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Sistotrema adnatum Hallenb.

Figures 1–5

Sistotrema adnatum Hallenb. 1984 [1:397]

Basidiome (dry) effused, pellicular but adherent, very thin, up to 50 μ m. **Hymenophore** smooth, continuous, whitish.

Subiculum up to 20 μ m thick, built up by some hyphae running more or less parallelly to the substrate.

Margin indistinct, shortly thinning out or almost abrupt.

Rhizomorphs rare, soft, up to 80 µm thick, whitish.

Hyphal system monomitic; all hyphae with fibulate septa and somewhat oily content.

Subhymenial hyphae compactly arranged, 3.5-6 (8) µm in diam., often somewhat swollen or triangular with multiple clamps, thin-walled, hyaline.

Subicular hyphae regular, distinct, with rather distant septa, (3) 4–6.5 (7.5) μ m wide, with thin or only slightly thickening wall, hyaline, often ampullate at the septa (10–15 μ m wide), sometimes with simple anastomoses.

Rhizomorphs with simple structure, build up by the same hyphae as the subicular ones, eventually slightly thinner, 3-5 (6) μ m in diam.

Cystidia absent.

Basidia urniform, 18–27×4.5–6 (7) μ m at top, 6–8.5 μ m in the lower half; 6 sterigmata up to 4 μ m long.

Basidiospores ellipsoid and often slightly tapering toward the apiculus in frontal view, ellipsoid with a flattening adaxial side to subcylindrical in side view, (5) 6–7 (8) ×2.7–3.3 μ m, Q = 1.7–2.1, smooth, thin-walled, hyaline.

Chemical reactions: IKI-; CB-.

Incrustation: none noteworthy.



Fig. 1: Dried basidiome. Image width = 9 mm [em-7384, nh-7153, isotype]

Comments

Sistotrema adnatum belong to the S. octosporum complex and, as the presence of rhizomorphs may be overlooked, keys out very close either to Sistotrema athelioides Hallenb. which has a distinctly separable, thicker basidiome and more regular subhymenial hyphae, or to S. estonicum Parmasto and S. camshadalicum Parmasto which are described to have pruinose or reticulate, discontinuous basidiomes.

Specimens examined

BRITISH COLUMBIA – Vancouver Island, Stratchona Prov. Park, on lying, rather hard bark of a coniferous tree, leg. N. Hallenberg, 8.IX.1982, isotype of *Sistotrema adnatum* Hallenb. (em-7384, N. Hallenberg 7153)

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Fig. 2: Dried basidiome. Image width = 9 mm [em-7384, nh-7153, isotype]



Fig. 3: Rhizomorph. Bar = 20 μm [em-7384, nh-7153, isotype]



Fig. 4: Basidia, subhymenial and subicular hyphae. Bar = 10 μm [em-7384, nh-7153, isotype]



Fig. 5: Basidiospores. Bar = 10 μm [em-7384, nh-7153, isotype]





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