



OVERALL: Pigtail, 10/8/2010, J. Solem.

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Smooth Puffball

Lycoperdon molle
Agaricaceae

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ID: Body brown (w/ small spines/granules; smooth in age), pear-shaped w/ large irregular pore in age. Sporek brown/black at maturity.

Habitat: Scattered. On ground in hardwood or white pine forests.

Fruiting Body: 0.4 – 1.6" x 0.4 – 2.4" [1 – 4 cm x 1 – 6 cm] Brown w/ small spines/granules on surface (smooth in age), spore case opens by wide, irregular pore. Pear-shaped w/ stalk-like sterile base (w/ well-developed chambers as wide as body, or only a narrow stalk).

Spores: Gleba *white* and solid, then *dark brown/black* and powdery.

Frequency: Fairly common.

Locations: AVORG, BIGBR, GUIPK, LONGC, MPENA, PIGTL.

Notes: Mycobank 271483.

References: Bni 495. M&M 455. Phi 332. Roo 445fn.