

# Apiosporina morbosa (Schw.:Fr.) Arx

## *Black knot of cherry*

morbosa from morbus, disease



### Description:

coral fungus

**Fruiting Body:** pseudothecial ascomycete; stroma up to 30 cm long x 1-3 cm diameter; erumpent from beneath the tree bark. **Spores:** ascospores 2-celled, smooth, hyaline.

**Diagnostic macroscopic feature:** black irregular swellings on twigs and branches of cherry trees

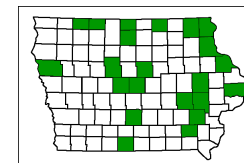
**Nutritional Mode:** obligate parasite

**Substrate:** on stems, branches and trunk of cherry species

**Habitat:** woodlands, yards, etc. wherever cherry grows

**Fruiting Season:** asexual spores in spring, sexual spores in summer

**Kingdom:** Fungi



**very common**

**Phylum:** Ascomycota  
**Order:** Pleosporales