Mitospores / Hyphomycetes (My-toe-spores / Hi-foe-my-seets)

A group of fungi constituting the second largest fungi group. Mitospores / Hyphomycetes corresponds to a class of conidial fungi characterized by the formation of asexual spores (conidia) on conidiophores that are not contained in a fruiting body. These organisms are from samples containing spores without other identifying structures and are essentially indistinguishable from various other genera using standard microscopy analysis. If required, cultured specimens can provide additional characteristics that will make identification of the genus and species possible. Many are considered contaminants and allergens.