



Taxonomy & diversity of lopharia from Kinwat (Nanded) District Marathwada, Maharashtra

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Abstract

Lopharia is the genus form order Aphyllophorales with more than 13 species. Fruit bodies of Lopharia are crust like to effused reflexed. Only a valid sp. Have been reported from India. But the present study reports 03 sp. The sp. are each described and the fruit bodies, spores, cutis are illustrated.

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Introduction

The genus Loharia S.S., Typified by *L. Lirellosa* Kalchbr and Macown (*Radium mirabile* berk and broome), is characterized by a dimitic hyphal system with clamped generative hyphae, Large basidia and Basidiospores and large, encrusted, hyaline, thick walled cystidia (Hjortstamana Ryvardeen 1990, Boidin and Gilles 2002, Bernicchia and Garjon 2010). Hjortstum and Ryvardeen (1990) accepted only *L. Cinerascens* (Schwein) G cunn. and *L. mirabills* (Bark and broome). Pat and Boidin and Gilles (2002) additionally accepted *L. Pseudocinerascens* Boidin and Gilles. Waden (1975, 2010) adopted a broad interpretation of Loharia that included species of *porostereum pilat*. A few phylogenetic studies that have included Lopharia S.S. and *porostereum spadiceum* (pors.) It Jortstem and Ryvardeen (generic type) showed that they are distinctly related (Ko et al. 2001, Yoon et al. 2003, Wu et al. 2007, Jang et al. (2010). Both geriora are inggded in the polyporales with Lopharia in the polyporacear and *porosteraum* in the phanerochaetae (Justo et al. 2017).

Materials and Method

Collection of the samples was done from various locations from Parbhani and Nanded district. For the morphological details, thin, hand sections were taken from cutis, contexts from the tube layer of each sample respectively spores were isolated from a block and tube layer, Technique described by steyaert (1972). To loosen the hyphae, the sections materials was treated with 10% KOH, washed with water and stained with 1% phloxine. These section were again washed with water and finally stained with cotton blue. All the preparations were semi-permanent. The slides were observed under Bausch & Lomb compound microscope having a combination of 10x eyepiece is 10x, 45x and oil immersion (i.e. 100x) objectives.

The spores were observed under olympus Bx-40 at 100x objective with phase contrast and the dermis sections at 40x objective of the same photographs were taken using Olympus Bx-40 attached with photomicrography unit.

Results

An artificial key was prepare to differentiate the collected sp for the segregations and assignment of correct taxonomic idnty to the samples keys of different authors viz, Bakshi (1971), Steyert (1972, 1980), Ryvardeen and Johnsen (1980), Gilbertson and Ryvardeen (1986), Aottlich and Wrignt (1999) and Ryvardeen (1995, 2000) were used.

Key to species

1. Hyphal system monomitic --- 2
2. Hyphal system dimitic with skeletal hyphal --- 4
3. Spores longer then 10 cm, cystidia, thick - walled, skletocystidia absent - *C. Cinerascens*.
4. Spores upto 8cm long; thick walled cystidia present or absent, skletocystidia always present - 3
5. Thick - walled cystidia present; spores broadly ellipsoid to avoid, upto 6 cm wide, cuticle on abhymenial side - *L. Papyracea*.
6. Thick walled cyastidia absent; spores ellipsoid, upto 4 cm broad; cutical on the abhymenial side absent l. *Fulva*.

Species description

Lopharia cinerascens (schw) cunn. trans. Roy. Soc. N.Z. 83:622, 1956; *Thelephora cinerascens* schin. Trans. polyporoial Fungi Amer. Phil soc. 4: 1832.

Basidiocarps: coriaceous, often resupinate and effused up to 120 x 30 mm, some times reflexed, reflexed portion up to 10 mm; Upper surface: strigose hairy; brownish grey to greyish black, concentrically sulcate, often laterally effused. Margin: thin loosely adnate, paler entire; hymenial surface: Cinnamon to violaceous, brown smooth to somewhat rough with cystidia; context upto 50 cm thick, excluding the hairy covering, sub-hyaline to pale brownish, cutical bearing tomentum on the abhymenial side, hyphal longitudinally interwoven, thick-walled, developing, zone with numerous cystidia.

Hyphal system: Dimittic; generative hyphae: upto 4 cm wide, septate, clamps absent, thin walled such-hyaline; skeletal hyphae: upto 5cm wide thick walled, unbranched brown, tomentum hyphae unbranched, dark brown, thick walled; Cystidia: Large subconical to subfusiform, thick walled 100-150 (200) x 12-20 cm emerging up to 10 cm beyond hymenial layer, heavily encrusted, often brownish at the base; Basidia 12-20 x 4-6 cm, 4 spored; spores 10-12 (13) 6-7 cm, white, broadly ellipsoid, smooth, thin walled nonamyloid.

Habitat: at on coniferous branch unknown rot. Specimens examined: on dead woods of Melonix regia (mu - 10).

Remarks

East Africa, Thailand, Indonesia, Japan, Pakistan, Brazil, India: *Lopharia papyracea* (Jungh): Reid kew P. 131, 1957; *thelephora papyracea* Jungh Fl crydt. Java Ins. 36: 1838; *stereum percome* Bork and Br. J. Cinn Land 14: 65, 1873. Basidiocarp: Coriaceous, resupinate to effused - reflexed, widely effused upto 150 x 50 cm 300-600 cm thick; upper surface: yellowish to cinnamon, brown, smooth, occasionally, cracking irregularly drying; margin; thick, loosely adnate to after reflexed, concolorous; context: brown, composed of compactly arranged parallel hyphae, forming a dark brown cutical on the abhymenial surface. Hyphal system: dimittic; generative hyphae; upto 4 cm wide, branches septate thin walled hyaline, skeletal hyphae upto 4 cm wide; cystidia 10 (10) x 10-15 cm, sup-fusiform projecting 45 cm out of the hymenium, thick-walled, heavily encrusted; selecto cystidia; present as the elongation of the skeletal hyphae which curve into hymenium; light brown - thick walled; Basidia: not seen; spores: 7-8.5 x 4-6 cm, avoid to broadly ellipsoid, thin - walled smooth non amyloid.

Habitat: On rotting hard wood stump: unknown rot specimens examined: on rooting hard wood stump of *lagers troemia reginae* (MU-12)

Remarks: Japan, New Zealand, Australia, Indonesia, south east Asia, Europe, America, Mexico, India, USA, Brazil, Asia, Kenya, Poland.

Lopharia Fulva (Lev.) Boidin Bull. Soc. Linn. Lyon 28: 2013, 1959; *thelephora fulva* lev. Ann. Soc. Nat. Bot 5: 49, 1846; *stereum schomburgkii* Bark. J. Linn. Soc. Bot. 13: 168, 1873.

Basidiocarps: annual, resupinate, effused reflexed to pileate, membranous, adnate resupinate patches, often arising as small orbicular colonies which may coalesce later and become widely effused, upto 1mm, thick reflexed portion, upto 20 mm long and broad, flabelliform to umbonate; upper surface: camel brown to medium brown, tomentose azonate to concentrically zonate; hymenial surface: greyish brown, smooth to some what rough; context: pale brownish, composed of compactly arranged hyphae, not forming cuticle on the abhymenial side.

Hyphal System: dimittic: generative hyphae; upto 4.5 cm wide branched septate, thin walled, hyphae; skeletal hyphae; 5-6 cm wide unbranched, walls brownish, thick - walled, cystidia: absent, selecto cystidia present as the prolongations of skeletal hyphae curving into the hymenium, uncrusted or minutely encrusted especially near the apices only; Basidia; 30-40 x 6-7 cm, clavate, 4-spored; spores: 7-7.5 (8) x 3-4 cm, ellipsoid thin walled smooth, non amyloid.

Habitat: On rooting hard wood stump: unknown rot.

Specimens examined: On rotting, hard wood stamp of *layers troemia reginae*.

Remarks

Indonesia, Japan, America, Austria, Europe, Brazil, Mexico, U.S.A., India, Pakistan, South Africa.

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