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New corticioid taxa in Phanerochaetaceae (Polyporales, Basidiomycota) from East Asia

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The species diversity, taxonomy, and phylogeny of five corticioid genera of Phanerochaetaceae, namely, Hyphodermella, Roseograndinia, Phlebiopsis, Rhizochaete, and Phanerochaete, in East Asia are studied by using the morphological and molecular methods. Phylogenetic analyses were performed separately for the Donkia, Phlebiopsis, Rhizochaete, and Phanerochaete clades based on ITS1-5.8S-ITS2 and nrLSU sequence data. In total, seven new species were found, two new combinations are suggested, and a new name is proposed. In the Donkia clade, Hyphodermella sensu stricto was strongly supported with two new lineages, namely H. laevigata and H. tropica, which were recovered. Hyphodermella aurantiaca and H. zixishanensis are members of Roseograndinia, while R. jilinensis is proved to be a later synonym of H. aurantiaca. In the Phlebiopsis clade, P. cana sp. nov. was found on the bamboo from tropical Asia. In the Rhizochaete clade, four new species, R. nakasoneae, R. subradicata, R. terrestris, and R. yunnanensis were recovered based mainly on molecular analyses. In the Phanerochaete clade, P. subsanguinea nom. nov. is proposed to replace Phanerochaete rhizomorpha C.L. Zhao & D.Q. Wang, which is an invalid name because it was published after Phanerochaete rhizomorpha C.C. Chen, Sheng H. Wu & S.H. He, representing another species. Descriptions and illustrations are provided for the new species, and discussions are given for new taxa and names. Identification keys to Hyphodermella species worldwide and Rhizochaete species in China are given separately.

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Introduction

The species diversity, taxonomy, and phylogeny of the large phlebioid clade, which includes three families, namely, Phanerochaetaceae, Irpicaceae and Meruliaceae, have been intensively studied in recent years, and the number of taxa has been dramatically increased (Floudas and Hibbett, 2015; Miettinen et al., 2016; Justo et al., 2017; Nakasone et al., 2017, 2021; Chen et al., 2018b, 2020, 2021, 2022; Ma and Zhao, 2019; Huang and Zhao, 2020; Xu Y. L. et al., 2020; Gu and Zhao, 2021; Zhao et al., 2021; Li et al., 2022). To date, 60 genera of poroid, corticioid, and hydnoid fungi are recognized in the three families, which mostly cause white rot on both angiosperms and gymnosperms (Chen et al., 2021; Nakasone et al., 2021; Lira et al., 2022). Among corticioid fungi, *Phanerochaete* s.l. and *Phlebia* s.l. are the two largest groups in the clade, which have been divided into many small genera with the aid of molecular systematics.

East Asia, especially the tropic areas, has been shown to be rich in the species diversity of the corticioid fungi of the phlebioid clade (Ma and Zhao, 2019; Huang and Zhao, 2020; Xu Y. L. et al., 2020; Chen et al., 2021; Gu and Zhao, 2021; Li et al., 2021, 2022; Zhao et al., 2021). Although many new taxa were described from this region, the species diversity, especially for the cryptic species, has not been completely understood, and the generic positions of some species need to be further studied (Chen et al., 2021). In this study, we carried out complete taxonomic and phylogenetic studies on the newly collected specimens and some newly described taxa of corticioid fungi in Phanerochaetaceae from East Asia. Seven new species in *Hyphodermella*, *Phlebiopsis*, and *Rhizochaete* were found, and two new combinations of *Roseograndinia* and a new name for *Phanerochaete* are proposed. These results are continuations and supplements to the research of phlebioid fungi in China.

Materials and methods

Specimen collection

Field trips for specimen collection in several nature reserves and forest parks in China and other countries were carried out by the authors. *In situ* photos of the fungi were taken with a Canon EOS 70D camera (Canon Corporation, Japan). Fresh specimens were dried at 40° C with a portable drier (manufactured in Finland). Dried specimens were labeled and then stored in a refrigerator at -40° C for 2 weeks to kill the insects and their eggs before they were ready for morphological and molecular studies. Voucher specimens are deposited at the herbaria of Beijing Forestry University, Beijing, China (BJFC), the National Museum of Natural Science, Taichung, Taiwan (TNM), and the Center for Forest Mycology Research, Madison, Wisconsin, U.S.A. (CFMR). Herbarium code designations follow the Index Herbariorum.¹

Morphological studies

Thin, freehand sections were made from dried basidiomes and mounted in 2% (w/v) aqueous potassium hydroxide (KOH) and 1% (w/v) aqueous phloxine. Amyloidity and dextrinoidity of basidiospores were checked in Melzer's reagent (IKI). Cyanophily of hyphal and basidiospore walls was observed in 1% (weight/volume) cotton blue in 60% (w/v) lactic acid (CB). Microscopic examinations were carried out with a Nikon Eclipse 80i microscope (Nikon Corporation, Japan) at magnifications up to $1,000 \times$. Drawings were made with the aid of a drawing tube. The following abbreviations are used: IKI- = neither amyloid nor dextrinoid, CB- = acyanophilous, L = mean spore length, W = mean spore width, Q = L/W ratio, and n (a/b) = the number of spores (a) measured from the number of specimens (b). Color codes and names were followed as suggested by Kornerup and Wanscher (1978).

DNA extraction and sequencing

A CTAB plant genomic DNA extraction kit, DN14 (Aidlab Biotechnologies Co., Ltd, Beijing, China), was used to extract total genomic DNA from dried specimens, which was then amplified by the polymerase chain reaction (PCR), according to the manufacturer's instructions. The ITS1-5.8S-ITS2 region (ITS) was amplified with the primer pair ITS5/ITS4 (White et al., 1990) using the following protocol: initial denaturation at 95°C for 4 min, followed by 34 cycles at 94° C for 40 s, 58° C for 45 s, 72°C for 1 min, and the final extension at 72°C for 10 min. The nrLSU D1-D2 region (nrLSU) was amplified with the primer pair LR0R/LR7² using the following procedure: initial denaturation at $94^\circ C$ for 1 min, followed by 34 cycles at $94^\circ C$ for 30 s, $50^\circ C$ for 1 min, 72°C for 1.5 min, and the final extension at 72°C for 10 min. DNA sequencing was performed at the Beijing Genomics Institute, and the sequences were deposited in GenBank³ (Table 1). BioEdit v.7.0.5.3 (Hall, 1999) and Geneious Basic v.11.1.15 (Kearse et al., 2012) were used to review the chromatograms and for contig assembly.

Phylogenetic analyses

Four separate datasets of concatenated ITS-nrLSU sequences of the *Donkia*, *Phlebiopsis*, *Rhizochaete*, and *Phanerochaete* clades in the Phanerochaeteaceae were analyzed. The clades recognition and ingroup and outgroup taxa selections were mainly discussed in the study by Chen et al. (2021). The *Phanerochaete* clade included only taxa in the core group of the genus. *Rhizochaete radicata* (Henn.) Gresl., Nakasone & Rajchenb. was selected as the outgroup for the *Donkia* and *Phlebiopsis* clades, while *Phlebiopsis gigantea* (Fr.) Jülich was used as the outgroup for the *Rhizochaete* and *Phanerochaete* clades. The ITS and nrLSU sequences were aligned separately using MAFFT v.7⁴ (Katoh et al., 2017) with the G-INS-I iterative refinement algorithm and optimized manually in BioEdit v.7.0.5.3. Then, the separate alignments were concatenated using Mesquite v.3.5.1 (Maddison and Maddison, 2018).

Maximum parsimony (MP), maximum likelihood (ML) analyses, and Bayesian inference (BI) were carried out using PAUP* v.4.0b10 (Swofford, 2002), RAxML v.8.2.10 (Stamatakis, 2014), and MrBayes 3.2.6 (Ronquist et al., 2012), respectively. In MP analysis, trees were generated using 100 replicates of random stepwise addition of sequence and the tree-bisection reconnection

Abbreviations: ITS, internal transcribed spacer; nrLSU, nuclear ribosomal large subunit; BJFC, the herbarium of Beijing Forestry University, Beijing, China; TNM, National Museum of Natural Science, Taichung, Taiwan, China; KOH, 2% (w/v) potassium hydroxide; IKI, Melzer's reagent; CB, cotton blue; IKI–, neither amyloid nor dextrinoid; CB–, acyanophilous; L, mean spore length; W, mean spore width; Q, L/W ratio, n (a/b), number of spores (a) measured from the number of specimens (b); CTAB, cetyltrimethylammonium bromide; DNA, deoxyribonucleic acid; PCR, polymerase chain reaction; MP, maximum parsimony; ML, maximum likelihood; BI, Bayesian inference; BPP, Bayesian posterior probability.

¹ http://sweetgum.nybg.org/science/ih/

² https://sites.duke.edu/vilgalyslab/rdna_primers_for_fungi/

³ https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/

⁴ http://mafft.cbrc.jp/alignment/server/

TABLE 1 Species and sequences used in the phylogenetic analyses.

Таха	Voucher	Locality	ITS	nrLSU	References	
Alboefibula bambusicola	Chen 2304	China	MZ636926	MZ637091	Chen et al., 2021	
Alboefibula bambusicola	Wu 1209-26	China	MZ636927	MZ637092	Chen et al., 2021	
Alboefibula gracilis	Wu 0606-83	China	MZ636928	MZ637093	Chen et al., 2021	
Alboefibula gracilis	Wu 1809-106	China	MZ636929	MZ637094	Chen et al., 2021	
Crepatura ellipsospora	CLZhao 697	China	MK343695	MK343699	Ma and Zhao, 2019	
Crepatura ellipsospora	CLZhao 1265	China	MK343692	MK343696	Ma and Zhao, 2019	
Donkia pulcherrima	GC 1707-11	China	LC378994	LC379152	Chen et al., 2018b	
Donkia pulcherrima	Gothenburg-2022	Austria	KX752591	KX752591	Miettinen et al., 2016	
Efibulella deflectens	FCUG 1568	Sweden	AF141619	AF141619	Parmasto and Hallenberg, 2000	
Geliporus exilisporus	Dai 2172	China	KU598211	KU598216	Yuan et al., 2017	
Geliporus exilisporus	GC 1702-15	China	LC378995	LC379153	Chen et al., 2018b	
Hyphodermella corrugata	MA-Fungi 5527	Morocco	FN600372	JN939597	Telleria et al., 2010	
Hyphodermella corrugata	MA-Fungi 24238	Portugal	FN600378	JN939586	Telleria et al., 2010	
Hyphodermella laevigata	He 5427*	China	ON964013	ON963996	Present study	
Hyphodermella laevigata	Не 5430	China	ON964014	ON963997	Present study	
Hyphodermella pallidostraminea	LE 286968	Russia	OK138912	OK138911	Unpublished	
"Hyphodermella" poroides	Dai 10848	China	KX008368	KX011853	Zhao et al., 2017	
"Hyphodermella" poroides	Dai 12045	China	KX008367	KX011852	Zhao et al., 2017	
Hyphodermella rosae	FP-150552	USA	KP134978	KP135223	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Hyphodermella rosae	GC 1604-113	China	MZ636986	MZ637147	Chen et al., 2021	
Hyphodermella tropica	He 3808	China	ON964010	ON963993	Present study	
Hyphodermella tropica	He 3993*	China	ON964011	ON963994	Present study	
Hyphodermella tropica	He 4004	China	ON964012	ON963995	Present study	
Odontoefibula orientalis	GC 1703-76	China	LC379004	LC379156	Chen et al., 2018b	
Odontoefibula orientalis	Wu 0910-57	China	LC363490	LC363495	Chen et al., 2018b	
Phanerochaete albida	GC 1407-14	China	MZ422788	MZ637179	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete albida	WEI 18-365	China	MZ422789	MZ637180	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete alnea ssp. alnea	FP-151125	USA	KP135177	MZ637181	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015; Chen et al., 2021	
Phanerochaete alnea ssp. lubrica	HHB-13753	USA	KP135178		Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete arizonica	RLG-10248-Sp	USA	KP135170	KP135239	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete australosanguinea	MA-Fungi 91308	Chile	MH233925	MH233928	Phookamsak et al., 2019	
Phanerochaete australosanguinea	MA-Fungi 91309	Chile	MH233926	MH233929	Phookamsak et al., 2019	
Phanerochaete burtii	FD-171	USA	KP135116	_	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete burtii	HHB-4618-Sp	USA	KP135117	KP135241	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete calotricha	Vanhanen-382	Finland	KP135107	_	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete canolutea	Wu 9211-105	China	MZ422795	GQ470641	Wu et al., 2010; Chen et al., 2021	
Phanerochaete canolutea	Wu 9712-18	China	MZ422796	GQ470656	Wu et al., 2010; Chen et al., 2021	
Phanerochaete carnosa	FD-474	USA	KP135126	_	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete carnosa	HHB-9195-Sp	USA	KP135129	KP135242	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete citrinosanguinea	FD-287	USA	KP135095	_	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	

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Таха	Voucher	Locality	ITS	nrLSU	References	
Phanerochaete citrinosanguinea	FP-105385	USA	KP135100	KP135234	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete hainanensis	Не 3562	China	MT235692	MT248179	Boonmee et al., 2021	
Phanerochaete leptocystidiata	Dai 10468	China	MT235684	MT248167	Xu Y. L. et al., 2020	
Phanerochaete leptocystidiata	Не 5853	China	MT235685	MT248168	Xu Y. L. et al., 2020	
Phanerochaete pseudosanguinea	FD-244	USA	KP135098	KP135251	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete rhizomorpha	GC 1708-335	China	MZ422824	MZ637208	Chen et al., 2021	
Phanerochaete rhizomorpha	Wu 0910-61	China	MZ422826	MZ637210	Chen et al., 2021	
Phanerochaete rhodella	FD-18	USA	KP135187	KP135258	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete rhodella	Miettinen 17278	USA	KU893882	_	Spirin et al., 2017	
Phanerochaete sanguinea	HHB-7524	USA	KP135101	KP135244	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete sanguinea	Niemela 7993	Finland	KP135105	_	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete sanguineocarnosa	FD-359	USA	KP135122	KP135245	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete sanguineocarnosa	FD-528	USA	KP135121	_	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete sinensis	GC 1809-56	China	MT235689	MT248176	Xu Y. L. et al., 2020	
Phanerochaete sinensis	He 4660	China	MT235688	MT248175	Xu Y. L. et al., 2020	
Phanerochaete sordida	FD-241	USA	KP135136	KP135252	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phanerochaete sordida	GC 1708-162	China	MZ422828	MZ637212	Chen et al., 2021	
Phanerochaete sp.	GC 1710-52	Vietnam	MZ422832	MZ637215	Chen et al., 2021	
Phanerochaete sp.	Wu 0805-86	China	MZ422835	MZ637218	Chen et al., 2021	
Phanerochaete subsanguinea	CLZhao 10470	China	MZ435348	MZ435352	Wang and Zhao, 2021	
Phanerochaete subsanguinea	CLZhao 10477*	China	MZ435349	MZ435353	Wang and Zhao, 2021	
Phanerochaete subsanguinea	He 6131	China	ON964009	ON963990	Present study	
Phanerochaete taiwaniana	Wu 0112-13	China	MF399412	GQ470665	Wu et al., 2010, 2018a	
Phanerochaete taiwaniana	Wu 880824-17	China	MZ422842	GQ470666	Wu et al., 2010; Chen et al., 2021	
Phanerochaete velutina	GC 1604-56	China	MZ422844	MZ637224	Chen et al., 2021	
Phanerochaete velutina	HHB-15343	USA	KP135184	_	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
"Phlebia" firma	Edman K268	Sweden	EU118654	EU118654	Larsson, 2007	
Phlebiopsis alba	GC 1508-110	China	MZ637042	MZ637246	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis alba	GC 1708-20	China	MZ637043	MZ637247	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis albescens	He 5805	Sri Lanka	MT452526	_	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis amethystea	URM 84741	Brazil	MK993645	MK993639	Lima et al., 2020	
Phlebiopsis amethystea	URM 93248	Brazil	MK993644	MK993638	Lima et al., 2020	
Phlebiopsis brunnea	He 5822	Sri Lanka	MT452527	MT447451	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis brunneocystidiata	Chen 666	China	MT561707	GQ470640	Wu et al., 2010; Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis brunneocystidiata	Chen 1143	China	MZ637048	MZ637249	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis cana	Не 5728	Sri Lanka	_	ON963991	Present study	
Phlebiopsis cana	He 5958*	China	_	ON963992	Present study	
Phlebiopsis castanea	GC 1612-6	China	KY688208	MZ637250	Chen et al., 2018a, 2021	
Phlebiopsis castanea	Spirin 5295	Russia	KX752610	KX752610	Miettinen et al., 2016	
Phlebiopsis cf. dregeana	SFC 980804-4	Korea	AF479669	_	Lim and Jung, 2003	
Philabiatasis of dragoona	UOC-DAMIA-D46	Sri Lanka	KP734203	_	Unpublished	

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Таха	Voucher	Locality	ITS	nrLSU	References	
Phlebiopsis crassa	GC 1602-45	China	MZ637049	MZ637251	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis crassa	KKN-86-Sp	USA	KP135394	KP135215	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phlebiopsis cylindrospora	Не 5932	China	_	MT447444	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis cylindrospora	He 5984	China	_	MT447445	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis darjeelingensis	GC 1409-20	China	MZ637052	MZ637252	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis darjeelingensis	GC 1508-8	China	MZ637053	MZ637253	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis flavidoalba	GC 1807-47	USA	MZ637050	MZ637254	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis flavidoalba	FD-263	USA	KP135402	KP135271	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phlebiopsis friesii	Не 5722	Sri Lanka	MT452528	MT447413	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis friesii	He 5817	Sri Lanka	MT452529	MT447414	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis galochroa	FP-102937-Sp	USA	KP135391	KP135270	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phlebiopsis gigantea	FCUG 1417	Norway	MZ637051	AF141634	Parmasto and Hallenberg, 2000; Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis gigantea	FP-70857-Sp	USA	KP135390	KP135272	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Phlebiopsis griseofuscescens	CLZhao 3692	China	MT180946	MT180950	Xu T. M. et al., 2020	
Phlebiopsis griseofuscescens	He 5734	Sri Lanka	MT561708	MT598032	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis laxa	Wu 9311-17	China	MT561710	GQ470649	Wu et al., 2010; Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis magnicystidiata	He 5648	China	MT386377	MT447409	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis magnicystidiata	Wu 890805-1	China	MT561711	GQ470667	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis membranacea	He 3849	China	MT386401	MT447441	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis membranacea	He 6062	China	MT386402	MT447442	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis odontoidea	GC 1708-181	China	MZ637054	MZ637255	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis odontoidea	GC 1708-182	China	MZ637055	MZ637256	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis pilatii	Spirin 5048	Russia	KX752590	KX752590	Miettinen et al., 2016	
Phlebiopsis pilatii	Wu 1707-18	China	MZ637056	MZ637257	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis sinensis	He 4673	China	MT386397	MT447435	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis sinensis	He 5662	China	MT386398	MT447436	Zhao et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis sp.	GC 1705-63	China	MZ637058	MZ637258	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis sp.	GC 1807-3	USA	MZ637059	MZ637259	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis sp.	KHL13055	Costa Rica	EU118662	EU118662	Larsson, 2007	
Phlebiopsis xuefengensis	JZou5501	China	MT554931	MT554924	Li et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis xuefengensis	WS01	China	MT554921	MT554928	Li et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis yunnanensis	CLZhao 3958	China	MH744140	MH744142	Zhao et al., 2019	
Phlebiopsis yunnanensis	GC 1708-169	China	MZ637060	MZ637260	Chen et al., 2021	
Phlebiopsis yushaniae	Chen 2358	China	MZ637047	MZ637261	Chen et al., 2021	
Pirex concentricus	OSC-41587	USA	KP134984	KP135275	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Quasiphlebia densa	HHB-12357	USA	MZ637065	MZ637264	Chen et al., 2021	
Quasiphlebia densa	WEI 17-057	China	MZ637066	MZ637265	Chen et al., 2021	
Rhizochaete americana	FP-102188	USA	KP135409	KP135277	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Rhizochaete americana	HHB-2004	USA	AY219391	AY219391	Greslebin et al., 2004	
Rhizochaete belizensis	FP-150712	Belize	KP135408	KP135280	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Rhizochaete borneensis	WEI 16-426	China	MZ637070	MZ637270	Chen et al., 2021	

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Таха	Voucher	Locality	ITS	nrLSU	References	
Rhizochaete brunnea	MR11455	Argentina	AY219389	AY219389	Greslebin et al., 2004	
Rhizochaete chinensis	Wu 0910-45	China	LC387335	MF110294	Chen et al., 2018b; Wu et al., 2018b	
Rhizochaete chinensis	Wu 0910-59	China	MZ637071	MZ637271	Chen et al., 2021	
Rhizochaete filamentosa	FP-105240	USA	KP135411	AY219393	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Rhizochaete filamentosa	HHB-3169	USA	KP135410	KP135278	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Rhizochaete flava	PR1141	USA	KY273030	KY273033	Nakasone et al., 2017	
Rhizochaete fissurata	CLZhao 7965	China	MZ713641	MZ713845	Gu and Zhao, 2021	
Rhizochaete fissurata	CLZhao 10407	China	MZ713642	MZ713846	Gu and Zhao, 2021	
Rhizochaete fissurata	Не 2336	China	ON964017	_	Present study	
Rhizochaete fissurata	He 6186	China	ON964018	ON964000	Present study	
Rhizochaete fissurata	Не 6259	China	ON964019	ON964001	Present study	
Rhizochaete fouquieriae	KKN-121	USA	AY219390	GU187608	Greslebin et al., 2004; Binder et al., 2010	
Rhizochaete grandinosa	CLZhao 3117	China	MZ713644	MZ713848	Gu and Zhao, 2021	
Rhizochaete lutea	Wu 880417-5	China	MZ637072	GQ470651	Wu et al., 2010; Chen et al., 2021	
Rhizochaete lutea	He 5964	China	_	ON964008	Present study	
Rhizochaete nakasoneae	He 2291*	China	ON964016	ON963998	Present study	
Rhizochaete nakasoneae	He 4821	China	_	ON963999	Present study	
Rhizochaete nakasoneae	WEI 16-383	China	MZ637073	MZ637272	Chen et al., 2021	
Rhizochaete nakasoneae	Wu 1008-62	China	MZ637074	MZ637273	Chen et al., 2021	
Rhizochaete radicata	FD-123	USA	KP135407	KP135279	Floudas and Hibbett, 2015	
Rhizochaete radicata	HHB-1909	USA	AY219392	AY219392	Greslebin et al., 2004	
Rhizochaete sp.	He 4628	China	ON964021	_	Present study	
Rhizochaete subradicata	He 2377	China	ON964023	ON964004	Present study	
Rhizochaete subradicata	He 3213*	China	OP102693	OP102695	Present study	
Rhizochaete subradicata	He 4282	China	ON964025	ON964006	Present study	
Rhizochaete subradicata	He 5561	China	ON964026	ON964007	Present study	
Rhizochaete sulphurina	HHB-5604	USA	KY273031	GU187610	Binder et al., 2010; Nakasone et al., 2017	
Rhizochaete sulphurosa	URM87190	Brazil	KT003522	KT003519	Chikowski et al., 2016	
Rhizochaete terrestris	Не 7713	China	OP549029	OP549030	Present study	
Rhizochaete terrestris	He 6694	China	ON964022	ON964003	Present study	
Rhizochaete violascens	KHL11169	Norway	—	EU118612	Larsson, 2007	
Rhizochaete yunnanensis	Не 3302*	China	ON964020	ON964002	Present study	
Roseograndinia aurantiaca	CLZhao 10480	China	MW209022	MW209011	Wang and Zhao, 2020	
Roseograndinia aurantiaca	CLZhao 10487*	China	MW209023	MW209012	Wang and Zhao, 2020	
Roseograndinia aurantiaca	Wu 1307-132	China	MZ637076	MZ637274	Chen et al., 2021	
Roseograndinia aurantiaca	Wu 1307-137	China	MZ637077	MZ637275	Chen et al., 2021	
Roseograndinia minispora	WEI 18-508	China	MZ637078	MZ637276	Chen et al., 2021	
Roseograndinia minispora	WEI 18-511	China	MZ637079	MZ637277	Chen et al., 2021	
Roseograndinia minispora	He 5808	Sri Lanka	ON964015	_	Present study	
Roseograndinia zixishanensis	CLZhao 7206	China	MZ305280	MZ305289	Wang et al., 2021	
Roseograndinia zixishanensis	CLZhao 7718*	China	MZ305285	MZ305293	Wang et al., 2021	

New taxa are set in bold with type specimens indicated with an asterisk (*).



(TBR) branch-swapping algorithm with all characters given equal weight. Branch supports for all parsimony analyses were estimated by performing 1,000 bootstrap replicates with a heuristic search of 10 random-addition replicates for each bootstrap replicate. In ML analysis, statistical support values were obtained using rapid bootstrapping with 1,000 replicates, with default settings for other parameters. For BI, the best-fit substitution model was estimated

with jModeltest v.2.17 (Darriba et al., 2012). Four Markov chains were run for 1,000,000 for the three datasets of the *Donkia*, *Phanerochaete*, and *Phlebiopsis* clades and the 2,000,000 for the dataset of the *Rhizochaete* clade until the split deviation frequency value was lower than 0.01. Trees were sampled every 100th generation. The first quarter of the trees, which represented the burn-in phase of the analyses, were discarded, and the remaining



trees were used to calculate posterior probabilities (BPP) in the majority rule consensus tree.

Results

Phylogenetic analyses

The dataset of the *Donkia* clade contained 39 ITS and 38 nrLSU sequences from 39 samples, representing 19 ingroup taxa and the

outgroup (Table 1), and had an aligned length of 2,009 characters, of which 251 were parsimony-informative. MP analysis yielded two equally parsimonious trees (TL = 899, CI = 0.617, RI = 0.793, RC = 0.489, HI = 0.383). The dataset of *Phlebiopsis* clade contained 45 ITS and 46 nrLSU sequences from 49 samples, representing 28 ingroup taxa and the outgroup, and had an aligned length of 2,006 characters, of which 224 were parsimony-informative. MP analysis yielded 17 equally parsimonious trees (TL = 862, CI = 0.542, RI = 0.770, RC = 0.417, HI = 0.458). The dataset of the *Rhizochaete*



clade contained 34 ITS and 35 nrLSU sequences from 37 samples, representing 20 ingroup taxa and the outgroup, and had an aligned length of 2,164 characters, of which 295 were parsimony-informative. MP analysis yielded nine equally parsimonious trees (TL = 1,150, CI = 0.572, RI = 0.703, RC = 0.402, HI = 0.428). The dataset of the *Phanerochaete* clade contained 42 ITS and 33 nrLSU sequences from 42 samples, representing 24 ingroup taxa and the outgroup, and had an aligned length of 2,065 characters, of which

275 were parsimony-informative. MP analysis yielded 19 equally parsimonious trees (TL = 885, CI = 0.591, RI = 0.745, RC = 0.440, HI = 0.409).

jModelTest suggested GTR+I+G as the best-fit models of nucleotide evolution for the four datasets. The average standard deviations of the split frequencies of BI were 0.007436, 0.007608, 0.007786, and 0.006954 for the *Donkia*, *Phlebiopsis*, *Rhizochaete*, and *Phanerochaete* clades, respectively, at the end of the runs. The



MP and BI analyses resulted in almost identical tree topologies with the ML analysis. Only the ML trees of the four clades are shown in Figures 1–4 with the parsimony bootstrap values (\geq 50%, first), the likelihood bootstrap values (\geq 50%, second), and Bayesian posterior probabilities (\geq 0.95, third) labeled along the branches.

In the trees (Figures 1–4), seven new species, *Hyphodermella laevigata*, *H. tropica*, *Phlebiopsis cana*, *Rhizochaete nakasoneae*, *R. subradicata*, *R. terrestris*, and *R. yunnanensis*, formed distinct lineages. In our tree of the *Donkia* clade (Figure 1), *Hyphodermella* s.s. and *Roseograndinia* were strongly supported as separate genera (92/95/1 and 99/90/1). Meanwhile, *H. zixishanensis* C.L. Zhao and *H. aurantiaca* C.L. Zhao that is conspecific with *R. jilinensis* C.C. Chen & Sheng H. Wu were nested within *Roseograndinia*. In the *Phanerochaete* clade (Figure 4), the new names *P. subsanguinea* (= *P. rhizomorpha* C.L. Zhao & D.Q. Wang) and *P. rhizomorpha* (C.C. Chen, Sheng H. Wu & S.H. He) formed two distinct lineages.



Taxonomy

Hyphodermella laevigata Yue Li & S.H. He, sp. nov. MycoBank: MB846336

Diagnosis—The species is recognized by a smooth hymenophore, the absence of cystidia and cystidioid hyphal ends, and small ellipsoid basidiospores.

Type—China, Guizhou Province, Chishui County, Suoluo Nature Reserve, on a dead angiosperm branch, 7 July 2018, He 5427 (BJFC 026488, holotype).

Etymology-Refer to the smooth hymenophore.

Fruiting body—Basidiomes annual, resupinate, widely effused, closely adnate, inseparable from substrate, and membranaceous, first as small patches, later confluent up to $10 \text{ cm} \log 2 \text{ cm}$ wide, and up to $80 \,\mu\text{m}$ thick in section. Hymenophore smooth, pale yellow (4A3) to grayish yellow (4B3), slightly darkening in KOH, and not cracked; margin thinning out, determinate, adnate, fimbriate, and concolorous with hymenophore surface; and context is pale yellow.

Microscopic structures—Hyphal system monomitic; generative hyphae simple-septate. Subiculum distinct; hyphae colorless, thick-walled, smooth, frequently branched, moderately septate, loosely interwoven, and $2.5-6.5\,\mu m$ in diameter. Subhymenium thin; hyphae colorless, thin-walled, smooth, infrequently branched, moderately septate, more or less vertical, and 1.5-2.5 µm in diameter. Cystidia absent. Basidia clavate to subcylindrical, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, with a basal simple septum and four sterigmata, and 10-30 \times 5-7 µm; basidioles similar to basidia, but smaller. Basidiospores ellipsoid, with an apiculus, usually with one or two oil drops, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, (4.6-) 4.8-6 (-6.3) \times 3-3.8 (-4.1) $\mu m,~L$ = 5.3 $\mu m,~W$ = 3.5 $\mu m,$ and Q = 1.46–1.56 (n = 60/2).

Additional specimens examined—China, Guizhou Province, Chishui County, Suoluo Nature Reserve, on a dead angiosperm branch, 7 July 2018, He 5430 (BJFC 026491).

Notes—*Hyphodermella laevigata* (Figure 5) is characterized by membranaceous basidiomes with smooth hymenophores,



the absence of cystidia and cystidioid hyphal ends, and small ellipsoid basidiospores. In the phylogenetic tree (Figure 1), *H. laevigata* formed a distinct lineage sister to *H. corrugata* (Fr.) J. Erikss. & Ryvarden and *H. rosae* (Bres.) Nakasone, which have grandinioid or odontioid hymenophores, encrusted hyphal ends projecting beyond the hymenium and obviously larger basidiospores (8–10 × 5–7 μ m of *H. corrugata*, 7–8.5 × 4.5–5.5 μ m of *H. rosae*, Bernicchia and Gorjón, 2010). *Hyphodermella maunakeaensis* Gilb. & Hemmes from Hawaii is similar to *H. laevigata* by sharing a loose texture and relatively small basidiospores but differs in having a finely hydnaceous hymenophore with projecting fascicles of encrusted hyphoid cystidia and slightly longer basidiospores (6.5–7.5 μ m, Gilbertson, 2001).

Hyphodermella tropica Yue Li & S.H. He, sp. nov.

MycoBank: MB846337

Diagnosis-The recognized species bv is а grandinioid presence hymenophore, encrusted the of cystidioid hyphal ends, and broad ellipsoid to ovoid basidiospores.

Type—China, Hainan Province, Baoting County, Qixianling Forest Park, on a dead angiosperm branch, 11 June 2016, He 3993 (BJFC 022495, holotype, CFMR, isotype).

Etymology—Refer to the known distribution in tropic China.

Fruiting body—Basidiomes annual, resupinate, widely effused, closely adnate, inseparable from substrate, and coriaceous, first as small patches and later confluent up to 11 cm long, 3 cm wide, and up to $80 \,\mu$ m thick in section. Hymenophore grandinioid,



grayish orange (5B4) to brownish orange [5C (4–5)], darkening in KOH, and not cracked upon drying; the margin thinning out, adnate, indistinct, and concolorous with hymenophore surface; and context is grayish orange.

Microscopic structures—Hyphal system monomitic; generative hyphae simple-septate. Subiculum distinct; hyphae colorless, thick-walled, smooth, frequently branched, moderately septate, more or less parallel to the substrate, and $2-4\,\mu$ m in diameter.

Subhymenium distinct, thickening, composed of encrusted cystidioid hyphal ends, and hyphae with masses of crystals; hyphae colorless, slightly thick-walled, smooth, moderately branched and septate, loosely interwoven, and 1.5–3 μm in diameter. Cystidioid hyphal ends present, subcylindrical, colorless, thick-walled, heavily encrusted, mostly embedded, and 20–50 \times 6–10 μm (crystals included). Basidia subcylindrical, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, usually with oil drops, with



FIGURE 8

Basidiomes of *Rhizochaete* [scale bars: (A–F) = 1 cm]. (A) *R. nakasoneae* (He 4821, paratype); (B, C) *R. subradicata* [(B) He 3213, holotype; (C) He 5561, paratype]; (D, E) *R. terrestris* [(D) He 7713, holotype; (E) He 6694, paratype]; (F) *R. yunnanensis* (He 3302, holotype).

a basal simple septum and four sterigmata, and 15–27 × 4–8 μ m; basidioles in shape similar to basidia, but slightly smaller. Basidiospores which are broadly ellipsoid to ovoid, with an apiculus, usually with oil drops, colorless, thinwalled, smooth, IKI-, CB-, 5–6 (–6.5) × (3–) 4–5 (–5.5) μ m, L = 5.7 μ m, W = 4.4 μ m, and Q = 1.23–1.34 (n = 60/2).

Additional specimens examined—China, Guizhou Province, Libo County, Maolan Nature Reserve, on a dead angiosperm branch, 16 June 2016, He 3808 (BJFC 022307, CFMR); Hainan Province, Baoting County, Qixianling Forest Park, on a dead angiosperm branch, 11 June 2016, He 4004 (BJFC 022506, CFMR).

Notes—*Hyphodermella tropica* (Figure 6) is characterized by coriaceous basidiomes with a grandinioid hymenophore, the presence of encrusted cystidioid hyphal ends, and broadly ellipsoid

to ovoid basidiospores. In the phylogenetic tree (Figure 1), *H. tropica* formed a distinct lineage sister to *H. pallidostraminea* Bukharova & Volobuev and *H. laevigata. Hyphodermella pallidostraminea* from Russia differs from *H. tropica* by having a smooth to slightly tuberculate hymenophore, not encrusted cystidioid hyphal ends in hymenium, and narrower ellipsoid basidiospores (3–3.5 μ m, Crous et al., 2021). *Hyphodermella laevigata* can be easily distinguished from *H. tropica* by the smooth hymenophore, the loose texture of the subiculum, and the lack of encrusted cystidioid hyphal ends. *Hyphodermella brunneocontexta* Duhem & Buyck from France is similar to *H. tropica* by sharing an odontioid hymenophore, encrusted cystidioid hyphal ends, and ellipsoid to ovoid basidiospores but differs in having a brown context with densely interwoven hyphae (Duhem and Buyck, 2011).



Roseograndinia aurantiaca (C.L. Zhao) Yue Li & S.H. He, comb. nov.

MycoBank: MB846338

= Hyphodermella aurantiaca C.L. Zhao, Annales Botanici Fennici 58: 65, 2020. [MB#837949]

= *Roseograndinia jilinensis* C.C. Chen & Sheng H. Wu, Fungal Diversity 111: 396, 2021. [MB#840765]

Notes—Both *H. aurantiaca* and *R. jilinensis* were recently described from China, and are similar to each other by sharing a smooth to tuberculate, reddish hymenophore, a compact context with a thickened subhymenium, the absence of cystidia, and relatively small ellipsoid basidiospores but differ in the size of the basidiospores according to the descriptions $(3-4 \times 2-2.8 \,\mu\text{m} \text{ of } H. aurantiaca vs. 4.6-5.5 \times 2.6-3.1 \,\mu\text{m} \text{ of } R. jilinensis, Wang and Zhao, 2020; Chen et al., 2021). However, in our phylogenetic tree (Figure 1), the types of the two species clustered in a strongly supported lineage in the$ *Roseograndinia*clade (99/93/1) with the ITS sequence similarity reaching 99.5% (3 differences of 600 base

pairs). Thus, based on the morphological and molecular evidence, the new combination *R. aurantiaca* is proposed herein, since the epithet "*aurantiaca*" has the priority.

Roseograndinia zixishanensis (C.L. Zhao) Yue Li & S.H. He, comb. nov.

MycoBank: MB846339

= *Hyphodermella zixishanensis* C.L. Zhao, Nordic Journal of Botany 39 (8): e03329, 4, 2021. [MB#839869]

Notes—The species *H. zixishanensis* was recently described from Yunnan Province, southwestern China, based on morphological and molecular evidence (Wang et al., 2021). In our phylogenetic tree based on a more complete sampling, including many newly described taxa (Figure 1), the species was nested within the *Roseograndinia* clade, which was strongly supported as a monophyletic clade with three species and



independent of *Hyphodermella*. Morphologically, *Roseograndinia zixishanensis* has the typical characteristics of the genus by possessing ceraceous basidiomes with a smooth to tuberculate hymenophore, a monomitic hyphal system with simple-septate generative hyphae, and a lack of cystidia (Chen et al., 2021; Wang et al., 2021).

Phlebiopsis cana Yue Li & S.H. He, sp. nov.

MycoBank: MB846340

Diagnosis—The species is recognized by a smooth hymenophore with a gray to brownish gray hymenial surface, the presence of short lamprocystidia and short cylindrical basidiospores, and its growth on bamboo.

Type—China, Hainan Province, Lingshui County, Diaoluoshan Nature Reserve, on a culm of dead bamboo, 2 July 2019, He 5958 (BJFC 030834, holotype).

Etymology-Refer to the gray color of basidiomes.

Fruiting body—Basidiomes annual, resupinate, widely effused, closely adnate, inseparable from the substrate, and coriaceous,

first as small patches and later confluent up to 11 cm long, 2 cm wide, and up to 40 μ m thick in section. Hymenophore smooth, gray (4C1) to brownish gray (4D2), slightly darkening in KOH, and not cracked upon drying; the margin thinning out, adnate, indistinct, and concolorous with hymenophore surface when juvenile, and darkening with age; and context is gray.

Microscopic structures—Hyphal system monomitic; generative hyphae simple-septate. Subiculum distinct, a compact texture, pale yellowish-brown, and up to 20 μ m thick; hyphae colorless to pale yellow, thick-walled, smooth, rarely branched, moderately septate, more or less parallel to the substrate, slightly agglutinated, and 3–4 μ m in diameter. Subhymenium indistinct; hyphae colorless, slightly thick-walled, rarely branched, moderately septate, densely interwoven, and 2–3 μ m in diameter. Lamprocystidia scattered, subcylindrical to subfusiform, colorless, thick-walled, apically encrusted with small crystals, projecting beyond the hymenium up to 10 μ m, and 15–30 \times 5–7 μ m (crystals included). Basidia clavate, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, with a basal simple septum and four sterigmata, and 12–18 \times 3.5–5 μ m;



basidioles in shape similar to basidia, but slightly smaller. Basidiospores short cylindrical, with an apiculus, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, IKI-, CB-, (4.6-) 4.8-5.6 (-5.8) × 1.8-2 (-2.2) μ m, L = 5.4 μ m, W = 2 μ m, and Q = 2.66-2.77 (n = 60/2).

Additional specimen examined—Sri Lanka, Western Province, Ingiriya, Dombagaskanda Forest Reserve, on a culm dead bamboo, 27 February 2019, He 5728 (BJFC 030595).

Notes-Phlebiopsis cana (Figure 7) is characterized by having thin basidiomes with a gray, smooth hymenophore surface, short lamprocystidia, and cylindrical basidiospores. In the phylogenetic tree (Figure 2), P. cana formed a lineage sister to P. xuefengensis J. Zou, which is an endophyte of Gastrodia elata from China. The descriptions of P. xuefengensis were based on cultures and not standard or comparable with P. cana (Li et al., 2021). Phlebiopsis cylindrospora Y.N. Zhao & S.H. He that was also found on bamboos in China is similar to P. cana by sharing short lamprocystidia and cylindrical basidiospores but differs in having hymenophores turning purple in KOH, generative hyphae encrusted with yellow, resinous granules, and slightly larger basidiospores (5.5-7.5 \times 1.8-2.8 µm, Zhao et al., 2021). Another Phlebiopsis species on bamboo from Taiwan, P. yushaniae C.C. Chen & Sheng H. Wu, differs from P. cana by possessing white to cream basidiomes, possessing broadly ellipsoid to subglobose basidiospores (6.9-7.9 \times 5.2–6.2 µm), and possessing a lack of cystidia (Chen et al., 2021). Phylogenetically, *P. cana*, *P. cylindrospora*, and *P. yushaniae* are grouped together with strong support values but formed distinct lineages (Figure 2).

Rhizochaete nakasoneae Yue Li, C.C. Chen & S.H. He, sp. nov.

MycoBank: MB846341

Diagnosis—The species is recognized by a smooth hymenophore turning pinkish buff in KOH, the presence of thick-walled lamprocystidia, and broadly ellipsoid to ovoid basidiospores.

Type—China, Hunan Province, Zhangjiajie, Zhangjiajie Forest Park, on a fallen angiosperm trunk, 7 July 2015, He 2291 (BJFC 020746, holotype).

Etymology—Named to honor Dr. Karen K. Nakasone (CFMR, USA), who contributed much to the taxonomy and phylogeny of *Rhizochaete*.

Fruiting body—Basidiomes annual, resupinate, widely effused, loosely adnate, easily separated from substrate, and membranaceous to pellicular, first as small patches, later confluent up to 4 cm long, 2 cm wide, and up to 120 μ m thick in section. Hymenophore smooth, light orange (6A5) to grayish orange (5B5), turning pinkish buff in KOH, not cracked upon drying; the margin thinning out, adnate, fimbriate, sterile, white when fresh,



and becoming pale yellow upon drying; hyphal cords are present, brownish yellow, and turning pinkish buff in KOH; and context is pale yellow.

Microscopic structures—Hyphal system monomitic; generative hyphae simple-septate. Subiculum distinct; hyphae colorless, thin- to slightly thick-walled, usually encrusted with crystals, frequently branched and septate, loosely interwoven, and 3-5 µm in diameter. Subhymenium thickening, composed of lamprocystidia and hyphae; hyphae colorless, thin- to slightly thick-walled, smooth, vertically arranged, moderately branched, rarely septate, and 2-3 µm in diameter. Lamprocystidia numerous, metuloid, subfusiform, colorless, thick-walled, heavily encrusted with crystals, embedded or projecting beyond the hymenium up to 25 μ m, and 34–50 \times 8–14 μ m (crystals included), with walls up to 1.5-2 µm. Basidia clavate, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, with a basal simple septum and four sterigmata, and 18-24 imes 3.5- $5\,\mu$ m; basidioles in shape similar to basidia, but slightly smaller. Basidiospores broadly ellipsoid to ovoid, with an apiculus, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, usually with one or two oil drops, IKI-, CB-, 2.5–4 \times (1.8–) 2–2.5 μ m, L = 3.1 μ m, W = 2.1 μ m, and Q = 1.34–1.59 (n=60/2).

Additional specimens examined—China, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, Xing'an County, Mao'ershan Nature Reserve, on an angiosperm stump, 13 July 2017, He 4821 (BJFC 024340, CFMR); Hunan Province, Zhangjiajie, Zhangjiajie Forest Park, on a rotten angiosperm trunk, 17 August 2010, Wu 1008-62 (TNM F0025327); Taiwan, Nantou County, Jenai Township, Aowanda National Forest Recreation Area, on a fallen angiosperm branch, 3 October 2016, WEI 16-383 (TNM F0031055).

Notes—*Rhizochaete nakasoneae* (Figures 8A, 9) is characterized by the thin pellicular basidiomes, simple-septate generative hyphae, thick-walled subfusiform cystidia, and small, broadly ellipsoid to ovoid basidiospores. Morphologically and phylogenetically, *R. belizensis* Nakasone, K. Draeger & B. Ortiz is closely related to *R. nakasoneae* but differs by having thicker basidiomes, encrusted hyphae, and distribution in Belize (Nakasone et al., 2017). *Rhizochaete fissurata* C.L. Zhao, recently described from China, formed a sister lineage to *R. nakasoneae* and *R. belizensis* but differs



from *R. nakasoneae* in having thicker basidiomes with a cracked hymenophore, thinner cystidia walls (< 1 μ m), and slightly larger basidiospores (3–4.5 × 2.5–3 μ m, Gu and Zhao, 2021). *Rhizochaete radicata* differs from *R. nakasoneae* by longer cystidia (60–100 μ m) and slightly larger basidiospores (4–5 × 2.5–3 μ m, Greslebin et al., 2004).

Rhizochaete subradicata Yue Li & S.H. He, sp. nov. MycoBank: MB846342

Diagnosis—The species is recognized by a smooth hymenophore turning reddish brown in KOH, the presence of long lamprocystidia, and small ellipsoid basidiospores. Type—China, Yunnan Province, Yongping City, Baotaishan Forest Park, on an angiosperm stump, 27 November 2015, He 3213 (BJFC 021608, holotype).

Etymology—Refer to the morphological similarity and close phylogenetic relationship of *R. radicata*.

Fruiting body—Basidiomes annual, resupinate, widely effused, loosely adnate, easily separated from substrate, and membranaceous to pellicular, first as small patches, later confluent up to 6 cm long, 3 cm wide, and up to 200 μ m thick in section. Hymenophore smooth, light orange (5A5) to grayish orange (5B5), turning reddish brown in KOH, and not cracked upon drying; the margin thinning out, adnate, fimbriate, sterile, white or pale orange when juvenile, and slightly darkening with age; hyphal cords present, brownish yellow, and turning reddish brown in KOH; and context is pale yellow.

Microscopic structures-Hyphal system monomitic; generative hyphae simple-septate. Subiculum distinct, a loose texture; hyphae colorless, slightly thick-walled, smooth, frequently branched and septate, more or less parallel to substrate, and 3-6 µm in diameter. Subhymenium thickening, composed of lamprocystidia and hyphae; hyphae colorless, slightly thick-walled, smooth, more or less vertically arranged, moderately branched and septate, and 2.5-4 µm in diameter. Lamprocystidia numerous, subcylindrical to subfusiform, slightly thick-walled, encrusted with crystals in the upper part, mostly embedded or slightly projecting beyond the hymenium, and 40–75 (–90) \times 7–15 μm (crystals included), with walls up to $1.5-2\,\mu$ m. Basidia clavate, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, with a basal simple septum and four sterigmata, and $25-40 \times 4-6 \,\mu$ m; basidioles in shape similar to basidia, but slightly smaller. Basidiospores ellipsoid, with an apiculus, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, usually with one or two oil drops, IKI-, CB-, (3.5-) 3.8-4.5 (-4.8) \times 2.2- $2.8\,\mu\text{m}, L = 4.2\,\mu\text{m}, W = 2.4\,\mu\text{m}, \text{ and } Q = 1.64\text{--}1.82$ (n = 90/3).

Additional specimens examined-China, Guizhou Province, Jiangkou County, Fanjingshan Nature Reserve, on a rotten angiosperm trunk, 11 July 2018, He 5561 (BJFC 026622); Hubei Province, Wufeng County, Houhe Nature Reserve, on a fallen angiosperm trunk, 16 August 2017, He 5086 (BJFC 024604, CFMR); Hunan Province, Dong'an County, Shunhuangshan Nature Reserve, on a rotten angiosperm stump, 13 July 2015, He 2377 (BJFC 020831, CFMR); Jilin Province, Jiaohe County, forestry experimental area, on a fallen angiosperm trunk, 3 September 2017, He 5152 (BJFC 024670, CFMR); Jiangxi Province, Ji'an County, Jinggangshan Forest Park, on a fallen Rhododendron trunk, 11 August 2016, He 4282 (BJFC 023724, CFMR); Liaoning Province, Qingyuan County, Qingyuan forest ecological test station, on a dead angiosperm bark, 26 August 2015, He 2958 (BJFC 022025); Yunnan Province, Lushui County, Gaoligongshan Nature Reserve, on a fallen angiosperm trunk, 30 November 2015, He 3424 (BJFC 021820, CFMR); Yongde County, Daxueshan Nature Reserve, Dabaoshan, on a dead Quercus stump, 27 August 2015, He 2672 (BJFC 021111, CFMR); Yongping County, Baotaishan Forest Park, on a dead angiosperm tree, 27 November 2015, He 3246 (BJFC 021641).

Notes—*Rhizochaete subradicata* (Figures 8B, C, 10) is characterized by the thin pellicular basidiomes turning reddish brown in KOH, relatively long cystidia with thickened walls, and ellipsoid basidiospores. Morphologically and phylogenetically, *R. subradicata* is closely related to *R. radicata*, which differs by having thicker basidiomes and longer cystidia (60–100 μ m, Nakasone et al., 1994). *Rhizochaete radicata* has been reported worldwide (Nakasone et al., 1994, 2017), but here we show that the widely distributed species in China is *R. subradicata*. Also, the occurrence of *R. radicata* in India, Japan, and Vietnam needs further study. *Rhizochaete grandinosa* C.L. Zhao & Z.R. Gu, recently described from Yunnan Province, southwestern China, differs from *R. subradicata* by having smaller cystidia (24–50 × 4–9 μ m) and shorter basidia (14.5–21 μ m, Gu and Zhao, 2021).

Rhizochaete terrestris Yue Li & S.H. He, sp. nov.

MycoBank: MB846343

Diagnosis—The species is recognized by a discontinuous hymenophore with well-developed hyphal cords, the absence of cystidia, and growth on the ground.

Type—China, Beijing, Haidian District, Yuyuantan Park, on the ground, 12 August 2022, He 7713 (BJFC 038849, holotype).

Etymology—Refer to the habitat on the ground.

Fruiting body—Basidiomes annual, resupinate, widely effused, adnate, on soil or rotten twigs and leaves, membranaceous or pellicular, fragile, the colonies up to 30×20 cm, up to $240 \,\mu$ m thick in section. Hymenophore discontinuous, smooth in the developed part, light yellow (4B5) to yellowish orange (4B7), turning pale purple in KOH, not cracked upon drying; the margin thinning out, adnate, fimbriate, and white; hyphal cords well developed, white to pale orange, and turning pale purple in KOH; and context is white.

Microscopic structures—Hyphal system monomitic; generative hyphae simple-septate with single clamps occasionally present. Subiculum distinct; hyphae colorless, thin- to slightly thick-walled, slightly encrusted with fine crystals, frequently branched and septate, more or less parallel to the substrate, and 2.5–7 μ m in diameter; Subhymenium indistinct. Cystidia not observed. Basidia subclavate, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, with a basal simple septum and four sterigmata, and 28–38 × 4.5–6.5 μ m; basidioles in shape similar to basidia, but slightly smaller. Basidiospores ellipsoid to broadly ellipsoid, with an apiculus, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, usually with two oil drops, IKI–, CB–, (3.8–) 4–5 (–5.2) × 2.5–3.2 (–3.5) μ m, L = 4.4 μ m, W = 2.9 μ m, and Q = 1.47–1.56 (n = 60/2).

Additional specimens examined—China, Beijing, Haidian District, Jiufeng Forest Park, on the ground, 5 August 2020, He 6694 (BJFC 033642, holotype).

Notes—*Rhizochaete terrestris* (Figures 8D, E, 11) is characterized by the discontinuous basidiomes growing on the ground, well-developed hyphal cords, and the absence of cystidia. *Rhizochaete lutea* (Sheng H. Wu) C.C. Chen & Sheng H. Wu also lacks cystidia but differs from *R. terrestris* by the well-developed basidiomes unchanging in KOH, smaller basidia (19–23.5 × 3.7–4.2 μ m), slightly narrower basidiospores (2– 2.5 μ m), and growth on bamboo in tropical areas (Wu, 1990). In the phylogenetic tree, *R. terrestris* formed a distinct lineage among the strongly supported group (93/83/1, Figure 3) that includes *R*. *radicata* and several other newly described species.

Rhizochaete yunnanensis Yue Li & S.H. He, sp. nov.

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Diagnosis—The species is recognized by a smooth hymenophore turning reddish brown in KOH and the presence of apically encrusted lamprocystidia, long basidia, and ellipsoid basidiospores.

Type—China, Yunnan Province, Lushui County, Gaoligongshan Nature Reserve, on a fallen angiosperm trunk, 28 November 2015, He 3302 (BJFC 021697, holotype; CFMR, isotype).

Etymology—Refer to the type locality in Yunnan Province, southwestern China.

Fruiting body—Basidiomes annual, resupinate, widely effused, loosely adnate, easily separated from the substrate, and membranaceous to pellicular, first as small patches, later confluent up to 5 cm long, 2 cm wide, and up to 160 μ m thick in section. Hymenophore smooth, grayish yellow (4B4) to brownish orange (5B6), turning reddish brown in KOH, and not cracked upon drying; the margin thinning out, adnate, fimbriate, paler than hymenophore surface, and cream; hyphal cords yellow and turning reddish brown in KOH; and context is yellow.

Microscopic structures-Hyphal system monomitic; generative hyphae simple-septate with rare single clamps. Subiculum distinct; hyphae colorless, thin- to slightly thick-walled, smooth, frequently branched, sometimes with H- or Y-connections, frequently septate, loosely interwoven, and 3.5-6 µm in diameter. Subhymenium thickening, composed of lamprocystidia and hyphae, hyphae colorless, thin- to slightly thick-walled, smooth, loosely interwoven, moderately branched, rarely septate, and 1.5-3 µm in diameter. Lamprocystidia is numerous, subfusiform with an obtuse apex, apically encrusted, mostly embedded, and $40-52 \times 6-10 \,\mu\text{m}$ (crystals included), with walls up to 1-1.5 µm. Basidia clavate, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, with a basal simple septum and four sterigmata, and 33–45 \times 4.5–7 μ m; basidioles in shape similar to basidia, but slightly smaller. Basidiospores ellipsoid, with an apiculus, colorless, thin-walled, smooth, usually with oil drops, IKI-, CB-, $4.2-5.2 \times 2.8-3.2 \,\mu$ m, L = $4.8 \,\mu$ m, W = $3 \,\mu$ m, and Q = 1.6 (n = 30/1).

Notes—*Rhizochaete yunnanensis* (Figures 8F, 12) is characterized by thin basidiomes turning reddish brown in KOH, apically encrusted thick-walled cystidia, and long basidia. In the phylogenetic tree (Figure 3), *R. yunnanensis* is the sister to *R. violascens* (Fr.) K.H. Larss., which differs in having a violaceous hymenophore and clamped generative hyphae and lacking cystidia (Eriksson and Ryvarden, 1973). *Rhizochaete subradicata* is similar to *R. yunnanensis* by sharing similar-sized basidia and basidiospores but differs in having larger cystidia (40–75 × 7–15 μ m) with more proportions of the length encrusted.

Phanerochaete subsanguinea Yue Li & S.H. He, nom. nov.

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Replaced synonym—*Phanerochaete rhizomorpha* C.L. Zhao & D.Q. Wang, Journal of Fungi 7: 10. 2021. [MB#841272]

Etymology—Refer to the morphological similarity and close phylogenetic relationship of *P. sanguinea* (Fr.) Pouzar.

Description—See Wang and Zhao (2021).

Notes—According to Art. 53.1, the name *P. rhizomorpha* C.L. Zhao & D.Q. Wang published on 11 December 2021 is an invalid name since it is a homonym of *P. rhizomorpha* C.C. Chen, Sheng H. Wu & S.H. He published on 15 November 2021 (Chen et al., 2021; Wang and Zhao, 2021). Our morphological and phylogenetic studies on the representative specimens showed that the two names represented two distinct species (Figure 4). Therefore, we propose the new name *P. subsanguinea* (Figure 13) to replace *P. rhizomorpha* C.L. Zhao & D.Q. Wang.

Discussion

The phylogeny of the Phanerochaetaceae at the generic level is becoming much clearer with some new genera introduced for the independent lineages (Floudas and Hibbett, 2015; Miettinen et al., 2016; Yuan et al., 2017; Chen et al., 2018b, 2021; Ma and Zhao, 2019). At present, the family includes 23 genera, most of which are corticioid fungi (Chen et al., 2021). Although most of the newly described taxa in the family originated from East Asia, some groups in this area still need more systematic studies based on more complete samplings.

Chen et al. (2021) used Roseograndinia for a distinct lineage of two new species, which are morphologically similar to the type, R. rosea (Henn.) Hjortstam & Ryvarden. Morphologically, the genus is similar to Hyphodermella, which differs by having encrusted cystidioid hyphal ends. Our phylogenetic analyses based on more samples of the two genera showed that two recently described species without cystidioid hyphal ends, Hyphodermella aurantica and H. zixishanensis, nested within the Roseograndinia. Meanwhile, two new species, H. laevigata and H. tropica, in the core clade of Hyphodermella were found, though the former species also lacks cystidioid hyphal ends. The poroid species, Hyphodermella poroides Y.C. Dai & C.L. Zhao, did not nest within the core group of the genus but clustered with Geliporus exilisporus (Y.C. Dai & Niemelä) Yuan, Jia J. Chen & S.H. He. However, their relationship was not well supported, and there are clear morphological differences between the two species (Yuan et al., 2017; Zhao et al., 2017). At present, we accept a broad concept of Hyphodermella to include nine species as follows:

A key to accepted species of Hyphodermella s.l.

1. Hymenophore poroidH. poroides
1. Hymenophore non-poroid
2. Hymenophore smooth to tuberculate
2. Hymenophore grandinioid, odontoid to hydnaceous 4
3. Cystidioid hyphal ends absent, reported in southern China
H. laevigata
3. Cystidioid hyphal ends present, reported in Far East of Russia
H. pallidostraminea
4. Context distinctly brownH. brunneocontexta
4. Context cream, pale yellow
5. Basidiospores $< 6\mu m long\ldots\ldots$. H. tropica
5. Basidiospores $> 6 \mu m \log \dots 6$

6.	Basidiospores	narrowly	ellipsoid	d, <	$4\mu m$	wide
				1	H. maunak	keaensis
6. E	Basidiospores ellip	soid, $> 4 \mu$	m wide			7
7.	Basidiomes up t	o 500μm	thick, basi	dia up	to 60 μr	n long
				• • • • • • •	Н. со	rrugata
7.	Basidiomes up t	o 110µm	thick, basi	dia up	to 40 µr	n long
				• • • • • • •		8
8.	Subicular hy	phae agg	glutinated,	wide	ely dist	ributed
in	Mediterranean	area a	nd Chin	a on	many	hosts
				• • • • • • •		H. rosae
8.	Subicular hy	phae sep	arable, fo	ound	in Ital	y on
				.Ampel	opsis H. o	chracea

Rhizochaete is morphologically well-circumscribed and phylogenetically well-supported in the Phanerochaetaceae. It contains 17 species worldwide, including four new species recently described from China (Nakasone et al., 2017; Chen et al., 2021; Gu and Zhao, 2021). Our analyses herein demonstrated that the species diversity of the genus in China is rich, and four additional new species were found based mainly on molecular evidence. Meanwhile, according to our investigation records, some species are abundantly distributed locally, for example, R. chinensis C.C. Chen, Sheng H. Wu & S.H. He is one of the most common corticioid species in the Beijing area. The species, R. sulphurina (P. Karst.) K.H. Larss., was recorded in northeastern China earlier [as Ceraceomyces sulphurinus (P. Karst.) J. Erikss. & Ryvarden, Dai, 2011], but we did not recover this species based on our investigations and analyses. Thus, we accepted eight species of Rhizochaete in China as follows:

A key to species of Rhizochaete in China

1. Cystidia absent
1. Cystidia present
2. Basidiomes on wood or bamboo, color unchanged in KOH,
found in tropical areas
2. Basidiomes on the ground, turning purple in KOH, found in
temperate areaR. terrestris
3. Basidiospores broadly ellipsoid to ovoid, usually $< 2.5\mu m$ wide
R. nakasoneae
3. Basidiospores ellipsoid, usually $> 2.5\mu m$ wide $\ldots\ldots\ldots.4$
4. Basidiomes turning purple in KOH5
4. Basidiomes turning reddish brown in KOH6
5. Cystidia 18–60.5 \times 6–11 $\mu m,$ basidia 11–33 \times 3–5 μm
5. Cystidia 20–50 \times 4–9 $\mu m,$ basidia 14.5–21 \times 4.3–5.2 μm
6. Basidiomes up to $500 \mu\text{m}$ thick, basidia $< 27 \mu\text{m}$ long
6. Basidiomes up to 200 μ m thick, basidia mostly > 27 μ m long
7. Cystidia 40–75 × 7–15 μ m, basidiospores 3.8–4.5 × 2.2–2.8 μ m
7. Cystidia $40-52 \times 6-10 \mu\text{m}$, basidiospores $4.2-5.2 \times 2.8-3.2 \mu\text{m}$

Data availability statement

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