cases. However, relatively clear morphological differentiation is possible for /*friesii* (veil consisting of strongly diverticulate cells which are often thick-walled), /*nivea* (non-ellipsoid spores; main element of the veil being cells which are globose, smooth to scattered warty and sometimes incrustated), /*atramentaria* (robust species with a persistent veil), /*melanthisa* (lignicolous species with very pale spores) and /*phlyctidospora* (rough to warty spores), and partly for /*narcotica* (mostly globose, densely warty cells as the main element of the veil). For other subclades, the simplest and most appropriate description is problematic, for example in /*alopecia*, some species have warty spores and others have smooth spores.

/Lacrymaria

The genus *Lacrymaria* Pat. is well characterized according to current knowledge. A very rich veil and rough to warty spores are characteristic.

/Homophron

All species of the genus *Homophron* (Britzelm.) Örstadius & E. Larss. lack a veil; the cystidia are at least partially thick-walled and carry crystals; the spores are pale with an indistinct or absent germ pore.

/Parasola

The subdivision into sections *Parasola* and *Auricomi* can no longer be maintained from a morphological and phylogenetic point of view. On the basis of the morphological features, a new classification is proposed, which was supported by the phylogeny (see Fig. 37).

Only *Parasola conopilea* (Fr.) Örstadius & E. Larss. contrasts with other members of the genus. It is not ephemeral and the spores are always ellipsoid in front as well as lateral view (not being much flattened). The habit is also distinctly different. The phylogenetic results also indicate differences, making it appropriate to establish a section for this species, to be named *Conopileae* (see below).

The phylogenetic tree, marks, symbols and labels of leaves

Because of the size of the entire tree, the result is initially collapsed at the genus level (Fig. 42) and section level (Fig. 43), then expanded on the following pages to species

level. That means, from the large and coarse overview to the detail.

Figure 38 shows a rectangular phylogram as an example to describe all possible marks.

For all subsequent phylograms, the following applies to the marks, symbols and labels of the leaves shown in sample phylogram Fig. 38:

- Blue numbers on branches: posterior probabilities resulting from the Bayesian tree inference.
- Black numbers below the branches: ML bootstrap support values, taken from the maximum likelihood analysis in %. Black numbers below the branches in rectangular brackets [xx] are conflict ML values, those in which the position of the node in the ML tree deviated from the Bayesian tree.
- Short black triangle symbols without length specification represent a general collapse of a clade. The length and height of the triangle have no meaning.
- Black stretched triangles represent the clades as collapsed groups, whereas the length of the triangle represents the longest path length within the clade. The height of the triangles has no meaning.
- Green numbers on black triangles are the longest path length (thus the length of the triangle) in expected changes/site.
- Clamps with clade labels represent, as usual, the intended association of the taxa of a clade. Black arrows on clamps (not shown in example) and on vertical lines of rectangular phylogram parts mean: If a phylogram part of the complete phylogram is split in more than one part (since it was too large to fit on one page), the arrows show the linking of the parts.
- The labelling of the leaves will be explained by the following example.

Example for the label key:

ILBA Psathyrella piluliformis-type - XYZ

The first letters in the label explain which loci were used for the leaf in the analysis: I—ITS region (including the 5.8S region); L—LSU region; B— β -*tubulin* region; A—*ef-1 α* region. This key follows the original taxon name of the original author(s) of the sequence or sequence set. Note that in many cases, different taxon names were used by the authors for one set, or in the database another name was used as in the corresponding voucher. In this case, the latest or most logical name was selected. The species names as well as the genera were always advertised, never abbreviated to avoid confusion between *Coprinellus*, *Coprinus* and *Coprinopsis*. Terms like “cf.”, “aff.”, “var.” and “f.” have always been printed. If “-type” or similar is printed, the sequence or sequence set was explained by the original authors to be from the type (or similar). Also some important remarks were added to the taxon

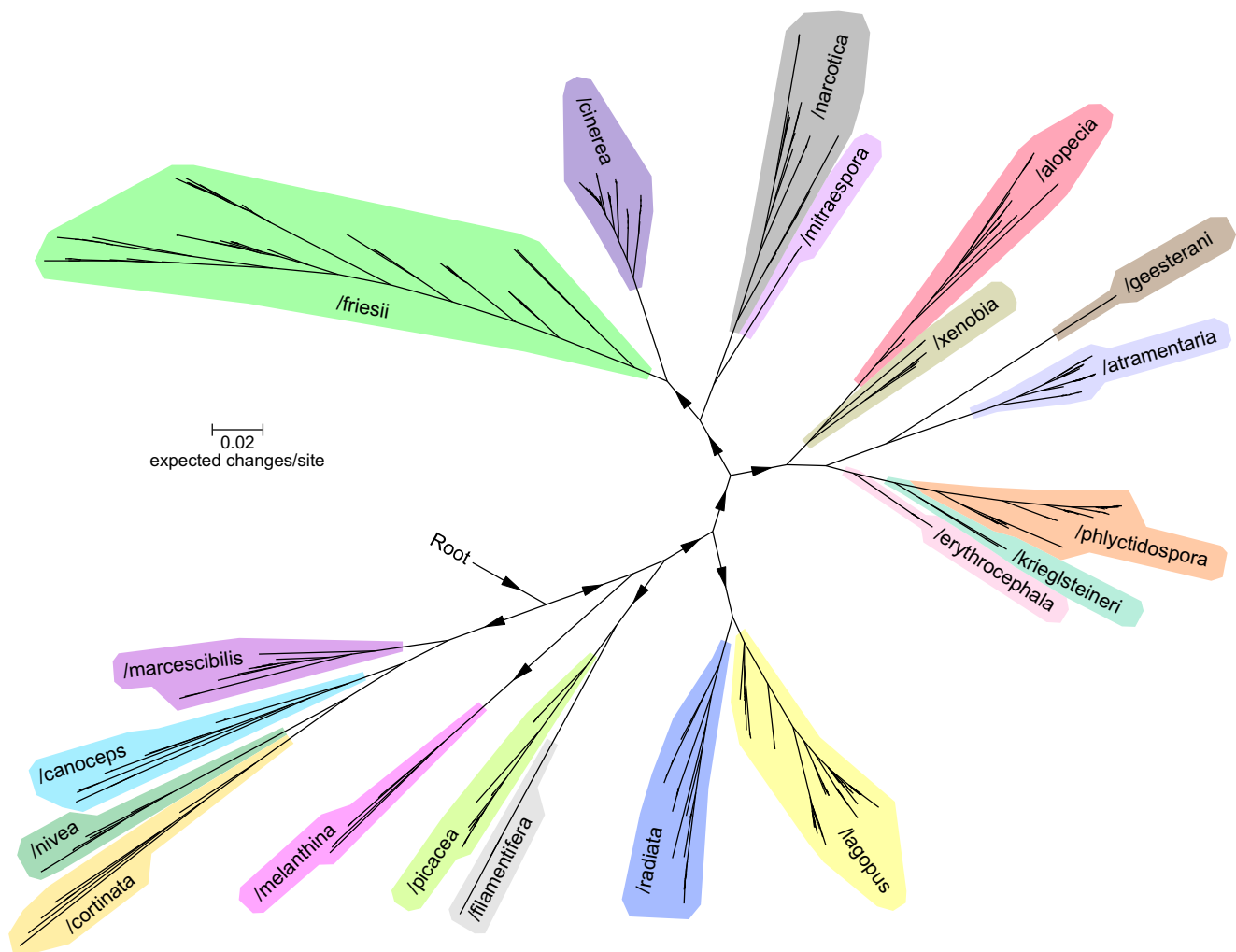


Fig. 36 360° radial consensus phylogram of *Coprinopsis*

name separated by a “-”. The last entry “- XYZ” in the example is the voucher number or the most useful reference number if no voucher number was given by the original authors. These are called “Seq.-ID” in Table S1.01 in Supplement S1 and in Table 1. Use these tables to find out the accession numbers of the sequence or sequence set which was/were used for the analysis.

All rectangular phylograms were edited in Treegraph. All radial phylogram and cladogram skeletons were calculated with Dendroscope (Huson and Scornavacca 2012).

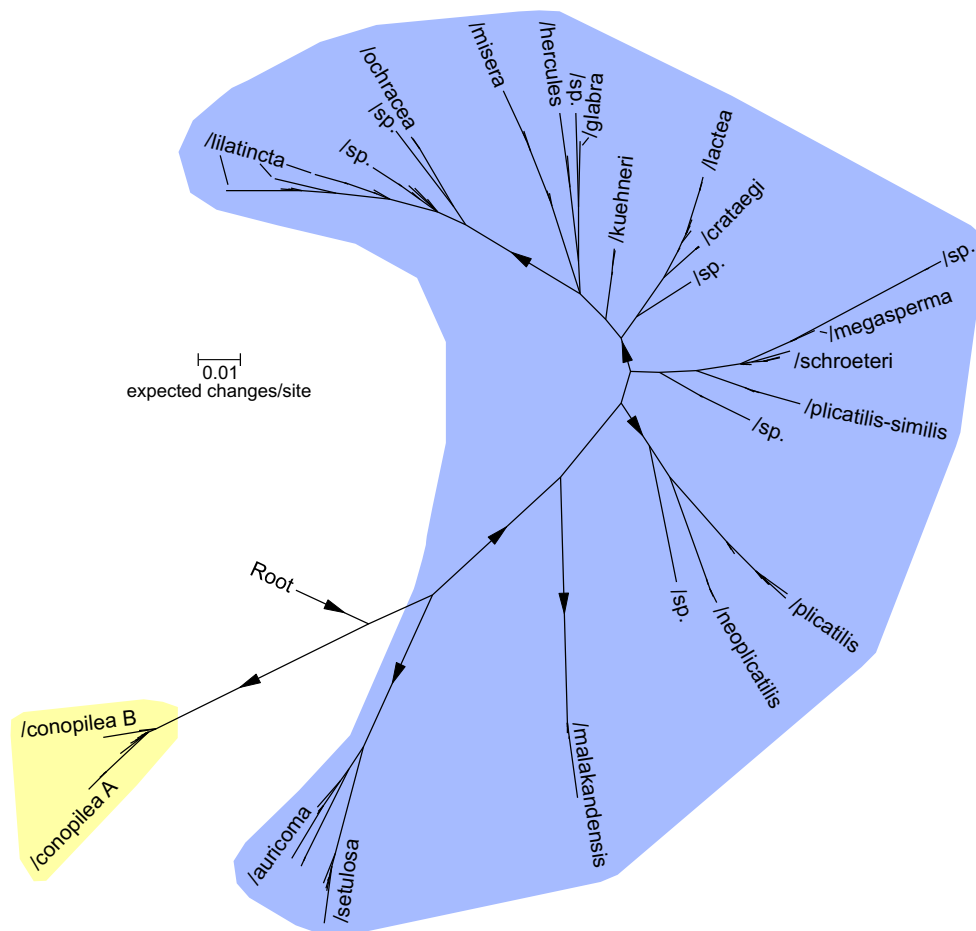
Outgroup and critical genera

The outgroup includes three species originally assigned to the Psathyrellaceae. The detailed outgroup is shown in Fig. 39. The used sequences of the outgroup can be found in Table 1. The outgroup position within the entire tree can be seen in Fig. 42 and Fig. 43.

Örstadius et al. (2015) already discovered that *Psathyrella ornatispora* M. Villarreal & Esteve-Rav. does not belong to the Psathyrellaceae, but the phylogenetic position was left unclear. The phylogenetic analysis in the present study revealed the position shown in Fig. 39, in close proximity to Agaricaceae.

At the time the alignments were created, there were no sequences from the ITS region of *Stagnicola perplexa* available. In the course of the work, Karl Soop fortunately provided us a *Stagnicola perplexa* exsiccata so that the sequencing and phylogenetic positioning could be performed as a separate analysis. The genomic DNA was extracted from the dried fruiting bodies and the ITS region and part of the LSU region was sequenced. The same molecular phylogenetic markers were used for the additional analysis as described above. The analysis, of which the details are not further discussed in this publication, showed that *Stagnicola perplexa* undoubtedly does *not* belong to the Psathyrellaceae family. *Stagnicola perplexa* is closely related to *Mythicomycetes corneipes*. The sequences were deposited in GenBank under accession numbers MK045203.1 (ITS) and

Fig. 37 360° radial consensus phylogram of the clade /Parasola



MK045260.1 (LSU). Shortly thereafter, in June 2019, an article by Vizzini et al. (2019) was released, which confirmed the findings of the authors. Vizzini et al. (2019) even established the new family Mythicomycetaceae for *Stagnicola* and *Mythicomycetes* Redhead & A.H. Sm., established in Redhead and Smith (1986) on the basis of *Mythicomycetes corneipes* (Fr.) Redhead & A.H. Sm. We can confirm the findings of Vizzini et al. (2019) (see also phylogram part of the outgroup in Fig. 39). The distinct phylogenetic distance from *Mythicomycetes* to Psathyrellaceae is clearly visible in Fig. 39 and in the phylogram provided by Vizzini et al. (2019).

However, the ITS sequence of *Mythicomycetes corneipes* can be well aligned with sequences of the family Psathyrellaceae. If a bad workflow or technique is used, *Mythicomycetes corneipes* phylogenetically shifts into the middle of the family Psathyrellaceae. Detailed representations of *Mythicomycetes corneipes* are also contained in Huhtinen and Vauras (1992), Strittmatter and Obenauer (2013).

Proposed classification and nomenclatural novelties

As already mentioned, based on the molecular phylogenetic evidence and considering the morphological characteristics, the family Psathyrellaceae is divided into 16 genera, as new are proposed and characterized below the genera *Narcissea*, *Tulosesus*, *Britzelmayria*, *Candolleomyces*, *Hausknechtia*, *Olotia* and *Punjabia*. The radial phylogram in Fig. 40 and the collapsed rectangular phylogram in Fig. 42 show the positions in the context of the existing genera *Coprinellus*, *Psathyrella*, *Kauffmania*, *Typhrasa*, *Cystoagaricus*, *Parasola*, *Homophron*, *Lacrymaria* and *Coprinopsis*. The radial cladogram in Fig. 41 illustrates the numbers and the relationships of the taxa within the genera. Figure 43 shows an overview of both the genera and the sections.

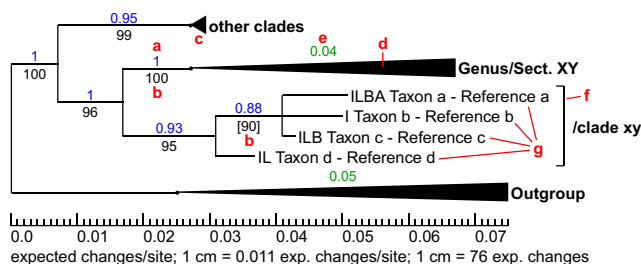


Fig. 38 Example phylogram for the description of the marks, symbols, and labels of the leaves; valid for all rectangular phylograms in this study; red marks a–g: see text for the meanings

Genus *Coprinellus* P. Karst.

Overview

Figure 44 first shows the 360° radial phylogram of the complete historical genus *Coprinellus*, divided into the proposed new system. The genus *Tulosesus* represented the basal group in the historical system.

Nine sections of genus *Coprinellus* were possible to identify with the currently available sequence data and morphological features. Figure 45 shows the nine sections of the genus *Coprinellus* as a radial phylogram. The angle is closed approx. 50° for a better view. The radial cladogram in Fig. 46 illustrates the numbers and the relationships of the taxa in the sections. Figure 47 shows an overview in a phylogram collapsed to section level and serves above all for further orientation; the red brackets refer to the detailed phylograms.

***Coprinellus* sect. *Disseminati* Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 831453 (Fig. 48)**

Description: Basidiomata small, lignicolous or terrestrial, in groups or caespitose, lamellae never deliquescent. Veil sparse, consisting of chains of often somewhat thick-walled and pigmented subcylindrical and globose cells. Spores are medium-sized, in front view more or less fusiform to ovoid with a central germ pore. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellae edge clavate, utriform, subcylindrical. Pleurocystidia always absent. Pileocystidia very large, utriform. Clamps absent.

Type species: *Coprinellus disseminatus* (Pers.) J.E. Lange, Dansk bot. Ark. 9(6): 93, 1938.

Representative:

Coprinellus disseminatus (Pers.) J.E. Lange; Ref.v: SZMC-NL-0786 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Remarks:

The separate subclades clearly reflect the origin of the material. Ko et al. (2001) described a similar phenomenon for Hawaii and East Asia. Either they are geographical varieties or they are closely related species. *Coprinellus disseminatus-similis* S. Hussain also belongs in this section (Hussain et al. 2018b).

***Coprinellus* sect. *Micacei* (Fr.) D.J. Schaf., Field Mycology 11(2):50, 2010 (Fig. 49)**

Description: Basidiomata medium to large-sized, mostly lignicolous. Lamellae deliquescent or withering. Veil at first distinct, granular, consisting of globose cells with thin connection hyphae, often slightly thick-walled and pigmented. Spores medium-sized with a central germ pore. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge clavate, sphaeropedunculate, ellipsoid. Pleurocystidia usually present, voluminous. Pileocystidia absent. Clamps present, absent (or overlooked) in *Coprinellus truncorum*.

Type species: *Coprinus micaceus* (Bull.) Fr., Epicr Syst Mycol:247, 1838 ≡ *Coprinellus micaceus* (Bull.) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson, Taxon 50(1):234, 2001, designated by Lange (1915:38).

Representatives:

Coprinellus micaceus (Bull.) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-2744 (Nagy et al. 2011a)

Coprinellus saccharinus (Romagn.) P. Roux, Guy García & Dumas; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-3888 (Hazi et al. 2011)

Coprinellus truncorum (Scop.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1101 (Nagy et al. 2011b)

Remarks:

Section *Micacei* is the only paraphyletic group in the entire Psathyrellaceae family. Somewhat aside E145121

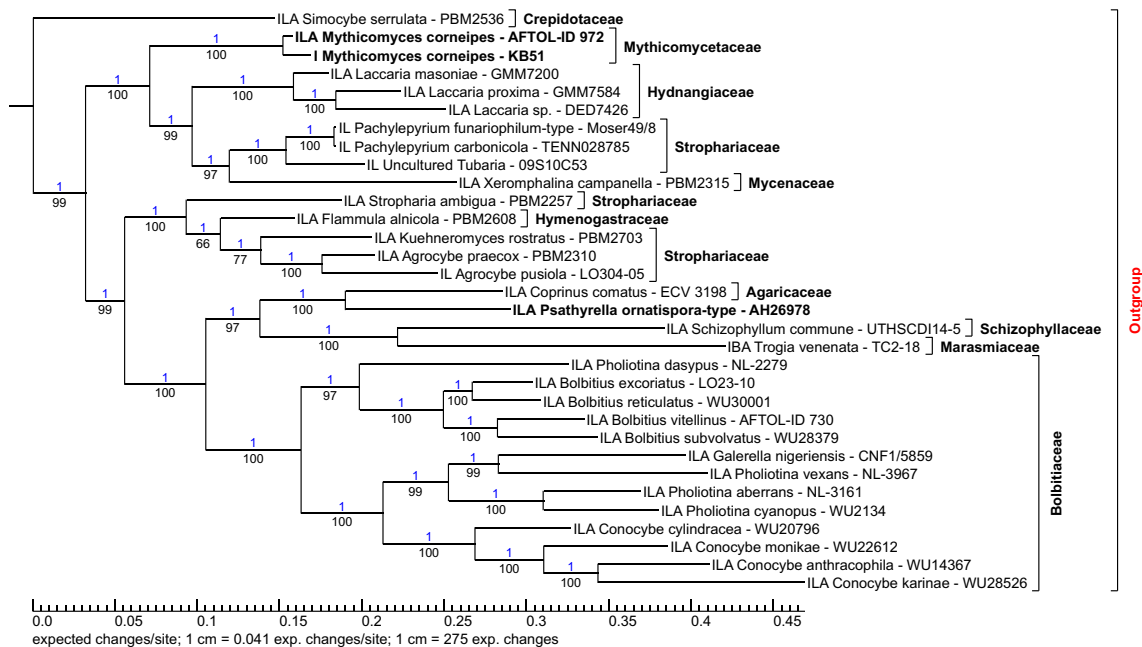
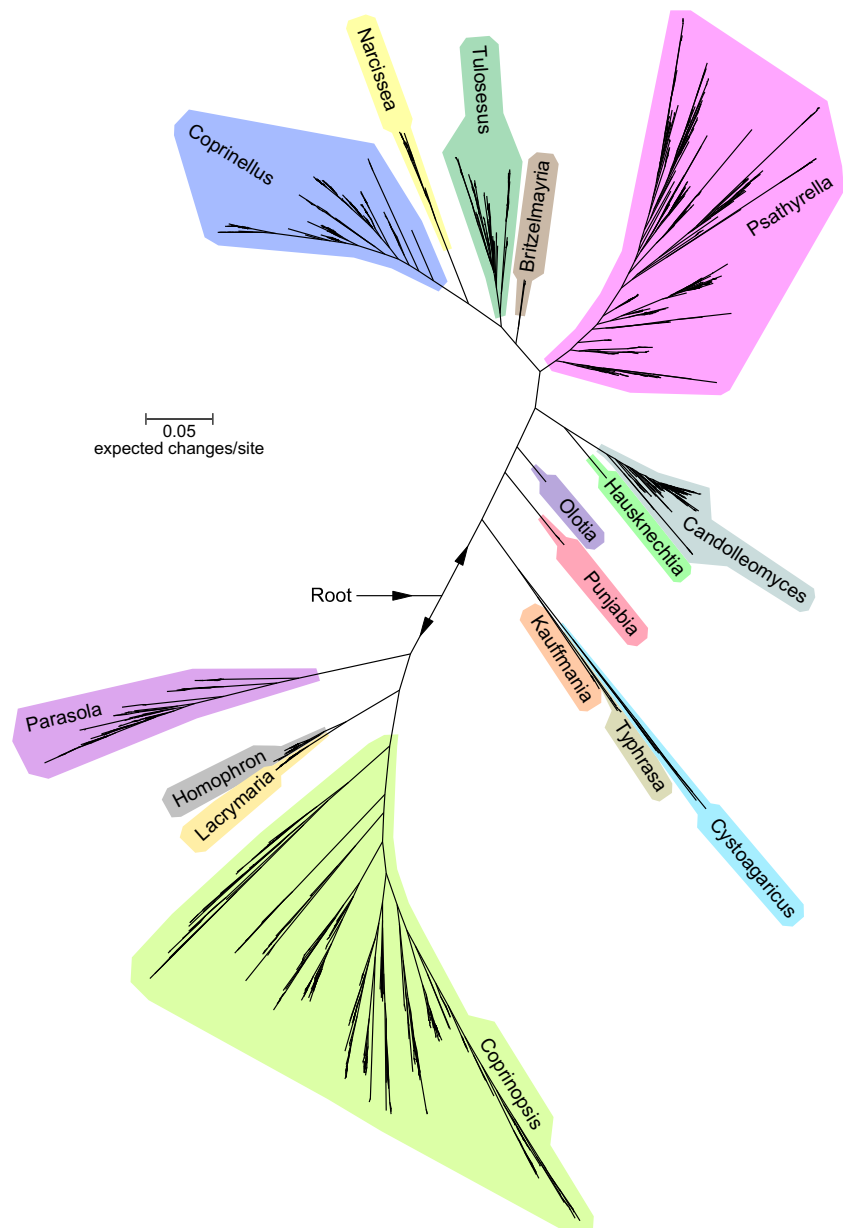


Fig. 39 Phylogram part of the outgroup; position in tree see Fig. 42

Fig. 40 360° radial phylogram of the complete family Psathyrellaceae



(Rundell et al. 2015) and 2Di102-1 (Held and Blanchette, 2017) can be found. The identity of these two species is not satisfactorily clarified; the material comes from South America and the Antarctic. There is no information about the morphology.

During the study, it was examined whether *Disseminati* and *Micacei* form a common section. All species grow on wood or on pieces of wood, usually in clusters or large groups, the veil and the marginal cells consist mainly of globose elements, the spores tend to be mitri- or fusiform. However, *C. disseminatus* has pileocystidia, while pleurocystidia are missing. Because of these striking morphological differences, also the very wide phylogenetic distance *Micacei* was considered a separate paraphyletic group.

Coprinellus campanulatus S. Hussain & H. Ahmad belongs also in this section (Hussain et al. 2018a). It is strange that no pleurocystidia were detected. The identity of *C. saccharinus* was verified by a comparative study with the own voucher from Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 29.VI.2009, A. Melzer (AM1265). The sequence is deposited at GenBank as MG696612.1. The question of whether *C. pallidissimus* (Romagn.) P. Roux, Guy Garcia & S. Roux (\equiv *Coprinus pallidissimus* Romagn.) and *Coprinus rufopruinatus* Romagn. belong here as suspected by Romagnesi (1976) could only be answered by examining the types.

There are several clades of *C. micaceus* and *C. saccharinus* of which material differs in geographical origin. Ko et al. (2001) once again found something similar. Whether those are independent species or a beginning separation due to

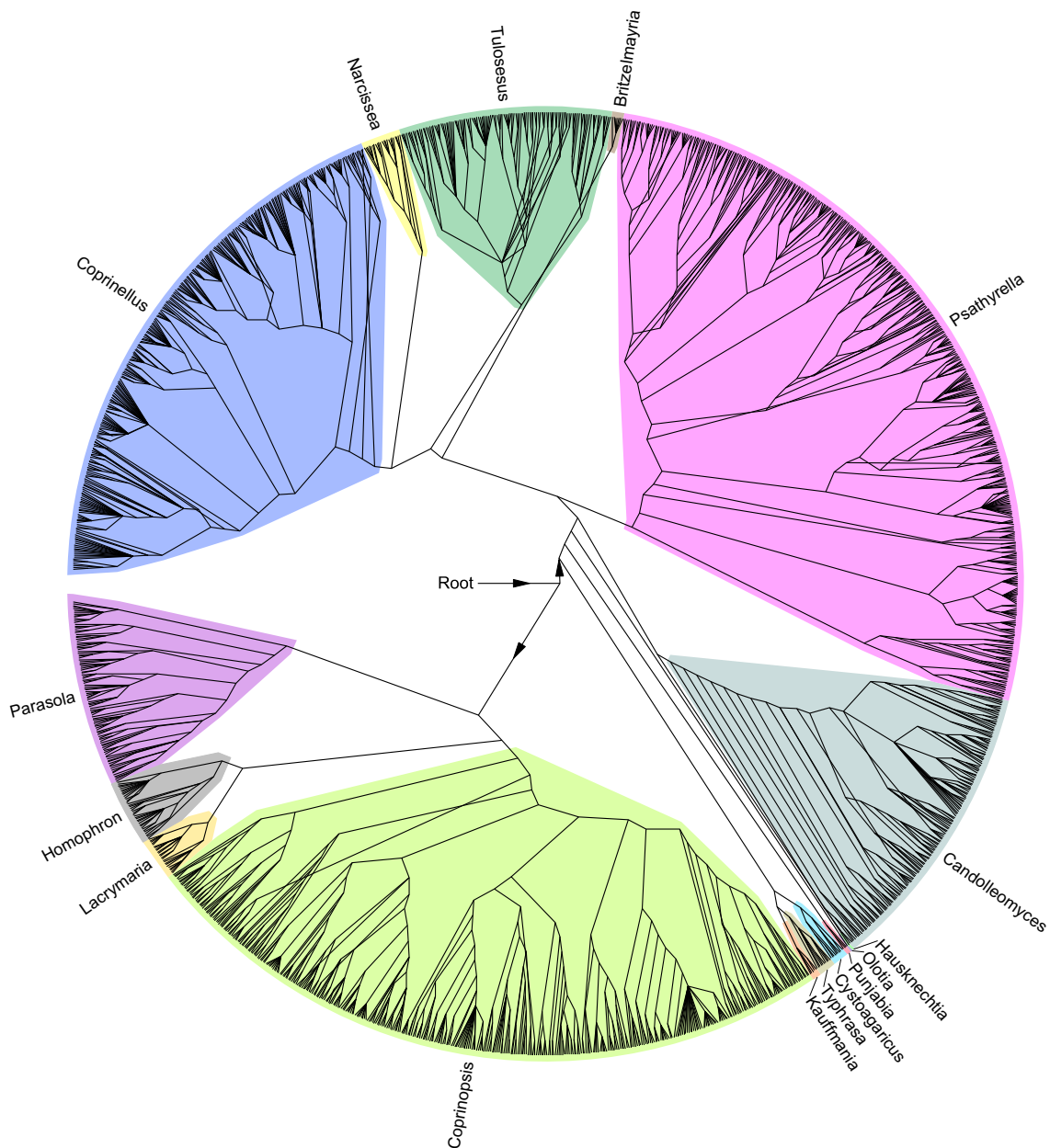


Fig. 41 Radial cladogram of the complete family Psathyrellaceae

geographic isolation cannot be assessed here. Presumably, the varieties (or species) of *C. micaceus* and *C. saccharinus* as well as *C. truncorum* can hardly be differentiated morphologically. Therefore, a sequence key was created for the separation. Figure 50 shows the phylogenetic differences across the entire ITS1 to ITS2 region for the complete section *Micacei* (without the upper two “/sp”-branches), especially the non-consensus sites and the indels. The optimal key area extends from site about 105 to about 160 of the ITS1 region. This area with the prominent key points (outlined in yellow) is shown in Fig. 51. The difference between *Coprinellus saccharinus* “Europe” and

“America” is minimal but clear at this point. Thus, the 5 varieties (or species) of *C. micaceus* and *C. saccharinus* as well as *C. truncorum* are clearly separable.

Coprinellus* sect. *Aureogranulati Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov. MB 831454** (Fig. 52)

Description: Basidiomata medium-sized, terrestrial, lignicolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Ozonium present at the base of the stipe. Veil well developed, brown, granular, consisting of chains of subglobose and subcylindrical, often thick-walled, encrusted, yellow-brown pigmented cells. Spores small to medium in size, phaseoliform in side view,

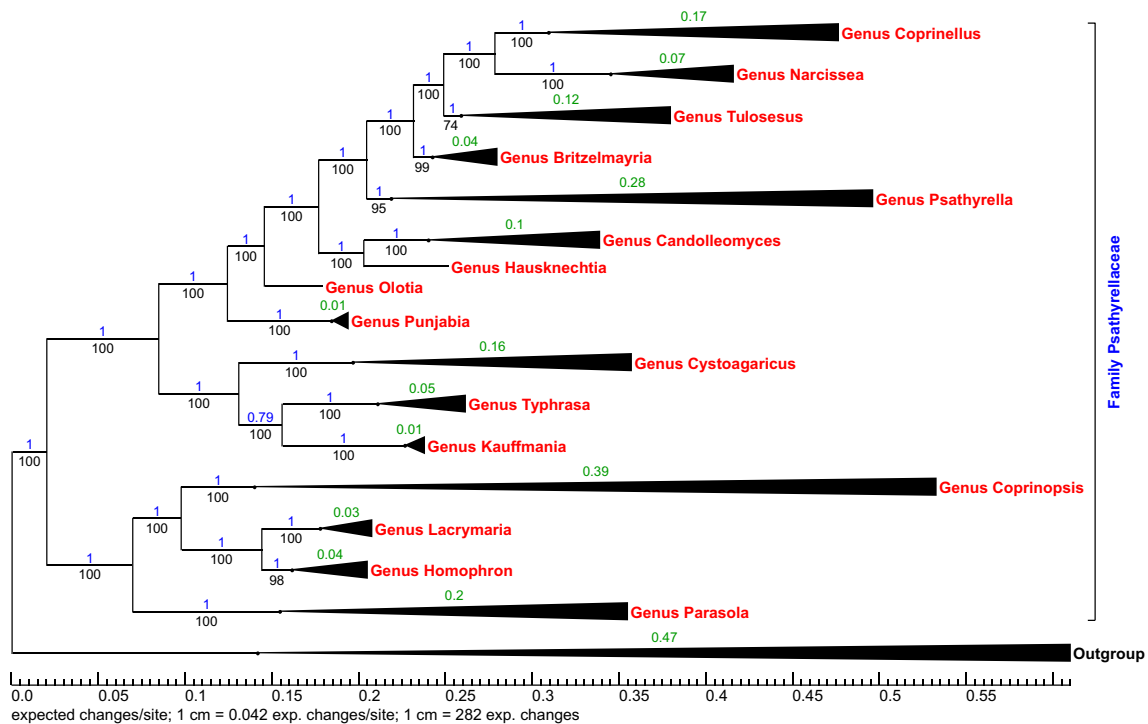


Fig. 42 Super collapsed phylogram of the complete family Psathyrellaceae incl. outgroup

with a central germ pore. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge clavate, lageniform to subutriform. Pleurocystidia present, but rare. Pileocystidia subutriform. Clamps absent.

Type species: *Coprinellus aureogranulatus* (Uljé & Aptroot) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, Taxon 50(1):232, 2001.

Representative:

Coprinellus aureogranulatus (Uljé & Aptroot) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: CBS973.95 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Remarks:

The presence of an ozonium indicates a transition to the Section *Domestici* (see below), but the presence of pileocystidia is an important difference.

Coprinellus* sect. *Coprinellus (Fig. 52)

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, terrestrial or lignicolous. Lamellae slowly deliquescent. Veil sparse, granular, consisting of slightly thick-walled and encrusted globose, subglobose or subcylindrical cells. Spores large-sized, smooth or rough with a perispodium and a central germ pore. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge lageniform or clavate. Pleurocystidia present or absent. Pileocystidia present. Clamps present or absent.

Representatives:

Coprinellus deliquescens (Bull.) P. Karst.; Ref.v.: LO172-08 (Örstadius et al. 2015).

Coprinellus verrucispermus (Joss. & Enderle) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-2146 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinellus* sect. *Domestici (Singer) D.J. Schaf., Field Mycology 11(2):51, 2010 (Fig. 53)

Description: Basidiomata medium-sized to large, terrestrial or lignicolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Ozonium often present at the base of the stipe. Veil initially strongly developed, small-grained to floccose, consisting of subglobose elements and chains of subcylindrical, often thick-walled, encrusted and brownish pigmented cells. Spores medium-sized, laterally partially phaseoliform, germ pore slightly eccentric. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge clavate and utriform. Pleurocystidia present. Pileocystidia and clamps absent.

Type species: *Coprinus domesticus* (Bolton) Gray, Nat Arr Brit Pl 1:635, 1821 ≡ *Coprinellus domesticus* (Bolton) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson, Taxon 50(1):233, 2001, designated by Singer (1948:36).

Representatives:

Coprinellus domesticus (Bolton) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-2933 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinellus radians (Desm.) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1373 (Nagy et al. 2011)

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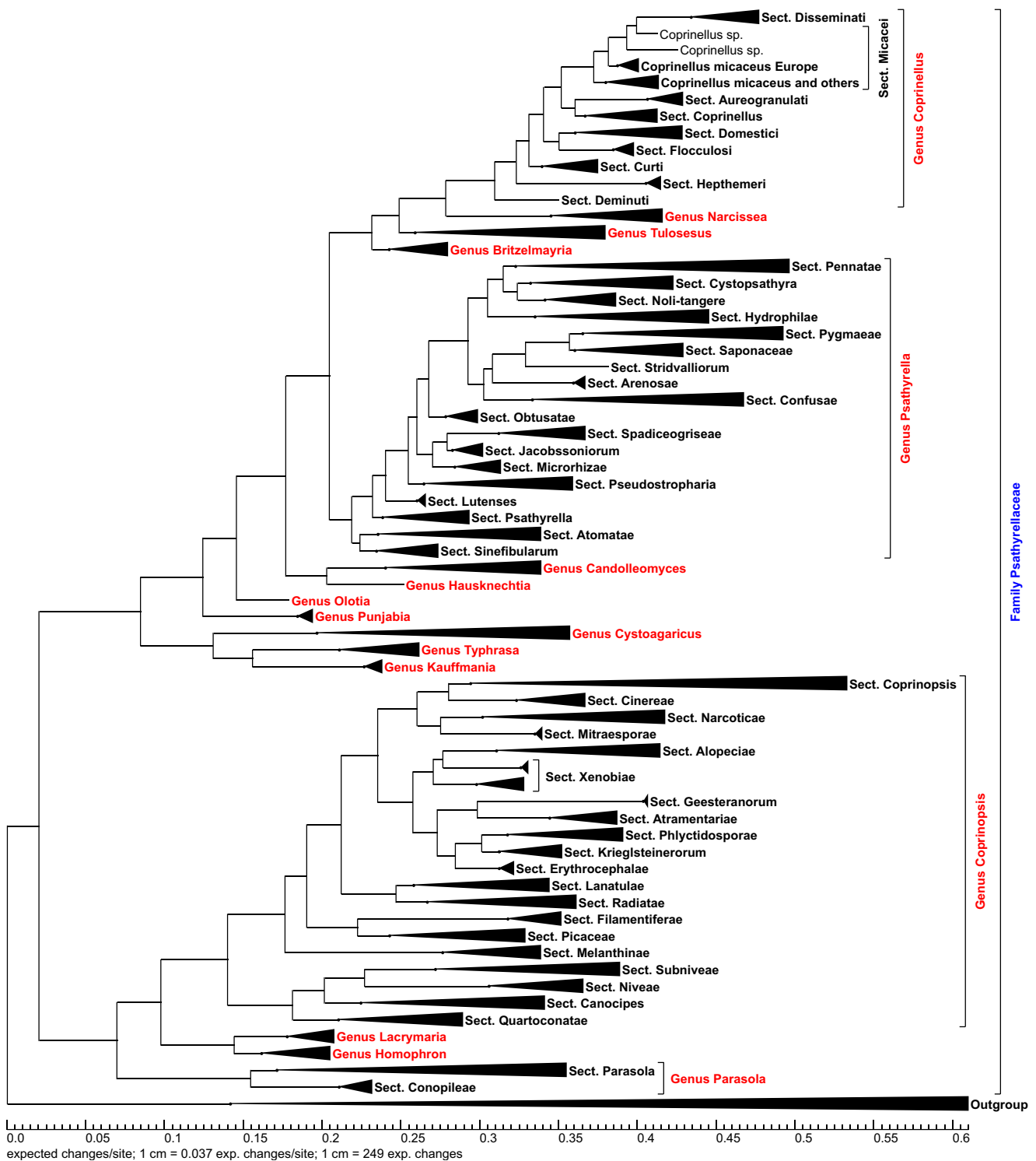


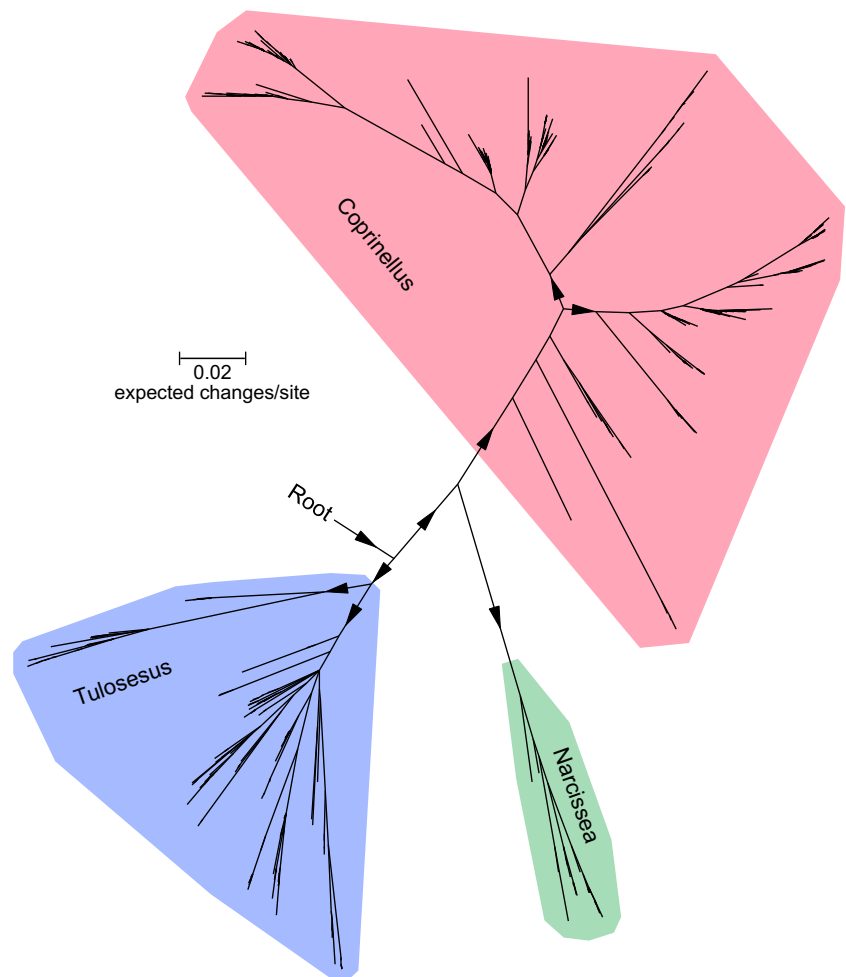
Fig. 43 Somewhat expanded total phylogram of the complete family Psathyrellaceae incl. outgroup, collapsed to section level

Remarks:

Descriptions of the sequenced vouchers are hard to find. One of the few exceptions is Yagame et al. (2013) with a very detailed description of a fungus identified as *C. domesticus* from the rhizome of *Cremata appendiculata* (D. Don) Makino. The associated vouchers AF1-1 and AF1-1B are

located in a subclade within /domesticus. The report of *C. radians* from Hawaii by Keirle et al. (2004) is *C. domesticus* (SFSU DEH1026 and SFSU DEH1765), recognizable by the slender, phaseoliform spores with a central germ pore as well as exclusively clavate to sphaeropedunculate marginal cells of the lamellar edge.

Fig. 44 360° radial consensus phylogram of the complete historical genus *Coprinellus*, divided into the new system and the historical clade with the species near *Coprinopsis patouillardii* (*Narcissea* in the newly proposed system)



There are great uncertainties in the classification of species, especially for *C. radians* and *C. xanthothrix*, which can be found in several different subclades. Both species are very similar and also very variable. The only reliable difference are the spores; those of *C. radians* are slightly larger, much darker and hardly phaseoliform. For this reason, two own collections of *C. radians* were examined: Germany: Saxony-Anhalt, Landsberg, 1.IX.2006, A. Melzer (AM783); and Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 8.X.2006, A. Melzer (AM804). Sequences are deposited at GenBank as MK072830.1 and MK072830.1. The comparative analysis showed 100% compliance with SZMC-NL-1373; consequently, this voucher is the only certain *C. radians* in the phylogram. In other clades, *C. radians* appears frequently and in different positions; possibly, these are morphologically extremely similar species. Equally ambiguous is *C. xanthothrix*; three vouchers (SZMC-NL-3417, SZMC-NL-128-08, TOK12808) are in the immediate vicinity of *C. radians*. It is hard to imagine that an error in the determination exists. Because *C. radians* and *C. xanthothrix* differ in principle only by the spores, they could also be close phylogenetic neighbours. If this

interpretation does not apply and the true *C. xanthothrix* is placed in one of the upper clades, this does not change the membership of the section *Domestici*. Another member would be *C. ellisii* (P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, if the proof for an independent species is provided, and most likely also *C. albidofloccosus* (Locq.) Gminder & Manz. The latter species is extensively characterized in Moreau et al. (2002). In addition, at least four, probably even six, previously unknown taxa are hidden in the section. The entire species complex needs a thorough investigation.

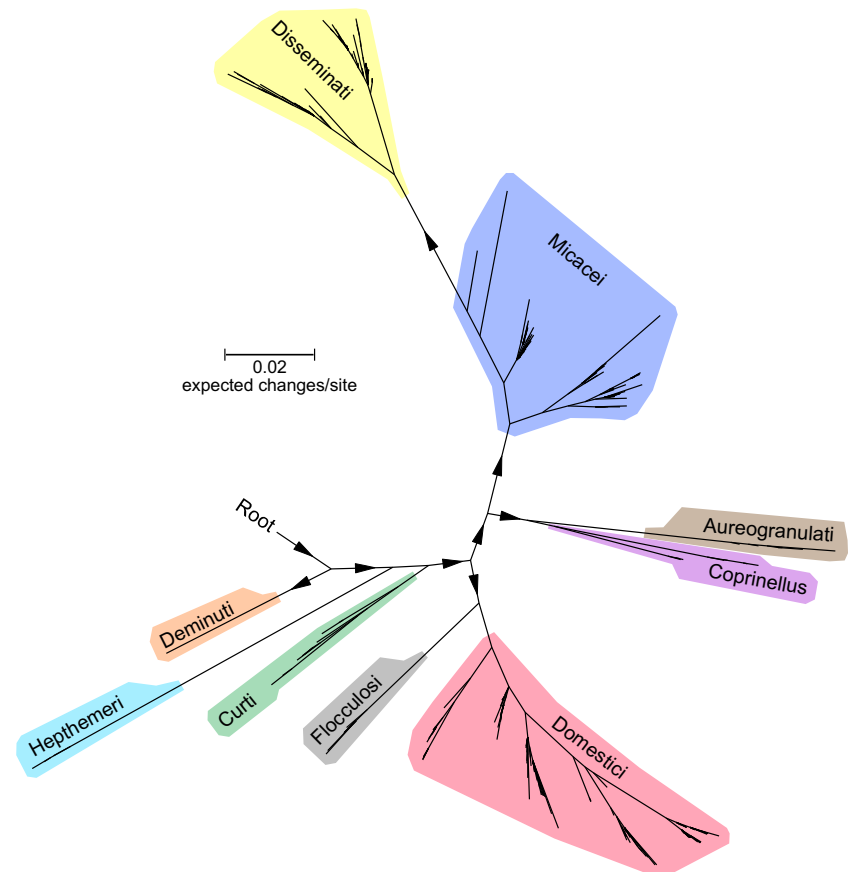
Singer (1948) chose *C. domesticus* sensu Lange as the type; however, according to a modern view, this is *C. xanthothrix*; a subsequent correction does not seem desirable.

Note the anamorph of *Coprinellus domesticus* is *Hormographiella verticillata* (see Table 6).

Coprinellus* sect. *Flocculosi (Citérin) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. & stat. nov.** MB 831798 (Fig. 54)

Basionym: *Coprinus* subsect. *Flocculosi* Citérin, Docums Mycol 22(86):19, 1992

Fig. 45 310° radial consensus phylogram of genus *Coprinellus* with its 9 new proposed sections



Description: Basidiomata medium-sized to large, terrestrial, lignicolous, herbicolous or rarely fimicolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil strongly developed, visible as white to brownish patches, consisting of chains of subcylindrical and subglobose, hyaline or brownish pigmented cells. Spores very large in size with a strikingly eccentric germ pore. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge clavate, sphaeropedunculate. Pleurocystidia present. Pileocystidia and clamps absent.

Type species: *Coprinus flocculosus* (DC.) Fr., *Epicr Syst Mycol*:245, 1838 ≡ *Coprinellus flocculosus* (DC.) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson, *Taxon* 50(1):233, 2001, designated by Citérin (1992:19).

Representative:

Coprinellus flocculosus (DC.) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1567 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Remarks:

C. flocculosus was included in section *Domestici*, but the much larger and darker spores with a strongly eccentric, often almost dorsal germ pore differentiate it significantly from the other members of this section.

Coprinellus* sect. *Curti Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov.** MB 831455 (Fig. 54)

Description: Basidiomata tiny to small, fimicolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil brown, granular, consisting of subglobose, thick-walled, incrustated elements. Spores medium-sized to large with an eccentric germ pore. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge clavate, sphaeropedunculate. Pleurocystidia absent. Pileocystidia and clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinellus curtus* (Kalchbr.) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson, *Taxon* 50(1):233, 2001.

Representative:

Coprinellus curtus (Kalchbr.) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1023 (Nagy et al. 2012a)

Remarks:

The study by Hussain et al. (2018) shows that *C. tenuis* S. Hussain belongs in this section.

With high probability, there is another species *Coprinus curtusoides* Bogart (inval.) with smaller spores. Especially the presentation of *C. curtus* in Keirle et al. (2004) is suspicious, because the spores reach only up to 10 (10.5) μm in length. For a review, the voucher Germany: Nordrhein-Westfalen, Mönchengladbach, 07.VIII.2014, H. Bender (HB20140807A) was sequenced and deposited at GenBank as MK070111.1. The match is excellent; all characteristics fit very well with Bogart's description.

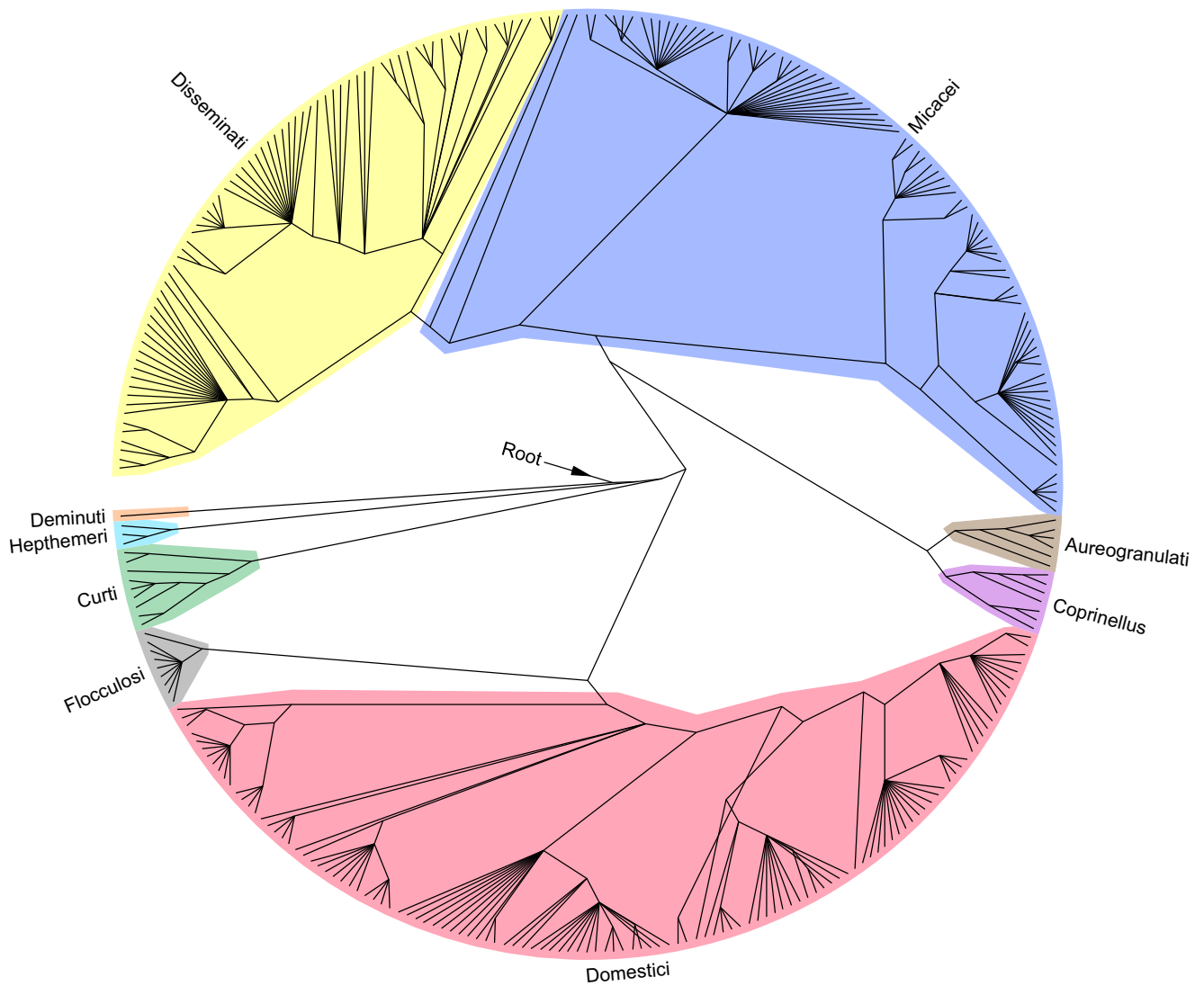


Fig. 46 Radial cladogram of the genus *Coprinellus* with the 9 sections

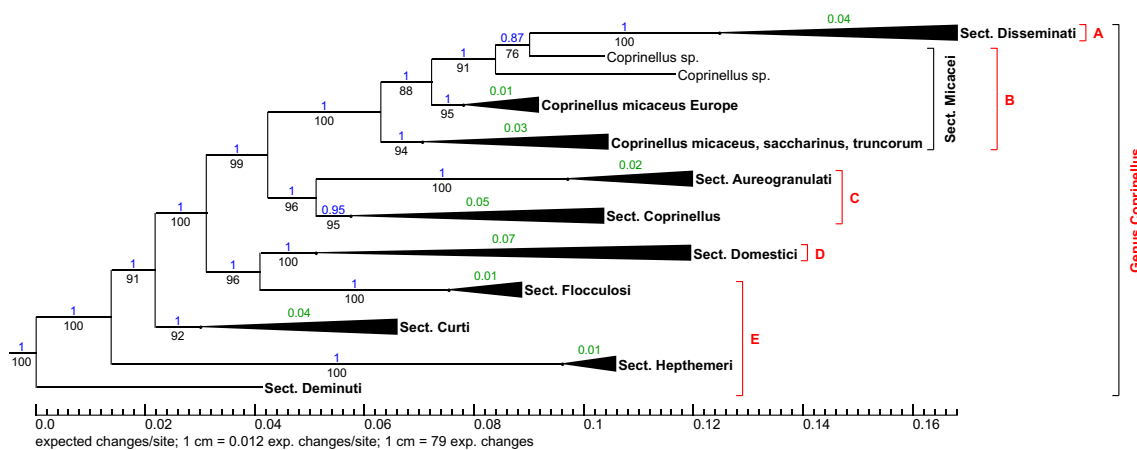


Fig. 47 Partial view from the total phylogram of the genus *Coprinellus*, collapsed to section level; position in tree see Fig. 42. Red brackets are references to detailed phylograms: A = Fig. 48; B = Fig. 49; C = Fig. 52; D = Fig. 53; E = Fig. 54

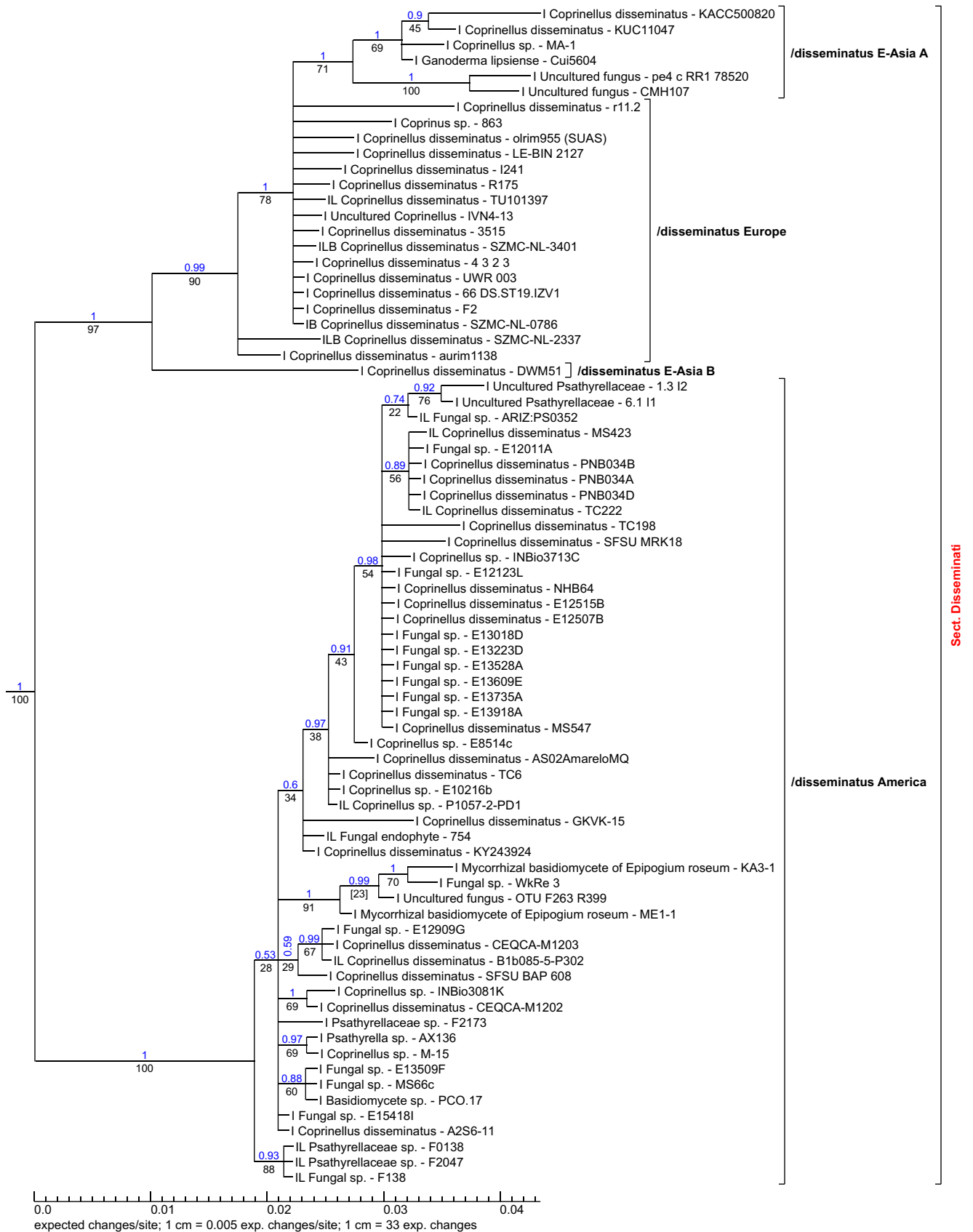


Fig. 48 Phylogram part of the section *Disseminati*; position in tree see Fig. 47

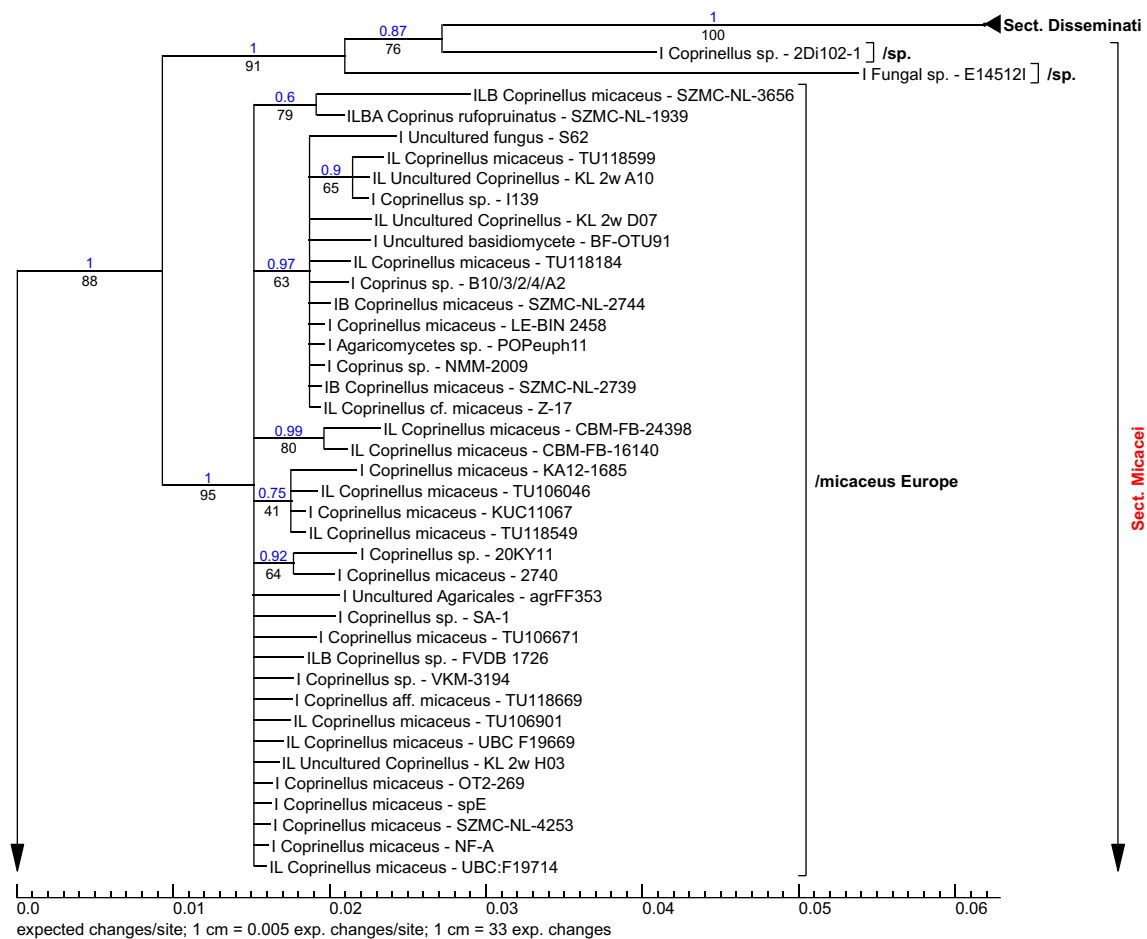


Fig. 49 Phylogram part of the section *Micacei*; position in tree see Fig. 47

The vouchers FDBC47 and FDBC45 have their origin in Central America (Romero-Olivares et al. 2013) and represent another independent species.

After the sequence collection for the present study was already completed, a new sequence of *Hormographiella candelabrata* MH862273.1, strain CBS 517.91 Vu et al. (2019), was uploaded to GenBank. With a separate phylogeny, it was possible to verify that this sequence is identical to the sequences within the /curtus clade, which means that *Hormographiella candelabrata* is the anamorph of *Coprinellus curtus*. With that information, all known anamorphs of the Psathyrellaceae family are identified and shown in Table 6.

***Coprinellus* sect. *Hepthemeris* Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 831456 (Fig. 54)**

Description: Basidiomata tiny to small-sized, fimicolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil well developed, granular, consisting of globose, slightly thick-walled, brownish pigmented and usually encrusted cells with 10–50 µm in diam.; Moreover, lageniform, pigmented, basally strongly encrusted cells can be present. Spores medium to large-sized with an eccentric germ pore. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge clavate, sphaeropedunculate.

Pleurocystidia absent. Relatively pointed pileocystidia present, additionally sclerocystidia can occur. Clamps absent.

Type species: *Coprinellus hepthemerus* (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson, Taxon 50(1):234, 2001. The spelling *hepthemerus* is correct because the meaning is hepta = seven, hamera = day.

Representatives:

Coprinellus hepthemerus (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0589 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinellus pusillulus (Svrček) Házi, L. Nagy, T. Papp & Vágvölgyi; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0589 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Remarks:

So far, only one species has been established beyond doubt, because whether *C. pusillulus* is an independent taxon remains questionable. The smaller spores are considered to be the separating feature; however, there are also transitions in the spore size, so that this separating feature is not reliable. See Enderle et al. (1986) and Melzer (2009a).

Like many other sections of the historical genus *Coprinellus*, the clade /hepthemerus is difficult to get in the right position within the phylogram. If an insufficient workflow is used, it appears at a completely different position

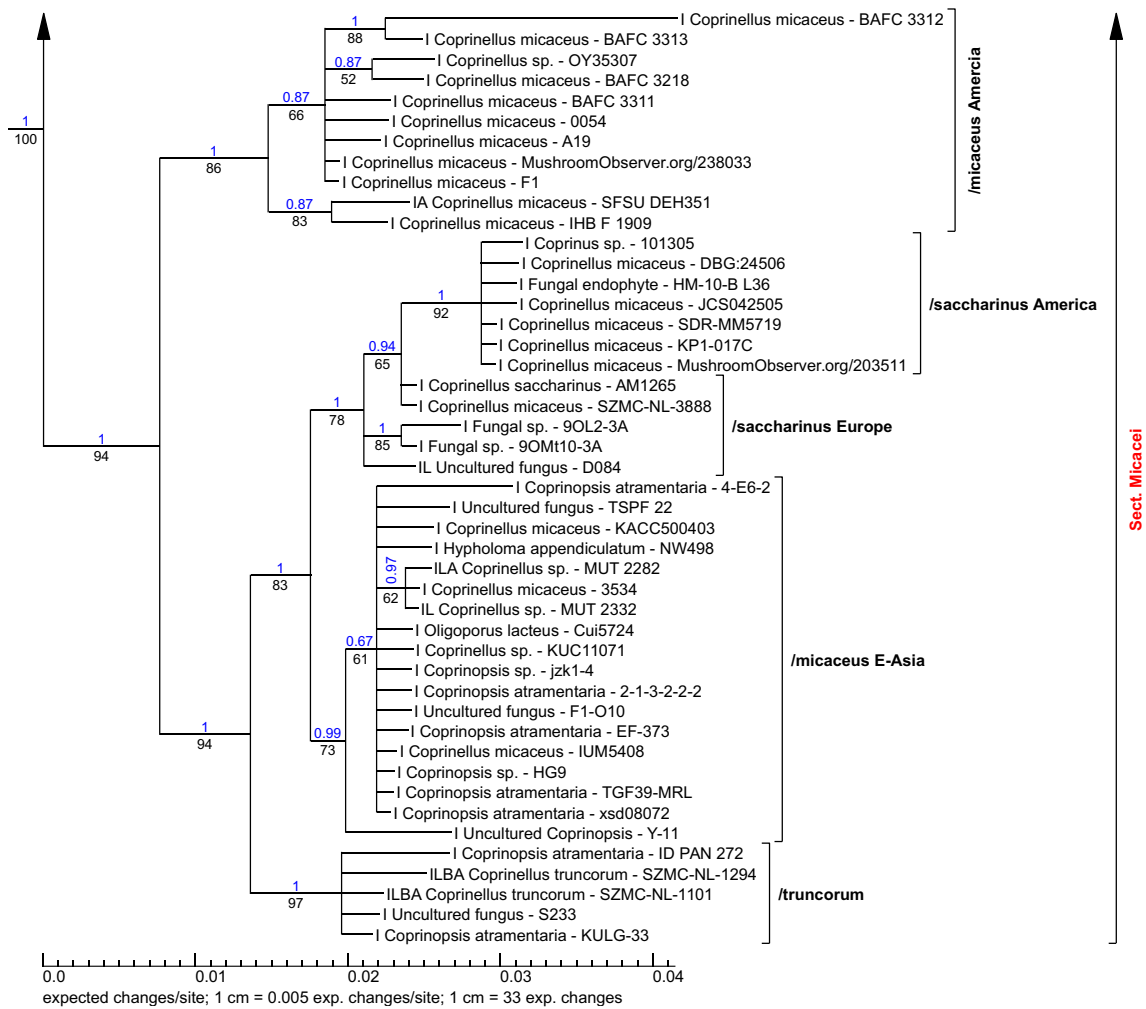


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in the tree and looks like a separate genus. The cause is that the ITS region can be aligned with sequences of other genera very well (*Candolleomyces* and *Punjabia*, both see below). The gappy regions within the ITS regions are impossible to align correctly without a sufficient workflow. To solve this problem, it is especially important here to use a multigene guide tree at the initial alignment steps which takes loci of higher phylogeny into account. Otherwise, the alignment software causes an avalanche-like alignment in the

wrong direction and assumes the incorrect positioning to be true. To control the success, a HLPGT (see chapter “Plausibility check using a “HLPGT” (high-level phylogeny guide tree)”) should be used.

Coprinellus* sect. *Deminuti Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov. MB 831457** (Fig. 54)

Description: Basidiomata tiny to small, terrestrial. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil brown, granular, consisting of

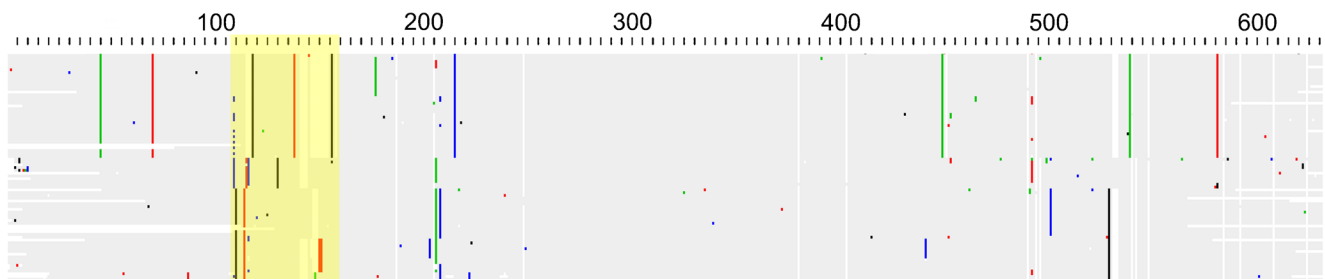


Fig. 50 ITS alignment of the /micaceus, /saccharinus, and /truncorum clades; coloured sites (in AliView colour code) represent the difference from majority rule consensus. Grey areas are sites which match the

consensus. White sites are gaps. The yellow area highlights the sites which were used for the sequence key. Presentation from AliView; the scale represents the site numbering

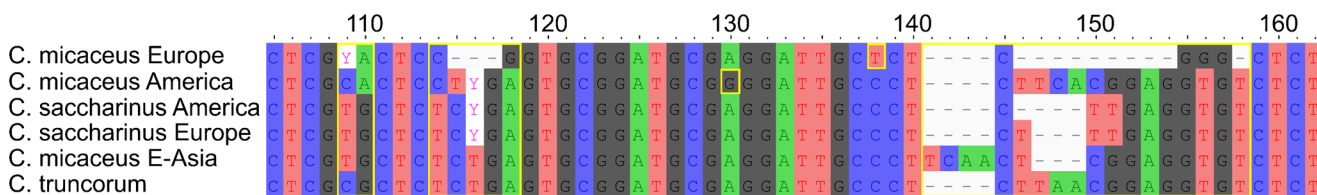


Fig. 51 Sequence key for *C. micaceus*, *C. saccharinus* and *C. truncorum*. Presentation from AliView; colours: nucleotides in AliView colour code

subglobose, thick-walled, encrusted elements as well as subcylindrical to irregularly shaped cells. Spores medium-sized with a central germ pore. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellae edge clavate, sphaeropedunculate. Pleurocystidia, pileocystidia and clamps absent.

Type species: *Coprinellus deminutus* (Enderle) Valade, Index Fungorum 160:1, 2014.

Representative:

Coprinellus deminutus (Enderle) Valade; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0761 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Remarks:

So far only one species is known.

***Narcissea* Wächter & A. Melzer, gen. nov. MB 831471** (Fig. 57)

Etymology: Named after the French mycologist Narcisse Théophile Patouillard.

Description: Basidiomata small-sized, fimicolous or on fertilized soil, sometimes on plant remnants. Veil well developed, granular, consisting of often incrustated globose elements and chains of subcylindrical cells. Spores small to medium-sized, with a tri- to polygonal outline, laterally strongly flattened, germ pore central, often prolonged. Basidia mostly 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge lageniform, utriform, interspersed with numerous sphaeropedunculate and clavate cells. Pleurocystidia utriform. Pileocystidia and clamps absent. Figure 56 illustrates the microcharacters.

Type species: *Narcissea patouillardii* (Quél.) Wächter & A. Melzer (Fig. 55).

Representatives:

Coprinopsis cordispora (T. Gibbs) Gminder; Ref.v.: LO41-01 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Coprinopsis patouillardii (Quél.) G. Moreno; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1687 (Nagy, Urban et al. 2010)

Remarks:

The two sister clades /cordisporus certainly represent different taxa, because the divergence seems to be too high for being a single species. It is possible to accept *Coprinus cardiasporus* Bender as a valid taxon. Keirle et al. (2004) have studied the complex in detail; there are also two sister clades, one of them including *C. cardiasporus*; however, the type was not available. At the moment, it can only be stated that the genus certainly includes two described species but with high probability further species as well.

It is not appropriate to use the name *Furfurelli* Fr. for this section. The original diagnosis “Furfurelli, pileo furfuraceo micaceove, lamellis adnatis, vulgo apice stipitis dilatato in annulum” would not completely contradict, but Fries (1838) mentions species here, which according to modern knowledge belong to different genera. Pennington (1918) defines his section *Furfurelli* as follows “Pileus with micaceous particles or mealy granules” and mentioned as belonging *Coprinus patouillardii* and *Coprinus radiatus* (Bolton) Gray.

New combinations:

***Narcissea cordispora* (T. Gibbs) Wächter & A. Melzer, comb. nov. MB 831731**

Basionym: *Coprinus cordisporus* T. Gibbs 1908, The Naturalist 614 (March):100, 1908. References: Keirle et al. (2004), Nagy (2007), Uljé and Noordeloos (1993), Vila and Rocabruna (1996), Vila and Rocabruna (2002). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 1.IX.2008, A. Melzer (AM1171); Choren near Döbeln, 19.VI.2010, A. Melzer (AM1408).

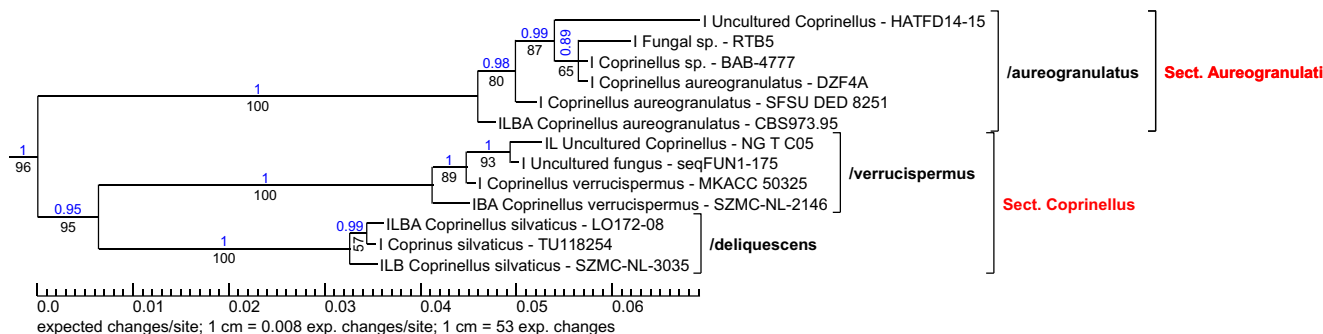


Fig. 52 Phylogram part of the sections *Aureoagranulati* and *Coprinellus*; position in tree see Fig. 47

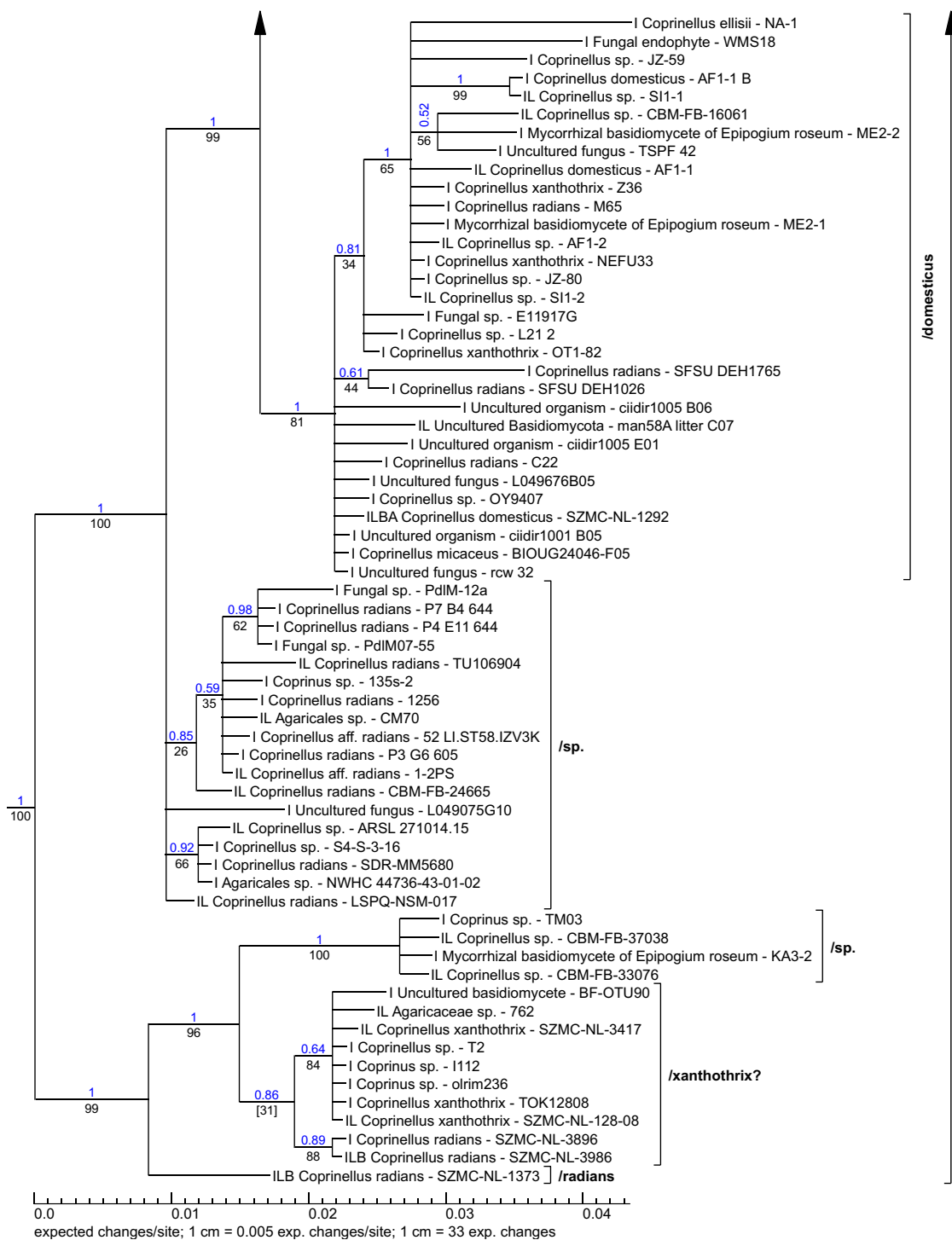


Fig. 53 (continued)

very often clavate and sphaeropedunculate, sometimes mixed with lageniform cystidia, rarely purely lageniform. Pleurocystidia present or absent. Pileocystidia always present, often (sub-) capitate, sclerocystidia often present. Clamps present or absent.

Type species: *Tulosesus callinus* (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer (see Fig. 58).

Representatives:

- Coprinellus amphithallus* (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: L128 (Nagy et al. 2012)
- Coprinellus angulatus* (Peck) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0906 (Nagy et al. 2011)
- Coprinellus bisporiger* (Buller ex P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: Daams7198 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Table 6 All known anamorphs of the Psathyrellaceae family with the corresponding teleomorphs

Anamorph	Teleomorph
<i>Hormographiella aspergillata</i>	<i>Coprinopsis cinerea</i>
<i>Hormographiella verticillata</i>	<i>Coprinellus domesticus</i>
<i>Hormographiella candelabrata</i>	<i>Coprinellus curtus</i>

Coprinellus bisporus (J.E. Lange) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0152 (Hazi et al. 2011)

Coprinellus brevisetulosus (Arnolds) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1445 (Hazi et al. 2011)

Coprinellus callinus (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1931 (Nagy, Walther et al. 2011)

Coprinellus canistri (Uljé & Verbeken) Doveri & Sarrocco; Ref.v.: Walley 877 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinellus christianopolitanus Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO141-08/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Coprinellus cinereopallidus L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0177/type (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinellus congregatus P. Karst.; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-8588 (Hazi et al. 2011)

Coprinellus doverii (L. Nagy) Házi, L. Nagy, T. Papp & Vágvölgyi; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1035 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinellus eurysporus (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: Hoijer 95067 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinellus fuscocystidiatus L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-2720/type (Nagy et al. 2011).

Coprinellus heterothrix (Kühner) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: Ulje 1063 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinellus hiascens (Fr.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1350 (Hazi et al. 2011)

Coprinellus impatiens (Fr.) J.E. Lange; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1164 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinellus marculentus (Britzelm.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1167 (Hazi et al. 2011)

Coprinellus mitrinodulisporus Doveri & Sarrocco; Ref.v.: HQ180171 (Doveri et al. 2010)

Coprinellus pallidus L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1556/type (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinellus plagioporus (Romagn.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1365 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinellus pseudoamphithallus (Uljé) Doveri & Sarrocco; Ref.v.: Ulje1288 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinellus radicellus Házi, L. Nagy, Papp & Vágvölgyi; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-3168/type (Házi et al. 2011)

Coprinellus sabulicola L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1027 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinellus sassii (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1495 (Nagy, Walther et al. 2011)

Coprinellus sclerocystidiosus (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Vilgalys, Hopple & Jacq. Johnson; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1022 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinellus subdisseminatus (M. Lange) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1482 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinellus subimpatiens (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0162 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinellus uljéi L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-2492 (Nagy et al. 2012)

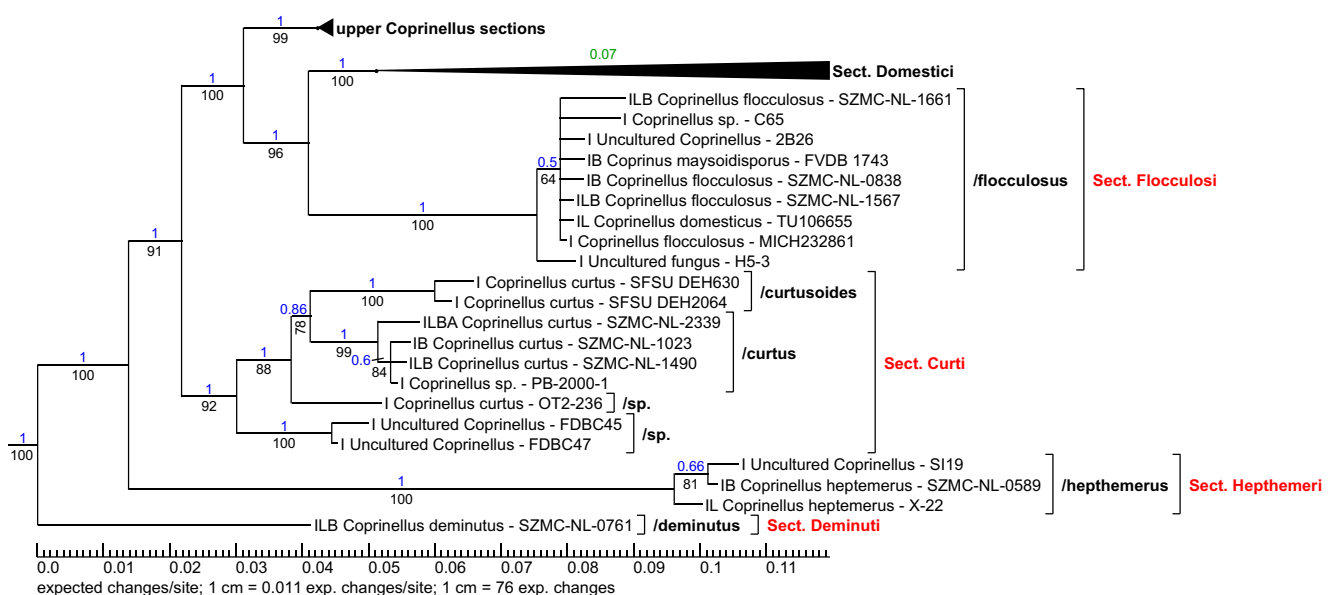
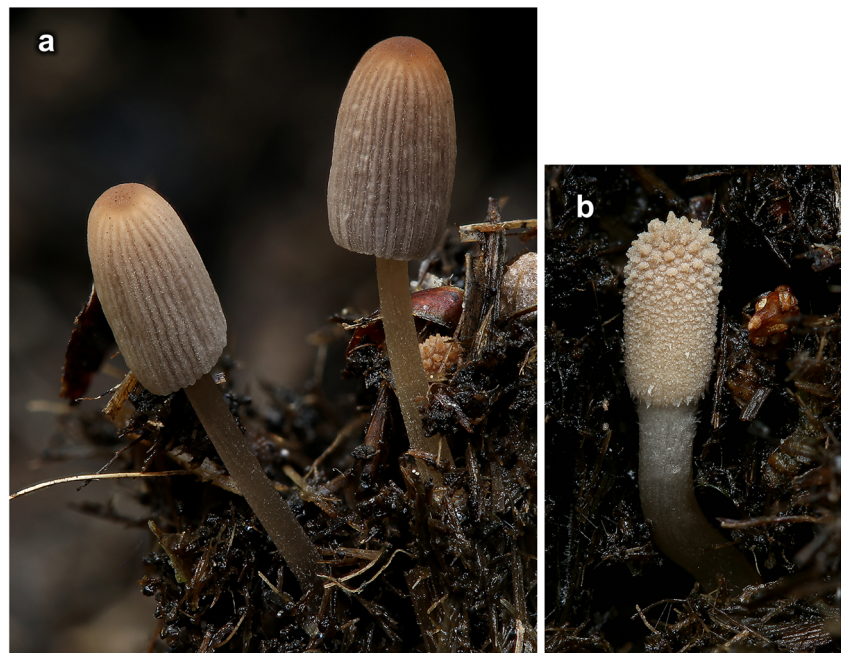
**Fig. 54** Phylogram part of the sections *Flocculosi*, *Curti*, *Heptemeris* and *Deminuti*; position in tree see Fig. 47

Fig. 55 *Narcissea patouillardii*, coll. Wächter DW1607161230; **a** medium old specimen; **b** young specimen; photographs: D. Wächter



Coprinellus velatopruinatus (Bender) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: Ulje 1264 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Remarks:

The */sabulicola* and */christianopolitanus* clade is particularly sensitive to the applied technique of phylogeny and the input data used. A small change in the parameters causes the clade to shift near the genus *Psathyrella* or even fall into it. However, the better the guide tree reflects the reality with every iteration step (see chapter MSA of the problematic ITS1 and ITS2 regions); these clades and *Psathyrella* get more and more separated from each other. The high support values (see Fig. 59) speak for the positioning shown. However,

additional sequences from loci of higher phylogeny would be needed to consolidate this hypothesis.

The clades */sp.* (Hoijer 95067) to */sclerocystidiosus* represent a considerable phylogenetic problem because there are only few sequences from loci which can determine the higher phylogeny. Again, small changes in the technique used (or loci used) cause a major change in positioning in the entire tree. Very high support values were reached for the calculated position (see Fig. 59) but the position must nevertheless be declared as relatively uncertain.

The subclade */congregatus* has a higher divergence to the other species in the section than all other clades. In family-spanning phylogenetic studies, the clade falls between other genera with similar ITS regions (e.g. *Typhrasa*), if insufficient alignment methods are used.

Members of the genus *Coprinellus* s. str. have not infrequently also pileocystidia, but there are always (sub-) globose veil cells or chains of such elements present (see Fig. 60a–c). In the genus *Tulosesus*, this applies only to the species with rounded-angular spores (see Fig. 61f), as far as known consequently for *Tulosesus doverii*, *S. marculentus* and *S. mitrinodulisporus*. All other species have (sub-) cylindrical veil elements (Fig. 61e), or the veil is missing (Fig. 61a–d). This is important for the distinction of both genera.

C. christianopolitanus is the only species with deposits on the cystidia, which turn greenish in ammonia solution.

Certainly, the type also belongs in this genus, because the only differences to *C. congregatus* are the presence of clamps and minimally smaller spores. Because of the morphological features are undoubtedly also the following species (not included in the phylogram) members of this genus: *C. alloveus* (Ulje) Doveri & Sarrocco, *C. aokii* (Hongo) Vilgalys, Hopple

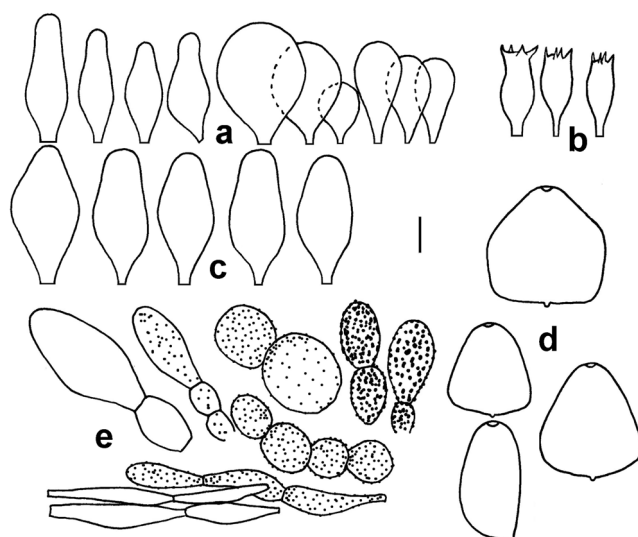


Fig. 56 Microcharacters of *Narcissea patouillardii*, AM1751. **a** Cheilocystidia; **b** basidia; **c** pleurocystidia; **d** spores; **e** veil elements; scale bar 2.5 μ m (spores), 10 μ m (other); Drawing: A. Melzer

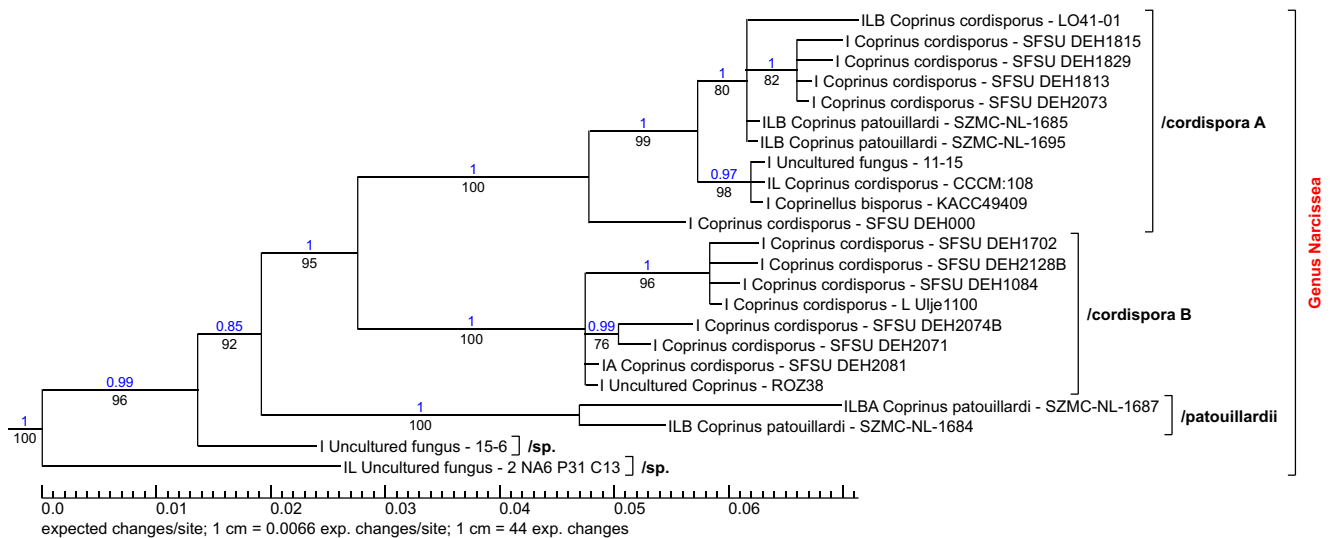


Fig. 57 Phylogram part of the genus *Narcissea*; position in tree see Fig. 42

& Jacq. Johnson; *C. cinnamomeotinctus* (P.D. Orton) D.J. Schaf.; *C. fallax* (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; *C. minutisporus* (Uljé) Doveri & Sarrocco; *C. singularis* (Uljé) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; *C. subpurpureus* (A.H. Sm.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo. Several sequences became available after the tree was already finished for the latter species (Vu et al. 2018), which confirm this position.

A suitable name would be *Setulosus*, with the basionym *Coprinus* subsect. *Setulosi* J.E. Lange, Dansk bot. Ark. 2(3):38, 1915. But that is a violation of art. 20.2 ICN. An anagram was therefore chosen as a homage. The names *Impatientes* Citerin, Docums Mycol 22(86):6, 1992, and *Hiascentes* Citerin, Docums Mycol 22(86):11, 1992, are not applicable for this genus because the former subsection includes only species without veil, the second those with veil.

New combinations:

Tulosesus alloveus (Uljé) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831800**



Fig. 58 *Tulosesus callinus*, coll. Bender HB20151106; Photograph: H. Bender

Basionym: *Coprinus alloveus* Uljé, Persoonia 18(2):261, 2003. References: Uljé and Bas (1991, as *Coprinus species* 952 Uljé), Uljé and Noordeloos (2003).

Tulosesus amphithallus (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831801**

Basionym: *Coprinus amphithallus* M. Lange & A.H. Sm., Mycologia 45(5):774, 1953. References: Bender and Enderle (1988), Bender et al. (1984), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Uljé (1984), Uljé and Bas (1991). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony, Delitzsch, 10.X.2006, A. Melzer (AM1744).

Tulosesus angulatus (Peck) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831802**

Basionym: *Coprinus angulatus* Peck, Bulletin of the Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences 1:54, 1873. References: Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1995), Iglesias et al. (2014), Krieglsteiner and Gminder (2010), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Uljé and Bas (1991), Smith (1948), Vila and Rocabrana (1996).

Tulosesus aokii (Hongo) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831803**

Basionym: *Coprinus aokii* Hongo, J Jap Bot 41:167, 1966. Reference: Hongo (1966).

Tulosesus bisporiger (Buller ex P.D. Orton) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831804**

Basionym: *Coprinus bisporiger* Buller, Trans Brit Mycol Soc 3:350, 1912 (inval.) ≡ *Coprinus bisporiger* Buller ex P.D. Orton, Notes R bot Gdn Edinb 35(1):147, 1976. References: Buller (1920), Gieryk et al. (2014), Ludwig (2007), Uljé and Bas (1991). Mat. exam.: Germany: Hessen, Gießen, 1.XI. 2015, W. Schöbner (AM1777).

Tulosesus bisporus (J.E. Lange) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831805**

Basionym: *Coprinus bisporus* J.E. Lange, Dansk Bot Arkiv 2(3):50, 1915. References: Breitenbach and Kränzlin

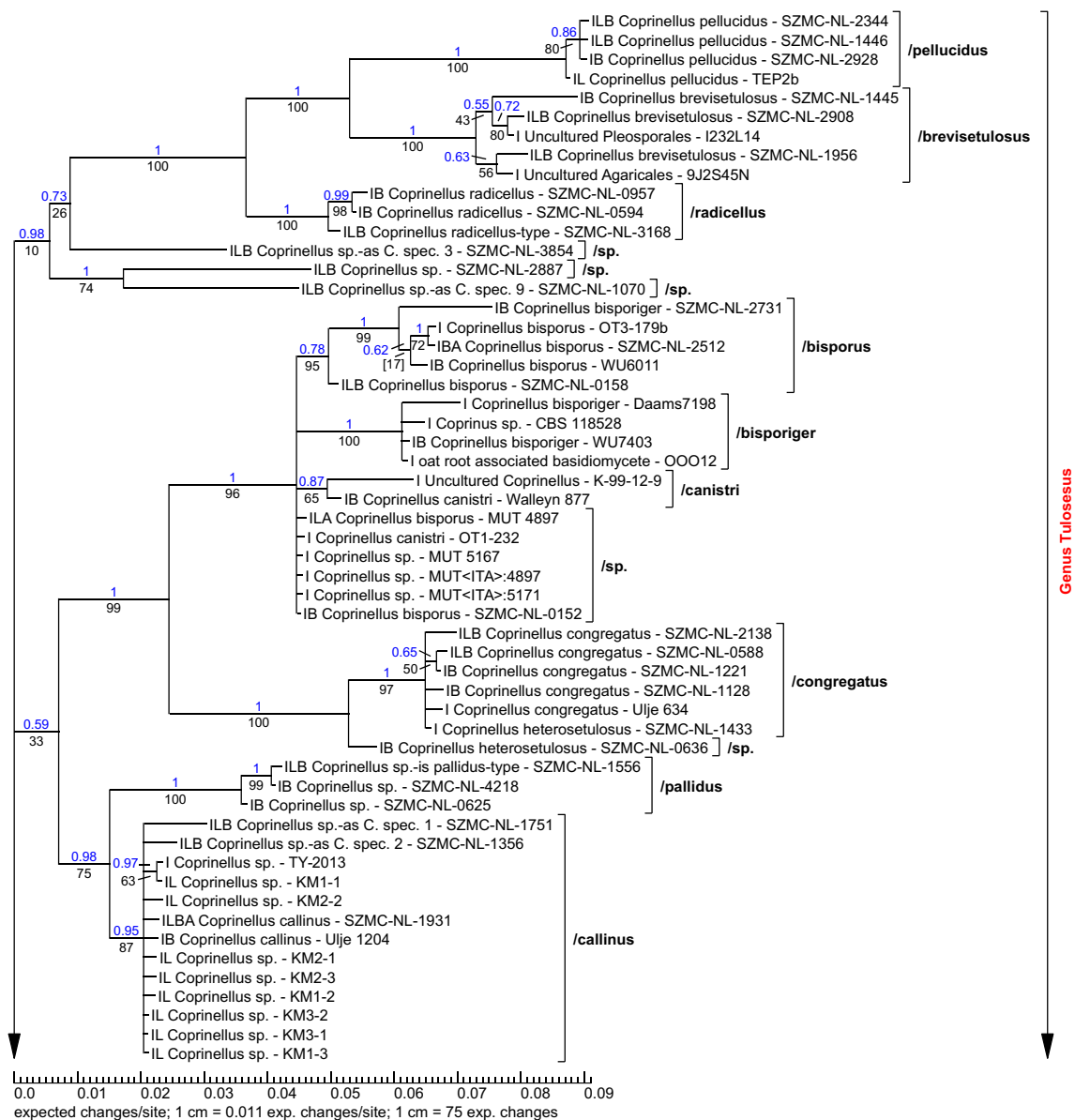


Fig. 59 Phylogram part of the genus *Tulosesus*; position in tree see Fig. 42

(1995), Cacialli et al. (1999), Enderle and Bender (1990), Krieglsteiner and Gminder (2010), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Prydiuk (2010), Uljé and Bas (1991), Watling (1967).

***Tulosesus brevisetulosus* (Arnolds) Wächter & A. Melzer, comb. nov. MB 831806**

Basionym: *Coprinus brevisetulosus* Arnolds, *Bibl mycol* 90(3):309, 1982. References: Cacialli et al. (1999, as *Coprinus bulleri* Cacialli, Caroti & Doveri), Enderle and Bender (1990) Krieglsteiner and Gminder (2010, as *Coprinus bulleri*), Lange and Smith (1953 as *Coprinus stellatus* Buller), Ludwig (2007), Melzer (2009), Prydiuk (2010), Uljé and Bas (1991, as *Coprinus stellatus*). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 12.IX.2006, A. Melzer (no voucher); 25.IX.2008, A. Melzer (AM1182); 5.X.2008, A.

Melzer (AM1240); 8.XII.2010, A. Melzer (no voucher); Choren near Döbeln, 23.V.2010, A. Melzer (no voucher).

***Tulosesus callinus* (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, comb. nov. MB 831807**

Basionym: *Coprinus callinus* M. Lange & A.H. Sm., *Mycologia* 45(5):770, 1953. References: Enderle and Bender (1990), Gierczyk et al. (2011), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Melzer (2009), Ruiz Mateo and Garcia Murilo (2012), Uljé and Bas (1991). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony: Kyhna, 25.XI.2006, A. Melzer (AM915); 30.VIII.2010, A. Melzer (AM1419); 22.X.2011, A. Melzer (AM1482); 30.X.2011, A. Melzer (no voucher); Delitzsch, 9.IX.2008, A. Melzer (AM1163).

***Tulosesus canistri* (Uljé & Verbeke) Wächter & A. Melzer, comb. nov. MB 831808**

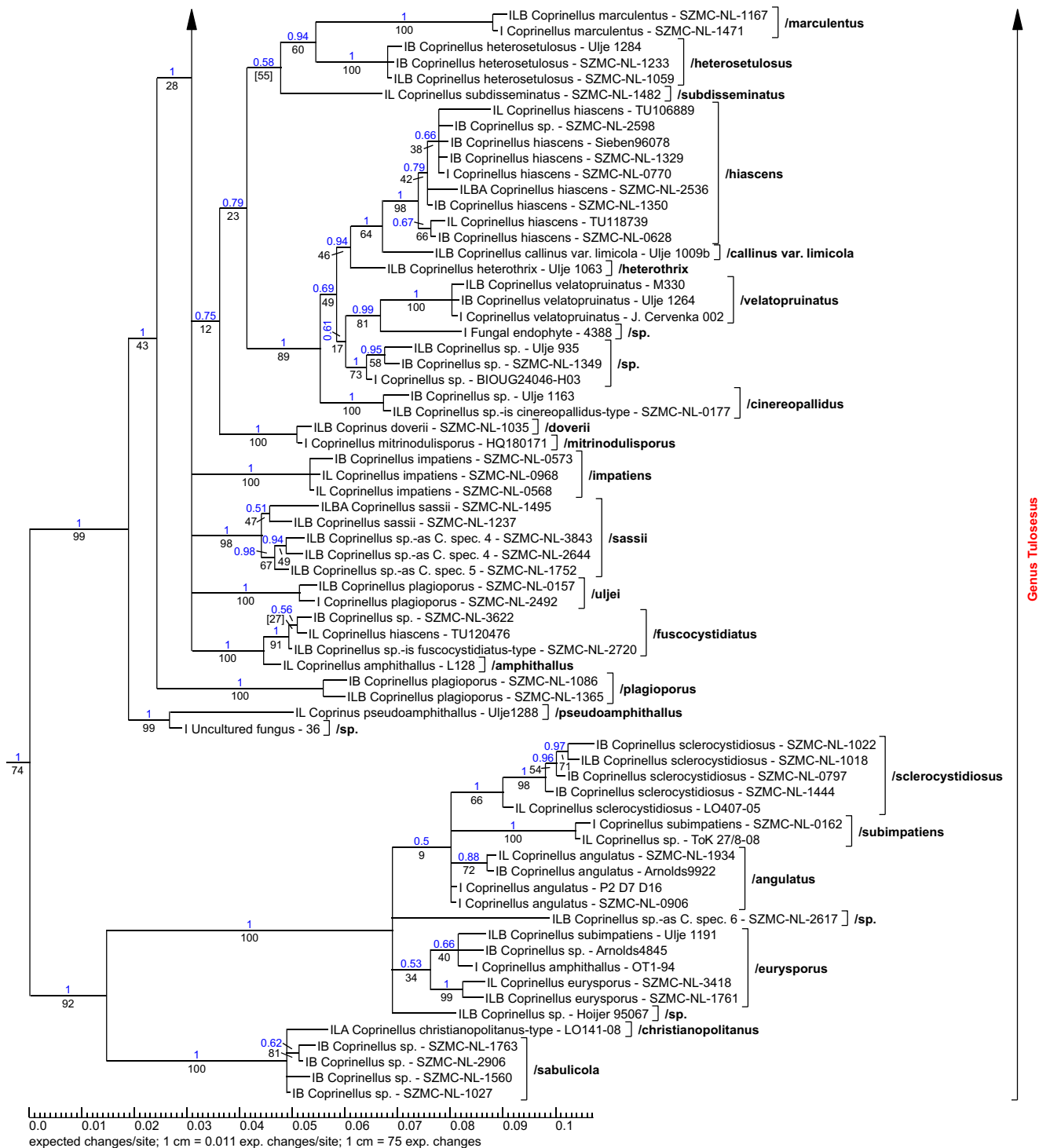


Fig. 59 (continued)

Basionym: *Coprinus canistri* Uljé & Verbeken, Persoonia 18(1):143, 2002. References: Uljé and Verbeken (2002).

Tulosesus christianopolitanus (Örstadius & E. Larss.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831809**

Basionym: *Coprinellus christianopolitanus* Örstadius & E. Larss. Mycol Progr 14(25):14, 2015. Reference: Örstadius et al. (2015).

Tulosesus cinereopallidus (L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvolgyi) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831810**.

Basionym: *Coprinellus cinereopallidus* L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvolgyi, Mycologia 104(1):257, 2011. Reference: Nagy et al. (2011).

Tulosesus cinnamomeotinctus (P.D. Orton) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831811**

Basionym: *Coprinus cinnamomeotinctus* P.D. Orton, Trans Brit mycol Soc 91(4):547, 1988. References: P.D. Orton (1988), Schafer (2012a).

Tulosesus congregatus (P. Karst.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831812**

Basionym: *Agaricus congregatus* Bull., Herb Fr: tab. 94, 1786. References: Krieglsteiner and Gminder (2010), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Melzer (2009c), Moreno and Faus (1984), Nagy (2007), Prydiuk (2010), Uljé and Bas (1991), Vila and Rocabruna (1996), Watling (1967). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 27.IV.2007, A. Melzer (AM950); 20.V.2009, A. Melzer (AM1253), 23.V.2009, A. Melzer (AM1254); 21.V.2010, A. Melzer (AM1407).

Tulosesus doverii (L. Nagy) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831813**

Basionym: *Coprinus doverii* L. Nagy, Mycotaxon 98:148, 2007a, “2006”. References: Doveri (2010), Nagy (2007).

Tulosesus ephemerus (Bull.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831927**

Basionym: *Agaricus ephemerus* Bull., Hist champ France 394, 1792. References: Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1995), Krieglsteiner and Gminder (2010), Lange and Smith (1953), Locquin (1947), Prydiuk (2010), Vila and Rocabruna (1996). Mat. exam.: Germany: Thuringia, Hemleben, 15.XI.05, N. Heine (AM1271).

Tulosesus eurysporus (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831928**

Basionym: *Coprinus eurysporus* M. Lange & A.H. Sm., Mycologia 45:773, 1953. References: Lange and Smith (1953), Uljé and Bas (1991).

Tulosesus fallax (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831929**

Basionym: *Coprinus fallax* M. Lange & A.H. Sm., Mycologia 45:765, 1953. References: Lange and Smith (1953), Uljé and Bas (1991).

Tulosesus fuscocystidiatus (L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831930**

Basionym: *Coprinellus fuscocystidiatus* L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi, Mycologia 104(1):251, 2011. References: Nagy et al. (2011), Vesper and Melzer (2015).

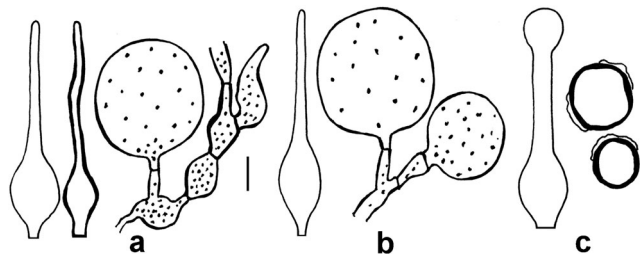


Fig. 60 a–c Pileocystidia and veil elements of some members of the genus *Coprinellus*. **a** *C. hepthemerus*, AM1181; **b** *C. dilectus*, AM1749; **c** *C. curtus*, 18.IX.2006, A. Melzer, no voucher; scale bar 10 μ m; Drawing: A. Melzer

Mat. exam.: Germany: Thuringia, Stadtroda, 29.VI.2014, A. Vesper (AM1678).

Tulosesus heterosetulosus (Locq. ex Watling) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831931**

Basionym: *Coprinus heterosetulosus* Locq., Bull Soc mycol Fr 63:78, 1947 (inval., without latin diagn.) \equiv *Coprinus heterosetulosus* Locq. ex Watling, Notes R bot Gdn Edinb 35(1):153, 1976. References: Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1995), Cacialli et al. (1999), Enderle et al. (1986), Gierczyk et al. (2011), Krieglsteiner and Gminder (2010), Lange and Smith (1953), Locquin (1947), Ludwig (2007), Prydiuk (2010), Uljé and Bas (1991), Watling (1967). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 1.XII.2006, A. Melzer (no voucher preserved); 20.III.2007, A. Melzer (no voucher preserved); 1.IX.2008, A. Melzer (AM1167); Spröda near Delitzsch, 10.VIII.2013, A. Melzer (no voucher preserved). Saxony-Anhalt, Querfurt, 31.X.2009, A. Melzer (no voucher preserved).

Tulosesus heterothrix (Kühner) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831932**

Basionym: *Coprinus heterothrix* Kühner, Bull Soc Nat Oyonnax 10–11:3, 1957. References: Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1995), Enderle et al. (1986), Enderle (2004), Gierczyk et al. (2014), Gröger (1985), Kaya et al. (2010), Ludwig (2007), Melzer (2010), Schafer (2012b), Uljé and Bas (1991). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 4.X.2010, A. Melzer (no voucher preserved); 12.X.2014, A. Melzer (AM1681); Oschatz, 14.IX.2012, T. Rödel (no voucher preserved). Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Saßnitz, 14.X.2013, T. Richter (AM1648).

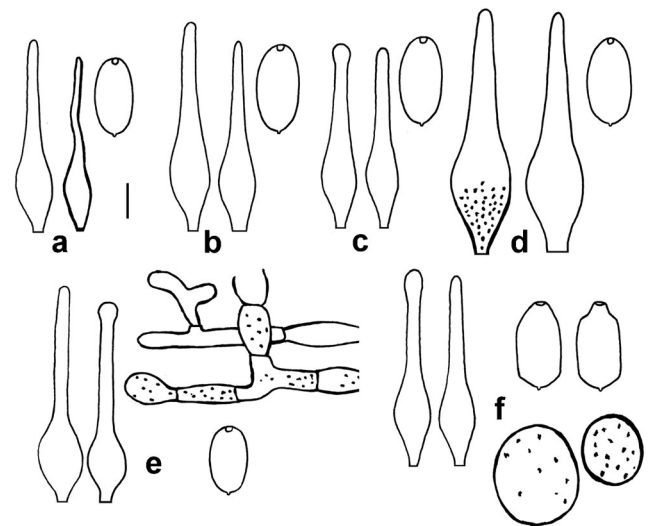


Fig. 61 a–d Pileocystidia and spores of some members of the genus *Tulosesus*. **a** *Tulosesus heterosetulosus*, AM1169; **b** *T. ephemerus*, AM1271; **c** *T. plagioporus*, AM1608; **d** *T. fuscocystidiatus*, AM1678; **e**, **f** Pileocystidia, veil elements and spores; **e** *T. heterothrix*, AM1681; **f** *T. marculentus*, AM1763; scale bar 5 μ m (spores), 10 μ m (other); Drawing: A. Melzer

Tulosesus hiascens (Fr.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831933**

Basionym: *Agaricus hiascens* Fr., Syst Mycol 1:303, 1821. References: Enderle (2004), Enderle et al. (1986), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Pegler and Legon (1994), Uljé and Bas (1991), Vila and Rocabrana (1996).

Tulosesus impatiens (Fr.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831934**

Basionym: *Agaricus impatiens* Fr., Syst Mycol 1:302, 1821. References: Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1995), Enderle et al. (1986), Krieglsteiner and Gminder (2010), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Uljé and Bas (1991). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony, Delitzsch, 13.X.2000, A. Melzer (AM38).

Tulosesus marculentus (Britzelm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831935**

Basionym: *Coprinus marculentus* Britzelm., Bot Centralbl 54(3):70, 1893. References: Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1995), Enderle et al. (1986), Gierczyk et al. (2011), Lange and Smith (1953, as *C. hexagonosporus* Joss.), Ludwig (2007), Nagy (2007), Smith (1948, as *C. hexagonosporus*), Uljé and Bas (1991, as *C. hexagonosporus*). Mat. exam.: Malta: Xewkija, Gozo, 17.IV.2013, D. Dandria (AM1763).

Tulosesus minutisporus (Uljé) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831936**

Basionym: *Coprinus minutisporus* Uljé, Persoonia 18(2):260, 2003. References: Uljé and Bas (1991, as *Coprinus* species Uljé 926), Uljé and Noordeloos (2003).

Tulosesus mitrinodulisporus (Doveri & Sarrocco) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831937**

Basionym: *Coprinellus mitrinodulisporus* Doveri & Sarrocco, Mycotaxon 114:353, 2010. Reference: Doveri et al. (2010).

Tulosesus pallidus (L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831938**

Basionym: *Coprinellus pallidus* L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi, Mycologia 104(1):261, 2011. Reference: Nagy et al. (2011).

Tulosesus pellucidus (P. Karst.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831939**

Basionym: *Coprinus pellucidus* P. Karst., Meddn Soc Fauna Fl Fenn 9:61, 1882. References: Cacialli et al. (1999), Gierczyk et al. (2011), Keirle et al. (2004), Krieglsteiner et al. (1982), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Melzer (2009), Nagy (2007), Orton (1957), Prydiuk (2010), Uljé and Bas (1991), Vila and Rocabrana (1996). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 4.V.2007, A. Melzer (no voucher preserved); 16.I.2009, A. Melzer (AM1246).

Tulosesus plagioporus (Romagn.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831940**

Basionym: *Coprinus plagioporus* Romagnesi, Revue Mycol 6:126, 1941. References: Enderle et al. (1986), Gierczyk et al. (2011), Iglesias and Vincente (2015), Keirle

et al. (2004), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Uljé and Bas (1991). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 15.IX.2013, A. Melzer (AM1608).

Tulosesus pseudoamphithallus (Uljé) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831941**

Basionym: *Coprinus pseudoamphithallus* Uljé, Persoonia 18(2):263, 2003. Reference: Uljé and Noordeloos (2003).

Tulosesus radicellus (Házi, L. Nagy, Papp & Vágvölgyi) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831942**

Basionym: *Coprinellus radicellus* Házi, L. Nagy, Papp & Vágvölgyi, Mycol Progr 10:366, 2011. References: Gierczyk et al. (2014), Házi et al. (2011).

Tulosesus sabulicola (L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831947**

Basionym: *Coprinellus sabulicola* L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi, Mycologia 104(1):264, 2011. References: Melzer et al. (2016), Nagy et al. (2011). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony-Anhalt, Angern, 3.XI.2012, T. Richter (AM1689).

Tulosesus sassii (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831948**

Basionym: *Coprinus sassii* M. Lange & A.H. Sm., Mycologia 45(5):755, 1953 (nom. nov. for *Coprinus ephemerus* f. *bisporus* Sass, Amer J Bot 16:669, 1929). References: Doveri et al. (2005), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Ruiz Mateo (2012), Uljé and Bas (1991). Mat. exam.: Sweden: Lapland, Gällivara-Porjusvägen, 28.VI.2016, M. Kamke (AM1879).

Tulosesus sclerocystidiosus (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831949**

Basionym: *Coprinus sclerocystidiosus* M. Lange & A.H. Sm., Dansk bot Ark 14(6):121, 1952. References: Enderle and Bender (1990), Gierczyk et al. (2011), Lange and Smith (1953), Uljé and Bas (1991).

Tulosesus singularis (Uljé) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831950**

Basionym: *Coprinus singularis* Uljé, Persoonia 13(4):486, 1988. References: Uljé (1988), Uljé and Bas (1991).

Tulosesus subdisseminatus (M. Lange) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831951**

Basionym: *Coprinus subdisseminatus* M. Lange, Dansk bot Ark 14(6):125, 1952. References: Krieglsteiner and Gminder (2010), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Uljé and Bas (1991), Watling (1967).

Tulosesus subimpatiens (M. Lange & A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831952**

Basionym: *Coprinus subimpatiens* M. Lange & A.H. Sm., Dansk bot Ark 14(6):56, 1952. References: Bender (1989), Krieglsteiner et al. (1982), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Ortega and Esteve-Raventós (2003), Uljé and Bas (1991). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 24.VII.2004, A. Melzer (AM425); 9.VII.2008, A. Melzer (AM1142).

Tulosesus subpurpureus (A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831953**

Basionym: *Coprinus subpurpureus* A.H. Sm., Mycologia 40(6):684, 1948. References: Gierczyk et al. (2011), Lange and Smith (1953), Ludwig (2007), Smith (1948), Uljé & Bas (1991).

Tulosesus uljei (L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831954**

Basionym: *Coprinellus uljei* (“uljér”) L. Nagy, Házi, Papp & Vágvölgyi, Mycologia 104(1):267, 2011. Reference: Nagy et al. (2011).

Tulosesus velatopruinatus (Bender) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831955**

Basionym: *Coprinus velatopruinatus* Bender, Beitr Kenntn Pilze Mitteleur V:80, 1989. References: Bender (1989), Ludwig (2007), Uljé and Bas (1991).

Britzelmayria Wächter & A. Melzer, **gen. nov. MB 831472** (Fig. 64)

Etymology: Named after the German mycologist Max Britzelmayr.

Description: Basidiomata medium-sized, terrestrial, with tendance to caespitose or tightly gregarious growth, with a distinctly rooting stipe. Veil minimally developed, consisting of subcylindrical hyphae. Spores medium to large in size, laterally at most inconspicuously phaseoliform, dark, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge lageniform, with deposits turning greenish in ammonia solution, interspersed with numerous clavate cells. Pleurocystidia similar to the cheilocystidia. Pileipellis with pileocystidia or cystidium-like elements (Fig. 63). Clamps present.

Type species: *Britzelmayria supernula* (Britzelm.) Wächter & A. Melzer (Fig. 62).

Representatives:

Psathyrella multipedata (Peck) A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: LO237-04 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella supernula (Britzelm.) Örstadius & Enderle; Ref.v.: LO250-04 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Remarks:

Included is the section *Multipedata* Romagn., Bull Soc mycol Fr 98:11, 1982. The use of this name was discarded to avoid a tautonym. Moreover, *Agaricus supernulus* Britzelm. is the older name.

New combinations:

Britzelmayria supernula (Britzelm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831796**

Basionym: *Agaricus supernulus* Britzelm., Ber naturhist Ver Augsburg 27:176, 1883. References (partly as *Psathyrella narcotica* Kits van Wav.): Christan et al. (2017), Deschuyteneer (2018), Einhellinger (1987), Enderle (1989), Kits van Waveren (1971), Kits van Waveren (1985), Krisai-

Greilhuber (1992), Ludwig (2007), Örstadius and Enderle (2009). Mat. exam.: Belgium: Brabant, 13.XI.2016, D. Deschuyteneer (AM1859). Germany: Thuringia, Gera-Kaimberg, 06.XI. 2011, A. Vesper (AM1570).

Britzelmayria multipedata (Peck) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831797**

Basionym: *Psathyra multipedata* Peck, Bull. Torrey bot. Club 32:80, 1905. References (all as *Psathyrella multipedata*): Breitenbach & Kränzlin (1995), Enderle (2000), Gröger (1984), Kits van Waveren (1985), Ludwig (2007) Muñoz and Caballero (2013), Smith (1972). Mat. exam.: Belgium: Perk, 6.I.2016, D. Deschuyteneer (AM1917). Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 15.XI.2009, A. Melzer (AM1315); 12.IX.2010, A. Melzer (AM1422).

Psathyrella (Fr.) Quél.

Overview

It was possible to identify 18 sections within the genus *Psathyrella* with the currently available sequence data and morphological features. Figure 65 shows the 18 sections of genus *Psathyrella* as 360° radial consensus phylogram. The radial cladogram in Fig. 66 illustrates the numbers and the relationships of the taxa in the sections. Figure 67 shows an overview as a partial phylogram of the complete tree, collapsed to section level and serves the further orientation for the following detailed phylograms. The red brackets refer to these detailed phylograms.

Psathyrella sect. *Pennatae* Romagn. ex Romagn., Bull Soc mycol Fr 98:11, 1982 emend. Wächter & A. Melzer (Fig. 68)

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, terrestrial, lignicolous or rarely fimicolous. Veil mostly well developed. Stipe often with an annulus or an annular zone. Spores mostly medium-sized, rarely small or large, laterally very often phaseoliform, in one case with a rough surface, pale to dark, germ pore mostly visible, central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge lageniform, subtriform, rarely utriform, sometimes with thickened walls, always interspersed with clavate and sphaeropedunculate cells. Pleurocystidia similar to the cheilocystidia. Clamps present.

Type species: *Drosophila pennata* (Fr.) Quél. sensu Ricken, Blätterp: 259, tab. 67 fig. 7 ≡ *Psathyrella pennata* (Fr.) A. Pearson & Dennis, Trans Br mycol Soc 31(3–4):184, 1948, designated by Romagnesi (1944:53).

Representatives:

Psathyrella atomatoides (Peck) A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: LO249-82 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella conica T. Bau & J.Q. Yan; Ref.v.: HMJAU37846 (Yan and Bau 2018)

Psathyrella cortinarioides P.D. Orton; Ref.v.: LO77-00 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella dicrani (A.E. Jansen) Kits van Wav.; Ref.v.: LO270-04 (Larsson et Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella fibrillosa (Pers.) Maire; Ref.v.: LO138-00 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella fimiseda Örstadius & E. Larsson; Ref.v.: LO56-96/type (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella flexispora T. Wallace & P.D. Orton; Ref.v.: LO228-00 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella hirta Peck; Ref.v.: LO142-00 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella hololanigera (G.F. Atk.) A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: Hausknecht071109 (Örstadius et al. 2015).

Psathyrella ichnusae Örstadius, Contu, E. Larss.; Ref.v.: Contu080106/type (Örstadius et al. 2015).

Psathyrella impexa (Romagn.) Bon; Ref.v.: LO162-03 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella jilinensis T. Bau & J.Q. Yan; Ref.v.: HMJAU37822 (Yan and Bau 2018)

Psathyrella kitsiana Örstadius; Ref.v.: LO217-85/type (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella laricina A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: Smith64604/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella madida Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO369-06 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella merdicola Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO45-02/type (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella orbicularis (Romagn.) Kits. v. Wav.; Ref.v.: LO149-11 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella parva A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: LO23-08 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella pennata (Fr.) A. Pearson & Dennis; Ref.v.: BRNM705608 (Vasutová et al. 2008)

Psathyrella pseudocasca (Romagn.) Romagn. ex Kits van Wav.; Ref.v.: LO17-04 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella rostellata Örstadius; Ref.v.: LO228-85/type (Larsson et Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella sabuletorum Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO196-98/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella scanica Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO183-09/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella scatophila Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO64-95/type (Larsson et Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella seymourensis A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: LO42-87 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella siccophila Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO417-06/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella sphagnicola (Maire) J. Favre; Ref.v.: LO233-99 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella spintrigeroides P.D. Orton; Ref.v.: LO122-86 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella squamosa (P. Karst.) M.M. Moser ex A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: LO104-95 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella suavissima Ayer; Ref.v.: LO4-87 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella umbrina Kits van Wav.; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1949 (Nagy, Urban et al. 2010)

Psathyrella vesterholtii Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: JHP10.086/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Remarks:

The morphology in this section is highly variable and special features are not strictly limited to individual subclades. There are species with an annulus, e.g. *P. vesterholtii*, *P. sphagnicola*, and many with thickened, pigmented cystidial walls, e.g. *P. pennata*, *P. sphagnicola*. *P. pseudocasca* has rough spores; *P. seymourensis* has lentiform spores. Many species have pale spores with a hardly visible germ pore, e.g. *P. siccophila* and *P. kitsiana*. This diversity makes a concise diagnosis impossible, so that a further differentiation does not appear to make sense at present. The emendation of the section *Pennatae* by Kits van Waveren (1985) was primarily done to integrate all species with more or less lageniform pleurocystidia into this section. A renewed



Fig. 62 *Britzelmayria supernula*, Germany, Bavaria, Osterwarngau, 6.11.2011, M. Dondl; Photograph: M. Dondl



Fig. 63 Pileocystidia-like element in the pileipellis of *Britzelmayria supernula*, Belgium, Brabant, Steenokkerzeel, 13.11.2016, D. Deschuyteneer, AM1859; Photograph: A. Melzer

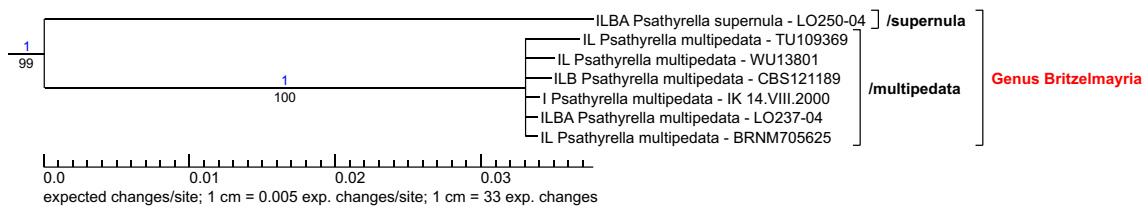


Fig. 64 Phylogram part of the genus *Britzelmayria*; position in tree see Fig. 42

extension is necessary because species with utriform cystidia are also included.

P. dondlii has not yet been validly described (Melzer in prep.).

Psathyrella* sect. *Cystopsathyra (Singer) Kits van Wav., Persoonia Suppl. 2:280, 1985 (Fig. 69)

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, terrestrial, fimicolous, in one case parasitic. Veil strongly developed, granular, predominantly consisting of subglobose to globose elements. Spores medium-sized, pale to dark, germ pore usually visible, central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells

of the lamellar edge lageniform to utriform, partially interspersed with clavate and sphaeropedunculate cells. Pleurocystidia similar to the cheilocystidia. Pileocystidia rarely present. Clamps present.

Type species: *Psathyrella kellermanii* (Peck) Singer, Mycologia 51(3):392, 1959, designated by Singer (1962 “1961”:68).

Representatives:

Psathyrella albofloccosa Arenal, Villareal & Esteve-Raventós; Ref.v.: Sivertsen65-89 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella globosivelata Gröger; Ref.v.: Schumacher035 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

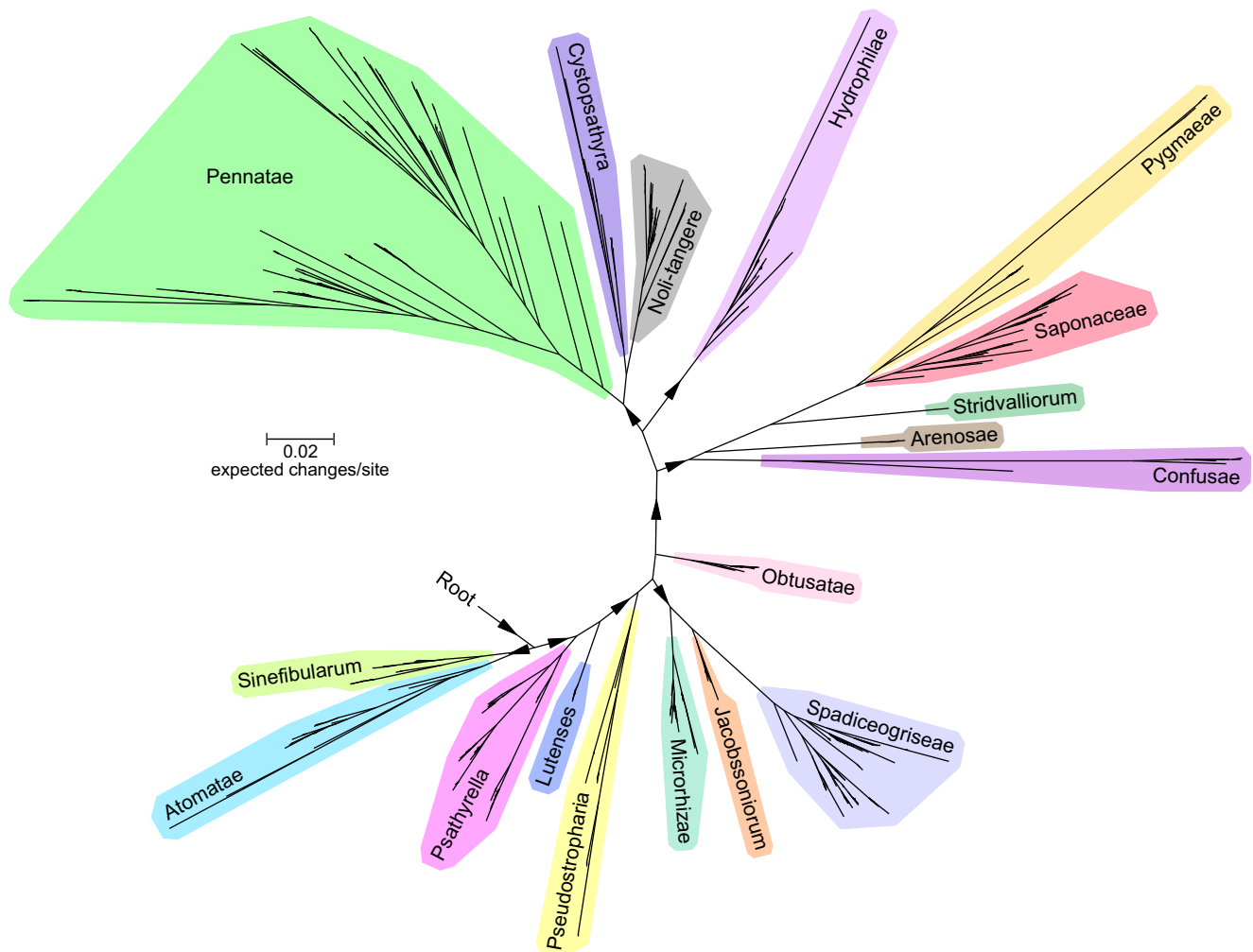


Fig. 65 360° radial consensus phylogram of genus *Psathyrella* with its 18 newly proposed sections

Psathyrella kellermanii (Peck) Singer; Ref.v.: de Meulder11242 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella lyckebodensis Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO301-11/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella sphaerocystis P.D. Orton; Ref.v.: LO126-99 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella tenuicula (P. Karst.) Örstadius & Huhtinen; Ref.v.: LO37-04 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Remarks:

This section comprises species with pileocystidia, previously only *P. tenuicula*, and species without pileocystidia. For the former (as *P. berolinensis* Ew. Gerhardt), the section *Setulopsathyra* Arnolds & C. Perini was proposed (Arnolds and Perini 2006). However, only a subsection would be justified. The pileocystidia are not the main feature, instead the structure of the veil. *P. tenuicula* seems to be a complex of two taxa.

The voucher de Meulder11242 described by De Haan (1993) as *P. cf. kellermanii* deviates from the descriptions

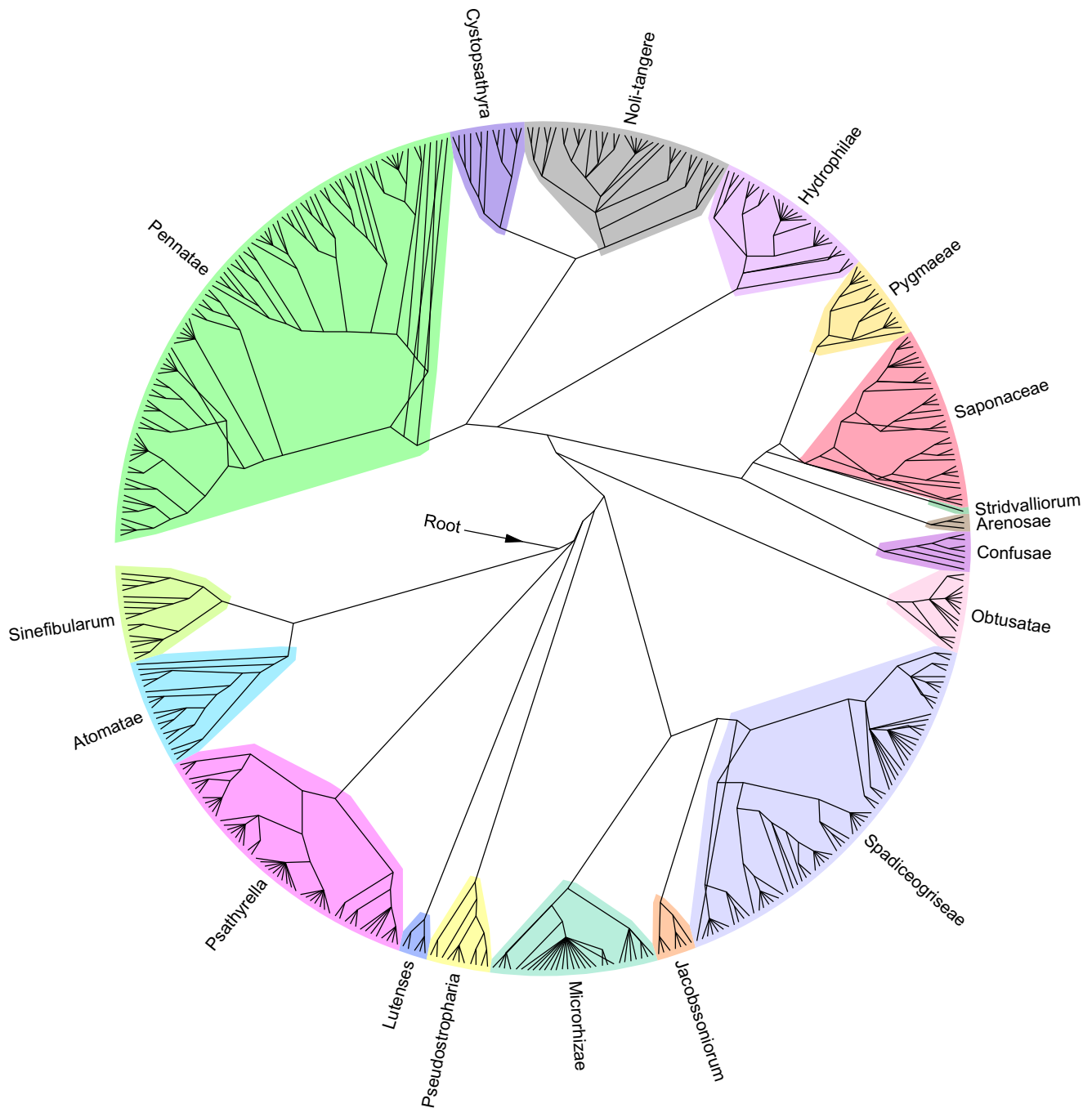


Fig. 66 360° radial cladogram of the genus *Psathyrella* with its 18 sections

by Peck (1906) and Singer (1959) due to the more delicate habit and spores with a very large germ pore. In addition, this collection grew on rotten mushroom remainders. So it is not quite beyond doubt whether this record is identical to the original *P. kellermanii*. The same applies to the collection AM1705.

Undoubtedly, *P. utriformcystis* S.J. Seok & Y.S. Kim belongs to the section *Cystopsathyra* (see Seok et al. 2010).

***Psathyrella* sect. *Noli-tangere* Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 831458 (Fig. 69)**

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, terrestrial, lignicolous, subfimicolous. Veil sparse. Spores predominantly medium-sized, rarely small or large, laterally often phaseoliform, medium dark to dark, germ pore central. Basidia mostly 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge mostly utriform, mixed with moderately numerous clavate and sphaeropedunculate cells that can sometimes have a thickened wall. Pleurocystidia primarily utriform, rarely lageniform or fusiform. Clamps present.

Type species: *Psathyrella noli-tangere* (Fr.) A. Pearson & Dennis, Trans Br mycol Soc 31(3–4):184, 1948.

Representatives:

Psathyrella fagetophila Örstadius & Enderle; Ref.v.: LO210-85/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella fennoscandica Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO484-05/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella fulvescens (Romagn.) M.M. Moser ex A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: WU13965 (Vasutová et al. 2008)

Psathyrella noli-tangere (Fr.) A. Pearson & Dennis; Ref.v.: LO83-03 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella perpusilla Kits van Wav.; Ref.v.: LO213-96 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella pseudocorrugis (Romagn.) Gallant ex Bon; Ref.v.: LO226-06 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella romagnesii Kits van Wav.; Ref.v.: LO267-04 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella rubiginosa A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: LO107-96 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella seminuda A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: Smith34091/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella senex (Peck) A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: LO115-02 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella warrenensis A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: Smith70162/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Remarks:

The vouchers LO267-04, LO85-98 and LO213-96 have small deviations in the LSU sequences, but almost identical ITS sequences. It is very likely that these are the same species and *P. perpusilla* is merely a 2-spored form of *P. romagnesii*.

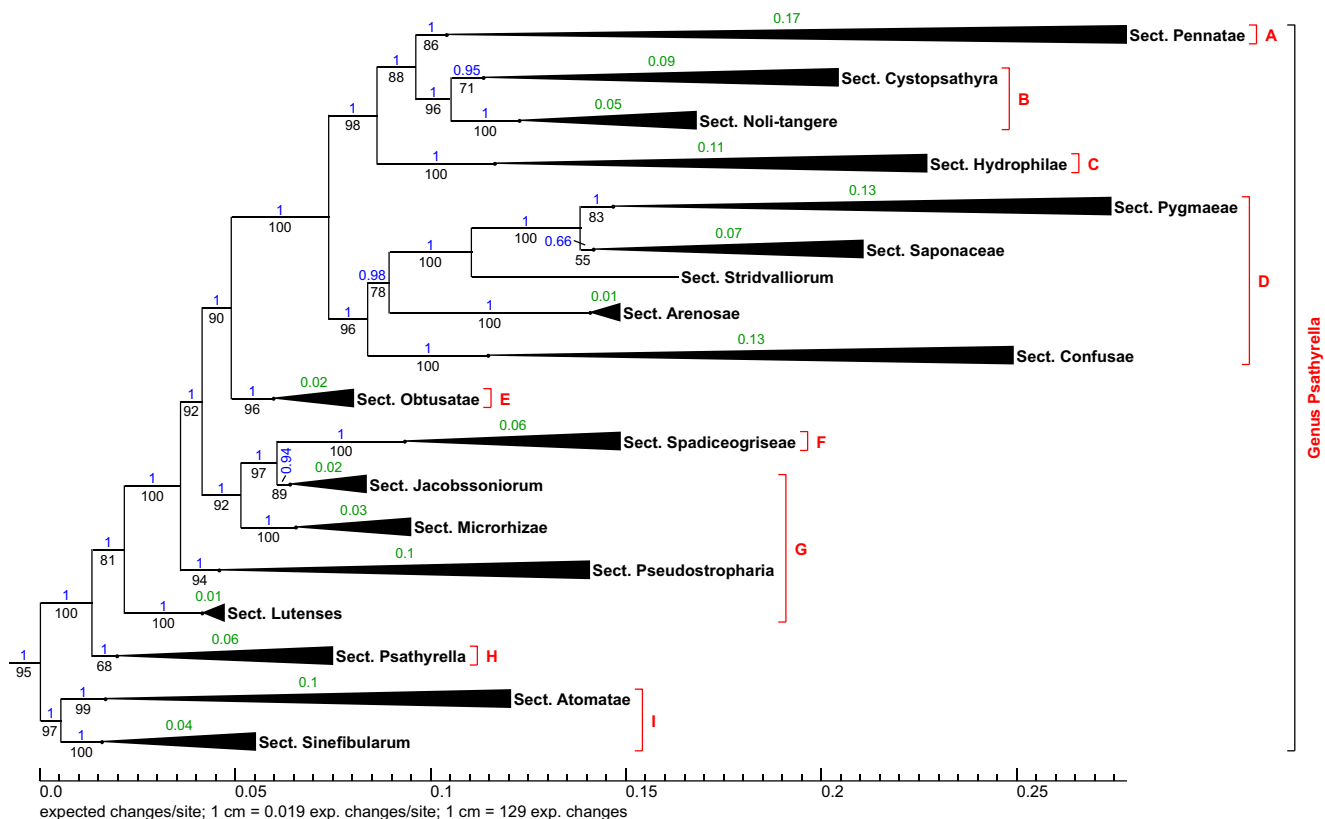


Fig. 67 Partial view of genus *Psathyrella* from the total phylogram, collapsed to section level; position in tree see Fig. 42. Red brackets are references to detailed phylograms: A = Fig. 68; B = Fig. 69; C = Fig. 70; D = Fig. 71; E = Fig. 72; F = Fig. 73; G = Fig. 74; H = Fig. 75; I = Fig. 76

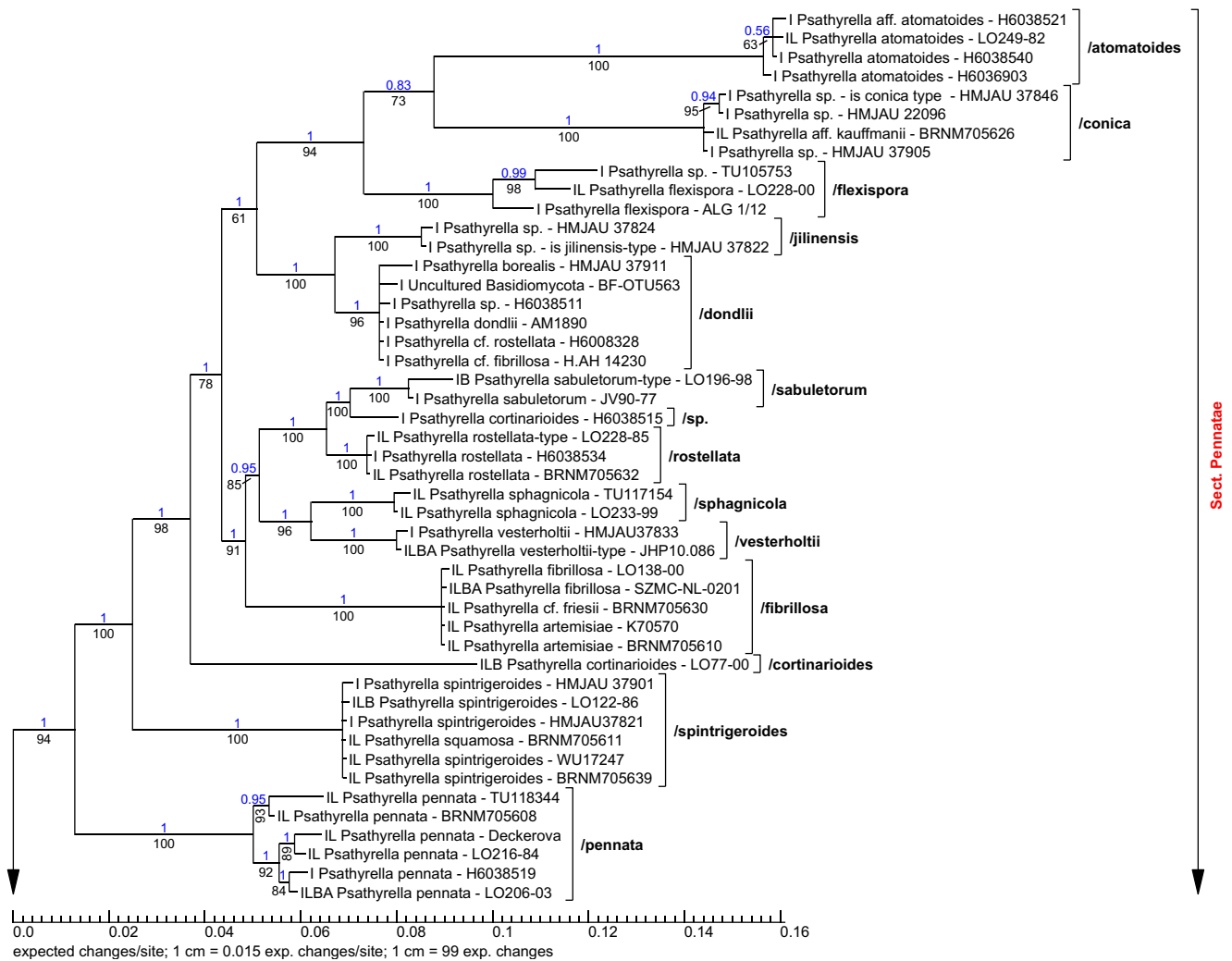


Fig. 68 Phylogram part of the section *Pennatae*; position in tree see Fig. 67

P. pseudocorrugis is considered here sensu Romagnesi (1952, 1982) as well as Örstadius and Knudsen (2008), not sensu Kits van Waveren (1985).

Psathyrella* sect. *Hydrophila Romagn. ex Singer, Sydowia 15:68, 1962 “1961” (Fig. 70)

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, all lignicolous. Veil sparse to strongly developed. Spores small in size, laterally mostly phaseoliform, predominantly pale to medium-coloured, germ pores often indistinct or absent. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge lageniform, utriform, very often mucronate, undermixed with moderately numerous clavate and sphaeropedunculate cells. Pleurocystidia similar to the cheilocystidia. Clamps present.

Type species: *Drosophila hydrophila* (Bull.) Quél., Enchir fung:116, 1886 ≡ *Psathyrella piluliformis* (Bull.) P.D. Orton, Notes R bot Gdn Edinb 29:116, 1969, designated by Romagnesi (1944:52).

Representatives:

Psathyrella echinata (Cleland) Grgurinovic; Ref.v.: ZT12073 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella maculata (Parker) A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: CBS206.33 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Psathyrella mucrocystis A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: LO103-98 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella oboensis Desjardin & B.A. Perry; Ref.v.: SFSU DED 8234/type (Desjardin and Perry 2016)

Psathyrella obscuotristis Enderle & M. Wilhelm ex Enderle & M. Wilhelm; Ref.v.: Wilhelm489/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella pertinax (Fr.) Örstadius; Ref.v.: LO259-91 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella piluliformis (Bull.) P.D. Orton; Ref.v.: LO162-02 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Remarks:

The characteristics of *P. echinata* differ from those of the other species. In particular, the spores are darker and not

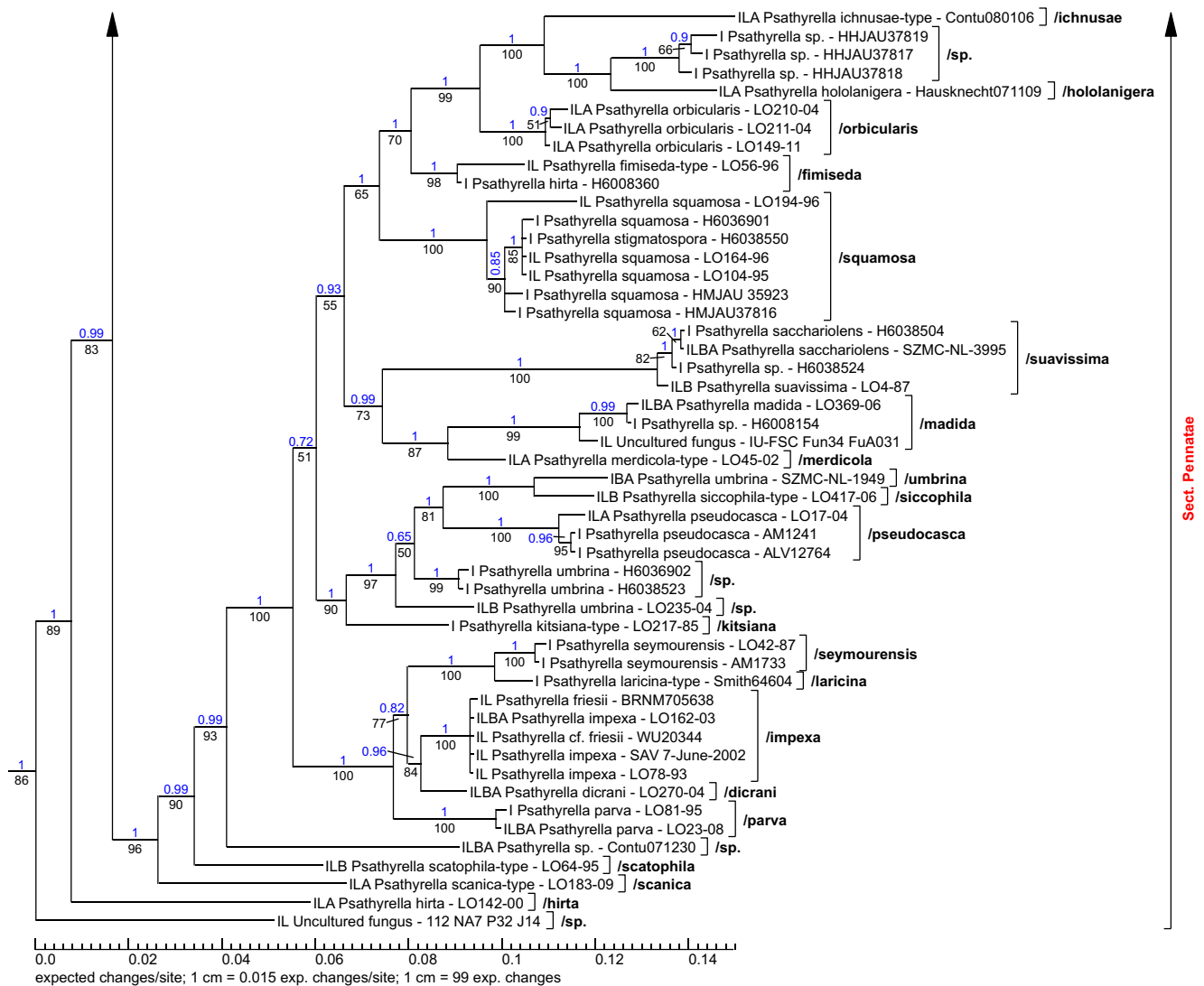


Fig. 68 (continued)

phaseoliform. In addition, the cystidia have thickened walls and partly crystals, similar to *P. olympiana* A.H. Sm. It is positioned at the base of the clade.

P. laeivissima (Romagn.) Singer very probably belongs to this section. References: Romagnesi (1975), Kits van Waveren (1982, 1985), Muñoz and Sánchez (2018), Musumeci (2006), Örstadius & Knudsen (2008). Mat. exam.: Belgium: Hofstade, 23.XII.2015, D. Deschuyteneer (AM1858). Germany: Nordrhein-Westfalen, Mönchengladbach, 25.X.2012, H. Bender (AM1585). Baden-Württemberg, Leimen, 18.I.2014, A. Oppolzer & P. Schäfer (AM1657). Rheinland-Pfalz, Kandel, 06.XII.2015, R. Ziebarth (AM1785); 09.VIII.2017, R. Ziebarth (AM1908); 26.IX.2017, R. Ziebarth (AM1909). Baden-Württemberg, Bad Mergentheim, 14.I.2018, R. Markones (AM1911). La Réunion: Forêt de Bélouve, 16.III.2007, T. Rödel (AM1846); 18.III.2007, T. Rödel (AM1848).

Muñoz and Sánchez (2018) suppose *P. laeivissima* could be conspecific with *P. oboensis*. The latter name would then be a

younger synonym.

Psathyrella sect. *Pygmaeae* Romagn., Bull Soc mycol Fr 98:10, 1982 emend. Wächter & A. Melzer (Fig. 71)

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, terrestrial or lignicolous. Veil at most sparsely developed. Spores small to medium-sized, frontally ellipsoid, laterally phaseoliform, pale to medium dark coloured, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge mostly utriform, sometimes with thickened walls and crystalline deposits. Pleurocystidia similar to the cheilocystidia. Clamps present.

Type species: *Psathyrella pygmaea* (Bull. ex Schum.) Singer, Lilloa 22:467, 1951, designated by Romagnesi (1982:10).

Representatives:

Psathyrella olympiana A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-2935 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Psathyrella pygmaea (Bull. ex Schum.) Singer; Ref.v.: LO97-04 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

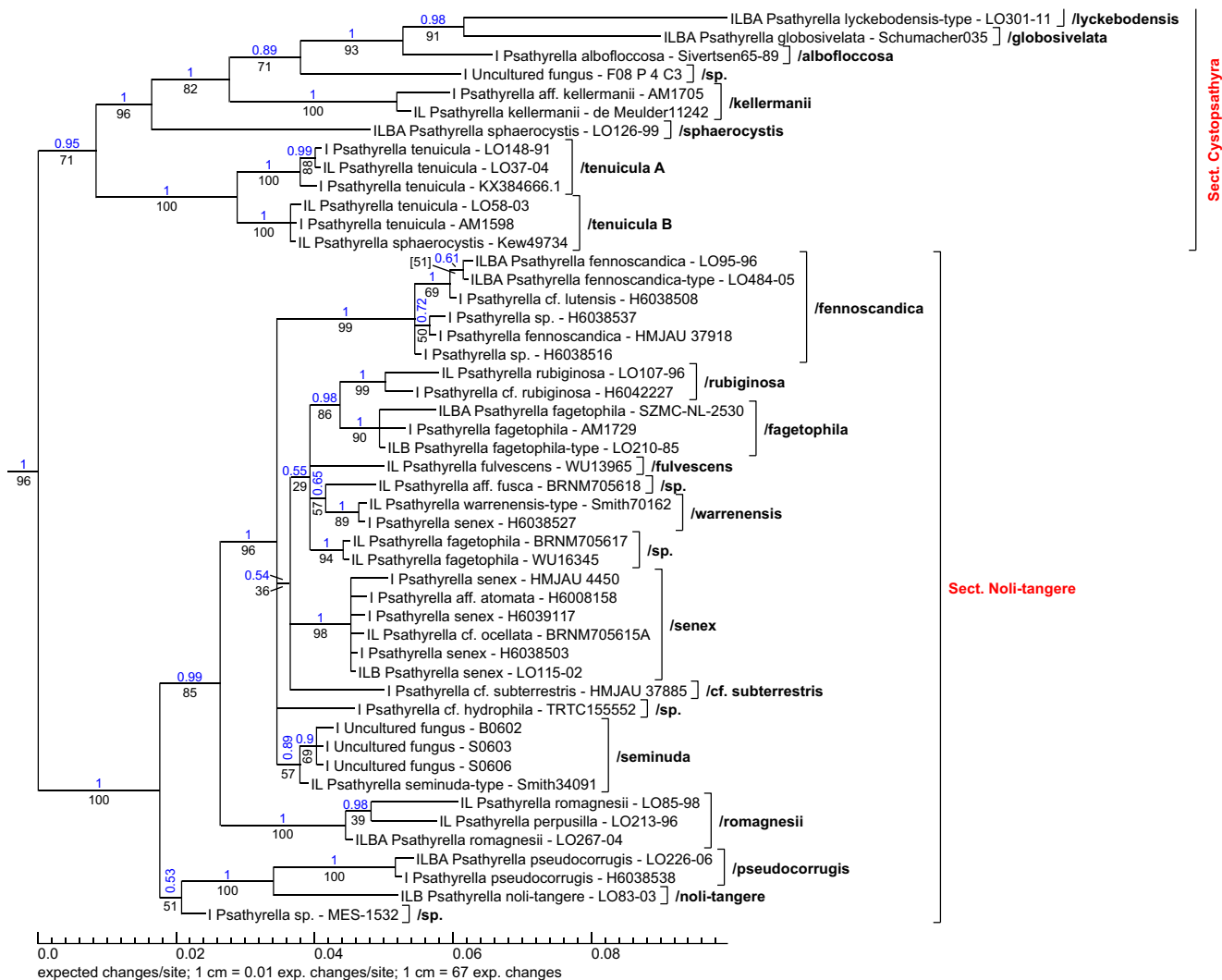


Fig. 69 Phylogram part of the sections *Cystopsathyra* and *Noli-tangere*; position in tree see Fig. 67

Psathyrella rybergii Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO373-06/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Remarks:

Romagnesi (1982) mentions *P. pygmaea* as the only species in his section *Pygmaeae* and wrote “Lignicolae inter *Coprinos disseminatus*”; an emendation was therefore necessary.

Whether HMJAU 37810 and H6038514 are really *P. amaura* (Berk. & Broome) Pegler cannot be answered. This species was originally described from Sri Lanka (Berkeley and Broome 1871).

***Psathyrella* sect. *Saponaceae* Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 831459 (Fig. 71)**

Description: Basidiomata small to large-sized, terrestrial, lignicolous or fimicolous. Veil sparse. Spores medium in size, frontally ellipsoid, ovoid, rarely angular-ovoid, laterally often phaseoliform, dark, germ pore central or slightly to distinctly eccentric. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar

edge predominantly utriform, sometimes with thickened walls and mucoid deposits. Pleurocystidia similar to the cheilocystidia. Clamps present.

Type species: *Psathyrella saponacea* F.H. Møller, Fungi of the Faeröes 1:179, 1945.

Representatives:

Psathyrella abieticola A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: Smith58673/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella conferta Eyssart. & Chiaffi; Ref.v.: GE02.007/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella panaeoloides (Maire) Svrček ex Arnolds; Ref.v.: LO293-04 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella saponacea F.H. Møller; Ref.v.: LO204-96 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella tephrophylla (Romagn.) M.M. Moser ex Bon; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0630 (Nagy, Urban et al. 2010)

Remarks:

Most of the species in this section have more or less distinct deposits on the cystidia. *P. saponacea* and sometimes

P. tephrophylla display the rare phenomenon of an eccentric germ pore. *P. panaeoloides* probably contains several taxa. The same applies to *P. tephrophylla*; *P. abieticola* is considered independent for this reason, especially because sequences of the type are present. *P. fusca* (Schumach.) A. Pearson, a name that has often come into use for *P. tephrophylla* (Örstadius 2007), is illegitimate, because *Agaricus fuscus* Schumach. 1803 is a younger homonym of *Agaricus fuscus* Schaeff. 1774.

***Psathyrella* sect. *Stridvalliorum* Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 831460 (Fig. 71)**

Description: Basidiomata medium-sized, terrestrial. Veil moderately developed. Spores small-sized, pale, germ pore absent. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge utriform, clavate. Pleurocystidia utriform, clavate, sometimes with slightly thickened walls. Clamps present.

Type species: *Psathyrella stridvallii* Örstadius & E. Larss., Mycol Progr 14(25):27, 2015.

Representative:

Psathyrella stridvallii Örstadius & E. Larss., Ref.v.: LO104-98/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Remarks:

So far only one species is known.

***Psathyrella* sect. *Arenosae* Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 831461 (Fig. 71)**

Description: Basidiomata small-sized, terrestrial. Veil well developed. Spores medium-sized, laterally partly phaseoliform, nearly opaque, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge utriform,

lageniform, also clavate. Pleurocystidia utriform or lageniform. Clamps present.

Type species: *Psathyrella arenosa* Örstadius & E. Larss., Mycol Progr 14(25):17, 2015.

Representative:

Psathyrella arenosa Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO220-96/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Remarks:

Psathyrella salina Broussal, G. Mir, J. Carbó & Pérez-De-Greg. also belongs to this section; see the phylogenetic results in Broussal et al. (2018).

***Psathyrella* sect. *Confusae* Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 831462 (Fig. 71)**

Etymology: Derived from confusa = confusing, because of the differing characteristics.

Description: Basidiomata small to large-sized, terrestrial, lignicolous, in one case parasitic. Veil absent to strongly developed. Spores medium-sized, dark, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge mostly utriform, clavate cells practically absent. Pleurocystidia similar to the cheilocystidia. Clamps present.

Type species: *Psathyrella gordonii* (Berk. & Broome) A. Pears. & Dennis, Trans Br mycol Soc 31(3–4):184, 1948.

Representatives:

Psathyrella epimyces (Peck) A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: WU19965 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella gordonii (Berk. & Broome) A. Pears. & Dennis; Ref.v.: LO220-95 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella violaceopallens Contu; Ref.v.: LO96-11 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

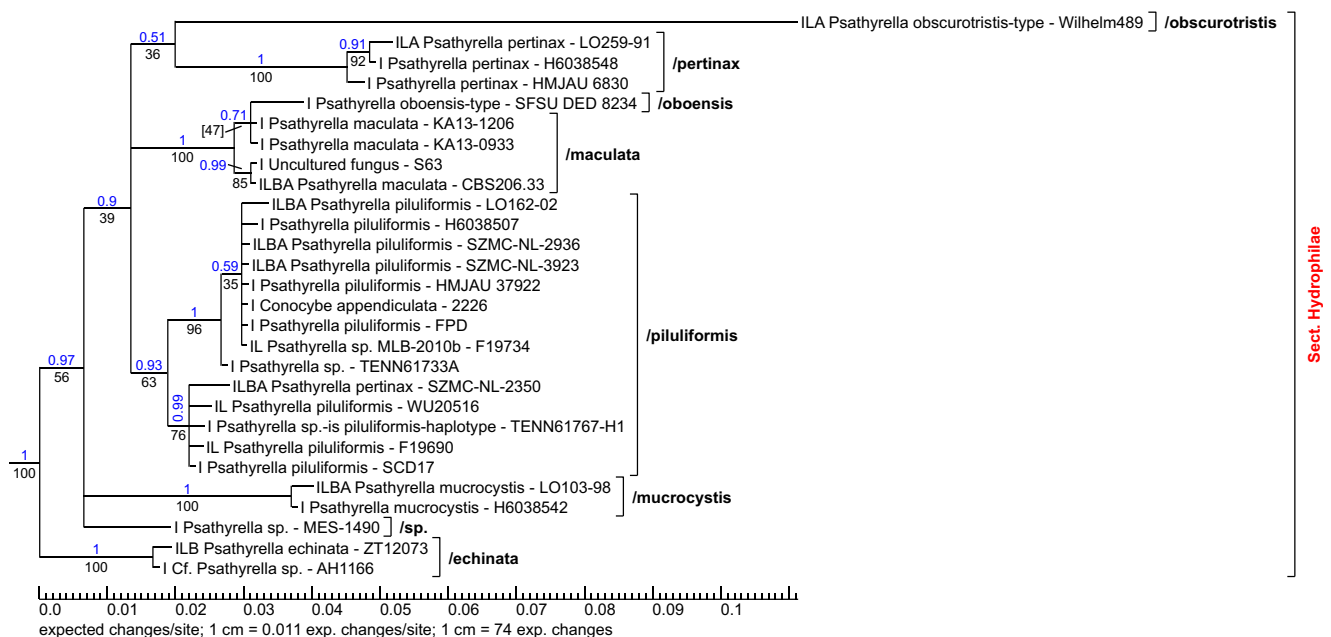


Fig. 70 Phylogram part of the section *Hydrophilae*; position in tree see Fig. 67

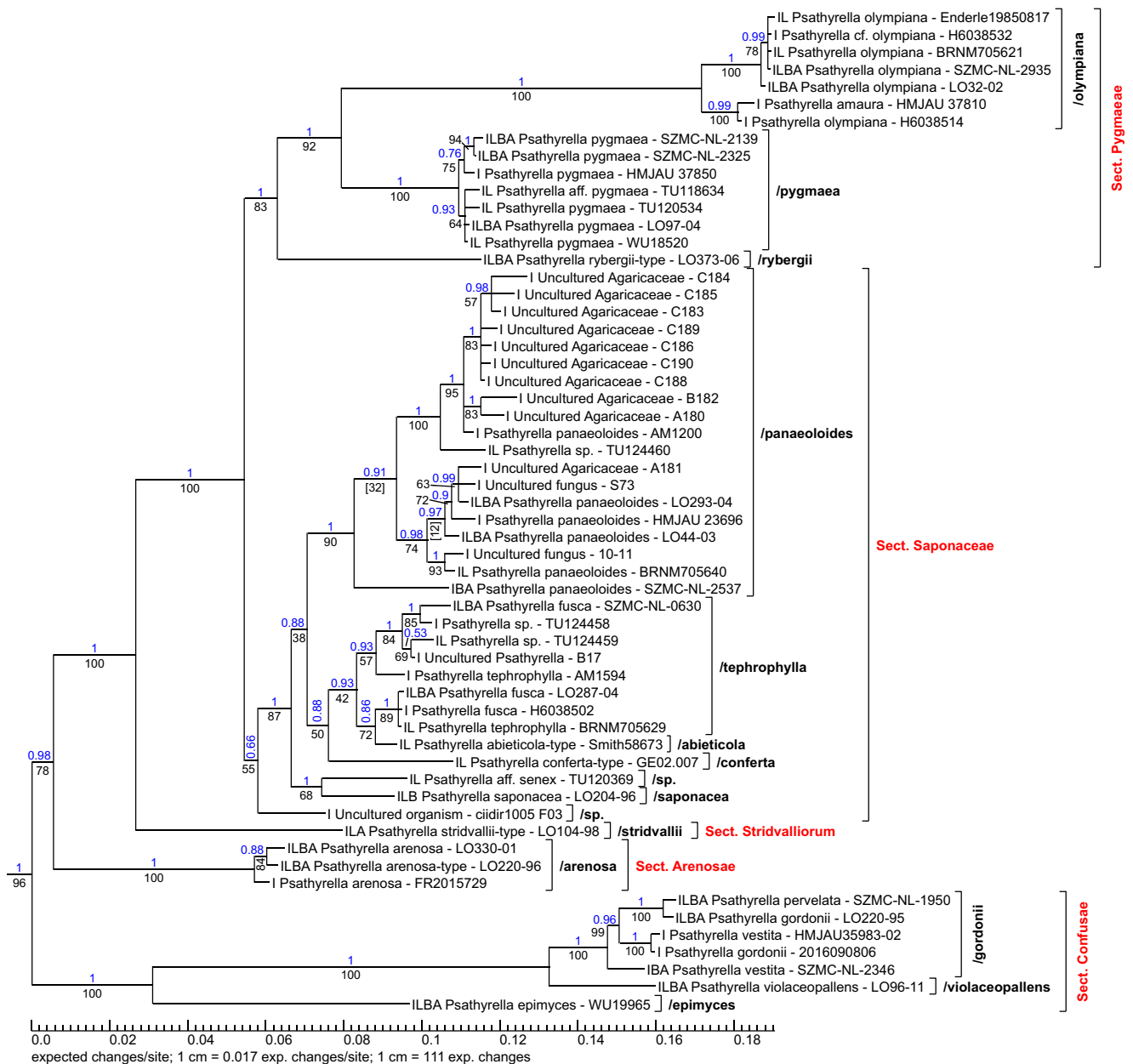


Fig. 71 Phylogram part of the sections *Pygmaeae*, *Saponaceae*, *Stridvalliorum*, *Arenosae* and *Confusae*; position in tree see Fig. 67

Remarks:

The characteristics of the three known species of this section are extremely different, especially the size of the basidiomata, the development of the veil and the spore measurements. Moreover, *P. epimyces* is a parasite on large *Coprinus*- and *Coprinopsis*-species; *P. violaceopallens* has violet pileus colours. A common feature could be the pileipellis; Örstadius et al. (2015) note “the pileipellis is similar to a cutis”.

Psathyrella* sect. *Obtusatae (Fr.) Singer, The Agaricales in modern taxonomy, 2th edn.:509,1962 “1961” (Fig. 72)

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, terrestrial. Veil sparse. Spores medium-sized, mostly very dark,

rarely medium dark, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge predominantly clavate and sphaeropedunculate, sometimes mucronate or with thickened walls, also lageniform, utriform or fusiform. Pleurocystidia lageniform, utriform, fusiform. Clamps present.

Type species: *Agaricus obtusatus* Pers.: Fr., Syst mycol 1:293, 1821 ≡ *Psathyrella obtusata* (Pers.) A.H. Sm., Contr Univ Mich Herb 5:55, 1941, designated by Singer (1962:509).

Representatives:

Psathyrella obtusata (Pers.) A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: LO88-01 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella nitens A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: AHS30388 (Frank et al. 2010)

Psathyrella dunensis Kits van Wav.; Ref.v.: WU19387 (Vasutová et al. 2008)

Psathyrella psammophila A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: Smith67836/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Remarks:

P. psammophila is very likely to be a synonym of *P. obtusata*.

Psathyrella* sect. *Spadiceogriseae Kits van Wav., Persoonia, Suppl. 2:280, 1985 (Fig. 73)

Description: Basidiomata medium-sized to large, terrestrial, lignicolous, in one case on rhizomes of grasses. Veil sparse to strongly developed. Spores predominantly medium-sized, rarely large, almost always phaseoliform, mostly medium dark, rarely pale or opaque, germ pore central, rarely invisible. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge dominating clavate and sphaeropedunculate shaped, less often utriform, sublageniform. Pleurocystidia utriform. Clamps present.

Type species: *Psathyrella spadiceogrisea* (Schaeff.) Maire, Mém Soc Sci Nat Maroc 45:113, 1937, designated by Kits van Waveren (1985:280)

Representatives:

Psathyrella ammophila (Durieu & Lév.) P.D. Orton; Ref.v.: LO169-01 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella carminei Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO5-09/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella casca (Fr.) Konr. & Maubl.; Ref.v.: AM1814/GLM-F111048/type (Melzer 2018)

Psathyrella cascoides A. Melzer, Karich & Wächter; Ref.v.: AM1893/GLM-F111050/type (Melzer 2018)

Psathyrella clivensis (Berk. & Broome) P.D. Orton; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1952 (Nagy et al. 2009)

Psathyrella fatua (Fr.) Konr. & Maubl.; Ref.v.: LO231-08/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella hellebosensis Deschuyteneer & A. Melzer; Ref.v.: AM1816/LZP-7615/type (Deschuyteneer and Melzer 2017)

Psathyrella mammifera (Romagn.) Courtec.; Ref.v.: HMJAU37882 (Yan and Bau 2018)

Psathyrella marquana A. Melzer, Wächter & Kellner; Ref.v.: AM1693/GLM-F111049/type (Melzer 2018)

Psathyrella phogophila Romagn.; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-3527 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Psathyrella spadiceogrisea (Schaeff.) Maire; Ref.v.: AM1894/GLM-F111047/type (Melzer 2018)

Psathyrella striatoannulata Heykoop, G. Moreno & M. Mata; Ref.v.: INB:4162132/type (Crous et al. 2017)

Psathyrella subspadiceogrisea T. Bau & J.Q. Yan; Ref.v.: HMJAU35992 (Yan and Bau 2017)

Psathyrella thujina A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: Smith66720/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Remarks:

This section is well characterized by its main feature, the dominance of clavate and sphaeropedunculate marginal cells in the lamellar edge and is essentially consistent with the species placed here by Kits van Waveren (1985). *P. ammophila* with very large dark spores and a special ecology, as well as *Psathyrella clivensis* with bright spores without a germ pore, are the notable exceptions in the morphology. The status of *P. groegeri* G. Hirsch is still unclear, see Melzer (2016, 2018). Whether *P. mammifera* is the taxon in the original sense must remain unanswered; however, this species belongs undoubtedly in this section.

Psathyrella* sect. *Jacobssoniorum Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov. MB 831463** (Fig. 74)

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, terrestrial, stipe with a pseudorrhiza. Veil sparse. Spores large-sized, dark, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge lageniform, fusiform, sometimes also clavate. Pleurocystidia lageniform, fusiform, sometimes with deposits turning greenish in ammonia solution. Clamps present.

Type species: *Psathyrella jacobssonii* Örstadius, Windahlia 24:15, 2001.

Representatives:

Psathyrella jacobssonii Örstadius; Ref.v.: LO256-92/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella sublatispora Örstadius, S.- Å Hanson & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO190-97/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Remarks:

The long connection branch of section *Spadiceogriseae* indicates that section *Jacobssoniorum* is more closely related to section *Microrhizae* (see below) than to section *Spadiceogriseae*. In addition, the morphological features are different between section *Jacobssoniorum* and section *Spadiceogriseae*.

Psathyrella* sect. *Microrhizae Romagn. ex Singer, Sydowia 15:68, 1962 (Fig. 74)

Description: Basidiomata medium-sized, terrestrial, lignicolous, mostly with a pseudorrhiza. Veil sparse. Spores medium to large-sized, dark, laterally never phaseoliform, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge lageniform, fusiform, rarely clavate. Pleurocystidia lageniform, subutriform, fusiform. Pileocystidia rarely present. Clamps present.

Type species: *Drosophila microrhiza* (Lasch) Quél. Enchir fung:118, 1886, erroneous as *Drosophila microrhiza* (Fr. ex Lasch) Romagn. ≡ *Psathyrella microrhiza* (Lasch)

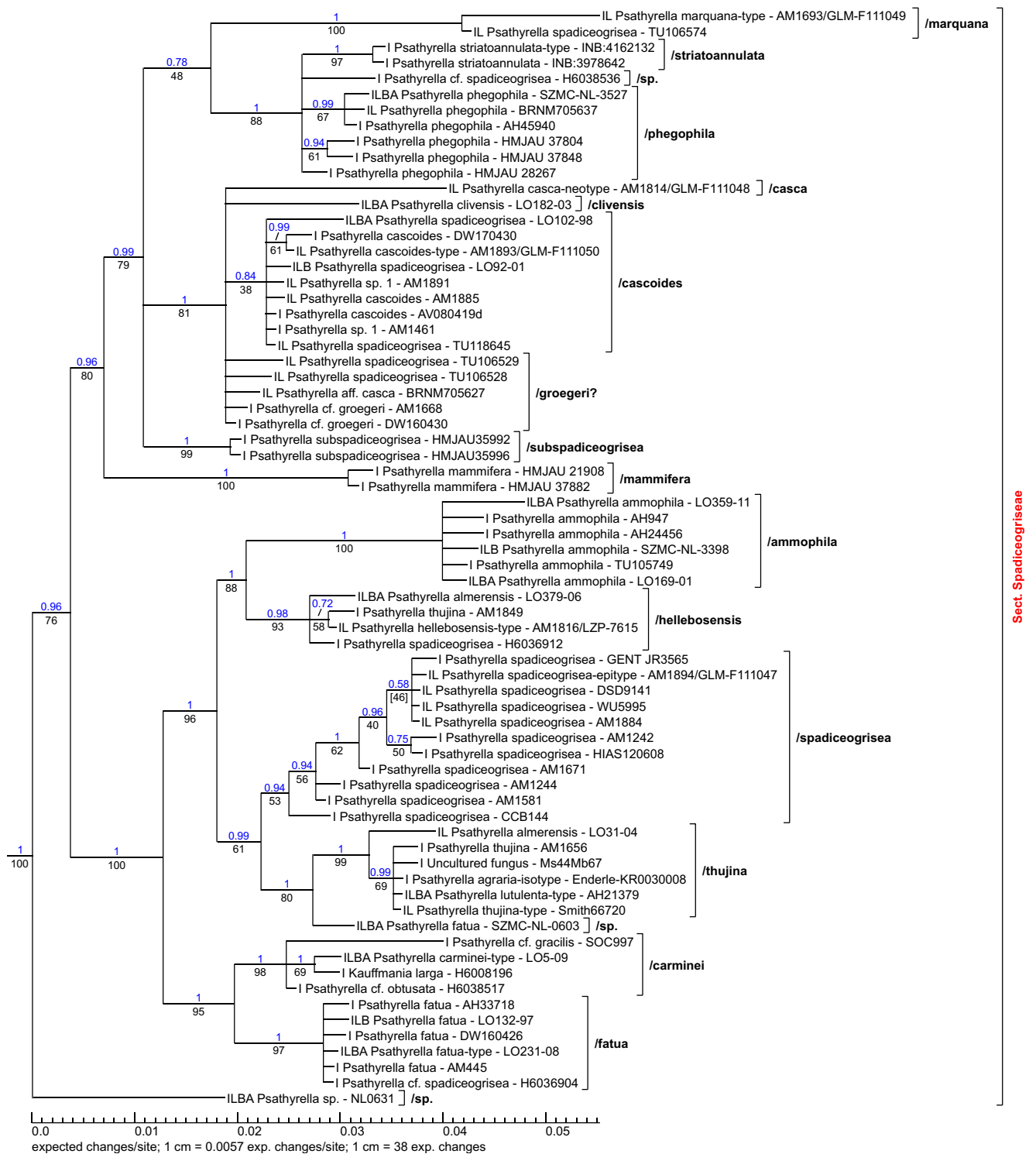


Fig. 73 Phylogram part of the section *Spadiceogriseae*; position in tree see Fig. 67

Psathyrella* sect. *Psathyrella (Fig. 75)

Description: Basidiomata small-sized to large, terrestrial or lignicolous. Pileus sometimes with pink tones, especially when drying. Veil practically absent or minimally developed. Stipe often with a pseudorrhiza. Spores large-sized, dark,

laterally never phaseoliform, germ pore in most species central, rarely eccentric. Basidia mostly 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge lageniform, utriform, also often clavate or irregular. Pleurocystidia lageniform, utriform. Clamps present.

Representatives:

Psathyrella amarescens Arnolds; Ref.v.: Arnolds02-78/
type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella aquatica J.L. Frank, Coffan & Southworth;
Ref.v.: SOC1097/type (Frank et al. 2010)

Psathyrella bipellis (Quél.) A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: LO207-96
(Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella brooksi A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: MICH11888 (Frank
et al. 2010)

Psathyrella corrugis (Pers.) Konr. & Maubl.; Ref.v.:
LO171-01 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella fontinalis A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: AHS25652 (Frank
et al. 2010)

Psathyrella longicauda P. Karst.; Ref.v.: LO254-91
(Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella pseudogracilis (Romagn.) M.M. Moser;
Ref.v.: LO287-06 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella subincarnata A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: LO190-97
(Frank et al. 2010)

Psathyrella superioensis A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: AHS32107/
type (Frank et al. 2010)

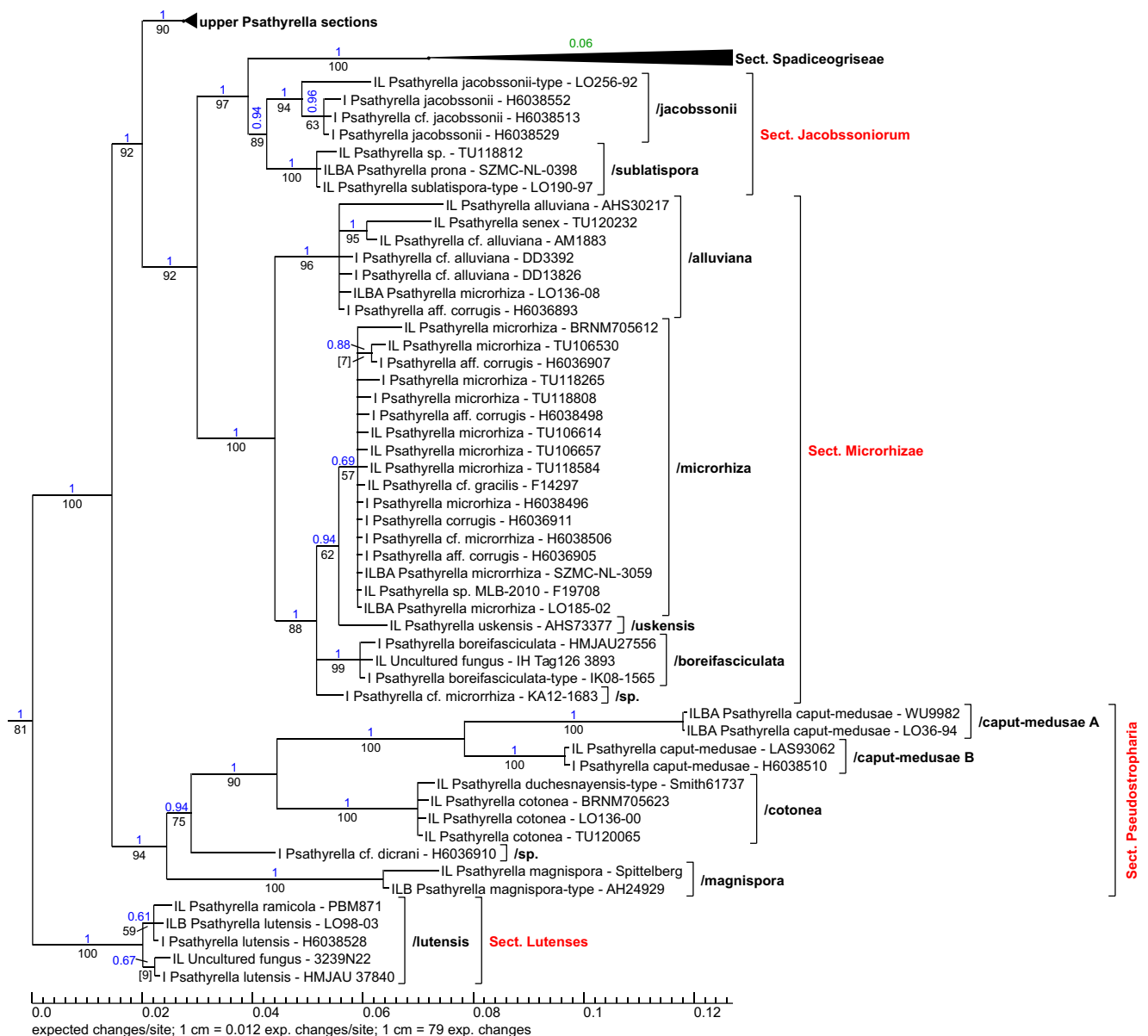


Fig. 74 Phylogram part of the sections *Jacobssoniorum*, *Microrrhizae*, *Pseudostropharia* and *Lutenses*; position in tree see Fig. 67

Remarks:

This section contains by definition the type of the genus, designated by Earle (1909:393): *Psathyrella gracilis* (Fr.) Quél., Mém Soc Émul Montbéliard Sér. 2, 5:122, 1872 ≡ *Psathyrella corrugis* (Pers.) Konr. & Maubl., Encyclop Mycol 14:123, 1949.

Psathyrella bipellis is separated into two clades. The difference between the two clades is approx. 0.02 exp. changes/site. The divergence of the ITS and LSU regions is small and barely allows a separation. The *β-tubulin* and the *ef-1α* region show a higher divergence. Whether this is also reflected in morphological features remains to be examined. The species is quite plastic, because the cystidia have either an obtuse or an acute apex. In addition, the spores can have a central or an eccentric germ pore. *P. brooksi* and *P. subincarnata* are possibly younger synonyms, but this can only be decided after

examining the types. Whether *P. aquatica* and *P. fontinalis* are identical needs to be investigated.

Psathyrella amarescens is certainly a form of *P. corrugis*, which also shows the spotty pigmented lamellar edge (see Friebe and Melzer 2009).

The separation of the clade /pseudobifrons from the clade /longicauda is based on new data (after the finalization of the tree) given in Vu et al. (2018). Several collections are assigned to *P. pseudobifrons* Romagn. (inval.). In addition, the investigation of the voucher Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 20.X.2013, A. Melzer (AM1650) showed that it is placed in the same position. Morphological differences are present. For a final clarification, further work is necessary.

Kits van Waveren (1976) emended the section *Psathyrella* to unite the sections *Graciles* Romagn. ex. Romagn., Bull Soc mycol Fr 98:11, 1982 and *Microrrhizae* Romagn. ex Singer,

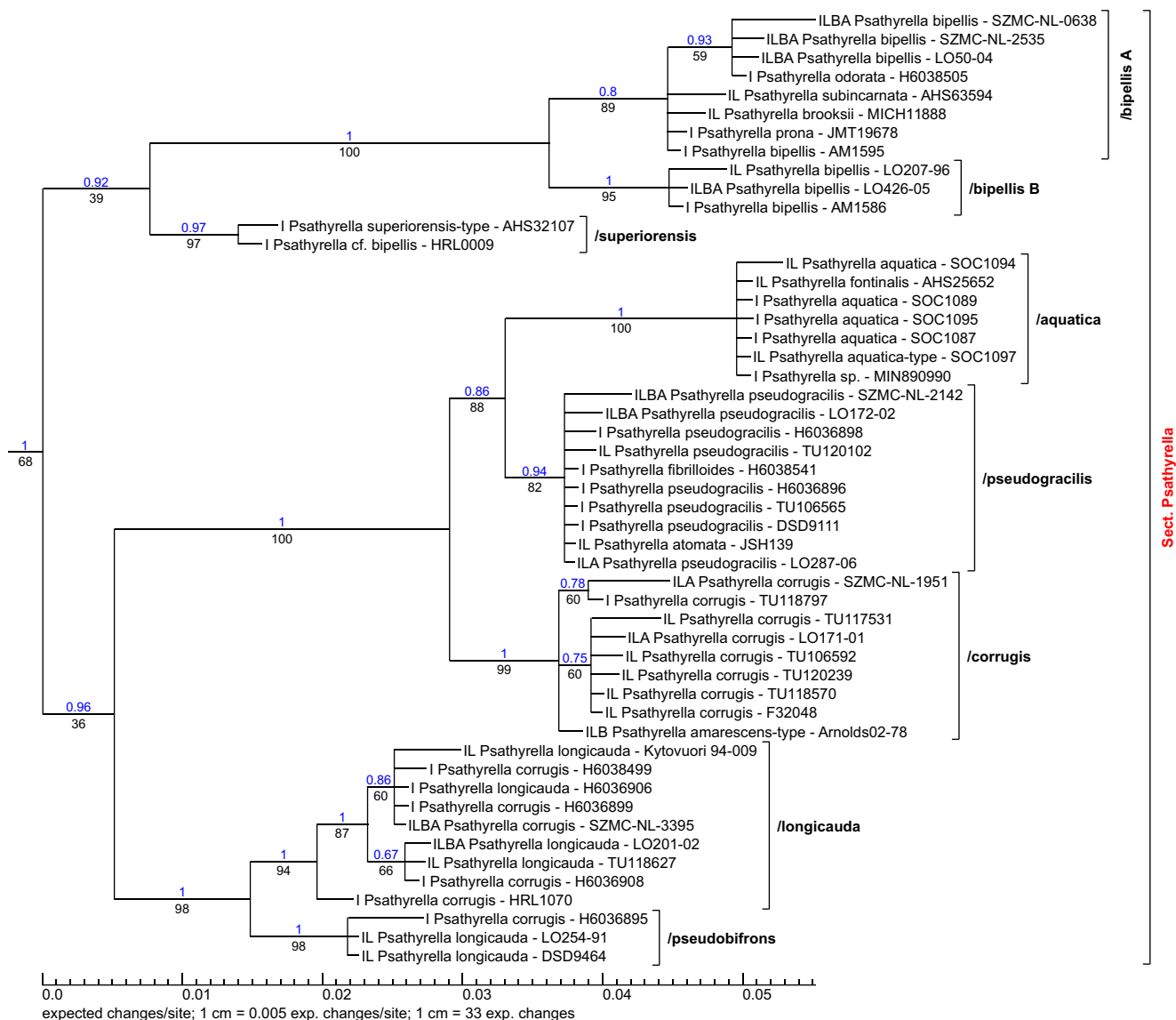


Fig. 75 Phylogram part of the section *Psathyrella*; position in tree see Fig. 67

Sydowia 15:68, 1962 “1961”; the emendation must be discarded, because both sections are phylogenetically well separated.

Psathyrella* sect. *Atomatae Romagn. ex Singer, Sydowia 15:68, 1962 “1961” (Fig. 76)

Description: Basidiomata very small to medium-sized, terrestrial, subfimicolous or fimicolous. Lamellar edge, and drying pileus often with pink tones. Veil sparse. Spores large in size, laterally never phaseolioform, dark, rarely medium dark, germ pore central. Basidia 4- or 2-spored, occasionally 1-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge predominantly lageniform, subutriform, very frequently also clavate. Pleurocystidia similar to the cheilocystidia. Clamps present.

Type species: *Drosophila prona* (Fr.) Quél., 1886 sensu Ricken \equiv *Psathyrella prona* (Fr.) Gillet, Hyménomycètes:618, 1878, designated by Romagnesi (1944:53).

Representatives:

Psathyrella calcarea (Romagn.) M.M. Moser; Ref.v.: LO211-03 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella calvini A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: AHS34788 (Frank et al. 2010)

Psathyrella liliputana Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO130-09/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella mycenoides T. Bau; Ref.v.: HMJAU37993 (Yan and Bau (2018)

Psathyrella orbitarium (Romagn.) M.M. Moser; Ref.v.: LO257-90 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella potteri A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: LO271-01 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella prona (Fr.) Gillet; Ref.v.: LO237-00/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella stercoraria (Kühn. & Joss.) M.M. Moser ex Kits van Wav.; Ref.v.: LO460-05/type (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Psathyrella tenera Peck; Ref.v.: LO382-89 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Remarks:

Striking morphological exceptions are *P. liliputana* and *P. mycenoides* with relatively small and bright spores; from a phylogenetic point of view, however, there is no doubt that they belong to this section.

Psathyrella* sect. *Sinefibularum Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov. MB 831464** (Fig. 76)

Etymology: Derived from sine = without, fibula = clamp; no clamps present.

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, terrestrial, lignicolous or fimicolous. Veil sparse to rich. Spores medium to large-sized, laterally never phaseolioform, mostly dark, rarely medium dark, germ pore central to slightly eccentric. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal

cells of the lamellar edge utriform, lageniform, also often clavate. Pleurocystidia predominantly utriform, very rarely lageniform. Clamps absent.

Type species: *Psathyrella vinosofulva* P.D. Orton, Trans Br mycol Soc 43(2):378, 1960.

Representatives:

Psathyrella complutensis Heykoop & G. Moreno; Ref.v.: AH23895 (Crous et al. (2015).

Psathyrella effibulata Örstadius & E. Ludwig; Ref.v.: LO37-96/type (Larsson and Örstadius (2008)

Psathyrella purpureobadia Arnolds; Ref.v.: Arnolds99-56A/type (Larsson and Örstadius (2008)

Psathyrella romellii Örstadius; Ref.v.: LO240-01/type (Örstadius et al. (2015)

Psathyrella vinosofulva P.D. Orton; Ref.v.: LO2-88 (Örstadius et al. (2015)

Remarks:

Psathyrella complutensis supposedly should not have pleurocystidia (Crous et al. 2015). The close relationship with *P. effibulata* suggests that these are potentially present but extremely rare. Neither Enderle (1994, 1998) nor Melzer (2008) found pleurocystidia in *P. effibulata*, and Muñoz and Caballero (2013:30) explicitly wrote “Pleurocistidios muy raros, visibles sólo tras varias preparaciones y no en todos los ejemplares, ...”. *P. citerinii* Eyssart., unless identical to *P. effibulata*, also belongs in this section. Örstadius et al. (2015) found that *P. riparia* A.H. Sm. is a more recent synonym of *P. vinosofulva*, which can be confirmed by the authors of the present study. More difficult to assess is the problem whether *P. purpureobadia* is a separate species because of its growth on dung, as proposed by Örstadius et al. (2015).

Candolleomyces Wächter & A. Melzer, **gen. nov. MB 832256** (Fig. 79)

Etymology: Named after the type.

Description: Basidiomata small to large, terrestrial, lignicolous, rarely fimicolous. Veil most likely always present but often very fugacious, as far as known fibrillose, scaly or granulose, consisting of chains of subcylindrical, partially slightly thick-walled and brownish pigmented cells; sphaerocysts may be characteristic as the second component of the veil. (see Fig. 78). Stipe occasionally with an annulus. Spores mostly medium-sized, laterally often phaseolioform, pale to medium dark, germ pore central, but often invisible. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge utriform, subutriform, subcylindrical, never predominantly lageniform, as well as clavate or sphaeropedunculate, rarely exclusively showing the latter forms. Pleurocystidia absent. Clamps at least in the majority of species present.

Type species: *Candolleomyces candolleanus* Wächter & A. Melzer (see Fig. 77).

Representatives:

Psathyrella badhyzensis Kalamees; Ref.v.: TAA79478/
type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella badiophylla (Romagn.) Bon; Ref.v.: SZMC-
NL-2347 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Psathyrella cacao Desjardin & B. A. Perry; Ref.v.: SFSU
DED 8339/type (Desjardin and Perry 2016)

Psathyrella candolleana (Fr.) Maire; Ref.v.: LAS73030/
type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella efflorescens (Sacc.) Pegler; Ref.v.: Pegler2133
(Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella leucotephra (Berk. & Broome) P.D. Orton;
Ref.v.: LO138-01 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella luteopallida A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: Sharp20863/
type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella singeri A.H. Sm.; Ref.v.: HMJUA37867 (Yan
and Bau 2018)

Psathyrella subsingeri T. Bau & J.Q. Yan; Ref.v.:
HMJAU37913 (Yan and Bau 2018)

Psathyrella sulcatotuberculosa (J. Favre) Einhell.; Ref.v.:
LO55-12 (Battistin et al. 2014)

Psathyrella trinitatensis R.E.D. Baker & W.T. Dale;
Ref.v.: TL9035 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Psathyrella typhae (Kalchbr.) A. Pearson & Dennis;
Ref.v.: LO21-04 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Remarks:

See also radial phylogram Fig. 35.

The numerous subclades or clusters with vouchers designated as *P. candolleana* illustrate the already known fact that it is a collective species. More information about this could give the sequencing of Romagnesis types of *P. elegans* (Romagn.) Bon, *P. proxima* (Romagn.) Bon and *P. scotospora* (Romagn.) Bon, which are currently considered synonyms of *P. candolleana*, but are probably independent species. The type of *P. candolleana* is in the subclade /candolleana ss. str.; whether these would split up is questionable and they are surely morphologically hardly comprehensible. Also interesting is the fact that several well-demarcated subclades contain no designated vouchers. This seems to be an indication that the closer circle of *P. candolleana* on the one hand is more species-rich than previously thought. On the other hand, hardly unique features are present, which allow an identification by conventional methods. Whether *P. badhyzensis* and *P. trinitatensis* are independent species is questionable.

For the following species, the determination sensu orig. is genetically insufficiently confirmed, because the types were not tested, but the morphology clearly refers to the genus: *P. albipes* (Murill) A.H. Sm., *P. paecilosperma* Pacioni, *P. pseudocandolleana* A.H. Sm. and *P. tuberculata* (Pat.) A.H. Sm. Phylogenetically unequivocal is the position of *P. halophila* Esteve-Raventós & Enderle because of the appropriate investigation by Broussal et al. (2018). The same

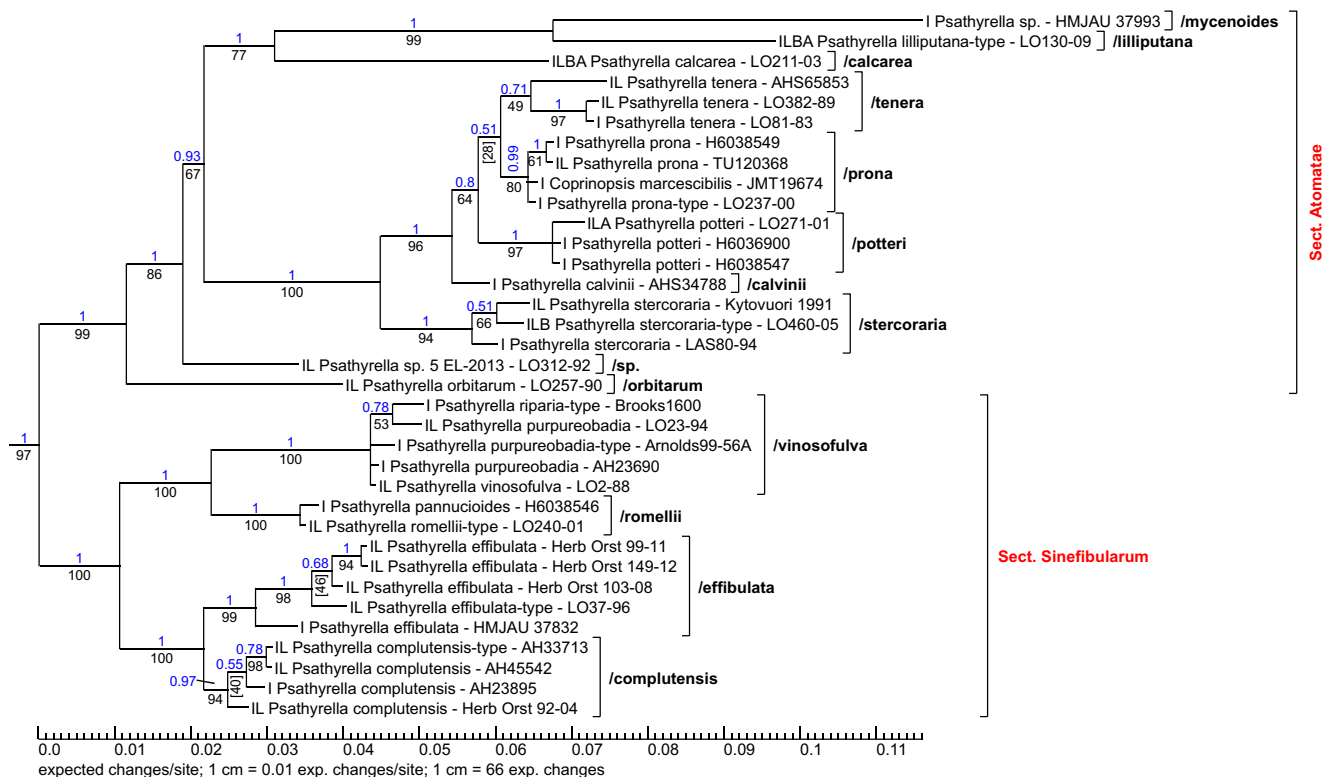


Fig. 76 Phylogram part of the sections *Atomatae* and *Sinefibularum*; position in tree see Fig. 67



Fig. 77 *Candolleomyces candolleanus* agg., coll. Reul 4162; Photograph: M. Reul

applies to *P. secotioides* G. Moreno, Heykoop, Esqueda & Olariaga due to the results in Moreno et al. (2015), and *P. aberdarensis* A. Melzer, Kimani & R. Ullrich, see Melzer et al. (2019, “2018”).

The following species should be checked: *P. acutisquamosa* Dennis, *P. aequatoriae* Singer, *P. albocapitata* Dennis, *P. araguana* Dennis, *P. argillospora* Singer, *P. armeniaca* Pegler,

P. atroumbonata Pegler, *P. avilana* Dennis, *P. copriniceps* (Berk. & M.A. Curtis) Dennis, *P. erinensis* Dennis, *P. glandispora* Pegler, *P. glaucescens* Dennis, *P. lacuum* Huijsman, *P. lignatilis* Singer, *P. longicystidiata* Heykoop & Moreno, *P. marthae* Singer, *P. microsporoides* Heykoop & G. Moreno, *P. naivashaiensis* Pegler, *P. pallidisporea* Dennis, *P. pervelatoides* S.J. Seok & Y.S. Kim, *P. pruinosa* Rawla, *P. pusilla* Pegler, *P. roystoniae* (Earle) A.H. Smith, *P. trigonosporea* Dennis, *P. varicosa* A. Pearson.

Certainly, there are many more species, but they are often not very characteristic and therefore difficult to distinguish from others. A limitation to reasonably known species is advised for this reason.

Within section *Candolleana*, there several sequences of *Cercospora* spec. are included. This phenomenon occurs exclusively in section *Candolleana*. A sequencing error can be excluded for explanation, especially since the authors and the collection regions of the *Cercospora* spec. sequences vary. This would mean that two unrelated genera have an almost identical ITS region, which is extremely unlikely. This phenomenon cannot be clarified at present.

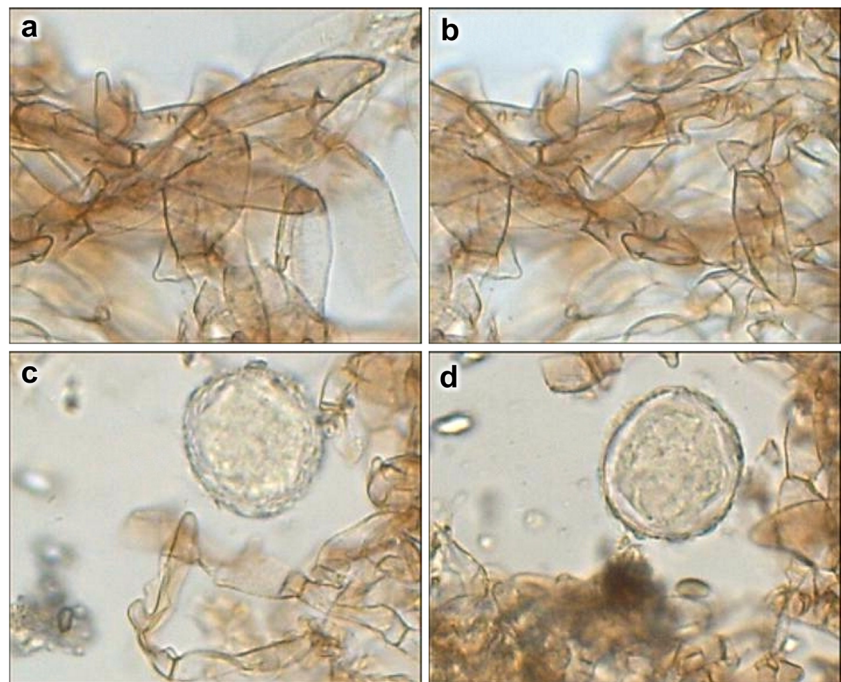
New combinations:

Candolleomyces aberdarensis (A. Melzer, Kimani & R. Ullrich) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832425**

Basionym: *Psathyrella aberdarensis* A. Melzer, Kimani & R. Ullrich, Österr Z Pilzk 27:27, 2019. Reference: Melzer et al. (2019, “2018”).

Candolleomyces albipes (Murill) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832260**

Fig. 78 Veil elements of *Candolleomyces bivelata*, coll. Melzer AM1802; a, b subcylindrical cells; c, d spherocysts; Photographs: A. Melzer



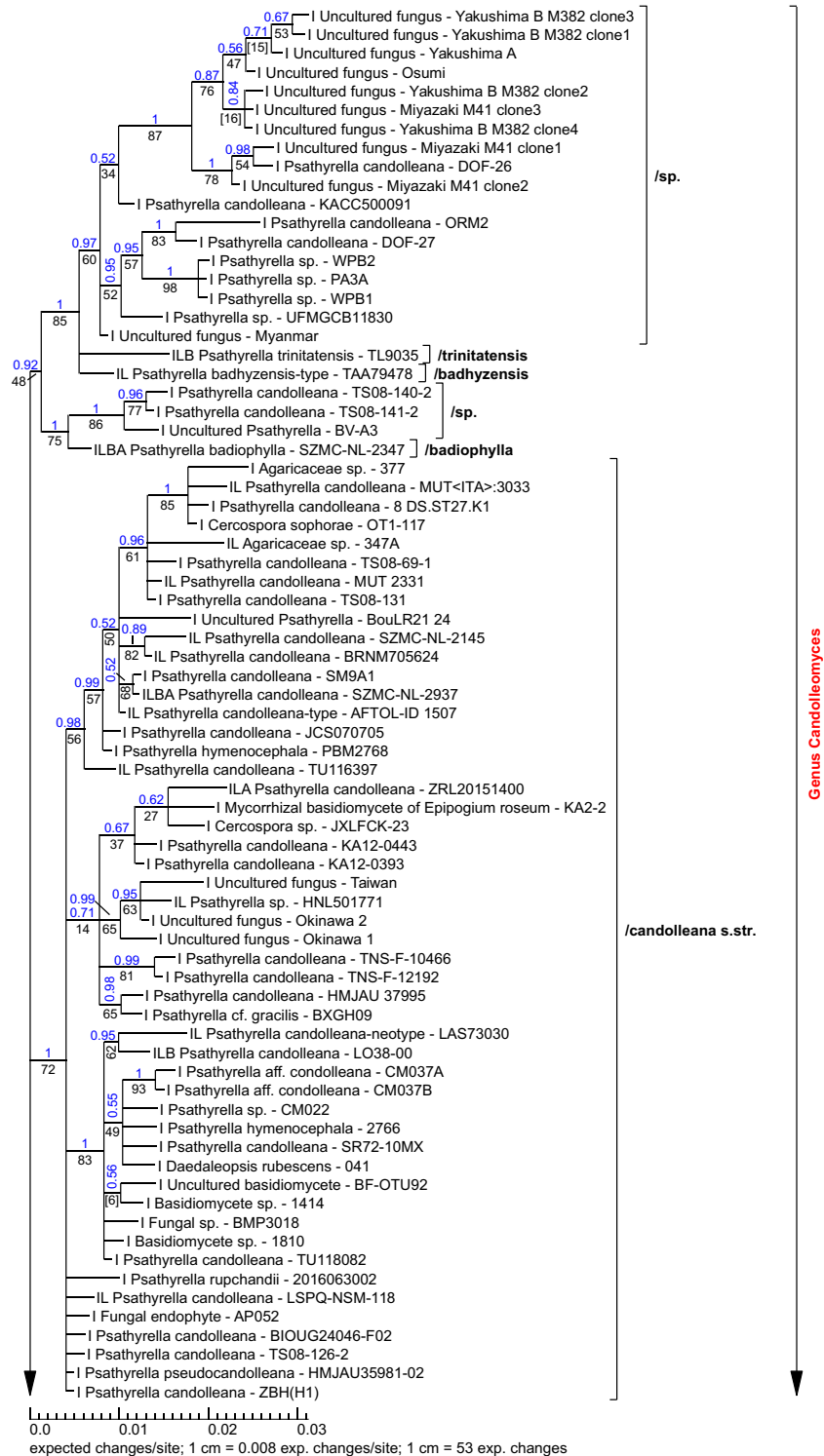


Fig. 79 Phylogram part of the genus *Candolleomyces*; position in tree see Fig. 42

Basionym: *Astylopora* (“*Atylopora*”) *albipes* Murrill, Mycologia 10(1):22, 1918. References: Smith (1972), Wilhelm (2017, as *Psathyrella* “*alba*”).

Candolleomyces badhyzensis (Kalamees) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov.** MB 832261

Basionym: *Psathyrella badhyzensis* Kalamees, Folia cryptog Estonica 15:7, 1981. Reference: Kalamees (1981).

Candolleomyces badiophyllus (Romagn.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov.** MB 832262

Basionym: *Drosophila badiophylla* Romagn., Bull mens Soc linn Lyon 21:155, 1952. References: Bon and

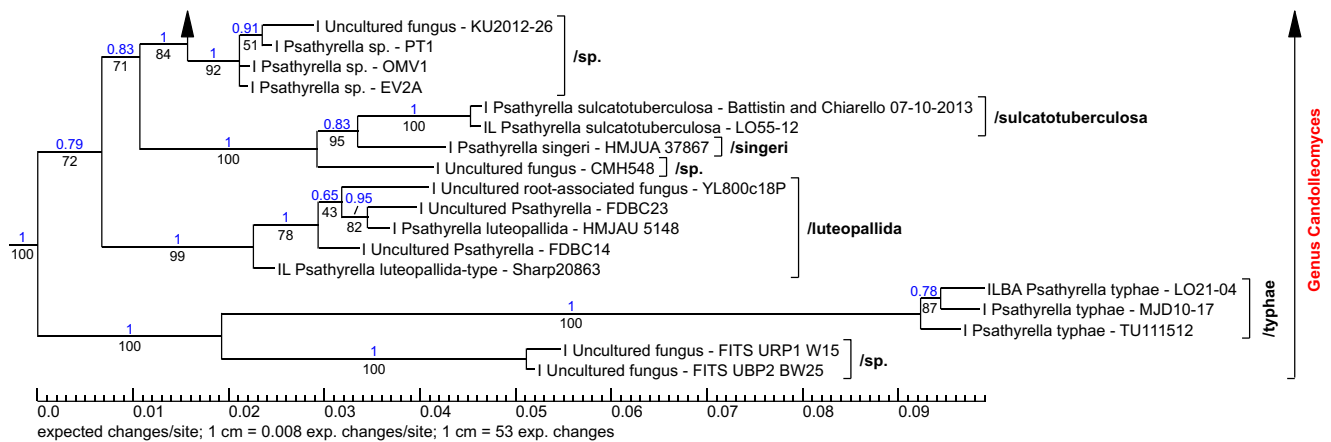


Fig. 79 (continued)

Basionym: *Psathyrella bivelata* Contu, Bull Soc mycol Fr 107(3):86, 1991. References: Contu (1991), Mifsud (2017). Mat. exam.: Malta: Buskett, 16.XII.2009, C. Sammut (AM1503); 16.XII.2009, C. Sammut (AM1555); 31.XII.2011, C. Sammut (AM1557); 11.IV.2012, C. Sammut (AM1572); 24.IV.2012, C. Sammut (AM1573); 18.X.2012, C. Sammut (AM1759); 18.X.2012, C. Sammut (AM1761); 05.XI.2015, C. Sammut (AM1764); 18.X.2012, C. Sammut (AM1798); 16.IV.2014, C. Sammut (AM1799); 6.XI.2014, C. Sammut (AM1801); 18.X.2014, C. Sammut (AM1802); Wied il-Qleghja, 28.XI.2012., C. Sammut (AM1760).

Candolleomyces cacao (Desjardin & B.A. Perry) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832264**

Basionym: *Psathyrella cacao* Desjardin & B.A. Perry, Mycosphere 7(3):378, 2016. Reference: Desjardin and Perry (2016).

Candolleomyces candolleanus (Fr.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832265**

Basionym: *Agaricus candolleanus* Fr., Observ mycol 2:182 (1818). References: Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1995), Consiglio (2000), El-Assfoury et al. (2009), Ludwig (2007), Mifsud (2017), Muñoz and Caballero (2012), Smith (1941). Mat. exam.: Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 18.X.2001, A. Melzer (AM110); 17.VII.2005, A. Melzer (AM528); 14.VIII.2005, A. Melzer (AM556); 30.VII.2007, A. Melzer (AM972); Wellaune, 20.VI.2004, A. Melzer (AM391); Delitzsch, 26.VI.2007, A. Melzer (AM958); 31.VII.2007, A. Melzer (AM965); Brinnis, 28.IX.2013, A. Melzer (AM1623). Saxony-Anhalt, Querfurt, 19.V.2002, A. Melzer (AM148); 15.VIII.2007, A. Melzer (AM971); Landsberg, 14.VI.2002, A. Melzer (AM160); 29.VI.2007, A. Melzer (AM957). Hessen, Gießen, 1.VI.2011, W. Schöblier (AM1465); 1.VII.2013, W. Schöblier (AM1465). Malta: Buskett, 16.12.09, C. Sammut (AM1554); 08.10.11, C. Sammut (AM1498).

Candolleomyces efflorescens (Sacc.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832266**

Basionym: *Psathyra efflorescens* Sacc., Syll Fung 5:1067, 1887. References: Berkeley et Broome (1871), Kits van Waveren (1995), Pegler (1977), Saccardo (1887).

Candolleomyces fimicola (Atri, Munruchi Kaur & Amandeep Kaur) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832268**

Basionym: *Psathyrella fimicola* Atri, Munruchi Kaur & Amandeep Kaur, J New Biol Rep 2(3):276, 2013. References: Amandeep et al. (2015), Kaur et al. (2013). Mat. exam.: India: Punjab, 18.VI.2011, A. Kaur (PUN4317, holotype).

Candolleomyces floccosus (Earle) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832269**

Basionym: *Stropharia floccosa* Earle, Inf an Estac Cent agr Cuba 1:241, 1906. References: Morgan (1908), Pegler (1987), Smith (1972).

Candolleomyces graminus (Kalamees) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832270**

Basionym: *Psathyrella gramina* Kalamees, Folia Cryptogam Estonica 27:7, 1989. Reference: Kalamees (1989).

Candolleomyces halophilus (Esteve-Raventós & Enderle) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832271**

Basionym: *Psathyrella halophila* Esteve-Raventós & Enderle, Z Mykol 58(2):206, 1992. References: Carbó and Pérez-de-Gregorio (1999), Corriol (2014), Esteve-Raventós and Enderle (1992). Mat. exam.: Portugal: District Faro, Algarve, Valle do Garrao, 31.XII.2017, L. Krieglsteiner (LK2).

Candolleomyces leucotephrus (Berk. & Broome) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832272**

Basionym: *Agaricus leucotephrus* Berk. & Broome, Ann Mag nat Hist, Ser. 4 6:468, 1870. References: Arnolds (2003), Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1995), Consiglio (2005), El-Assfoury et al. (2009), Enderle and Hübner (2005), Fasciotto

(2009), Kits van Waveren (1985), Ludwig (2007), Orton (1960). Mat. exam.: Germany: Baden-Württemberg, Mühlen-Ottenhau, 12.IX.2008, J. Marqua (AM1236).

Candolleomyces luteopallidus (A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832273**

Basionym: *Psathyrella luteopallida* A.H. Sm., Mem N Y bot Gdn 24:101, 1972. Reference: Smith (1972).

Candolleomyces paecilospermus (Pacioni) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832274**

Basionym: *Psathyrella paecilosperma* Pacioni, Micol Veg Medit 13(2):149, 1999. Reference: Pacioni (1999).

Candolleomyces pseudocandolleanus (A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832276**

Basionym: *Psathyrella pseudocandolleana* A.H. Sm., Mem N Y bot Gdn 24:81, 1972. Reference: Smith (1972).

Candolleomyces rupchandii (A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832278**

Basionym: *Psathyrella rupchandii* A.H. Sm. Reference: Smith (1972).

Candolleomyces secotioides (G. Moreno, Heykoop, Esqueda & Olariaga) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832280**

Basionym: *Psathyrella secotioides* G. Moreno, Heykoop, Esqueda & Olariaga, Mycol Progr 14(6/34):3, 2015. Reference: Moreno et al. (2015).

Candolleomyces singeri (A.H. Sm.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832281**

Basionym: *Psathyrella singeri* A.H. Sm., Mem N Y bot Gdn 24:83, 1972. Reference: Smith (1972). Mat. exam.: Ethiopia: Awurado, 5.XII.2014, A. Gminder; Komba, 10.XII.2014, A. Gminder (both herbar Gminder).

Candolleomyces subsingeri (T. Bau & J.Q. Yan) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832282**

Basionym: *Psathyrella subsingeri* T. Bau & J.Q. Yan, Mycokeys 33:94, 2018. References: Ferisin and Melzer (2019, “2018”), Yan and Bau (2018). Mat. exam.: Slovenia, Nova Gorica, 28.VII.2018, G. Ferisin (AM1934, AM1936); 4.VIII.2018, G. Ferisin (AM1940); 5.VIII.2018, G. Ferisin (AM1939); 11.VIII.2018, G. Ferisin (AN1935).

Candolleomyces sulcatotuberculosis (J. Favre) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. & stat. nov. MB 832287**

Basionym: *Psathyrella typhae* var. *sulcatotuberosa* J. Favre, Beitr Kryptfl Schweiz 10(3):215, 1948. References: Battistin et al. (2014), Einhellinger (1976), Ferisin and Melzer (2019, “2018”). Mat. exam.: Germany: Baden-Württemberg, Heidelberg, 1.VII.2012, M. Rave (AM1575). Slovenia: Nova Gorica, 5.VIII.2018, G. Ferisin (AM1937); 16.VIII.2018, G. Ferisin (AM1933, AM1938).

Candolleomyces trinitatensis (R.E.D. Baker & W.T. Dale) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832283**

Basionym: *Psathyrella trinitatensis* R.E.D. Baker and W.T. Dale, Mycol Pap 33:93, 1951. References: Baker and Dale (1951), Pegler (1983).

Candolleomyces tuberculatus (Pat.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832284**

Basionym: *Hypholoma tuberculatum* Pat., Bull Soc mycol Fr 15:196, 1899. References: Morgan (1908, as *Stropharia tuberculata* (Pat.) Morgan), Pegler (1983), Smith (1972).

Candolleomyces typhae (Kalchbr.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832285**

Basionym: *Agaricus typhae* Kalchbr., Mathem Természettud Közlem 2:160, 1863. References: Aronsen (1993), Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1995), Christan et al. (2017), Consiglio (2000), Enderle (1989), Kits van Waveren (1985), Kotlaba (1952), Kreisel (1961), Ludwig (2007). Mat. exam.: Germany: Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Blankenburg, 11.VII.2009, T. Richter (AM1268); Roduchelstorf, 28.VI.2009, T. Richter (AM1269). Nordrhein-Westfalen, Düsseldorf, 1.VI.2006, K. Büchler (AM791).

Candolleomyces caespitosus (Murrill) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832286**

Basionym: *Stropharia caespitosa* Murrill, Mycologia 10(2):71, 1918. References: Baker and Dale (1951), Pegler (1983), Pegler (1987), Smith (1972).

Genus *Hausknechtia* Wächter & A. Melzer, **gen. nov. MB 831465** (Fig. 84)

Etymology: Named after the Austrian mycologist Anton Hausknecht.

Description: Basidiomata small, terrestrial on sandy soil. Lamellae deliquescent. Young pileus strikingly sulcate, the margin splitting radially. Pileipellis a hymeniderm. Veil distinct but fugacious, consisting of subcylindrical, branched hyphae. Spores medium-sized, subcylindrical, pale, germ pore absent. Basidia 4-spored. Pleuro- and cheilocystidia absent. Clamps present.

Type species: *Hausknechtia floriformis* (Hauskn.) Wächter & A. Melzer (Fig. 80).

Representative:

Galerella floriformis Hauskn.; Ref.v.: WU22833 (Tóth et al. 2013)

New combination:

Hausknechtia floriformis (Hauskn.) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831956**

Basionym: *Galerella floriformis* Hauskn., Österr Z Pilzk 12:34, 2003. References: Hausknecht and Contu (2003).

Olotia Wächter & A. Melzer, **gen. nov. MB 831466** (Fig. 84)

Etymology: Named after the city Olot (Spain), the type locality of the type species.

Description: Basidiomata small, lignicolous. Veil sparse. Spores medium-sized, ellipsoid to slightly ovoid in frontal view, dark, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge predominantly lageniform or clavate. Pleurocystidia mostly spatula-shaped and strongly pediculated,

walls often slightly thickened and brownish pigmented. Clamps present. Figure 81 illustrates the microcharacters.

Type species: *Olotia codinae* (Deschuyteneer, A. Melzer, Pérez-De-Gregorio) Wächter & A. Melzer.

Representative:

Psathyrella codinae Deschuyteneer, A. Melzer, Pérez-De-Gregorio; Ref.v.: GLM-F112430/type (Deschuyteneer et al. 2018).

New combination:

Olotia codinae (Deschuyteneer, A. Melzer, Pérez-De-Gregorio) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 832424**

Basionym: *Psathyrella codinae* Deschuyteneer, A. Melzer, Pérez-De-Gregorio, Bulletin de l'Association des Mycologues francophones de Belgique 11:6, 2018. Reference: Deschuyteneer & al. (2018). Mat. exam.: Spain, Catalonia, Olot, 06.V.2017, leg. Miquel À. Pérez-De-Gregorio (holotype, GLM-F112430).

Remarks:

So far, only a single species is known. A colour photograph is shown in Deschuyteneer et al. (2018) on page 4.

Punjabia Wächter & A. Melzer, **gen. nov. MB 831468** (Fig. 84)

Etymology: Named after the Pakistani province of Punjab with the type locality.

Description: Basidiomata medium-sized, terrestrial. Pileus strongly plicate, with greenish tones, “light yellow green, greyish-greenish-yellow” (Hussain et al. 2018). Veil sparse, composed of subglobose and globose cells with slightly thickened walls. Spores medium-sized, broadly ellipsoid to slightly ovoid in frontal view, dark, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge subcylindrical, utriform, with some crystals at the apex. Pleurocystidia absent. Pileocystidia present. Clamps present.



Fig. 80 *Hausknechtia floriformis*, holotype, coll. Hausknecht; Photograph: A. Hausknecht

Type species: *Punjabia pakistanica* (Usman & Khalid) Wächter & A. Melzer. See Fig. 82.

Representative:

Coprinellus pakistanicus Usman & Khalid; Ref.v.: MEL 2382843A in accordance with LAH35322 (Hussain et al. 2018)

New combination:

Punjabia pakistanica (Usman & Khalid) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831957**

Basionym: *Coprinellus pakistanicus* Usman & Khalid, Mycokeys 39:53, 2018. Reference: Hussain et al. (2018).

Remarks:

Distinctly greenish hues are very rare in the family, so far only known in *Candolleomyces tuberculatus* (Pat.) Wächter & A. Melzer, *Psathyrella glaucescens* Dennis (both with a greenish pileus), and *Coprinopsis piepenbroekorum* (Uljé & Bas) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo (greenish veil).

In Hussain et al. (2018), the drawing (Fig. 6d) shows subcylindrical and utriform cheilocystidia, although lageniform cystidia are mentioned in the description. Perhaps there is an error in the study of Hussain et al. (2018); the authors in the present paper gave priority to the drawing (Fig. 6d).

Cystoagaricus Singer emend. Örstadius & E. Larss. (Fig. 84).

Sequences exist for the following recognized species: *Cystoagaricus hirtosquamulosus* (Peck) Örstadius & E. Larss., *C. olivaceo-griseus* (A.H. Sm.) Örstadius & E. Larss., *C. squarrosiceps* (Singer) Örstadius & E. Larss. and *C. strobilomyces* (Murrill) Singer. *Psathyrella lepidotoides* A.H. Sm. and *P. populina* Britzelm. undoubtedly belong to

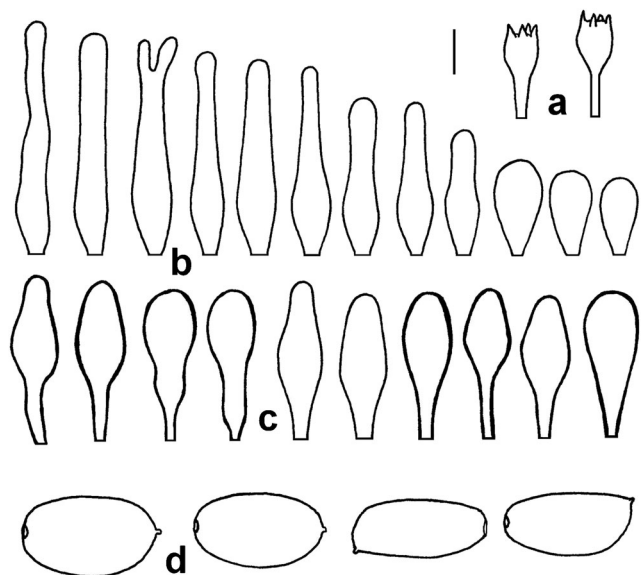


Fig. 81 Microcharacters of *Olotia codinae*, holotype. **a** Basidia; **b** cheilocystidia; **c** pleurocystidia; **d** spores; scale bar 5 µm (spores), 10 µm (other); Drawing: A. Melzer

Cystoagaricus. On one hand, these are certainly different species, but on the other hand they are not newer synonyms of *Hypholoma sylvestre* Gillet. The name *Cystoagaricus sylvestris* Örstadius & E. Larss. is not applicable. A detailed study of *Cystoagaricus* is in progress (Muñoz in prep.).

***Typhrasa* Örstadius & E. Larss. (Fig. 84)**

Currently two species are known: *Typhrasa gossypina* (Bull.) Örstadius & E. Larss. and *T. nanispora* Örstadius, Hauskn. & E. Larss. Whether *Psathyrella delineata* (Peck) A.H. Sm. represents an independent species is not clear yet.

***Kauffmania* Örstadius & E. Larss. (Fig. 84)**

The genus currently only includes *Kauffmania larga* (Kauffman) Örstadius & E. Larss (Fig. 83).

***Coprinopsis* P. Karst.**

Overview

Twenty sections of genus *Coprinopsis* were possible to identify with the currently available sequences data and morphological features. The 360° radial consensus phylogram in Fig. 85 clearly shows their divergence and further that the sections *Quartoconatae* to *Subniveae* form a distinct basal group within the genus *Coprinopsis*.

The radial cladogram in Fig. 86 illustrates the numbers and the relationships of the taxa in the proposed sections.

Figure 87 shows an overview phylogram collapsed to section level and serves above all for further orientation; the red brackets refer to the detailed phylograms.

As all others before, Fig. 85, Fig. 86 and Fig. 87 are partial cuts from the complete main phylogram (see Fig. 42).

***Coprinopsis* sect. *Coprinopsis* (Fig. 88)**

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, fimicolous, terrestrial, herbiolous or lignicolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil strongly developed, consisting of chains of diverticulate, thin or thick-walled colourless to brownish pigmented more or less coralloid cells. Spores medium to

large-sized, in frontal view ellipsoid, ovoid, subtriangular or subglobose, laterally sometimes distinctly flattened. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge utriform, clavate, fusiform. Pleurocystidia utriform, subcylindrical, clavate, fusiform, sometimes mucronate. Clamps present in most cases.

Representatives:

Coprinopsis alcobae (A. Ortega) Valade; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0767 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinopsis argentea (P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1678 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinopsis episcopalis (P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: F-062,769 (Gonzalez del Val et al. 2003)

Coprinopsis gonophylla (Quél.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: ST-R-9 (Li et al. 2016)

Coprinopsis kubickae (Pilát & Svrček) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: CID1342 (Shipunov et al. 2008)

Coprinopsis phaeopunctata (Esteve-Rav. & A. Ortega) Valade; Ref.v.: AH 18881/type (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinopsis pseudofriesii (Pilát & Svrček) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-2631 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinopsis sclerotiorum (Horvers & de Cock) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0564 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinopsis spilospora (Romagn.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: LO 73-97 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinopsis urticicola (Berk. & Broome) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0170 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinopsis vermiculifera (Joss. ex Dennis) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: CBS132.46 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinus subdomesticus Murill; Ref.v.: Murrill459/type (Nagy et al. 2012)

Remarks:

The section includes the type of the genus designated by Earle (1909:384): *Coprinopsis friesii* (Quél.) P. Karst., Acta



Fig. 82 *Punjabia pakistanicus*, holotype; Photographs: M. Usman



Fig. 83 *Kauffmania larga*, coll. Lamoureux CMMF3725 and CMMF1873; Photograph: Y. Lamoureux

Soc Fauna Flora fenn 2(1):27, 1881. For this reason, the hitherto used name *Alachuani* Singer is to be rejected.

There was no usable sequence of *C. friesii* (only voucher SZMC-NL-0565 without ITS). Therefore, the voucher Germany: Saxony, Kyhna, 24.VI.2007, A. Melzer (AM954) was examined and the sequence deposited at GenBank as MK072829.1. The phylogenetic position is near M200T-4-EM2, but with a clear distance, so that these are not identical species. After completion of the phylogram, the sequence MH422562.1 of *Coprinopsis kubickae* (voucher CNF 1/6614, Tkalcec et al. unpubl.) was available. A comparison showed the identity with CID1342, and therefore this species unquestionably belongs to the section *Coprinopsis*.

The following species are most likely to be included here; however, the legitimacy of the status of an independent species should be checked using molecular biological methods:

Coprinopsis austrofriesii (Redhead & Pegler) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo. References: Dennis (1961, as *Coprinus friesii*), Redhead and Traquair (1981)

Coprinopsis burkii (A.H. Sm.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo. References: Smith and Hesler (1946)

Coprinopsis herinkii (Pilát & Svrček) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo. References: Pilát and Svrček (1967), Uljé and Noordeloos (1997)

Coprinopsis phaeospora (P. Karst.) P. Karst. References: Aronsen (1993), Gierczyk et al. (2011), Ludwig (2007), Pilát and Svrček (1967), Reid (1958, as *Coprinus saichiae* D.A.

Reid), Uljé and Noordeloos (1997), Vila and Rocabrana (1996), Watling (1967, as *Coprinus saichiae*)

Coprinopsis subtigrinella (Dennis) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo. References: Dennis (1961);

Coprinopsis tigrinella (Boud.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo. References: Aronsen (1993), Gierczyk et al. (2011), Krieglsteiner and Gminder (2010), Krieglsteiner et al. (1982), Mifsud (2017), Nagy (2007), Uljé and Noordeloos (1997)

Coprinopsis xantholepis (P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo. References: Krisai-Greilhuber (1992), Orton (1972), Uljé and Noordeloos (1997), Ruiz Mateo (2013)

Compared to other sections of *Coprinopsis*, the sequences in this section show much higher divergency, namely with longest path length = 0.24 expected changes/site rather than 0.03–0.12 expected changes/site on average. This explains why apparently closely adjacent taxa have distinctly different morphological features. Therefore, the scale bar of the phylogram must be observed. See collapsed triangle phylogram of section *Coprinopsis* Fig. 87 for this as well.

New combination:

Coprinopsis subdomestica (Murill) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov. MB 831728**

Basionym: *Coprinus subdomesticus* Murill, Proceedings of the Florida Academy of Sciences 7 (2/3):126, 1945. References: Murill (1945).

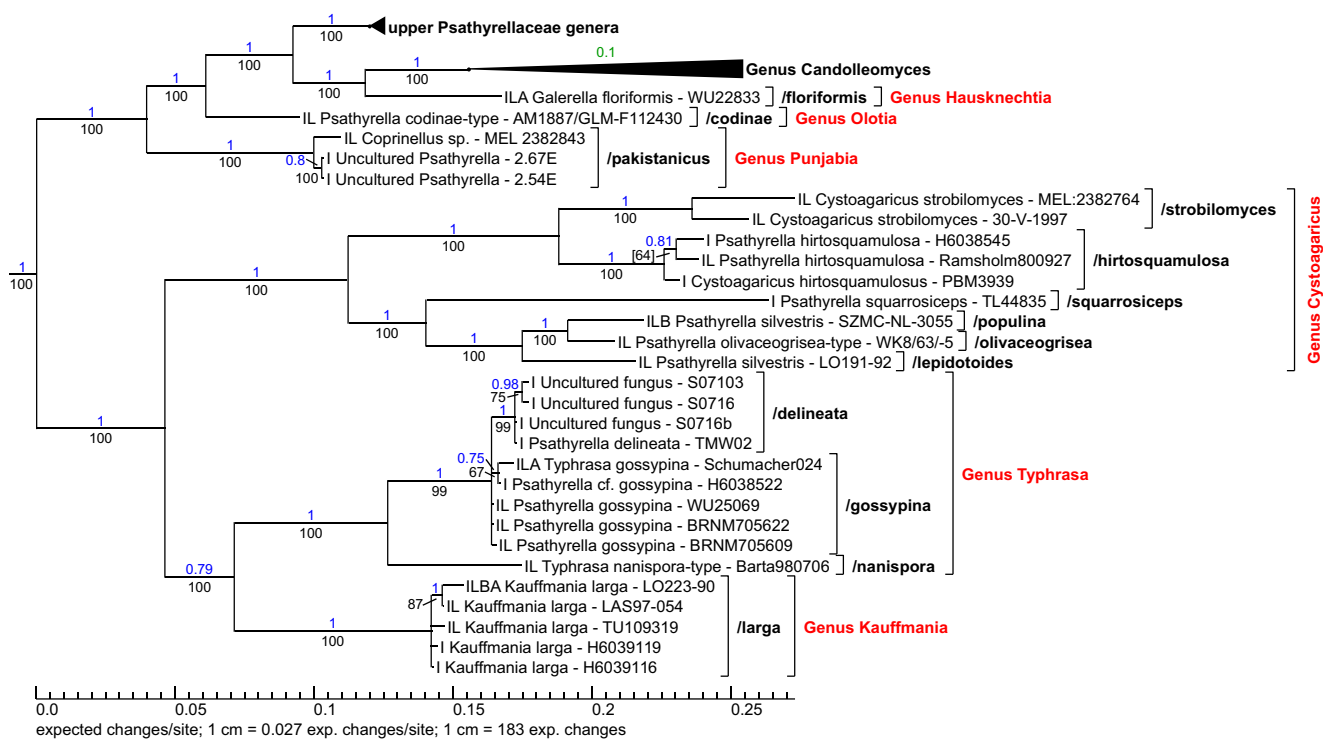


Fig. 84 Phylogram part of the genera *Hausknechtia*, *Olotia*, *Punjabia*, *Cystoagaricus*, *Typhrasa* and *Kauffmania*; position in tree see Fig. 42

Coprinopsis sect. *Cinereae* Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 831473 (Fig. 89)

Description: Basidiomata medium to large-sized, gregarious to caespitose, fimicolous or lignicolous, never terrestrial, stipe often with a pseudorrhiza. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil distinct, consisting of chains of more or less hyaline, subcylindrical, not diverticulate cells. Spores large-sized, ellipsoid to slightly ovoid in frontal view, smooth or warty, with a truncate central germ pore often surrounded by a ridge. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge globose, ellipsoid, sometimes mixed with utriform cheilocystidia. Pleurocystidia, subglobose, ellipsoid, subcylindrical, utriform or lageniform. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinopsis cinerea* (Schaeff.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, Taxon 50(1):227, 2001.

Representatives:

Coprinopsis afrocinerea Mešić, Tkalčec, Čerkez, I. Kušan & Matočec; Ref.v.: CNF 1/5838 (Crous et al. 2018)

Coprinopsis annulopora (Enderle) P. Specht & H. Schubert; Ref.v.: Enderle 30.71987 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis calospora (Bas & Uljé) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: Bas 8795a/type (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis cinerea (Schaeff.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1266 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis neocinerea nom. prov.; Ref.v.: CBM-FB39575 (Nguyen et al. unpubl.)

Remarks:

In addition to *Coprinopsis* “*neocinerea*”, the section most likely contains more undescribed species. Morphological details are not available; the collections are from India, Puerto Rico and New Mexico and were examined in the context of specific ecological questions, which do not take into account the morphology. The ecology is partly remarkable; see Porrás-Alfaro et al. (2008) and Cantrell et al. (2013).

The name *Tomentosi* Fr. is not applicable beyond doubt. Fries (1838:245) characterized *Coprinus Tribus Pelliculosi* * 4. *Tomentosi* Fr. as follows: “*Tomentosi, pileo squamulis floccosis discretis villosae laxo secedentibus primo velato. Annulus 0! Subfimicolae*”. The type, unique by the choice of the name, is *Coprinus tomentosus* (Bull.) Fr. However,

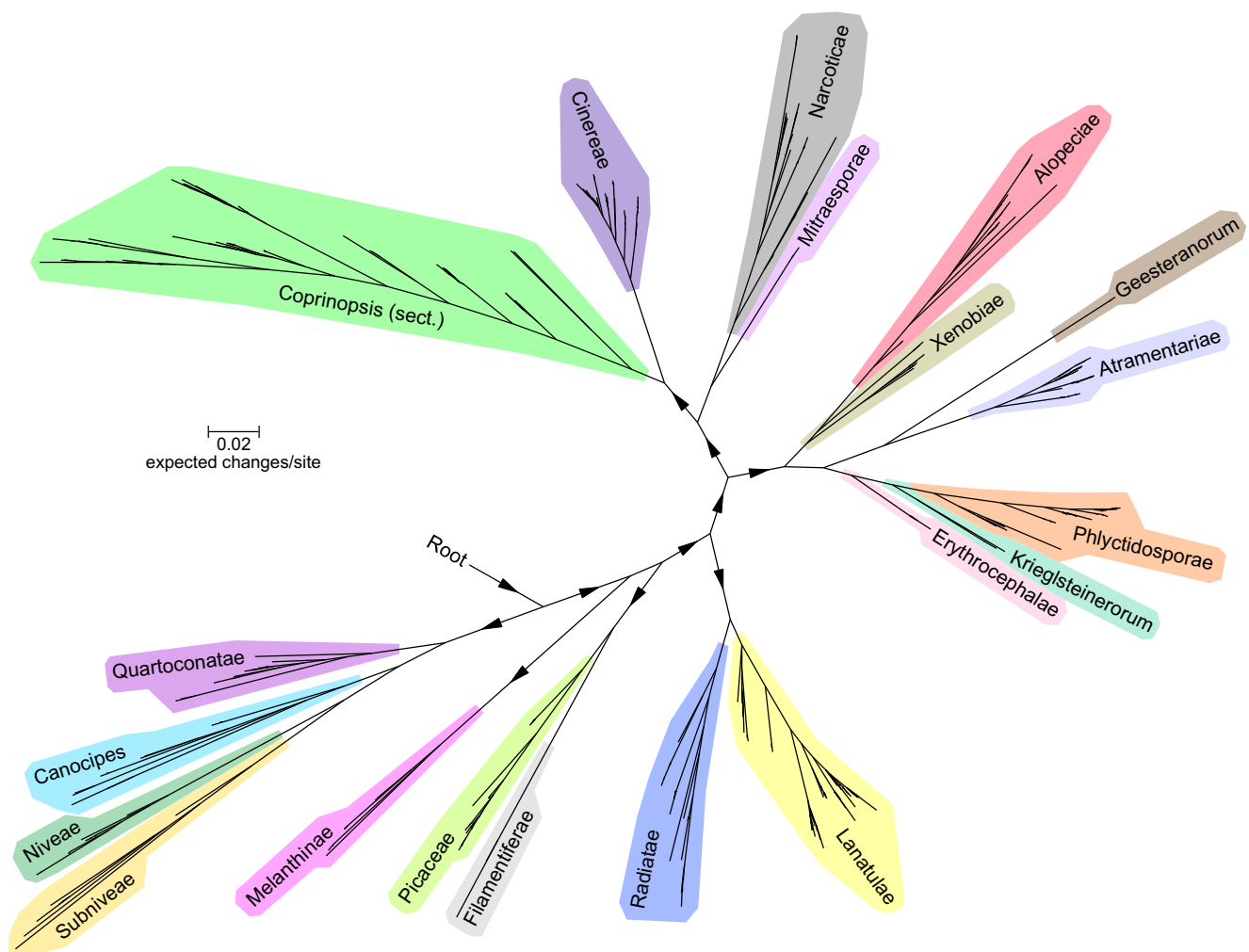


Fig. 85 360° radial consensus phylogram of genus *Coprinopsis* with its 20 newly proposed sections

Bulliard (1783: Plate 138) wrote about *Agaricus tomentosus* Bull. “... dans le bois, les jardins. Il ne vient qu’en bonne terre, sur du terreau ou sur de vieilles couches”, so the designated location is not entirely fimicolous. Plate 138 is more likely to be interpreted as *Coprinopsis lagopus* (Fr.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo. This note is also given by Redhead et al. (2001). Pennington (1918:214) describes his section *Tomentosi* with the words “Universal veil a loose villose web which becomes torn into distinct floccose scales”. This concurs with Fries (1838) and leaves no doubt that Pennington refers to Fries (1838). The first of the following species is *Coprinus fimetarius* Fr. (\equiv *Coprinopsis cinerea*), but section *Tomentosi* is not explicitly typified. In addition, there are doubts about

Pennington’s identification, because he mentioned a yellowish ozonium, but no pseudorrhiza. Also not applicable is *Lentispora* Fayod, Ann Sci Nat Bot 9:379, 1889. The description alone is problematic: “Spores lenticulaires, rarement aplaties légèrement sur les côtés”. *Lentispora* Fayod, Ann Sci Nat Bot 9:379, 1889 is also not applicable. The description of this genus alone is problematic: “Spores lenticulaires, rarement aplaties légèrement sur les côtés”. The type of this genus, *Coprinus tomentosus* was designated by Earle (1909:435), so it remains an unclear species (see above).

For these reasons, the authors of the present study decided to create a new section with a separate type for the clade shown in Fig. 89.

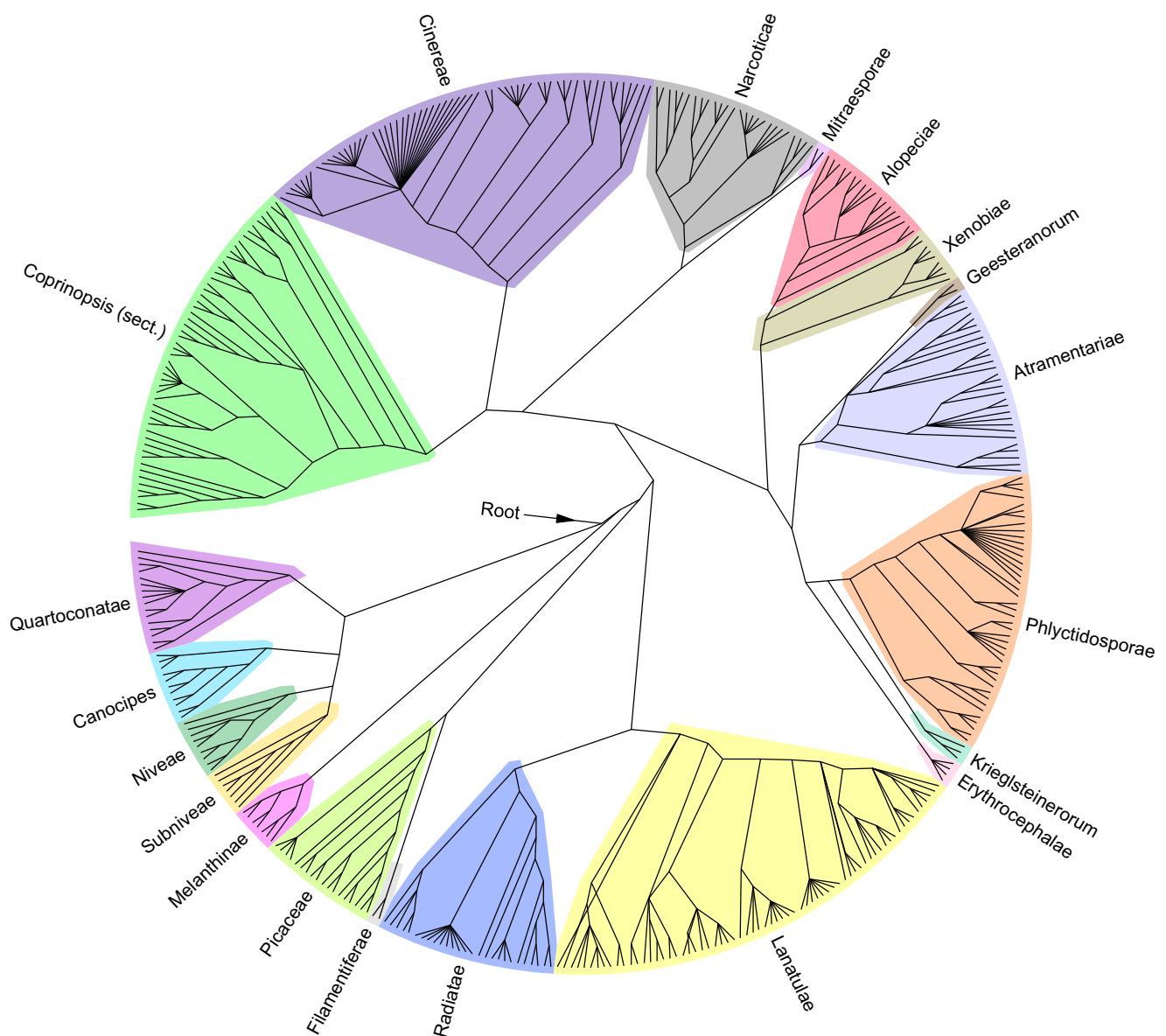


Fig. 86 Radial cladogram of the genus *Coprinopsis* with the 20 sections

Note the anamorph of *Coprinopsis cinerea* is *Hormographiella aspergillata* (see Table 6 and Fig. 89).

Coprinopsis* sect. *Narcoticae (Uljé & Noordel.) D.J. Schaf., Field Mycology 11(2):51, 2010 (Fig. 90)

Description: Basidiomata tiny to medium-sized, terrestrial, lignicolous or fimicolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Some species with an unpleasant odour. Veil strongly developed, predominantly consisting of globose, mostly hyaline, thin-walled or slightly thick-walled, densely warty cells, connected by thin, often also warty and diverticulate hyphae; the globose elements are rarely directly connected. Spores small to large-sized, ellipsoid in frontal view, always with a more or less distinct perispodium and a central germ pore. Basidia 4-, 2-, rarely 3-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge consisting of subglobose cells and utriform, fusiform or lageniform cheilocystidia. Pleurocystidia always present, shaped like the cheilocystidia, usually slightly larger. Clamps present or absent.

Type species: *Coprinus narcoticus* (Batsch) Fr., Epicr Syst Mycol:250, 1838 ≡ *Coprinopsis narcotica*

(Batsch) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, Taxon 50(1):229, 2001, designated by Uljé and Noordeloos (1993:262).

Representatives:

Coprinopsis foetidella (P.D. Orton) A. Ruiz, G. Muñoz; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-3187 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinopsis laanii (Kits van Wav.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: CBS476.70 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinopsis narcotica (Batsch) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-2342 (Nagy, Urban et al. 2010)

Coprinopsis sclerotiger (Watling) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: CBS596.80 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinopsis semitalis (P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: CBS291.77/type (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinopsis stercorea (Fr.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SFSU DEH2074A (Keirle et al. 2004)

Remarks:

The clade /trisporea could be named by comparison with the voucher Germany: Bavaria, Waldershof, 22.VII.2018, M. Reul (MR180722). For this reason,

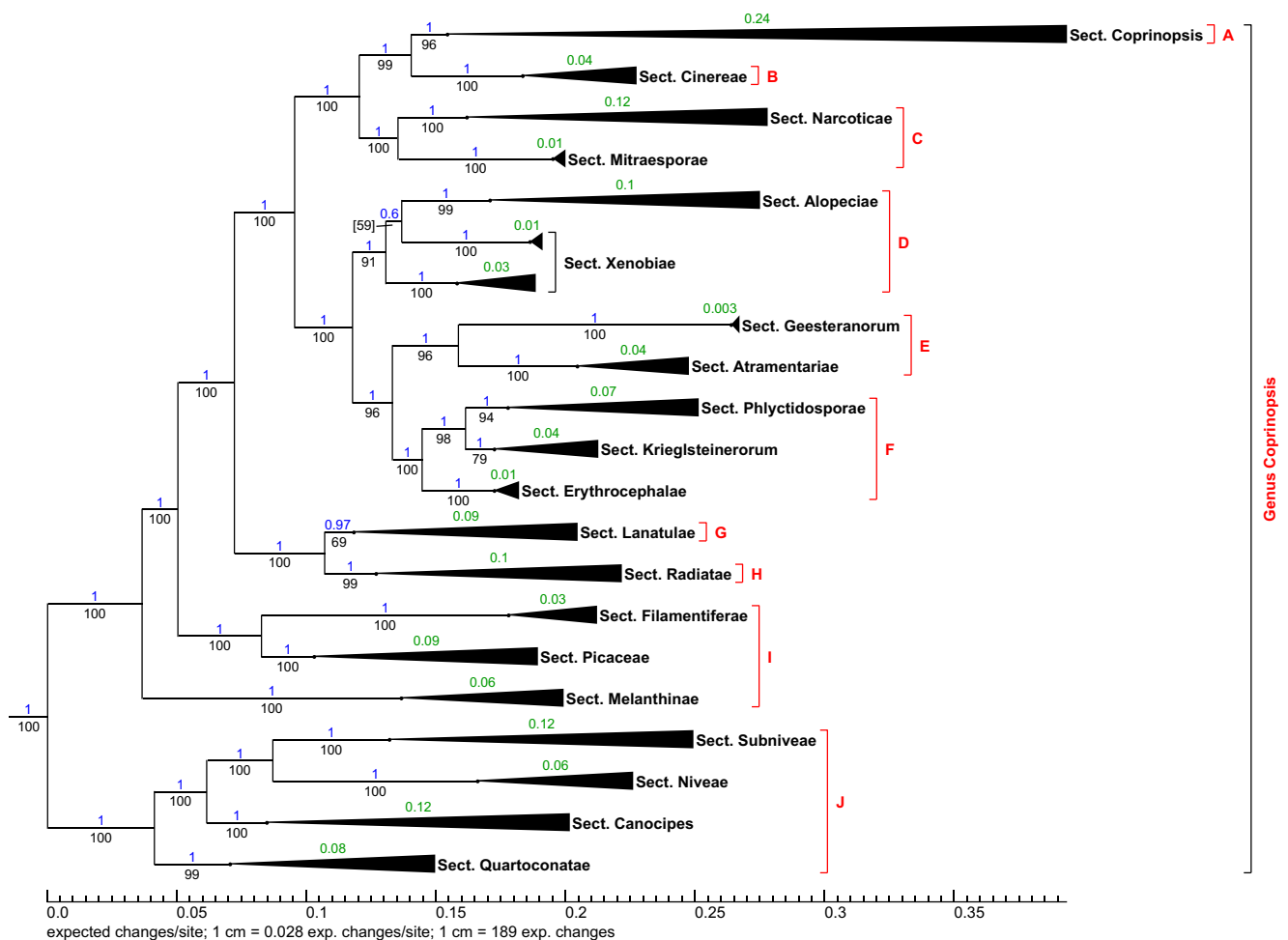


Fig. 87 Partial view of Genus *Coprinopsis* from the total phylogram, collapsed to section level; position in tree see Fig. 42 Red brackets are references to detailed phylograms: A = Fig. 88; B = Fig. 89; C = Fig. 90; D = Fig. 91; E = Fig. 92; F = Fig. 93; G = Fig. 94; H = Fig. 97; I = Fig. 98; J = Fig. 99

Coprinopsis trispora (Kemp & Watling) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo also belongs in this section. The sequences of this voucher are deposited at GenBank as: ITS: MN227299.1; LSU: MN227300.1.

The following species certainly belong here, too:

Coprinopsis cinereofloccosa (P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo. References: Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1995), Gieryk et al. (2014), Kits van Waveren (1968), Ludwig (2007) Orton (1972), Ruiz Mateo and Cerdán (2016)

Coprinopsis martinii (P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo. References: Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1995), Kits van Waveren (1968), Krieglsteiner and Gminder (2010), Krieglsteiner et al. (1982), Ludwig (2007), Ruiz Mateo and Cerdán (2016), Watling (1967)

Coprinopsis radicans (Romagn.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo. References: Kits van Waveren (1968), La Chiusa and Mauri (1996), Ludwig (2007), Romagnesi (1951)

Coprinopsis saccharomyces (P.D. Orton) P. Roux & Guy Garcia. References: Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1994, 1995), Ludwig (2007), Orton (1960)

Coprinopsis tuberosa (Qué.) Doveri, Granito & Lunghini. References: Breitenbach and Kränzlin (1995), Cacialli et al. (1999), Iglesias et al. (2015), Krieglsteiner et al. (1982), Krieglsteiner and Gminder (2010), Ludwig (2007), Melzer (2009b), Vila and Rocabrana (1996)

This section also includes *C. poliommalla* (Romagn.) Doveri, Granito & Lunghini. However, the voucher SZMC-NL-2336 is not useful for a positioning, because the ITS (FM163182.1) is exactly the same as that of the

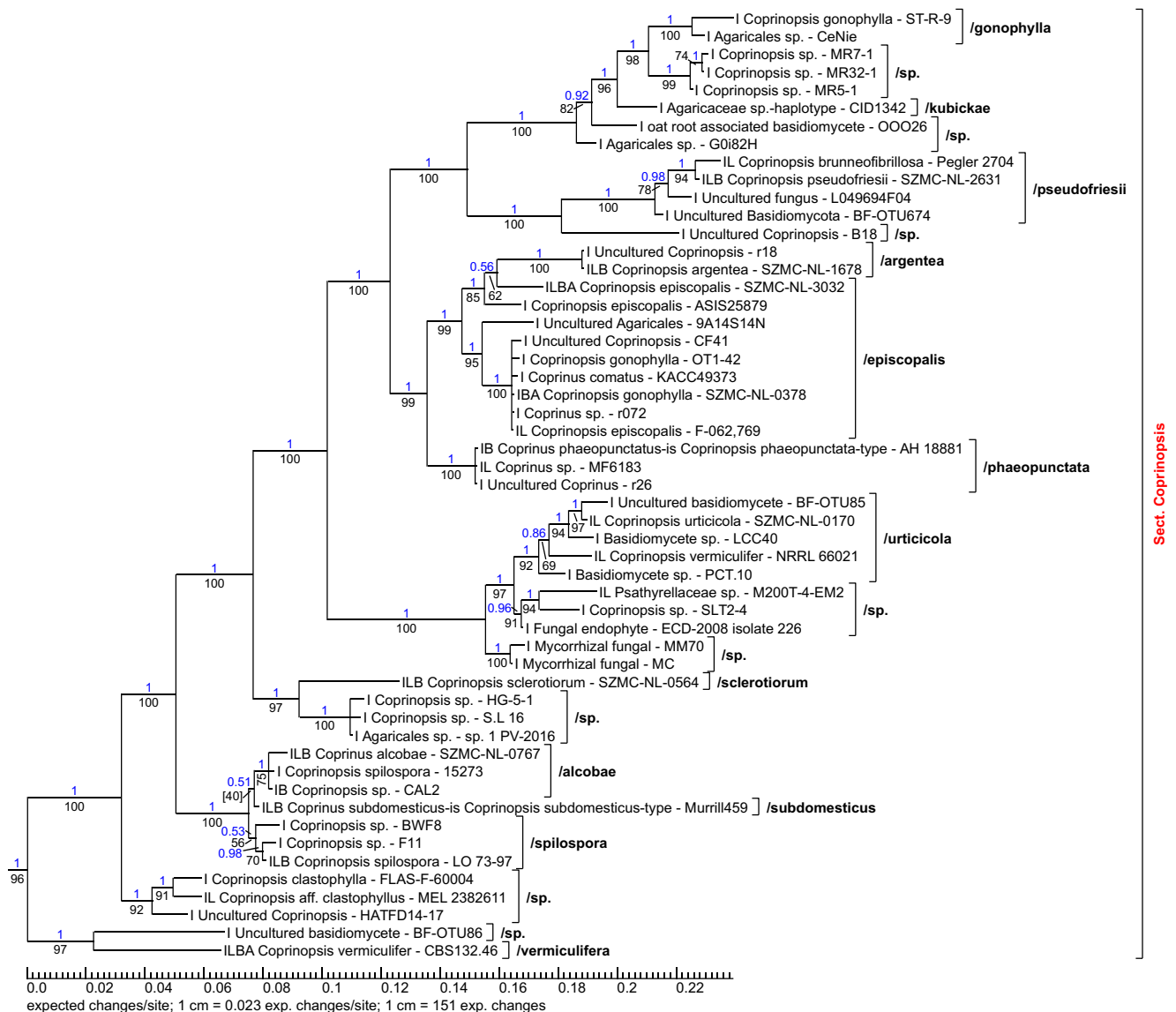


Fig. 88 Phylogram part of the section *Coprinopsis*; position in tree see Fig. 87

voucher SZMC-NL-2336 of *C. bellula* (Uljé) P. Roux & Eyssartier (FM163176.1). This is not possible; there is probably a mistake or a typographical error. For the set FM163182.1, FM160727.1, FN396275.1, FM897244.1 (Nagy et al. 2011), only the LSU sequence is correct. To clarify this question, voucher Germany: Nordrhein-Westfalen, Brüggen, 19.XII.2015, H. Bender (HB20151219A) was examined. The ITS sequence allows an assignment in the neighbourhood of *C. foetidella*. The morphology differs from the other members of the section: the veil does not consist of

densely warty subglobose cells, but of strongly encrusted cells; furthermore, the spores have no perisporium. It is possible that the clade /foetidella forms a separate section. For a concrete assessment, further species must be found. The sequences of the voucher HB20151219A are deposited at GenBank as MK072612.1 (ITS) and MK072613.1 (LSU).

Whether *C. clastophylla* (Maniotis) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo is an independent species or an aberrant form of *C. sclerotiger* has to be left unclear. According to the description of Maniotis (1964), the species does not belong in the

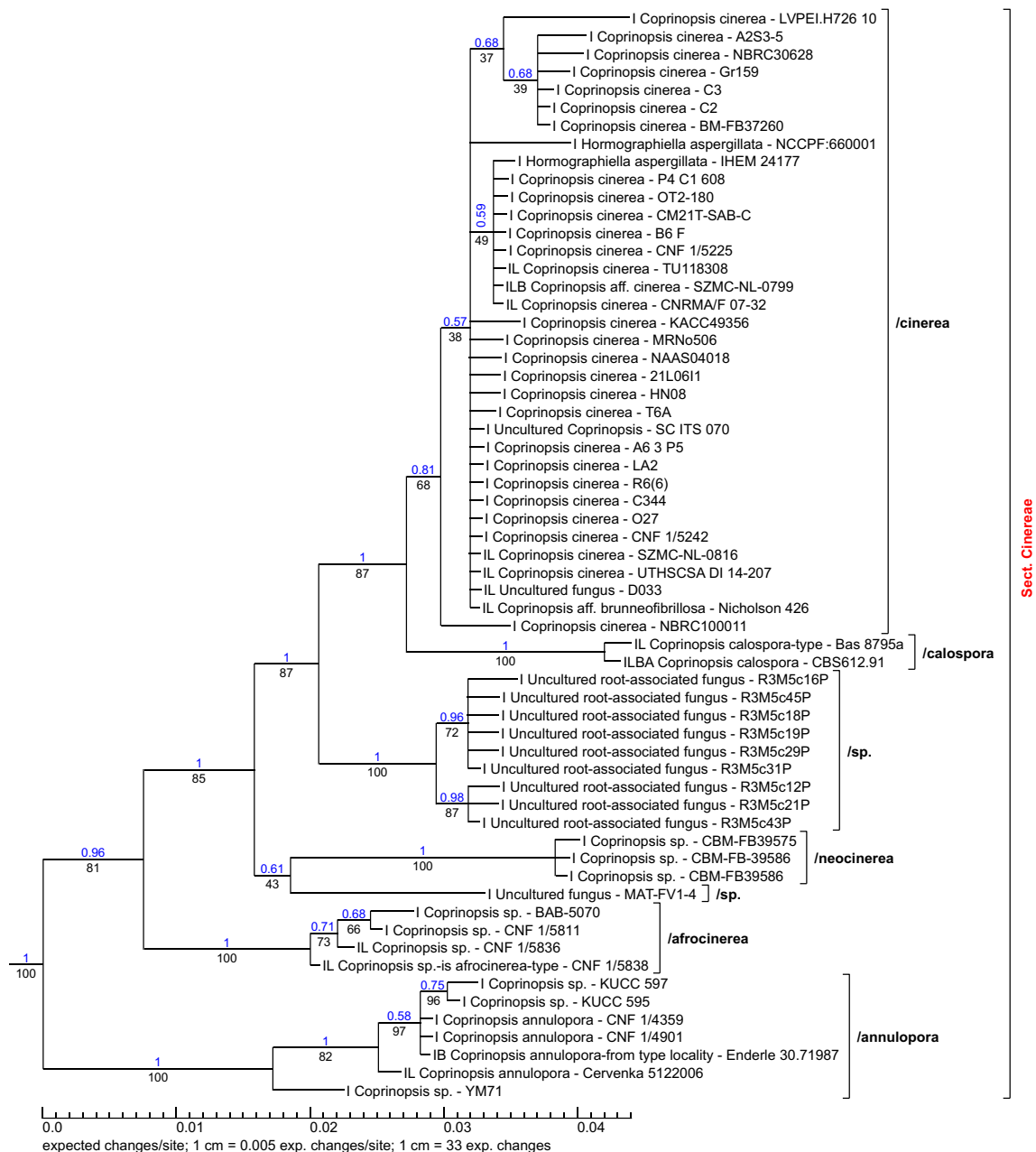


Fig. 89 Phylogram part of the section *Cinereae*; position in tree see Fig. 87

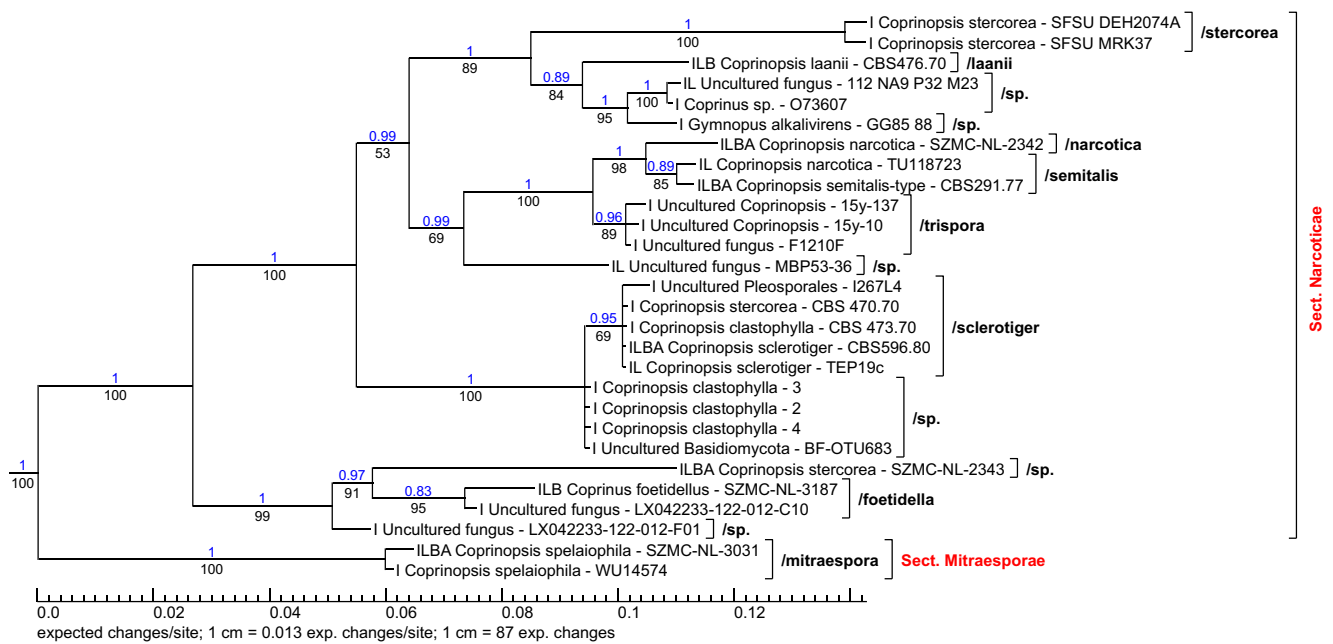


Fig. 90 Phylogram part of the sections *Narcoticae* and *Mitraesporae*; position in tree see Fig. 87

section *Narcotici*, because the typical veil is missing and the spores are without a perisporium.

Coprinopsis* sect. *Mitraesporae Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov. MB 831474** (Fig. 90)

Description: Basidiomata rather large-sized, lignicolous, with a preference for tree caves. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil strongly developed, consisting of chains of subcylindrical, hyaline or brownish pigmented cells. Spores medium-sized, fusiform to rhomboid in frontal view, laterally somewhat flattened, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of

the lamellar edge utriform and clavate. Pleurocystidia subglobose, ellipsoid, subcylindrical, utriform. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinopsis mitraespora* (Bohus) L. Nagy, Vágvölgyi & Papp, *Mycologia* 105(1):120, 2013.

Representative:

Coprinopsis mitraespora (Bohus) L. Nagy, Vágvölgyi & Papp; Ref.v.: WU14574 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Remarks:

This section forms the basal group of the section *Narcoticae*, with strongly divergent morphology. The

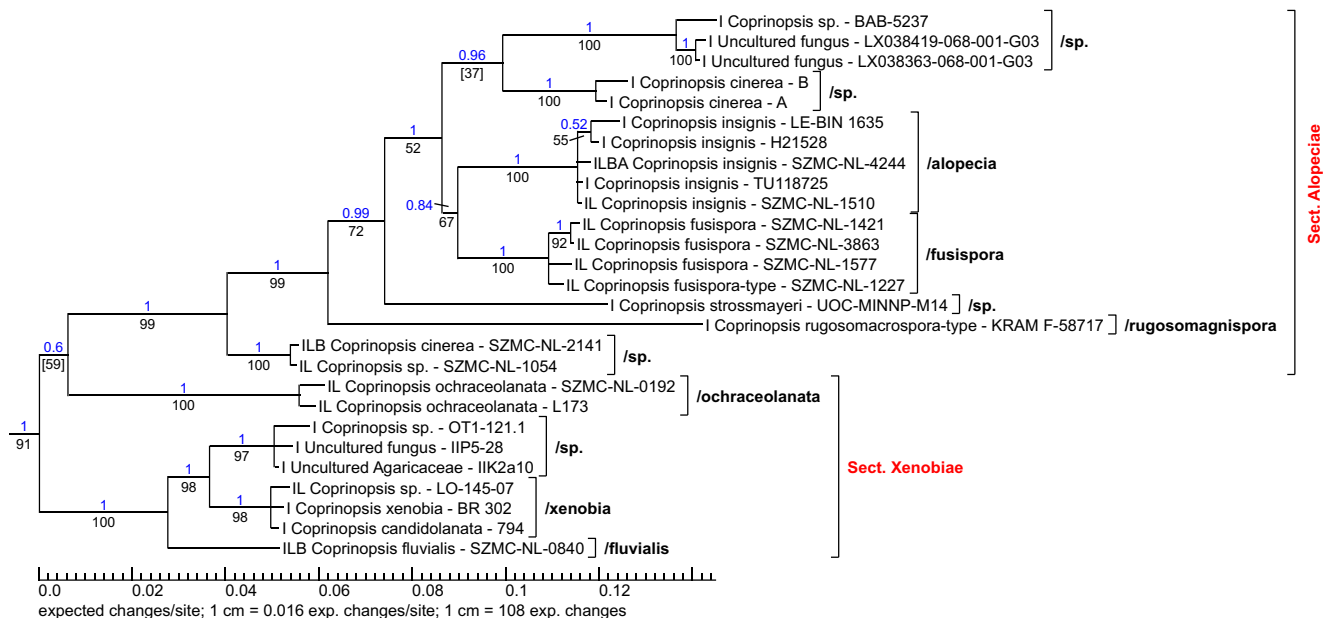


Fig. 91 Phylogram part of the sections *Alopeciae* and *Xenobiae*; position in tree see Fig. 87

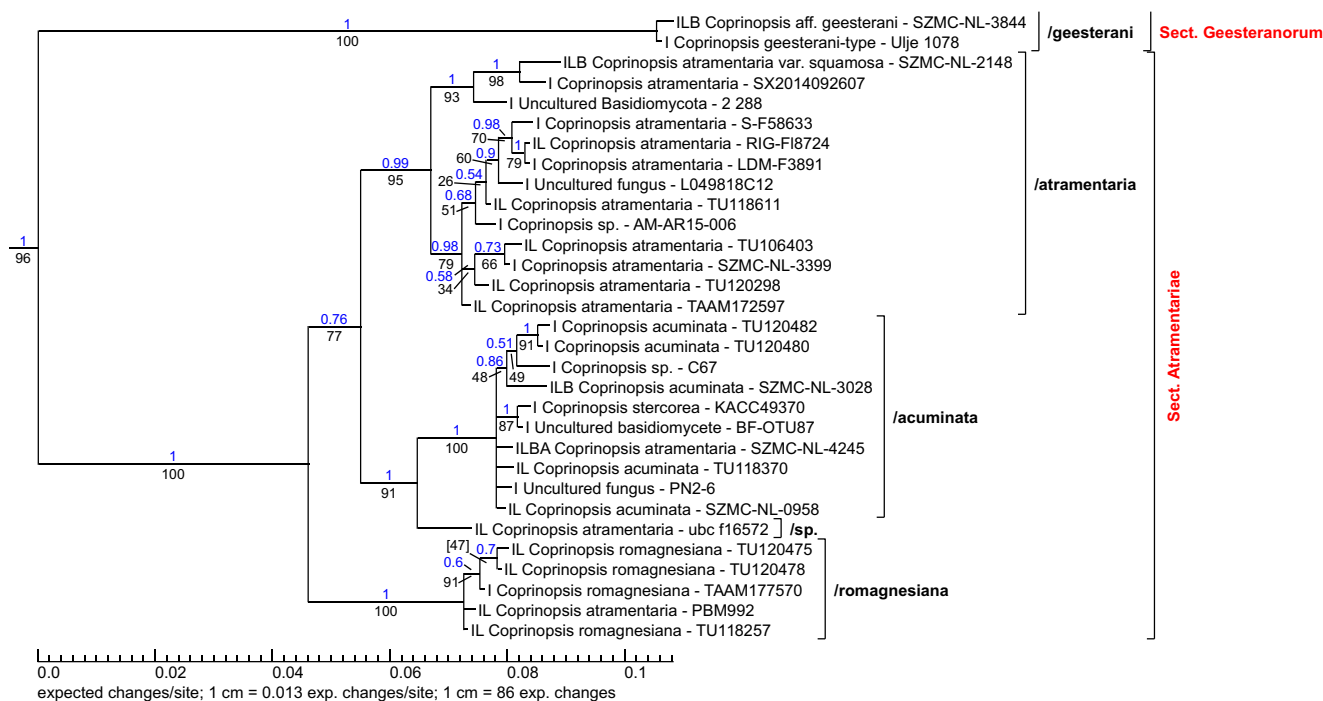


Fig. 92 Phylogram part of the sections *Geesteranorum* and *Atramentariae*; position in tree see Fig. 87

habit is completely different, the spores have no perisporium and a different shape and the veil is differently structured.

The priority of *Coprinus mitraesporus* Bohus before *Coprinus spelaiophilus* Bas & Ulje (\equiv *Coprinopsis spelaiophila* (Bas & Uljé) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo) is conclusively proven in Nagy et al. (2013).

Coprinopsis* sect. *Alopeciae Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov. MB 831475** (Fig. 91)

Description: Basidiomata small to rather large-sized, terrestrial or lignicolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil moderately to vigorously developed, fugacious, consisting of chains of subcylindrical to subglobose, hyaline cells. Spores large-sized, warty or smooth, apically prolonged or conspicuously conical to limoniform, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge utriform, subcylindrical, clavate. Pleurocystidia absent or present, subcylindrical, utriform. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinopsis alopecia* (Lasch) La Chiusa & Boffelli, Index Fungorum 333:1, 2017.

Representatives:

Coprinopsis alopecia (Lasch) La Chiusa & Boffelli; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1510 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis fusispora L. Nagy, Vágvölgyi and Papp; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1227/type (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis rugosomagnispora Gierczyk, Pietras, Piatek, Gryc, Czerniawski & Rodriguez-Flakus; Ref.v.: KRAM F-58717/type (Gierczyk et al. 2017)

Remarks:

Morphological reasons include the vouchers SZMC-NL-2141 (FN396149.1, FN396190.1, FN396291) and SZMC-NL-1054 (JX118739, JX118813.1) in the section *Alopecie*. SZMC-NL-2141 was originally named *Coprinopsis cinerea*, but then recognized as *Coprinopsis fusispora* (Nagy et al. 2013). However, the phylogenetic position speaks against it. About SZMC-NL-1054 is noted in Nagy et al. (2013) “The species designated as *C. sp. 3* could not be separated from *C. fusispora* morphologically, whereas the phylogeny provides strong support for its status as a separate species”.

The conspecificity of *Coprinopsis alopecia* (\equiv *Coprinus alopecius* Lasch) and *Coprinopsis insignis* (Peck) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo (\equiv *Coprinus insignis* Peck) is not clarified beyond doubt; for the time being, the older name was preferred here.

Coprinopsis* sect. *Xenobiae Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov. MB 831476** (Fig. 91)

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, terrestrial or fimicolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil primarily composed of chains of branched, slightly diverticulate, hyaline to brownish, sometimes encrusted cells. Spores medium to large-sized. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge utriform, clavate, subcylindrical. Pleurocystidia utriform, ellipsoid. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinopsis xenobia* (P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, Taxon 50(1):232, 2001.

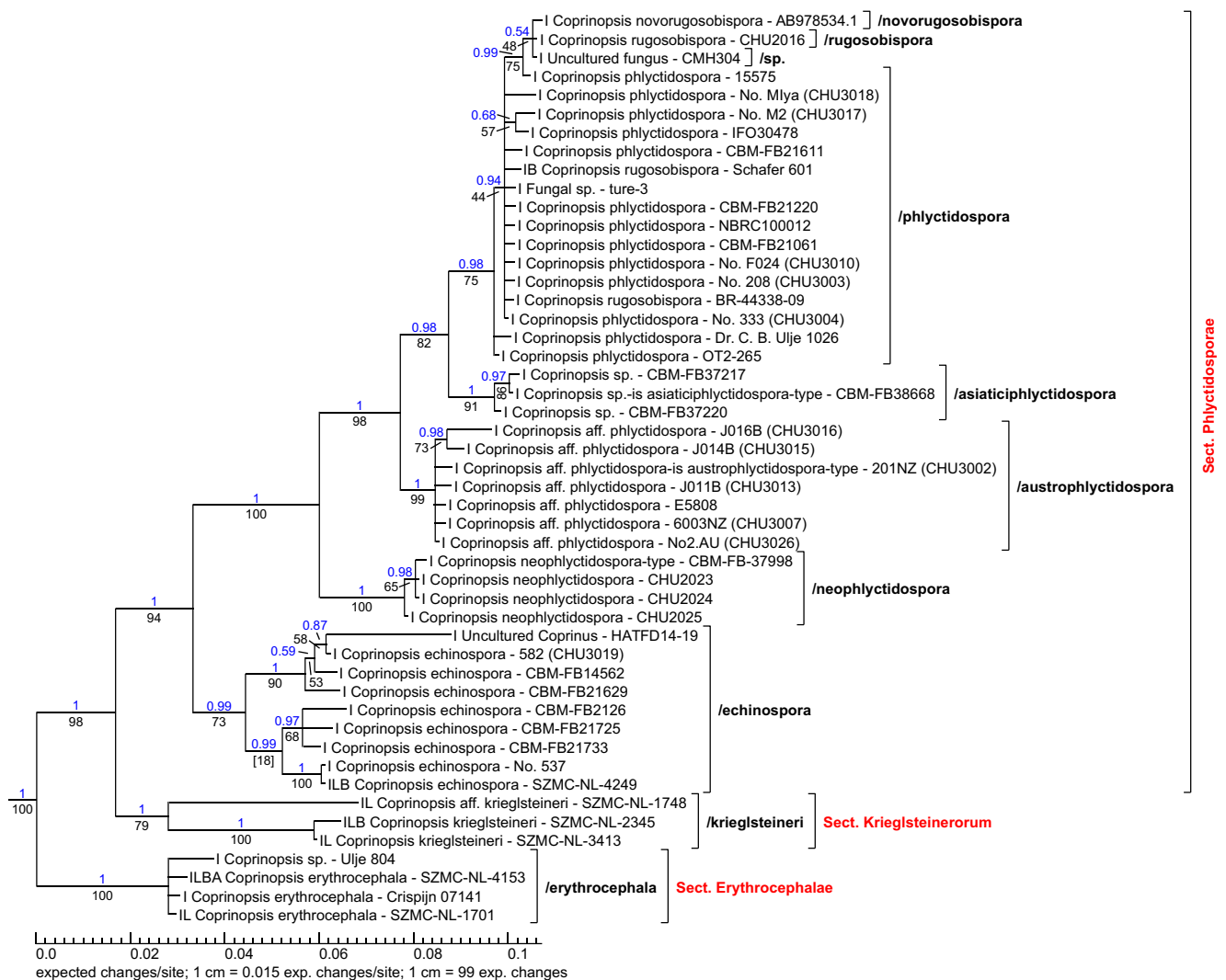


Fig. 93 Phylogram part of the sections *Phlyctidosporeae*, *Krieglsteinerorum*, and *Erythrocephalae*; position in tree see Fig. 87

Representatives:

Coprinopsis fluvialis (Lanconelli & Uljé) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0840 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinopsis ochraceolanata (Bas) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0192 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis xenobia (P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: BR 302 (Ruiz Mateo et al. 2013)

Remarks:

C. ochraceolanata takes an intermediate position. The morphological features do not match either the section *Xenobiae* or the section *Alopeciae*; for example, the rhizomorphs or the pseudorrhiza as well as the heavily encrusted veil are particularities. However, the establishment of a separate section is currently being dispensed with. The examination of other species of these sections should provide a better overview.

Coprinopsis sect. *Geesteranorum* Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 831477 (Fig. 92)

Description: Basidiomata very small to medium-sized, terrestrial. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil strongly developed but very fugacious, consisting of chains of subcylindrical, hyaline to pale brownish cells. Spores small to medium-sized, ellipsoid in frontal view with a conical base, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge utriform. Pleurocystidia utriform. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinopsis geesterani* (Uljé) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, Taxon 50(1):228, 2001.

Representative:

Coprinopsis geesterani (Uljé) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: Ulje 1078/type (Nagy et al. 2013)

Remarks:

So far only one species is known.

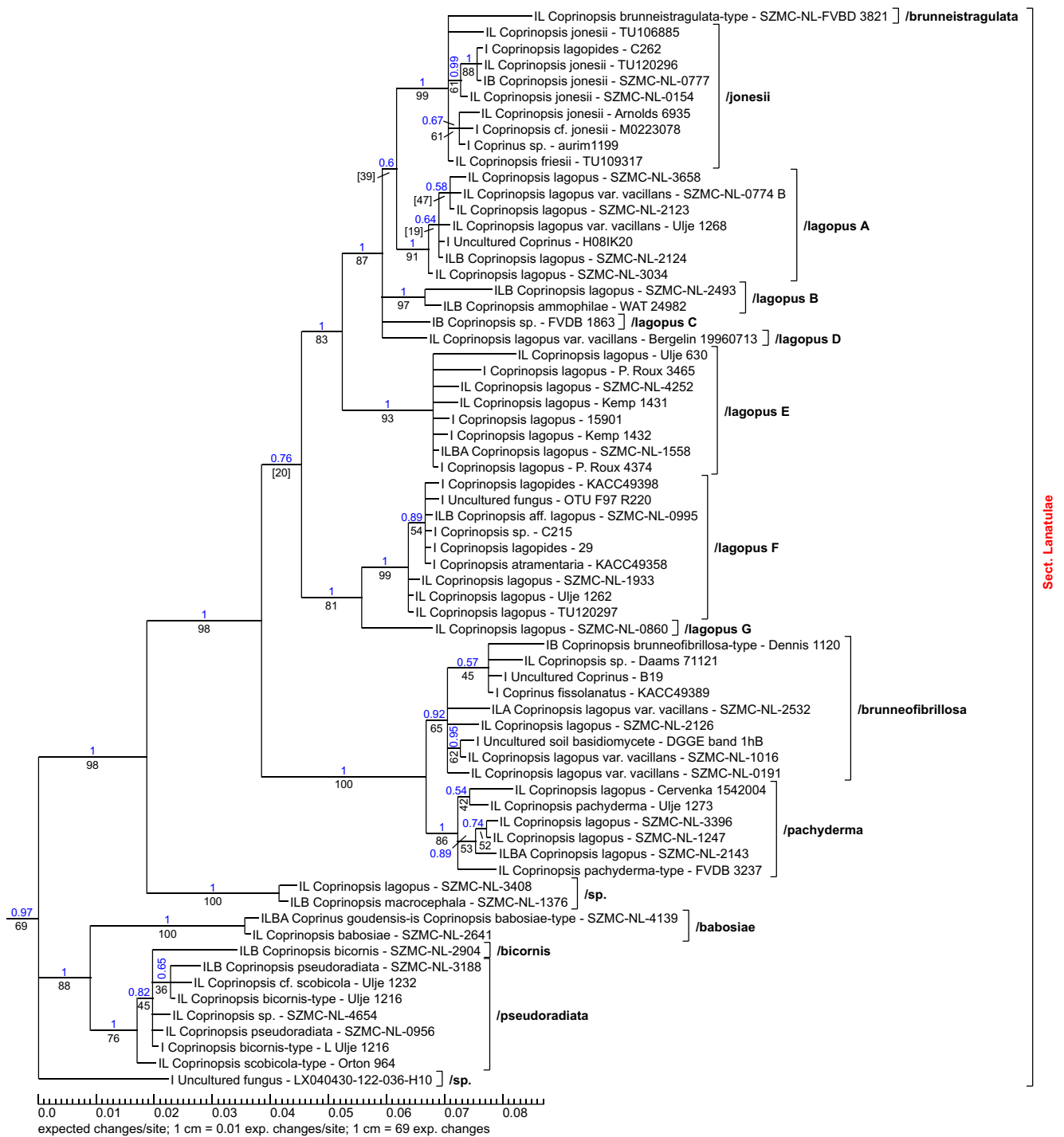


Fig. 94 Phylogram part of the section *Lanatulae*; position in tree see Fig. 87

Coprinopsis sect. *Atramentariae* (Fr.) D.J. Schaf., Field Mycology 11(2):51, 2010 (Fig. 92)

Description: Basidiomata medium to large-sized, terrestrial or lignicolous with a volva-like annular zone near the stipe base. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil strongly developed, consisting of chains of subcylindrical, hyaline or pale brownish pigmented, usually thin-walled, occasionally branched and slightly diverticulate, sometimes

encrusted cells. Spores medium-sized, base often conspicuously conical, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge mainly utriform or subcylindrical, sometimes clavate. Pleurocystidia subcylindrical, utriform. Clamps present.

Type species: *Agaricus atramentarius* Bull., Herb Fr 6:tab. 164, 1786, designated by Fries (1838:243), uniquely determined by the choice of the name.

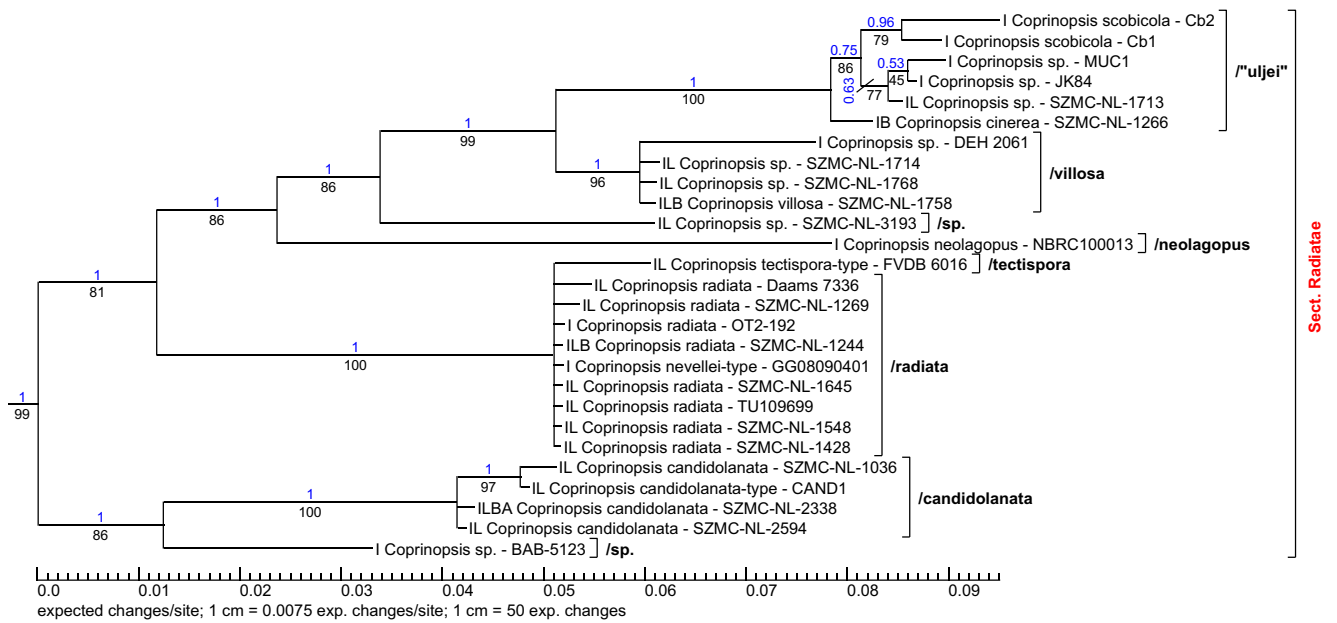


Fig. 97 Phylogram part of the section *Radiatae*; position in tree see Fig. 87

Representatives:

- Coprinopsis asiaticiphlyctidospora* Fukiharu & Horigome; Ref.v.: CBM-FB38668/type (Fukiharu et al. 2013)
- Coprinopsis austrophlyctidospora* Fukiharu; Ref.v.: 201NZ (CHU3002)/type (Suzuki et al. 2002)
- Coprinopsis echinospora* (Buller ex Buller) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-4249 (Nagy et al. 2012)
- Coprinopsis neophlyctidospora* Raut, Fukiharu & A. Suzuki; Ref.v.: CBM-FB-37998/type (Raut et al. 2011)

- Coprinopsis novorugosobispora* Fukiharu & Yamakoshi; Ref.v.: AB978534.1 (Raut et al. 2015)
- Coprinopsis phlyctidospora* (Romagn.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: CBM-FB21061 (Suzuki et al. 2002)
- Coprinopsis rugosobispora* (J. Geesink & Imler ex Walley) A. Melzer & Schöbner; Ref.v.: BR-44338-09 (Raut et al. 2015)

Remarks:

C. novorugosobispora and *C. rugosobispora* may be only 2-spored forms of *C. phlyctidospora*; at least they are not two

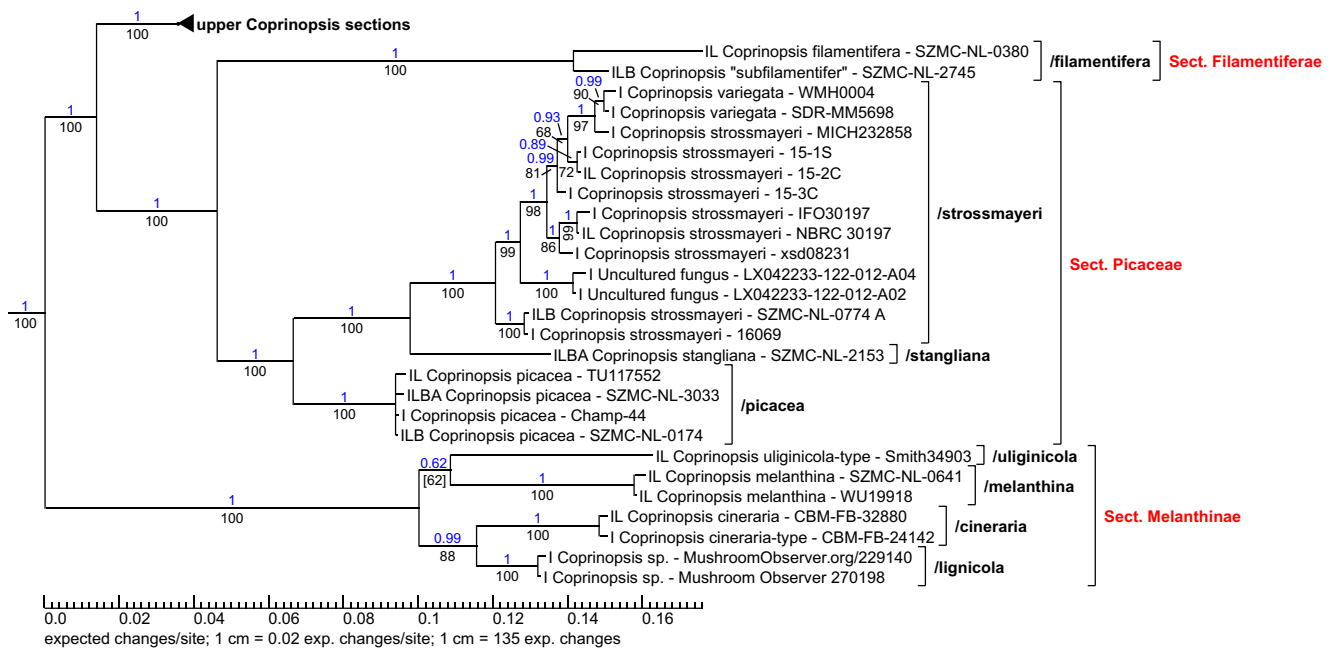


Fig. 98 Phylogram part of the sections *Filamentiferae*, *Picaceae* and *Melanthinae*; position in tree see Fig. 87

separate species. For a final decision, further investigations are necessary.

The clade /echinospora could be interpreted as a separate section. But since morphology does not show striking differences, this is discarded for the time being.

Coprinopsis sect. *Krieglsteinerorum* Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov. MB 831479** (Fig. 93)

Description: Basidiomata medium-sized, terrestrial. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil sparse, consisting of chains of hyaline cells. Stipe with a pseudorrhiza. Spores large-sized, smooth, ellipsoid, germ pore central. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge utriform, lageniform, sometimes subcapitate, undermixed with clavate and sphaeropedunculate cells. Pleurocystidia utriform, sublageniform, subcylindrical. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinopsis krieglsteineri* (Bender) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, *Taxon* 50(1):229, 2001.

Representative:

Coprinopsis krieglsteineri (Bender) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-2345 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Remarks:

From a phylogenetic point of view, it is not possible to tell whether the section *Krieglsteinerorum* and the neighbour section *Erythrocephalae* are actually independent sections. Both are located at the base of the clade *Phlyctidospori*, which means that they may have different morphological characteristics as usual for basal clades. Because these differences are relatively significant (especially the spore surface), a separation is currently made. On the other hand, *C. krieglsteineri* and *C. erythrocephala* are the only representatives of their sections that have striking similarities; both have a pseudorrhiza, spores and cystidia are quite similar. The main difference only concerns the veil. It is conceivable that the abovementioned species could be assigned to a common section if further information is available, in particular by finding and examining other species from this group.

Coprinopsis *af. krieglsteineri* might well be a new taxon, as it differs from *C. krieglsteineri* in the non-rooting basidiomata and variations in the pleurocystidia, but it shares habit and pileus colour with that species (Nagy et al. 2013).

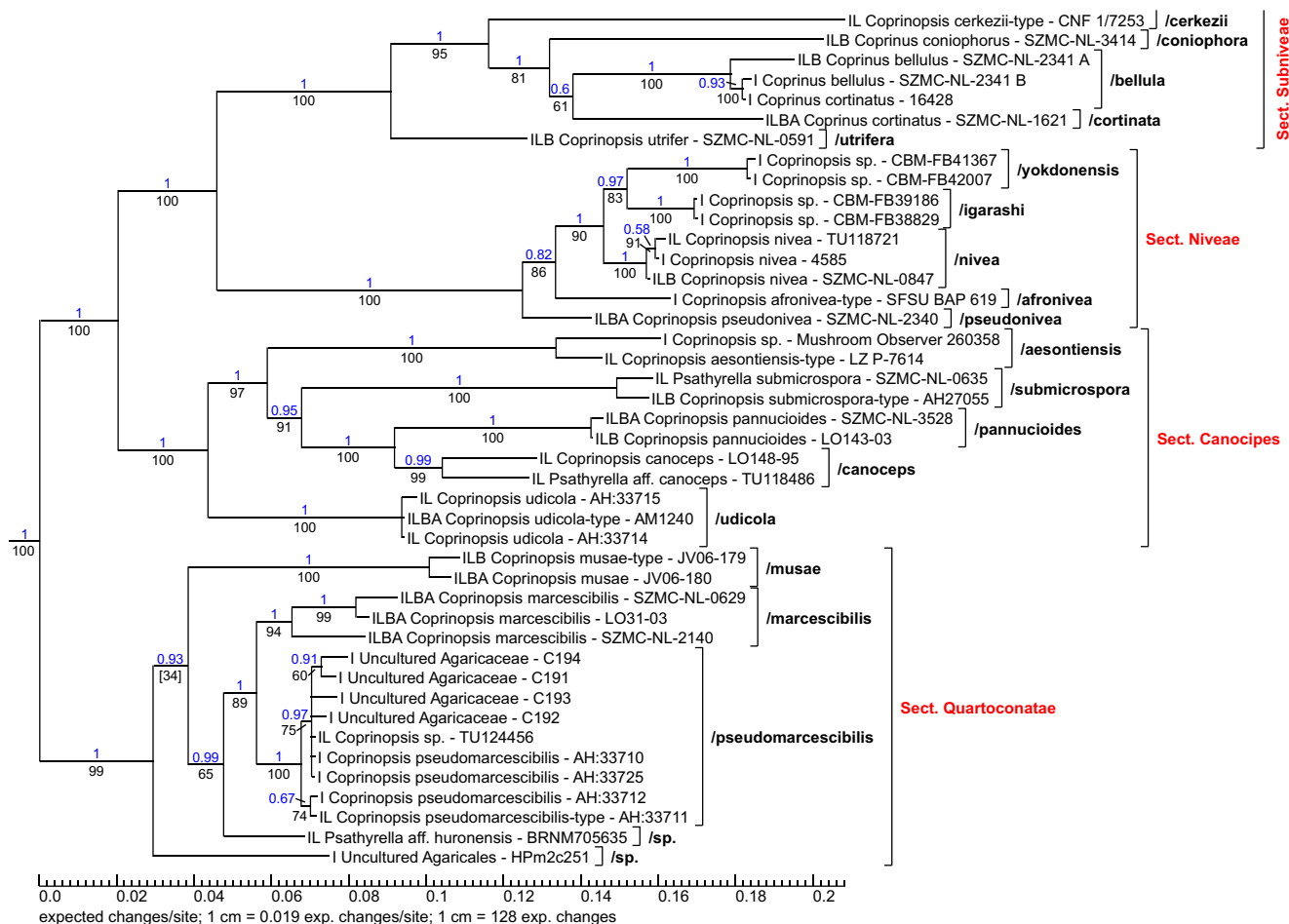


Fig. 99 Phylogram part of the sections *Subniveae*, *Niveae*, *Canocipes* and *Quartoconatae*; position in tree see Fig. 87

Coprinopsis sect. *Erythrocephalae* Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 831489 (Fig. 93)

Description: Basidiomata medium-sized, terrestrial or lignicolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil reddish, moderately developed, fugacious, consisting of chains of subcylindrical, hyaline to brownish, partially strongly encrusted cells. Stipe with a pseudorrhiza. Spores large-sized, smooth, ellipsoid to ovoid, base conical,

germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge utriform, clavate. Pleurocystidia utriform. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinopsis erythrocephala* (Lév.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, Taxon 50(1):228, 2001.

Representative:

Coprinopsis erythrocephala (Lév.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1701 (Nagy et al. 2013)

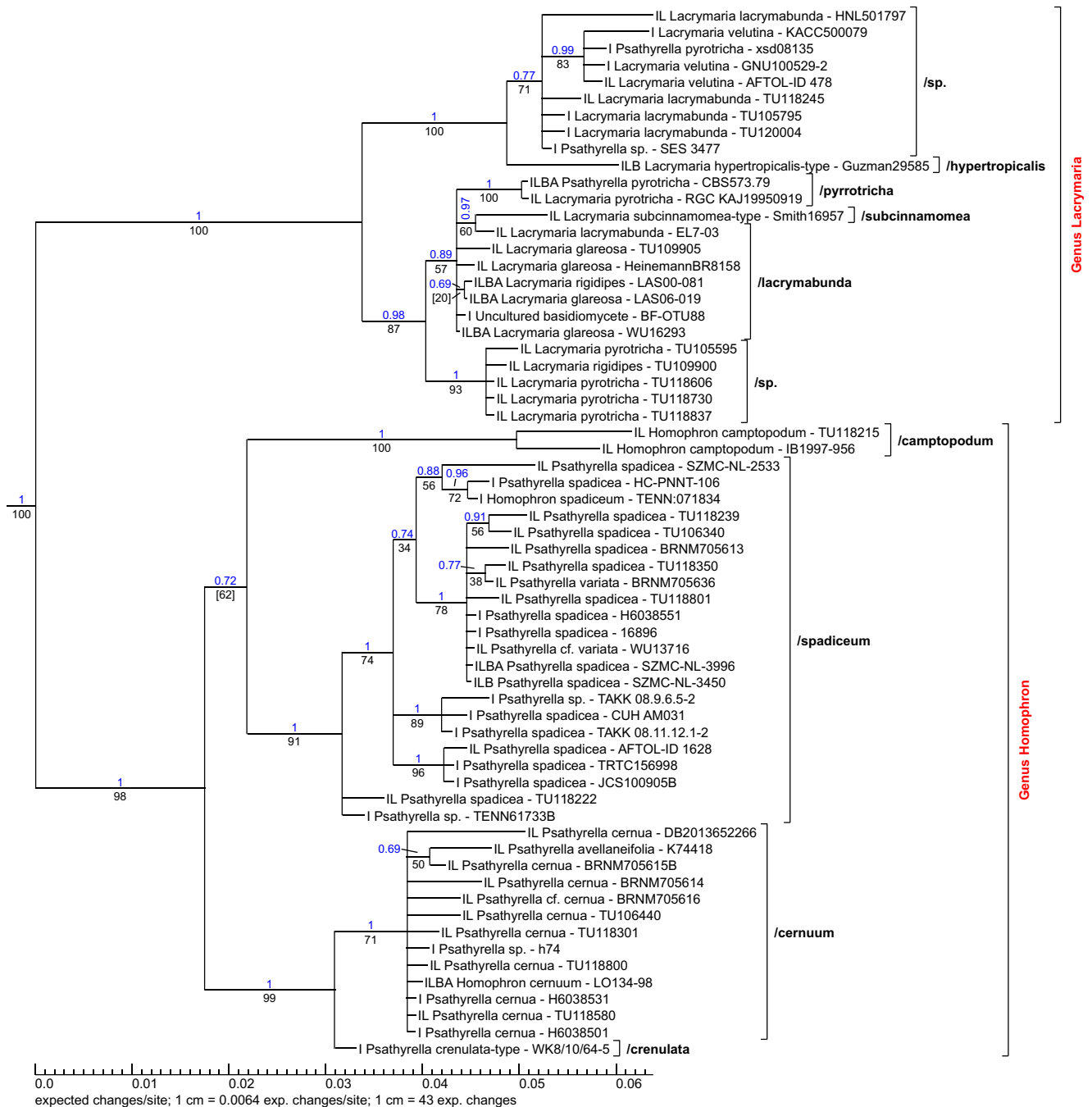


Fig. 100 Phylogram part of the genera *Lacrymaria* and *Homophron*; position in tree see Fig. 42

Remarks:

So far only one species is known. See also the notes at *Krieglstenerorum*.

Coprinopsis sect. *Lanatulae* (Fr.) D.J. Schaf., Field Mycology 11(2): 51, 2010 (Fig. 94)

Description: Basidiomata small to rather large-sized, terrestrial or fimicolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil strongly

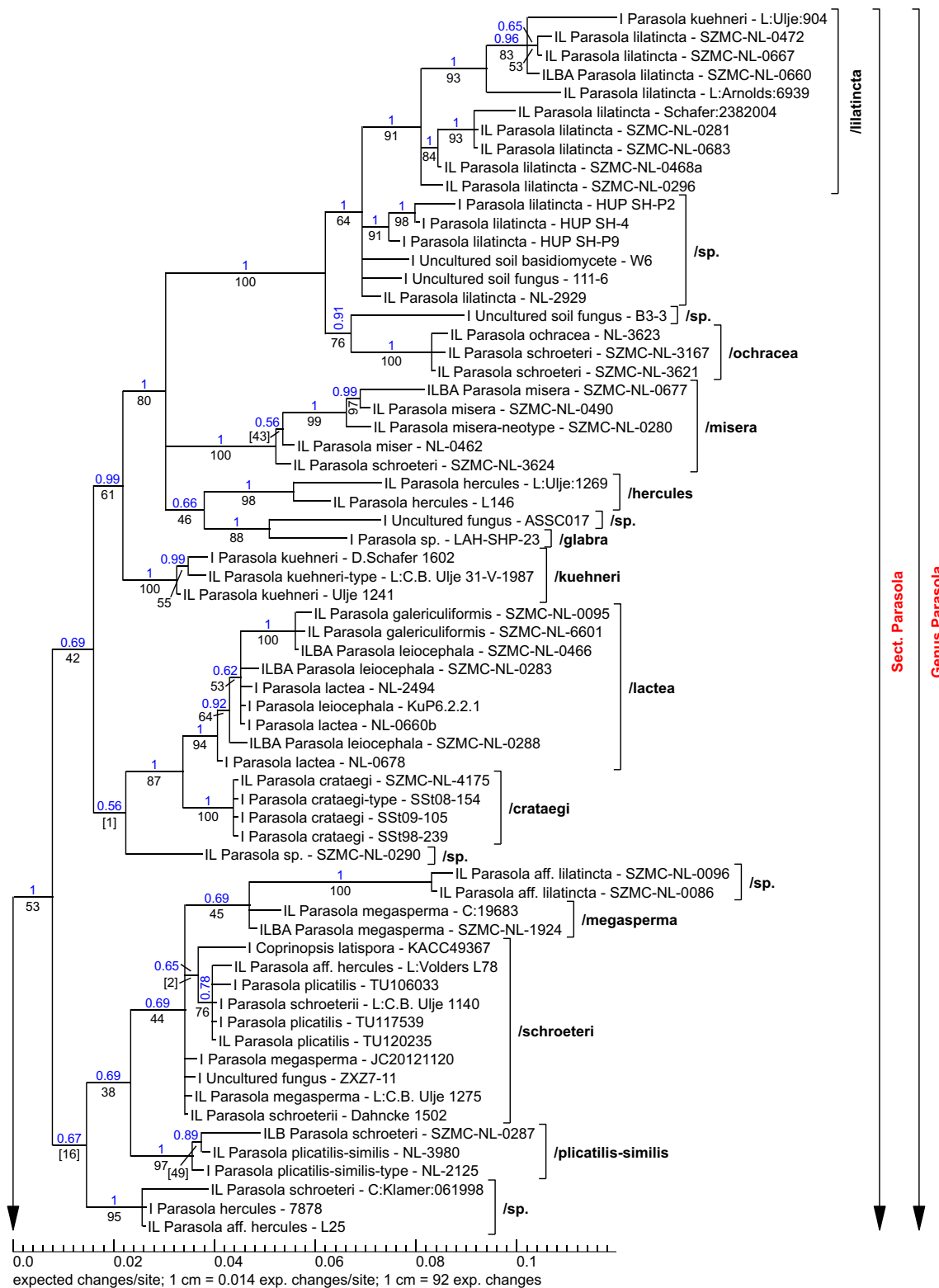


Fig. 101 Phylogram part of the genus *Parasola*; position in tree see Fig. 42

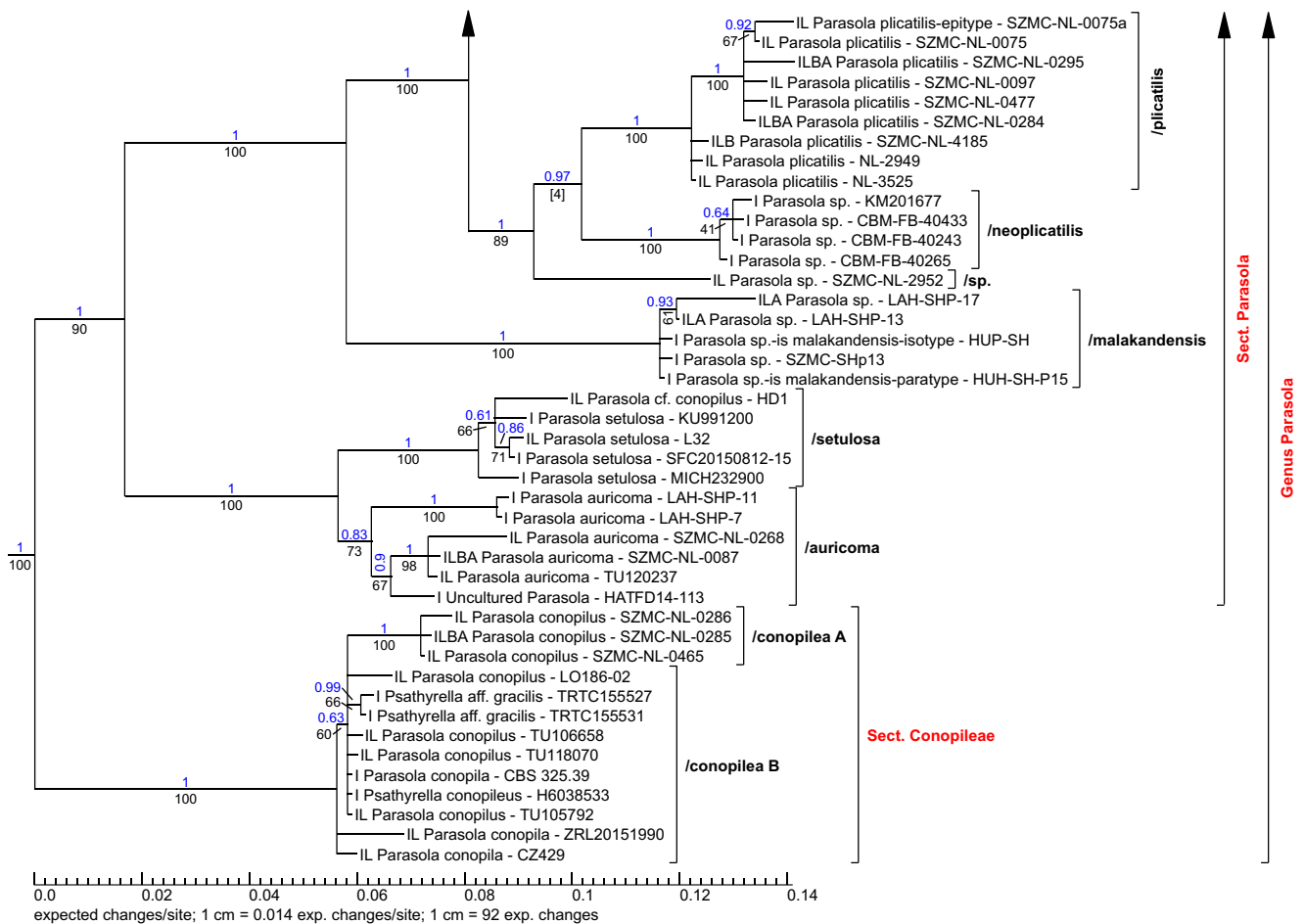


Fig. 101 (continued)

developed, consisting of chains of subcylindrical to subglobose, hyaline or brownish pigmented cells. Spores medium to large-sized, ellipsoid in frontal view, regularly without a perispore, germ pore central. Basidia mostly 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge globose, ellipsoid, clavate, sometimes mixed with utriform cheilocystidia. Pleurocystidia present in most species. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinus lagopus* (Fr.) Fr. ≡ *Coprinopsis lagopus* (Fr.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, Taxon 50(1):229, 2001, designated by Singer (1975:494).

Representatives:

Coprinopsis babosiae L. Nagy, Vágvölgyi & Papp; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-4139/type (Nagy et al. 2011, 2013)

Coprinopsis bicornis (Uljé & Horvers) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: Ulje 1216/type (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis brunneofibrillosa (Dennis) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: Dennis 1120 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis brunneistragulata (Bogart ex Bogart) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-FVBD 3821/type (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis jonesii (Peck) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0154 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis lagopus (Fr.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: Kemp 1431 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis pachyderma (Bogart ex Bogart) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: FVDB 3237/type (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis pseudoradiata (Kühner & Joss. ex Watling) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0956 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis scobicola (P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: Orton 964/type (Nagy et al. 2012)

Remarks:

There are sequences of the type of *C. brunneofibrillosa* available (voucher Dennis 1120). According to Nagy et al. (2013), the sequencing was not successful, so that the voucher Nicholson 426 was used. However, a review revealed that the LSU region of Dennis 1120 is faulty and unusable; ITS and β -tubulin, on the other hand, are fine. ITS1 lacks a subset, which proved to be unproblematic. In any case, the two vouchers mentioned above represent different species. Nicholson 426 is most likely *C. cinerea*.

C. bicornis and *C. scobicola* are in the /pseudoradiata clade, which is undoubtedly correct, because of the inclusion

of the type. The same was stated by Nagy et al. (2013): “Although the phylogenetic analyses do not support the recognition of these species as separate (except *C. babosiae*), on the basis of clear-cut morphological differences, we raise the possibility that more variable loci would provide unambiguous support for them”. This statement may well apply; but it should also be considered that it could be 2-spored forms of other species. To be similarly assessed is *C. brunneistragulata* within the /*jonesii* clade. The peculiarity is the presence of a perisporium, while the other characteristics are not fundamentally different. *C. babosiae* should not have pleurocystidia in contrast to the other species. Incidentally, this species is provisionally named *C. subgeesterani* in the phylogram of Nagy et al. (2013).

The species group around *C. lagopus* is the most difficult to assess. While *C. jonesii* can be addressed reasonably precisely, several subclades remain, where members are difficult to identify in a conventional way (see Nagy et al. 2013). The status of *C. lagopus* var. *vacillans* (Uljé) P. Roux & Guy Garcia, contained in several subclades, must be regarded as unclear; maybe they are only hunger forms of different species and resulting in erroneous determinations. For the characteristics of *C. lagopus* var. *vacillans*, see Uljé et al. (2000).

Within the loci analysed, the members of the *lagopus* group show a distinct divergence in a small segment of the ITS1 region only. There are some small differences in the ITS2 and the LSU region as well, but these are negligible. This might explain the surely difficult morphological separation. The phylogenetic divergence from about site 120 to site 235 of the ITS1 region is distinct. At this point, some deletions or insertions also took place. For a better phylogenetic resolution of the *lagopus* aggregate, it is necessary to use indel matrices. Figure 95 shows the genetic differences across the entire ITS1 to ITS2 region for the complete clades “/lagopus A” down to “/pachyderma” with highlighted non-consensus sites and indels in white areas. Other parts of the analysed loci are negligible for this purpose. Figure 96 shows a genetic key, generated from these input ITS sequences, which can be used to separate these 9 clades without computing a complete phylogram.

Coprinopsis* sect. *Radiatae Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov.** MB 831490 (Fig. 97)

Description: Basidiomata tiny to medium-sized, fimicolous, terrestrial or herbiolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil strongly developed, consisting of chains of subcylindrical, hyaline cells, sometimes additionally consisting of chains of thin, diverticulate cells or ventricose elements. Spores predominantly large-sized, germ pore central or nearly central, mostly without a perisporium. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge clavate, sometimes mixed with utriform cheilocystidia. Pleurocystidia present. Clamps present in most species.

Type species: *Coprinopsis radiata* (Bolton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, Taxon 50(1):230, 2001.

Representatives:

Coprinopsis candidolanata (Doveri & Uljé) Keirle, Hemmes & Desjardin; Ref.v.: CAND1 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis neolagopus (Hongo & Sagara) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: NBRC100013 (Barua et al. 2012)

Coprinopsis nevellei Guy Garcia & Vellinga; Ref.v.: GG08090401/type (Garcia and Vellinga 2010)

Coprinopsis radiata (Bolton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1548 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis tectispora (Bogart ex Bogart) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: FVDB 6016/type (Nagy et al. 2013)

Coprinopsis villosa L. Nagy, Desjardin, Vágvölgyi & Papp; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1758 (Nagy et al. 2013)

Remarks:

The clade /“uljei” contains *C. uljei* Bender & Guardian, which will be validly described in the near future (Bender in prep.). This species was identified by examination of the voucher Germany: Nordrhein-Westfalen, Mönchengladbach, 31.VII.2003, H. Bender (HB20030827A). The ITS (deposited at GenBank as MK069601.1) shows 100% coverage with JX624300.1; whether the other vouchers in the clade are absolutely identical cannot be answered clearly.

C. macrocephala (Berk.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo certainly belongs here, but the distinction of *C. radiata* is difficult. References: Amandeep et al. (2014), Kriegelsteiner et al. (1982), Ludwig (2007), Uljé and Noordeloos (1999).

C. tectispora deviates noticeably by the presence of a perisporium, but is included in the /*radiata* clade. A reduction to subspecific level under *C. radiata* could be considered, but is not the subject here. Compare *C. brunneistragulata* in the section *Lanatulii* too. *C. macrocephalus* var. *perisporialis*, a variety with a perisporium was described by Ludwig (2007), and it appears that such exceptional variants do exist. *C. nevellei* is certainly a synonym of *C. radiata*, even if the holotype grew on a stem of *Polygonatum*, not on dung. Unlike the other species, *C. candidolanata* is located in a sister clade. Special features are missing clamps and a trimorphic veil. The creation of a separate section is currently ignored, because the constancy of the morphological properties should be checked.

Coprinopsis* sect. *Filamentiferae Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov.** MB 831491 (Fig. 98)

Description: Basidiomata small-sized, fimicolous. Lamellae deliquescent. Veil strongly developed, but fugacious, consisting of chains of branched, diverticulate, partially encrusted cells, and subglobose elements. Spores small to medium-sized, subcylindrical to submitriform with a truncated base, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge mostly clavate, less often utriform.

Pleurocystidia utriform, subcylindrical, clavate. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinopsis filamentifera* (Kühner) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, Taxon 50(1):228, 2001.

Representative:

Coprinopsis filamentifera (Kühner) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0380 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Remarks:

So far only one species is known. The proximity to the section *Picaceae* is reflected in similar cystidia and main veil elements; significant differences are spore size and shape. In addition, the species is relatively small and grows on dung. *Coprinopsis* “*subfilamentifer*” is a provisional name (Nagy 2011). Whether it is an independent species is unclear.

Coprinopsis* sect. *Picaceae (Penn. in Kauffman) Wächter & A. Melzer, **comb. nov.** MB 832467 (Fig. 98)

Basionym: *Coprinus* sect. *Picacei* Penn. in Kauffman, The Agaricaceae of Michigan:213, 1918

Description: Basidiomata rather large-sized, terrestrial or lignicolous. Veil initially covering the entire pileus, later tearing into patches, consisting of chains of somewhat diverticulate, thin-walled, hyaline cells. Spores medium to large-sized, ellipsoid to slightly ovoid in frontal view, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge versiform, often mixed with clavate cells. Pleurocystidia utriform, lageniform, subcylindrical, fusiform, ellipsoid, globose. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinus picaceus* (Bull.) Gray ≡ *Coprinopsis picacea* (Bull.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, Taxon 50(1):230, 2001, designated by Citerin (1992:23).

Representatives:

Coprinopsis picacea (Bull.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: Champ-44 (Perez-Izquierdo et al. 2017)

Coprinopsis stangliana (Enderle, Bender & Gröger) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-2153 (Nagy, Urban et al. 2010)

Coprinopsis strossmayeri (Schulzer) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0774 A (Nagy et al. 2012)

Remarks:

Whether *C. variegata* (Peck) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo actually belongs here or in section *Atramentarii* must remain unclear. The pronounced volva fits for the latter, the veil for the former.

The name takes over the unranked group *Picacei* Fries, Epicr Syst Mycol:244, 1838.

Coprinopsis* sect. *Melanthiniae Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov.** MB 831492 (Fig. 98)

Etymology: Named after the type.

Description: Basidiomata large, lignicolous. Pileus not radially sulcate, lamellae not deliquescent. Veil strongly developed, consisting of chains of subcylindrical, often encrusted

cells. Spores medium to large-sized, ellipsoid to ovoid in frontal view, strikingly pale and thin-walled, germ pore absent or very indistinct. Basidia 4-spored, always clavate, never polymorphic. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge predominantly utriform. Pleurocystidia absent. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinopsis melanthinia* (Fr.) Örstadius & E. Larss., Mycol Progr 14(25):37, 2015.

Representatives:

Coprinopsis cineraria (Har. Takah.) Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: CBM-FB-24142/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Coprinopsis melanthinia (Fr.) Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: WU19918 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Coprinopsis uliginicola (McKnight & A.H. Sm.) Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: Smith34903/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Remarks:

This section is morphologically and ecologically very uniform and well recognizable. The clade /*lignicola* contains *Coprinopsis lignicola* nom. prov. (Rockefeller unpubl.).

Coprinopsis* sect. *Subniveae Wächter & A. Melzer, **sect. nov.** MB 831493 (Fig. 99)

Etymology: Derived from sub = under, nivea = snow-white; in the vicinity of *C. nivea*.

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, terrestrial, lignicolous or fimicolous. Lamellae not or hardly deliquescent. Veil strongly developed, consisting of globose to subglobose and subcylindrical, hyaline or brownish pigmented, encrusted or diverticulate elements, sometimes with slightly thickened walls. Spores small to large-sized, ellipsoid in front view, germ pore central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge utriform, clavate. Pleurocystidia predominantly absent. Clamps present in most species.

Type species: *Coprinopsis cortinata* (J.E. Lange) Gminder, Die Großpilze Baden-Württembergs (Stuttgart) 5:650, 2010.

Representatives:

Coprinopsis bellula (Uljé) P. Roux & Eyssartier; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-2341 (Nagy et al. 2009)

Coprinopsis cerkezii Tkalčec, Mešić, I. Kušan & Matočec; Ref.v.: CNF 1/7253/type (Tibpromma et al. 2017)

Coprinopsis coniophora (Romagn.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-3414 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinopsis cortinata (J.E. Lange) Gminder; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1621 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Coprinopsis utrifera (Joss. ex Watling) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0591 (Nagy et al. 2011)

Remarks:

C. bellula is the only species with large spores, most likely because of the 2-spored basidia. Possibly, it is simply a form of *C. cortinata* with a reduced number of sterigmata; the other features are very similar. In

particular, the absence of true cystidia is remarkable.

Coprinopsis* sect. *Niveae (Citérin) D.J. Schaf., Field Mycology 11(2):51, 2010 (Fig. 99)

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, fimicolous or lignicolous. Lamellae hardly deliquescent, rather withering. Veil strongly developed, consisting of globose to subglobose, encrusted elements and chains of subcylindrical, often diverticulate cells. Spores medium to large-sized, ellipsoid, mitriform or rounded-angular in frontal view, in side view distinctly flattened, apically prolonged, germ pore central to slightly eccentric. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge utriform, clavate. Pleurocystidia present or absent. Clamps present.

Type species; *Coprinus niveus* (Pers.) Fr., Epicr Syst Mycol:246, 1838 ≡ *Coprinopsis nivea* (Pers.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo, Taxon 50(1):229, 2001, designated by Citérin (1992:17).

Representatives:

Coprinopsis afronivea Desjardin & B.A. Perry; Ref.v.: SFSU BAP 619/type (Desjardin and Perry 2016)

Coprinopsis igarashi Fukiharu & K. Shimizu; Ref.v.: CBM-FB39186 (Fukiharu et al. 2015)

Coprinopsis nivea (Pers.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0847 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Coprinopsis pseudonivea (Bender & Uljé) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-2340 (Nagy et al. 2009)

Coprinopsis yokdonensis nom. prov.; Ref.v.: CBM-FB41367 (Nguyen et al. unpubl.)

Remarks:

Section *Nivei* shares several morphological features with section *Subnivei*; however, the spores tend to be larger and differently shaped. It is possible that the overall picture changes after finding more species, as there could be a transition between the two sections. *C. “yokdonensis”* is a provisional name for a Vietnamese species on elephant dung.

Coprinopsis* sect. *Canocipes Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 831494 (Fig. 99)

Description: Basidiomata medium to large. Pileus not radially sulcate, lamellae not deliquescent. Veil strongly developed, consisting of chains of subcylindrical, occasionally branched, hyaline, sometimes slightly encrusted cells. Spores medium to large-sized, ellipsoid to slightly ovoid. Basidia mostly 4-spored, clavate or sphaeropedunculate, never ululiform. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge utriform, lageniform or remarkably versiform, mixed with only a few globose, subglobose or ellipsoidal cells. Pleurocystidia absent or extremely rare. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinopsis canoiceps* (Kauffman) Örstadius & E. Larss., Mycol Progr 14(25):37, 2015.

Representatives:

Coprinopsis aesontiensis A. Melzer, G. Ferisin & F. Dovana; Ref.v.: LZ P-7614/type (Melzer et al. 2017)

Coprinopsis canoiceps (Kauffman) Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO148-95 (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Coprinopsis pannuciooides (J.E. Lange) Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO143-03 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Coprinopsis submicrospora (Heykoop & G. Moreno) Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: AH27055/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Coprinopsis udicola Örstadius, A. Melzer & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: AM1240/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Remarks:

The members of this section are habitually more reminiscent of *Psathyrella* than of coprinoid species.

Coprinopsis lotinae (Picón) Picón very probably also belongs here. References: Iglesias et al. (2011), Iglesias et al. (2015), Picón (2003, as *Coprinus lotinae* Picón), Ruiz Mateo et al. (2011, as *Psathyrella marcescibilis* var. *virginea* J.E. Lange ex Surault, Tassi & Coué), Sammut and Melzer (2010). Mat. exam.: Malta: Buskett, 26.X.2010, C. Sammut (AM1504).

Coprinopsis* sect. *Quartoconatae Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 832307 (Fig. 99)

Etymology: Derived from *quartus* = four, *conatus* = attempt; it is the fourth attempt to establish a section.

Description: Basidiomata medium to large. Pileus not radially sulcate, lamellae not deliquescent. Veil present at the margin of the pileus, consisting of chains of subcylindrical, occasionally branched, hyaline, sometimes slightly encrusted cells. Spores small to large-sized, ellipsoid to slightly ovoid. Basidia 4-spored, clavate or sphaeropedunculate, never ululiform. Marginal cells of the lamellae edge predominantly utriform, occasionally subcapitate, mixed with only a few globose, subglobose or ellipsoidal cells. Pleurocystidia absent. Clamps present.

Type species: *Coprinopsis marcescibilis* Örstadius & E. Larss., Mycol Res 112(10):1180, 2008.

Representatives:

Coprinopsis marcescibilis (Britzelm.) Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: LO31-03 (Larsson and Örstadius 2008)

Coprinopsis musae Örstadius & E. Larss.; Ref.v.: JV06-179/type (Örstadius et al. 2015)

Coprinopsis pseudomarciscibilis Heykoop, G. Moreno & P. Alvarado; Ref.v.: AH:33711/type (Crous et al. 2017)

Remarks:

Previous (illegitimate) attempts to establish a section *Fragilissimae* have been the following: Romagnesi (1944), Singer (1951, “1949”), Romagnesi (1982). Romagnesi (1944) designated as type *Drosophila marcescibilis* (Britzelm.) Romagn. and mentioned “Sporis 10-15 µm longis, opacis”. However, *C. musae* has smaller and much brighter

spores. Therefore, the original concept of section *Frugilissimae* ss. Romagnesi (1944) could not be adopted.

Lacrymaria Pat. (Fig. 100)

The species often appear difficult to distinguish from each other. Without a doubt are *L. hypertropicalis* (Guzmán, Bandala & Montoya) Cortez, *L. lacrymabunda* (Bull.) Pat. and *L. subcinnamomea* (A.H. Sm.) Watling, probably *L. pyrrotricha* (Holmsk.) Konrad & Maubl., too. For the latter species, the spelling is *pyrro* (Greek: fire red). A judgement whether *L. glareosa* (J. Favre) Watling and *L. rigidipes* (Peck) Watling are independent species must be avoided at present. Moreover, the phylogram shows the possibility that previously undescribed species exist, or that described species have not yet been sequenced and therefore there is no comparison sequence for them. It should also be noted that it is necessary to examine additional gene regions in order to obtain a better resolution of the phylogram. Sequences of the haploid nuclear genome are probably required.

Homophron (Britzelm.) Örstadius & E. Larss. (Fig. 100)

Representatives of the genus are currently only *H. camptopodum* (Sacc.) Örstadius & E. Larss., *H. cernuum* (Vahl) Örstadius & E. Larss. and *H. spadiceum* (P. Kumm.) Örstadius & E. Larss., very likely *Psathyrella crenulata* A.H. Sm., too, while *Psathyrella avellaneifolia* A.H. Sm. is still questionable.

Parasola Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole emend. Wächter & A. Melzer (Fig. 101)

The original diagnosis of *Parasola* Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole (Redhead et al. 2001) is “Basidiomata ephemera, terrestria. Pileus plicatus, membranaceus, glaber vel setosus, eglandulatus. Velum nullum. Lamellae deliquescentes in senectute. Pleurocystidia praesentia. Stipites centrales, friabiles. Basidiosporae atrae”. Here the authors make a mistake, because even *Parasola misera* (P. Karst.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole has no pleurocystidia. Furthermore, the recombination of *Psathyrella conopilea* (Fr.) A. Pearson & Dennis to *Parasola* (Örstadius and Larsson 2008) requires an emendation because *Parasola conopilea* (Fr.) Örstadius & E. Larss. neither is ephemeral nor has a plicated pileus; moreover, pleurocystidia are absent. The diagnosis must therefore be changed in parts, as follows: “basidiomata maxima ephemera, ... Pileus maxima plicatus, ... Pleurocystidia praesentia vel absentia ...”.

Parasola sect. *Parasola*

Description: Basidiomata small to medium-sized, sometimes fimicolous, withering. Pileus radially sulcate, without a veil, sometimes with brown hairs. Lamellae withering. Spores frontally ovoid, subglobose, hexagonal, rounded subtriangular to subpentangular, in side view mostly lentiform. Basidia regularly 4-spored. Marginal cells of the

lamellar edge utriform, sublageniform, less often lageniform or purely clavate to spheropedunculate. Pleurocystidia mostly present, utriform or subcylindrical. Clamps present.

Representatives:

Parasola auricoma (Pat.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0268 (Nagy et al. 2009)

Parasola crataegi Schmidt-Stohn; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-4175/type (Szarkándi et al. 2017)

Parasola glabra Hussain, Afshan, Ahmad & Khalid; Ref.v.: LAH-SAP-23 (Hussain, Ahmad et al. 2018)

Parasola hercules (Uljé & Bas) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole; Ref.v.: L146 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Parasola kuehneri (Uljé & Bas) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole; Ref.v.: Ulje 1241/type (Nagy et al. 2012)

Parasola lactea (A.H. Sm.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0466 (Nagy et al. 2009)

Parasola lilatincta (Bender & Uljé) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0683 (Nagy et al. 2009)

Parasola malakandensis S. Hussain, N.S. Afshan & H. Ahmad; Ref.v.: LAH-SHP-17/type (Hussain et al. 2017)

Parasola megasperma (P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-1924 (Nagy et al. 2009)

Parasola misera (P. Karst.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0280/type (Nagy et al. 2009)

Parasola neoplicatilis Fukiharuru, P.T. Nguyen & Shimizu; Ref.v.: CBM-FB-40433 (Fujiharu and Nguyen unpubl.)

Parasola ochracea L. Nagy, Szarkándi & Dima; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-3621 (Szarkándi et al. 2017)

Parasola plicatilis (Curtis) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0075a/epitype (Nagy et al. 2009)

Parasola plicatilis-similis L. Nagy, Szarkándi & Dima; Ref.v.: SZMC-NL-0287/type (Szarkándi et al. 2017)

Parasola schroeteri (P. Karst.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole; Ref.v.: Brier 10.5.1999 (Nagy et al. 2009)

Parasola setulosa (Berk. & Broome) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole; Ref.v.: L32 (Nagy et al. 2012)

Remarks:

The type of the genus is included: *Parasola plicatilis* (Curtis) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hoppole, designated by Redhead et al., Taxon 50(1):235, 2001.

Like the whole genus, this section is relatively well researched, as the works of Hussain et al. (2016, 2017, 2018), Nagy et al. (2009, 2010, 2012) and Szarkándi et al. (2017) show. However, there is still a considerable amount of confusion. There are many obvious identification errors or mistakes; for example, *P. schroeteri* can be found in many different positions. Moreover, the phylogram clearly shows that there are still some undescribed species.

P. cuniculorum D.J. Schaf., Field Mycology 15(3):83, 2014 also belongs in this section, but it could be just a 2-spored form of *P. misera*. *P. pseudolactea* Sadiquallah, Hussain & Khalid, proposed in Hussain, Ahmad et al.

(2018), is possibly another species, but the sequences are too short for a definitive decision.

The interpretation of *P. ochracea* appears to be extremely problematic. A molecular biological comparison (not yet included in the phylogram) with the collection Germany: Kandelberg, on cow dung, 11.IX.1987, H. Bender (HB19870911A), was made to clarify the situation. The result showed a complete agreement with the vouchers SZMC-NL-3167, SZMC-NL-3167, SZMC-NL-3621 and NL-3623, all currently named *P. ochracea*. In this species, pleurocystidia should be absent (Szarkándi et al. 2017), while pleurocystidia were found in HB19870911A. There is a suspicion that *P. ochracea* is an already known species that also grows on dung, in fact *Parasola nudiceps* (P.D. Orton) Redhead, Vilgalys & Hopple, Taxon 50(1):236, 2001 (\equiv *Coprinus nudiceps* P.D. Orton, Notes R bot Gdn Edinb 32:142, 1972). If this is true, another consequence would be that *P. nudiceps* is an independent species and not a synonym of *P. schroeteri*. More concrete investigations are in progress (Bender in prep.). A complete description of the German record is given by Bender and Enderle (1988); the sequence is deposited at GenBank under the accession number MK063783.1.

***Parasola* sect. *Conopileae* Wächter & A. Melzer, sect. nov. MB 831495**

Description: Basidiomata medium to large, not fimicolous, persevering. Pileus not radially sulcate, without a veil and long brown hairs. Lamellae neither deliquescent nor withering. Spores large-sized, ellipsoid, germ pore distinctly eccentric to almost central. Basidia 4-spored. Marginal cells of the lamellar edge lageniform, subutriform, utriform, mixed with clavate cells. Pleurocystidia absent. Clamps present.

Type species: *Parasola conopilea* (Fr.) Örstadius & E. Larss., Mycol Res 112(10):1180, 2008.

The following software, databases, models, and similar tools were used in this study:

- **AliView 1.20:** Larsson (2014)
- **Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC):** Schwarz (1978)
- **CIPRES Science Gateway V 3.3** (Cyberinfrastructure for Phylogenetic Research): Miller et al. (2010)
- **ClustalX 2.0:** Larkin et al. (2007)
- **Corrected Akaike Information Criterion (AICc):** Akaike (1974), Hurvich and Tsai (1989), Sugiura (1978)
- **Dendroscope 3.5.9:** Huson and Scornavacca (2012)
- **Elongation Factor 1- α Protein Model – SMTL ID 2b7c:** Pittman et al. (2006)
- **F81 Model:** Felsenstein (1981)
- **Gblocks:** Jose Castresana (2002)
- **GTR-Model:** Tavaré (1986)
- **HMMER 3.1b2** (February 2015): <http://hmmer.org/> – Copyright (C) 2015 Howard Hughes Medical Institute.
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- **ITSx 1.1b:** Bengtsson-Palme et al. (2013)
- **JModelTest – Version 2.1.10 v20160303:** Darriba et al. (2012)
- **Mafft 7.372** (used over mafft.cbrc.jp) and **7.305b** over Cipres: Katoh and Frith (2012), Katoh and Standley (2013), Katoh and Toh (2007), Katoh and Toh (2008), Katoh and Toh (2008a), Katoh and Toh (2010), Katoh et al. (2002), Katoh et al. (2005), Katoh et al. (2009), Katoh et al. (2016), Katoh et al. (2017), Kuraku et al. (2013), Nakamura et al. (2018), Yamada et al. (2016)
- **MCIC (modified complex indel coding):** Müller (2006)
- **MEGA 6.06:** Tamura et al. (2013)
- **MrBayes 3.2.6 64-Bit parallel version:** Huelsenbeck and Ronquist (2001), Ronquist and Huelsenbeck (2003); **parallel-version of MrBayes:** Altekar et al. (2004)
- **Gamma-distribution** used in MrBayes: Yang (1993), Yang (1994)
- **MCMCMC** Metropolis-coupled Markov Chains with Monte Carlo Simulation used in MrBayes: Geyer (1991), Hastings (1970), Metropolis et al. (1953)
- **nst=2 models** used in MrBayes: Hasegawa et al. (1984), Hasegawa et al. (1985), Kimura (1980)
- **nst=6 models** used in MrBayes: Tavare (1986)
- **Simple Jukes-Cantor-like model for restriction sites** used in MrBayes: Felsenstein (1992)
- **NCBI GenBank:** National Center for Biotechnology Information, U.S. National Library of Medicine 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda MD, 20894 USA – <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/>
- **Noisy 1.5.12:** Dress et al. (2008)
- **PartitionFinder 2.1.1:** Lanfear et al. (2012), Lanfear et al. (2016)
- **PhyML 3.0 used with PartitionFinder:** Guindon et al. (2010)
- **PlutoF:** Abarenkov et al. (2010)
- **Prank 140603:** Löytynoja (2014), Löytynoja and Goldman (2005), Löytynoja and Goldman (2008a); **Prank -F Option:** Löytynoja and Goldman (2008b)
- **Probalign 1.4:** Roshan and Livesay (2006)
- **RAXML Version 8.2.10:** Stamatakis (2014)
- **Robinson-Foulds Distance (RF):** Robinson and Foulds (1981)
- **SeqState 1.4.1:** Müller (2005)
- **SIC (Simple Indel Coding):** Simmons and Ochoterena (2000)
- **SWISS-MODEL:** SWISS-MODEL Workspace / GMQE: Waterhouse et al. (2018); SWISS-MODEL Repository: Bienert et al. (2017); Swiss-PdbViewer / DeepView project mode: Guex et al. (2009); QMEAN: Benkert et al. (2011); Quaternary Structure Prediction / QSQE: Bertoni et al. (2017)

- **Tracer 1.6.0:** MCMC Trace Analysis Tool – Andrew Rambaut, Marc A. Suchard, Walter Xie and Alexei J. Drummond (2003–2013)
- **TreeBASE:** Piel et al. (2009), Vos et al. (2012)
- **Treegraph 2.14.0-771 beta:** Stöver and Müller (2010)
- **Tubulin Beta Chain – SMTL ID 5fnv:** Yang et al. (2016)
- **Two Parameter Model & Acquisition Bias Correction:** Lewis (2001)
- **Unite:** Kõljalg et al. (2013)

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Appendix. Preliminary key to the genera

Below, the design of a key based on the natural system is shown. The characteristics are often not restricted to one genus. Sometimes there are overlaps with features of other genera. For the determination of the species, a key based on distinctive features, regardless of the system would be more appropriate.

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| 1 | Pileipellis a cutis | <i>Coprinopsis</i> |
| 1* | Pileipellis a hymeniderm | 2 |
| 2 | (1) Pileus surface totally naked | 3 |
| 2* | Pileus surface not totally naked; veil, pileocystidia, setae or hairs present | 4 |
| 3 | (1) Pleurocystidia thick-walled, spores pale and ellipsoid | <i>Homophron</i> |
| 3* | Pleurocystidia thin-walled, spores dark and lentiform | <i>Parasola p.p.</i> |
| 4 | (2) Veil always absent | 5 |
| 4* | Veil always present, but sometimes fugacious | 6 |

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| 5 | (4) Pileipellis with long brown hairs, no other elements present | <i>Parasola p.p.</i> |
| 5* | Pileipellis without such hairs, but pileocystidia or setae may be present | <i>Tulosesus p.p.</i> |
| 6 | (4) Veil not wipeable | 7 |
| 6* | Veil wipeable | 8 |
| 7 | (6) Spores warty | <i>Lacrymaria</i> |
| 7* | Spores not warty | <i>Cystoagaricus</i> |
| 8 | (6) Veil consisting at least partially of spherical cells | 9 |
| 8* | Veil without spherical cells | 15 |
| 9 | (8) Pileocystidia present | 10 |
| 9* | Pileocystidia absent | 13 |
| 10 | (9) Pileus with greenish tones | <i>Punjabia</i> |
| 10* | Pileus without greenish tones | 11 |
| 11 | (10) Spores rounded-angular | <i>Tulosesus p.p.</i> |
| 11* | Spores otherwise | 12 |
| 12 | (11) Pileus plicate or furrowed | <i>Coprinellus p.p.</i> |
| 12* | Pileus at most translucent striated |
<i>Psathyrella sect. Cystopsathyra p.p.</i> |
| 13 | (9) Spores strongly flattened, outline tri- to polygonal | <i>Narcissea</i> |
| 13* | Spores otherwise | 14 |
| 14 | (13) Pileus plicate or furrowed | <i>Coprinellus p.p.</i> |
| 14* | Pileus at most translucent striated |
<i>Psathyrella sect. Cystopsathyra p.p.</i> |
| 15 | (8) Pileus plicate or furrowed | 16 |
| 15* | Pileus at most translucent striated | 17 |
| 16 | (15) Pileocystidia present | <i>Tulosesus p.p.</i> |
| 16* | Pileocystidia absent | <i>Hausknechtia</i> |
| 17 | (15) Pleurocystidia absent | <i>Candolleomyces</i> |
| 17* | Pleurocystidia present | 18 |
| 18 | (17) Pleurocystidia with large, refractive globules | <i>Typhrasa</i> |
| 18* | Pleurocystidia otherwise | 19 |
| 19 | (18) Pleurocystidia predominantly spatula-shaped and strongly pediculated, often slightly thick-walled | <i>Olotia</i> |
| 19* | Pleurocystidia predominantly otherwise | 20 |
| 20 | (19) Stipe distinctly rooting, cystidia with greenish deposits, pileocystidia or similar elements present | <i>Britzelmayria</i> |
| 20* | Features not in this combination | 21 |
| 21 | (20) Basidiocarps large, spores about 10 µm long, pale, germ pore absent or tiny | <i>Kauffmania</i> |
| 21* | Features not in this combination | <i>Psathyrella</i> |

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