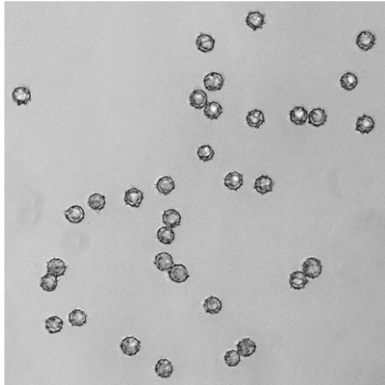


Chocolate Milky

*Lactarius lignyotus* Fries



TOP: Pigtail, 8/20/2020, *J. Solem*.  
GILL EDGES and LATEX: Pigtail,  
8/20/2020, *J. Solem*.  
GILLS and STALK: Pigtail, 8/20/2020,  
*J. Solem*.  
SPLIT: Pigtail, 8/20/2020, *J. Solem*.  
SPORES (7.7-8.6 µm): Pigtail,  
8/20/2020, *R. Solem*.

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Russulaceae

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**ID:** Dark brown cap, convex (flat/depressed in age),velvety.

**Habitat:** Scattered, groups. In hardwood forests (oak) but also in mosses under conifers.

**Cap:** 1.6 – 7" [2 – 10 cm]

Nearly black/dark brown (dark brown/brown in age). Convex (broadly convex/shallowly depressed in age w/ small point in middle remaining (or not). Finely velvety, often w/wrinkled/rugged surface. Latex white. Flesh white slowly turn (slowly turns pinkish when sliced or not)

**Gills:** White/whitish (stain pinkish/orangish or not); may have brownish edges. Attached/subdecurrent. Close (nearly distant in age).

**Spores:** *Ochre/old gold/light brown*. Nearly round w/ 1-2 micron prominences, hyaline.

**Stalk:** 1.2 – 4.8" x up to 0.6" [4 – 12 cm x < 1.5 cm]  
Textured/colored like cap (whitish near base). Dry or slimy. Equal.

**Frequency:** Uncommon.

**Locations:** PIGTL.

**Notes:** Mycobank 165811. Pigtail specimen identified by examination of spores by R. Solem. There are several recognized varieties.

**References:** BBH 65. BHB 196. Bin 141fn. Bni 81. K&M 241. Lin 686, 363. M&M 96. Phi 104. Stu 61.