

Corrigendum for: “Oomycete-specific ITS primers for identification and metabarcoding” published in MycoKeys, doi: 10.3897/mycokeys.14.9244

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The oomycete-specific ITS primers published by Riit et al. (2016) have been put to use in the scientific community working with oomycetes. Recently, however, it has been brought to our attention that the sequences of the primers ITS100 and ITS300 shown in the first Figure of the published manuscript are incomplete, when compared to the sequences of the same primers as listed on the UNITE website. This discrepancy is derived from re-checking primer sequences from tube labels that are restricted to the first 18 bases.

Closer examination revealed that the sequence of primer ITS100 in Figure 1 is missing one nucleotide from the 3' end and the primer ITS300 is missing two nucleotides from the 3' end. These errors are expected to reduce relative primer specificity to Oomycetes, which probably results in a lower proportion of this group in metabarcoding studies. We hereby provide the updated figure (Figure 1) with correct information. We apologise to all users of these erroneous primers for their suboptimal performance. We are grateful to Dr. Diana Marčiulynienė and Dr. Sannakajsa Velmala for identifying these problems.

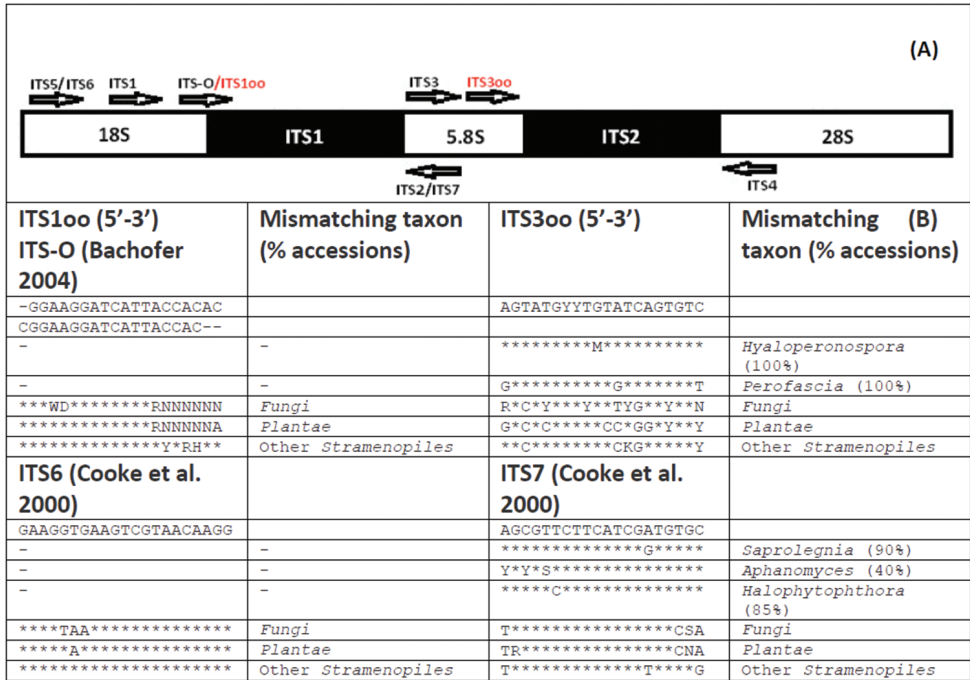


Figure 1. A Map of universal and oomycete-specific ITS region primers **B** Taxa with mismatches in the binding sites of primers ITS1oo and ITS3oo. Only taxa with 10% or more mismatching accessions are shown.

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