



First records of three *Lepiota* species (*Agaricales, Basidiomycota*) from Ukraine, with notes on a poorly known species, *Lepiota subalba*

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Abstract. New records of four species of the genus *Lepiota* (*Agaricales, Basidiomycota*) are reported from Ukraine. Three species, *L. fuscovinacea*, *L. griseovirens*, and *L. roseolivida*, are recorded in Ukraine for the first time, whereas a poorly known species, *L. subalba*, earlier known in Ukraine from a few records, is confirmed using molecular identification methods. All species reports are supplemented with original descriptions and drawings based on newly collected material, as well as data on general distribution, habitat, references to new collections and public databases. Original nucleotide sequence of the ITS region of ribosomal DNA obtained from our voucher specimen of *L. subalba* is provided.

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Introduction

Lepiota (Pers) S.F.Gray (*Agaricaceae*) is a genus that comprises ca. 400 species (Kirk et al., 2008; Vellinga, 2009). Most of them are soil and litter decomposers, which are widely distributed from tropical to temperate regions (Vellinga, 2004). Several genera, such as *Cystolepiota* Singer, *Echinoderma* (Locq. ex Bon) Bon, *Melanophyllum* Velen., *Pulverolepiota* Bon, *Leucoagaricus* Locq. ex Singer, *Leucocoprinus* Pat., and *Chlorophyllum* Massee, share certain common features with *Lepiota* s. str. and thus their species were earlier (until the early 2000s) treated as members of *Lepiota* s. l. (Johnson, 1999; Vellinga, 2003, 2009). For convenience, the term "lepiotaceous fungi" has been widely used until now as an informal group that embraces the mentioned genera with colorless or differently (non-black) colored spores, in contrast to the type genus of the family, *Agaricus* L.

The first comprehensive list of lepiotaceous fungi of Ukraine was provided in the *Handbook of Fungi of Ukraine* (Zerova et al., 1979), where 33 species of *Lepiota* s. l. were reported. Wasser (1980) reported 37 accepted species names of *Lepiota* in his revision of the order *Agaricales* in Ukraine. The *Fungi of Ukraine* online database, which summarizes historical collections of the KW-M Herbarium of the 20th century, provides 36 species names of *Lepiota* (Andrianova et al., 2006). Afterwards, lepiotaceous fungi were not in focus of special studies and were investigated instead within wider research projects (Table 1).

These studies differ by their scope and geographical coverage from local and regional research (Dudka et al., 2004; Sarkina, 2013; Prylutskyi et al., 2017; Prylutskyi, 2018; Kozłowska et al., 2019; Makarenko, 2020; Malaniuk, 2020) through macro-regional surveys (Wasser, Soldatova, 1977; Dudka et al., 2009, 2019)

Table 1. General summary of recent (2000–onwards) and historical (1950–2000) studies on the genus *Lepiota* in Ukraine

Publication (authors, date, shortened title)	Level	Number of <i>Lepiota</i> species reported
Makarenko, 2020, <i>Agaricales, Boletales, and Russulales of the Psel River basin (Left-Bank Forest-Steppe)</i>	regional	9
Malaniuk, 2020, <i>Agarics and Boletes of Halych National Nature Park (West-Ukrainian and Precarpathian Forests)</i>	local	7
Kozłowska et al., 2019, <i>Fungi of Roztocze Upland</i>	regional	11
Dudka et al., 2019, <i>Fungi of the Ukrainian Carpathians</i>	macro-regional	10
Prylutskyi, 2018, <i>Agarics of Kharkiv Forest-Steppe</i>	regional	7
Prylutskyi et al., 2017, <i>Fungi of Homilsha Forests National Nature Park (Kharkiv Forest-Steppe)</i>	local	6
Sarkina, 2013, <i>Fungi of Crimea</i>	regional	16
Dudka et al., 2009, <i>Fungi of protected areas of Left-Bank Ukraine</i>	macro-regional	24
Andrianova et al., 2006, <i>Fungi of Ukraine</i> database	national	36
Dudka et al., 2004, <i>Fungi of Crimea</i>	regional	12
Wasser, 1980, <i>Agaricaceae of Ukraine</i>	national	37
Zerova, Sosin, Rozhenko, 1979, <i>Handbook of Fungi of Ukraine</i> , volume 5	national	33 (s. l.)
Wasser, Soldatova, 1977, <i>Fungi of the Steppe zone of Ukraine</i>	macro-regional	18 (s. l.)

to the national-level overviews (Zerova et al., 1979; Andrianova et al., 2006) and the critical revision (Wasser, 1980). Note that the older studies treated the genus *sensu lato*.

Here we provide original descriptions for recently collected specimens of four rare and interesting *Lepiota* species. *Lepiota griseovirens* Maire and *L. roseolivida* Murrill (as *Leucoagaricus roseolividus* (Murrill) E.Ludw.) previously have been briefly reported as the first records in Ukraine in the conference paper and PhD thesis (Havrysh et al., 2018; Prylutskyi, 2018), whereas *Lepiota fuscovinacea* F.H.Møller & J.E.Lange is reported here for the first time for Ukraine. We also provide an original description and nrITS sequence of our specimen of the rare and poorly known species *Lepiota subalba* Kühner ex P.D.Orton.

Materials and Methods

Specimens and morphological descriptions. Material was collected in Kyiv (central Ukraine) and Kharkiv (northeastern Ukraine) regions by the authors. Fruit bodies were photographed and annotated in the field. Collected specimens are deposited in the Mycological herbarium of V.N. Karazin Kharkiv National University – CWU(MYC).

The microscopic structures were observed in dried material. Sections of specimens were cut by hand and mounted in 5% KOH. Dimensions were determined for basidiospores, basidia, cheilocystidia, and elements of the

pileus covering based on ocular micrometer measurements for at least 20 basidiospores and at least 10 measures for other structures per specimen. Extreme values are given in parentheses. The following abbreviations are used: L – number of lamellae, l – number of lamellulae that do not reach the stem, Q – length/width ratio of basidiospores. Species names follow the *Index Fungorum* database, except *L. roseolivida*, for which we followed Vellinga's (2009) opinion, with arguments provided in the Results and Discussion section.

DNA extraction, amplification and sequencing. DNA from dry herbarium material (part of fruiting body) was extracted using NeoPrep 100 plant (Neogene, Ukraine). Fragment of the ribosomal ITS region was amplified using standard reaction conditions and primers ITS1 and ITS4 (White et al., 1990) using OneTaq® Quick-Load® (2X) Taq polymerase (New England Biolabs, M0488S). Products were visualized prior to sequencing in commercial sequencing facility (Macrogen Europe) with forward primer. Obtained chromatograms were checked by eye, low quality fragments in the beginning and the end were trimmed. Resulting sequences in fasta format were compared to the most similar sequences in open databases *GenBank* (Benson et al., 2013), *Unite* (Nilsson et al., 2019), and *Mycobank* (Crous et al., 2004) using available online search algorithms.

Five high-quality sequences of the nrITS region were selected as references for identification of *Lepiota subalba*, four isolated from specimens identified as *L. subalba*, and one – as a closely related species, *L. ignicolor* (Table 2).

Table 2. Reference sequences from open databases, highly similar to our nrITS sequence of *Lepiota subalba*, and their voucher specimens

Identification and origin	ITS sequence accession number	ITS sequence database	Herbarium specimen number	Identified by
<i>L. subalba</i> , Estonia	UDB015447 118281	UNITE	TUF118281	Vello Liiv
<i>L. subalba</i> , Norway	NOBAS2394-16 UDB036474	UNITE	O-F-21061	Thomas Læssøe
<i>L. subalba</i> , Norway	NOBAS1639-15 UDB036113	UNITE	O-F-80243	Katriina Bendiksen
<i>L. subalba</i> , the Netherlands	AY176489.1	NCBI	2242 (L)	Else Vellinga
<i>L. ignicolor</i> , the Netherlands	AY176472.1	NCBI	Unknown (herb. Huijser)	Henk A. Huijser

Evolutionary analyses were conducted in MEGA X (Kumar et al., 2018)

Data accessibility

Specimens' metadata and photos are deposited in the *PlutoF* database (Abarenkov et al., 2010) and accessible via their collection numbers with CWU(MYC) prefixes. The nrITS sequence of *L. subalba* is available through the *GenBank*, accession number OK041522.

Results and Discussion

Genus *Lepiota*

Lepiota fuscovinacea F.H.Møller & J.E.Lange, Fl. Agaric. Danic. 5 (Taxon. Consp.): V (1940) – Figs 1,A, 2,A.

Pileus 3.0–4.5 cm diam. at first campanulate, expanding to umbonate, with wide umbo and slightly convoluted margin, pale brown-wine, gray-wine color with lilac-grayish to purple tinge, closely covered with brown to dark-purple tomentose-fibrillose squamules. *Lamellae* free, crowded, L = 40–50, 1 = 5–10, white to cream, yellowish in older specimen. *Stipe* 3–6 × 0.3–0.8 cm, subcylindrical, hollow, slightly inflated at base, cream to pale wine at apical part, getting darker to base, reaching grayish-purple, brown-purple, with concolorous fugacious, fibrillose belts at annual zone and below, smooth above annual zone. Stem base with white mycelium cords. *Basidiospores* 4.5–5.5 × 2.0–2.5 µm, Q = 1.8–2.12, oblong to subcylindrical in side view, slightly narrowed to apex, ellipsoid to ovoid in front view, slightly thick-walled, hyaline, smooth, dextrinoid, non- or slightly metachromatic. *Basidia* 15–20 × 5.5–6.5 µm, clavate, four-spored. *Pleurocystidia* absent. *Cheilocystidia* 20–35 × (6–)7–13 µm, widely clavate to narrowly spheropedunculate, hyaline in KOH. *Pileus* covering a trichoderm, composed of elongate septated subcylindrical elements, (40–)60–100(–140) × 10–

20 µm, with brownish pigment, terminate elements are slightly narrowed and rounded to apex. Clamp connections absent.

Material examined. UKRAINE. Kyiv Region, Obukhiv District, near Rzhyshchiv town, 49.960841 N, 31.118578 E, on rich soil with clay basis, deciduous forest in ravine with *Betula pendula*, *Alnus glutinosa*, *Populus tremula*, *Tilia cordata*, 16 Oct. 2020, O. Prylutskyi (CWU(MYC)8692). *iNaturalist* observation (<https://www.inaturalist.org/observations/62769742>).

Habitat and distribution. Solitary or in small groups, terrestrial on loamy or clayey soil, rich in humus, in deciduous and coniferous woods and plantations. Reported from Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Norway, Poland, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Ukraine, and the United Kingdom (Candusso, Lanzoni, 1990; Noordeloos et al., 2001; Lange, 2012; GBIF, 2021a). Considered as a rare species throughout its range, especially in Nordic countries (Lange, 2012).

Lepiota griseovirens Maire, Bull. trimest. Soc. mycol. Fr. 44: 37 (1928) – Figs 1,B, 2,B.

Lepiota poliochloodes Vellinga & Huijser, Persoonia 15(2): 229 (1993).

Pileus 3–4 cm diam., at first conical, campanulate, then expanding to umbonate, almost applanate with wide umbo in center, dark greenish-gray color at first, olive, gray or brown, then disparting from margin into squamules in concentric zones laying on white background, remaining dark in center, when young with parts of veil at margin. *Lamellae* free, moderately crowded, L = 30–40, 1 = 20–30, at first white, yellowish when old. *Stipe* 5–6 × 0.2–0.6 cm, cylindrical, sometimes inflated at base, solid in lower part, then hollow, whitish or cream in apical part, gets dark yellow when touched, in lower 2/3 part covered with fugacious, greenish-



Fig 1. Fruit bodies of *Lepiota* species. A: *L. fuscovinacea*; B: *L. griseovirens*; C: *L. roseolivida*; D: *L. subalba*. Bars: 1 cm

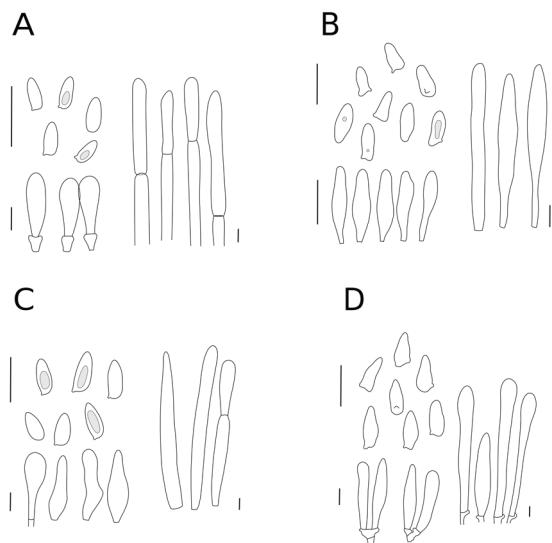


Fig. 2. Microscopic characters (spores, cheilocystidia, and pileipellis elements) of *Lepiota* species. A: *L. fuscovinacea*; B: *L. griseovirens*; C: *L. roseolivida*; D: *L. subalba*. Bars: 10 μ m

gray to olive fibrillose velum remnants, which did not form prominent annual zones in collected fruit bodies. *Basidiospores* (6.5–)7–8.5(–9.3) \times 3–4.5 μ m, Q = 23–2.97, subtriangular in side view, usually with suprahilar depression, ellipsoid to fusiform in front view, hyaline, smooth, dextrinoid, thick-walled. *Basidia* 17–20 \times 5.5–7.0 μ m, clavate, mostly four-spored, rarely two-spored. *Pleurocystidia* absent. *Cheilocystidia* (12.7–)15–20(–33) \times 5.5–7.1 μ m, clavate to narrowly utriform, sometimes fusiform, hyaline in KOH. *Pileus covering* a trichoderm, composed of elongate subcylindrical to subfusiform elements, 86–99 \times 12.5–19.8 μ m, with light brown, yellowish parietal pigment. Clamp connections common.

Material examined. UKRAINE. Kharkiv Region, Zmiiv District, near Haydary village, 49.627082 N, 36.3216094 E, on rich soil, edge of deciduous forest with *Acer negundo*, *Robinia pseudoacacia*, *Salix* sp., *Sambucus nigra*, *Urtica dioica*, 10 Oct. 2018, P. Havrysh & O. Prylutskyi (CWU(MYC)8055).

Habitat and distribution. Gregarious in small groups, terrestrial on sandy and loamy soils rich in humus, in deciduous and mixed woods and shrubs, as well as coastal dunes and ruderal places, rare in Europe. Reported from Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Russia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Ukraine, and the United Kingdom (Candusso, Lanzoni, 1990; Noordeloos et al., 2001; Lange, 2012; GBIF, 2021b).

Lepiota roseolivida Murrill, Mycologia 4(5): 234 (1912) – Figs 1,C, 2,C.

Lepiota marriageae D.A.Reid [as '*marriagei*'], Fungorum Rariorum Icones Coloratae 1: 20 (1966) – *Lepiota roseolivida* Murrill (Orthographic variant) – *Leucoagaricus marriageae* (D.A.Reid) Bon [as '*marriagei*'], Docums Mycol. 6(no. 24): 44 (1976) – *Leucoagaricus marriageae* [as '*marriagei*'] var. *ammovirescens* Bon, Docums Mycol. 22(no. 88): 31 (1993) – *Leucoagaricus roseolividus* (Murrill) E.Ludw. [as '*roseolividus*'], Pilzkompendium (Eching) 3: 509 (2012).

Pileus 0.5–3.0 cm diam., slightly umbonate to applanate with low umbo or sometimes concave, dark ocher with violetish tinge around umbo with often lighter or paler shades at umbo apex, widely covered with lilac, brownish pink to violet tomentose elements which are small to tiny squamules laying on white background, with overhanging usually V-shaped squamules at margin. *Lamellae* free, moderately crowded, $L = 40\text{--}45$, $l = 15\text{--}20$, white to cream. *Stipe* $3.0\text{--}7.5 \times 0.5\text{--}0.9$ cm, cylindrical or subcylindrical, slightly wider in lower part, hollow, white, covered with white slightly tomentose elements over showing pale cream context, with distinct annulus containing brownish violet to ocher squamules that also occur in lower part and gradually get thinner and paler to annulus. *Basidiospores* $7.3\text{--}8.1(10.6) \times 3.6\text{--}4.4 \mu\text{m}$, $Q = 1.78\text{--}1.97(2.94)$, oblong, narrowly oblong to amygdaliform in side view, slightly narrowed to apex, oblong in front view, thick-walled, hyaline, smooth, dextrinoid, metachromatic. *Basidia* $15\text{--}26 \times 6\text{--}9 \mu\text{m}$ clavate, four-spored, rarely two-spored. *Pleurocystidia* absent. *Cheilocystidia* $33.3\text{--}37.2 \times 9.8\text{--}11.8 \mu\text{m}$, fusiform, narrowly fusiform, narrowly utriform, clavate, subcylindrical, hyaline in KOH. *Pileus covering* a cutis, composed of elongate subcylindrical, subclavate elements sometimes narrowed to apex, $(107\text{--})148\text{--}230 \times 15.3\text{--}20.0 \mu\text{m}$, with pale pinkish-lilac pigment. Clamp connections absent.

Material examined. UKRAINE. Kharkiv Region, Zmiiv District, near Koropiv Khutir village, Homilsha

Forests [Gomolshanski Lisy] National Nature Park, 49.60933517 N, 36.33022437 E, on litter, deciduous forest with *Quercus robur*, *Tilia cordata*, *Fraxinus excelsior*, *Populus tremula*, 25 Oct. 2009, O. Prylutskyi (CWU(MYC)7289).

Habitat and distribution. Solitary or in small groups, terrestrial, in deciduous forests, but also recorded along a path in a more ruderal setting; widespread in the USA, not common in Western Europe. Europe (UK, Italy, the Netherlands, Ukraine), North America (USA) (Noordeloos et al., 2001; Vellinga, 2006; GBIF, 2021d).

Described from the west coast of North America (Murrill, 1912), *Lepiota roseolivida* seems to be rarer in Europe than in North America. The *Index Fungorum* database follows Ludwig's concept, who placed this species in *Leucoagaricus* as *L. roseolividus* ['*roseolividus*'] in his *Pilzkompendium* (Ludwig, 2012). Since Ludwig provided no taxonomic evidence for that treatment, we keep original meaning and circumscription of this name, following Murrill (1912) and Vellinga (2006).

Lepiota subalba Kühner ex P.D.Orton, Trans. Br. Mycol. Soc. 43(2): 287 (1960) – Figs 1,D, 2,D.

Lepiota albosericea J.E.Lange, Fl. Agaric. Danic. 1: 32 (1935) – *Lepiota subalba* Kühner, Bull. trimest. Soc. mycol. Fr. 52(2): 233 (1936) – *Lepiota subalba* var. *brunneaurantia* E.Ludw., Pilzkompendium (Eching) 3: 441 (2012).

Pileus 1.0–3.5 cm diam., convex, with age expanding, sometimes to umbonate with blunt apex, whitish, mostly cream, sometimes dirty-cream at disk, with mustard non-tomentose squamules mostly crowded at center or often smooth, in young specimen with whitish veil at margin. *Lamellae* free, slightly ventricose, $L = 25\text{--}45$, $l = 5\text{--}10$, white to cream-white. *Stipe* $2\text{--}7 \times 0.2\text{--}0.5$ cm, cylindrical or subcylindrical with inflated base, sometimes solid in lower part, then hollow, white, with gray-mustard, mustard to light brown squamules, sometimes in fuzzy concentric zones, covering all stipe under tomentose whitish annulus. *Basidiospores* $6.3\text{--}8.7 \times 2.8\text{--}3.7 \mu\text{m}$, $Q = (1.97\text{--})2.22\text{--}2.82$, subtriangular in side view, rarely with suprahilar depression, with protrusion at abaxial side, ellipsoid to subfusiform in front view, hyaline, smooth, metachromatic, thick-walled. *Basidia* $23.7\text{--}31.1 \times 6.7\text{--}7.8 \mu\text{m}$, clavate, usually four-spored, sometimes two-spored. *Pleurocystidia* absent. *Cheilocystidia* $(25.7\text{--})37\text{--}55.2 \times 5.2\text{--}7.0 \mu\text{m}$, narrowly clavate to fusiform, hyaline in KOH. *Pileus covering* a trichoderm, composed of elongate subcylindrical to fusiform elements widen to apex, $(59.5\text{--})72\text{--}112 \times 10.2\text{--}16 \mu\text{m}$. Clamp connections common.

Table 3. Uncorrected p-distances between sequences of *Lepiota* specimens

	CWU(MYC)8416	<i>L. subalba</i> UDB015447 118281	<i>L. subalba</i> NOBAS2394-16 UDB036474	<i>L. subalba</i> NOBAS1639-15 UDB036113	<i>L. subalba</i> AY176489.1	<i>L. ignicolor</i> AY176472.1
CWU(MYC)8416						
<i>L. subalba</i> UDB015447 118281	0.0000					
<i>L. subalba</i> NOBAS2394-16 UDB036474	0.0000	0.0000				
<i>L. subalba</i> NOBAS1639-15 UDB036113	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000			
<i>L. subalba</i> AY176489.1	0.0262	0.0262	0.0262	0.0262		
<i>L. ignicolor</i> AY176472.1	0.0323	0.0323	0.0323	0.0323	0.0385	

Material examined. UKRAINE. Kyiv city, Vystavkovyi Tsentr [Exhibition Center] park, 50.368372 N, 30.480649 E, on rich soil, deciduous forest with *Carpinus betulus*, 18 Oct. 2020, O. Prylutskyi (CWU(MYC)8416). *iNaturalist* observation – 62999172 (<https://www.inaturalist.org/observations/62999172>); *GenBank* accession number – OK041522 (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/OK041522>).

Habitat and distribution. Solitary to gregarious in small groups, terrestrial on sandy to loamy soils rich in humus, in deciduous woods and shrubs, rarely in coniferous forests; rare, but locally occasional in Europe. Belgium, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, the Netherlands, Norway, Russia, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom (Candusso, Lanzoni, 1990; Noordeloos et al., 2001; Lange, 2012; GBIF, 2021c).

Lepiota subalba was reported in Ukraine several times since 1954. According to the *Fungi of Ukraine* database (Andrianova et al., 2006), the KW Herbarium contains two deposited specimens identified as *L. subalba*, KW-M35462 and KW-M40649, both from Kherson Region, South Ukraine. Zerova mentioned this species name in 1959 and 1979 (Zerova, 1959; Zerova et al., 1979). However, Wasser in the volume of the *Flora Fungorum RSS Ucrainicae* on the family *Agaricaceae* (Wasser, 1980) did not use this name or any of its known synonyms. The last time *L. subalba* was mentioned in the *Fungi of Reserves and National Nature Parks of the Left-bank Ukraine* from the "Prydintsivska Zaplava" part of Luhansk Nature Reserve (Dudka et al., 2009).

Lepiota subalba demonstrates a wide variation in its morphology and might be confused with similar species from *Lepiota* sect. *Stenosporae* (Vellinga, 2003; Liang, 2016). To check and confirm our identification, we obtained the ITS sequence of our specimen, the trimmed region of which comprised 663 base pairs. Search in open databases resulted in five most similar sequences (Table 3).

Uncorrected p-distances were equal to zero in case of four sequences identified as *L. subalba* from Norway and Estonia, but has 2.6% difference in case of voucher specimen of that species from the Netherlands, while the sequence of a sister species, *L. ignicolor*, has slightly greater differentiation from both (3.2–3.9%).

Both species share spurred spores and equally short pileus covering elements (trichoderm) and belong to the section *Stenosporae* in the traditional morphological classification (Bon, 1993). Molecular evidence suggests that both taxa belong to the wider clade, which includes also a very variable species *L. castanea*, with long pileus covering elements (Vellinga, 2003).

Despite high similarity in nrITS and LSU regions, *Lepiota subalba* and *L. ignicolor* significantly differ in their macromorphology. *Lepiota subalba* is characterized by its convex to bell-shaped, pale yellowish to pale ochraceous or creamy cap which is hardly cracked into squamules. *Lepiota ignicolor*, in contrast, possesses brightly ochraceous, brick or even warm orange-brown squamules, alongside with slenderer fruit bodies (Bon, 1993; Lange, 2012). Our specimen lies somewhere in between, approaching more closely *L. subalba*, with light brown, if not mustard squamules on its pileus and stem. Microscopic features, as far as we detected them, hardly helped in distinguishing between the two species.

Due to lack of material, *L. subalba* is treated as an obscure species. A thorough examination of this group is needed, using a wide range of samples from all over the Northern Hemisphere; the morphological variability and molecular data deserve equal attention (Vellinga, personal communication).

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Резюме. Наведено відомості про знахідки на території України чотирьох видів роду *Lepiota* (*Agaricales*, *Basidiomycota*). Три види – *L. fuscovinacea*, *L. griseovirens* та *L. roseolivida* – наводяться вперше для України. Повідомлення про маловідомий вид *L. subalba*, який раніше відмічався в Україні, підтверджено з використанням молекулярно-генетичних методів ідентифікації. Для кожного виду подано оригінальні описи, що супроводжуються ілюстраціями, даними про загальне поширення, оселищні уподобання та посиланнями на колекційні зразки і відкриті бази даних. Наведено оригінальну нуклеотидну послідовність ITS регіону рибосомальної ДНК, отриману із зібраного нами зразка *L. subalba*.

Ключові слова: ДНК-штрихкодування, грибне різноманіття, ITC, лепіотоїдні гриби, нові знахідки, Україна