

## FUNGAL RECORDS ON *MORUS* SPECIES FROM PAKISTAN

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### ABSTRACT

Eighty two (82) fungi comprised of sixty (60) genera have been reported on *Morus* species from Pakistan. This fungal list also include addition of twelve species of fungi on *Morus alba* from the area.

**Key-words:** *Morus* species, Mulberry, fungi, Faisalabad, Pakistan.

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### INTRODUCTION

*Morus alba* (Mulberry) belongs to family *Moraceae* and is a native plant of China. Four species of *Morus* are reported from Pakistan. *M. alba* is cultivated throughout the Pakistan. *M. nigra* is the most widely cultivated species after *M. alba*. *M. macroura* (syn. *M. laevigata*) is cultivated in Punjab (Rawalpindi and Lahore), and often grafted on *M. alba*. *M. serrata* is frequently cultivated on higher altitudes, (Ghafoor, 1985).

The leaves of *Morus alba* are well-known as food for the silk-producing larvae. Other plant parts are used in making textiles, paper, pesticides, furniture, musical instruments, sculptures and medicines. The pollen grain of *Morus nigra* L. causing allergic asthma in Islamabad and its vicinity, that is why its cultivation is banned in Islamabad area.

**Kingdom: Protista**

**Phylum: Myxomycota**

**Class: Myxomycetes**

*Physarella oblonga* Berk. & M.A. Curtis) Morgan (1896), [RSD]; Physaraceae (B & C). Morgan.

On bark of *Morus alba* from Sangla Hill (Lodhi, 1951; Ahmad, 1956).

*Reticularia lycoperdon* Bull., Hist. Champ. France (Paris) 1: 95 (1791) Bull.

On hollow trunk of *Morus alba*, from Balakot (Lodhi, 1951; Ahmad, 1956, Ahmad et al., 1997).

**Phylum: Ascomycota**

**Class: Ascomycetes**

*Botryosphaeria dothidea* (Moug.) Ces. & De Not., Comm. Soc. crittog. Ital. 1(4): 212 (1863) (Moug. ex Fries) Les. & de Not.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1956, 1972b, 1978a).

*Cryptovalsa mori* (Nitschke) Vassiljeva

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga, Lahore; (Ahmad, 1962, 1978a).

*Cryptovalsa nitschkei* Fuckel,

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1978a; Khan, 1989).

*Cryptovalsa rabenhorstii* (Nitschke) Sacc., (1882) (Nitschke) Sacc.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Rasul Head works, Daphar plantation; (Ahmad, 1978a).

*Eutypella iranica* Petrak in Sydowia, 18 (1964) p. 366 (1965)

On twigs (die back) of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1972b; Ahmad et al., 1997).

*Eutypella russodes* (Berk. & Broome) Berl., Icon. fung. (Abellini) 3: 54 (1902) (Berk. & Br.) Berl.

On twigs (die back) of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga, Lahore, Sargoda, Bhalwal, Kharian, Ladhar, Sheikhupura; very common in the area (Ahmad, 1962, 1969a; 1978a, Khan, 1989).

*Hercospora ahmadii* Petrak in Sydowia 21, (1967) p. 231. 1968.

On branches of *Morus alba*, from W. Pakistan, Changa Manga; (Petrak, 1967; Ahmad, 1972b, 1978a, Ahmad et al., 1997).

*Hypoxyylon hypomiltum* Mont.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1956, 1978a; Khan, 1989).

*Massaria epileuca* (Berk & Curt.) Winter.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Ladhar, Changa Manga, Chicha Watni; (Ahmad, 1956; 1978b; Ahmad and Arshad, 1972a; Whemeyer and Ahmad, 1964).

***Massaria mori*** Miyake.

On dead twigs of *Morus alba*, from Pakistan; (Mirza et al., 1965).

***Massarina polymorpha*** (Rehm) Sacc.

On branches of *Morus alba*, from Lahore; (Ahmad, 1978b; Ahmad et al., 1997).

***Nectria sanguinea*** Pers. ex Fr.

On twigs (canker) of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad 1956; Khan, 1989)

***Nodulisporium gregarium*** (Berk. & Curtis) Mey.

From Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1962, 1969a; Khan, 1998; Ahmad et al., 1997)

***Phyllactinia corylea*** (Pers.) Karast.

On leaves (Powdery mildew) of *Morus alba*, from Lahore, Peshawar, Abtabad, Gujranwala, Faisalabad, Choa Saidan Shah, Tandojam, and Haiderabad; (Khan and Kamal, 1968; Ahmad et al., 1997)

***Pleospora intermedia*** Speg.

On leaves (leaf rust) of *Morus alba*, from Pakistan; (Khan, 1989).

***Rosellinia aquila*** (Fr.) De Not.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Sheikhpura, Changa Manga Hassan abdal, Choa Saidan Shah; very common (Khan, 1989).

***Thyridaria cajugae*** Rehm.,

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1962, 1969a; 1978a; Khan, 1989; Ahmad et al., 1997).

***Valsella moricola*** Ahmad in Sydowia

On branches (canker) of *Morus alba*, from Shadra, Lahore, Changa Manga (Ahmad, 1948, 1956; Khan, 1989; Ahmad et al., 1997).

***Xylaria hypoxylon*** L. ex Grev.

On stumps and logs of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1956; Mirza and Qureshi, 1978; Khan, 1989; Ahmad et al., 1997).

***Xylaria polymorpha*** (Pers. Ex St.Amans) Grev.

On roots (root rot) of *Morus alba*, from Murree Hills; (Khan, 1960, 1989).

### **Phylum: Basidiomycota**

#### **Class: Basidiomycetes**

***Aecidium mori*** (Barclay) Syd. & Butler.

On leaves (leaf Rust) of *Morus alba* and *Morus serrate*, from Mahandri (Kaghan valley); (Ahmad, 1969a; Khan, 1952, 1954; Khan, 1989; Ahmad et al., 1997).

***Fomes conchatus*** (Pers. ex Fr.) Gill.

On stem (White wood rot) of *Morus* sp., from Punjab, Azad Kashmir; (Khan, 1952, 1960)

***Fomes ignarius*** (L. ex Fr.) Kickx.

On stem (White wood rot) of *Morus* sp., from Punjab; (Khan, 1952, 1960).

***Fomes lividus*** (Kalchbr. ex Cooke) Sacc.

On wood (White spongy rot) of *Morus alba*, from Punjab; (Khan, 1960).

***Ganoderma applanatum*** (Pers. ex Wahlr) Pat.

On stem (Heart rot) of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga, Sialkot, Sangla Hill, Rawalpindi; (Ahmad, 1956, 1972a; Khan, 1952).

***Ganoderma lucidum*** (Leyss ex Fr.) Karast.

On the base of trees of *Morus alba*, from Lahore, Sialkot, Gujranwala, Sangla Hill, Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1956).

***Ganoderma* sp.**

At the base of the main stem of *Morus alba*, from Gatwala Faisalabad; (Qureshi and Ahmad, 971).

***Ipex flavus*** Klotzsch.

On logs of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1956, 1972b).

***Lenzites adusta*** Massee.

On stem (wood rot) of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1956, 1967, 1969a, 1972a; Ahmad et al., 1997) Ahmad (1967).

***Lenzites platyphyla*** Lev.

On logs of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1967, 1969a, 1972a).

*Lentinus strigosus* (Schw) Fr.

On trunk of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1962).

*Lopharia fulva* (Lev.) Boidin,

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga, Kaghan; (Ahmad, 1956).

*Marasmius griseovoilaceus* petch.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1962).

*Pistillaria filiformis* Corner.

On fallen leaves. of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1972a).

*Phellinus lividus* (Kalchbr. ex Cooke).

On living tree of *Morus alba*, from Lahore, Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1972a).

*Podoscypha pealodes* ssp. *rosulata* Reid, Beith, Z.Nova.

On dead wood of *Morus alba*, from Cnanga Manga, Sheikhupora (Ladhar); (Ahmad 1967, 1969a, 1972a; Khan, 1989; Ahmad et al., 1997).

*Polyporus adustus* (Willd.) Fr.

On bark (Wood rot) of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1956; Khan, 1989).

*Polyporus hispidus* Bull. ex Fr.

On bark (Wood rot) of *Morus alba*, from Balakot (Ahmad, 1956; Quraishi and Jamal, 1972; Beg, 1973; Beg and Jamal, 1974; Khan, 1989).

*Polysticuts hirsutus* Wulf ex Fr.

On dead wood (Wood rot) of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1956).

*Polysticuts proteus* Berk.

On dead wood (Wood rot) of *Morus alba*, from Sialkot, Sangla Hill, Changa Manga, Lahore; (Ahmad, 1956; Khan, 1952).

*Poria versipora* (Pers.) Romell,

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1962, 1969a, 1972a, Ahmad et al., 1997)

*Rigidoporus microporus* (Sw.) Overem.

On bark of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1980).

*Rigidoporus vinetus* (Berk.) Ryvarden.

On stump (wood rot) of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga, Chicha Watni; (Ahmad and Arshad, 1982).

*Stereum schomberzkii* Berk.

On stump (wood rot) of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1956; Khan, 1989).

*Trametes cingulata* Berk.

On logs of *Morus alba*, from Lahore, Changa Manga., (Ahmad, 1969a, 1972a; Ahmad et al., 1997).

*Trametes corrugata* (Pers. ex Fr.) Bres.

On logs and stumps of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga, Zafarwal; (Ahmad, 1969a, 1967, 1972a; Ahmad et al., 1997)

*Trametes lactinea* (Berk.) Sacc.

On logs (wood rot) of *Morus alba*, from Gujrat, Chicha Watni; (Khan, 1952; Ahmad, 1956, 1972a).

**Phylum: Ascomycota****Class: Deuteromycetes (Asexual state of Ascomycota and some Basidiomycota)****Hyphomycetes***Cercospora mori* Hara, Jou.

On leaves (Leaf spot) of *Morus alba*, from Faisalabad; (Ahmad, 1969a).

*Cercospora moricola* Cooke, Rev.

On leaves (Leaf spot) of *Morus alba*, from Karachi; (Ghaffar and Kafi, 1968, Ghafoor and Khan 1976, 1969a; Ahmad et al., 1997; Khan, 1989).

*Cercospora snelliana* Richert.

On leaves (Leaf spot) of *Morus alba*, from Lahore, Faisalabad; (Ahmad, 1962; Khan and Kamal, 1963, 1968).

*Cladosporium mori* Syd.

On *Morus alba*, from Quetta; (Malik and Virk, 1968).

*Clasterosporium mori* Syd.

On leaves (Leaf spot) of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga, Sangla hill, Sialkot; (Ahmad, 1956).

*Dictyosporium toruloides* (Corda) Gueg.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga Ghoragali; (Ahmad, 1962, 1969a)

***Fusarium lateritium*** Nees.

On roots of *Morus alba*, from Hyderabad; (Mirza, Kafi and Huqee, 1965).

***Hansfordia ugandensis*** Hughes.

On leaves of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1962, 1969a; Khan and Kamal, 1968).

***Memnoniella subsimplex*** (Cooke) Deight.

On the bark of stem of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Qureshi and Ahmad, 1971).

***Stilbella proliferans*** Stevens.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1969a).

***Torula herbarum*** (Pers.) Fr. F. queletmilla Sacc.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Bhagat, Faisalabad; (Qureshi and Ahmad, 1971).

***Tricosporium masseei*** Sacc.

On the bark of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1956).

***Trimatosporium* sp.**

On branches and bark of stem of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Qureshi and Ahmad, 1971).

**Coelomycetes*****Aplosporella mori*** (Berl.) Petr & Sd.

(As *Haplosporella mori*) On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Pirawala; (Qureshi and Ahmad, 1971; Khan, 1989)

***Aplosporella moricola*** Berl. (as *Haplosporella moricola*)

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Lahore; (Ahmad, 1956, 1969a; Khan, 1989).

***Botryodiplodia anceps*** Sacc.& syd.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Mang, DaulatalamKachai; (Ahmad, 1956, 1962; Ahmad and Arshad, 1972a).

***Camarosporium passerini*** Sacc.

On leaves (Leaf spot) of *Morus alba*, from Kohat; (Ahmad, 1968, 1969a; Khan, 1989).

***Coniothyrium foedens*** Sacc.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1963, 1969a).

***Coniothyrium murorum*** Briosi & Farn.

On branches of *Morus alba*, from Daulatala, Karachi and Kohat; (Ahmad and Arshad, 1972a).

***Coniothyrium olivaceum*** Bon. Apud. Fuuckle.,

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga;(Qureshi and Ahmad, 1971).

***Coryneum mori*** Nomura.

On twigs (twig and girdling) of *Morus alba*, from Karachi; (Khan, 1955; Ahmad et al., 1997).

***Cytospora atra*** (Bonrd.) Sacc.

On *Morus serrate*, from Kohat, Chikar and Muzaffarabad; (Ahmad, 1964, 1969a; Ahmad and Arshad, 1972a)

***Dichomera moricola*** Ahmad & Arshad, *Biologia* **18** (2): 115 (1972).

On branches of *Morus alba*, from Kohat; (Ahmad & Arshad, 1972b, Ahmad et al., 1997).

***Diplodia mori*** Wested.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*. from Wazirabad, Lahore, Ladhar (Shiekhupora), Kohat, Rawalpindi; (Ahmad, 1951, 1956, 1962, 1967; Ahmad and Arshad, 1972a; Khan, 1989; Ahmad et al., 1997).

***Diplodia natalensis*** Pole-Evans.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Lahore; (Ahmad, 1962, 1969a)

***Dothiorella berengeriana*** Sacc.

On bark (canker) of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1956, Ahmad and Arshad, 1972a; Khan, 1989; Ahmad et al., 1997).

***Hendersonula toruloidea*** Nattrass.

On twigs (twig and girdling) of *Morus alba*, from Khanewal, Chichawatni, Changa Manga; On *Morus alba* die back disease in Sindh and Punjab (Khanewal, Lahore) Faisalabad; (Khan, 1955, 1956, 1959, 1989; Qureshi and Ahmad, 1971; Beg and Jamal, 1974).

***Lasiodiplodia undulata*** (Pat.) Abass, Sutton, Ghaffar and Abbas.

(as *Botryodiplodia theobromae*)

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1962; Ahmad et al., 1997; Khan, 1989).

***Phoma cicatricula*** Briosi & Farneti.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga; (Ahmad, 1969a; Ahmad and Arshad, 1972a; Khan, 1989).

***Phomopsis moricola*** Grove.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Charsadda; (Ahmad and Arshad, 1972; Khan, 1989).

***Phomopsis salmalica*** Khan.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Chichawatni; (Khan 1961; Qureshi and Ahmad, 1971).

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Charsadda; (Ahmad and Arshad, 1972a).

***Septogloeum mori*** (Lev.) Broisi & Cav.

On leaves (Leaf rust) of *Morus alba*, from Punjab; (Khan, 1955, 1989, Ahmad *et al.*, 1997).

***Sphaeropsis tumefaciens*** Hedges & L. S.

On dead branches of *Morus alba*, from Changa Manga, Lahore; (Ahmad, 1963, 1969a; Khan, 1989).

Table 1. Fungal records on *Morus* species from Pakistan.

Name of Taxa	No of Genera and their %	No of Species and their %
Myxomycetes	02 = 03.33	02 = 02.44
Ascomycetes	15 = 25.00	20 = 24.39
Basidiomycetes	17 = 28.34	27 = 32.93
Deuteromycetes	26 = 43.33	33 = 40.24
Total :	60 =100.00	82 =100.00
Subdistribution Of Deuteromycetes		
Coelomycetes	15 = 25.00	20 = 24.39
Hypomycetes	11 =18.33	13 = 15.85
Total :	26 = 43.33	33 = 40.24

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