

PSEUDOCYPHELLARIA

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Pseudocypnellaria Vain., *Acta Soc. Fauna Fl. Fenn.* 7: 182 (1890), *nom. cons.*; refers to the pseudocypellae on the lower surface of the thallus (sometimes also on the upper surface), structures anatomically and developmentally different from the cypellae found on the lower surface of species of *Sticta*.

Type: *P. aurata* (Ach.) Vain.

Stictina Nyl. *p. min. p.*, *Syn. Meth. Lich.* 1(2): 333 (1860). Lecto: *S. crocata* (L.) Nyl. [= *Pseudocypnellaria crocata* (L.) Vain.]

Parmosticta Nyl. *p.p.*, *Flora* 58: 363 (1875), *nom. superfl.* T: *P. aurata* (Ach.) Nyl. [= *Pseudocypnellaria aurata* (Ach.) Vain.]

Parmostictina Nyl. *p.p.*, *Flora* 58: 363 (1875). T: *Sticta hirsuta* Mont.

Cyanisticta Gyeln. *p.p.*, *Feddes Rep. Spec. Nov. Regni Veg.* 21: 1 (1931). T: *C. argyracea* (Delise) Gyeln.

Thallus orbicular, rosette-forming or irregularly lacinate, or ± dichotomously branching to complex-tangled, loosely to closely attached. Upper surface smooth, wrinkled, ± scabrid or hairy, often shallowly to deeply faveolate, with a faint or strongly marked reticulum of shallowly to sharply delimited interconnecting ridges, glossy, often conspicuously maculate ($\times 10$ lens, best seen when wet), with or without isidia, pseudoisidia, phyllidia, pseudocypellae or soredia. Lower surface pseudocypellate, usually ± tomentose, glabrous in some species; tomentum pale to dark, thick and felted to indistinctly pubescent; pseudocypellae white or yellow, ± immersed in tomentum, plane and ±fleck-like to raised-conical, verruciform or glomerulate, round to irregular. Apothecial margins entire or crenate-striate to ±stellate, with or without isidia, phyllidia or soredia. Pycnidia often eroding and leaving gaping pits. Conidia bacilliform.

Pseudocypnellaria is a cosmopolitan genus of at least 114 species. Taxa grow on twigs, bark, soil or rock, often intermingled with bryophytes or other lichens in a wide variety of habitats. The genus is especially diverse in the Southern Hemisphere particularly in humid, cool-temperate habitats; major areas of diversity are southern South America (54 species), New Zealand (50 species), the Palaeotropics (29 species) and Australia (39 species). *Pseudocypnellaria* occurs most commonly in forest, shrubland and grassland, often dominated by *Nothofagus* and various podocarp genera. The pan-austral distribution, well-defined areas of endemism, and its frequent association with *Nothofagus* and with various southern gymnosperms, together with the widespread occurrence of hopane and other "primitive" triterpenoids strongly suggest that it is a classic Gondwanaland genus. Taxa of austral affinities are found in south-eastern Australia and Tasmania, while the tropical rainforests of Queensland have species with mainly Palaeotropical affinities. The genus has a diverse chemistry comprising depsides, depsidones, terphenylquinones, pulvinic acid derivatives and triterpenoids.

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1	Medulla white (or patchily yellow-white)	2
1:	Medulla pure yellow (not patchily yellow-white).....	29
2:	Photobiont a unicellular green alga(1).....	3
2:	Photobiont <i>Nostoc</i>	11
3	Lobes lacking isidia, phyllidia, lobules and soredia(2).....	4
3:	Lobes with isidia, phyllidia, lobules or soredia	7
4	Lobes narrow, to 1.5 mm wide(3).....	38. <i>P. stenophylla</i>
4:	Lobes broader than 1.5 mm	5
5	Upper surface punctate-impressed, without interconnecting ridges(4:).....	39. <i>P. sulphurea</i>
5:	Upper surface faveolate, with well-defined interconnecting ridges.....	6
6	Margins often indented, with projecting verruciform white pseudocypellae, not or rarely ridged below; apothecial disc often white-pruinose (especially when immature); containing physciosporin(5:)	15. <i>P. faveolata</i>
6:	Margins entire, smoothly rounded, ridged below, without projecting pseudocypellae; apothecial disc never white-pruinose; physciosporin absent	6. <i>P. billardierei</i>
7	Lobe margins isidiate and/or phyllidiate; not sorediate(3:)	8
7:	Lobe margins sorediate	10
8	Lobe margins isidiate; lower surface chocolate-brown or blackish, densely tomentose(7)	17. <i>P. glabra</i>
8:	Lobes margins phyllidiate; lower surface pale, buff to red-brown, patchily tomentose	9
9	Upper surface dimpled, punctate-impressed; margins ±thickened above and below; phyllidia often proliferating(8:)	29. <i>P. prolificans</i>
9:	Upper surface smooth; margins not or slightly thickened below; phyllidia not proliferating	24. <i>P. multifida</i>
10	Upper surface ±plane, yellow-green; usnic acid present; physciosporin absent(7:)	37. <i>P. soredioglabra</i>
10:	Upper surface punctate-impressed to ±faveolate, glaucous grey; usnic acid absent; physciosporin present	19. <i>P. granulata</i>
11	Pseudocypellae white(2:)	12
11:	Pseudocypellae yellow	24
12	Upper surface pseudocypellate(11).....	13
12:	Upper surface lacking pseudocypellae.....	17
13	Lobes with isidia or phyllidia(12).....	14
13:	Lobes lacking isidia and phyllidia.....	16
14	Lobes with marginal phyllidia; upper surface patchily tomentose(13)	7. <i>P. brattii</i>
14:	Lobes with marginal isidia; upper surface without patchy tomentum.....	15
15	Isidia not associated with laminal pseudocypellae; laminal pseudocypellae not becoming sorediate(14:).....	30. <i>P. punctillaris</i>
15:	Isidia also associated with laminal pseudocypellae; laminal pseudocypellae becoming sorediate	2. <i>P. argyracea</i>

16	Lobes dichotomously branched; upper surface plane to shallowly dimpled, not faveolate(13:)	.....	35. <i>P. semilanata</i>
16:	Lobes subdichotomously to irregularly branched; upper surface wrinkled-faveolate	.....	31. <i>P. rigida</i>
17	Thallus with soredia, isidia or phyllidia(12:)	.....	18
17:	Thallus lacking soredia, isidia and phyllidia	.....	23
18	Thallus sorediate(17)	.....	19
18:	Thallus phyllidiate or isidiate	.....	22
19	Upper surface smooth or punctate-impressed, without faveolae or distinct interconnecting ridges; two hopane diols present(18)	.....	20
19:	Upper surface faveolate, with distinct interconnecting ridges; hopane-triol present	.....	21
20	Upper surface smooth to undulate; pseudocyphellae on lower surface rare or absent(19)	.....	22. <i>P. intricata</i>
20:	Upper surface punctate-impressed; pseudocyphellae on lower surface conspicuous, especially at centre	.....	20. <i>P. haywardiorum</i>
21	Lobes rounded; soralia laminal, ±reticulate, not eroding margins and not appearing yellowish below(19:)	.....	4. <i>P. bartlettii</i>
21:	Lobes ±elongate; soralia marginal, punctiform or linear-confluent, eroding margins and appearing yellowish below	.....	14. <i>P. dozyana</i>
22	Thallus phyllidiate(18:)	.....	21. <i>P. insculpta</i>
22:	Thallus isidiate	.....	13. <i>P. dissimilis</i>
23	Lobes very narrow, 0.5–1.5 (–3) mm wide, densely entangled(17:)	.....	34. <i>P. sayeri</i>
23:	Lobes broader, 3–8 (–12) mm wide, not densely entangled	.....	5. <i>P. beccarii</i>
24	Thallus sorediate, isidiate or phyllidiate(11:)	.....	25
24:	Thallus lacking soredia, isidia and phyllidia	.....	28
25	Thallus sorediate(24)	.....	10. <i>P. crocata</i>
25:	Thallus phyllidiate or isidiate	.....	26
26	Thallus isidiate(25:)	.....	12. <i>P. desfontainii</i>
26:	Thallus phyllidiate	.....	27
27:	Phyllidia to 3 mm long, finger-like, not eroding yellow at apices(26:)	.....	11. <i>P. crocatoides</i>
27:	Phyllidia to 1.5 mm long (often much less), ±coralloid, eroding apically exposing yellow medulla	.....	25. <i>P. neglecta</i>
28:	Upper surface tomentose at the centre(24:)	.....	36. <i>P. sericeofulva</i>
28:	Upper surface uniformly glabrous	.....	16. <i>P. gilva</i>
29	Photobiont a unicellular green alga(1:)	.....	30
29:	Photobiont <i>Nostoc</i>	.....	37
30	Thallus lacking soredia, isidia and phyllidia(29)	.....	31
30:	Thallus sorediate, isidiate or phyllidiate	.....	32
31	Lobes thick; apices occasionally minutely tomentose ($\times 10$ lens); apothecial disc never white-pruinose; ascospores acicular, colourless(30)	.....	33. <i>P. rubrina</i>
31:	Lobes thin; apices never minutely tomentose; apothecial disc occasionally finely white-tomentose; ascospores ellipsoidal, olive or brown	.....	18. <i>P. glaucescens</i>
32	Thallus sorediate(30:)	.....	33
32:	Thallus isidiate or phyllidiate, lacking soredia	.....	34
33	Upper surface white, silky-tomentose from margins to centre; marginal soralia not eroding lower surface(32:)	.....	32. <i>P. rubella</i>
33:	Upper surface glabrous or rarely minutely tomentose at margins only; labriform marginal soralia prominent, eroding lower surface	.....	3. <i>P. aurata</i>
34	Medulla often appearing orange-red at thallus breaks and fractures and at apices of phyllidia or isidia(32:)	.....	35
34:	Medulla pure yellow, not appearing orange-red at breaks in thallus	.....	36
35	Acetone extract purple-red; lobes rounded; thallus phyllidiate(34)	.....	9. <i>P. coronata</i>
35:	Acetone extract yellow; lobes ragged, linear-elongate; thallus isidiate	.....	8. <i>P. colensoi</i>

- 36 Apothecia sessile; exciple whitish buff, lacking photobiont cells; isidia marginal and spreading onto lamina, becoming phyllidiate, not eroding; ascospores colourless(34:) **27. *P. pickeringii***
- 36: Apothecia pedicellate; exciple concolorous with thallus, containing photobiont cells; isidia marginal or along laminal cracks and tears, minutely coraloid, eroding and appearing pseudosorediate; ascospores pale to dark red-brown..... **28. *P. poculifera***
- 37 Thallus lacking soredia and phyllidia(29:) **23. *P. jamesii***
- 37: Thallus sorediate or phyllidiate 38
- 38 Thallus sorediate(37:) **1. *P. ardesiaca***
- 38: Thallus phyllidiate **26. *P. nermula***