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Paraproliferophorum Crous

Paraproliferophorum was introduced by Crous et al. (2022) with a single species Paraproliferophorum hyphaenes. It is an endophyte, collected on living leaves of Hyphaene sp. from South Africa. The genus is characterized by solitary, olivaceous brown to medium brown conidiophores, unbranched or branched above, septate, and finely verruculose. Conidiogenous cell are terminal and intercalary. Conidia are fusoid, tapering to truncate ends, one septate, olivaceous brown, smooth-walled. Crous et al. (2022) showed that *Paraproliferophorum* is phylogenetically related to Proliferophorum. However, Paraproliferophorum is different from Proliferophorum in having terminal and intercalary clusters of subdenticulate conidiogenous, and form ramoconidia that give rise to secondary conidia with slightly thickened hila. In addition, the conidiophores of Pa. hyphaenes do not proliferate percurrently. So, they introduced a new genus to accommodate Pa. hyphaenes. Based on the morphological characteristics and molecular investigation with ITS, Paraproliferophorum is placed in incertae sedis within Diaporthomycetidae as a monotypic genus.

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