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## Neocercosporella Sanjay Yadav & Raghv. Singh

Neocercosporella was introduced by Yadav et al.(2023) as a monotypic genus. This genus is typified with Neocercosporella peristrophes (Syd.) Sanjay Yadav & Raghv. Singh. The sexual morph is absent. Neocercosporella was characterized by its stromata substomatal or subcuticular to erumpent, conidiophores are fasciculate, erect to procumbent, septate, smooth, unbranched, rarely branched, straight to slightly curved, geniculate at the tip. Conidiogenous cells are integrated, terminal and intercalary, polyblastic, sympodial, conidiogenous loci slightly protuberant, thickened and darkened, loci conical having a very small rim-like depression on the top encircling a small flat protuberant- like structure; conidia singly, rarely catenate, euseptate, mostly colorless, rarely light olivaceous, obclavate to obclavate-cylindrical, straight to curved, smooth, thin-walled. Neocercosporella and Acervuloseptoria are sister clades. Neocercosporella differs from Acervuloseptoria by its hyphomycetous nature, while the latter is coelomycetous (Yadav et al. 2023). The taxon was suggested to be pathogenic causing leaf spots of *Peristrophe bicalvculata* (Retz.) Nees in India. However, Koch's postulates have not been conducted. Based on morphological characteristics and phylogenetic analyses using ITS, LSU, and RPB2, the taxonomic placement of Neocercosporella is in Mycosphaerellaceae, Mycosphaerellales, Dothideomycetes.

## Reference

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