



New combinations and names for some Philippine vascular plants

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Abstract New names and new combinations are presented for 29 Philippine species in the families *Acanthaceae*, *Aspleniaceae*, *Cucurbitaceae*, *Gesneriaceae*, *Lauraceae*, *Myrtaceae*, *Oleaceae*, *Thelypteridaceae*, *Urticaceae*, and *Vitaceae*. Seventeen names are lectotypified.

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INTRODUCTION

Co's Digital Flora of the Philippines (CDFP; Pelser et al. 2011 onwards) is a photo-illustrated online checklist of the vascular flora of the Philippines (Barcelona et al. 2013). This paper presents several *nomina nova* and new combinations for species in CDFP of families *Acanthaceae*, *Aspleniaceae*, *Cucurbitaceae*, *Gesneriaceae*, *Lauraceae*, *Myrtaceae*, *Oleaceae*, *Thelypteridaceae*, *Urticaceae*, and *Vitaceae* that need to be published to ensure that their nomenclatural treatment is in accordance with the current understanding of their evolutionary relationships and currently used classifications.

Many species names in the Philippine flora were published in the early 20th century without information about the number of specimens that were part of the type gathering and, for species described from duplicates, without details that allow one to determine which is the holotype. Until lectotypification of these names has taken place, these should be considered syntypes (McNeill 2014). We list those that we located in online herbarium databases and via JSTOR Global Plants (plants.jstor.org).

We lectotypify 17 names in the families *Gesneriaceae*, *Lauraceae*, *Myrtaceae*, *Oleaceae*, and *Urticaceae*. When selecting lectotypes for these names, we chose specimens from available syntypes that are best preserved and most clearly show the diagnostic character states mentioned in the protogues of the names. We refrained from designating lectotypes when we felt that a more critical study of candidate specimens is required before a choice is made.

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NOMENCLATURAL NOVELTIES

1. Ferns

1.1. Aspleniaceae

1.1.1. New combination in *Hymenasplenium*

Salgado (2003) described *Asplenium ofeliae* Salgado as a new species of *Asplenium* sect. *Hymenasplenium* (Hayata) K.Iwats. This section is by some now again recognised at the genus level (i.e., *Hymenasplenium* Hayata; e.g., PPG I 2016, Xu et al. 2018a, b, 2019) and this classification is followed in CDFP. A new combination for *Asplenium ofeliae* in *Hymenasplenium* is therefore needed.

***Hymenasplenium ofeliae* (Salgado) Barcelona & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Asplenium ofeliae Salgado, Amer. Fern J. (2003) 193. — Type: *Merrill* 700 (holo US; iso PRC (not seen)), Philippines, Luzon, Benguet Prov., May 1911.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon).

1.2. Thelypteridaceae

1.2.1. New combination in *Amblovenatum*

CDFP follows PPG I (2016) in accepting *Amblovenatum* J.P.Roux as distinct from *Cyclosorus* Link s.str. and other genera that can be segregated from *Cyclosorus* s.lat. sensu He & Zhang (2012) (Almeida et al. 2016). *Amblovenatum* is a *nomen novum* for *Amphineuron* Holttum (nom. illeg., non *Amphineuron* (A.D.C.) Pichon). One of the species that Holttum (1971, 1977) placed in *Amphineuron* has not yet been transferred to *Amblovenatum*.

***Amblovenatum attenuatum* (Kuntze) Barcelona & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Dryopteris attenuata Kuntze, Revis. Gen. Pl. 2 (1891) 812. — *Amphineuron attenuatum* (Kuntze) Holttum (1977) 215. — Syntypes: *Cuming* 327 (syn B, BM, BRI, E, G, K, L, LE (not seen), P, SING (not seen), UC, US), Philippines, Samar, 1841.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon, Mindanao, Samar), Sulawesi, Moluccas.

2. Angiosperms

2.1. Acanthaceae

2.1.1. New combinations in *Dicliptera*

Following Darbyshire & Vollesen (2007) and Kiel et al. (2017), CDFP uses a broad delimitation of *Dicliptera* Juss. that includes *Peristrophe* Nees. Three Philippine species currently placed in *Peristrophe* are here transferred to *Dicliptera*.

***Dicliptera caudatifolia* (Merr.) Pelser, comb. nov.**

Peristrophe caudatifolia Merr., Philipp. J. Sci. 27 (1925) 54. — Syntypes: *Loher* 12196 (syn K, M, PNH), Philippines, Luzon, Rizal Prov., Montalban [now Rodriguez Municipality], July 1908.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon).

***Dicliptera cordatibractea* (Merr.) Pelser, comb. nov.**

Peristrophe cordatibractea Merr., Philipp. J. Sci. 20 (1922) 455. — Syntypes: *BS (Ramos)* 39392 (syn K, P, PNH lost, US), Philippines, Mindoro, Mt Calavite, Apr. 1921.

Distribution — Philippines (Mindoro).

***Dicliptera lancifolia* (Merr.) Pelser, comb. nov.**

Peristrophe lancifolia Merr., Philipp. J. Sci., C. 5 (1910) 229. — Syntypes: *FB (Curran)* 19258 (syn K, NY, PNH lost, US), Philippines, Luzon, Bataan Prov., Balanga Mts, Jan. 1910.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon).

2.1.2. New name in *Hypoestes*

Merrill (1922) described a new Philippine species of *Hypoestes* Sol. ex R.Br. from Zamboanga. He considered it different from, yet perhaps close to *Hypoestes subcapitata* C.B.Clarke. He named this species *Hypoestes axillaris* Merr. because of its mainly axillary inflorescences, but this name is a later homonym of *Hypoestes axillaris* Benoist, which refers to a different species from Madagascar. A new name is therefore needed for the Philippine taxon.

***Hypoestes zamboangensis* Pelser, nom. nov.**

Hypoestes axillaris Merr., Philipp. J. Sci. 20 (1922) 449, nom. illeg., non *Hypoestes axillaris* Benoist (1910) 224. — Syntypes: *Merrill* 5473 (syn L, PNH lost), Philippines, Mindanao, Zamboanga Prov., 10 Oct. 1906.

Distribution — Philippines (Mindanao).

2.1.3. New name in *Staurogyne*

When Bremekamp (1944) transferred *Gymnostachyum subcordatum* Elmer to *Staurogyne* Wall., he overlooked the name *Staurogyne subcordata* Benoist. To replace the later homonym *Staurogyne subcordata* (Elmer) Bremek., the late Leonardo L. Co intended to use the name *Staurogyne elmeri* (unpubl. ms.), but he passed away before he could publish this new name and combination.

***Staurogyne elmeri* Co ex Pelser, nom. nov.**

Gymnostachyum subcordatum Elmer, Leafl. Philipp. Bot. 5 (1913) 1703. — *Staurogyne subcordata* (Elmer) Bremek. (1944) 113, nom. illeg., non *Staurogyne subcordata* Benoist (1933) 173. — Syntypes: *Elmer* 12729 (syn BISH, BRIT, CAS, F, GH, K, L, MICH, NY, P, PH, U, US), Philippines, Palawan, Puerto Princesa, Mt Pulgar, Mar. 1911.

Distribution — Philippines (Palawan).

2.2. Cucurbitaceae

2.2.1. New combinations in *Zehneria*

Pilogyne Eckl. ex Schrad. and *Neoachmandra* W.J.de Wilde & Duyfjes are currently often included in a more broadly circumscribed *Zehneria* Endl. (Schaefer & Renner 2011, Dwivedi et al. 2018) than delimited by De Wilde & Duyfjes (2006), but two Philippine species have not yet been transferred to this genus.

***Zehneria rizalensis* (W.J.de Wilde & Duyfjes) Pelser & H.Schaef., comb. nov.**

Pilogyne rizalensis W.J.de Wilde & Duyfjes, Reinwardtia 12 (2009) 410. — Type: *BS (Ramos)* 2023 (holo BM; iso BRI, PNH), Philippines, Luzon, Rizal Prov., Nov. 1914.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon).

***Zehneria scaberrima* (Merr.) Pelser & H.Schaef., comb. nov.**

Melothria scaberrima Merr., Philipp. J. Sci., C. 4 (1909) 330. — *Neoachmandra scaberrima* (Merr.) W.J.de Wilde & Duyfjes (2006) 29. — Lectotype (designated by De Wilde & Duyfjes 2006): *Elmer* 5862 (lecto L; isolecto BO, K, PNH lost), Philippines, Luzon, Benguet Prov., Baguio, Mar. 1904.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon).

2.3. Gesneriaceae

2.3.1. New combinations in *Aeschynanthus*

Trichosporum D.Don is considered a synonym of *Aeschynanthus* Jack (Schlechter 1923, Burtt & Woods 1975). Although the majority of Philippine *Trichosporum* species were previously transferred to *Aeschynanthus*, new combinations for seven species are still needed.

***Aeschynanthus brachysepalus* (Merr.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Trichosporum brachysepalum Merr., Philipp. J. Sci., C. 10 (1915) 81. — Lectotype (designated here): *BS (Reillo)* 16163 (lecto US00126016; isolecto K, PNH lost), Philippines, Basilan, Cumalarang, 25 Aug. 1912.

Distribution — Philippines (Basilan).

***Aeschynanthus macgregorii* (Merr.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Trichosporum macgregorii Merr., Philipp. J. Sci., C. 10 (1915) 81. — Type: *BS (McGregor)* 20075 (PNH lost), Philippines, Luzon, Nueva Ecija Prov., near Imugan, Jan. 1913.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon).

***Aeschynanthus malindangensis* (Merr.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Trichosporum malindangense Merr., Philipp. J. Sci., C. 10 (1915) 83. — Lectotype (designated here): *FB (Mearns & Hutchinson)* 4660 (lecto K000831902; isolecto PNH lost, US), Philippines, Mindanao, Misamis Occidental Prov., Mt Malindang, May 1906.

Distribution — Philippines (Mindanao).

***Aeschynanthus mindanaensis* (Merr.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Trichosporum mindanaense Merr., Philipp. J. Sci. 20 (1922) 440. — Lectotype (designated here): BS (Ramos & Edaño) 38869 (lecto US00126021; isolepto K, PNH lost), Philippines, Mindanao, Bukidnon Prov., Mt Candoon, June/July 1920.

Distribution — Philippines (Mindanao).

***Aeschynanthus panayensis* (Merr.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Trichosporum panayense Merr., Philipp. J. Sci. 20 (1921) 316. — Lectotype (designated here): BS (Martelino & Edaño) 35720 (lecto K001392841; isolepto P (not seen), PNH lost), Philippines, Panay, June 1919.

Distribution — Philippines (Panay).

***Aeschynanthus rizalensis* (Merr.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Trichosporum rizalense Merr., Philipp. J. Sci., C. 10 (1915) 82. — Type: BS (Ramos) 13775 (PNH lost), Philippines, Luzon, Rizal Prov., Mt Canumay, Oct. 1911.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon).

***Aeschynanthus urdanetensis* (Elmer) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Trichosporum urdanetense Elmer, Leafl. Philipp. Bot. 7 (1915) 2670. — Lectotype (designated here): Elmer 14115 (lecto BM000997692; isolepto BISH, E, G, L (not seen), NY, P, S, US, W), Philippines, Mindanao, Agusan del Norte Prov., Cabadbaran (Mt Urdaneta), Oct. 1912.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon, Mindanao).

2.4. Lauraceae

2.4.1. New combinations in *Actinodaphne*

Actinodaphne Nees and *Neolitsea* (Benth. & Hook.f.) Merr. are two closely related genera. Although the results of phylogenetic (Li et al. 2007, 2008) and phylogenomic studies (Song et al. 2019) indicate that *Neolitsea* may be nested within *Actinodaphne*, these studies were based on limited taxon sampling, especially with regards to Malesian species. Notably, other studies with denser sampling of Malesian species have retrieved a sister-relationship between the two genera (Fijiridiyanto & Murakami 2009a, b). Irrespective of the exact phylogenetic relationships in the *Actinodaphne*–*Neolitsea* group, the results of a study by Li et al. (2008) and our own observations suggest that Malesian *Neolitsea* species can be distinguished from *Actinodaphne* by usually having tripliveined (vs always pinnately veined) leaves that are alternate and clustered (vs (sub-)verticillate), decussate and persistent involucral bracts (vs imbricate and caducous), and dimerous (vs trimerous) flowers. Unfortunately, relationships in the *Litsea* group remain unresolved so that a final word on the generic boundaries and characters in the *Actinodaphne*–*Neolitsea* group is not in sight at present. We therefore propose several new combinations in *Actinodaphne* of Philippine species originally described under *Neolitsea*. Should *Neolitsea* eventually be sunk into an expanded *Actinodaphne*, then these new combinations will remain, since the latter name has priority over the former.

***Actinodaphne apoensis* (Elmer) Kosterm. ex Brambach & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Neolitsea apoensis Elmer, Leafl. Philipp. Bot. 2 (1910) 727. — Lectotype (designated here): Elmer 11255 (lecto NY00355544; isolepto BISH, BM, E, GH, HBG, K, L, MO, P, PNH lost, U, US), Philippines, Mindanao, Davao District, Todaya, Mt Apo, Aug. 1909.

Distribution — Philippines (Biliran, Leyte, Mindanao).

Note — *Neolitsea apoensis* Elmer has pinnately veined leaves and a verticillate phyllotaxy. This suggests that this species is best placed in *Actinodaphne* and the type specimens have indeed been annotated by Kostermans as ‘*Actinodaphne*’ or ‘*Actinodaphne apoensis*’. The type specimens lack inflorescences (they do have detached fruits) and it is therefore not possible to observe characters of the involucral bracts and flowers to be entirely certain about the correct generic placement.

***Actinodaphne intermedia* (Elmer) Kosterm. ex Brambach & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Neolitsea intermedia Elmer, Leafl. Philipp. Bot. 2 (1908a) 382. — Lectotype (designated here): Elmer 8832 (lecto US00099388; isolepto A, E, K, L, NY, PNH lost), Philippines, Luzon, Benguet Prov., Baguio, Mar. 1907.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon).

Note — Annotations on the type specimens by Kostermans also suggest that he considered this taxon a species of *Actinodaphne*. It indeed has trimerous flowers (i.e., two series of three tepals) and a verticillate leaf arrangement. Furthermore, the involucral bracts are not persistent.

***Actinodaphne lanceolata* (Merr.) Kosterm. ex Brambach & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Neolitsea lanceolata Merr., Philipp. J. Sci. 14 (1919) 397. — Lectotype (designated here): BS (Ramos) 30231 (lecto P00745221; isolepto A, K, PNH lost, US), Philippines, Catanduanes, Mt Mariguidon, 27 Nov. 1917.

Distribution — Philippines (Catanduanes, Luzon).

Note — *Neolitsea lanceolata* Merr. is transferred to *Actinodaphne*, following Kostermans’ annotations on one of the duplicates (A) and the presence of leaves that are strictly verticillate and pinnately veined. Unfortunately, the type collection has only fruits, so that we were not able to observe flower characters.

2.5. Myrtaceae

2.5.1. New name in *Syzygium*

In 1951, Merrill transferred *Eugenia megalophylla* Merr. to *Syzygium* P.Browne ex Gaertn. This is indeed the genus in which this species is best accommodated, because of its calyptrate corolla, the presence of a pseudopedicel, and because it is entirely glabrous (Schmid 1972). Because the name *Syzygium megalophyllum* was already occupied (i.e., *Syzygium megalophyllum* Merr. & L.M.Perry), Merrill named it *Syzygium megistophyllum* Merr. (Merrill 1951). In doing so, he unfortunately overlooked the existence of *Syzygium megistophyllum* Merr. & L.M.Perry (Merrill & Perry 1942). Thus, a new name for this species in *Syzygium* is needed.

***Syzygium grandifolium* Mansibang & Pelser, nom. nov.**

Eugenia megalophylla Merr., Philipp. J. Sci. 27 (1925) 42. — *Syzygium megistophyllum* Merr. (1951) 402, nom. illeg., non *Syzygium megistophyllum* Merr. & L.M.Perry (1942) 279. — Lectotype (designated here): Loher 13596 (lecto M0170998; isolepto A, PNH lost, UC), Philippines, Luzon, Tayabas [now Quezon] Prov., Umiray region, May 1915.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon).

2.6. Oleaceae

2.6.1. New combination in *Chionanthus*

Asian species previously classified in *Linociera* Sw. ex Schreb. and *Mayepea* Aubl. are currently placed in either *Chionanthus* D.Royen or *Olea* Tourn. ex L. (Stearn 1976). However, a

Philippine species described by Merrill in *Mayepea* and later transferred by him to *Linociera* has thus far escaped these taxonomic changes. *Linociera racemosa* (Merr.) Merr. has a corolla with petals that are divided to the base, which is typical for *Chionanthus* (Kiew 1979) and should therefore be placed in that genus instead of in *Olea*. It is distinct from other Philippine *Chionanthus* species in its white twigs, small pale leaves with a short thickened petiole that dries grey or white, and its short spicate inflorescences.

***Chionanthus racemosus* (Merr.) Kiew & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Mayepea racemosa Merr., Publ. Bur. Sci. Gov. Lab. 35 (1906a) 58. — *Linociera racemosa* (Merr.) Merr. (1906b) 116. — Lectotype (designated here): *FB (Borden)* 3042 (lecto NY297289; isolecto K, PNH lost, US), Philippines, Luzon, Bataan Prov., Mt Mariveles, Lamao River, May 1905.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon).

2.7. Urticaceae

2.7.1. New combinations in *Elatostematoidea*

The results of a phylogenetic study by Tseng et al. (2019) suggest that *Elatostematoidea* C.B.Rob. should be reinstated. This genus has previously often been considered as part of *Elatostema* J.R.Forst. & G.Forst. Here, we present new combinations for several Philippine species and varieties that were placed by Schröter (Schröter & Winkler 1936) in *Elatostema* subg. *Elatostematoidea* (C.B.Rob.) H.Schröt¹. (Schröter & Winkler 1935), but that are better accommodated in *Elatostematoidea*.

***Elatostematoidea buderi* (H.Schröt.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Elatostema buderi H.Schröt. in H.Schröt. & H.J.P.Winkl., Repert. Spec. Nov. Regni Veg. Beih. 83, 2 (1936) 103. — Lectotype (designated here): *BS (Ramos & Edaño)* 40700 (lecto US1261609; isolecto B lost?, PNH lost), Philippines, Mindoro, Mt Halcon, 14 Mar. 1922.

Distribution — Philippines (Mindoro).

***Elatostematoidea falcifolia* (H.Schröt.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Elatostema falcifolium H.Schröt. in H.Schröt. & H.J.P.Winkl., Repert. Spec. Nov. Regni Veg. Beih. 83, 2 (1936) 102. — Lectotype (designated here): *BS (Edaño)* 45994 (lecto NY03836854; isolecto PNH lost), Philippines, Panay, Mt Ditana, 3 Oct. 1925.

Distribution — Philippines (Panay).

***Elatostematoidea lingua* (H.Schröt.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Elatostema lingua H.Schröt. in H.Schröt. & H.J.P.Winkl., Repert. Spec. Nov. Regni Veg. Beih. 83, 2 (1936) 112. — Lectotype (designated here): *BS (Ramos)* 24291 (lecto K000741140; isolecto L, NY, PNH lost), Philippines, Samar, Catubig River, Cagmanaba, 27 Jan. 1916.

Distribution — Philippines (Mindanao, Samar).

***Elatostematoidea manillensis* (Wedd.) C.B.Rob. var. *panayana* (H.Schröt.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Elatostema manillense Wedd. var. *panayanum* H.Schröt. in H.Schröt. & H.J.P.Winkl., Repert. Spec. Nov. Regni Veg. Beih. 83, 2 (1936) 102. — Lectotype (designated here): *Merrill* 6710 (lecto K000741143; isolecto L, PNH lost), Philippines, Panay, Dumaraao, 25 Mar. 1910.

Distribution — Philippines (Mindanao, Panay).

***Elatostematoidea manillensis* (Wedd.) C.B.Rob. var. *parvifolia* (H.Schröt.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Elatostema manillense Wedd. var. *parvifolium* H.Schröt. in H.Schröt. & H.J.P. Winkl., Repert. Spec. Nov. Regni Veg. Beih. 83, 2 (1936) 101. — Syntypes: *Baker* 2414 (PNH lost, SING not seen), Philippines, Luzon, Laguna Prov., Mt Banahaw, 20 Dec. 1913; *FB (Mabesa)* 28375 (PNH lost), Philippines, Luzon, Tayabas [now Quezon] Prov., Kabibihan [Cabibihan], 8 June 1918.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon).

***Elatostematoidea rigida* (Wedd.) C.B.Rob. var. *laxa* (Elmer) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Elatostema laxum Elmer, Leafl. Philipp. Bot. 2 (1908b) 465. — *Elatostematoidea laxa* (Elmer) C.B.Rob. (1911) 502 ('*laxum*'). — *Elatostema rigidum* Wedd. var. *laxum* (Elmer) H.Schröt. in H.Schröt. & H.J.P.Winkl. (1936) 111. — Lectotype (designated here): *Elmer* 10337 (lecto E00504724; isolecto A, BM, G, HBG, K, L, MO, PNH lost, US), Philippines, Negros, Negros Oriental Prov., Dumaguete, Cuernos Mountains, June 1908.

Distribution — Philippines (Leyte, Negros).

***Elatostematoidea rigida* (Wedd.) C.B.Rob. var. *polyclada* (H.Schröt.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Elatostema rigidum Wedd. var. *polycladum* H.Schröt. in H.Schröt. & H.J.P. Winkl., Repert. Spec. Nov. Regni Veg. Beih. 83, 2 (1936) 111. — Lectotype (designated here): *BS (Edaño)* 24764 (lecto NY03836956; isolecto L, P, PNH lost), Philippines, Samar, Catubig River, 22 Mar. 1916.

Distribution — Philippines (Samar).

***Elatostematoidea sublaxa* Elmer var. *cabadbarensis* (H.Schröt.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Elatostema sublaxum (Elmer) H.Schröt. var. *cabadbarensis* H.Schröt. in H.Schröt. & H.J.P.Winkl., Repert. Spec. Nov. Regni Veg. Beih. 83, 2 (1936) 106. — Lectotype (designated here): *Elmer* 13915 (lecto L0095827; isolecto B lost?, PNH lost, U), Philippines, Mindanao, Agusan Prov., Cabadbaran, Mt Urdaneta, Sept. 1912.

Distribution — Philippines (Mindanao).

***Elatostematoidea wenzelii* (H.Schröt.) Mansibang & Pelser, comb. nov.**

Elatostema wenzelii H.Schröt. in H.Schröt. & H.J.P.Winkl., Repert. Spec. Nov. Regni Veg. Beih. 83, 2 (1936) 104. — Type: *Wenzel* 3142 (PNH lost), Philippines, Mindanao, Surigao Prov., 10 Aug. 1927.

Distribution — Philippines (Mindanao).

2.8. Vitaceae

2.8.1. New combination in *Ampelocissus*

Wen et al. (2013) transferred *Pterisanthes sinuosa* Merr. to *Ampelocissus* Planch. (i.e., *Ampelocissus sinuosa* (Merr.) J.Wen & Boggan), because the results of their molecular phylogenetic studies indicated that *Pterisanthes* Blume is nested within *Ampelocissus*. This was also concluded in subsequent studies (e.g., Liu et al. 2016, Wen et al. 2018). This generic concept is also adopted in CDFP. However, we follow Trias-Blasi et al. (2014) in considering this species to be synonymous with *Pterisanthes polita* (Miq.) M.A.Lawson. Because the basionym of the latter name antedates *Pterisanthes sinuosa*, a new combination in *Ampelocissus* is needed.

***Ampelocissus polita* (Miq.) Pelser, comb. nov.**

Vitis polita Miq., Ann. Mus. Bot. Luggduno-Batavi 1 (1863) 95. — *Pterisanthes polita* (Miq.) M.A.Lawson (1875) 663. — Lectotype (designated by Trias-Blasi et al. 2014): *Korthals* s.n. (lecto L0013706; isolecto L), Sumatra, in fruticetis prope Pao.

¹ H.Schröt. is abbreviated as H.Schroet. in IPNI.org, but this is not consistent with other persons called Schröter.

Pterisanthes sinuosa Merr. (1907) 423. — *Ampelocissus sinuosa* (Merr.) J.Wen & Boggan in J.Wen et al. (2013) 230. — Lectotype (designated by Trias-Blasi et al. 2014): *Clemens* 647 (lecto A), Philippines, Mindanao, Lanao del Sur Prov., Lake Lanao, Camp Keithley, Nov. 1906.

Distribution — Myanmar, Thailand, Peninsular Malaysia, Singapore, Sumatra, Borneo, Philippines (Mindanao).

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