

New Discoveries

One of our Research scholars, Mrs. R.Nithyatharani, the first candidate of the Department awarded Ph.D., by Bharathidasan University in 2013. Totally 78 species of Foliicolous fungi were recorded, in which 10 species and 2 varieties are new discoveries. It includes the Genus *Asterina* (6), *Meliola* (5) and *Questieriella* (1). Among the fungi identified, two are new record to India. The name of the Foliicolous fungi are listed below,

S.No.	List of New Species	List of New varieties	List of New record to India
1	<i>Meliola cyperacearum</i>	<i>Asteridiela solani</i> <i>var.kodaikalensis</i>	<i>Meliola euonymi</i>
2	<i>Meliola hoveniae</i>	<i>Meliola daviesii</i> <i>var.</i> <i>kodaikalensis</i>	<i>Asterina clematidis</i>
3	<i>Meliola luculiae</i>		
4	<i>Meliola thiyagesanii</i>		
5	<i>Asterina scutellariae</i>		
6	<i>Asterina dhivaharanii</i>		
7	<i>Asterina kukkalensis</i>		
8	<i>Asterina phobegena</i>		
9	<i>Asterina polygalae</i>		
10	<i>Asterina viburnii</i>		
11	<i>Questieriella toddaliae</i>		
12	<i>Meliola exacigena</i>		