

MYCENA was named after one of the largest and most complicated genera of the Basidiomycetes. Its small-fruitbodied members growing everywhere and so alike as to appear to have the same face, continue to perplex the minds of experienced mycologists.

Cover images:

Front cover — mycophilous fungi (to the article by Arnold and Yurchenko; photos by E. Yurchenko):

above, left — *Mycogone* sp., aleuriospores in culture isolated from decaying *Macrolepiota procera* fruitbody, Central Botanical Garden, Minsk, Belarus, coll. G. Arnold 28 IX 2004 (GA A04/108; MSK 8489b);

above, right — the anamorph of *Hypomyces chrysospermus-microspermus* group (*Sepedonium chrysospermum* (Bull.) Link s. l.), aleuriospores from decaying *Xerocomus* sp. (together with several host basidiospores), Central Botanical Garden, Minsk, Belarus, coll. G. Arnold, E. Yurchenko 28 IX 2004 (MSK 6434);

below, left — *Spinellus fusiger* (Link) Tiegh., sporangiospores; on agaricoid fungus cap, Prylukski Sanctuary near Minsk, Belarus, coll. G. Arnold, E. Yurchenko 27 IX 2004 (MSK 6802);

below, right — *Syzygites megalocarpus* Ehrenb., two zygosporangia attached between suspensors (upper zygosporangium shows that both gametangia originated from the branches of the same hypha, lower broken zygosporangium releases a zygospore), from culture isolated from *Mycena* sp. fruitbody, Valozhynskaya Pushcha near Iryanets, Belarus, coll. G. Arnold 26 IX 2005 (GA A04/151; MSK 8494).

Back cover — magnified view of basidiomata (to the article by Yurchenko and Kotiranta; photos by E. Yurchenko; bar = 1 mm):

above, left — *Hyphodontia pilaecystidiata* (S. Lundell) J. Erikss., hymenophore and vertical section of very thick bi-layered fruitbody (MSK 4723);

above, right — *Membranomyces delectabilis* (H.S. Jacks.) Kotir. & Saaren. (MSK 4884);

below, left — *Phlebia firma* J. Erikss. (MSK 4448);

below, right — *Rhizochaete radicata* (Henn.) Greslebin, Nakasone & Rajchenb., fruitbody patch involving living moss *Plagiomnium* sp. (MSK 4506).

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