



Tulasnella (Waaszwam)

Key to the European species of *Tulasnella*.

Based on Roberts 1999. Modified according to additional species, and synonymy and distribution data in Mycobank and Index Fungorum
See also Dam 2018.

Hymenium types:

- violea-type hymenium compact, branching; context ceraceous, not gelatinous (but may be indistinct)
- pinicola-type basidia produced in clusters, hyphae in a slightly gelatinized matrix and context (when visible) therefore gelatinous; often growing inconspicuously in corticiaceae (often *Botryobasidium*)

Use spores from a spore print!

Bold - Known from the Netherlands and/or Flanders (Belgium)
Dutch names between brackets (NL - Dutch, VL - Flamish)

Mainkey

- 1 Clamp connections absent, or rare and scattered on basal hyphae only Key A
Clamp connections present at all septa Key B

Key A - Clamp connections absent or rare

- 1 With conidiophores; spores ellipsoid to slightly reniform. (Valentijnswaaszwam) ***T. valentini***
[Van de Put, Sterbeekia 17: 44-69](#)
Without conidiophores 2
- 2 Spores distinctly spiny ***T. echinospora***
[Roberts, Crypt. Mycol. 25: 23-27](#)
Spores smooth 3
- 3 Spores globose to ellipsoid or cylindrical, Q = 1-1.5, always < 15 µm long 4
Spores allantoid or spiralled and/or often > 15 µm long. 13
- 4 Cystidia present, conspicuous, irregularly swollen, often moniloid, sometimes branching, up to 90 µm long; spores 4-7 x 3.5-6 µm (Kogelsporige waaszwam) ***T. cystidiophora***
[Jülich: 460](#)
[H&K: 116](#)
[Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452](#)
[Van de Put et al., Sterbeekia 17: 44-69](#)
Cystidia absent 5
- 5 Most spores globose to ellipsoid, Q = 1-1.6. 6
Most spores oblong to cylindrical, Q = 1.7-4.5. 9
- 6 Spores small, mostly 2.5-4.5 x 2.5-3.5 µm, a minority longer and more slender; hymenium of violea-type (Roze waaszwam) ***T. eichleriana***
[Jülich: 456](#)
[H&K: 116](#)
[Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452](#)
[Van de Put et al., Sterbeekia 17: 44-69](#)
Spores larger, most of them over 5 x 3.5 µm 7
- 7 Most spores slightly to distinctly tapering at both ends, mostly 8-12 x 4-6 µm; hymenium of vio-

- lea-type (Violette waaszwam) ***T. pallida***
H&K: 116
Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452
Van de Put et al., Sterbeecia 17: 44-69
- Spores not tapering, smaller 8
- 8 Most spores 5.5-9 x 5.5-7.5 μm , a minority more slender; hyphae 2.5-6 μm wide; hymenium of violea-type; fruitbody often conspicuous (Lila waaszwam) ***T. violea***
Jülich: 456
H&K: 116
Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452
- Most spores 5-6.5 x 3-5 μm ; hyphae 1.5-3 μm wide; hymenium of pinicola-type; fruitbody often inconspicuous and/or intermingled in corticiaceae (Witte waaszwam) ***T. albida***
Jülich: 458
H&K: 116
Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452
Van de Put et al., Sterbeecia 17: 44-69
- 9 Spores 6-7.5 x 3-3.5 μm ; hymenium of violea-type (Berijpte waaszwam) ***T. pruinosa***
Jülich: 457
Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452
Van de Put et al., Sterbeecia 17: 44-69
- Spores larger, mostly over 7.5 μm long 10
- 10 Most spores slightly to distinctly tapering at both ends, mostly 8-12 x 4-6 μm ; hymenium of violea-type (Violette waaszwam) ***T. pallida***
H&K: 116
Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452
Van de Put et al., Sterbeecia 17: 44-69
- Spores narrower and/or not tapered at both ends 11
- 11 Spores 6.5-10 x 3.5-4.5 μm , often depressed; hymenium of pinicola-type (Dennenwaaszwam) ***T. pinicola***
Jülich: 458
H&K: 116
Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452
Van de Put et al., Sterbeecia 17: 44-69
- At least some spores over 10 μm long; basidia not formed in clusters 12
- 12 Spores 8.5-12 x 4-4.5 μm , often ventrally depressed, with obtuse apex ***T. fuscoviolacea***
Jülich: 456
H&K: 117
Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452
- Spores 10-12.5 x 2.5-3 μm , often with tapered apex ***T. pallidocrema***
Jülich: 456
H&K: 117
Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452
- 13 Spores allantoid, mostly under 15(-16) μm long 14
Spores spiralled or coiled, or often > 15 μm long 17
- 14 Spores 10-15 x 3-4.5 μm , often deeply angled; basidia often bisterigmate, and with widely separated sterigmata (Klontjeswaaszwam (NL), Knotssteelwaaszwam (VL)) ***T. danica***
Jülich: 457
H&K: 117
Roberts, Mycol. Res. 97: 213-220
Van de Put et al., Sterbeecia 17: 44-69
- Most spores shorter 15
- 15 Spores larger, 6.5-12 x 2.5-3.5 μm , distinctly allantoid to angled; hymenium of pinicola-type ***T. saveloides***
Roberts, Mycol. Res. 97: 213-220
- Spores 5-7.5 x 2.5-3 μm , only weakly allantoid, apex mostly obtuse. 16
- 16 Hyphae 2.5-3.5 μm wide; basidia mostly clavate; hymenium of violea-type (Kortsporige waaszwam) ***T. tomaculum***
H&K: 117
Roberts, Mycol. Res. 97: 213-220

- Hyphae 1.5-2(-3) μm wide; basidia mostly spheropedunculate with widely separated sterigmata; hyphae trailing thinly over the substrate *T. dissitipora*
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 98: 1235-1244
- 17 Spores distinctly coiled, spiralled or semi- to almost completely circular 18
 Spores at most weakly curved or sinuous 20
- 18 Sinuous cystidia present; hyphae up to 2 μm wide *T. falcifera*
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 96: 233-236
- Cystidia absent; hyphae wider. 19
- 19 Spores question-mark-shaped, spiralled at the tip *T. helicospora*
 Jülich: 455
 H&K: 117
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 96: 233-236
- Spores bent in a semi- or almost full circle *T. bucina*
 Duhem et al., Bull. Soc. Mycol. France 128: 261-265
- 20 Basidia usually narrow and slender; hyphae up to 2 μm wide, trailing thinly over the substrate; spores 19-28 x 3-4 μm , curved and constricted *T. quasiflorens*
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 98: 1235-1244
- Basidia conventional; hyphae 2-6 μm wide; hymenium of violea-type 21
- 21 Spores 23-51 x 2-3 μm , Q = 8-17, straight or sinuous (Ingesloten waaszwam) *T. deliquescens*
 H&K: 117
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 98: 1235-1244
 Van de Put et al., *Sterbeecia* 17: 44-69
- Spores wider or shorter, fusiform to cylindrical 22
- 22 Spores fusoid, 14.5-26 x 6-9 μm , without apical projection *T. kongoensis*
 Roberts, Windahlia 22: 15-22
- Spores narrower and/or at least partly with apical projection (mucronate) 23
- 23 Spores mostly 16-30 x 3.5-5 μm , fusoid and \pm straight, often conspicuously mucronate (Langsporige waaszwam) *T. calospora*
 Jülich: 455
 H&K: 117
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 98: 1235-1244
 Van de Put et al., *Sterbeecia* 17: 44-69
- Spores (somewhat) smaller, sometimes sinuous, and not or hardly mucronate 24
- 24 Spores narrowly fusoid to cylindrical, straight, 10-20 x 3-4.5 μm , Q = 2.5-4.7 (Pipse waaszwam) *T. brinkmannii*
 Jülich: 457
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 98: 1235-1244
 Van de Put et al., *Sterbeecia* 17: 44-69
- Spores cylindrical, often ventrally depressed or sinuous, Q = 3-9 25
- 25 Spores with rounded ends, 9-20 x 2.5-3 μm *T. balearica*
 Roberts, Mycotaxon 60: 111-123
- Spores with tapering ends, 11-20 x 2.5-5 μm *T. convivalis*
 Trichiès, Bull. Soc. Mycol. France 122: 29-60

Key B - Clamp connections present on all septae

- 1 Spores globose to cylindrical 2
 Spores spiralled, coiled, or allantoid 8
- 2 Cystidia present and conspicuous 3
 Cystidia absent 4
- 3 Cystidia large, up to 120 μm long; spores 4-6 x 3-5 μm *T. traumatica*
 Jülich: 459
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452
- Cystidia smaller, up to 60 μm long; spores globose, 5.5-7.5 μm diameter (Spuugwaaszwam) *T. hyalina*

- Jülich: 459
H&K: 118
Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452
Van de Put et al., Sterbeekia 17: 44-69
- 4 Spores mostly globose to subglobose, $Q = 1-1.25$ 5
Spores mostly ellipsoid to cylindrical, $Q = 1.3-3$ 6
- 5 Hyphae 3-6 μm wide; hymenium of violea-type; spores 6-8 x 5.5-7 μm
 (Blauwgrijze waaszvam (NL), Vale waaszvam (VL)) ***T. subglobospora***
 H&K: 118
 Hjortstam, Windahlia 12/13: 19-28
 Van de Put et al., Sterbeekia 17: 44-69
- Hyphae narrower; hymenium of pinicola-type; spores 4-6 x 3.5-5.5 μm
 (Kleinsporige waaszvam) ***T. bourdotii***
 Jülich: 459
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 1431-1452
- 6 Spores large, 11.5-14 x 6-7.5 μm (Talkwaaszvam) ***T. griseorubella***
 Jülich: 459
 H&K: 118
 Hjortstam, Windahlia 12/13: 19-28
 Van de Put et al., Sterbeekia 17: 44-69
- Spores smaller, less than 11 μm long 7
- 7 Spores narrow, cylindrical to slightly allantoid, 4.5-6.5 x 2-2.5 μm , $Q = 2.3-3$ ***T. bifrons***
 Jülich: 459
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 98: 1235-1244
- Spores wider, 4.5-10 x 3-5.5 μm , $Q = 1.3-2$; hymenium of pinicola-type
 (Korstjeswaaszvam) ***T. thelephorea***
 H&K: 118
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 98: 1431-1452
 Van de Put et al., Sterbeekia 17: 44-69
- 8 Spores allantoid 9
Spores spiralled or coiled 11
- 9 Hyphae 0.5-1.5 μm wide, thinly trailing over the substrate; basidia small and often narrow; spores deeply angled, 5-8 x 2-2.5 μm ***T. permacra***
 H&K: 118
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 97: 213-220
- Hyphae broader 10
- 10 Spores 4.5-6.5 x 2-2.5 μm , cylindrical to weakly allantoid ***T. bifrons***
 Jülich: 459
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 98: 1235-1244
- Spores 7-10 x 2.5-3 μm , a minority still larger, weakly to strongly allantoid
 (Kromsporige waaszvam) ***T. allantospora***
 Syn. *T. curvispora*
 Jülich: 458
 H&K: 118
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 97: 213-220
 Van de Put et al., Sterbeekia 17: 44-69
- 11 Most spores question-mark-shaped (Spiraalspoorwaaszvam) ***T. interrogans***
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 96: 233-236
 Van de Put et al., Sterbeekia 17: 44-69
- Spores looped or coiled, but not question-mark-shaped
 (Kronkelsporige waaszvam) ***T. anguifera***
 Roberts, Mycol. Res. 96: 233-236

Synonyms

T. albolilacea now *T. pallida*
T. araneosa now *T. pruinosa*
T. cremea now *T. thelephorea*
T. curvispora now *T. allantospora*
T. inclusa now *T. thelephorea*
T. obscura now *T. eichleriana*
T. rosella now *T. deliquescens*
T. rubropallens now *T. allantospora*
T. violacea p.p. now *T. pallida*

Remarks

T. subglobospora is sometimes written as *T. subglobispora*.

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