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## **Phaeotubakia** Ning Jiang

The genus *Phaeotubakia* was introduced with *P. lithocarpicola* Y.Q. Zhu & Ning Jiang as the type species. It was isolated from leaves of *Lithocarpus glaber* in China (Jiang et al. 2023). This monotypic genus is placed in *Tubakiaceae*, *Sordariomycetes* and it is clearly distinguished from other genera in the family Tubakiaceae by having brown to dark brown conidia (Braun et al. 2018; Zhang et al. 2021). Its distinct phylogenetic placement within the family is based on the combined ITS, LSU, tef1- $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ -tubulin (Jiang et al. 2023). Several species of Tubakia viz. T. americana Höhn, T. cyclobalanopsidis Ning Jiang, T. quercicola Ning Jiang, comprise brown conidia, which is similar to *Phaeotubakia lithocarpicola* (Braun et al. 2018; Zhu et al. 2022). However, those species are phylogenetically distant from Phaeotubakia lithocarpicola (Jiang et al. 2023). Phaeotubakia lithocarpicola is a pathogen that forms leaf spot disease of Lithocarpus glaber (Thunb.) Nakai. Two species in Tubakiaceae were reported from Lithocarpus sp. viz. Obovoideisporodochium lithocarpi in China and Tubakia californica in the USA (Braun et al. 2018; Zhang et al. 2021). However, P. lithocarpicola differs from those two species by brown conidiogenous cells and brown to dark brown conidia (Braun et al. 2018; Zhang et al. 2021). Thus, the generic establishment of Phaeotubakia is well-sustained.

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