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### Cover images:

**Front cover** — phanerochaetoid fungi and *Xerula* (see the article on pp. 4–56):  
above, left — *Emmia metamorphosa* (Fuckel) Spirin, Zmitr. & V. Malysheva (Spirin 2395), photo I.V. Zmitrovich;  
above, right — *Fistulina hepatica* Schaeff., photo V.F. Malysheva;  
below, left — *Byssomerulius corium* (Pers.) Parmasto, photo I.V. Zmitrovich, V.F. Malysheva;  
below, right — *Xerula pudens* (Pers.) Singer, photo E.F. Malysheva.

**Back cover** – magnified view of corticioid fungi basidiomata (digital photos by E.O. Yurchenko, see the article on pp. 67–88):  
above, left — *Hyphoderma pallidum* (Bres.) Donk (MSK 6151);  
above, right — *Leucogyrophana pinastri* (Fr.) Ginns & Weresub (MSK 12124);  
below, left — *Phanerochaete cremeoohracea* (Bourdot & Galzin) Hjortstam (MSK 5120);  
below, right — *Phlebia tristis* (Litsch. & S. Lundell) Parmasto (MSK 6322).

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