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ABSTRACT

The Edmonton Mycological Society and the North American Mycological Association co-hosted a fungal foray from August 17-19, 2006, near Hinton, about 285 km west of Edmonton, AB, Canada. The foray locations fell within the Rocky Mountain foothills, which represents an ecotone between the Boreal Plain and Mountain Cordillera ecozones. About 140 professional and amateur mycologists gathered at the Hinton Forestry Training Centre and participated in 18 forays into the surrounding forests. These forests varied in elevation and plant community composition and fell within boundaries of the Foothills Model Forest, the West Fraser Mills Ltd. Forest Management Area, and national and provincial parks. Over 4,000 fungal specimens were collected, which represented 317 taxa (266 identified to species, the rest only to genus). In all, 279 specimens were accessioned at the Field Museum in Chicago, IL, USA, and serve as permanent records of the foray. Basidiomycetes were more commonly collected than ascomycetes (295 and 22 taxa, respectively). Members of the Tricholomataceae (54 species), Cortinariaceae (27 species), Russulaceae (26 species), Gomphaceae (13 species), and Hygrophoraceae (11 species) predominated the basidiomycetes, while members of the Cudoniaceae, Helvellaceae, Pyrenomataceae (each 3 species) Hypocreaceae, and Helotioaceae (each 2 species) predominated the ascomycetes. Within the basidiomycetes, species of *Cortinarius* (15 species), *Lactarius*, *Russula*, and *Tricholoma* (each 13 species), and *Hygrophorus* (9 species) were most common. Within the ascomycetes, species of *Helvella* (3 species) and *Hypomyces*, *Peziza*, and *Spathularia* (each 2 species) were most common. About half of the collected specimens were identified only to genus. The majority of fungi is saprobic and mycorrhizal in nature and is intricately involved in the decomposition of organic matter and the translocation of nutrients from the soil to growing vegetation in the forest stands. In addition, many of the species are edible and/or have medicinal properties. A small number of forest pathogens were collected as well. Of the 266 taxa identified to species, 122 represented new records for Alberta. An additional 64 species were known only from fewer than five previous collections. Over the course of the 3-day foray, nearly 800 person-hours were spent collecting fungi, which represents the largest single fungal collection event in the history of Alberta.

INTRODUCTION

The Kingdom Fungi has five divisions: the Chytridiomycota (chytrids), Zygomycota (sugar fungi), Glomeromycota, Ascomycota (sac fungi), and Basidiomycota (club fungi). This classification system is based on morphological and molecular characteristics, e.g., the spore-producing structures, if present, are some of the most useful characters for identifying fungi and taxonomic placement. From a taxonomic perspective, fungi are more closely related to animals than plants. Globally, about 85,000 species of fungi have been formally described to date; however, Hawksworth (1991) estimated that the total number of fungi may reach 1.5 million species globally. Consequently, our current understanding of fungal species richness is severely limited, with only about 6% of fungi having been discovered.

The division Basidiomycota has about 30,000 described species, which is 35% of the described species of true Fungi (Kirk et al. 2001). The most conspicuous and familiar basidiomycetes are those that produce mushrooms, which are sexual reproductive structures; however, this division also includes yeasts (single-celled forms; Fell et al. 2001) and strictly asexual species. Basidiomycetes are found in virtually all terrestrial ecosystems, as well as freshwater and marine habitats (Kohlmeyer and Kohlmeyer 1979, Hibbett and Binder 2001), and perform a variety of roles ranging from being saprobes (decomposers of organic matter) to mutualists (mycorrhizal with plants) to pathogens of plants and animals.

The division Ascomycota accounts for about 63% of all described fungi. Most ascomycetes are microscopic in nature, reproduce only asexually, and are rarely seen. Among the ascomycetes, the morels (*Morchella* spp.) are likely the most well-known representatives, because they are choice edibles. This division also includes most of the fungi that combine with algae or bacteria to form lichens. Functionally, most ascomycetes are saprobic in nature.

The remaining three divisions, the Zygomycota, Glomeromycota, and Chytridiomycota, represent about 2% of all known fungi. The division Zygomycota contains about 1% of the described species of true Fungi (about 900 described species; Kirk et al. 2001). The most familiar representatives include the fast-growing molds that spoil foods with high sugar content, such as fruits and breads. Although these fungi are

common in terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems, they are rarely noticed by humans because they are of microscopic size. Fewer than half of the species have been cultured and the majority of these are members of the Mucorales, a group that includes some of the fastest growing fungi. The division Glomeromycota currently comprises about 150 described species distributed among ten genera, most of which are defined primarily by spore morphology. These fungi are essential for terrestrial ecosystem function. Members of this group are exclusively mutualistic symbionts that form arbuscular mycorrhizal (AM) associations within the roots of the vast majority of herbaceous plants and tropical trees. Lastly, the oldest division of fungi, the Chytridiomycota, comprises about 1,000 described species, most of which inhabit aquatic habitats and are saprobes and pathogens. For example, chytrids have been linked to the recent decline in amphibians worldwide, causing a dermatophytic infection that ultimately kills the infected host (Berger et al. 1998). All chytrids are microscopic and reproduce only asexually.

From a functional perspective, fungi are some of the most important organisms on Earth, both in terms of their ecological and economic roles. First, the majority of fungi is saprobic in nature, i.e., they decompose organic matter and liberate nutrients, thereby making them available for growing plants. This is accomplished via a suite of extracellular enzymes capable of breaking down the simple and complex polymers that comprise all organic matter. Second, many fungi form mycorrhizal relationships with almost all plants on Earth (Smith and Read 1997). These fungi form characteristic structures on and/or in the roots of vascular plants and aid in the translocation of generally biounavailable nutrients from the soil solution to the roots of their plant hosts. This relationship allows plants to live in even the harshest environments, such as acidic peatlands and high altitude and latitude ecosystems. Third, fungi play significant roles in the medical (e.g., production of antibiotics, anticancer treatments, genetics and molecular research) and food industries (e.g., fermentation processes, edible mushrooms), in bioremediation efforts (e.g., flare pits, heavy metal mines), and as pathogens of humans (e.g., ringworms, athlete's foot), plants (e.g., rusts, smuts, cankers), and animals (e.g., chytrids). Fungal communities have been examined in a variety of plant species in terrestrial (Heilmann-Clausen 2001, Lumley et al. 2001) and wetland (Tokumasu 1994, Thormann et al. 2001a) ecosystems, thereby contributing to host indices (Shaw 1973,

Ginns 1986, Farr et al. n.d., Glawe n.d.). Other studies have examined the fungal richness in specific geographical regions (e.g., Lawrence and Hiratsuka 1972a, b, Redhead 1989) or ecosystems (Kernaghan and Harper 2001, Thormann and Rice 2007). Despite an every growing understanding of the fungal diversity of plants and ecosystems, new or long-term surveys always expand the species list of that plant or within an ecosystem. For example, Straatsma et al. (2001) found new species of mycorrhizal and saprobic fungi every year in the same sample plots over a 25-year period in a forest in Switzerland. Most species were transient and were collected only a few times over that period, while others occurred more regularly. They suggested that the number of species would undoubtedly increase if their survey was continued. Precipitation and temperature during the summer and early fall months appeared to influence fruitbody formation most prominently (Straatsma et al. 2001).

Numerous fungal surveys have been conducted in Alberta, with a particular emphasis on basidiomycetes. The surveys were conducted from varying substrata and ecosystems in national (e.g., Lawrence and Hiratsuka 1972a, b) and provincial parks (e.g., Richards and Murray 2002), in the southern (e.g., Thomas et al. 1960, Abbott and Currah 1989, Lumley et al. 2001, Thormann et al. 2001a) and northern boreal forests (e.g., Danielson 1984, Richards and Murray 2002), and the Rocky Mountains and its foothills (e.g., Hambleton and Currah 1997, Kernaghan et al. 1997, Kernaghan and Harper 2001). To date, the species richness of fungi in Alberta remains unknown, although preliminary data basing efforts have captured about 6,500 fungal records to date, which represent about 1,800 different species (Edmonton Mycological Society unpubl.). The objectives of this foray were to (1) investigate the mycological species richness and (2) assess the roles of the fungi in the forest ecosystems in the Rocky Mountain foothills near Hinton, AB.

METHODS AND MATERIALS

Foray locations

Hinton lies in the Rocky Mountain foothills, which represent an ecotone of the Boreal Plains and Montane Cordillera ecozones (Environment Canada 2005). As such, the Hinton area is characterized by forests dominated by coniferous tree species,

including white, black, and Engelmann spruces (*Picea glauca* (Moench) Voss, *P. mariana* (Mill.) B.S.P., and *P. engelmannii* Parry ex Engelm., respectively), lodgepole pine (*Pinus contorta* Dougl. ex Loud var. *latifolia* Engelm. ex S. Wats.), Douglas-fir (*Pseudotsuga menziesii* (Mirbel) Franco, and balsam fir (*Abies balsamea* (L.) P. Mill.), as well as deciduous trees species, including aspen and poplars (*Populus* spp.), willows (*Salix* spp.), and birch (*Betula* spp.). The terrain varies from a gentle rolling topography at the eastern-most foray site (Obed Lake Provincial Park) to one that is dominated by exposed rock faces and alpine meadows at the western-most foray sites (Cardinal Divide). The climate is characterized by long, cold, snowy winters and short, cool summers. The mean annual temperature is 3.7 °C (mean monthly range from -8.9 °C to +15.0 °C) and the mean annual precipitation is 620 mm (Jasper East Gate Weather Station; Environment Canada 2004).

Eighteen foray sites were selected in and around Hinton, AB, Canada (Table 1). Of these, two sites were located in a national park (Jasper National Park), six sites were in located in provincial parks (W.A. Switzer Provincial Park, Obed Lake Provincial Park), and the remaining ten sites were located on crown lands in the Rocky Mountain foothills, all of which fall into the Foothills Model Forest and some of which fall into the West Fraser Mills Ltd. Forest Management Area. All sites were located within 85 km from Hinton and varied in their biophysical characteristics (Tables 1, 2).

Collection of fungi

Participants of the NAMA-EMS Foray signed up for specific forays and were transported in vans to the 18 foray locations. On average, there were 21 participants per foray (range 10-75), and each foray lasted for about 2 hrs. Foray leaders introduced each foray site to the participants, e.g., the major tree species and understory species at the site, before beginning the collection of fungi. As many different fungi as possible were collected by excising them carefully from the substrate, e.g., trees, logs, branches, mineral/organic soil, mosses, and placing them individually into wax paper bags. Only a small number of replicate specimens of the same species were collected. A collection data sheet was filled out for each specimen at the time of collection. Consequently, this survey concentrated on species richness rather than biodiversity, the latter being based on

the number of species and evenness. Data sheet information included: genus, specific epithet, foray number or location, identifier's name, substrate (wood, litter, ground, mycorrhizal, specific host if known, and other), and the collector's name. Since foray participants dispersed throughout a foray site, multiple specimens of the same species were often collected and subsequently processed at the Forestry Training Centre in Hinton.

Identification and accessioning of fungi

Each specimen was removed from the wax paper bag and placed into a cardboard container along with the data sheet at the Forestry Training Centre following each foray. All specimens collected at each foray site were pre-sorted into families or genera before their identifications were confirmed or corrected by professional mycologists and expert amateurs. Identifications were based on morphological characters only. In many instances, staining with fungal-specific stains and light microscopy were used to identify specimens prior to accessioning.

Representative fungal specimens of interest were digitally photographed and accessioned in the Field Museum (F), Chicago, IL, USA, which is the herbarium where the North American Mycological Association deposits all of its voucher specimens. All voucher specimens were dried in a mushroom drier, carefully packaged, and sent to the Field Museum within two weeks following the foray. These specimens will be kept in perpetuity at the Field Museum and serve as an official permanent record of the foray. No fungal specimens were accessioned in Alberta mycological herbaria.

Authorities for all fungi and the two slime molds follow the Index Fungorum (2007). Ecological roles were based on Arora (1986). Common names were provided where available. The assessment of new records of fungi to Alberta is based on the data compiled in the Edmonton Mycological Society Fungi of Alberta data base (unpubl.).

RESULTS

Species richness and mycogeography

Over 4,000 fungal specimens were collected, which represented 317 taxa (a taxon (pl. taxa) represents a specimen of unspecified taxonomic position, e.g., identified to

genus only; Table 3). Basidiomycetes were more commonly collected than ascomycetes (295 species, 93% of all identified species vs. 22 species, 7% of all identified species, respectively). Members of the Tricholomataceae (54 species, 17% of all species), Cortinariaceae (27 species, 8% of all species), Russulaceae (26 species, 8% of all species), Gomphaceae (13 taxa, 4% of all species), and Hygrophoraceae (11 species, 4% of all species) predominated the basidiomycetes, and accounted for 41% of all fungi identified to species. Within the basidiomycetes, members of *Cortinarius* (15 species), *Lactarius* (milk caps), *Russula*, and *Tricholoma* (13 species each), and *Hygrophorus* (waxy caps, 9 species) were most common. Members of these five genera represented 20% of all fungi identified to species. In addition to the identified taxa, nearly the same number of specimens remained identified only to genus. The largest number of specimens identified to only this taxonomic level belonged to the genera *Clitocybe*, *Cortinarius*, *Russula*, and *Suillus* (slippery jacks).

Members of the Cudoniaceae, Helvellaceae, Pyrenomataceae (3 species each), Hypocreaceae, and Helotioaceae (2 species each) predominated the ascomycetes, but accounted for only 4% of all fungi collected. Within the ascomycetes, species of *Helvella* (elfin saddles, 3 species) and *Hypomyces*, *Peziza* (cup mushrooms), and *Spathularia* (fairy fans, each 2 species) were most common, and accounted for 3% of all fungi identified to species.

Fuligo septica var. *septica* and *Lycogala epidendrum* (wolf's milk slime) were also collected; however, they are members of the Myxomycota, the slime molds, and not true fungi. Therefore, they will not be addressed further from hereon.

Of the 317 fungal taxa collected at the foray, 266 were identified to species or to a species affinity (denoted as "cf."). In cross-reference with the data base of the Edmonton Mycological Society (unpubl.), 122 fungi represented new records for Alberta, i.e., they have never been collected in Alberta prior to this foray (Table 4). Most prominently, there were ten species of *Cortinarius*, eight species each of *Lactarius* (milk caps) and *Ramaria* (coral fungi), seven species of *Mycena*, six species of *Pluteus* (deer mushrooms) and five species each of *Russula* and *Tricholoma*. Together, these seven genera were represented by 49 new species to Alberta. Additionally, 64 species were previously known only from five or fewer collections. Most prominently, there five uncommon

species of *Russula* and four uncommon species of *Hygrophorus* (waxy caps; Table 4). The remaining 80 species were known from more than five previous collections in Alberta and were considered to be widespread.

Roles of fungi

The majority of fungi is saprobic (199 taxa) and mycorrhizal (111 taxa) in nature (Table 3). The dominant saprobic genera were *Clitocybe*, *Hypholoma*, *Marasmius*, *Mycena*, *Pluteus* (deer mushrooms), all polypores, *Ramaria* (coral fungi), and most of the ascomycetes. The dominant mycorrhizal genera were *Cortinarius*, *Hebeloma*, *Hygrophorus* (waxy caps), *Inocybe*, *Lactarius* (milk caps), *Russula*, *Suillus* (slippery jacks), and *Tricholoma*. *Helvella* (elfin saddles) and *Ramaria* (coral fungi) spp. are also suspected mycorrhizal taxa.

Numerous species lend themselves for human consumption, e.g., species of *Coprinus* (shaggy manes), *Hydnum* (tooth fungi), *Lactarius* (milk caps), *Lepista*, *Leccinum* (red tops), *Lycoperdon* (puffballs), and *Suillus* spp. (slippery jacks). Several fungi with medicinal properties, including species of *Fomes*, *Fomitopsis*, and *Ganoderma* (all polypores), were also collected on this foray. Lastly, a small number of plant pathogens (5 taxa, mostly *Pholiota* spp. and *Armillaria ostoyae*) and mycoparasites (all *Hypomyces* spp.) were encountered; the latter on parasitized *Russula* and *Lactarius* (milk caps) spp. (Table 3).

DISCUSSION

Species richness and mycogeography

The 317 taxa (Tables 3, 4) collected at this foray represent a significant contribution to our understanding of the fungal species richness and mycogeography in Alberta. This foray identified 122 new species in Alberta, and an additional 64 that had previously been known from less than five collections. The majority of these records is based on species of *Cortinarius*, *Hygrophorus*, *Lactarius*, *Mycena*, *Pluteus*, *Ramaria*, *Russula*, and *Tricholoma* (Table 4). We did not attempt to determine if any of the fungi identified in this foray represent new records to Canada or North America. In all, 279 specimens were accessioned in the Field Museum in Chicago (Table 5).

There are several explanations for this significant number of new species to Alberta. First, several of these genera are very complex, and their species pose substantial challenges to identifiers. For example, Index Fungorum (2007) indicates 4,326 different species, subspecies, and varieties for the genus *Cortinarius* alone; it is the largest genus of gilled mushrooms (Arora 1986). Similarly, the genus *Russula* lists 2,254 species, subspecies, and varieties. Needless to say, neither genus has that many different species. Their actual numbers may lie in the neighborhood of about 1,000 species of *Cortinarius*, many of which remain undescribed, and about 200 species of *Russula* (Arora 1986). Even though their fruiting bodies are recovered on almost every foray, their identification is highly problematic due to their morphological variation (*Russula* spp. range in colour from yellow to red to orange to green to white to brown and often the same species is characterized by substantial colour variation) and necessity for microscopic and/or molecular identification approaches. Consequently, members of these large and highly complex genera are often discarded or their identification remains at the genus level. The presence of expert mycologists at this foray contributed to the range expansion of many fungi, including members of the Cortinariaceae, Pluteaceae, and Russulaceae among others, into Alberta and a better understanding of their biogeography and biodiversity.

Second, the likelihood that some of the fungi that represent new records to Alberta have been misidentified in previous foray is substantial. This is particularly true for species of *Mycena*, *Pluteus*, and *Hygrophorus*. These genera are characterized by small- to medium-statured fruiting bodies that can easily be confused with members of other genera. For example, members of the Hygrophoraceae (waxy caps), such as *Hygrophorus*, can be mistaken for members in the Tricholomataceae, particularly species of *Clitocybe*, *Laccaria*, *Marasmius*, *Mycena*, and *Omphalina* (Arora 1986), all of which are small- to medium-statured and have white spores. Careful microscopy work is often necessary to identify properly members of these morphologically similar genera.

Third, it is possible that these species truly have never been previously collected in Alberta. Straatsma et al. (2001) found new species of mycorrhizal and saprobic fungi every year in the same sample plots over a 25-year period in a Swiss forest. Most species were collected only a few times over that quarter-century period, while others occurred

more regularly. They suggested that precipitation and temperature during the summer and early fall months appeared to influence fruitbody formation most prominently (Straatsma et al. 2001). The sporadic fruiting nature of many species of fungi may have contributed to the substantial proportion of new species to Alberta in this foray.

Fourth, habitat variation and sampling effort (about 800 person-hours) in this foray likely influenced species richness and the capture of novel species to Alberta. The 18 foray sites were located in the Boreal Plain and Montane Cordillera ecozones, each with its own biogeophysical characteristics (Environment Canada 2005). Collecting sites varied from the gentle rolling hills of Obed Lake Provincial Park dominated by black spruce and feathermosses to the alpine meadows of the Cardinal Divide dominated by low shrubs and grasses (Tables 1, 2). No previous foray has ever examined as varied a habitat range as this foray.

Roles of fungi

Saprobies – The majority of the fungi collected at this foray is saprobic in nature (111 taxa; Table 3) and is intricately involved in the decomposition of organic matter and thereby the liberation of nutrients into the soil solution. The dominant saprobic genera were *Clitocybe*, *Hypholoma*, *Marasmius*, *Mycena*, *Pluteus* (deer mushrooms), all polypores, *Ramaria* (coral fungi), and most of the ascomycetes (Table 3).

Decomposition is a complex process, which includes nearly all changes in organic matter that has undergone senescence or death (Brinson et al. 1981). Leaching of soluble organic matter precedes losses due to assimilation by microorganisms or removal by animals. Decomposition is completed with the loss of the physical structure and changes in the chemical constituents of the remaining organic matter. The rate of litter decomposition is affected by moisture, oxygen availability, temperature, acidity, and the nutrient status of ecosystems (Brinson et al. 1981, Gorham 1991, Thormann et al. 2001b). Fungi play fundamental roles in the decomposition processes of organic matter in all ecosystems and may be more important than bacteria, because of their extensive hyphal growth habit, faster growth rates, and ability to translocate nutrients through their hyphal network. From a mycological perspective, changes in litter quality, the water potential of the litter, temperature, and pH have been shown to affect fungal communities of various

substrates (Lumley et al. 2001, Thormann et al. 2003, 2004). Macromolecules of plant origins comprise the primary substrate available for fungal decomposers in terrestrial ecosystems (Kjøller and Struwe 1992). Lignin, holocellulose, and cellulose are the dominant structural polymers in plant tissues (>80% of all C polymers; Swift et al. 1979). The decomposition of these macromolecules by fungi is accomplished via the synthesis of a diverse suite of extracellular enzymes, including cellulases, polyphenol oxidases, pectinases, and amylases among others (Deacon 1997). This enzyme cocktail is excreted into the environment and degrades the organic matter it contacts as it diffuses through the soil solution. Many fungi have the ability to degrade simple molecules, including starch; however, their ability to degrade complex structural polymers (e.g., cutin, suberin, “Klason lignin”, true lignin, and tannins) is limited (Domsch et al. 1980) and has most often been ascribed to basidiomycetes and select groups of ascomycetes.

Most of the saprobic fungi collected in this foray have a terrestrial habit, i.e., they grow on the soil. As such they are involved in the decomposition of leaves, small branches, bark, needles, roots, and tree trunks. For example, basidiomycete species of *Clitocybe*, *Hypholoma*, *Marasmius*, *Mycena*, and most of the ascomycetes (e.g., *Helvella* and *Peziza* spp.) are the preeminent decomposers of leaves and needles, and have a preference for simpler structural polymers, including starch, sugars, and pectin. Other saprobic basidiomycetes, such as *Ramaria* and *Pluteus* spp., are largely terrestrial as well, but they tend to grow on wood on the soil surface, fallen trees, or buried wood. In contrast, *Bjerkandera*, *Fomes*, *Fomitopsis*, *Ganoderma*, *Gleophyllum*, *Phellinus*, *Polyporus*, *Trametes*, and *Trichaptum* spp., all polypores, grow exclusively on tree trunks, fallen logs, and larger branches and are actively involved in the decomposition of wood. They generally are specialist in decomposing complex structural polymers, including lignin, tannins, and cellulosic polymers. Together, these fungi have the capability to decompose nearly all organic polymers in nature. The liberated nutrients and elements either diffuse freely through the soil solution and are assimilated by growing plants or microbes or are chemically bound to soil particles and remain biounavailable to plants; however, mycorrhizal fungi are capable of accessing these nutrients and elements and translocate them to their host plants.

Mycorrhizas – Mycorrhizal fungi, particularly ectomycorrhizal fungi with their conspicuous epigeous fruiting bodies, form a prominent component of most ecosystems. On this foray, 111 different mycorrhizal fungal taxa were collected on the 18 foray sites. The dominant mycorrhizal genera were *Cortinarius*, *Hebeloma*, *Hygrophorus* (waxy caps), *Inocybe*, *Lactarius* (milk caps), *Russula*, *Suillus* (slippery jacks), and *Tricholoma*. In addition, the ascomycete genus *Helvella* (elfin saddles) and the basidiomycete genus *Ramaria* (coral fungi) are suspected mycorrhizal taxa; however, they may be more saprobic in nature (Table 3).

“Mycorrhiza” is Latin and literally means “fungus root” and was first used by the German forest pathologist Frank in 1885. Mycorrhizas are defined as “mostly mutualistic associations between fungi and the roots of higher plants, in which the fungus forms consistently recognizable and physically distinct structures without causing any perceivable negative effect” (Fernando 1995). This close association between plants and mycorrhizal fungi began over 460 million years ago (Remy et al. 1994) and it is crucial for the establishment and health of most plants. Research suggests that up to 95% of all land plants are mycorrhizal (Smith and Read 1997). Both partners benefit in this association. The fungus primarily obtains carbon in the form of sugars from the plant for growth, while the plant receives nutrients, water, and increased protection from other soil microbes from the mycorrhizal fungus in return. It has been shown that mycorrhizal fungi significantly increase the absorptive surface for nutrients in the soil by means of their extensive hyphal networks emanating from the colonized roots. In some trees, hyphae of ectomycorrhizal fungi constitute up to 80% of the entire absorptive surface area, underlining their importance.

There are three major types of mycorrhizal associations: (1) ectomycorrhizas, (2) endomycorrhizas, and (3) ectendomycorrhizas. Basidiomycetes represent by far the largest group of fungi involved in mycorrhizal associations, being the dominant ectomycorrhizal and the sole arbutoid, monotropoid, and orchid mycorrhizal fungi (Smith and Read 1997). Ectomycorrhizal fungi are characterized by the presence of mostly surficial (mantle) structures on host plant roots, although the Hartig Net, the area of nutrient exchange between the plant and the fungus, envelopes root cortical cells as well. Their fruiting bodies are often the most prominent fruiting bodies in forest ecosystems.

Glomeromycetes are the only group of fungi that form arbuscular mycorrhizal associations, a form of endomycorrhizas since almost all fungal structures involved in the nutrient exchange between the fungus and the plant (vesicles and arbuscules) are contained within host plant root cortical cells and there are very few root external fungal structures. These associations are by far the most widespread of any, with nearly 90% of all land plants having their roots colonized by these fungi (Smith and Read 1997). This dominance may be explained by the fact that glomeromycetes are much older than ascomycetes and basidiomycetes from an evolutionary perspective. Hence, they had more time to develop their associations with plants. An interesting mycorrhizal association exists between species of *Armillaria* (honey mushrooms) and orchids. While the fungus is a significant tree pathogen in Canada's boreal forest, it is absolutely essential for the survival of some orchid species. Lastly, many members of the Ericaceae grow in nutrient-poor and often acidic ecosystems (peatlands). Here, ericoid mycorrhizal fungi provide them with the nutrients and protection necessary to allow them to flourish under these harsh conditions.

The fungal families Cortinariaceae, Hygrophoraceae, Russulaceae, and Tricholomataceae are comprised of some of the largest and most complex fungal genera, e.g., *Cortinarius* and *Russula* (Index Fungorum 2007), many of which are comprised primarily of mycorrhizal fungi (Schalkwijk-Barendsen 1991, Bossenmaier 1997, Kernaghan et al. 1997, Kernaghan and Harper 2001). Most ectomycorrhizal fungi are generalists and are associated with various tree species, i.e., species of *Cortinarius*, *Hebeloma*, *Hygrophorus* (waxy caps), *Inocybe*, *Lactarius* (milk caps), *Russula*, *Suillus* (slippery jacks), and *Tricholoma* are associated with both coniferous and deciduous trees; however, a certain degree of specialization can be seen for some genera. For example, *Suillus* spp. are most often associated with *Pinus* spp. (pine), *Lactarius* spp. are most often associated with *Betula* (birch), *Salix* (willow), and *Populus* (aspen) spp., and *Hygrophorus* spp. are most often associated with *Picea* spp. (spruce) (Schalkwijk-Barendsen 1991, Bossenmaier 1997). At the species level, the degree of specialization becomes more apparent in some instances. For example, *Suillus grevillei* (tamarack jack, from foray 2) is only mycorrhizal with *Larix* spp. (larch or tamarack) and *Hygrophorus piceae* (spruce wax gill, from forays 1, 6, 7, and 11) is almost exclusively mycorrhizal

with *Picea* spp. (spruce) (Schalkwijk-Barendsen 1991). This degree of specialization is uncommon though, as some *Suillus* spp., e.g., *Suillus umbonatus* (peaked suillus, from forays 1, 6, 12, and 15), are associated with various *Pinus* spp. (pine), or some *Lactarius* spp., e.g., *Lactarius uvidus* (purple-staining milk cap, from foray 10), are associated with various deciduous tree species, e.g., *Betula* (birch), *Populus* (aspen/poplar), and *Salix* (willow) (Arora 1986, Schalkwijk-Barendsen 1991). Similarly, most *Inocybe*, *Russula*, and *Tricholoma*, spp. are generalists and are associated with various tree deciduous and coniferous tree species.

Clearly, relationships between mycorrhizal fungi and plants are complex and variable. These fungi provide essential services to their plant hosts in exchange for sugars. These services include (1) the translocation of otherwise biounavailable N and P to their hosts, (2) the interconnection of several trees of the same genus or different genera and translocating nutrients from one tree to the next, and (3) protection of their hosts from soil pathogens. Without these fungi, most plants would not be able to become established, survive, and/or reproduce in an ecosystem (Smith and Read 1997).

Other – While the roles of saprobes and mycorrhizal fungi are paramount in all ecosystems, many of the fungi possess other noteworthy characteristics and properties. First, a substantial number of human edible mushrooms were collected. These were several *Agaricus* spp., *Chroogomphus vinicolor* (winepeg mushroom), *Clavariadelphus truncatus* (northern pestle), *Coprinus comatus* (shaggy mane), several *Gomphidius* spp., *Gomphus clavatus* (pig's ear), *Hydnum* spp. (tooth fungi), *Lactarius deliciosus* (delicious milk cap), several *Lepista* spp., *Leccinum* spp. (red tops), *Leucopaxillus giganteus* (giant leucopaxillus), *Lycoperdon* spp. (puffballs), *Lyophyllum decastes* (fried chicken mushroom), *Rozites caperatus* (gypsy mushroom), and several *Suillus* (slippery jacks), and *Tricholoma* spp. Most of these are commercially unavailable, despite being widespread throughout Alberta (Schalkwijk-Barendsen 1991, Bosenmaier 1997, Edmonton Mycological Society unpubl.). These and other edible mushrooms have great potential for northern communities as sources of alternate or additional income. Fungi are considered to be non-timber forest products along with berries, flowers, herbs, and other non-timber materials.

Second, several fungi with medicinal properties, including species of *Fomes*, *Fomitopsis*, *Ganoderma*, and *Phellinus* (all polypores), were also collected on this foray. There are currently more than 250 species that are known to have therapeutic properties based on accepted clinical research. One of the key results that has come out of both laboratory and human clinical studies conducted on fungi is that a number of compounds in fungi can stimulate immune function and inhibit tumor growth. In particular, polysaccharides (large, complex branched chain-like molecules built from many smaller units of sugar molecules) have been intensively studied since the 1950s. They have been shown to have anti-tumor and immuno-stimulating properties. For example, *Ganoderma applanatum* (artists' conk, from forays 3, 5, and 9; Table 3), a close relative of the famed far-east Asian Reishi mushroom *Ganoderma lucidum*, has been shown to have immuno-stimulating properties, it fights cancers, stops pain, eliminates indigestion, and reduces phlegm, and is an antibiotic and antiviral agent (Rogers 2006). Alternatively, *Fomitopsis pinicola* (red-belted conk, from forays 4, 5, 6, 9, 11, 13, and 15; Table 3) contains polysaccharides that have been shown to exhibit moderate tumour inhibiting and immune stimulating properties. Other work suggests benefit on liver enzymes, reduction of inflammation of the digestive system and increased resistance to disease. Various compounds exhibit activity against COX-1 and COX-2, and may be useful for arthritis and other inflammatory diseases. In addition, this polypore is rich in anti-histamine vegetable sterols and C₁₄ to C₁₈ fatty acids with moisturizing properties used in the cosmetic industry. It has also been used by the Cree as a styptic to stop bleeding (Rogers 2006). Both species are widespread throughout Alberta. Numerous other fungi have additional medicinal properties, but none are currently used in clinical trials in Canada to our knowledge.

Third, a small number of plant pathogens (5 taxa, mostly *Pholiota* spp.) and mycoparasites (all *Hypomyces* spp.) were collected as well; the latter from parasitized *Russula* and *Lactarius* (milk caps) spp. (Table 3). While this group of fungi occurred on a small scale, some of them can become serious threats to forest ecosystems. *Armillaria* (honey mushrooms) is one of the largest tree pathogens in Canada's forests, having a range of incidence frequency from 10% in dry forest stands to 80% in moist, mature conifer stands (Morrison 1981, Canadian Forest Service 2005). Coincidentally, some

honey mushrooms are mycorrhizal fungi of orchids, they are an excellent edible mushroom, they have medicinal properties, and they are bioluminescent.

The mycoparasite *Hypomyces* is a microscopic ascomycete that is an obligate parasite of species of *Russula* and *Lactarius* (among some additional species), i.e., they are only found growing on their hosts, causing a systemic infection and resulting in the mummification of host fruiting bodies. *Hypomyces* spp. are widespread, and their mummified hosts can be excellent edible mushrooms, such as *Hypomyces lactifluorum* (lobster mushroom). *Hypomyces* spp. pose no threats to plants.

CONCLUSIONS

Over 2,000 fungal specimens were collected at the North American Mycological Association foray in Hinton, AB, in August 2006. These specimens represented 317 different taxa, of which 266 were identified to species. An analysis of the mycogeography of these species indicated that 122 species represented new records for Alberta. An additional 64 species were known only from fewer than five previous collections. Overall, basidiomycetes were more commonly collected than ascomycetes (295 and 22 taxa, respectively). Within the basidiomycetes, species of *Cortinarius*, *Lactarius* (milkcaps), *Russula*, *Tricholoma*, and *Hygrophorus* (waxy caps) were most common. Within the ascomycetes, species of *Helvella* (elfin saddles), *Hypomyces*, *Peziza* (cup mushrooms), and *Spathularia* (fairy fans) were most common. From a functional perspective, the majority of fungi is saprobic and mycorrhizal in nature and is intricately involved in the decomposition of organic matter and the translocation of nutrients from the soil solution to growing vegetation. The results of this foray represent a significant contribution to our understanding of fungal species richness and mycogeography in Alberta in general and in the Rocky Mountain foothills specifically.

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Table 1: Foray locations near Hinton, Alberta, Canada.

Foray no.	Foray Name	Longitude, latitude, elevation
1	Miette Hot Springs, Jasper National Park, Alberta, Canada	117° 53' 10" W, 53° 11' 23" N; 1510 m a.s.l.
2	Trails of Hinton, Hinton, Alberta, Canada	117° 34' 06" W, 53° 23' 39" N; 1040 m a.s.l.
3	Athabasca Tower, W.A. Switzer Provincial Park, Alberta, Canada	117° 47' 11" W, 53° 24' 30" N; 1350-1460 m a.s.l.
4	Cache Percotte - South, near Hinton, Alberta, Canada	117° 32' 44" W, 53° 23' 20" N; 1250 m a.s.l.
5	Cold Creek, near Hinton, Alberta, Canada	117° 36' 31" W, 53° 20' 32" N; 1160 m a.s.l.
6	Powder Creek Trail, W.A. Switzer Provincial Park, Alberta, Canada	117° 48' 33" W, 53° 29' 10" N; 1160 m a.s.l.
7	Gregg Cabin, south of Hinton, Alberta, Canada	117° 24' 41" W, 53° 14' 14" N; 1250 m a.s.l.
8	Entrance Ranch, near Hinton, Alberta, Canada	117° 41' 38" W, 53° 22' 26" N; 1160 m a.s.l.
9	Black Cat Ranch Trail, Hinton, Alberta, Canada	117° 51' 35" W, 53° 22' 48" N; 1040 m a.s.l.
10	Mary Gregg Lake, W.A. Switzer Provincial Park, Alberta, Canada	117° 48' 39" W, 53° 32' 27" N; 1520 m a.s.l.
11	Winter Creek, W.A. Switzer Provincial Park, Alberta, Canada	117° 48' 59" W, 53° 30' 01" N; 1180 m a.s.l.
12	Obed Lake, Obed Lake Provincial Park	117° 08' 42" W, 53° 33' 05" N; 1040 m a.s.l.
13	Cache Percotte - North, near Hinton, Alberta, Canada	117° 32' 44" W, 53° 23' 20" N; 1300 m a.s.l.
14	Cardinal Divide - West	117° 18' 45" W, 52° 54' 42" N; 2000 m a.s.l.
15	Kelly's Bathtub, W.A. Switzer Provincial Park, Alberta, Canada	117° 47' 37" W, 53° 28' 24" N; 1150 m a.s.l.
16	Athabasca Ranch Trail, near Hinton, Alberta, Canada	117° 35' 12" W, 53° 25' 51" N; 1150 m a.s.l.
17	Talbot Lake, Jasper National Park, Alberta, Canada	117° 59' 25" W, 53° 06' 47" N; 990 m a.s.l.
18	Cardinal Divide - East	117° 12' 05" W, 52° 53' 20" N; 2100 m a.s.l.

Table 2: Dominant tree species at the foray locations near Hinton, Alberta, Canada.

Foray no.	Foray Name	Dominant plants
1	Miette Hot Springs, Jasper National Park, Alberta, Canada	<i>Picea glauca</i> / <i>Populus tremuloides</i> mixedwood forest
2	Trails of Hinton, Hinton, Alberta, Canada	<i>Picea glauca</i> / <i>Populus tremuloides</i> mixedwood forest
3	Athabasca Tower, W.A. Switzer Provincial Park, Alberta, Canada	<i>Picea glauca</i> forest
4	Cache Percotte - South, near Hinton, Alberta, Canada	<i>Picea glauca</i> forest, moss ground layer
5	Cold Creek, near Hinton, Alberta, Canada	<i>Picea glauca</i> / <i>Populus tremuloides</i> mixedwood forest
6	Powder Creek Trail, W.A. Switzer Provincial Park, Alberta, Canada	<i>Picea glauca</i> / <i>Populus tremuloides</i> mixedwood forest, along creek
7	Gregg Cabin, south of Hinton, Alberta, Canada	<i>Pinus contorta</i> forest
8	Entrance Ranch, near Hinton, Alberta, Canada	<i>Picea glauca</i> / <i>Populus tremuloides</i> mixedwood forest
9	Black Cat Ranch Trail, Hinton, Alberta, Canada	<i>Populus balsamifera</i> / <i>Populus tremuloides</i> forest
10	Mary Gregg Lake, W.A. Switzer Provincial Park, Alberta, Canada	<i>Picea engelmannii</i> forest
11	Winter Creek, W.A. Switzer Provincial Park, Alberta, Canada	<i>Populus tremuloides</i> forest
12	Obed Lake, Obed Lake Provincial Park	<i>Picea mariana</i> /feather moss forest, ericaceous shrubs in understory
13	Cache Percotte - North, near Hinton, Alberta, Canada	<i>Picea glauca</i> forest
14	Cardinal Divide - West	krumholz stands in alpine zone
15	Kelly's Bathtub, W.A. Switzer Provincial Park, Alberta, Canada	<i>Picea glauca</i> forest, moss ground layer
16	Athabasca Ranch Trail, near Hinton, Alberta, Canada	<i>Picea glauca</i> / <i>Populus tremuloides</i> mixedwood forest
17	Talbot Lake, Jasper National Park, Alberta, Canada	<i>Picea</i> / <i>Pinus</i> forest, recently burned
18	Cardinal Divide - East	krumholz stands in alpine zone

Table 3: Fungi collected at the North American Mycological Association foray in Hinton, AB, Canada. See Table 1 for foray codes.

Taxonomic position		Fungal taxon	Role	Forays
Ascomycota				
Helotiales	Cudoniaceae	<i>Cudonia</i> cf. <i>circinans</i> (Pers.) Fr. *	S	4, 6, 15, 16
		<i>Spathularia flavida</i> Pers. *	S	6, 10, 15
<i>Spathulariopsis velutipes</i> (Cooke & Farl. ex Cooke) Maas Geest. *		S	1	
	Helotiaceae	<i>Bisporella citrina</i> (Batsch) Korf & S.E. Carp. *	S	3, 6, 9, 13, 16
		<i>Chlorociboria aeruginascens</i> (Nyl.) Kanouse *	S	5
	<i>Incertae sedis</i>	<i>Pachycudonia monticola</i> (Mains) S. Imai *	S	6
	Phacidiaceae	<i>Phacidium</i> sp. *	S	1
Hypocreales	Hypocreaceae	<i>Hypomyces lateritius</i> (Fr.) Tul. & C. Tul. on <i>Lactarius</i> sp. *	MP	9
		<i>Hypomyces ochraceus</i> (Pers.) Tul. & C. Tul. on <i>Russula</i> sp. *	MP	9, 11
		<i>Hypomyces</i> sp. *	MP	9
Microascales	<i>Incertae sedis</i>	<i>Sphaeronaemella helvella</i> (P. Karst.) P. Karst. *	S	1
Pezizales	Discinaceae	<i>Gyromitra infula</i> (Schaeff.) Quél. *	S	3, 4, 5, 7, 11, 13, 15, 16
		Helvellaceae	<i>Helvella elastica</i> Bull. *	S, M?
	<i>Helvella lacunosa</i> Afzel. *		S, M?	1, 9
	<i>Helvella silvicola</i> (Beck ex Sacc.) Harmaja *		S, M?	5, 16
	<i>Helvella</i> sp.		S, M?	7
	Pezizaceae	<i>Peziza arvernensis</i> Boud. *	S	1, 10
		<i>Peziza repanda sensu</i> Karst. fide Sacc. *	S	3, 5, 8, 10, 15
		<i>Peziza</i> spp.	S	9, 15
	Pyronemataceae	<i>Geopyxis</i> cf. <i>carbonaria</i> (Alb. & Schwein.) Sacc. *	S	6, 8
		<i>Otidea smithii</i> Kanouse *	S	1
<i>Scutellinia scutellata</i> (L.) Lambotte *		S	9, 15, 16	
Basidiomycota				
Agaricales	Agaricaceae	<i>Agaricus silvicola</i> (Vittad.) Pk. *	S	5

	<i>Agaricus</i> cf. <i>bitorquis</i> (Quél.) Sacc. *	S	2
	<i>Agaricus</i> sp.	S	2
	<i>Coprinus comatus</i> (O.F. Müll.) Gray *	S	2, 3, 18
	<i>Coprinus</i> spp.	S	9
	<i>Lepiota cristata</i> (Bolton) P. Kumm. *	S	2
	<i>Lepiota</i> cf. <i>cortinarius</i> var. <i>cortinarius</i> J.E. Lange *	S	3
	<i>Lepiota clypeolaria</i> (Bull.) Quél. Group *	S	4
	<i>Lepiota</i> sp.	S	6
	<i>Leucocoprinus brebissonii</i> (Godey) Locq. *	S	6, 10
Bolbitiaceae	<i>Conocybe</i> sp.	S	5
	<i>Hebeloma incarnatum</i> A.H. Sm. *	M	4
	<i>Hebeloma senescens</i> (Batsch) Berk. & Broome *	M	3, 5, 8, 11, 15, 16
	<i>Hebeloma</i> cf. <i>crustuliniforme</i> (Bull.) Quél. *	M	3
	<i>Hebeloma</i> cf. <i>mesophaeum</i> var. <i>mesophaeum</i> (Pers.) Fr.	M	12
	<i>Hebeloma</i> spp.	M	3, 8, 9, 11, 16, 18
	<i>Panaeolus papilionaceus</i> var. <i>parvisporus</i> Ew. Gerhardt *	S	9
	<i>Panaeolus semiovatus</i> var. <i>semiovatus</i> (Sowerby) S. Lundell & Nannf. *	S	9
	<i>Panaeolus solidipes</i> (Pk.) Sacc. *	S	1
	<i>Panaeolus</i> sp.	S	9
Clavariaceae	<i>Clavaria rosea</i> Fr. *	S	1
	<i>Clavulinopsis corniculata</i> (Schaeff.) Corner *	S	13
	<i>Ramariopsis kunzei</i> (Fr.) Corner *	S	4
Cortinariaceae	<i>Cortinarius alboviolaceus</i> (Pers.) Fr.	M	9
	<i>Cortinarius croceus</i> (Schaeff.) Gray *	M	7
	<i>Cortinarius disjungendus</i> P. Karst. *	M	6, 10
	<i>Cortinarius semisanguineus</i> (Fr.) Gillet *	M	7
	<i>Cortinarius splendens</i> Rob. Henry *	M	12
	<i>Cortinarius traganus</i> (Fr.) Fr.	M	7
	<i>Cortinarius triumphans</i> Fr. *	M	5
	<i>Cortinarius trivialis</i> J.E. Lange *	M	11, 16
	<i>Cortinarius vibratilis</i> (Fr.) Fr.	M	1, 3, 10, 12
	<i>Cortinarius</i> cf. <i>amoenolens</i> Rob. Henry ex P.D. Orton *	M	6
	<i>Cortinarius</i> cf. <i>betulinus</i> J. Favre *	M	12

	<i>Cortinarius cf. camphoratus</i> (Fr.) Fr. *	M	6
	<i>Cortinarius cf. elegantior</i> (Fr.) Fr. *	M	1
	<i>Cortinarius cf. limonius</i> (Fr.) Fr. *	M	6, 12
	<i>Cortinarius cf. vibratilis</i> (Fr.) Fr. *	M	1
	<i>Cortinarius illibatus</i> Fr. Group *	M	12
	<i>Cortinarius cinnamomeus</i> (L.) Fr. group	M	12
	<i>Cortinarius multififormis</i> (Fr.) Fr. group *	M	5, 8
	<i>Cortinarius</i> spp.	M	1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18
	<i>Crepidotus autochthonus</i> J.E. Lange *	S	4, 16
	<i>Crepidotus calolepis</i> (Fr.) P. Karst. *	S	3, 4, 5, 6, 11, 13
	<i>Crepidotus</i> spp.	S	16
	<i>Galerina hypnorum</i> (Schrank) Kühner *	S	1
	<i>Galerina</i> spp.	S	6, 12, 14
	<i>Gymnopilus penetrans</i> (Fr.) Murrill *	S	7
	<i>Gymnopilus cf. penetrans</i> (Fr.) Murrill *	S	3
	<i>Gymnopilus</i> spp.	S	7, 15
	<i>Inocybe geophylla</i> var. <i>geophylla</i> (Pers.) P. Kumm. *	M	1
	<i>Inocybe lanuginosa</i> var. <i>lanuginosa</i> (Bull.) P. Kumm. *	M	1
	<i>Inocybe splendens</i> var. <i>splendens</i> R. Heim *	M	17
	<i>Inocybe cf. sororia</i> Kauffman *	M	3
	<i>Inocybe cf. terrigena</i> (Fr.) Kühner *	M	10
	<i>Inocybe rimosa</i> Britzelm. Group *	M	9
	<i>Inocybe</i> spp.	M	3, 6, 7, 10, 14, 15, 16, 18
	<i>Rozites caperatus</i> (Pers.) P. Karst. *	M	5, 7, 10
Entolomataceae	<i>Entoloma</i> sp.	S	9
	<i>Leptonia</i> sp. - <i>asprella gracilipes</i> group *	S	9, 12
Hydnangiaceae	<i>Laccaria amethystina</i> Cooke *	M	7
	<i>Laccaria bicolor</i> (Maire) P.D. Orton *	M	7, 10, 11
	<i>Laccaria laccata</i> (Scop.) Fr. *	M	1, 7
	<i>Laccaria pumila</i> Fayod *	M	1
	<i>Laccaria</i> spp.	M	7, 10
Hygrophoraceae	<i>Hygrocybe conica</i> (Scop.) P. Kumm. *	S	13

	<i>Hygrophorus chrysodon</i> (Batsch) Fr. *	M	5, 6, 13, 14
	<i>Hygrophorus eburneus</i> var. <i>eburneus</i> (Bull.) Fr. *	M	7
	<i>Hygrophorus erubescens</i> (Fr.) Fr. *	M	6, 9, 10
	<i>Hygrophorus hypothejus</i> (Fr.) Fr. *	M	1, 5, 7
	<i>Hygrophorus odoratus</i> A.H. Sm. & Hesler *	M	6
	<i>Hygrophorus olivaceoalbus</i> (Fr.) Fr. *	M	5
	<i>Hygrophorus piceae</i> Kühner *	M	1, 6, 7, 11
	<i>Hygrophorus pudorinus</i> (Fr.) Fr. *	M	12
	<i>Hygrophorus russula</i> (Schaeff.) Kauffman *	M	1
	<i>Hygrophorus</i> spp.	M	3, 7
Lycoperdaceae	<i>Bovista pila</i> Berk. & M.A. Curtis *	S	7, 12
	<i>Lycoperdon perlatum</i> Pers. *	S	3, 9
	<i>Lycoperdon pyriforme</i> Schaeff. *	S	3, 5, 6, 16
	<i>Lycoperdon</i> spp.	S	7, 13, 14, 15
Marasmiaceae	<i>Armillaria ostoyae</i> (Romagn.) Herink *	P	13
	<i>Baeospora myosura</i> (Fr.) Sing. *	S	5
	<i>Baeospora myriadophylla</i> (Pk.) Sing. *	S	9
	<i>Flammulina velutipes</i> (Curtis) Sing. *	S	9
	<i>Marasmius capillaris</i> Morgan	S	15
	<i>Marasmius</i> spp.	S	7, 10, 14
	<i>Rhodocollybia maculata</i> var. <i>maculata</i> (Alb. & Schwein.) Sing. *	S	6, 7
Nidulariaceae	<i>Crucibulum laeve</i> (Huds.) Kambly	S	18
	<i>Cyathus</i> sp.	S	17
Pleurotaceae	<i>Pleurotus</i> sp.	S	3
Pluteaceae	<i>Pluteus aurantiorugosus</i> (Trog) Sacc. *	S	16
	<i>Pluteus cervinus</i> var. <i>cervinus</i> P. Kumm. *	S	2, 5, 10, 16
	<i>Pluteus ephebeus</i> (Fr.) Gillet *	S	13, 15, 16
	<i>Pluteus flavofulgineus</i> G.F. Atk. *	S	11, 13
	<i>Pluteus luteus</i> (Redhead & B. Liu) *	S	13
	<i>Pluteus romellii</i> (Britzelm.) Lapl. *	S	2, 3, 5, 9, 16
	<i>Pluteus salicinus</i> (Pers.) P. Kumm. *	S	9
	<i>Pluteus</i> cf. <i>pellitus</i> (Pers.) P. Kumm. *	S	9
	<i>Pluteus</i> sp. nov. *	S	5

	<i>Pluteus</i> spp.	S	3, 9, 15
Psathyrellaceae	<i>Coprinellus truncorum</i> (Scop.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo *	S	9
	<i>Coprinopsis atramentaria</i> (Bull.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo *	S	7, 9
	<i>Coprinopsis nivea</i> (Pers.) Redhead, Vilgalys & Moncalvo	S	9
	<i>Lacrymaria lacrymabunda</i> (Bull.) Pat. *	S	3, 5
	<i>Psathyrella</i> cf. <i>multipedata</i> (Pk.) A.H. Sm. *	S	3
	<i>Psathyrella</i> spp.	S	1, 9
Strophariaceae	<i>Hypholoma capnoides</i> (Fr.) P. Kumm. *	S	7, 10
	<i>Hypholoma fasciculare</i> (Huds.) P. Kumm. *	S	6
	<i>Hypholoma sublateritium</i> (Schaeff.) Quéf. *	S	3
	<i>Hypholoma</i> sp.	S	16
	<i>Pholiota alnicola</i> var. <i>alnicola</i> (Fr.) Sing. *	S	5, 6
	<i>Pholiota populnea</i> (Pers.) Kuyper & Tjall.-Beuk. *	P	9, 16
	<i>Pholiota squarrosa</i> (Weigel) P. Kumm. *	P	4, 5, 6, 9, 15, 16
	<i>Pholiota</i> cf. <i>spumosa</i> (Fr.) Sing. *	S	6, 15, 16
	<i>Pholiota</i> spp.	S	4, 10, 12, 15
	<i>Stropharia alcis</i> Kytöv. *	S	1
	<i>Stropharia</i> cf. <i>semiglobata</i> Batsch) Quéf. *	S	6
	<i>Stropharia</i> sp.	S	3
Tricholomataceae	<i>Calocybe</i> cf. <i>ionides</i> (Bull.) Donk *	S	4
	<i>Cantharellopsis prescotii</i> (Weinm.) Kuyper *	S	12
	<i>Cantharellula umbonata</i> (J.F. Gmel.) Sing. *	S	7
	<i>Catathelasma imperiale</i> (Fr.) Sing. *	S	3, 18
	<i>Clitocybe avellaneialba</i> Murrill *	S	6
	<i>Clitocybe clavipes</i> (Pers.) P. Kumm. *	S	6, 7, 9
	<i>Clitocybe dilatata</i> (Pers.) P. Karst. *	S	3, 13
	<i>Clitocybe maxima</i> (Gaertn. & G. Mey.) P. Kumm. *	S	3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 11, 15
	<i>Clitocybe odora</i> (Bull.) P. Kumm. *	S	3, 6, 16
	<i>Clitocybe phyllophila</i> (Pers.) P. Kumm. *	S	11
	<i>Clitocybe</i> spp.	S	3, 6, 7, 12, 15
	<i>Clitocybula familia</i> (Pk.) Sing. *	S	3
	<i>Collybia cookei</i> (Bres.) J.D. Arnold	S	15
	<i>Collybia tuberosa</i> (Bull.) P. Kumm. *	S	1, 5

<i>Collybia</i> spp.	S	3
<i>Cystoderma amianthinum</i> (Scop.) Fayod *	S	1, 4, 6, 11, 12, 15
<i>Cystoderma granulosum</i> (Batsch) Fayod *	S	6
<i>Cystoderma</i> spp.	S	6, 12, 13, 15
<i>Floccularia fusca</i> (Mitchel & A.H. Sm.) Bon *	S	8
<i>Gymnopus confluens</i> (Pers.) Antonín, Halling & Noordel. *	S	1, 2, 3, 6, 16
<i>Hypsizygus tessulatus</i> (Bull.) Sing. *	S	5, 9, 16
<i>Lepista irina</i> (Fr.) H.E. Bigelow complex *	S	3, 6, 13
<i>Lepista nuda</i> (Bull.) Cooke *	S	3, 5, 9, 15, 16
<i>Lepista</i> spp.	S	3, 5, 8
<i>Leucopaxillus giganteus</i> (Sowerby) Sing. *	S	1, 9, 11, 15
<i>Lyophyllum decastes</i> (Fr.) Sing. *	S	3
<i>Lyophyllum fumosum</i> (Pers.) P.D. Orton *	S	2
<i>Lyophyllum</i> sp.	S	3
<i>Melanoleuca cognata</i> (Fr.) Konrad & Maubl. *	S	1, 5, 6, 13
<i>Melanoleuca</i> cf. <i>melaleuca</i> (Pers.) Murrill *	S	2, 4, 10
<i>Melanoleuca</i> spp.	S	6, 15, 16
<i>Mycena acicula</i> (Schaeff.) P. Kumm. *	S	5, 6, 10
<i>Mycena adonis</i> var. <i>adonis</i> (Bull.) Gray *	S	5
<i>Mycena amabilissima</i> Pk. *	S	1
<i>Mycena flavoalba</i> (Fr.) Quél. *	S	1
<i>Mycena haematopus</i> (Pers.) P. Kumm. *	S	13
<i>Mycena overholtsii</i> A.H. Sm. & Solheim *	S	1
<i>Mycena pura</i> (Pers.) P. Kumm. *	S	3, 6, 8, 13
<i>Mycena rorida</i> (Scop.) Quél. *	S	1
<i>Mycena</i> cf. <i>griseiconica</i> Kauffman *	S	1
<i>Mycena</i> spp.	S	6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 15
<i>Omphalina ericetorum</i> (Bull.) M. Lange *	S	7
<i>Phyllotopsis nidulans</i> (Pers.) Sing. *	S	5
<i>Rickenella fibula</i> (Bull.) Raithelh.	S	3
<i>Tricholoma caligatum</i> (Viv.) Ricken *	M	1
<i>Tricholoma inamoenum</i> (Fr.) Gillet *	M	1
<i>Tricholoma equestre</i> (L.) P. Kumm.	M	5, 7, 11

		<i>Tricholoma robustum</i> (Alb. & Schwein.) Ricken *	M	1, 5, 8
		<i>Tricholoma myomyces</i> (Pers.) J.E. Lange *	M	3, 8, 13
		<i>Tricholoma platyphyllum</i> Murrill *	M	13
		<i>Tricholoma saponaceum</i> var. <i>saponaceum</i> (Fr.) P. Kumm.	M	7
		<i>Tricholoma sulphurescens</i> Bres. *	M	4, 5, 16
		<i>Tricholoma sulphureum</i> var. <i>sulphureum</i> (Bull.) P. Kumm. *	M	10, 12
		<i>Tricholoma vaccinum</i> (Schaeff.) P. Kumm. *	M	1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16
		<i>Tricholoma virgatum</i> (Fr.) P. Kumm. *	M	1
		<i>Tricholoma zelleri</i> (D.E. Stuntz & A.H. Sm.) Ovrebo & Tylutki	M	8
		<i>Tricholoma</i> cf. <i>squarrulosum</i> Bres. *	M	3
		<i>Tricholoma</i> spp.	M	1, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10
		<i>Tricholomopsis decora</i> (Fr.) Sing. *	S	7, 10
		<i>Tricholomopsis rutilans</i> (Schaeff.) Sing. *	S	3, 4
		<i>Xeromphalina campanella</i> (Batsch) Maire *	S	2, 6, 16
		<i>Xeromphalina caudicinalis</i> (With.) Kühner & Maire *	S	1, 6, 11, 13
Auriculariales	Auriculariaceae	<i>Auricularia auricula-judae</i> (Fr.) Quéf. *	S	6
Boletales	Boletaceae	<i>Boletus radicans</i> Schwein.	S	9
		<i>Leccinum areolatum</i> A.H. Sm. & Thiers	M	9
		<i>Leccinum boreale</i> A.H. Sm., Thiers & Watling *	M	5, 15
		<i>Leccinum insigne</i> A.H. Sm., Thiers & Watling *	M	5, 9, 11, 16
		<i>Leccinum snellii</i> A.H. Sm., Thiers & Watling	M	9
		<i>Leccinum</i> cf. <i>insolens</i> var. <i>brunneomaculatum</i> A.H. Sm., Thiers & Watling *	M	6
		<i>Leccinum</i> cf. <i>scabrum</i> var. <i>scabrum</i> (Bull.) Gray *	M	9
		<i>Leccinum</i> spp.	M	7, 9
	Gomphidiaceae	<i>Chroogomphus vinicolor</i> (Pk.) O.K. Mill. *	M	1, 3, 4, 6, 10, 11, 13, 15
		<i>Chroogomphus</i> spp.	M	6, 7, 11
		<i>Gomphidius glutinosus</i> (Schaeff.) Fr. *	M	1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 16
		<i>Gomphidius subroseus</i> Kauffman	M	3
		<i>Gomphidius</i> spp.	M	3, 7
	Suillaceae	<i>Suillus brevipes</i> (Pk.) Kuntze *	M	1, 4, 6, 7, 10, 13, 15

		<i>Suillus flavidus</i> (Fr.) J. Presl *	M	6, 7, 10, 11, 15
		<i>Suillus granulatus</i> (L.) Roussel *	M	15
		<i>Suillus grevillei</i> (Klotzsch) Sing. *	M	2, 12
		<i>Suillus viscidus</i> (L.) Fr. *	M	2, 13
		<i>Suillus subolivaceus</i> A.H. Sm. & Thiers *	M	1
		<i>Suillus tomentosus</i> (Kauffman) Sing. *	M	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16
		<i>Suillus umbonatus</i> E.A. Dick & Snell *	M	1, 6, 12, 15
		<i>Suillus</i> cf. <i>brevipes</i> var. <i>subgracilis</i> A.H. Sm. & Thiers *	M	1
		<i>Suillus</i> spp.	M	1, 6, 7, 10
Cantharellales	Cantharellaceae	<i>Pseudocraterellus sinuosus</i> (Fr.) Corner *	S	3, 5, 7, 11, 13
	Hydnaceae	<i>Hydnum repandum</i> L. *	S	2, 3, 10, 15
		<i>Hydnum umbilicatum</i> Pk. *	S	7
Dacrymycetales	Dacrymycetaceae	<i>Calocera cornea</i> (Batsch) Fr. *	S	15
		<i>Dacrymyces chrysospermus</i> Berk. & M.A. Curtis *	S	6, 13, 15
Exobasidiales	Exobasidiaceae	<i>Exobasidium</i> cf. <i>vaccinii</i> var. <i>japonicum</i> (Shirai) McNabb *	S	6
Hymenochaetales	Hymenochaetaceae	<i>Onnia tomentosa</i> (Fr.) P. Karst. *	S	3, 8, 13, 15, 16
		<i>Phellinus pini</i> (Brot.) Bondartsev & Sing. *	S	5, 7
		<i>Phellinus tremulae</i> (Bondartsev) Bondartsev & P.N. Borisov *	S	4, 8
Phallales	Geastraceae	<i>Geastrum fimbriatum</i> Tul. *	S	1
		<i>Geastrum quadrifidum</i> DC. *	S	1
		<i>Geastrum saccatum</i> Fr. *	S	13
		<i>Geastrum triplex</i> Jungh. *	S	11
	Gomphaceae	<i>Clavariadelphus sachalinensis</i> (S. Imai) Corner	S	1, 5, 6
		<i>Clavariadelphus ligula</i> (Schaeff.) Donk *	S	2, 6, 7, 12
		<i>Clavariadelphus truncatus</i> V.L. Wells & Kempton *	S	1, 4, 5, 6, 10, 13
		<i>Clavariadelphus</i> cf. <i>sachalinensis</i> (S. Imai) Corner *	S	6
		<i>Clavariadelphus</i> cf. <i>truncatus</i> V.L. Wells & Kempton *	S	6
		<i>Gomphus clavatus</i> (Pers.) Gray *	S	3, 7, 9
		<i>Ramaria abietina</i> (Pers.) Quél. *	S, M?	2
		<i>Ramaria caulifloriformis</i> (Leathers) Corner *	S, M?	14
		<i>Ramaria gelatiniaurantia</i> var. <i>gelatiniaurantia</i> Marr & D.E. Stuntz *	S, M?	6
		<i>Ramaria rubripermanens</i> Marr & D.E. Stuntz *	S, M?	7

		<i>Ramaria sandaracina</i> var. <i>sandaracina</i> Marr & D.E. Stuntz *	S, M?	4, 6
		<i>Ramaria stricta</i> var. <i>concolor</i> Corner *	S, M?	6
		<i>Ramaria suecica</i> (Fr.) Donk *	S, M?	4
		<i>Ramaria testaceoflava</i> (Bres.) Corner *	S, M?	1
		<i>Ramaria</i> cf. <i>leptoformosa</i> Marr & D.E. Stuntz *	S, M?	14
		<i>Ramaria</i> sp. *	S, M?	5, 6
		<i>Ramaria</i> sp. (subgenus <i>lentoramaria</i>) *	S, M?	5
Polyporales	Albatrellaceae	<i>Albatrellus</i> cf. <i>syringae</i> (Parmasto) Pouzar *	S	13
		<i>Albatrellus</i> sp.	S	8
	Fomitopsidaceae	<i>Fomitopsis cajanderi</i> (P. Karst.) Kotl. & Pouzar *	S	10
		<i>Fomitopsis pinicola</i> (Sw.) P. Karst. *	S	4, 5, 6, 9, 11, 13, 15
		<i>Postia leucomallella</i> (Fr.) Jülich	S	16
	Ganodermataceae	<i>Ganoderma applanatum</i> (Pers.) Pat. *	S	3, 5, 9
	Gloeophyllaceae	<i>Gloeophyllum odoratum</i> (Wulfen) Imazeki *	S	6
		<i>Gloeophyllum sepiarium</i> (Wulfen) P. Karst. *	S	1, 2, 4, 8, 11, 13, 16
	Hapalopilaceae	<i>Bjerkandera adusta</i> (Willd.) P. Karst. *	S	4, 8, 9, 16
		<i>Spongipellis spumeus</i> (Sowerby) Pat. *	S	9
	Polyporaceae	<i>Daedaleopsis confragosa</i> (Bolton) J. Schröt. *	S	2
		<i>Polyporus badius</i> Weinm. *	S	5, 9, 10
		<i>Polyporus varius</i> (Pers.) Fr. *	S	1, 3, 5, 9, 18
		<i>Polyporus</i> cf. <i>leptocephalus</i> (Jacq.) Fr. *	S	3
		<i>Polyporus</i> sp.	S	9
		<i>Trametes pubescens</i> (Schumach.) Pilát *	S	1, 3, 11
		<i>Trichaptum abietinum</i> (Dicks.) Ryvarden *	S	6, 8, 12, 13, 15
		<i>Trichaptum subchartaceum</i> (Murrill) Ryvarden *	S	9
		<i>Tyromyces chioneus</i> (Fr.) P. Karst. *	S	13
Russulales	Auriscalpiaceae	<i>Auriscalpium vulgare</i> Gray *	S	5, 10
		<i>Lentinellus flabelliformis</i> (Bolton) S. Ito *	S	15
	Hericiaceae	<i>Hericium coralloides</i> (Scop.) Pers. *	S	3, 4, 5, 9, 16
	Russulaceae	<i>Lactarius affinis</i> var. <i>viridilactis</i> (Kauffman) Hesler & A.H. Sm. *	M	18
		<i>Lactarius deliciosus</i> (L.) Gray *	M	3, 8
		<i>Lactarius deterrimus</i> Gröger *	M	1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, 18

		<i>Lactarius glyciosmus</i> (Fr.) Fr. *	M	18
		<i>Lactarius repraesentaneus</i> Britzelm. *	M	18
		<i>Lactarius resimus</i> (Fr.) Fr. *	M	11
		<i>Lactarius rufus</i> (Scop.) Fr. *	M	5, 7, 10
		<i>Lactarius scrobiculatus</i> (Scop.) Fr. *	M	3, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13
		<i>Lactarius uvidus</i> (Fr.) Fr. *	M	10
		<i>Lactarius</i> cf. <i>affinis</i> var. <i>affinis</i> Pk. *	M	6
		<i>Lactarius</i> cf. <i>hepaticus</i> Plowr.	M	10
		<i>Lactarius</i> cf. <i>kauffmanii</i> Hesler & A.H. Sm. *	M	6
		<i>Lactarius</i> cf. <i>resimus</i> (Fr.) Fr.	M	15
		<i>Lactarius</i> spp.	M	4, 6, 7, 8, 14, 15, 17
		<i>Russula aurea</i> Pers. *	M	9
		<i>Russula brevipes</i> Pk. *	M	10, 11
		<i>Russula crassotunicata</i> Sing. *	M	6
		<i>Russula decolorans</i> (Fr.) Fr. *	M	7
		<i>Russula delica</i> Fr. *	M	14
		<i>Russula gracilis</i> Burl. *	M	3
		<i>Russula grisea</i> (Batsch) Fr. *	M	3
		<i>Russula lutea</i> Vent. *	M	6
		<i>Russula subfoetens</i> Wm.G. Sm. *	M	10
		<i>Russula virescens</i> (Schaeff.) Fr. *	M	3
		<i>Russula</i> cf. <i>cascadensis</i> Shaffer *	M	1
		<i>Russula</i> cf. <i>foetens</i> (Pers.) Pers. *	M	10
		<i>Russula</i> cf. <i>integra</i> Quél. *	M	1
		<i>Russula</i> cf. <i>subfoetens</i> Wm.G. Sm. *	M	10
		<i>Russula</i> spp.	M	1, 3, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18
	Stereaceae	<i>Laxitextum bicolor</i> (Pers.) Lentz *	S	13
Telephorales	Bankeraceae	<i>Hydnellum caeruleum</i> (Hornem.) P. Karst. *	S	5
		<i>Hydnellum peckii</i> Banker	S	7
		<i>Hydnellum suaveolens</i> (Scop.) P. Karst. *	S	7
		<i>Hydnellum</i> spp.	S	7
		<i>Sarcodon calvatus</i> var. <i>calvatus</i> (K.A. Harrison) K.A. Harrison *	S	7

		<i>Sarcodon scabrosus</i> (Fr.) P. Karst. *	S	6
	Telephoraceae	<i>Thelephora caryophyllea</i> (Schaeff.) Pers. *	S	1, 6
Tremellales	Exidiaceae	<i>Guepinia helvelloides</i> (DC.) Fr. *	S	5
Uredinales	Coleosporiaceae	<i>Chrysomyxa</i> cf. <i>ledicola</i> Lagerh. *	P	3
	Phragmidiaceae	<i>Phragmidium</i> sp. on <i>Rosa acicularis</i> Lindl. *	P	2
Myxomycota **				
Physarales	Physaraceae	<i>Fuligo septica</i> var. <i>septica</i> (L.) F.H. Wigg. *	S	9
Liceales	Reticulariaceae	<i>Lycogala epidendrum</i> (J.C. Buxb. ex L.) Fr. *	S	1, 3, 5, 10, 11, 13

Note: M = mycorrhizal, M? = possibly mycorrhizal, MP = mycoparasitic, P = pathogenic, S = saprobic (decomposer), * = accessioned at the Chicago Field Museum, ** = slime molds (not true fungi).

Table 4: Commonness of fungi identified at the North American Mycological Association foray in Hinton, AB, Canada.

New record	less than 5 previously known records	5 and more previously known records
<i>Agaricus cf. bitorquis</i>	<i>Auricularia auricula-judae</i>	<i>Agaricus silvicola</i>
<i>Baeospora myosura</i>	<i>Auriscalpium vulgare</i>	<i>Armillaria ostoyae</i>
<i>Boletus radicans Schwein.</i>	<i>Baeospora myriadophylla</i>	<i>Bisporella citrina</i>
<i>Bovista pila</i>	<i>Cantharellopsis prescotii</i>	<i>Bjerkandera adusta</i>
<i>Calocera cornea</i>	<i>Cantharellula umbonata</i>	<i>Catathelasma imperiale</i>
<i>Calocybe cf. ionides</i>	<i>Clavariadelphus sachalinensis</i>	<i>Chlorociboria aeruginascens</i>
<i>Clavaria rosea</i>	<i>Clavariadelphus truncatus</i>	<i>Chroogomphus vinicolor</i>
<i>Clavariadelphus ligula</i>	<i>Clitocybe avellaneialba</i>	<i>Chrysomyxa cf. ledicola</i>
<i>Clavulinopsis corniculata</i>	<i>Clitocybe clavipes</i>	<i>Clitocybe odora</i>
<i>Clitocybe dilatata</i>	<i>Clitocybe maxima</i>	<i>Coprinopsis atramentaria</i>
<i>Clitocybula familia</i>	<i>Clitocybe phyllophila</i>	<i>Coprinus comatus</i>
<i>Collybia cookei</i>	<i>Cortinarius cf. amoenolens</i>	<i>Cortinarius alboviolaceus</i>
<i>Collybia tuberosa</i>	<i>Cortinarius semisanguineus</i>	<i>Cortinarius disjungendus</i>
<i>Coprinellus truncorum</i>	<i>Cortinarius traganus</i>	<i>Cortinarius multififormis</i>
<i>Coprinopsis nivea</i>	<i>Crepidotus autochthonus</i>	<i>Cortinarius trivialis</i>
<i>Cortinarius cf. betulinus</i>	<i>Crucibulum laeve</i>	<i>Cystoderma amianthinum</i>
<i>Cortinarius cf. camphoratus</i>	<i>Galerina hypnorum</i>	<i>Dacrymyces chrysospermus</i>
<i>Cortinarius cf. elegantior</i>	<i>Geastrum quadrifidum</i>	<i>Daedaleopsis confragosa</i>
<i>Cortinarius cf. limonius</i>	<i>Geastrum saccatum</i>	<i>Fomitopsis cajanderi</i>
<i>Cortinarius cinnamomeus</i>	<i>Geastrum triplex</i>	<i>Fomitopsis pinicola</i>
<i>Cortinarius croceus</i>	<i>Guepinia helvelloides</i>	<i>Ganoderma applanatum</i>
<i>Cortinarius illibatus group</i>	<i>Gymnopilus penetrans</i>	<i>Gloeophyllum sepiarium</i>
<i>Cortinarius splendens</i>	<i>Hebeloma senescens</i>	<i>Gomphidius glutinosus</i>
<i>Cortinarius triumphans</i>	<i>Hydnellum peckii</i>	<i>Gomphus clavatus</i>
<i>Cortinarius vibratilis</i>	<i>Hydnellum suaveolens</i>	<i>Gyromitra infula</i>
<i>Crepidotus calolepis</i>	<i>Hygrocybe conica</i>	<i>Helvella elastica</i>

Crepidotus ellipsoideus
Cudonia cf. *circinans*
Cystoderma granulatum
Exobasidium cf. *vaccinii* var. *japonicum*
Flammulina velutipes
Floccularia fusca
Geastrum fimbriatum
Geopyxis cf. *carbonaria*
Gloeophyllum odoratum
Gomphidius subroseus
Gymnopus confluens
Hebeloma cf. *crustuliniforme*
Hebeloma cf. *mesophaeum* var. *mesophaeum*
Hebeloma incarnatum
Hydnum umbilicatum
Hygrophorus odoratus
Hygrophorus russula
Hypholoma sublateralium
Hypomyces lateritius on *Lactarius* sp.
Hypomyces ochraceus on *Russula* sp.
Hypsizygus tessulatus
Inocybe cf. *sororia*
Inocybe cf. *terrigena*
Inocybe lanuginosa var. *lanuginosa*
Inocybe splendens var. *splendens*
Laccaria pumila
Lactarius affinis var. *viridilactis*
Lactarius cf. *affinis* var. *affinis*
Lactarius cf. *hepaticus*
Lactarius cf. *kauffmanii*
Lactarius cf. *resimus*
Lactarius cf. *torminosus* var. *torminosus*
Lactarius deterrimus

Hygrocybe persistens var. *persistens*
Hygrophorus eburneus var. *eburneus*
Hygrophorus hypothejus
Hygrophorus olivaceoalbus
Hygrophorus piceae
Hypholoma capnoides
Hypholoma fasciculare
Inocybe geophylla var. *geophylla*
Inocybe rimosa group
Laccaria bicolor
Lacrymaria lacrymabunda
Lactarius scrobiculatus
Lentinellus flabelliformis
Lepiota cristata
Lepista nuda
Onnia tomentosa
Panaeolus papilionaceus var. *parvisporus*
Panaeolus semiovatus var. *semiovatus*
Peziza arvernensis
Pholiota cf. *spumosa*
Pholiota populnea
Pluteus salicinus
Ramaria abietina
Rhodocollybia maculata var. *maculata*
Russula cf. *cascadensis*
Russula decolorans
Russula delica
Russula grisea
Russula lutea
Sphaeronaemella helvellae
Suillus granulatus
Suillus viscidus
Tricholoma caligatum

Helvella lacunosa
Helvella silvicola
Hericium coralloides
Hydnum caeruleum
Hydnum repandum
Hygrophorus chrysodon
Hygrophorus erubescens
Hygrophorus pudorinus
Laccaria amethystina
Laccaria laccata
Lactarius deliciosus
Lactarius repraesentaneus
Lactarius rufus
Lactarius uvidus
Leccinum boreale
Leccinum cf. *scabrum* var. *scabrum*
Leccinum insigne
Leccinum snellii
Lepiota clypeolaria group
Leucopaxillus giganteus
Lycoperdon perlatum
Lycoperdon pyriforme
Lyophyllum decastes
Mycena pura
Omphalina ericetorum
Peziza repanda
Phellinus pini
Phellinus tremulae
Pholiota squarrosa
Phyllotopsis nidulans
Pluteus cervinus var. *cervinus*
Polyporus badius
Polyporus cf. *leptocephalus*

Lactarius glyciosmus
Laxitextum bicolor
Leccinum areolatum
Leccinum cf. *insolens* var. *brunneomaculatum*
Lepiota cf. *cortinarius* var. *cortinarius*
Lepista irina complex
Leptonia sp. - *asprella gracilipes* group
Leucocoprinus brebissonii
Lyophyllum fumosum
Marasmius capillaris
Melanoleuca cf. *melaleuca*
Melanoleuca cognata
Mycena acicula
Mycena adonis var. *adonis*
Mycena amabilissima
Mycena cf. *griseiconica*
Mycena flavoalba
Mycena overholtsii
Mycena rorida
Otidea smithii
Pachycudonia monticola
Panaeolus solidipes
Pholiota alnicola var. *alnicola*
Pluteus aurantiorugosus
Pluteus cf. *pellitus*
Pluteus ephebeus
Pluteus flavofulgineus
Pluteus luteus
Pluteus romellii
Postia leucomallella
Psathyrella cf. *multipedata*
Ramaria caulifloriformis
Ramaria cf. *leptoformosa*

Tricholoma platyphyllum
Tricholoma zelleri
Tricholomopsis decora
Tricholomopsis rutilans
Tyromyces chioneus

Polyporus varius
Pseudocraterellus sinuosus
Rozites caperatus
Russula brevipes
Russula subfoetens
Sarcodon scabrosus
Scutellinia scutellata
Spathularia flavida
Suillus brevipes
Suillus grevillei
Suillus tomentosus
Suillus umbonatus
Trametes pubescens
Trametes suaveolens
Trichaptum abietinum
Tricholoma equestre
Tricholoma myomyces
Tricholoma saponaceum var. *saponaceum*
Tricholoma vaccinum
Tricholoma virgatum
Xeromphalina campanella

Ramaria gelatiniaurantia var. *gelatiniaurantia*
Ramaria rubripermanens
Ramaria sandaracina var. *sandaracina*
Ramaria stricta var. *concolor*
Ramaria suecica
Ramaria testaceoflava
Ramariopsis kunzei
Rickenella fibula
Russula aurea
Russula cf. *integra*
Russula crassotunicata
Russula gracilis
Russula virescens
Sarcodon calvatus var. *calvatus*
Spathulariopsis velutipes
Spongipellis spumeus
Stropharia alcis
Stropharia cf. *semiglobata*
Suillus cf. *brevipes* var. *subgracilis*
Suillus flavidus
Suillus subolivaceus
Syzygospora sp.
Thelephora caryophyllea
Trichaptum subchartaceum
Tricholoma cf. *squarrulosum*
Tricholoma inamoenum
Tricholoma robustum
Tricholoma sulphurescens
Tricholoma sulphureum var. *sulphureum*
Xeromphalina caudicinalis

Table 5: Fungal specimens collected at the North American Mycological Association foray and accessioned in the Field Museum in Chicago.

Taxon	Voucher Number
<i>Agaricus</i> cf. <i>bitorquis</i>	NAMA 2006 - 063
<i>Agaricus silvicola</i>	NAMA 2006 - 119
<i>Albatrellus</i> cf. <i>syringae</i>	NAMA 2006 - 219
<i>Armillaria ostoyae</i>	NAMA 2006 - 231
<i>Auricularia auricula-judea</i> (as <i>Auricularia auricula</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 194
<i>Auriscalpium vulgare</i>	NAMA 2006 - 036
<i>Baeospora myosura</i>	NAMA 2006 - 139
<i>Baeospora myriadophylla</i>	NAMA 2006 - 002
<i>Bisporella citrina</i>	NAMA 2006 - 138
<i>Bjerkandera adusta</i>	NAMA 2006 - 099
<i>Bovista pila</i>	NAMA 2006 - 187
<i>Calocera cornea</i>	NAMA 2006 - 254
<i>Calocybe</i> cf. <i>ionides</i>	NAMA 2006 - 276
<i>Cantharellopsis prescotii</i>	NAMA 2006 - 264
<i>Cantharellula umbonata</i>	NAMA 2006 - 176
<i>Catathelasma imperiale</i> (as <i>Catathelasma imperialis</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 111
<i>Chlorociboria aeruginascens</i> (as <i>Chlorosplenium aerugenascins</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 125
<i>Chroogomphus vinicolor</i>	NAMA 2006 - 016
<i>Chrysomyxa</i> cf. <i>ledicola</i>	NAMA 2006 - 266
<i>Clavaria rosea</i>	NAMA 2006 - 001
<i>Clavariadelphus</i> aff. <i>sachalinensis</i>	NAMA 2006 - 147
<i>Clavariadelphus</i> cf. <i>truncatus</i> (as <i>Clavariadelphus</i> cf. <i>borealis</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 067
<i>Clavariadelphus ligula</i>	NAMA 2006 - 124
<i>Clavariadelphus truncatus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 031
<i>Clavulinopsis corniculata</i>	NAMA 2006 - 235
<i>Clitocybe avellaneialba</i>	NAMA 2006 - 098, 117
<i>Clitocybe clavipes</i>	NAMA 2006 - 177
<i>Clitocybe dilatata</i>	NAMA 2006 - 133
<i>Clitocybe maxima</i>	NAMA 2006 - 145
<i>Clitocybe odora</i>	NAMA 2006 - 102
<i>Clitocybe phyllophila</i> (as <i>Clitocybe cerussata</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 261
<i>Clitocybe clavipis</i>	NAMA 2006 - 033
<i>Collybia familia</i>	NAMA 2006 - 149
<i>Collybia tuberosa</i>	NAMA 2006 - 011, 117
<i>Coprinellus truncorum</i> (as <i>Coprinus micaceus</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 182
<i>Coprinopsis atramentarius</i> (as <i>Coprinus atramentarius</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 034
<i>Coprinus comatus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 066
<i>Cortinarius</i> cf. <i>amaenolus</i> (as <i>Cortinarius</i> cf. <i>anserinus</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 162
<i>Cortinarius</i> cf. <i>betulinus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 275

<i>Cortinarius</i> cf. <i>camphoratus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 271
<i>Cortinarius</i> cf. <i>elegantior</i>	NAMA 2006 - 191
<i>Cortinarius</i> cf. <i>limonius</i>	NAMA 2006 - 118
<i>Cortinarius</i> cf. <i>vibratilis</i>	NAMA 2006 - 032
<i>Cortinarius croceus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 241
<i>Cortinarius desjungendus</i> (as <i>Cortinarius brunneus</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 236
<i>Cortinarius illibatus</i> group	NAMA 2006 - 253
<i>Cortinarius semisanguinius</i>	NAMA 2006 - 157
<i>Cortinarius</i> sp. <i>multiformis</i> group	NAMA 2006 - 203
<i>Cortinarius splendens</i>	NAMA 2006 - 251
<i>Cortinarius traganus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 159
<i>Cortinarius triumphans</i>	NAMA 2006 - 074
<i>Cortinarius trivialis</i>	NAMA 2006 - 257
<i>Crepidotus autochthonus</i> (as <i>Crepidotus applanatus</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 095
<i>Crepidotus calolepis</i>	NAMA 2006 - 116
<i>Crepidotus ellipsoideus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 268
<i>Cudonia</i> cf. <i>circinans</i>	NAMA 2006 - 173
<i>Cudonia monticola</i>	NAMA 2006 - 021
<i>Cystoderma amianthinum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 064
<i>Cystoderma granulosum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 061
<i>Dacrymyces chrysospermus</i> (as <i>Dacrymyces palmatus</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 163, 246
<i>Daedaleopsis confragosa</i>	NAMA 2006 - 172
<i>Exobasidium</i> cf. <i>vaccinii</i> var. <i>japonicum</i> (as <i>Exobasidium</i> cf. <i>vaccinii</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 072
<i>Flammulina velutipes</i>	NAMA 2006 - 028
<i>Floccularia fusca</i>	NAMA 2006 - 127
<i>Fomitopsis cajanderi</i>	NAMA 2006 - 232
<i>Fomitopsis pinicola</i>	NAMA 2006 - 132
<i>Fuligo septica</i> var. <i>septica</i> (as <i>Fuligo septica</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 188
<i>Galerina hypnorum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 068
<i>Ganoderma applanatum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 171
<i>Geastrum fimbriatum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 114
<i>Geastrum quadrifidum</i> (as <i>Geastrum quadrifidus</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 109
<i>Geastrum saccatum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 226
<i>Geastrum triplex</i>	NAMA 2006 - 258
<i>Geopyxis</i> cf. <i>carbonaria</i>	NAMA 2006 - 208
<i>Gloeophyllum odoratum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 154
<i>Gloeophyllum sepiarium</i>	NAMA 2006 - 083
<i>Gomphidius glutinosus</i> (as <i>Gomphidius glutinosa</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 078
<i>Gomphus clavatus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 106
<i>Guepinia helvelloides</i> (as <i>Phlogiotis helvelloides</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 085
<i>Gymnopilus</i> cf. <i>penetrans</i>	NAMA 2006 - 192
<i>Gymnopilus penetrans</i>	NAMA 2006 - 202
<i>Gymnopus confluens</i>	NAMA 2006 - 013
<i>Gyromitra infula</i>	NAMA 2006 - 096
<i>Hebeloma</i> cf. <i>crustuliniforme</i>	NAMA 2006 - 166

<i>Hebeloma senescens</i> (as <i>Hebeloma sinapizans</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 024
<i>Helvella elastica</i>	NAMA 2006 - 019
<i>Helvella lacunosa</i>	NAMA 2006 - 009
<i>Helvella silvicola</i> (as <i>Otidea auricula</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 213
<i>Hericium coralloides</i> (004 and 014 as <i>Hericium ramosum</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 004, 014, 164
<i>Hydnellum caeruleum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 158
<i>Hydnellum suaveolens</i>	NAMA 2006 - 161
<i>Hydnum repandum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 051
<i>Hydnum umbilicatum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 224
<i>Hygrocybe conica</i> (as <i>Hygrocybe conicus</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 214
<i>Hygrophorus</i> cf. <i>piceae</i>	NAMA 2006 - 043
<i>Hygrophorus chrysodon</i>	NAMA 2006 - 087
<i>Hygrophorus erubescens</i>	NAMA 2006 - 053, 100
<i>Hygrophorus hypothejus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 069
<i>Hygrophorus odoratus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 199
<i>Hygrophorus olivaceoalbus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 084
<i>Hygrophorus piceae</i>	NAMA 2006 - 006
<i>Hygrophorus pudorinus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 245
<i>Hygrophorus russula</i>	NAMA 2006 - 143
<i>Hypholoma capnoides</i>	NAMA 2006 - 190
<i>Hypholoma fasciculare</i>	NAMA 2006 - 153
<i>Hypholoma sublateritium</i>	NAMA 2006 - 141
<i>Hypomyces lateritius</i> on <i>Lactarius</i> sp.	NAMA 2006 - 152
<i>Hypomyces ochiaceus</i> on <i>Russula</i> sp.	NAMA 2006 - 174
<i>Hypomyces</i> sp.	NAMA 2006 - 273
<i>Hypsizygus tessulatus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 146
<i>Inocybe</i> cf. <i>sororia</i>	NAMA 2006 - 195
<i>Inocybe</i> cf. <i>terrigina</i>	NAMA 2006 - 209
<i>Inocybe geophylla</i> var. <i>geophylla</i> (as <i>Inocybe geophylla</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 044, 075
<i>Inocybe lanuginosa</i> var. <i>lanuginosa</i> (as <i>Inocybe lanuginosa</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 175
<i>Inocybe</i> sp. <i>rimosa</i> group	NAMA 2006 - 200
<i>Inocybe splendens</i> var. <i>splendens</i>	NAMA 2006 - 259
<i>Laccaria amethystina</i>	NAMA 2006 - 277
<i>Laccaria bicolor</i>	NAMA 2006 - 131, 210
<i>Laccaria laccata</i>	NAMA 2006 - 108
<i>Laccaria pumila</i>	NAMA 2006 - 035
<i>Lacrymaria lacrymabunda</i> (as <i>Psathyrella velutina</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 142
<i>Lactarius affinis</i> var. <i>varidilactis</i>	NAMA 2006 - 274
<i>Lactarius</i> cf. <i>affinis</i> var. <i>affinis</i>	NAMA 2006 - 215
<i>Lactarius</i> cf. <i>kauffmanii</i>	NAMA 2006 - 240
<i>Lactarius deterrimus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 015
<i>Lactarius glyciosmus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 270
<i>Lactarius repraesentaneus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 269
<i>Lactarius resimus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 242
<i>Lactarius rufus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 30, 104

<i>Lactarius scrobiculatus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 120
<i>Lactarius uvidus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 185
<i>Laxitextum bicolor</i>	NAMA 2006 - 233
<i>Leccinum boreale</i>	NAMA 2006 - 265
<i>Leccinum</i> cf. <i>insolens</i> var. <i>brunneo-maculatum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 130
<i>Leccinum</i> cf. <i>scabrum</i> var. <i>scabrum</i> (as <i>Leccinum</i> cf. <i>scabrum</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 217
<i>Leccinum insigne</i>	NAMA 2006 - 079
<i>Lentinellus flabelliformis</i> (as <i>Lentinellus omphalodes</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 267
<i>Lepiota</i> cf. <i>cortinarius</i> var. <i>cortinarius</i> (as <i>Lepiota</i> cf. <i>cortinarius</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 278
<i>Lepiota cristata</i>	NAMA 2006 - 038
<i>Lepiota</i> sp. <i>clypeolaria</i> group	NAMA 2006 - 280
<i>Lepista irina</i> complex	NAMA 2006 - 023
<i>Lepista nuda</i>	NAMA 2006 - 272
<i>Leptonia</i> sp. <i>asprella-gracilipes</i> complex	NAMA 2006 - 256
<i>Leucocoprinus brebbissonii</i> (as <i>Lepiota felina</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 081
<i>Leucopaxillus giganteus</i> (229 as <i>Clitocybe gigantea</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 048, 229
<i>Lycogala epidendrum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 010, 901
<i>Lycoperdon perlatum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 128
<i>Lycoperdon pyriforme</i>	NAMA 2006 - 093, 198
<i>Lyophyllum decastes</i>	NAMA 2006 - 136
<i>Lyophyllum fumosum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 223
<i>Melanoleuca</i> cf. <i>melaleuca</i>	NAMA 2006 - 205
<i>Melanoleuca cognata</i>	NAMA 2006 - 018
<i>Mycena acicula</i>	NAMA 2006 - 144
<i>Mycena adonis</i> var. <i>adonis</i> (as <i>Mycena adonis</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 005
<i>Mycena amabilissima</i>	NAMA 2006 - 026
<i>Mycena</i> cf. <i>greiseiconica</i>	NAMA 2006 - 082
<i>Mycena flavoalba</i>	NAMA 2006 - 065
<i>Mycena haematopus</i>	NAMA 2006 - 239
<i>Mycena overholtsii</i>	NAMA 2006 - 113
<i>Mycena pura</i>	NAMA 2006 - 071
<i>Mycena rorida</i>	NAMA 2006 - 086
<i>Omphalina ericetorum</i>	NAMA 2006 - 212
<i>Onnia tomentosa</i> (092 as <i>Onnia tomentosus</i> , 170 as <i>Inonotus tomentosus</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 092, 170
<i>Otidea smithii</i>	NAMA 2006 - 080
<i>Panaeolus papilionascens</i> var. <i>parvisporus</i> (as <i>Panaeolus campanulatus</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 183
<i>Panaeolus semiovatus</i> var. <i>semiovatus</i> (as <i>Panaeolus semiovatus</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 197
<i>Panaeolus solidipes</i>	NAMA 2006 - 045
<i>Peziza arvernensis</i>	NAMA 2006 - 060
<i>Peziza repanda</i>	NAMA 2006 - 207
<i>Phacidium</i> sp.	NAMA 2006 - 180
<i>Phellinus pini</i>	NAMA 2006 - 151
<i>Phellinus tremulae</i>	NAMA 2006 - 189
<i>Pholiota alnicola</i> var. <i>alnicola</i> (as <i>Pholiota flavida</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 097
<i>Pholiota</i> cf. <i>spumosa</i>	NAMA 2006 - 046

<i>Pholiota populnea</i> (as <i>Pholiota destruens</i>)	NAMA 2006 - 057
<i>Pholiota squarrosa</i>	NAMA 2006 - 008
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