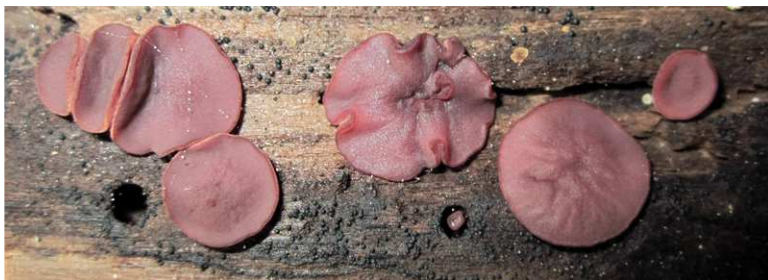


Purple Jelly Drops

Ascocoryne cylichnium (Tulasne) Korf
Ascocoryne sarcoides (Jacquin)
 J.W. Groves & D.E. Wilson



Only the fourth photo is confirmed as *A. cylichnium* by spores.
 OVERALL: Big Branch, 11/3/2009, J. Solem
 OVERALL: Daniels, PVSP, 10/15/2015, J. Solem
 OVERALL: Henryton, PVSP, 10/26/2009, J. Solem
 OVERALL: Henryton, PVSP, 10/28/2014, J. Solem

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[*Ascocoryne cylichnium*](#)
[*Ascocoryne sarcoides*](#)
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ID: Body pink/reddish-purple; round, then cushion-shaped, finally saucer-shaped w/ irregular margin; rubbery.

Habitat: Groups, clusters. On decaying wood (especially beech).

Fruiting Body: 1/8 – 3/4" [3 – 20 mm]

Pink/reddish-purple. Nearly round when young, soon cushion-shaped, then irregularly saucer-shaped w/ lobed/wavy margin. Flesh rubbery.

Spores: *Hyaline*. Ellipsoid, smooth, hyaline; *A. cylichnium* spores are larger than *A. sarcoides*.

Frequency: Common.

Locations: BIGBR, CASCT, CEDLP, DANPV, GONRA, HENPV, LONGC, MANWD, MCHPV, MPENA, MURHL, PIGTL, RKBRP, ROBNC, SLMLP, WSKPV, WSTRP, WINTR.

Notes: Mycobank 283357 (*A. cylichnium*), 326593 (*A. sarcoides*). Henryton, Morning Choice, and Schooley Mill records identified by examination of spores by R. Solem. Other locations were identified by macro-characteristics and could be either species.

References: Bar 56. BBB 357. BBF 490, 498. BBH 338. Bni 544. BRBD 300fn. Phi 375. Rog.



SPORES (19.8-25.6 X 4.7-6.0 μm):
 Henryton, PVSP, 10/28/2014,
 R. Solem.