

that Johnston's unintentional lectotypification by *Wissmann* 1241, which would normally have to be followed (*Code Art.* 9.13: Greuter et al., 1994), can be rejected as such, since he later implied that a different specimen (*Wissmann* 1240) was the type. The evidence from the label and packet on *Wissmann* 1240 unambiguously indicates that Schwartz intended that specimen to be the type although his protologue did not indicate this. Accordingly, *Wissmann* 1240 is here designated lectotype of the name *Tetraedrocarpus arabicus* O. Schwartz (and consequently of the genus *Tetraedrocarpus*), and of the combination *Echiochilon arabicum* (O. Schwartz) I.M. Johnst. based upon it.

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Elettariopsis unifolia (Gagnep.) M.F. Newman, comb. nov. (Zingiberaceae)

An unidentified member of the Zingiberaceae, accession number 19901449 from Vietnam, flowered for the first time at the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh in May 1995. It matches the holotype specimen of *Amomum unifolium* Gagnep. which comes from a plant grown in the greenhouses of the Muséum de Phanérogamie in Paris. The type specimen consists of two unnumbered and undated sheets, one of them being a drawing of the habit of the living plant. Images of these sheets are held in the Aarhus University Herbarium Graphic Data Base, numbers AAU-GDB 53 and 54.

Gagnepain was unable to say where his material had been collected but he was certain that it came from Vietnam. He supposed that it had been sent to Paris either by Pierre from the south of Vietnam or by Bon from the north. The material in Edinburgh was collected in the south.

An examination of accession 19901449 and of the type specimen showed clearly that this species belonged to the genus *Elettariopsis* Baker. A new combination is required in order to transfer *Amomum unifolium* to *Elettariopsis*, as follows:

Elettariopsis unifolia (Gagnep.) M.F. Newman, **comb. nov.**

Syn.: *Amomum unifolium* Gagnep. in Bull. Soc. Bot. France 54: 403 (1907).

Amomum Roxb. and *Elettariopsis* Baker can be distinguished only by looking at a combination of characters. No single character will separate them. Characters which are usually present in *Elettariopsis* and usually absent from *Amomum*, as discussed by Holttum (1950) and Kam (1982), are: (1) rhizomes slender, wide creeping with well-spaced leafy shoots; (2) leafy shoots almost invariably single-leaved; (3) leaves long-petiolate; (4) bracts sometimes subtending more than two flowers; (5) bracteoles open to the base; and (6) anther with a concave, squarish crest which is longer than the thecae but lacks spreading lobes. *Elettariopsis unifolia* possesses all these characters except that no bracts have been found to subtend more than two flowers in the material seen.

Additional material examined. VIETNAM. Đông Nai Province, Nam Bai Cát Tiên National Park, c.100m altitude, spreading herb on flat land in degraded primary forest, January 1990, M.F. Newman 747 (herbarium and spirit collections made 30 v 1995 from living material with accession number 19901449), E.

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New names in *Epithema* (Gesneriaceae)

New names required in *Epithema* are published here in advance of the full revision of the genus, now in preparation. Lectotypes cited are chosen here and full justification, where needed, will be given in the revision.

Epithema dentatum (C.B. Cl.) Hilliard & Burt, **comb. et stat. nov.**

Lectotype: Burma [Myanmar], Moulmein, Farm Cave Rocks, *Parish* 63 (K).

Syn.: *E. carnosum* Benth. var. *dentatum* C.B. Cl. in A. & C. DC., *Monogr. Phan.* 5: 177 (1883).