



CLOSEUP: Big Branch, 11/28/209, R. Orr.

OVERALL: Big Branch, 11/28/209, R. Solem.

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ID: Body color varies, blackening in age; surface bumpy. Use KOH.

Habitat: Infects bark of various hardwoods; species are specific to each hardwood.

Fruiting Body: 1/16–5/8" x 1/16–3/8" [1.5–15 mm x 1.5–10 mm]

Color varies w/ species, all blacken in age. Flesh black, hard. Surface minutely bumpy. Perithecia just below surface.

Frequency: Common.

Locations: BIGBR, CASCT, DANPV, FRANF, FULSA, GONRA, MPENA, MCHPV, PIGTL, ROBNC, SLMLP, SVMLT, SYRIV, UMDCF, WSTRP, ZIRNP.

Notes: References are all to specific species. KOH releases variously colored pigments depending on the species. There are now two genera that appear identical to the naked eye: *Hypoxylon* and *Annulohypoxylon*. (They differ in the construction of the perithecia.)

References: Bar 78. BBF 522-523 (key), 525, 527. Lin 374,667. W&L 70-1.