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Abstract. A new smut fungus, *Macalpinomyces viridans* on *Sporobolus actinocladus* is described from Australia. It is compared with related species, and a key to the four *Macalpinomyces* species known on *Sporobolus* is given.

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