

Research Article

***Meliola wendlandiae* var *microsetae* var nov from Western Ghats, Kerala, India**

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Abstract

A specimen of *Wendlandia notoniana* Wall (Rubiaceae) with infection was collected during a survey of foliicolous fungi in the Vagamon hills of the Western Ghats in Kerala state, India. Microscopic examination of the material revealed it to be a new variety of *Meliola wendlandiae* with smaller mycelial setae than the type. *Meliola wendlandiae* var *microsetae*, a new variety, is described in detail in this article.

Key words : Black mildew, foliicolous fungi, *Meliola*, *Wendlandia*, Western Ghats

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