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Lunatochaeta W.P. Wu & Y.Z. Diao

Lunatochaeta was introduced by Wu & Diao (2022) to accommodate Lunatochaeta shenzhenense W.P. Wu & Y.Z. Diao as a monotypic species based on morphology and phylogeny. This species was isolated as saprobe on dead leaves of broad leaf tree in China. Lunatochaeta is similar to Dictyochaeta and Brachydictyochaeta by the presence of setae, conidiophores, conidiogenous cells, collarettes and aseptate conidia. Lunatochaeta differs from Brachydictyochaeta in the absence of lateral phialides and the apex of setae are not swollen. Maximum likelihood analysis of combined ITS and LSU sequence data showed that Lunatochaeta formed a separate clade with Dictyochaeta and Brachydictyochaeta. The sexual morph in Lunatochaeta is unknown. The taxonomic placement of Lunatochaeta is in Chaetosphaeriaceae, Chaetosphaeriales, Sordariomycetes, Ascomycota.

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