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Morphological and molecular identification of a new species of *Atraporiella* (Polyporales, Basidiomycota) in China

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Abstract

A new poroid wood-inhabiting fungal species, *Atraporiella yunnanensis sp. nov.*, is proposed based on morphological and molecular characters. The species is characterized by resupinate, cream pore surface, and its fresh basidiocarp is easy to separate from substrate and very rapidly stained dark brown to black when bruised; a monomitic hyphal system with generative hyphae hyaline to pale brown, thin-walled, clamped, unbranched, interwoven; slightly allantoid basidiospores, 2.2–3 × 0.8–1.5 μm. The internal transcribed spacer (ITS) and the large subunit (LSU) regions of nuclear ribosomal RNA gene sequences of the studied samples were generated, and phylogenetic analyses were performed with maximum likelihood, maximum parsimony and bayesian inference methods. The phylogenetic analysis based on molecular data of ITS+nLSU sequences showed that *Atraporiella yunnanensis* belonged to the residual polyporoid clade, formed a monophyletic lineage with a strong support (100% BS, 100% BP, 1.00 BPP) and was closely related to *A. neotropica*, and then grouped with other related genera: *Antrodiella, Pouzaroporia, Steccherinum* and *Xanthoporus*. Both morphological and molecular characters confirmed the placement of the new species in *Atraporiella*.

Key words: Phylogenetic analysis, Polypores, Taxonomy, Wood-rotting fungi

Introduction

Atraporiella Ryvarden (Meruliaceae, Polyporales) was erected by Ryvarden (2007). It is a small genus characterized by a combination of annual, resupinate basidiomata which are easily separable, soft and slightly waxy when fresh, brittle up on drying, pore surface very rapidly stained dark brown to black when bruised, and a monomitic hyphal structure with hyaline to pale brown generative hyphae bearing clamp connections, and hyaline, thin-walled, smooth, allantoid to ellipsoid basidiospores. In addition, its hyphae and basidiospores are acyanophilous and negative in Melzer's reagent.

Recently, the phylogenetic study of the new polypore genera *Obba* Miettinen & Rajchenb. and *Sebipora* Miettinen suggested that the genus *Atraporiella* was monophyletic, and *A. neotropica* was grouped with *Antrodiella* Ryvarden & I. Johans. and *Steccherinum* Gray on the base of the combined data of the internal transcribed spacer (ITS) regions and the large subunit nuclear ribosomal RNA gene (nLSU) gene sequences (Miettinen & Rajchenberg 2012). Binder *et al.* (2013) employed molecular study based on multi-gene datasets and demonstrated that the *A. neotropica* belonged to the residual polyporoid clade grouped with related genera *Antrodiella*, *Pouzaroporia* Vampola and *Steccherinum* when using ribosomal DNA sequences.

During investigations on the diversity of polypores in southwestern China, an additional undescribed species corresponding to *Atraporiella* was found. To confirm the affinity of the undescribed species of *Atraporiella*, phylogenetic analysis was carried out based on the ITS and nLSU sequences.

Materials and methods

Morphological studies.—The specimens studied are deposited at the herbarium of Southwest Forestry University (SWFC). Macro-morphological descriptions are based on field notes. Special colour terms follow Petersen (1996). Micro-morphological data were obtained from the dried specimens, and observed under a light microscope following Dai (2010). The following abbreviations were used: KOH = 5% potassium hydroxide, CB = Cotton Blue, CB- = acyanophilous, IKI = Melzer's reagent, IKI- = both inamyloid and indextrinoid, L = mean spore length (arithmetic average of all spores), W = mean spore width (arithmetic average of all spores), Q = variation in the L/W ratios between the specimens studied, n (a/b) = number of spores (a) measured from given number (b) of specimens.

DNA extraction, amplification, sequencing and phylogenetic analyses.—CTAB rapid plant genome extraction kit-DN14 (Aidlab Biotechnologies Co., Ltd, Beijing) was used to obtain genomic DNA from dried specimens, according to the manufacturer's instructions with some modifications that a small piece of dried fungal specimen (about 30 mg) was ground to powder with liquid nitrogen. The powder was transferred to a 1.5 ml centrifuge tube, suspended in 0.4 ml of lysis buffer, and incubated in a 65 °C water bath for 60 min. After that, 0.4 ml phenol-chloroform (24:1) was added to each tube and the suspension was shaken vigorously. After centrifugation at 13 000 rpm for 5 min, 0.3 ml supernatant was transferred to a new tube and mixed with 0.45 ml binding buffer. The mixture was then transferred to an adsorbing column (AC) for centrifugation at 13 000 rpm for 0.5 min. Then, 0.5 ml inhibitor removal fluid was added in AC for a centrifugation at 12 000 rpm for 0.5 min. After washing twice with 0.5 ml washing buffer, the AC was transferred to a clean centrifuge tube, and 100 ml elution buffer was added to the middle of adsorbed film to elute the genome DNA. ITS region was amplified with primer pairs ITS5 and ITS4 (White et al. 1990). Nuclear LSU region was amplified with primer pairs LROR and LR7 (http://www.biology.duke.edu/fungi/mycolab/primers.htm). The PCR procedure for ITS was as follows: initial denaturation at 95 °C for 3 min, followed by 35 cycles at 94 °C for 40 s, 58 °C for 45 s and 72 °C for 1 min, and a final extension of 72 °C for 10 min. The PCR procedure for nLSU was as follows: initial denaturation at 94 °C for 1 min, followed by 35 cycles at 94 °C for 30 s, 48 °C 1 min and 72 °C for 1.5 min, and a final extension of 72 °C for 10 min Chen et al. (2015). The PCR products were purified and directly sequenced at Kunming Tsingke Biological Technology Limited Company. All newly generated sequences were deposited at GenBank (Table 1).

TABLE 1. A list of species, specimens and GenBank accession numbers of sequences used in this study.

| Species name | Sample no. | GenBank accession no. | | References |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| | | ITS | nLSU | _ |
| Abortiporus biennis (Bull.) Singer | TFRI 274 | EU232187 | EU232235 | Binder et al. (2005) |
| Antrodia albida (Fr.) Donk | CBS 308.82 | DQ491414 | AY515348 | Kim et al. (2007) |
| A. heteromorpha (Fr.) Donk | CBS 200.91 | DQ491415 | AY515350 | Kim et al. (2007) |
| Antrodiella americana Ryvarden & Gilb. | Gothenburg 3161 | JN710509 | JN710509 | Binder et al. (2013) |
| A. formosana T.T. Chang & W.N. Chou | TFRI 652 | EU232184 | EU232268 | Binder et al. (2005) |
| A. pallasii Renvall, Johann. & Stenlid | Renvall 89a | AF126896 | - | Binder et al. (2013) |
| A. semisupina (Berk. & M.A. Curtis) Ryvarden | FCUG 960 | EU232182 | EU232266 | Binder et al. (2005) |
| Atraporiella neotropica Ryvarden | Ryvarden 44447 | HQ659221 | HQ659221 | Miettinen & Rajchenberg (2012) |
| A. yunnanensis C.L. Zhao | CLZhao 603 | MF962481 | MF962484 | Present study |
| A. yunnanensis | CLZhao 604 | MF962482 | MF962485 | Present study |
| A. yunnanensis | CLZhao 605 | MF962483 | MF962486 | Present study |
| Ceraceomyces serpens (Tode) Ginns | KHL 8478 | AF090882 | AF090882 | Binder et al. (2005) |
| Ceriporia aurantiocarnescens (Henn.) B. Rivoire | Yuan 2066 | JX623902 | JX644042 | Jia et al. (2014) |
| C. lacerata N. Maek., Suhara & R. Kondo | Dai 10734 | JX623916 | JX644068 | Jia et al. (2014) |
| Ceriporiopsis alboaurantia B.K. Cui & Y.C. Dai | Cui 2877 | KF845947 | KF845954 | Zhao & Cui (2014) |
| C. balaenae Niemelä | H7002389 | FJ496669 | FJ496717 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |

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| Species name | Sample no. | GenBank acc | ession no. | References |
|---|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| | | ITS | nLSU | |
| C. consobrina (Bres.) Ryvarden | Rivoire 977 | FJ496667 | FJ496716 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| C. fimbriata C.L. Zhao & Y.C. Dai | Dai 11672 | KJ698633 | KJ698637 | Zhao & Cui (2014) |
| C. fimbriata | Cui 1671 | KJ698634 | KJ698638 | Zhao & Cui (2014) |
| C. gilvescens (Bres.) Domański | BRNM 710166 | FJ496684 | FJ496720 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| C. gilvescens | Yuan 2752 | KF845946 | KF845953 | Zhao & Cui (2014) |
| C. gilvescens | BRNM 667882 | FJ496685 | FJ496719 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| C. guidella Bernicchia & Ryvarden | HUBO 7659 | FJ496687 | FJ496722 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| C. pseudogilvescens (Pilát) Niemelä & Kinnunen | TAA 168233 | FJ496673 | FJ496702 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| C. pseudogilvescens | BRNM 686416 | FJ496679 | FJ496703 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| C. pseudoplacenta Vlasák & Ryvarden | JV 050952 | JN592499 | JN592506 | Vlasák <i>et al.</i> (2012) |
| C. pseudoplacenta | PRM 899297 | JN592497 | JN592504 | Vlasák <i>et al.</i> (2012) |
| C. semisupina C.L. Zhao, B.K. Cui & Y.C. Dai | Cui 10222 | KF845949 | KF845956 | Zhao & Cui (2014) |
| Cinereomyces lindbladii (Berk.) Jülich | KHL 12078 | FN907906 | FN907906 | Binder <i>et al.</i> (2013) |
| Climacocystis borealis (Fr.) Kotl. & Pouzar | KH 13318 | JQ031126 | JQ031126 | Binder <i>et al.</i> (2013) |
| Coriolopsis caperata (Berk.) Murrill | LE(BIN)-0677 | AB158316 | AB158316 | Tomšovský <i>et al.</i> (2010) |
| Dacryobolus karstenii (Bres.) Parmasto | KHL 11162 | EU118624 | EU118624 | Binder <i>et al.</i> (2005) |
| Daedalea quercina (L.) Pers. | DSM 4953 | DQ491425 | DQ491425 | Kim et al. (2007) |
| Diplomitoporus flavescens (Bres.) Domański Earliella scabrosa (Pers.) Gilb. & | X 84 PR 1209 | FN907908 JN165009 | - JN164793 | Binder <i>et al.</i> (2013) Binder <i>et al.</i> (2005) |
| Ryvarden | 1 K 1209 | JIV103009 | JIN104/93 | Dilider et at. (2003) |
| Fomitopsis pinicola (Sw.) P. Karst. | CBS 221.39 | DQ491405 | DQ491405 | Kim et al. (2007) |
| F. rosea (Alb. & Schwein.) P. Karst. | ATCC 76767 | DQ491410 | DQ491410 | Kim et al. (2007) |
| Fragiliporia fragilis Y.C. Dai, B.K. Cui & C.L. Zhao | Dai 13080 | KJ734260 | KJ734264 | Zhao et al. (2015) |
| F. fragilis | Dai 13559 | KJ734261 | KJ734265 | Zhao et al. (2015) |
| F. fragilis | Dai 13561 | KJ734262 | KJ734266 | Zhao et al. (2015) |
| Ganoderma lingzhi Sheng H. Wu, Y. Cao & Y.C. Dai | Wu 1006-38 | JQ781858 | - | Zhao et al. (2015) |
| Gelatoporia subvermispora (Pilát) Niemelä | BRNU 592909 | FJ496694 | FJ496706 | Tomšovský <i>et al.</i> (2010) |
| Gloeoporus pannocinctus (Romell) J. Erikss. | BRNM 709972 | EU546099 | FJ496708 | Tomšovský <i>et al.</i> (2010) |
| G. dichrous (Fr.) Bres. | KHL 11173 | EU118627 | EU118627 | Binder <i>et al.</i> (2005) |
| Grammothelopsis subtropica B.K. Cui & C.L. Zhao | Cui 9035 | JQ845094 | JQ845097 | Zhao et al. (2015) |
| Heterobasidion annosum (Fr.) Bref. | PFC 5252 | KC492906 | KC492906 | Binder <i>et al.</i> (2013) |
| Hornodermoporus martius (Berk.) Teixeira Hypochnicium lyndoniae (D.A. Reid) | MUCL 41677 NL 041031 | FJ411092 JX124704 | FJ393859 JX124704 | Robledo <i>et al.</i> (2009) Binder <i>et al.</i> (2005) |
| Hjortstam | IND OTION | J21147/UH | J21147/UH | Billion et al. (2003) |
| Junghuhnia nitida (Pers.) Ryvarden | KHL 11903 | EU118638 | EU118638 | Binder et al. (2005) |
| Mycoacia fuscoatra (Fr.) Donk | KHL 13275 | JN649352 | JN649352 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| M. nothofagi (G. Cunn.) Ryvarden | KHL 13750 | GU480000 | GU480000 | Tomšovský <i>et al.</i> (2010) |
| Obba rivulosa (Berk.) Miettinen & Rajchenb | KCTC 6892 | FJ496693 | FJ496710 | Miettinen & Rajchenberg (2012) |

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| Species name | Sample no. | GenBank accession no. | | References |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| | | ITS | nLSU | _ |
| O. valdiviana (Rajchenb.) Miettinen & Rajchenb. | FF 503 | HQ659235 | HQ659235 | Miettinen & Rajchenberg (2012) |
| Perenniporia medulla-panis (Jacq.) Donk | MUCL 49581 | FJ411087 | FJ393875 | Robledo et al. (2009) |
| <i>Perenniporiella neofulva</i> Decock & Ryvarden | MUCL 45091 | FJ411080 | FJ393852 | Robledo et al. (2009) |
| Phanerochaete chrysosporium Burds. | BKM-F-1767 | HQ188436 | GQ470643 | Binder et al. (2005) |
| Phlebia livida (Pers.) Bres. | FCUG 2189 | AF141624 | AF141624 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| <i>P. radiata</i> Fr. | UBCF 19726 | HQ604797 | HQ604797 | Binder et al. (2013) |
| P. subserialis (Bourdot & Galzin) Donk | FCUG 1434 | AF141631 | AF141631 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| P. unica (H.S. Jacks. & Dearden) Ginns | KHL 11786 | EU118657 | EU118657 | Binder et al. (2013) |
| Piloporia sajanensis (Parmasto) Niemelä | Manninen 2733a | HQ659239 | HQ659239 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| Podoscypha multizonata (Berk. & Broome) Pat. | Gothenburg 3005 | JN710581 | JN710581 | Binder <i>et al.</i> (2013) |
| Polyporus tuberaster (Jacq. ex Pers.) Fr. | CulTENN 10197 | AF516596 | AJ488116 | Binder et al. (2013) |
| Postia guttulata (Peck ex Sacc.) Jülich | KHL 11739 | EU11865 | EU11865 | Kim et al. (2007) |
| Pouzaroporia subrufa (Ellis & Dearn.) Vampola | BRNM 710164 | FJ496661 | FJ496723 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| <i>Skeletocutis amorpha</i> (Fr.) Kotl. & Pouzar | Miettinen 11038 | FN907913 | FN907913 | Tomšovský <i>et al.</i> (2010) |
| S. portcrosensis A. David | LY 3493 | FJ496689 | FJ496689 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| S. subsphaerospora A. David | Rivoire 1048 | FJ496688 | FJ496688 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| Steccherinum fimbriatum (Pers.) J. Erikss. | KHL 11905 | EU118668 | EU118668 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| S. ochraceum (Pers.) Gray | KHL 11902 | JQ031130 | JQ031130 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| S. ochraceum | Ryberg s.n. | EU118669 | EU118670 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| Stereum hirsutum (Willd.) Pers. | NBRC 6520 | AB733150 | AB733325 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |
| Truncospora ochroleuca (Berk.) Pilát | MUCL 39726 | FJ411098 | FJ393865 | Robledo et al. (2009) |
| Tyromyces chioneus (Fr.) P. Karst. | Cui 10225 | KF698745 | KF698756 | Zhao et al. (2015) |
| Xanthoporus syringae (Parmasto) Audet | Gothenburg 1488 | JN710607 | JN710607 | Tomšovský et al. (2010) |

Sequencher 4.6 (GeneCodes, Ann Arbor, MI, USA) was used to edit the DNA sequence. Sequences were aligned in MAFFT 6 (Katoh & Toh 2008, http://mafft.cbrc.jp/alignment/server/) using the "G-INS-I" strategy and manually adjusted in BioEdit (Hall 1999). The sequence alignment was deposited in TreeBase (submission ID 21519). Sequences of *Heterobasidion annosum* (Fr.) Bref. and *Stereum hirsutum* (Willd.) Pers. obtained from GenBank were used as outgroups to root trees following Binder *et al.* (2013) in the ITS+nLSU analysis.

Maximum parsimony analysis was applied to the ITS+nLSU dataset sequences. Approaches to phylogenetic analysis followed Song *et al.* (2016a), and the tree construction procedure was performed in PAUP* version 4.0b10 (Swofford 2002). All characters were equally weighted and gaps were treated as missing data. Trees were inferred using the heuristic search option with TBR branch swapping and 1000 random sequence additions. Max-trees were set to 5000, branches of zero length were collapsed and all parsimonious trees were saved. Clade robustness was assessed using a bootstrap (BT) analysis with 1,000 replicates (Felsenstein 1985). Descriptive tree statistics tree length (TL), consistency index (CI), retention index (RI), rescaled consistency index (RC), and homoplasy index (HI) were calculated for each Maximum Parsimonious Tree (MPT) generated. Sequences were also analyzed using Maximum Likelihood (ML) with RAxML-HPC2 through the Cipres Science Gateway (www.phylo.org; Miller *et al.* 2009). Branch support for ML analysis was determined by 1000 bootstrap replicate.

MrModeltest 2.3 (Posada & Crandall 1998, Nylander 2004) was used to determine the best-fit evolution model for each data set for Bayesian inference (BI). Bayesian inference was calculated with MrBayes3.1.2 with a general time reversible (GTR) model of DNA substitution and a gamma distribution rate variation across sites (Ronquist & Huelsenbeck 2003). Four Markov chains were run for 2 runs from random starting trees for 5 million generations

(ITS+nLSU), and trees were sampled every 100 generations. The first one-fourth generations were discarded as burnin. A majority rule consensus tree of all remaining trees was calculated. Branches that received bootstrap support for maximum likelihood (BS), maximum parsimony (BP) and Bayesian posterior probabilities (BPP) greater than or equal to 75 % (BP) and 0.95 (BPP) were considered as significantly supported, respectively.

Results

Molecular phylogeny

The ITS+nLSU dataset included sequences from 75 fungal specimens representing 65 species. The dataset had an aligned length of 2367 characters, of which 1339 characters are constant, 284 are variable and parsimony-uninformative, and 744 are parsimony-informative. Maximum parsimony analysis yielded four equally parsimonious trees (TL = 5936, CI = 0.294, HI = 0.706, RI = 0.575, RC = 0.169). Best model for the ITS+nLSU dataset estimated and applied in the Bayesian analysis: GTR+I+G. Bayesian analysis and ML analysis resulted in a similar topology as MP analysis, with an average standard deviation of split frequencies = 0.001578 (BI).

The phylogeny (Fig. 1) inferred from ITS+nLSU sequences demonstrated seven major clades for 65 species of the Polyporales. The new species clustered into the residual polyporoid clade and was closely related to *Atraporiella neotropica* with a high support (100% BS, 100% BP, 1.00 BPP), and then grouped with other related genera: *Antrodiella*, *Pouzaroporia*, *Steccherinum* and *Xanthoporus* Audet.

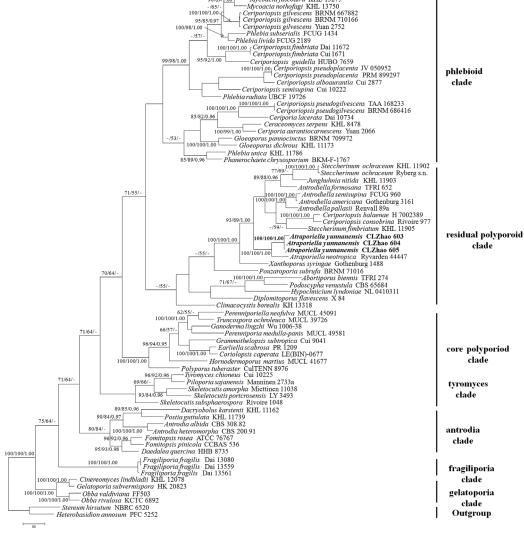


FIGURE 1. Maximum Parsimony strict consensus tree illustrating the phylogeny of *Atraporiella yunnanensis* and related species in Polyporales based on ITS+nLSU sequences. Branches are labeled with maximum likelihood bootstrap higher than 70%, parsimony bootstrap proportions higher than 50% and Bayesian posterior probabilities more than 0.95 respectively. Clade names follow Binder *et al.* (2013).

Taxonomy

Atraporiella yunnanensis C.L. Zhao, sp. nov. (Figs. 2, 3)

MycoBank no.: MB 823187

Type.—**China**. Yunnan Province, Jinghong, Sanchahe Nature Reserve, alt. 552 m, on fallen angiosperm trunk, 15 November 2016, *CLZhao 605* (holotype, SWFC!).

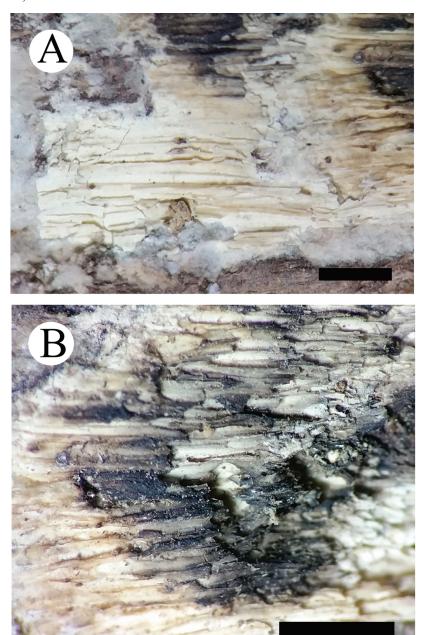


FIGURE 2. Basidiomata of *Atraporiella yunnanensis* (holotype). Scale bars: a—3 mm; b—2 mm.

Etymology.—Yunnanensis (Lat.): referring to the locality (Yunnan Province) of the type specimens.

Basidiomata.—Annual, resupinate, easy to separate from substrate, soft and slightly waxy when fresh, without odor or taste when fresh, becoming brittle and contracting up on drying, up to 2 cm long, 1 cm wide, 2 mm thick at centre. Pore surface white, very rapidly stained dark brown to black when bruised when fresh, turn to cream upon drying; pores angular, 3–4 per mm; dissepiments thin, lacerate. Sterile margin distinct, with raised loosened disc, white, up to 2 mm wide. Subiculum thin to almost invisible, pale brown, cottony, up to 0.2 mm thick. Tubes concolorous with pore surface, soft corky to fragile, up to 1.8 mm long.

Hyphal structure.—Hyphal system monomitic; generative hyphae with clamp connections, IKI-, CB-; tissues unchanged in KOH.

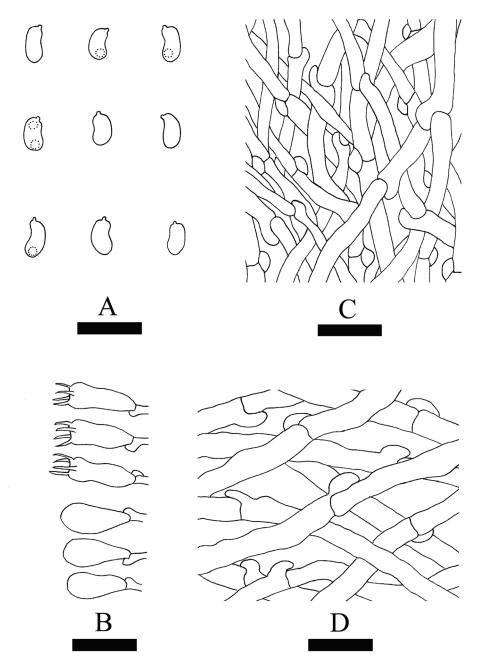


FIGURE 3. Microscopic structures of *Atraporiella yunnanensis* (drawn from the holotype). a basidiospores. b basidia and basidioles. c hyphae from trama. d hyphae from subiculum. Bars: a—5 µm; b–d—10 µm.

Subiculum.—Generative hyphae hyaline to pale brown, thin-walled, unbranched, interwoven, $2.5-4.5 \mu m$ in diameter.

Tubes.—Generative hyphae hyaline to pale brown, thin-walled, unbranched, interwoven, 3–6 μ m in diameter. Cystidia and cystidioles absent; basidia clavate, with four sterigmata and a basal clamp connection, 9–13 \times 3.5–5.5 μ m; basidioles dominant, pyriform.

Spores.—Basidiospores slightly allantoid, hyaline, thin-walled, smooth, IKI-, CB-, $(2-)2.2-3(-3.2) \times 0.8-1.5$ µm, L = 2.7 µm, W = 1.2 µm, Q = 1.84–2.52 (n = 90/3).

Additional specimens examined.—China. Yunnan Province, Jinghong, Sanchahe Nature Reserve, alt. 552 m, on fallen angiosperm trunk, 15 November 2016, CLZhao 603, 604 (paratypes, SWFC!).

Discussion

In the present study, a new species, *Atraporiella yunnanensis*, is described based on phylogenetic analyses and morphological characters. In the ITS+nLSU analyses (Fig. 1), *Atraporiella yunnanensis* groups with *A. neotropica* with high statistical supports (100% BS, 100% BP, 1.00 BPP). However, morphologically *A. neotropica* differs from *A. yunnanensis* by its smaller pores (5–6 per mm) and both larger basidia (12–18×5–6 μ m) and basidiospores (3–3.5 ×1.2–1.4 μ m, Ryvarden 2007).

According to Binder *et al.* (2013), seven clades were found in the Polyporales, and *Atraporiella neotropica* was placed in the residual polyporoid clade, closely related to *Pouzaroporia subrufa* (Ellis & Dearn.) Vampola (= *Ceriporiopsis subrufa* (Ellis & Dearn.) Ginns). Our results support the placement of *Atraporiella* in the residual polyporoid clade as a monophyletic lineage, and now nested with *Antrodiella*, *Pouzaroporia*, *Steccherinum* and *Xanthoporus*.

Macroscopically *Antrodiella* differs from *Atraporiella* by the resupinate to pileate basidiomata and a di-trimitic hyphal system (Gilbertson & Ryvarden 1986, Dai & Niemelä 1997, Ryvarden & Melo 2014). *Pouzaroporia* is separated from *Atraporiella* by having the reddish to pale brown basidiomata and white subiculum, and hyaline, branched, thinto thick-walled generative hyphae (Núñez & Ryvarden 2001). *Steccherinum* differs in its di-trimitic hyphal system and cyanophilous basidiospores (Bernicchia & Gorjon 2010). *Xanthoporus* differs from *Atraporiella* by its stipitate basidiomata with orange pore surface and larger basidiospores (L > 3.5 μm in length, Audet 2010).

Polypores are an extensively studied group of Basidiomycota (Gilbertson & Ryvarden 1986, 1987, Núñez & Ryvarden 2001, Ryvarden & Melo 2014), but the Chinese polypore diversity is still not well known, especially in subtropics and tropics, and many taxa of polypores are being described from these areas (Wu *et al.* 2017, Chen *et al.* 2016, 2017, Song *et al.* 2016b, Zhou *et al.* 2016, Ren & Wu 2017, Yuan *et al.* 2017a, b) as the new species in the present study, *Atraporiella yunnanensis*. Thus, it is possible that more new polypore taxa will be found after further investigations and molecular analyses.

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