

Russula griseopurpurata

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A mushroom collected beneath a sal tree in Meghalaya's Ri-Bhoi district in 2022 has been identified as a new species to science, named *Russula griseopurpurata*.

About *Russula griseopurpurata*

- It is a new species of **mushroom**.
- The species has so far been recorded from **Meghalaya** and **West Bengal**.
- They were found **singly or in scattered groups beneath sal trees**.
- It has a **greyish-purple cap** that develops cracks as it matures.
- Its gills show characteristic forkings near the stalk.
- It belongs to the large and diverse **Russula genus**.
- Russula genus comprises about **2,000 species worldwide**, with more than **180 species** documented in different parts of **India**.

- Although **some Russula species are edible**, the researchers have **not established R. griseopurpurata as edible**.
- Its reported mild taste and odour do not constitute a food-safety assessment.

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