Amanita gossypinoannulata

Cap: shallowly convex; 50 mm diameter; shiny cream with an ochraceous tinge at centre; velar remains as white scales, crowded towards margin; margin appendiculate.

Stipe: cylindrical with an elongated sub bulbous base; 110 \times 8 - 10 mm; covered in small white floccules; two ring zones near base, less distinct ring zone near apex.

Gills: free, cream, crowded, in

three series. **Flesh**: thin, white. **Spore print:** white.

Spores: ellipsoid; $6 - 7 \times 8 - 10$

μm; amyloid.

Cheilocystidia: not seen. Pleurocystidia: not seen. Pileipellis: a cutis, clamp connections present.

Habitat: Found in a small group growing in soil and deep litter in wet sclerophyll forest under *Eucalyptus* trees.

Notes: This species can be confused with a number of

other white *Amanitas* and would be *Amanita gossypinoannulata* © **Pat Leonard** impossible to determine in the field,

requiring close microscopical examination. The fugacious ring is not mentioned in Wood so this could be a different species.

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