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Good news! It sounds like this fungus does not pose a significant threat to the health of the tree.



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hi Liah,

welcome aboard to the IFAS extension team. I read through the document briefly but focused on the fungus. I can see why you would say Ganoderma but I actually think this is likely a Tramete sp. We have A LOT of different species here in Florida and super hard to without a specimen. However, these are all decay saprobes that are not considered to be pathogenic. this means that there is some dead wood on the tree but that might not be a serious problem if the canopy looks good and it is not looking dangerous for any other reason. If I had this on a tree in my yard I would not consider it as a reason for removal unless there were other concerns. Please let me know if you have additional questions.

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