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[Paraphomopsis](#) Udayanga & Castl.

Phylogenetic analyses ([Udayanga et al. 2021](#)) showed that the strawberry leaf blight taxon *Phomopsis obscurans* does not belong in [Diaporthaceae](#) but rather forms a separate lineage in [Melanconiellaceae](#). Therefore, a new genus was introduced to accommodate this taxon, synonymizing it as [Paraphomopsis obscurans](#). The new genus, which is so far only known in its asexual morph, is also morphologically distinct from the phylogenetically close taxa in [Melanconiellaceae](#) with known asexual morphs ([Farr et al. 2001](#), [Voglmayr et al. 2012](#), [Udayanga et al. 2021](#)). Furthermore, while the conidia of [Paraphomopsis](#) superficially resemble those of [Diaporthe](#) (= *Phomopsis*), thorough morphological examination has shown that the conidia of [Paraphomopsis](#) are fusiform and minutely guttulate towards the ends of the conidia while the conidia of [Diaporthe](#) are ovate to clavate and usually have two or more prominent guttules or are aguttulate ([Udayanga et al. 2021](#)).

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