

Gunpowder Lepidella

*Amanita onusta* (Howe) Saccardo



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**ID:** Cap white/gray w/ large warts; convex to nearly flat. Stalk w/ scales near base; spindle-shaped bulb.

**Habitat:** Single, scattered. On ground in oak/hickory forests.

**Cap:** 1 – 4" [2.5 – 10 cm]

Dingy white/gray. Convex/nearly flat/slightly depressed; covered w/gray warts at center and gray powder at margin. Margin usually has veil fragments. Little odor or bleach-like. Flesh whitish/pale gray.

**Gills:** White/creamy-yellowish. Free/finely attached. Crowded.

**Spores:** *White*. Ellipsoid, smooth, hyaline.

**Stalk:** 1.5 – 6" [4 – 15 cm] x 0.2 – 0.6 [6 – 15 mm]

White above, grayer below w/ gray flocculent concentric scales near base. White/gray delicate ring (often missing). Spindle-shaped, rooting bulb.

**Frequency:** Occasional.

**Locations:** GONRA, MPENA, RKBPR, SYRIV.



**Notes:** **Do not taste!** Mycobank 174582. Sykesville/River Road, PVSP, and Gorman Steam Valley NRA specimens identified by examination of spores by *R. Solem*.

**Section:** *Lepidella*.

**References:** BBF 65, 273. BBH 53. Bin 23. E&S 124fn. M&M 44. Phi 25.



**SPORES:** (9.0-9.9 x 5.4-6.3µm): Gorman Steam Valley NRA, 7/28/2018, *R. Solem*