



# Trichophyton Indotineae

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Dermatologists from **India** and 13 other countries have criticized the **region-specific nomenclature** of the novel **fungus** species, *Trichophyton (T.) indotineae*.

- **Trichophyton (T.) Indotineae:** It is a novel fungal species causing **difficult-to-treat skin infections**, often resistant to most **antifungal treatments**.
  - *T. indotineae*, first **identified in 2020 by Japanese dermatologists** in patients from India and Nepal, has since been **detected in over 40 countries**.
    - Its origin remains unclear, **as it was found in Australia, Oman, and Iran before the 2010s epidemic of multi-drug-resistant tinea infections**.
  - The species name, linked to India (and "indotineae"), has faced criticism for being region-specific, which could perpetuate **stigma and misinformation**.
    - The naming is **prejudicial** and contradicts guidelines set by organizations such as the **WHO and the American Society of Microbiology**.
- **Critics of Nomenclature:** The best practices for naming diseases focus on using **descriptive terms based on symptoms** and specific characteristics like severity or seasonality.
  - These guidelines were developed by **WHO** in collaboration with **OIE** and the **FAO**, and the **International Classification of Diseases (ICD)**.
  - Naming fungi after specific locations can be misleading and harmful, citing past examples like the **"Spanish flu"** or **"Delhi boil."**

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# Fungi Kingdom

## Characteristics of Fungi Kingdom

- \* Most Fungi are many-celled and some are one-celled organisms.
- \* Cells of the Fungi have a membrane around the nucleus.
- \* The Fungi get nutrients and energy by absorbing and digesting from the surface they live on.
- \* Most Fungi reproduce by spores.
- \* Examples of Fungi are yeast, mushrooms, bread molds, and lichens.



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