

# Lirellae

(Sing. Lirella)

Lirellae are fruiting bodies that are elongated and more or less compressed to form a linear fruiting body that may be lip-like, branched or stellate as found in crustose Graphidaceae where the thalline exciple is inconspicuous or absent. (e.g. *Phaeographis* spp.) In *Sarcographa* spp. the lirellae are formed in a stroma of fungal tissue the same colour as the medulla.

