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Two new species of *Septobasidium* (*Septobasidiaceae*) from Hainan Province in China

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Abstract — Two new species, *Septobasidium hainanense* on *Harpullia* sp. associated with *Pseudaulacaspis* sp. and *Septobasidium ligustri* on *Ligustrum sinense* associated with *Lepidosaphes* sp., are described.

Key words — *Pucciniomycetes*, *Septobasidiales*, taxonomy

The mycota is very rich in tropical forests of Hainan. Several mycological investigations dealing with many new species including the genus *Septobasidium* were published recently (Dai & Cui 2006, Dai & Li 2010, Cui et al. 2009, Dai et al. 2009, Lu & Guo 2009a, 2010b, Yuan & Dai 2008, Xiong & Dai 2008, Wei & Dai 2008). The present paper belongs to a series of studies devoted to the fungal diversity of the Hainan Province. Two new species of *Septobasidium* are described as follows:

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FIGS. 1–7

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Basidiomata resupinata, 0.2–2.5 cm longa, 0.15–1 cm lata, purpurea, margine determinata, superficie laetitia, in sectione 220–830 µm crassa. Subiculum brunneum, 25–60 µm crassum. Columnae brunneae, 50–110 µm altae, 60–155 µm crassae vel hyphis laxe completae. Strata hypharum 70–505 µm alta, saepe strata horizontalia formantia, interdum hyphae partim successiveque crescentes et texturam hemisphaericam tum formantes. Hymenium 50–200 µm crassum. Hyphae hymenii erectae. Basidia cylindrica, recta vel curvata, 4-cellularia, 25–36 × 7–13 µm, hyalina vel brunneola. Sine probasidio. Basidiosporae non visae. Haustoria ex hyphis irregulariter spiralibus constantia.

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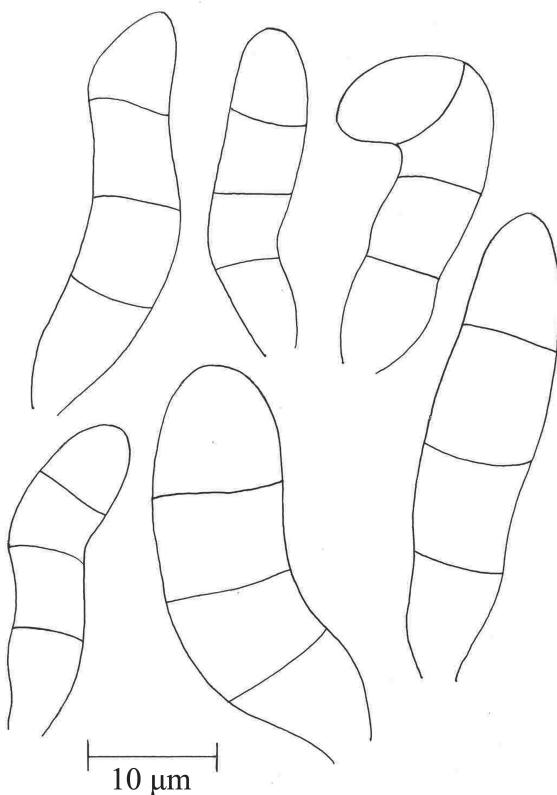
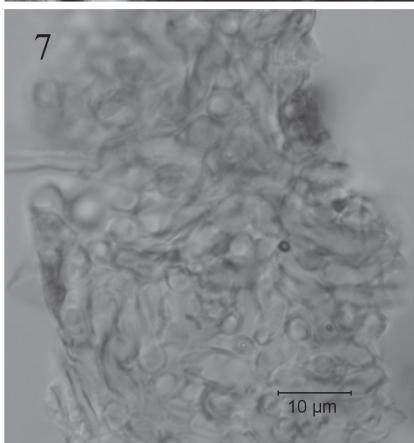
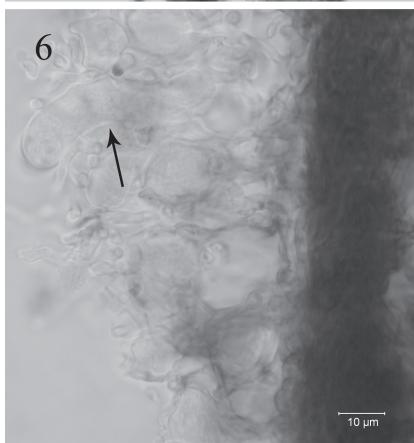
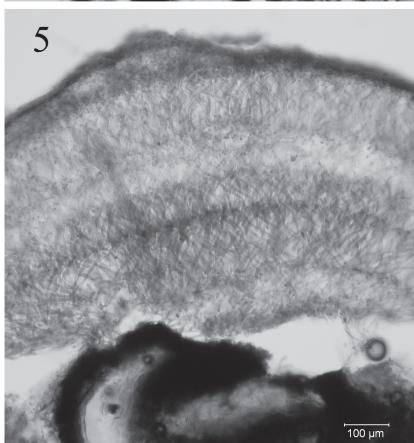
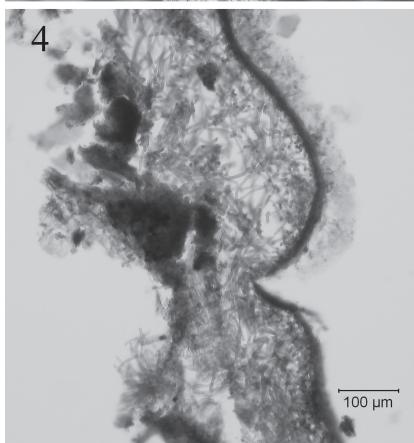
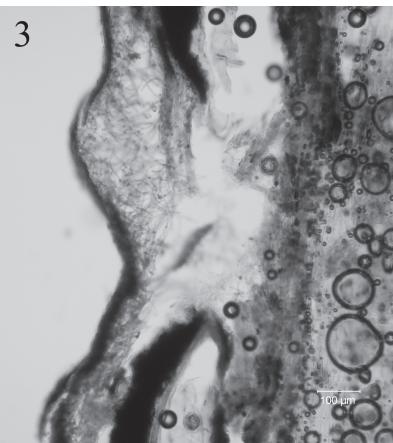


FIG. 1. Basidia of *Septobasidium hainanense* (HMAS 240078, holotype).

TYPE: On *Harpullia* sp. (Sapindaceae): China, Hainan, Bawangling, Yajia, alt. 740 m, 12.XII.2009, Y.F. Zhu & L. Guo 141, HMAS 240078 (**holotype**), associated with *Pseudaulacaspis* sp. (Diaspididae).

Basidiomata on trunks, resupinate, small, rounded, elongate or irregular, often confluent, 0.2–2.5 cm long, 0.15–1 cm wide, purple; margin determinate; surface smooth, often with mounds. In section 220–830 μm thick. Subiculum brown, 25–60 μm thick. Pillars brown, 50–110 μm high, 60–155 μm wide, sometimes loosely filled with hyphae from the subiculum. Hyphal layer 70–505 μm high, often forming a distinct horizontal layer, sometimes hyphae partly and successively growing and forming hemispheric tissue. Hymenial layer 50–200 μm thick, with closely arranged upright hyphae. Basidia arising directly from

Figs. 2–7 (right). *Septobasidium hainanense* (HMAS 240078, holotype). 2. Basidiomata on trunk.
3–5. Sections of basidiomata. 6. Basidium (arrow). 7. Haustoria.



the hyphae, cylindrical, straight or curved, 4-celled, $25-36 \times 7-13 \mu\text{m}$, hyaline or brownish, without a probasidial cell. Basidiospores not seen. Haustoria consisting of irregularly coiled hyphae.

REMARKS: Morphologically, *Septobasidium hainanense* is similar to *S. lichenicola* (Berk. & Broome) Petch, from which it differs in having small patches of basidiomata, hyphae partly growing and forming hemispheric tissue, and with pillars or loosely filled with hyphae from subiculum. *Septobasidium lichenicola* has large patches of basidiomata, hyphae not forming hemispheric tissue and not loosely filled with hyphae from subiculum.

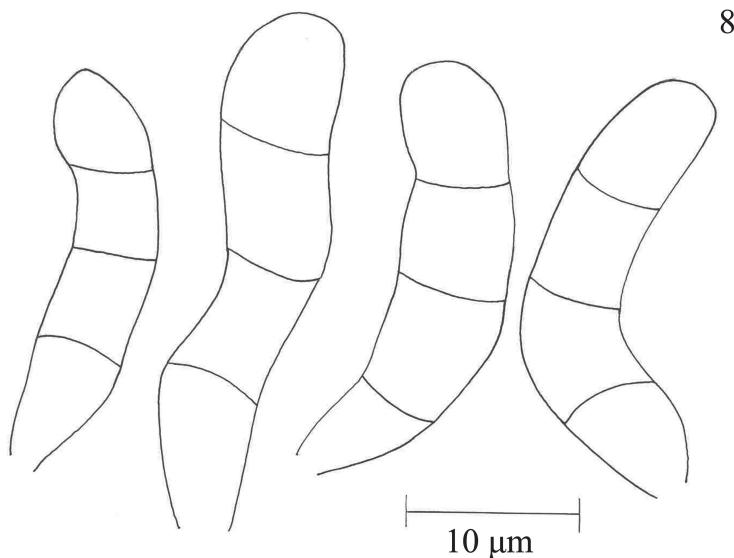


FIG. 8. Basidia of *Septobasidium ligustri* (HMAS 240079, holotype).

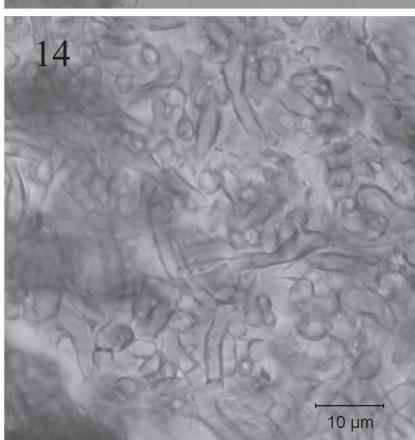
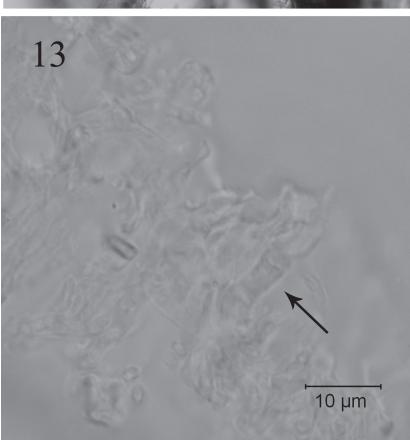
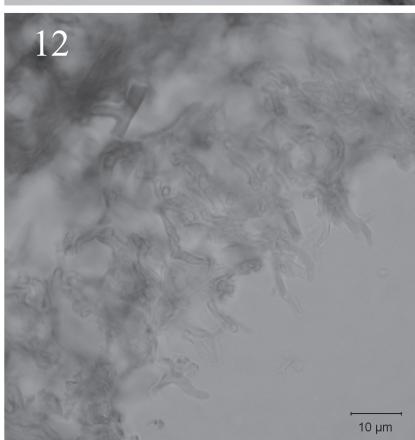
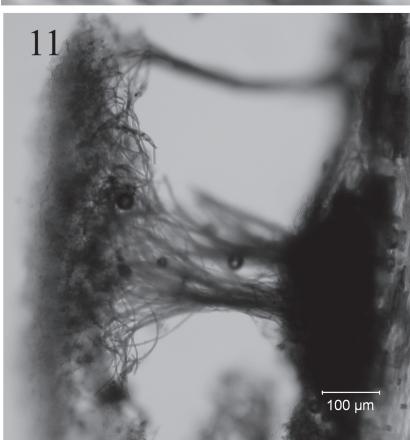
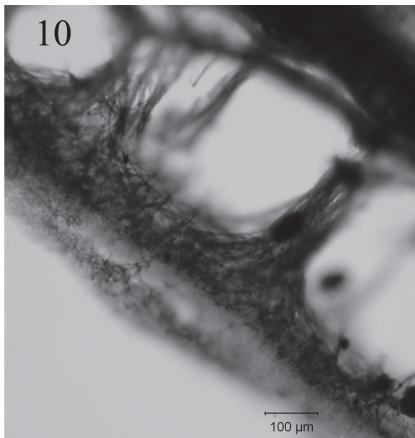
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Figs. 8-14

Basidiomata resupinata, 9-20 cm longa, 1-3 cm lata, griseo-brunnea, margine determinata, superficie laevia, maturitate fissurata, in sectione 480-630 μm crassa. Subiculum brunneum, 20-60 μm crassum. Columnae brunneolae, 210-390 μm altae, 30-150 μm latae, extus ramosae strata hypharum 100-170 μm alta tum formantes. Hymenium 50-80 μm crassum. Hyphae hymenii irregulariter dispositae, erectae, ramosae. Basidia cylindrica, recta vel curvata, 4-cellularia, 15-29 \times 5-7.5 μm , hyalina. Sine probasidio. Sterigmata 3-8 μm longa. Basidiospora ovoidea, 9 \times 4 μm , hyalina. Haustoria ex hyphis irregulariter spiralibus constantia.

Figs. 9-14 (right). *Septobasidium ligustri* (HMAS 240079, holotype). 9. Basidiomata on branch. 10-11. Sections of basidiomata. 12. Hymenium. 13. Basidium (arrow). 14. Haustoria.



TYPE: On *Ligustrum sinense* Lour. (Oleaceae): China, Hainan, Wanning, Xinglong Tropical Plant Garden, alt. 38 m, 6.XII.2009, Y.F. Zhu & L. Guo 41, HMAS 240079 (holotype), associated with *Lepidosaphes* sp. (Diaspididae).

Basidiomata on branches, resupinate, 9–20 cm long, 1–3 cm wide, grey-brown; margin determinate; surface smooth, becoming cracked. In section 480–630 µm thick. Subiculum brown, 20–60 µm thick. Pillars brownish, 210–390 µm high, 30–150 µm wide, branched outwards to form a 100–170 µm high hyphal layer. Hymenium 50–80 µm thick, with irregularly arranged upright branched hyphae. Basidia arising directly from the hyphae, cylindrical, straight or curved, 4-celled, 15–29 × 5–7.5 µm, hyaline, without a probasidial cell. Sterigmata 3–8 µm long. Basidiospore ovoid, 9 × 4 µm, hyaline. Haustoria consisting of irregularly coiled hyphae.

REMARKS: Morphologically, *Septobasidium ligustri* is similar to *S. septobasidioides* (Henn.) Höhn. & Litsch., but differs mainly in having grey-brown basidioma, thinner section (480–630 µm vs about 1 mm) and smaller basidia (15–29 × 5–7.5 µm vs 40–55 × 8.4–10 µm).

To date, 28 species of *Septobasidium* have been reported in China (Sawada 1933, Couch 1938, Teng 1963, Tai 1979, Kirschner & Chen 2007, Lu & Guo 2009a, b, c, 2010a, b, Lu et al. 2010), including the two new species reported in this paper.

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