
T: First North Rd, Wotto Nature Reserve, 21 km by road NE of Eneabba, W.A., 29°42’29”S, 115°24’37”E, alt. 275 m, on Melaleuca in woodland, 5 May 2004, *J.A.Elix* 28871; holo: PERTH, iso: CANB.

Thallus off-white to pale fawn, smooth and dull, somewhat rimose, lacking isidia and soredia. Apothecia verruciform, conspicuous, scattered, sometimes confluent, flattened-hemispherical, occasionally constricted at the base, 0.7–1.0 mm diam. Ostioles inconspicuous, black, punctiform, 1–4 per verruca. Ascospores 8 per ascus, hyaline, smooth-walled, 1-seriate, 40–65 x 18–32 μm.

*Chemistry:* containing planaic acid (major), 4,5-dichlorolichexanthone acid (minor), ±2,4,5-trichlorolichexanthone (trace), ±4-chlorolichexanthone (trace), ±4,5-dichloro-6-O-methylnorlichexanthone (trace), ±2’-O-methylperlatic acid (trace), ±2-O-methylperlatic acid (trace).

An uncommon corticolous lichen in subarid areas of south-western W.A.


The species is characterised by asci with 8 relatively small ascospores and the presence of 4,5-dichlorolichexanthone and planaic acid as the major lichen substances.