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Thallus saxicola, ascendens vel plus minusve inclinatus . . . etc.

Typus: Portugal, Madeira, Porto Santo, Pico do Facho, 33°05'N, 16°19'W, on acidic rock, 350 m alt, 7 April 1988, H. Krog & E. Timdal 6163 (O—holotypus; BM, UPS—isotypi).

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Pyrenopsis furfurea (Nyl.) Th. Fr.

Bot. Notiser 1866: 58 (1866); type: Scotland, Ben Lawers, 1864, Jones (H-NYL 42916—lectotype; BM—isolectotype).

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Hale, M. E. (1983) *The Biology of Lichens*. 3rd Edn. London: Arnold.

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