Fistulinella sp 3



Fistulinella sp 3 © Pat Leonard

Cap: convex; to 60 mm diameter; viscid when wet, greasy when dry; pinkish grey (7B2); margin appendiculate.

Stipe: barrel shaped; 70×15 mm; cream at apex and browning below.

Pores: emarginate, that is sculpted away from stipe; pale grey green (29B2); very small, bruising dark brown to black.

Flesh: white in cap and upper stipe, reddening slowly, off white to pale brown in lower stipe and browning strongly on exposure to air.

Spores: narrowly fusoid; $9.9 - 12.2 \times 3.6 - 4.7 \mu m$, Q = 2.3 - 3.6, average $11.1 \pm 0.9 \times 4 \pm 0.4 \mu m$, $Q = 2.8 \pm 0.4$. Not ornamented.

Basidia: clavate, four spored.

Pleurocystidia: clavate, $40 \times 8 \mu m$. Pileipellis: gelatinised, confused cutis.

Habitat: growing singly in sandy soil in wallum forest with *Allocausurina torulosa* and *Callitris collumelaris* close by.

Notes: This pinkish grey *Fistulinella* could be in another genus. It is characterised by its greyish green pores which bruise blackish, and the reddening flesh in the cap. It is perhaps close to *F. mollis* which appears to be a variable species, but the spores are significantly smaller and the flesh colour changes are also different.

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