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## Lecaimmeria C.M. Xie, Lu L. Zhang & Li S. Wang

Based on analysis of a five-loci phylogenetic tree (nrITS, nrLSU, rpb1, rpb2 and mtSSU) with combined sequence data, Xie et al. (2022) introduced Lecaimmeria to accommodate all the lecanorine apotheciate species previously classified in *Immersaria*. Lecaimmeria, with L. orbicularis as the type, grow on exposed siliceous rock, mainly in Eurasia but also in North America. Three species that were accepted in *Immersaria* are relegated to this genus, and seven additional species from China are described in it. Lecaimmeria is distinguished from other genera of Lecideales with lecanorine apothecia by amyloid ascospores, and Bellemerea and Koerberiella by their adnate apothecia. Lecaimmeria is characterized by immersed lecanorine apothecia with a white margin and a distinct plectenchyma developed on top of the orange epihymenium. Lecaimmeria resembles Immersaria in the immersed apothecia and brown thallus, but Lecaimmeria differs in its red-brown lecanorine apothecia, often with a white margin, their orange epihymenium with a plectenchyma and the thallus containing gyrophoric acid. The phylogenetic evidence obtained from the analysis of nrITS, nrLSU, rpb1, rpb2 and mtSSU show it as a distinct lineage (Xie et al. 2022). The taxonomic placement of Lecaimmeria is in Lecideaceae (Lecideales, Lecanoromycetes) (Xie et al. 2022).

## Reference

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