Blue Stain
Green Stain

Chlorociboria aeruginascens
(Nylander) Kanouse
ex C.S. Ramamurthi, Korf & L.R. Batra

Chlorociboria aeruginosa (Oeder) Seaver
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ID: Small blue-green cups; often stalkless.

Habitat: Groups/clusters on decaying hardwood (oak). Often stains substrate (wood) blue-green.

Fruiting Body: 1/8 – 3/16" [3 – 8 mm]
Outer surface: blue-green, finely roughened. Fertile surface: Blue-green (sometimes tinged yellow), smooth, cup-/saucer-shaped to nearly flat.

Stalk: 1/8 – 1/4" [3 – 6 mm] if present.
Blue-green, tapers down. C. aeruginosa stalk generally central w. symmetrical cup; C. aeruginascens stalk generally off-center w/ asymmetrical cup.

Spores: Species differ only in spore size (determined by microscopic examination). Irregularly fisiform w/ 2 oil drops, smooth, hyaline.

Frequency: Very common.

Locations: BIGBR, BRNBR, CASCT, CEDLP, DANPV, FARMS, FRANF, GONRA, HOWCH, MCHPV, MURHL, PIGTL, ROBNC, SLMLP, WSKPV.

Notes: Mycobank 285167 (C. aeruginascens) and 294810 (C. aeruginosa). Dickey Farm record (11/2/2013) identified as C. aeruginascens by examination of spores by R. Orr. Woodstock (8/3/2015) and Schooley Mill Park records identified as same species by examination of spores by R. Solem.


SPORES