

# *21st Century Guidebook to Fungi*

## *Endorsements*

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"Mycology is often seen as a relatively small specialist discipline; however, this expansive treatment of the subject reaches the parts that other textbooks fail to reach, even putting fungi in the context of the cosmos! This interactive textbook will make a valuable contribution to modernising fungal science education, providing a platform for 21st century mycology teaching in universities and colleges." (Dr Alison M. Ashby, British Mycological Society Fungal Education and Outreach, and the Department of Plant Sciences, University of Cambridge, UK).

"The *21st Century Guidebook to Fungi* is a game changer. It will provide the current techno savvy generation of students with a format that matches their learning style. The information is extensive and accessibly presented and the links provide students with tools to improve their critical thinking and life long learning skills. I will use it in a large class format with students at a wide range of levels. Thank you for your hard work in producing this truly superior product." (Scott E. Gold PhD, Professor of Plant Pathology, University of Georgia, USA).

"This will be very popular and will certainly fill a major gap in the available textbook literature...I will be recommending it on the MSc microbiology course I now help with." (Professor D. L. Hawksworth CBE, Honorary President, International Mycological Association; Universidad Complutense de Madrid, and the Natural History Museum, London).

"This book will be very useful to all industrial microbiologists. The *21st Century Guidebook to Fungi* manages to combine classical mycology with advances in molecular phylogeny, and also covers recent advances in a whole host of other topics. The writing is crisp and concise. In particular, the layout is very well thought out. A wonderful starting point for anyone involved in working with fungi." (Dr Mark Loftus, Senior Research Scientist, L.F. Lambert Spawn Co., Coatesville, PA, USA).

"The idea of integrating both a CD-ROM and a book makes this very timely, and a powerful educational tool for use at both undergraduate and postgraduate level. The key aspects of mycology are comprehensively covered with excellent diagrams, figures and images to help the educational process." (Professor Naresh Magan, School Research Director & Head, Applied Mycology Group, Cranfield University, UK).

"Fungi are significant things: without them, there would be no grasslands and forests and humans would never have evolved. The *21st Century Guidebook to Fungi* introduces students to the vast sweep of fungal biology and does an admirable job of explaining what these fascinating organisms are, how they work, and what they do." (Nicholas P. Money PhD, Western Program Director and Professor of Botany, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, USA).

"Fungi are exciting organisms to study but they are often the preserve of the specialist. That's all changed with the production of this book. Moore, Robson & Trinci have now made fungi accessible to everyone with interesting comments, explanatory figures, clear illustrations and personal observations. Even if you are not a student of physiology or genetics the book is

reader friendly such that you can pick the book up and choose a chapter. For those, amateur or student, who want to learn more about fungi this is your text; even the professional will find it of great use in refreshing the memory and I am sure will pick up a few tricks in doing so.” (Professor Roy Watling MBE, FRSE, Consultant Mycologist and former Head of Mycology and Plant Biology at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Edinburgh).

**Other comments on the manuscript and proof...**

I never said how absolutely blown away I am by the Cyberfungi. That’s such beautiful science: so simple and so bang on the button! [Anna Hodson, CUP Copy-Editor]

Don’t thank me for improving your book, as I did no such thing. I merely flicked a speck or two of dust off the bonnet of the Rolls-Royce. [Anna Hodson, CUP Copy-Editor]

It certainly is a lovely book and a fascinating read - I feel quite lucky to have had the chance to work on it. The enthusiasm of the authors for their topic really comes across and I have learned a lot about a topic I knew little about, through reading it. [Anonymous external proof-reader, February 2011].

I have to say David you have written a remarkable text with your trademark level of engagement for the reader, I don't think there is anything even close to this in the field. A true labour of love! [Geoffrey Robson, 23 February 2011].

Many thanks for the CD. Mycology is greatly in your debt. [Tony Trinci, 2 March 2011].