

## *Descomyces albus*



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**Fruiting body:** irregularly globose to cylindrical; 15 – 20 × 10 – 15 mm; peridium thin and glabrous; white with pale ochre brown stains.

**Stipe:** absent.

**Gleba:** irregular with small locules (holes); spongy; cream at first but turning a pale cinnamon on exposure to air.

**Flesh:** scarce, white.

**Smell:** not distinctive.

**Spore print:** not obtained, but the spores seen in water under the microscope are a bright brown colour.

**Spores:** broadly fusiform; 13 - 15 × 8 - 9 µm; with a protruding rounded apex (rostrum); ornamented and appearing to have a perispore.

**Basidia:** cylindrical with prominent sterigmata.

**Cystidia:** absent.

**Pileipellis:** a cutis of thick walled hyphae; clamp connections present.

**Habitat:** in soil under *Eucalyptus grandis*.

**Notes:**

**Collections examined:** BT 11C, Bellthorpe Willets road track, Amelie Spadijer, 29 Mar 2015.