**Table S1.** Morphological characteristics of *Sarocladium oryzae*

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| Propagule | Colour | Shape | Size (µm) | Septation |
| Mycelium | White to pinkish white | Sparsely branched, cylindrical | 1.0-2.5 µm (wide) | Septate |
| Conidiophore | Hyaline | Slightly thicker than vegetative hyphae, simple and branched once or twice.  | 6-30 x1.5-2.5µm | Septate |
| Phialides | Hyaline | Phialides are cylindrical, tapering at end, thin and smooth walled | 20-40 µm long, 1.5-2.5 µm wide at the base and 0.5-1.5 µm at the tip | Aseptate |
| Conidia | Hyaline | Smooth, cylindrical, single celled conidia are borne simply on the tip. | 3.5-9.0  x 1-2µm | Aseptate |