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## JOSÉ CUATRECASAS ARUMÍ (1903-1996)

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José Cuatrecasas died on May 23 1996, only about ten days after his last working visit to the U.S. National Herbarium. In his passing we at the Smithsonian have lost a fellow synantherologist, friend, and colleague. Don José worked right up until the end of his life, even in the hospital he continued to ask about preparations for the publication of his submitted manuscript on the Espeletiinae. In spite of his 93 years, Dr. Cuatrecasas' health had been such that it did not seem unrealistic that he would be able to return to his studies and we all expected to see him back at work. This was clearly his intention as is evidenced by his publication this year of the "preliminary" key to *Espeletiopsis*.

Don José, sometimes affectionately called Pepe, loved Botany and his warm nature was immediately apparent to all who knew him. He truly was a sweet, kind, and gentle man who was simultaneously proud of his accomplishments although very modest and humble. Staff and visitors in Botany, as well as in other departments, frequently visited him in his office. In fact, a stop in his office was very nearly part of the ritual of visiting the Smithsonian. He took obvious pleasure in showing them (and us) the wonderful plates of his Espeletiinae treatment and in ending such visits with a round of Guava paste for all. He humorously founded the "School for Style Branches" graduating his only two "students" (R. M. King and the late Kittie Parker) "Magna Cum Laude." He was genuinely interested in our work and was always a source of encouragement. He surprised one of us with the remark "I hear you are sinking one of my genera.... Bueno!", showing an attitude that was infectious to all. He had nothing but warm words for all. Atypically, however, upon learning that Generalissimo Franco would not live out the day simply and slyly said to one of us "I'll have to call home and ask Martha to put the Champagne on ice." His life was much influenced by politics, but this was a side of him that in later years would only occasionally surface.

The career of José Cuatrecasas extends from his birth, March 19, 1903, in Campodrón (Gerona), Spain, in the foothills of the Pyrenees, through his studies in Barcelona and Madrid (1924-1931) partly under the direction of P. Font Quer, graduate work in Berlin (1930-31) where he knew Adolph Engler, Directorship of the Sección de Flora Tropical del Jardín Botánico de Madrid (1933-39), the years in Colombia (1939-47), in Chicago (1947-1955) to his years in Washington (1955-1996). His early work included studies in Andalusia, early efforts at chemotaxonomy, and cooperation with the efforts of Macbride to photograph classical type specimens in the herbarium in Madrid. In 1985 a story was told of the manner in which he left Spain which Dr. Cuatrecasas later told the senior author was incorrect. Actually, he had been on a trip to South America as part of the Loyalist government mission honoring a historical event in Colombia. His intentions had been purely botanical, but they were not seen that way by the Franco government that gained power in his absence. If he had not been warned before returning to Spain on his way through France, his botanical career might have ended almost 60 years ago. It was a time when his professor, P. Font Quer, was imprisoned and his colleagues, Faustino Miranda and Manuel López-Figueiras, were arrested and driven from Spain. Return to Spain might have been possible during later decades of the Franco government, but Dr. Cuatrecasas did not choose revisit until after the government had changed.

Dr. Cuatrecasas' first publication was in 1924 and his last one is still in press. Over the years he published 262 papers (by our count), most of them single authored. For 73 years he published something nearly every year, missing only 1939, 1974, and 1983; an incredible accomplishment.

All synantherologists should be aware of some of his non-asteraceous accomplishments. These include the founding of Organization for Flora Neotropica; studies on the flora of Magina, Spain, published in the 1920's; monographs of Humiriaceae, Brunelliaceae, and *Theobroma*; and his *Prima Flora Colombiana*, which includes important revisionary studies in Burseraceae and Malpighiaceae.

Interest in Andean botany, that began while still in Spain, became the main thrust of the Cuatrecasas' research. Earlier studies included *Cecropia*, *Theobroma*, and genera of the Bombacaceae, Brunelliaceae, Burseraceae, Rubiaceae, Sabaceae, Simaroubaceae, Solanaceae, Violaceae, and studies of Cunoniaceae, Humiriaceae, Malpighiaceae continued through the period when Dr. Cuatrecasas was concentrating on the Asteraceae. The efforts in the Heliantheae subtribe Espeletiinae led to a completed manuscript that will be published on all the genera except *Espeletiopsis*. Work in the Senecioneae includes papers with Robinson and continued with a paper still to be published with S. Díaz-Piedrahita on Colombian

*Pentacalia*. Studies in the Astereae on *Diplostephium* and *Oritrophium* were also continuing at the time of Cuatrecasas' death.

Don José was an excellent photographer and his research files contain numerous photos, some on glass negatives, dating from his field work in Colombia in the 1930's and 40's. A selection of them with legends that he prepared were on display at the Montane Forest Symposium at the New York Botanical Garden, 1993. One of these is a cabin in the mountains made out of *Espeletia* (Figure 1). Currently the photos are on display in the Department of Botany, Smithsonian Institution.

Dr. Cuatrecasas received many honors in his long career, including festschrifts in Lazaroa, volume 5, 1983; in Flora Neotropica, Monograph, number 2, supplement, 1985; in Revista de la Academia Colombiana de Ciencias Exactas, Físicas y Naturales, volume 17, 1989; the Cruz de Boyacá awarded by the Colombian government, and the Gran Cruz de Alfonso X el Sabio by the Spanish government. Three additional tributes are found in Quercus 85: 16-18, 1993; Revista Academia Colombiana de Ciencias Exactas, Físicas y Naturales 20: 167-170, 1996; and Lazaroa 16: 7-8, 1996.

Dr. Cuatrecasas is an author or coauthor of two subtribes, Espeletiinae and Hinterhuberinae, and many genera of the Asteraceae: *Blakiella*, *Floscaldasia*, *Flosmutisia*, *Piofontia* (= *Diplostephium*), *Westoniella* of the **Astereae**; *Ascidiogyne*, *Ellenbergia* of the **Eupatorieae**; *Carramboia*, *Coespeletia*, *Espeletiosis*, *Paramiflos*, *Rullopezia*, *Tamania*, *Thelechiton* (= *Sphagneticola*) of the **Heliantheae**; *Neocaldasia* (= *Gongylolepis*) of the **Mutisieae**; and *Arbelaezaster*, *Cabreriella*, *Dendrophorbium* as section, *Garcibarrigoa*, *Jessea*, *Paracalia*, *Paragynoxys*, *Talamancalia* of the **Senecioneae**. Also, he did important studies of other Asteraceous genera, *Baccharis*, *Hinterhubera*, *Llerasia*, *Loricaria*, *Mnioides*, *Philoglossa*, and *Vernonia* sect. *Critoniopsis*. A quick check of the Index Kewensis gives a list of 2391 records (novelties, his transfers, transfers by others based on his names, nomina novae) with Cuatrecasas in the author field of which an astounding 1307 are Compositae records. Few taxonomists can work in the family Compositae without making use of his work. At the time of the 1985 festschrift, Dr. Cuatrecasas was listed with B. L. Robinson, S. F. Blake, A. L. Cabrera, and H. Merxmüller, as individuals who had made truly constructive and insightful contributions to the study of the Asteraceae in the first three quarters of this Century.

Dr. Cuatrecasas collected extensively and in areas that were difficult to reach. Over the years many new taxa have been described based on his collections. Eight genera have been named in honor of Don José in five families, *Cuatresia* A. T. Hunziker, Solanaceae; *Cuatrecasea* Dugand, Palmae; *Cuatrecasasiella* H. Robinson, *Cuatrecasanthus* H. Robinson, *Joseanthus* H. Robinson, and *Neocuatrecasia* R. M. King & H. Robinson, all in the Asteraceae; *Cuatrecasasiodendron* Standley & Steyermark, Rubiaceae; and *Quadricasaea* Woodson, Apocynaceae. At the time of the festschrift in 1985, a list was produced of species honoring Don José in Musci, Hepaticae, Pteridophyta, Asteraceae, Begoniaceae, Berberidaceae, Bromeliaceae, Caryophyllaceae, Chrysobalanaceae, Cunoniaceae, Cyclanthaceae, Cyperaceae, Ericaceae, Gramineae, Guttiferae, Lauraceae, Leguminosae, Melastomataceae, Myristicaceae, Palmae, Piperaceae, Rosaceae, Rubiaceae, Sapotaceae, Sterculiaceae, Umbelliferae and Xyridaceae. Additionally, there are now species named for him in the following families: Acanthaceae, Actinidiaceae, Amaryllidaceae, Anacardiaceae, Annonaceae, Apocynaceae, Araliaceae, Asclepiadaceae, Brunelliaceae, Brassicaceae, Campanulaceae, Caparaceae, Chloranthaceae, Cistaceae, Convolvulaceae, Erythroxylaceae, Euphorbiaceae, Gentianaceae, Gunneraceae, Iridaceae, Lamiaceae, Malpighiaceae, Malvaceae, Menispermaceae, Moraceae, Onagraceae, Passifloraceae, Polygalaceae, Salicaceae, Saxifragaceae, Scrophulariaceae, Solanaceae, Theaceae, Valerianaceae, Verbenaceae, Violaceae, Zingiberaceae. We have found over 150 epithets honoring Cuatrecasas and they take a variety of forms: *cuatrecasae*, *cuatrecasana*, *cuatrecasasana*, *cuatrecasasanum*, *cuatrecasasi*, *cuatrecasasiana*, *cuatrecasasii*, *cuatrecasatis*, *cuatrecasii*, *cuatrecazanum*, *josei*, *pepei*, *quadridomius*, *tetroici*, and *tetroicia*. Tributes of this type will inevitably continue as the many collections by Cuatrecasas continue to be studied. The destruction of many localities since they were visited by him means that many of the Cuatrecasas collections will never be duplicated.

Cuatrecasas' extensive library has been given to the Botanical Garden in Barcelona and his files and travel descriptions to the Botanical Garden in Madrid. His research materials and photographs remain at the Smithsonian Institution.

His wife Martha died in 1986. He is survived by two sons, Pedro, a medical researcher in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Gil, an artist residing in Barcelona, Spain; a daughter, Teresa Rivera, a teacher living in San Francisco, California; seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren. His ashes are to be returned to Spain. His memorial service, held in Washington shortly after his death, ended with the words "Farewell Don José, Farewell!"

**Endowment Fund** - The Smithsonian Institution is in the process of establishing an endowment fund to be named the "José Cuatrecasas Botanical Fund" that will honor Cuatrecasas' lifelong work in botany. His research was devoted to systematics and taxonomy, plant ecology, biogeography, and exploration and collecting, especially the family Asteraceae, in páramo and subpáramo regions of Andean South America, therefore, the fund will sponsor competitive botanical research in these areas through a biannual call for proposals. The proposals will be reviewed by a panel of scientists. The results of the funded projects will be dispersed widely in the botanical and related communities. Those wishing to contribute to the fund or request additional information should contact the Chairman, Department of Botany, at the address listed above.

### DEGREES

Pharm. Lic., Barcelona, 1923

Dr. Pharm., Madrid, 1928 (Thesis: Flora and vegetation of the Magina Mountains, published 1929)

Postgraduate studies: University of Geneva, 1927; and Berlin-Dahlem, 1930-1934

### POSITIONS

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|-----------|--|
| 1924-1931 | Assistant Professor of Botany, University of Barcelona   |
| 1932-1939 | Full Professor of Systematic Botany, University of Madrid  |
| 1933-1939 | Curator of Tropical Flora, Madrid Botanical Garden   |
| 1937-1939 | Director, Madrid Botanical Garden  |
| 1939-1942 | Professor of the Instituto Botánico (Universidad Nacional), Bogotá, Colombia                           |
| 1942-1943 | Director of the School of Tropical Agriculture, Cali, Colombia   |
| 1943-1947 | Director of the Comisión Botánica del Valle and Professor at the Facultad de Agronomía del Valle, Cali |
| 1947-1950 | Curator of Colombian Botany, Chicago Natural History Museum  |
| 1951-1952 | Guggenheim Fellow  |

- 1952-1955 Investigator, National Science Foundation grant, Chicago Natural History Museum
- 1955-1977 Investigator, National Science Foundation grants
- 1955-1996 Research Associate, Smithsonian Institution

### HONORS AND AWARDS

- Honorary Member, Sociedad Geográfica de Colombia, Bogotá (1936)
- Honorary Member, Academia Colombiana de Ciencias, Bogotá (1937)
- Honorary Member, Instituto Ecuatoriano de Ciencias Naturales (1968)
- Honorary Member, Institució Catalana d'Historia Natural (1974)
- Member of the "Ateneo Nacional de Altos Estudios", Republica de Colombia (1941)
- Guggenheim Fellow (1951-1952)
- Honorary President, Sect. Phytogeographie, 8<sup>th</sup> Congrès International de Botanique, Paris (1954)
- Research Associate, Department of Botany, Smithsonian Institution (1955)
- Associate, Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris (1959)
- Cruz de Boyacá, from the government of Colombia for scientific achievement for the benefit of Colombia (1959)
- Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science (1960)
- Henry Allan Gleason Award, from the New York Botanical Garden for the 1961 publication of "A taxonomic revision of the Humiriaceae" (1963)
- Member, Society of the Sigma Xi (1963)
- Scientific Director of Flora Neotropica (for Cormophyta) (1964-1971)
- Honorary Vice President, First Latin-American Congress of Botany, Mexico (1972)
- President of the Organization for Flora Neotropica (1972-1975)
- "Curador Asociado, ad honorem", Museo Nacional de Costa Rica (1978)
- "Profesor Honorario", Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Bogotá (1983)



Corresponding Member: Institut d'Estudis Catalans; Academia de Ciencias de Barcelona; Sociedad Cubana de Botánica; Academia de Farmacia de Cuba; Societat Catalana de Biologia

Director honorario del Real Jardín Botánico (CSIC)

Gran Cruz de Alfonso X el Sabio

Gran Cruz de la Orden del Mérito Civil (1995)

## EXPEDITIONS AND COLLECTIONS

### Europe

Collections and botanical trips from 1920 to 1939 in several countries, especially in Spain.

### Africa

Canary Islands (Gomera, Gran Canaria, Tenerife, 1935)

### South America

#### 1932 - FIRST PERIOD, Colombia

Sponsored by the University and the Madrid Botanical Garden. Devoted to observations in plant ecology and plant collecting. Magdalena river; Cundinamarca, chiefly páramos; Ibagué, Nevado del Tolima and Valle de Cauca. Collection Numbers: 2000-3499.

#### 1938 - SECOND PERIOD, Colombia

Partially sponsored by the University and the Madrid Botanical Garden. Devoted to observations in plant ecology and plant collecting. Cundinamarca, chiefly Macizo de Bogotá; Boyacá, Soatá-Cocuy, páramos of Nevado del Cocuy; Meta, Llanos del Meta and Orinoco (savannas) between Puerto López and Puerto Carreño, Llanos de Villavicencio. Collection Numbers: 1-1999 and 3500-4999.

#### 1939-1942 - THIRD PERIOD, Colombia

Base for the explorations was Bogotá, being resident there as professor of the Universidad Nacional at the Instituto de Ciencias Naturales.

The regions explored during this period were chiefly the savannas of the Llanos of Meta-Vichada-Guaviare; rainforests of Caquetá river in Tres Esquinas, of Vaupés river from Cuduyarí to Calamar (Mitú, Cuduyarí, Tui-igarapé, Cananarí, Circasia,

Cubiyú, Yacayacá, Parana-midi, Mirití, Yuruparí, Pucarán, Carurú); of Apaporis (Río Popore); of Guaviare and Guayabero rivers; rainforests of Putumayo rivers from Concepción to Puerto Asís and its tributaries Sucumbios (San Miguel) and Guamués, and the lowlands to Mocoa; the Eastern Cordillera from Páramo de Tamá, through páramos of Pamplona, Santurbán, Almorzadero, Rusia, Arcabuco, Hüina, Bogotá, to Huila and Pasto region, exploring middle and high altitudes; Central Cordillera, chiefly the region of Nevado del Ruíz and Volcan Puracé; Western Cordillera near Popayán (Carpinterías) and Antioquia; part of the lower Magdalena valley and of Cauca valley. Collection Numbers: 5000-13,661.

#### **1942-1947 - FOURTH PERIOD, Colombia**

Base for explorations was Cali, where a professor of the Agronomy Faculty of El Valle, and the director of the "Comisión Botánica del Valle" (Government agency).

The following regions were especially explored and collected: Western Cordillera on both slopes and their highest peaks (Los Farallones), in several localities; rainforest of The Pacific Coast, along the low part of the rivers Micay, Naya, Yurumanguí, Cajambre, Anchicayá, Dagua, Calima, San Juan, and Togoromá; mangroves of the west coastal range; Central Cordillera around middle altitude and páramos of Barragán; the high valleys of the Tuluá and Bugalagrande rivers; páramos de Las Vegas; Río López (west slopes of Nevado del Huila): páramos of Puracé; mountain forests of Tacueyó and Moscopán; plains of Cauca Valley from Sevilla and Cartago to Cali and Popayán (from 900 to 2000 m). Collection Numbers: Cuatr. 13,662-24,016, also Killip & Cuatr. 38,613-39,212.

During most of these explorations, much ecological and plant distribution data were collected. Special emphasis was given to collecting trees and palms, as Colombia was extensively covered with primary forests. This fact made traveling and collecting more arduous and the collections consequently more valuable.

#### **1958-1973 - FIFTH PERIOD**

Base was Washington, DC., Smithsonian Institution, under NSF grant as principal investigator.

#### **March-April 1958: Colombia**

Chocó, collections near Quibdó; along Río Atrato and tributaries; and Antioquia, near Medellín and Páramo de los Baldíos; trip financed by UNESCO; expenses in part by NSF. Collection Numbers: 24,025-24,283, also Idrobo & Cuatr. 2664-2711.

### September-December 1959: Colombia

Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta, SE range, on its highest páramos, between lakes Mamo, Mamito, and Naboba, between peaks Reina and Guardián, and upper part of Donachiú valley; Valley of Valledupar; Eastern Cordillera, northern end, Sierra de Perijá above Manaure (páramos of Floridablanca, Sabana Rubia, Cerro Venado, Cerro Avión); Macizo de Bogotá; Western Cordillera, near Cali (Cerro de los Cristales); Atlantic region, near Barranquilla and Guajira. Sponsored by the National Science Foundation and Smithsonian Institution, with assistance for inland transportation by the Ministerio de Agricultura de Colombia. Collection Numbers: 24,284-25,787.

### August-November 1961

#### Trinidad

Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture, for study of cacao.

#### Venezuela

Region of Barlovento, for cacao.

#### Colombia

The following departments:

- (1) Cundinamarca: Several sections of the savanna and páramos around Bogotá up to 3700 m.
- (2) Valle del Cauca: Visiting plantations of old cocoa varieties near Palmira and Puerto Tejada, and the heavily forested lowlands of the Pacific coast in the Río Calima region.
- (3) Antioquia: Northern region (Chocó) around Villa Arteaga, looking especially for *Theobroma* and *Cecropia*, and collecting Andean cecropias in the Central Cordillera near the Boquerón.
- (4) Cauca: Páramos of Puracé and Guanacas, the latter a Hartweg type-locality.

#### Costa Rica

Turrialba and Puerto Limón, visiting cocoa plantations, páramos of Volcán Irazú and Maciso de Bellavista.

#### Nicaragua

Chinandega, looking for types of cacao. Collection Numbers: 25,750T-26,565.

## October-November 1962

### Colombia

Valle del Cauca.

### Brazil

Estado São Paulo: Cerrado de Cachoeira Emas; Estado Guanabara: Rio de Janeiro; Pará: Belém; research financed by NSF grant; trip paid by UNESCO. Collection Numbers: 26,567-26,668.

### January-February 1965: Colombia

Cundinamarca: subarid region of municipio Mosquera, verada de La Punta and San Francisco, and Páramo de Guerrero; Valle: Cordillera Central (Río Amayme) and Occidental (Villa Colombia); Cauca: Quilichao-Piendamó; Nariño: Volcán Galeras. Research financed by NSF Grant; trip paid by UNESCO. Collection Numbers: 26,669-26,952.

### December 14, 1968-March 15, 1969: Colombia

The regions explored were: the highlands, or páramos, of the Eastern Cordillera around the Massif of Bogotá-Sumapaz, mainly between 3000 and 3800 m; the highlands (2800-3800 m) of the Central Cordillera in the dept. of Cauca (Páramo de las Moras, Páramos de Paletera), the dept. Valle (Páramo de Pan de Azúcar), and the dept. Tolima (Subpáramo El Campanario, forest of Combeima valley); and the plain of the Valle del Cauca at middle altitude (900-1000 m) and slopes of the Cordillera above El Valle (1500-2500 m); the lowlands of the Pacific coast at Buenaventura and Calima river, mainly in search of wild *Theobroma* species; lowlands of the Caquetá region from Florencia, along the Río Ortegua, to the Río Caquetá, mainly in search of species of *Theobroma*, *Cecropia* and *Compositae*. Trip sponsored by NSF grant. Collection Numbers: 26,953-27,719.

### September 1969: Colombia

From Bogotá to the Venezuelan border along the Eastern Cordillera, to collect *Compositae*, especially *Espeletia*, at classical localities. The páramos visited were those of La Rusia, Alto de Canutos, Caracoles, Las Gaitas, Hüina, Guantiva, de Chita, de Sácama, La Uvita, Cocuy and Güican in dept. Boyacá, Páramos de Perlaonso, Almorzadero and Santurbán in dept. Santander and Norte de Santander. Also the region of Ocaña (Norte de Santander and Cesar) was explored. Trip sponsored by NSF grant. The Universidad Nacional of Colombia contributed a vehicle for 20 days from Bogotá to Cúcuta with a driver and an assistant (Laureano Rodríguez). Collection Numbers: 27,720-27,991.

### October-November 1969: Venezuela

The headquarters were the Universidad de los Andes in Mérida. With the vehicle which always was provided by the University, the following páramos were visited mainly in search of topo-types of *Espeletia* species. Páramos del Colorado, del Zumbador, del Batallón and Paramo de Tamá (Táchira); Páramo de La Negra, Páramo de Mucuchíes, de Piñango, de Los Granates, del Pico Espejo, de Loma Redonda, de La Aguada, Apartaderos, Mucubají, Mucuñuque, Laguna Negra, Laguna de Los Patos, de Mífafí, de Mucurubá, de La Carbonera-La Piñuela, de Pueblo Llano and Llano Corredor (Mérida). Páramos de Guirigay, de Jajó, La Cristalina, de Niquitao, de El Jabón, de Santa Rosa and de El Turma (Trujillo). Cerro Avila-Silla de Caracas (Federal District). Páramo de Tamá, state of Táchira, near the border with Colombia. Trip sponsored by NSF grant and helped by the Universidad de Los Andes, Mérida, which provided private and free transportation and assistance by professors L. Ruiz-Terán, M. López-Figueras and/or L. Marciano-Berti. Collection Numbers: 27,992-28,250.

### January-February-March 1973: Venezuela

The headquarters were again the Universidad de Los Andes in Mérida. Páramos de Tamá at the headwaters of Río Táchira, Páramo del Zumbador, Páramo del Colorado, Sub-páramo de La Grita, Páramo del Batallón, and Páramo de La Negra (Táchira). Páramos de San José, Zanjón de Cupís and Pozo Negro, de Quirorá, de Las Coloradas, El Morro, Sierra Nevada in Cañada Espejo, Loma Redonda and Aguada, Páramo de Mucuchíes, Sierra de Santo Domingo in Mucuñuque and Laguna Valencia (El Baho), Páramo de Piñango (Mérida). Páramos del Turmal, de Boconó and La Cristalina (Trujillo). Collection Numbers: 28,300-28,627.

### March-April 1973: Colombia

The headquarters were at the Instituto de Ciencias Naturales, Bogotá. Páramo de Las Moras (Cauca) in the Central Cordillera, Páramos de Quilinsayaco and La Cocha (Nariño-Putumayo) at the southern massif. Eastern Cordillera, from Bogotá to the northern cities Pamplona and Bucaramanga at the following main spots (with Roberto Jaramillo): Páramos and subpáramos of Combita, Tunja, Río Pómeca, Arcabuco, La Palma, Laguna de Tota, Páramos de La Sama, Río Cusiana, Santa Rosa de Viterbo-Floresta, Portachuelo, Alto de Las Cruces (Belen-Encino), Páramo de la Rusia, Páramo de Socotá, de Socha or Pisba, and Chita on

both sides, east and west, of the cordillera. Páramos de Grantiva, de Húina and de Santa Rosita towards Gonzaga and Soatá, all in Boyacá. Further north, the departments of Santander and Norte de Santander from Bucaramanga and from Pamplona. The steep upper valley of Río Suratá was followed above La Baja ascending to the top of Páramo del Romeral and to the headwaters of Río Cucutilla (3600-3800 m). Other Páramos visited were those of Fontibón, Berlín, Santurbán and Vetás. In Cundinamarca, the subpáramo between Chocontá and Sesquilé. All explorations were limited to páramos and subpáramos, at altitudes between 2500 and 4200 m. Collection Numbers: 28,630-28,763A.

#### February 1978 and May 1979: Colombia

The last collecting trips made to Colombia. Collection Numbers: 28,770-28,798 and 28,819-28,967.

#### November 1978 and May 1980: Venezuela

The last collecting trips made to the Venezuelan Andes. Collection Numbers: 28,799-28,816 and 28,968-29,015.

### PUBLICATIONS

(\*Papers that involve members of the family Compositae or discuss the family in general)

#### 1924

\*Notes Botaniques. *Bull. Inst. Catalana Hist. Nat.*, Ser. 2, 4: 46-47.

#### 1925

Algunos datos para la flora mixomicética de Cataluña. *Bull. Inst. Catalana Hist. Nat.* 5: 92-94.

#### 1926

Excursion Botánica a Alcaraz y Riópar. *Trab. Mus. Ci. Nat. Barcelona* 5: 1-49.

\**Montagnites radiosus* (Pall.) Holl. *Bull. Inst. Catalana Hist. Nat.* 6: 152-154.

Una nueva especie de *Rosa*. *Bull. Inst. Catalana Hist. Nat.* 6: 164-166.

**1927**

\*Hallazgo de una especie desconocida de *Jurinea*. *Bol. Soc. Esp. Hist. Nat.* 27: 221-224.

Ascomicet nou per a Espanya. *Bufl. Inst. Catalana Hist. Nat.* 7: 24.

Una forma de *Conium maculatum* var. *inmaculatum*, àdhuc en el jardí de la Universitat de Barcelona. *Bufl. Inst. Catalana Hist. Nat.* 7: 132-133.

*Kirchneriella lunaris* (Kirch) Moeb. àdhuc a Catalunya. *Bufl. Inst. Catalana Hist. Nat.* 7: 133.

*Campanula Scheuchzeri* var. nov. *zygomorpha* Cuatr. *Bull. Soc. Bot. Genève* 1927: 280-281.

**1928**

\*Nota sobre et *Leucanthemum arundanum* (Bss.) Cuatr. *Cavanillesia* 1: 41-44 + 1 fig.

Leon Guignard. *Cavanillesia* 3: 118-119.

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**Fig. 1.**

Paramo of Nevado del Cocuy, Boyaca, Colombia: Pozo Azul  $\pm$  4200 m alt. Cabin made with stems of *Espeletia lopezii* and (the roof) of *Calamagrostis effusa*. It is a good shelter, a free "hotel" for every temporary worker coming to this paramo. A big amount of *Espeletia* leaves on the ground inside served as a mattress for all "guests". The small tree at left: *Gynoxys paramuna*. The white Compositae herbs in front are *Senecio (Culcitium) canescens*. Bushes on the slope: *Pentacalia flos-fragens* v. *frigidophila*, *Vaccinium floribundum*, *Diplostephium colombianum*, *D. rhomboidale*, *Valeriana arborea*, *Pentacalia guicanensis*, *P. andicola*, *Loricaria complanata*, *Miconia chionophila*, *Hypericum bryoides*, *Baccharis tricuneata*, etc.

Photo: J. Cuatrecasas, 12 Sept. 1938.



# FLORAL MICROCHARACTERS AND TAXONOMY OF THE GENUS *TITHONIA* (HELIANTHEAE: ASTERACEAE) IN NIGERIA

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## Abstract

The present treatment reports the occurrence of two taxa for Nigeria of the 13 *Tithonia* taxa reported for the whole world. Morphologically, the two species have some distinctness. The floral microcharacters of the species are described.

## Introduction

*Tithonia* Desf. ex Juss. was first described by Jussieu (1789). Blake (1918) moved a number of taxa of *Gymnolomia* H.B.K. into *Tithonia* and made the first major revision of the genus in 1921, recognizing ten species and two subspecies (twelve taxa in all). In the recent revision of the genus, La Duke (1982) recognized eleven species and two subspecies (thirteen taxa) in two sections. The taxa are distributed primarily in southern Mexico and central America. They are also introduced worldwide and escaped.

Two taxa, *T. diversifolia* (Hemsl.) A. Gray and *T. rotundifolia* (Miller) S. F. Blake have been reported to be quite similar in a number of features and they have been misidentified in a number of recent publications (Pal et al. 1976, Herz & Sharma 1975, and others). In spite of the similarities between them, La Duke (1982) found that they could be consistently differentiated from one another and should be retained at the rank of species. These two taxa have been consistently misidentified in Nigeria and West Africa as one species, *T. diversifolia*. The main thrust of this work therefore is to give the distinguishing features for the proper identification of the two taxa in Nigeria.

## Materials and Methods

The plant specimens for the work were collected from different locations in Nigeria and the voucher specimens were lodged in the herbarium of the Natural History Museum, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife (UNIFEM). For the micromorphological observations, florets were softened in boiling water to which a drop of detergent was added, dissected under a stereo microscope, mounted in Hoyer's solution (Anderson 1954, King & Robinson 1970) and studied with LM.

## Results and Discussion

### Macromorphology

Morphologically, *T. rotundifolia* has been often confused with *T. diversifolia*, from which it differs in many features. *T. rotundifolia* is an annual, with broad-lanceolate phyllaries in 2 series, 13—16 in number (Table 1), and ray ligules orange, about 33 mm long, whereas *T. diversifolia* is a herbaceous perennial, with broadly ovate phyllaries in 3 series, 16—19 in number (Table 1), and ray ligules yellow, 48—69 mm long, and with an unusual auricle at the base of the petiole. Peduncles are stout and swollen just below the capitula in *T. diversifolia*, but rather slender in *T. rotundifolia*. In the material studied *T. diversifolia* has ray-florets about 10—13, disc-florets 107—170, while *T. rotundifolia* has ray-florets about 9—10 and disc-florets 74—91 (Table 1). The two taxa often are confused everywhere including Nigeria due to the similarity of 3—5-lobed leaves.

### Corolla pubescence

Disc corolla with 5 lobes at apex, throat cylindrical with bulging minutely pubescent base, cylindrical portion 3—5 mm long (Figs. 1A, 2F). Corolla throat in *T. diversifolia* with trichomes about 1—3 cells long, while those in *T. rotundifolia* are up to 5 cells long. Corolla lobe of *T. rotundifolia* has papillae and short trichomes about 3 cells long while the lobes of *T. diversifolia* are with short papillae only.

Ducts (coloured yellow) single or paired along veins of disc corolla throats and tubes, extending a bit into the lobes (Fig. 1B). There are about 2—3 bundles of veins with ducts in a lobe, beside those on the margins, in *T. diversifolia* whereas there is only one bundle in each lobe in *T. rotundifolia*.

## Style

Disc styles bifid with hispidulous hairs at the tip of the branches, with single narrow stigmatic surface, at base usually swollen with distinct small cells regularly shaped in *T. diversifolia* (Fig. 1C), whereas such cells are lacking in *T. rotundifolia* (Fig. 2G); style ducts outside veins in shaft (Figs. 1C, 2G).

## Anther apical appendage

The anther apical appendages are not significantly different in the two species. The anther appendages are glandular and ovate with a constricted base (Figs. 1D; 2H, J). The presence of glands on the appendages is an indication of the exotic nature of the taxa because glands have not been reported present on the appendages of the indigenous plants in Africa.

## Endothecial tissue

The endothecial tissue in the two species is polarized with the cells having 1—2 thickenings on the transverse walls. In this way, the taxa exhibit one of the characteristics of the subtribe Helianthinae as pointed out by Robinson (1981).

## Filament

The filament collars are more or less widened towards the base in the two species. Pubescence on the filaments occurs sporadically in the Heliantheae (Robinson 1981). Of the two species studied only *T. rotundifolia* has hispidulous hairs on the filament (Fig. 2H). The hairs are very short or absent immediately below the point of insertion of the filament to the collar, but become more conspicuous distally.

## Anther thecae

Many genera of the Heliantheae have anthers that blacken at maturity due to pigments in the outer layer of the thecal wall (Robinson 1981). This blackening occurs on the anthers of the two taxa studied. On the other hand their anthers are shortly calcarate because the thecae are not distinctly prolonged below the point of filament insertion (Figs. 1D, 2H).

## Cypselas

The main feature of the cypselas in the tribes Eupatorieae and Heliantheae is the presence of the carbonization or black layer formed by the materials known as phytomelanins (Robinson 1981). The two taxa have their cypselas walls carbonized with distinct striations and without ovary wall crystals.

The disc cypselas in the two taxa are black or mottled, pubescent, quadrangular and at base smooth without elaiosome (Figs. 1E, 2K). The cypselas are completely covered with aristate-tipped scales. The cells of the twin hairs (Hess 1938) covering the cypselas are almost of the same length; the pappus is of fused squamellae basally and laterally with 2 subequal awns; the awns in *T. rotundifolia* are about 5 mm long, while those in *T. diversifolia* are about 4 mm long.

The carpopodium has two short, rounded, opposing lobes in both taxa (Figs. 1E, 2K). The cells of the seed coat in both taxa are weakly ornamented.

### Key to the species of *Tithonia* in Nigeria

1. Phyllaries broad-lanceolate, 13—16, in 2 series; ray-florets orange, 9—10; ligules c. 33 mm long; disc-florets 74—91; filaments pubescent .... 1. *T. rotundifolia*

2. Phyllaries broadly ovate, 16—19, in 3 series; ray-florets yellow, 10—14; ligules 48—69 mm long; disc-florets 107—170; filaments glabrous..... 2. *T. diversifolia*

1. *Tithonia rotundifolia* (Miller) S.F. Blake, Contr. Gray Herb. ser. 52:41 (1917);  
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*Tithonia diversifolia* var. *glabriuscula* S.F. Blake, Contr. U.S. Nat. Herb. 20: 435 (1921). — Type: Mexico, Oaxaca, N of Tuxtepec, 90 m, 9 Apr. 1894, E. W. Nelson 346 (Holotype, US!) — For complete synonymy see La Duke (1982).

### Conclusion

The two taxa are very distinct and could be easily separated. The confusion often experienced in their identification is due to their similar 3—5-lobed leaves and hearty habit.

Their distinctness was further established by La Duke (1982), when he placed *T. rotundifolia* in section *Tithonia* series *Tithonia* and *T. diversifolia* in section *Tithonia* series *Grandiflorae*.

*T. diversifolia* is the most widespread taxon of *Tithonia* (La Duke 1982). According to him it has been successfully cultivated in Africa, Australia, Asia, and North America, where it has escaped. In Nigeria it is found blooming with show of conspicuous brilliantly coloured flowers along roads or any open place in the country. *T. rotundifolia* grows sometimes along with it. Both taxa flower from October to January and reach a bushy stature.

*T. rotundifolia* is a new record for Nigeria and West Africa as a whole. However, *T. diversifolia* has been reported present in Nigeria by Akobundu & Agyakwa (1987) as an introduced plant.

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**Table 1.** Number of florets and phyllaries per capitulum of *Tithonia* specimens from different locations

Species	No of. ray-florets	No. of disc-florets	Total	No. of phyllaries
<i>T. diversifolia</i>	13	170	183	17
	13	121	134	18
	13	157	170	19
	10	107	117	16
<i>T. rotundifolia</i>	9	89	98	13
	9	74	83	16
	10	91	101	15

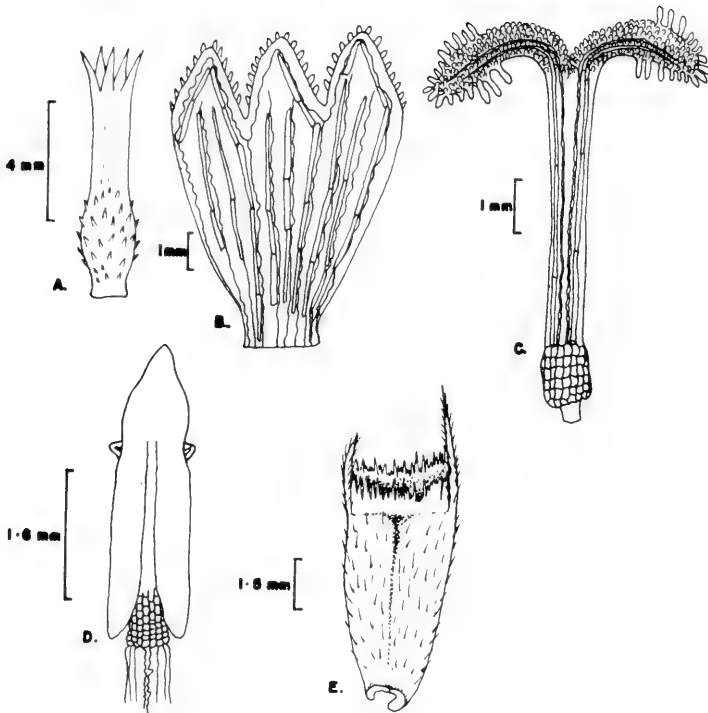


Fig. 1. *T. diversifolia*

**A:** Disc corolla 5-lobed with bulging, cylindrical and minutely pubescent throat. **B:** Disc corolla with resin ducts along veins in the throats, tubes and lobes. **C:** Disc style bifid with hispidulous hairs at the tip of the branches, with single narrow stigmatic surface, at base swollen with small regular cells. **D:** Anther with ovate apical appendage and glabrous filament. **E:** Cypsela hairy with bilobed carpodium, pappus of fused squamellae basally and laterally with 2 subequal awns. - A—E: Isawumi & Elufisan 1793 (UNIFEM).



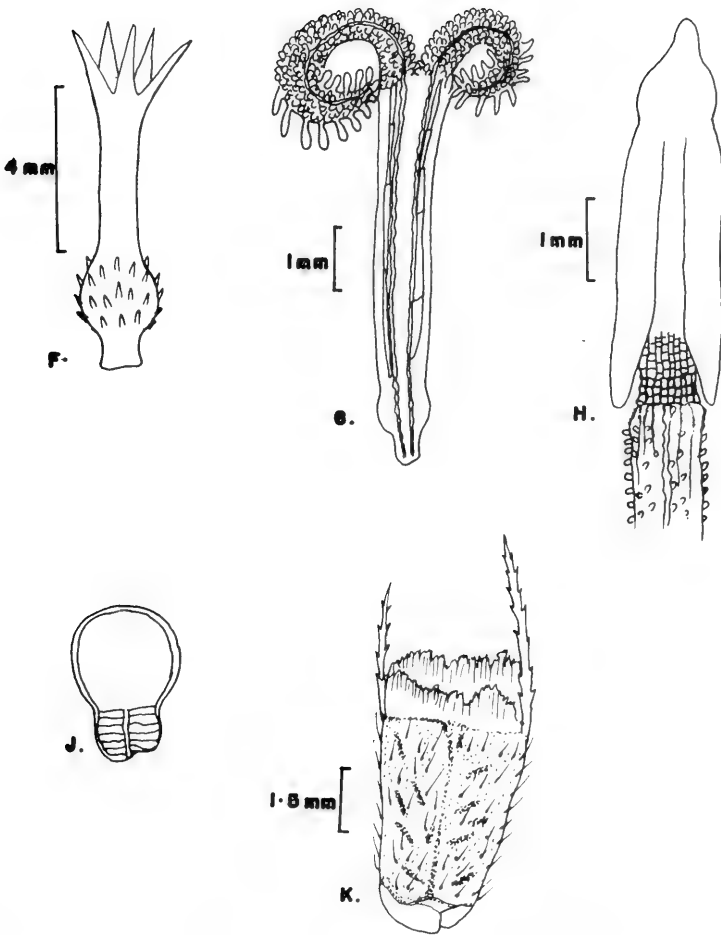


Fig. 2. *T. rotundifolia*

**F:** Disc corolla minutely pubescent on the bulging, cylindrical throat. **G:** Disc style bifid with resin ducts along the veins in shaft, and single stigmatic surface on the branches. **H:** Anther with ovate apical appendage and pubescent filament. **J:** Glandular trichome on the apical appendage. **K:** Cypsel hairy with bilobed carpodium, fused squamellae and 2 subequal awns. - F—K: Isawumi & Elufisan 1801 (UNIFEM).

# VESICULAR ARBUSCULAR MYCORRHIZAE IN PLANTS OF COMPOSITAE: OCCURRENCE, IDENTITY AND SIGNIFICANCE

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## Abstract

The VAM (Vesicular Arbuscular Mycorrhizae) fungi are extensively present in soils of Delhi including University campus. Association of VAM fungi amongst the roots of various plants belonging to family Compositae, namely *Ageratum*, *Bidens*, *Blumea*, *Eclipta*, *Galinsoga*, *Gnaphalium*, *Launaea*, *Sonchus*, *Tridax* and *Vernonia*, were studied. Except for *Blumea bifoliata* and *Gnaphalium purpureum*, in all plants studied VAM colonization was about 40-100%.

## Introduction

The vesicular arbuscular mycorrhizae (VAM) are wide-spread in occurrence and because of their potential for crop improvement have been investigated extensively (Mukerji 1995, Powell & Bagayraj 1984). All soils contain either spores of VA mycorrhizal fungi or mycorrhizae formed by them (Mosse 1973). Most of the plants are VA mycorrhizal, but little work has been done in the Compositae. Since VAM influence soil fertility and thus the growth and developments of plants, their study is essential. Such investigations are not only of great botanical interest, but also important in social forestry and land reclamation (Mukerji & Dixon 1992). The present investigation was undertaken in order to characterize and quantify the VAM associations in roots of Compositae weeds growing in Delhi.

## Material and Methods

A survey was made to examine VAM formation in natural dense populations of composites growing in and around Delhi University. In all 10 genera were investigated; their roots were carefully dug out at the time of seed setting, selecting 10 plants at random for each species. Roots were gently washed with fresh water and kept in 10% KOH solution for 48 hours. After that KOH was drained out and roots were carefully washed with fresh water and stained with 0.1% Trypan blue stain (Philips & Hayman 1970). Percent VAM colonization was calculated using Nicolson's simple formula (1995):

$$\% \text{ colonization} = \frac{\text{No. of segments colonized with VAM}}{\text{Total no. of segments observed}} \times 100$$

The spores from the rhizosphere soil of each plant were isolated by Gerdemann & Nicolson's (1963) wet sieving and decanting technique. Spores were mounted in lactophenol and identified using standard key (Hall 1983, Schenck & Perez 1990).

## Observations and Discussion

The results of this investigation clearly indicate that many, perhaps most of the plants belonging to the family Compositae are vesicular arbuscular mycorrhizal. The amount of vesicles and arbuscules formed in roots varied in all plants (Table 1, 2). The shape of vesicles may be oval or rounded.

In *Ageratum conyzoides* external hyphae were absent. Internal hyphae were distinguished as arbuscules or vesicles. Vesicles were oval in shape, and the number of vesicles was very low. Y-shape hyphae were also present. See Table 2 and Fig. 1 (A-H) for presence of arbuscules, external hyphae, number of vesicles and shape.

Further, in the plants of *Galinsoga parviflora* arbuscules were densely present. They were dichotomously branched and were of dominant type. Percent infection of arbuscules is 40%, number of vesicles per one cm root bits is 5, and number of spores per 100 gm rhizosphere soil is 11. The dominant VAM fungal spores in the rhizosphere soil consisted of *Glomus macrocarpum* and *Glomus fasciculatum*.

A comparative study of diseased and healthy plants of *Sonchus arvensis* was made. Diseased *Sonchus arvensis* was severely infected by *Bremia lactuca*, in its roots external hyphae were densely present, and with this appresoria formation was also present, while in the healthy plants number of vesicles and arbuscules per one cm was also high. So it can be concluded that VAM increased the foliar infection in this plant (Zaidi & Mukerji 1983).

Out of ten Compositae species only two did not show any association. The other eight species were highly colonized by the VAM fungi (Table 1, 2). In diseased *Sonchus arvensis* VAM colonization was found to be very high, i.e. 90% of the root segments were colonized, and about 20 vesicles per one cm root bits were found. In *Vernonia cinerea* 80% of the root segments were colonized, and 8 vesicles were present per one cm root bits. In the roots of *Ageratum conyzoides* only 40 % of the root segments were colonized, and the number of vesicles present in one cm root bits was only 2. In the roots of *Vernonia cinerea* the number of vesicles per one cm is low, but the number of spores per 100 gm rhizosphere soil is high, i.e. 20. Ammani et al. (1994) also reported a high percentage of mycorrhization but low number of spores from various habitats.

VAM fungi provide the plant with minerals especially phosphorus, while the plant supplies the fungus with photosynthetic sugars. The bidirectional transport leads to enhanced plant growth and the completion of the fungal life cycle. For these reasons, mycorrhizal symbiosis is an attractive system in agriculture and forest management to enhance crop and wood production in the sense of a sustainable agriculture and restoring soil fertility (Bansal & Mukerji 1994 a, b, Varma 1995). Since roots of some plants are heavily VA mycorrhizal, they are indirectly fertilizing the soil (Mukerji & Dixon 1992).

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Table 1. VA mycorrhizal colonization in Compositae

Host	Percentage of root segments colonized	No. of vesicles per one cm in root bits	No. of spores per 100 gm. rhizosphere soil
<i>Ageratum conyzoides</i>	40	2	4
<i>Bidens pilosa</i>	70	20	20
<i>Blumea bifoliata</i>	-	-	-
<i>Eclipta alba</i>	70	10	12
<i>Galinsoga parviflora</i>	40	5	11
<i>Gnaphalium purpureum</i>	-	-	-
<i>Launaea nudicaulis</i>	60	2	6
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i> (Diseased)	80	20	28
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i> (Healthy)	70	14	24
<i>Tridax procumbens</i>	50	12	12
<i>Vernonia cinerea</i>	80	8	20

**Table 2. Presence of different structures of VAM fungi in various Compositae**

Test Plant	External hyphae	Y-shape connection	Appresoria formation	Arbuscules	Vesicles	
					Shape	Number /cm <sup>2</sup>
<i>Ageratum conyzoides</i>	A	LP	A	LD	O	2
<i>Bidens pilosa</i>	P	P	A	DP	O	20
<i>Blumea bifoliata</i>	A	A	A	A	A	A
<i>Eclipta alba</i>	A	P	P	LD	R	12
<i>Galinsoga parviflora</i>	A	P	P	DP	O	11
<i>Gnaphalium purpureum</i>	A	A	A	A	A	A
<i>Launaea nudicaulis</i>	LP	A	A	DP	O	2
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i> (Diseased)	DP	DP	P	DP	R	20
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i> (Healthy)	LP	P	A	DP	O	14
<i>Tridax procumbens</i>	DP	P	P	DP	R	12
<i>Vernonia cinerea</i>	A	A	A	DP	O	8

### Designation

A – Absent; P – Present; LP – Less Present; DP – Densely Present; O – Oval; R – Rounded.

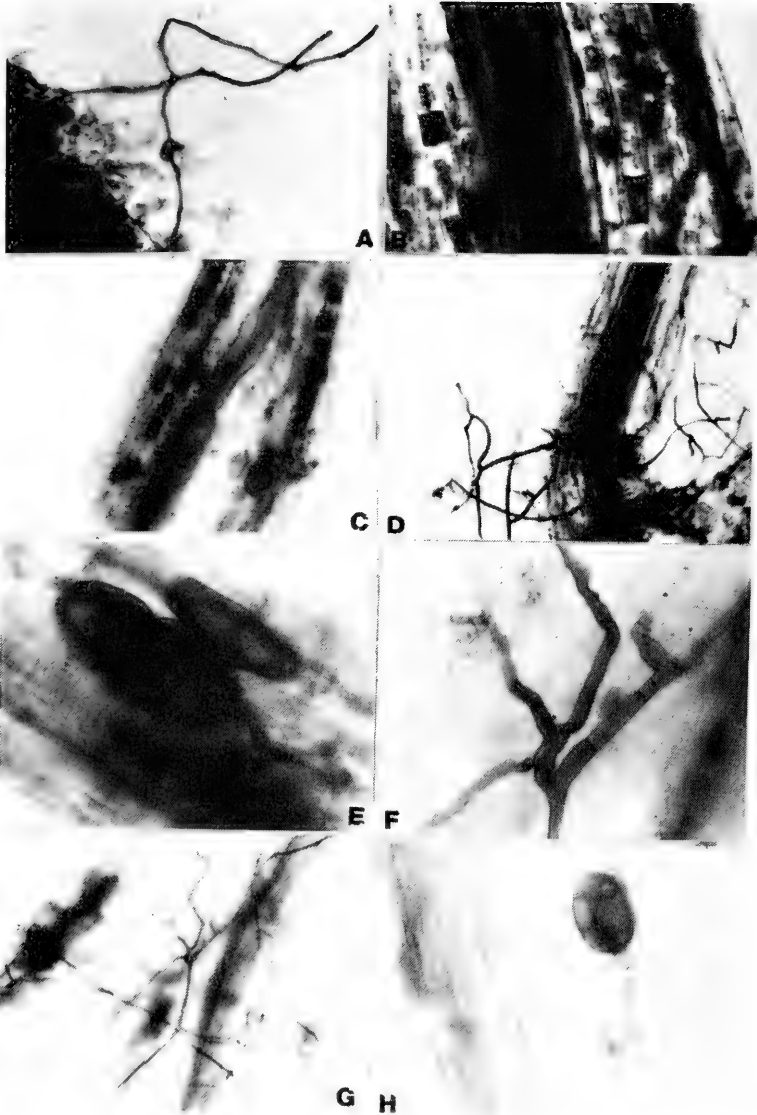


Fig. 1. VAM structures.

A: External hyphae with appresoria of *Bidens pilosa*. B: Appresoria of *Bidens pilosa*. C, D: Vesicles and external hyphae of *Galinsoga parviflora*. E, F: Vesicles and external hyphae of *Vernonia cinerea*. G, H: Internal hyphae and vesicle of *Tridax procumbens*.



# NEW COMBINATIONS IN ECUADOREAN SENECIONEAE

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## Abstract

Fifteen new combinations of Ecuadorean taxa in the genera *Dendrophorbium*, *Monticalia*, and *Talamancalia* are published.

## Introduction

Ongoing studies on Ecuadorean Senecioneae for the 'Catalogue of Vascular Plants of Ecuador' and the 'Flora of Ecuador' necessitate a number of new combinations, some of which are published here. Others will follow in due course, as well as descriptions of some new taxa.

## New combinations

### *Dendrophorbium amplexicaule* (Kunth) B. Nord., comb. nov.

Basionym: *Senecio amplexicaulis* Kunth in H.B.K., Nov. Gen. Sp. Pl. 4: 181 (folio ed.), 142 (quarto ed.) (1820, text available in 1818). - Syn.: *Pentacalia amplexicaulis* (Kunth) Cuatrec., Phytologia 49: 252 (1981). - Orig. coll.: Humboldt & Bonpland s.n., Ecuador, "prope Alausi et Tambo de Guamote Quitensium, alt. 1300-1500 hex." (P holotype).

### *Dendrophorbium angelense* (Domke) B. Nord., comb. nov.

Basionym: *Senecio angelensis* Domke in Diels, Biblioth. Bot. 116: 171 (1937). - Orig. coll.: Diels 785, Ecuador, Carchi: Above El Angel, upper forest limit, ca. 3200 m, 2.IX.1933 (B holotype †).

***Dendrophorbium balsapampae* (Cuatrec.) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Senecio balsapampae* Cuatrec., Fieldiana 27: 18 (1950). - Orig. coll.: A. Rimbach 240, Ecuador, W cordillera above Balsapampa, 2600 m, X.1934 (F holotype!).

***Dendrophorbium dodsonii* (H. Robinson & Cuatrec.) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Pentacalia dodsonii* H. Robinson & Cuatrec., Novon 3: 285 (1993). - Orig. coll.: Dodson & Thien 676, Ecuador, Zamora: Road from Loja to Zamora, 2800 m, 18.IX.1961 (SEL holotype).

***Dendrophorbium gesnerifolium* (Cuatrec.) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Senecio gesnerifolius* Cuatrec., Fieldiana Bot. 27: 33 (1950). - Orig. coll.: J. A. Steyermark 54743, Ecuador, Santiago-Zamora: Trail between Achupallas and Nudo de Sabanillas, 3000-3500 m, 17.X.1943 (F holotype!).

***Dendrophorbium ingens* (Benoist) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Senecio ingens* Benoist, Bull. Soc. Bot. Fr. 83: 808 (1936). - Orig. coll.: Benoist 4467, Ecuador: "Chemin de Aloag à Santo Domingo de los Colorados, au km 18", 4.VII.1931 (P holotype).

***Dendrophorbium onae* (Cuatrec.) C. Jeffrey var. *leonis* (Cuatrec.) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Senecio onae* Cuatrec. var. *leonis* Cuatrec.; Fieldiana Bot. 27: 33 (1950). - Orig. coll.: J. A. Steyermark 53697, Ecuador, Azuay: Dry rocky slopes bordering Río León towards Ona, on N side of Río León, 1970 m, 3.VIII.1943 (F holotype).

***Dendrophorbium solisii* (Cuatrec.) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Senecio solisii* Cuatrec., Fedde Repert. 55: 146 (1953). - Orig. coll.: M. Acosta Solís 10504, Ecuador, Carchi: Between Paja Blanca and El Cucho, 2900-3200 m, 18.VII.1945 (F holotype!, F isotype!)

***Dendrophorbium tipocochense* (Domke) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Senecio tipocochensis* Domke in Diels, Biblioth. Bot. 116: 173 (1937). - Orig. coll.: Diels 594, Ecuador, Chimborazo: Oberer Bergwald, 3200 m, 17.VIII.1933 (B holotype †).

***Dendrophorbium toreadoris* (Cuatrec.) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Senecio toreadoris* Cuatrec., Fieldiana Bot. 27: 34 (1950). - Orig. coll.: J. A. Steyermark 53021, Ecuador, Azuay: Between Molleturo and Toreador, 2590-3900 m, 14.VI.1943 (F holotype!).

***Monticalia andicola* (Turcz.) C. Jeffrey var. *pseudonitida* (Cuatrec.) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Senecio andicola* Turcz. var. *pseudonitidus* Cuatrec., Brittonia 12: 194 (1960). - Orig. coll.: Mille 725, Ecuador: Declivibus Antisana, 3600 m, I. 1917 (GH holotype).

***Monticalia befarioides* (Cuatrec.) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Senecio befarioides* Cuatrec., Fedde Repert. 55: 134 (1953). - Syn.: *Pentacalia befarioides* (Cuatrec.) Cuatrec., Phytologia 49: 253 (1981). - Orig. coll.: A. S. Hitchcock 21940, Ecuador, Chimborazo: Between Urbina and Mt. Chimborazo, 3600-4500 m, 4.X.1923, (US holotype).

***Monticalia microdon* (Wedd.) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Senecio microdon* Wedd., Chlor. And. 1: 102 (1856). - Syn.: *Pentacalia microdon* (Wedd.) Cuatrec., Phytologia 49: 256 (1981). - Orig. coll.: Jameson 118, Ecuador: "Sur le mont Cotopaxi", 1845 (P type).

***Monticalia teretifolia* (Kunth) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Cacalia teretifolia* Kunth in H.B.K., Nov. Gen. Sp. Pl. 4: 124 (folio ed.), 159 (quarto ed.) (1820, text available in 1818). - Syn.: *Senecio teretifolius* (Kunth) DC., Prodr. 6: 420 (1837); *Microchaete teretifolia* (Kunth) Benth., Pl. Hartw. 209 (1845); *Pentacalia teretifolia* (Kunth) Cuatrec., Phytologia 49: 259 (1981). - Orig. coll.: Humboldt & Bonpland s.n., Ecuador: "In arenosis juxta pagum Mulalo Quitensium ignivomos Cotopaxi et Ilinissa, alt. 1600 hex." (P holotype).

***Talamancalia fosbergii* (Cuatrec.) B. Nord., comb. nov.**

Basionym: *Senecio fosbergii* Cuatrec., Fedde Repert. 55: 138 (1953). - Orig. coll.: F. R. Fosberg & M. A. Giler 22946, Ecuador, Loja: NE slope of Cerro Mataperro 3 km SW San Pedro, 10 km WNW of Catamayo, 1815 m, 10.II.1945 (US holotype!).

The genus *Talamancalia* was recently reported as a new generic record for South America (Nordenstam & Pruski 1995), by transfer of the Ecuadorean *Senecio putcalensis* Hieron. to this genus. The available material of this species was collected more than a century ago in the Loja area. A related species was discovered in unnamed material on loan from the Aarhus University (AAU). Upon further study it turned out to be identical to *Senecio fosbergii* Cuatrec. This is obviously related to *Talamancalia putcalensis*, but sufficiently distinct to be maintained as a different species. It shares with *T. putcalensis* the pinnatilobate leaf-shape, but the leaves are larger and less dissected, white-tomentose on the lower side (thereby resembling *T. westonii* H. Robinson & Cuatrec. from Costa Rica), and provided with distinctly winged petioles with conspicuously enlarged auricles at the base. The leaves of *T. putcalensis* are only scabrous-hirsute below and the petioles are narrowly winged. All three previously known species of *Talamancalia* are said to possess orange-coloured rays, but *T. fosbergii* has pure yellow ray-florets. This is not a very important difference, however, as can be seen from the variation within the related genus *Dorobaea*, where orange and yellow rays may occur within a species (Nordenstam & Pruski 1995).

*Talamancalia fosbergii* has a restricted range in the Catamayo valley near Loja in southern Ecuador, where it grows on dry slopes at 1800-2000 m altitude. Apart from the type, the following two collections are known to me: Ecuador, Loja: Road Loja-Catamayo, in the Catamayo valley, 79°18'W, 3°57'S, 2000 m, 25.II.1989, Øllgaard et al. 90697 (AAU); Road San Pedro de la Bendita (W of Catamayo)-El Cisne, c. km 8 (N extension of the Catamayo valley), 1900 m, 79°25'W, 3°55'S, 25.II.1989, Øllgaard et al. 90706 (AAU).

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