







2023 Report

# IUCN SSC Mushroom, Bracket and Puffball Specialist Group

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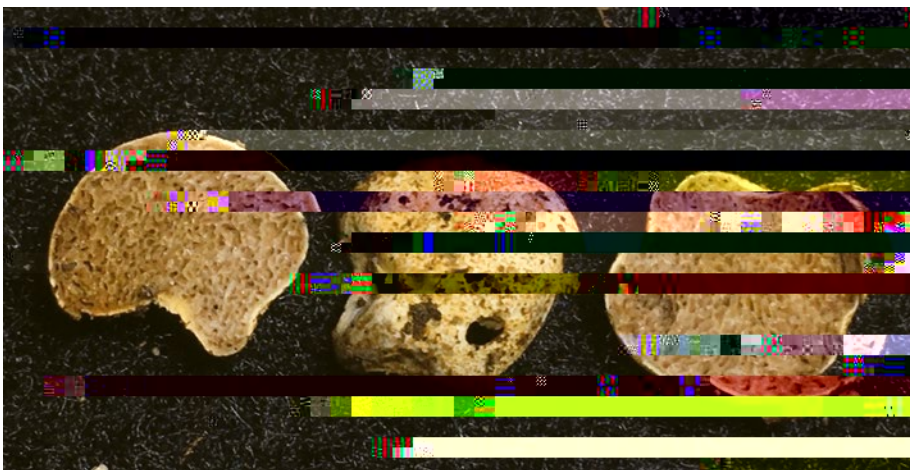
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**NUMBER OF MEMBERS**  
36



*Rhizoglyphus*, classified as Vulnerable (VU A3c/C2a(ii)). Endemic species of the Montane Forests of the southern Yungas in Argentina and Brazil  
Photo: Nicolas Niveiro



*Dicranoglyphus*, classified as Endangered (EN A2c). Puffball endemic to southern Chile  
Photo: Matthew Smith

400 assessments are complete or nearly complete and await review and publication with another over 1,000 assessments in progress.

**T-002 Puffball Specialist Group** *Cantharellus*. (KSR 6)

Number of new global Red List assessments completed: 71

Result description: Seventy-one new assessments were published in 2023 bringing the total published to 126. All the remaining species have been preliminarily assessed and await final review and publication.

**COMMUNICATE**  
**Communication**

**T-003 Mushroom Bracket Specialist Group** *Mycena*. (KSR 13)

Number of digital communication outputs developed: 60

Result description: Information on fungi, stories about specific amazing fungi, and updates on red listing and other fungal conservation actions were highlighted on social

media posted by the FunCC, Global Center for Species, Survival, and Specialist Group members.

Number of SSC members' presentations developed: 65

Result description: Mushroom, Bracket and Puffball Specialist Group members are active participants and presenters at conferences, workshops, and public events. Presentation topics included updates on biodiversity surveys, ecology, taxonomic treatments, conservation initiatives and general talks to the public highlighting the importance of fungi and the need to conserve them. In addition to seminars, talks to the public, and sessions at national scientific meetings, multiple presentations were made during the Latin American Mycological Congress in Panama, Congress of European Mycologists in Italy, NESS International Symposium in China, and State of the World's Plants and Fungi Symposium organized by Royal Botanic Gardens Kew.

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**Summary of achievements**

**T-001 Puffball Specialist Group** 2021-2025: 3

**Global Conservation**: 3 Global

**Assessments** 2023:

Assess: 2 (KSR 6)

Communicate: 2 (KSR 13)

**T-002 Puffball Specialist Group** 2021-2025:



3 (100%)

■ Not initiated ■ On track ■ Achieved

