# REVISION OF THE SAPOTACEAE OF THE MALAYSIAN AREA IN A WIDER SENSE

VI 1). Xantolis Rafinesque

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Xantolis Raf., Sylv. Tell., 1838, 36 — Planchonella Pierre, p.p., Not. bot. Sapot., 1890, 34; Dubard, Ann. Mus. col. Mars. 20, 1912, 41; Lam, Ann. Jard. bot. Bzg, sér. 3, 7, 1925, 193; Lam, l. c., sér. 3, 8, 1927, 467 — Sideroxylon L., p.p., Engler, Nat. Pfl. Fam. 4, 1, 1897, 143 and Nachtrag, 1897, 27 — Hormogyne DC, p.p., Prodr. 8, 1844, 176 — Pouteria Aublet sensu Baehni, p.p., Candollea 9, 1942.

Trees or shrubs, often spiny. Leaves alternate, estipulate, sometimes with the flowers conferted at the tips of brachyblasts, entire, with a marginal nerve, tertiary nervation transverse or reticulate, sparse, slender. Flowers of, 5-merous, solitary or clustered, axillary or sometimes along an axillary shoot, bracts small. Calyx with a short tube and mostly lanceolate lobes, marcescent. Corolla lobes longer than the tube. Stamens generally inserted at the base of the lobes, each with two small tufts of ferruginous hairs on either side of the base of the glabrous filaments, rarely only one hair, anthers sagittate, with prolonged connective, dehiscing extrorsely or slightly lateral. Staminodes petaloid, often long aristate, fimbriate-ciliate along the margin, except in X. racemosa (Dub.) van Royen and X. siamensis (Fletcher) van Royen in which the margin is either dentate or entire. Ovary 5-, rarely 4-celled, densely hirsute, disk absent; style long exsert, ovules inserted halfway up or at the base of the cells, funiculus often long. Fruits drupaceous, 1- or 2-seeded, seeds ellipsoid, laterally compressed, testa crustaceous, scar ovate or linear, as long as seed to <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> its length, or small and circular, basal, embryo with copious albumen and foliaceous cotyledons, radicle exserted.

Type species: Xantolis tomentosa (Roxb.) Rafinesque.

Distr.: 14 species in SE Continental Asia and Luzon.

The main part of this genus is included by Pierre and Dubard in the section *Hookeriplanchonella* of the genus *Planchonella* and by Engler in the section *Hookerisideroxylon* of *Sideroxylon*.

¹) I—III in Blumea VI, 3, 1952, 547—595; IV—V in Blumea VII, 2, 1953, 364—412; IVa in Blumea VII, 3, 1954, 481—483; IIa, IVb, Va, VI—IX in the present issue.

They differ from all other species of *Planchonella* in the short tube and long lobes of calyx and corolla, in the sagittate anthers with prolonged connective and in the indumentum of the throat of the corolla, which consists of two small bundles of hairs, sometimes only one hair, at each side of the base of the filaments. The staminodes are fimbriate or lacerate along the margin and thus differ considerably from those in its nearest ally *Planchonella*. The number of cells of the ovary tallies with that of *Planchonella* (4 or 5). From *Pouteria Xantolis* differs in the floral details and the copious albumen of the embryo.

The geographical distribution (Fig. 1) provides another feature worth-

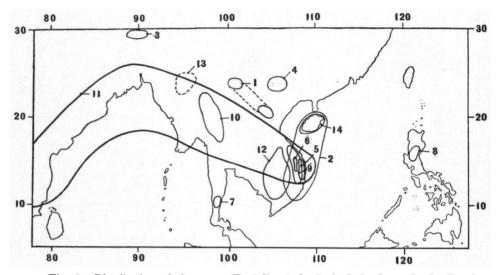


Fig. 1. Distribution of the genus Xantolis. 1. hookeri, 2. boniana, 3. shweliensis, 4. stenosepala, 5. racemosa, 6. baranense, 7. siamensis, 8. parvifolia, 9. maritima, 10. burmanica, 11. tomentosa, 12. cambodiana, 13. assamica, 14. embeliifolia. The areal of 13. X. assamica is indicated by a broken line as no definite localities are known except "Assam".

while mentioning. In its present delimitation Xantolis is found in the SE part of Continental Asia, but N of the Kra Isthmus. One species is found in Luzon. Thus the area is marginal to that of Planchonella.

These details taken together provide ample reason to regard Xantolis as a separate genus. It is admitted that the differences are small but this is customary in many groups of the Sapotaceae, notably in the Eumadhuceae (Burckella, Madhuca, Payena, Ganua), and those between Xantolis and Planchonella may be regarded as being of the same order.

One might oppose that in separating Xantolis from Planchonella a further subdivision of Planchonella is also possible on similar grounds. An intensive study of the details of the genus Planchonella sensu meo, however, showed that the floral details are rather uniform though the foliar details may differ considerably. In a next issue of this series it will be pointed out that a further subdivision of that genus in different

genera is unfeasible. In case Xantolis should not be kept separate from Planchonella the latter name will have to be conserved against the former.

### Abbreviations of literature

Baehni 1942 = Ch. Baehni, Mém. Sapot. 2, Le genre Pouteria — Candollea 9, 1942, 147—476.

Dubard 1912 = M. Dubard, Les Sapotacées du group des Sideroxylées — Ann. Muss. col. Mars. 20, 1912, 1—90.

Lam 1925 = H. J. Lam, The Sapotaceae etc. of the Dutch East Indies — Bull. Jard. bot. Bzg, sér. 3, 7, 1925, 193—218.

Lam 1927 = idem, Further Studies etc. — Bull. Jard. bot. Bzg, sér. 3, 8, 1927, 467—476.

The herbarium abbreviations used here are those proposed by Lanjouw and Stafleu in the "Index Herbariorum", ed. 2, part 1, 1954.

Fl. means flowering specimens; fr. fruiting specimens; when nothing is added before the name of the month the specimen is sterile. S.n. means unnumbered specimen.

In all figures dimensions are given in mm.

## Key to the taxa

• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
1.a. Tertiary nervation transverse
2.a. Flowers solitary or in clusters along 7-30 mm long axillary shoots; leaves obovate or obovate-oblong, 12-22 by 4.5-7 cm, obtusely acuminate, secondary
nerves 8—13*, petioles 10—17 mm long, broadly grooved or flat above, glabrous.  Indochina
b. Flowers solitary or in clusters, axillary to leaves
1. X. shweliensis (W. W. Smith) van Royen
b. Sepals pubescent within
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b. Secondary nerves 10-17 and sometimes 5-8 additional short ones at the apex of leaf close to each other, leaves 12-22 by 4-6 cm; pedicels pubescent 5
5.a. Mature dry leaves brown-olivaceous above, greyish below; greyish tomentose
below when young. China (Yunnan) . 4. X. stenosepala (Hu) van Royen
b. Mature dry leaves blackish above, brown below, ferruginously tomentose below when young. India and Indochina 3. X. hookeri (Clarke) van Royen
6.a. Fruits glabrous; secondary nerves of leaf 5—8, ascending at an angle of 35°—55°, tertiary nerves rather numerous. Indochina
2. X. boniana (Dub.) van Royen, var. boniana
b. Fruits pubescent; secondary nerves of leaf 9—13, ascending at an angle of 50°—65°
7.a. Scar of seed as long as the seed, the latter 2-3 cm long. Hainan
2. X. boniana (Dub.) van Royen
var. rostrata (Merr.) van Royen
b. Scar of seed 2/3 the length of the seed, the latter up to 2 cm long. Laos
2. X. boniana (Dub.) van Royen
var. pavieana (Pierre) van Royen
8.a. Sepals glabrous within, staminodes pubescent within. Indochina
6. X. baranense (Lec.) van Royen
b. Sepals pubescent within, staminodes glabrous within
9.a. Petioles pubescent
b. Petioles glabrous
10.a. Leaftips rounded or short and broad obtusely acuminate, leaves 2-7.5 by 2.5-4.5 cm, secondary nerves 5-11, petioles 2-5 mm long

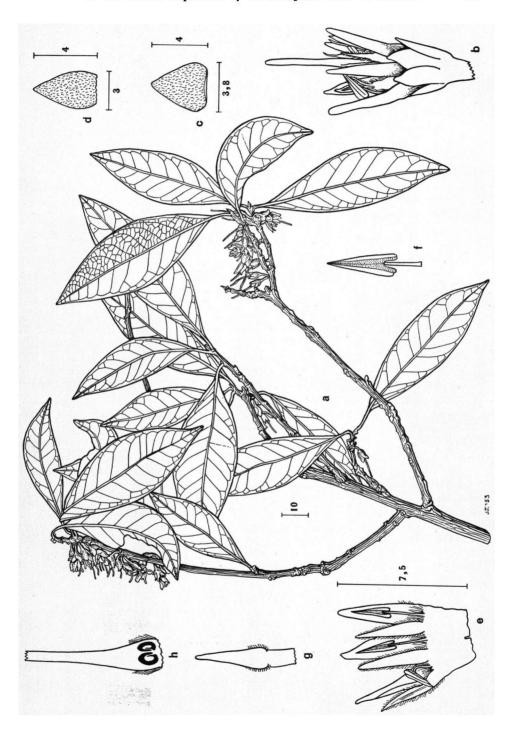
<sup>\*</sup> The number of secondary nerves is that at one side of the midrib.

b.	Leaftips long acutely acuminate, obtusely acuminate or obtuse, leaves 4-16.5 by 2-7 cm, secondary nerves 8-16, petioles 5-20 mm long 12
11.a.	Leaves rhomboid-obovate or elliptic, rounded or short obtusely acuminate.  Indochina and Siam
b.	Leaves lanceolate, markedly attenuate at the tip. Indochina  12. X. cambodiana (Pierre) van Royen var. thorelii (Lec.) van Royen
12.a.	Mature seeds black when dry, 10—12 by 3—4 by 2—3 mm, fruits ellipsoïd or ovoid, 2—3 by 0.8—1.5 cm, beaked by the persistent style; base of leaf abruptly narrowed and decurrent along petiole. Assam
b.	13. X. assamica (Clarke) van Royen Mature seeds brown when dry, 16—20 by 6—11 by c. 5 mm, fruits ovoid or fusiform, 2—3 by 1—1.8 cm, acute or obtuse, rarely beaked by the persistent style; base of leaf gradually narrowing towards petiole, decurrent. <i>India to</i> 11. X. tomentosa (Roxb.) Rafin.
	Leaves suborbicular or broadly obovate, 1.2—3 by 0.8—2.5 cm; secondary nerves 3—6; spiny trees. <i>Indochina</i> 9. X. maritima (Pierre) van Royen
	Leaves elliptic or spatulate, 2—16 by 0.6—6 cm, secondary nerves 5—16; trees mostly without spines but if spiny, secondary nerves 8—16 and leaves 4—14 by 2—6 cm
14.a.	Leaves and flowers at the tips of brachyblasts
b.	Leaves scattered, flowers axillary
15.8.	Leaves scattered, flowers axillary
	brown above when dry; pedicels ferruginously sericeous, sepals ferruginously
	on either side. Luzon 8. X. parvifolia (A. DC) van Royen
h	Leaves snatulate or elliptic
16.a.	Leaves spatulate or elliptic
	7 X giamangia (Flotcher) wan Rowan
b.	Sepals 5—5.5 by 2—2.5 mm, corolla 10—14 mm, anthers with two acute tips. Hainan
10.	Haman
17.8.	Spiny trees. India to Indochina
D.	No spines present
18.8.	Petioles 10—30 mm long; pedicels 7—11 mm long. Burma and Siam
	10. X. burmanica (Coll. & Hemsley) van Royen
	var. burmanica
b.	Petioles 2—8 mm long; pedicels 2—5 mm long
19.a. b.	Staminodes ciliate along the margin
20.a.	7. X. siamensis (Fletcher) van Royen Fruits ovoïd-ellipsoid, 2—4 by 1.2—2.5 cm; staminodes 2—2.5 mm long, anthers 2—2.5 mm long; branchlets with roundish lenticels. Siam  10. X. burmanica (Coll. & Hemsley) van Royen var. lenticellata (Fletcher) van Royen
b.	Fruits globoid or obliquely obovoid, 1—1.5 by 1—1.5 cm; staminodes 4—7.5 mm long, anthers 3—4 mm long; branchlets striate. <i>Hainan</i> 14. X. embeliifolia (Merr.) van Royen
	1. X. shweliensis (W W Smith) van Roven nov comb - Sidero-

1. X. shweliensis (W. W. Smith) van Royen, nov. comb. — Sidero-xylon shweliense W. W. Smith, Not. bot. gard. Edinb. 12, 1920, 223 — Fig. 2.

Shrubs, 1—2 m. Branchlets terete, 1.5—3 mm in diam., greyish striate, whitish tomentose, glabrescent. Leaves lanceolate or elliptic, 5—10 by 1.3—2.5 cm, obtusely or acutely acuminate at the tip, narrowly cuneate at base, tapering into petiole; chartaceous, glabrous, nitidulous above, dull below;

Fig. 2. X. shweliensis, a. habit, b. flower, c. inner sepal, inside, d. outer sepal, outside, e. flower, inside, f. stamen, g. corolla-lobe, outside, h. longitudinal section of gynaecium. (from Forrest 17886).



midrib flat and prominulous above, prominent below, secondary nerves 9-12. ascending at an angle of 50°-60°, curved or nearly straight, forked near margin and irregularly joined, prominent on either side, tertiary nervation transverse, sometimes sinuous and branched, thus seemingly reticulate, sparse, prominulous on either side; petioles 5—8 mm long, broadly canaliculate above, whitish sericeous when young, soon glabrous. Flowers solitary or in few-flowered clusters, pendulous; pedicels terete, 3-4 mm long, whitish sericeous tomentose. Sepals ovate or triangular, 3-4 by 2.5-4 mm, obtuse or subacute, brownish tomentose without, glabrous within. Corolla creamy-yellow, 7.5—9 mm long, lobes ovate-lanceolate, 5—6 by 2— 2.5 mm, obtuse or acute, margins fimbriate-lacerate at base. Stamens 4— 5 mm long, filaments filiform, 1.5-3 mm long, anthers c. 3 mm long, apex acute, dehiscing extrorsely. Staminodes lanceolate, 3-4 by 1-2 mm, apex acute. Gunaecium 10-12 mm long: ovary conoid, 5-lobed, brownish-yellowish tomentose; style subulate. Fruits not seen, according to Smith ovoid, c. 3 cm long.

Type specimen: Forrest 17886 in E.

Distr.: China (Yunnan province).

CHINA. Yunnan, western flank of Shweli-Salween divide, 3000—3300 m, in mixed forest in ravines: Forrest 17886 (E, K), shrub 1.2—2 m, fl. creamy-yellow, May; ibidem: Forrest 18555 (E), fr. Sept.

Remarks: Unfortunately I have not seen the fruit, but it is on account of the close resemblance of the floral details with those of the other species in *Xantolis* that the above mentioned specimens are considered to belong to that genus.

Regarding leafshape and nervation the present species is related to X. hookeri and X. boniana but it differs from both in the smaller and narrower leaves and the less distinct tertiary nervation. The number of secondary nerves is intermediate between that of X. boniana, var. boniana and X. hookeri, resp. 5—8, 9—13 and 12—16. X. boniana, var. rostrata from Hainan has the same number of nerves but from that variety X. shweliensis differs by the glabrous inner surface of the sepals. Moreover, X. shweliensis is said to be a shrub and X. boniana with its varieties are trees.

2. X. boniana (Dubard) van Royen, nov. comb. — Planchonella boniana Dubard in Lecomte, Not. Syst. 2, 1911, 86 — Sideroxylon bonianum (Dubard) Lecomte, Fl. Gén. Indo-Chine 3, 7, 1930, 894 — Pouteria ? boniana (Dubard) Baehni, 1942, 368 — Planchonella laotiana Dubard, Not. Syst. 2, 1911, 86.

Trees, 5—15 m. Branchlets subterete or compressed in the upper internodes, 1.5—3.5 mm in diam., striate and sometimes lenticellate, ferruginously sericeous, glabrescent. Leaves elliptic, ovate or obovate, 6—12 by 2.8—5.5 cm, apex short or long obtusely or acutely acuminate or obtuse at tip, cuneate at base, shortly decurrent, margin waved; subcoriaceous, juvenile ones yellowish-ferruginously woolly on either side, later on glabrous and nitidulous on either side or ferruginously puberulous along the midrib and nerves only; midrib prominulous above, prominent below, secondary nerves 5—13, ascending at an angle of 35°—65°, curved, forked at the tip, arching-

ly joined, sometimes diminishing until inconspicuous, prominulous above, prominent below, tertiary nervation transverse, prominulous above, prominent below; petioles 8—15 mm long, grooved above, ferruginously sericeous but glabrescent. Flowers white, solitary or in few-flowered clusters; pedicels terete, 6—10 mm long, ferruginously puberulous, ultimately glabrous. Sepals ovate-lanceolate, 4—5.5 by 2—3 mm, apex subacute, margins membranous, whitish appressedly tomentose on either side. Corolla, stamens and staminodes not seen. Ovary globose, 2—3 mm diam., whitish sericeous; style terete, 9—11 mm long. Fruits ovoid, 2—4 by 1.5—2.2 cm, one-seeded, glabrous or yellowish tomentose, pericarp woody; seeds fusiform, 2—3 by 0.8—1.5 by 1.3—1.5 cm, obtuse at either end, yellowish brown or brown, nitidous, scar ovate, nearly as long as the seed, up to 5 mm wide, albumen copious, cotyledons foliaceous, radicle 1—2 mm, slender, acute.

Type specimen: Bon 2899 in P.

Distr.: Indochina and Hainan.

Var. boniana.

Secondary nerves 5—8, ascending at an angle of 35°—55°, tertiary nervation rather dense. *Fruits* glabrous.

Type specimen: Bon 2899 in P.

Vern. name: sao-trai (Tonkin).

Distr.: Indochina.

INDOCHINA. Tonkin, Mt China-Hac, near Vo-xa: Bon 2899 (L, P), tree, fl. May — Laos, without loc.: Pavie s.n. (P).

Remarks: According to Dubard the sepals are said to be glabrous but this is apparently not correct as I found them in the type specimen whitish tomentose on either side.

Though flowers of this species are unknown, there is, on account of the fruits of var. *rostrata* and the close resemblance in leaves and flowers to those of X. *hookeri* no doubt that this species has to be inserted in Xantolis.

Var. rostrata (Merrill) van Royen, nov. stat. — Sideroxylon rostratum Merrill, Phil. Journ. Sc. 21, 1922, 351 — Planchonella rostrata (Merrill) H. J. Lam, 1925, 218 — Pouteria eluviicola Baehni, 1942, 310.

Secondary nerves 9—13, ascending at an angle of 50°—65°, tertiary nerves rather far apart. Fruits yellowish tomentose, scar of the seed as long as seed itself which is 2—3 cm long.

Type specimen: McClure 8559 in PNH.

Distr.: Hainan.

HAINAN. Five Finger Mt., wooded ravine at edge of stream: McClure 8488 (BM, K, L, PNH), tree 10 m, Dec.; ibidem, Yik Tsok Mau, 650 m, wooded ravine: McClure 8559 (BM, K), tree 5—15 m, fl. white, Dec.; Dung Ka to Diu Mun, along trail, c. 600 m: Chun & Tso 44270 (K, L), tree 15 m, lvs deep green, fr. deep green, tomentose, Nov.

Var. pavieana (Pierre) van Royen, nov. stat. — Planchonella pavieana Pierre in Lecomte, Not. Syst. 2, 1913, 88 — Pouteria † pavieana (Pierre) Baehni, 1942, 417.

Secondary nerves 9—13, ascending at an angle of  $50^{\circ}$ —65°, tertiary nerves few. Fruits yellowish tomentose; scar of the seed c.  $^{2}/_{3}$  the length of seed itself, which is up to 2 cm long.

Type specimen: Pavie s.n. in P. Vern. names: haï, môi pang (muong). Distr.: Indochina.

INDOCHINA. Laos: Luang Prabang: Pavie s.n. (P), with seeds only, fr. edible.

Remarks: Planchonella pavieana is regarded here as a variety of X. boniana as the differences though distinct are very slight. It differs from var. rostrata in the slightly narrower leaves but this may be illusory when more material is present and therefore is not regarded as an important detail. Also it is possible that var. rostrata and var. pavieana should be united when more material is found. An additional reason to keep them apart, is the difference in geographical distribution, var. rostrata being known from Hainan only and var. pavieana being restricted to Laos.

3. X. hookeri (Clarke) van Royen, nov. comb. — Sideroxylon hookeri Clarke in Hooker, Fl. Br. India 3, 1882, 537; Lecomte, Fl. Gén. Indo-Chine 3, 7, 1930, 893; Kanjilal & Das, Fl. Assam 3, 1939, 191 — Planchonella hookeri (Clarke) Pierre, Not. bot. Sapot., 1890, 36 — I Sideroxylon hookeri Clarke, var. mekongense Lecomte, l. c. 893 — Pouteria hookeri (Clarke) Baehni, 1942, 366.

Trees, up to 12 m. Branchlets subterete but compressed below the nodes, 2-5 mm in diam., striate, ferruginously tomentose when young, older ones glabrous and yellowish. Leaves elliptic, oblong or subobovate, 12-22 by 4-6 cm, tip long acuminate, narrowing towards base and sometimes oblique, shortly decurrent; margin undulate; membranous to chartaceous, glabrous above, ferruginously tomentose below but glabrescent except for a few scattered hairs along midrib, nitidulous above, dullish below; midrib prominulous above, prominent below, secondary nerves 10-16 and 5-8 towards the tip closer together, ascending at an angle of 50°-60°. in the tip 70°, curved, but the apical ones straight, diminishing until inconspicuous, prominulous or subimpressed above, prominent below, tertiary nerves transverse, prominulous on either side; petioles 1-2 cm, broadly canaliculate above, rounded below, whitish-ferruginously appressedly tomentose, glabrescent. Flowers solitary or in few-flowered clusters; pedicels terete, but angular in the apical part, 5-9 mm long, ferruginously whitish tomentose. Sepals ovate, 2.5—4.5 by 1.5—3.5 mm, apex subobtuse, grevish ferruginously sericeous without, ferruginously sericeous within, inner sepals with sparsely fimbriate and membranous margin. Corolla 8-12 mm, lobes ovate-lanceolate, 7-9 by 2.5-3.5 mm, margins lacerate at base. Stamens 6-7 mm long, filaments subulate, compressed, 3-5 mm, anthers ovoid, 2-3.5 mm long, apex truncate, mucronulate, dehiscing extrorsely or laterally. Staminodes lanceolate or linear, 6-7 by 1-2 mm, apex acute. Gynaecium long conoid, 10-15 mm long, ovary ferruginously hirsute; style filiform, 10-12 mm long, subcapitate. Fruits unknown.

Type specimen: Hooker 4 in K.

Vern. names: dieng-soh-pho-shree; monkey's crab-apple.

Distr.: Northern parts of India and Indochina.

INDIA. Sikkim: without loc., alt. c. 1500 m: Hooker 4 (BM, K, L), fl. INDOCHINA. Laos: Vieu Chang: Thorel s.n. (P), fl.

Remarks: Closely related to this species is X. racemosa which differs, however, in the type of inflorescence. X. racemosa carries flowers in clusters along an axillary shoot, while in X. hookeri the flowers are axillary and clustered. Moreover, the latter has longer acuminate leaves and larger flowers.

The details of var. mekongense as described by Lecomte fall within the limits of var. hookeri so that it seems justified to unite both varieties. However, var. hookeri is known only from Sikkim and var. mekongense from Laos, no intermediate localities having so far been reported.

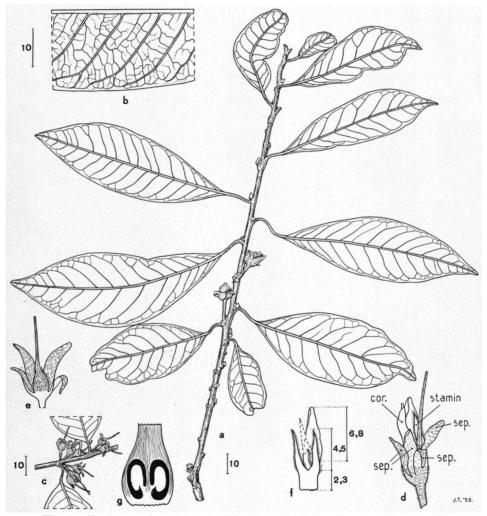


Fig. 3. X. stenosepala, a. branch with 2 juvenile fruits, b. part of leaf, c. flowers, d. flower (sep. sepals, cor. corolla, stamin. staminodes), e. juvenile fruit with part of calyx, f. inside of part of corolla, anther drawn in broken line, g. longitudinal section of basal part of gynaecium (from Wang 75088).

4. X. stenosepala (Hu) van Royen, nov. comb. — Adinandra stenosepala Hu, Bull. Fan. Mem. Inst. Biol., Bot. Ser. 8, 1938, 148 — Planchonella stenosepala (Hu), Hu, Bull. Fan Mem. Inst. Biol., Bot. Ser. 10, 1940, 129 — Fig. 3.

Trees, 6-15 m. Branchlets angular, 2-4 mm in diam., greyish or yellowish brownish tomentulose, glabrescent. Leaves lanceolate, oblanceolate or oblong-lanceolate, 5-18 by 2-5 cm, acuminate, acumen 3-8 mm long, base cuneate, tapering into petiole; coriaceous, greyish puberulous, glabrescent, nitidous above, dull below; midrib prominulous above, prominent below, secondary nerves 15-17, ascending at an angle of 40°-55°, slightly curved, archingly joined by thickened nerves, prominulous above, prominent below, tertiary nervation sparse, transverse, recurved near the midrib, prominulous above, prominent below, petioles 8-18 mm long, broadly canaliculate above, greyish tomentose, glabrescent. Flowers solitary or in few-flowered axillary clusters; pedicels terete, 6-10 mm long, greyish sericeous. Sepals lanceolate, 5-7 by 2-3 mm, acute at apex, greyish sericeous without, ferruginously sericeous within. Corolla-lobes lanceolate, up to 6.5 by c. 2 mm, greenish black, apex acute. Stamens up to 6.5 mm long, filaments subulate, thickened at base, slightly shorter than the anthers, the latter lanceolate, sagittate at base, acute and with a slightly produced connective at apex, dehiscing introrsely, c. 2.5 mm long. Staminodes ovatelanceolate, up to 4 mm long, caudate-subulate at apex, densely tomentose along margin, glabrous within, Ovary without disk, ovoid, c. 3 by 3 mm, densely ferruginously tomentose, 5-celled, with one basal ovule in each cell; style simple, up to 12 mm long, villous at base, glabrous in the upper part. stigma obscurely lobed. Fruits yellow, oblong-ovoid, up to 1.5 by 1 cm, crowned by the up to 15 mm long style, ferruginously sericeous to pilose, pericarp ligneous.

Type specimen: Wang 75088 in FM. Distr.: China (Southwestern Yunnan).

CHINA. Yunnan, Nanchiao Hsien, in forest, 1420 m: Wang 75088 (FM, K), tree c. 13 m, fr. June, yellow; Fo-Hai Hsien, in mixed forests, 1530 m: Wang 73529 (A, FM), tree c. 15 m, fl. May; ibidem, 1400 m: Wang 77205 (A, FM), July; ibidem, 1300 m: Wang 77048 (A, FM), tree 8 m, July; ibidem, in thickets, 1540 m: Wang 74441 (FM), tree c. 6 m, June; ibidem, in mixed forests, 1400 m: Wang 77109 (A, FM), tree 6 m, June; ibidem, in thickets, 1540 m: Wang 78977 (A, FM), tree c. 6 m, May; Nan-Chiao Hsien, in forests in ravine, 1450 m: Wang 75394 (FM), tree 10 m, June.

5. X. racemosa (Dubard) van Royen, nov. comb. — Planchonella racemosa Dubard, 1912, 55, nomen; Dubard in Lecomte, Not. Syst. 2, 1913, 88, descr. — Sideroxylon racemosum Lecomte, Fl. Gén. Indo-Chine 3, 7, 1930, 888; Baehni, 1942, 428 — Sideroxylon racemosum Lecomte, var. subracemosum Lecomte, l. c. 889 — Mastichodendron racemosum (Lec.) H. J. Lam, Rec. trav. bot. néerl. 36, 1939, 521 — Sideroxylon eburneum Chevalier in Lecomte, l. c. 1930, 895 — Fig. 4.

Trees. Branchlets stout, terete or angular, 2—5 mm in diam., with numerous lenticels, ferruginously pubescent, glabrescent. Leaves obovate or obovate-oblong, 12—22 by 4.5—7 cm, apex obtusely acuminate (acumen up to 10 mm long), cuneate at base, tapering into petiole; margin undulate; subcoriaceous, glabrous on either side, nitidulous above, dullish

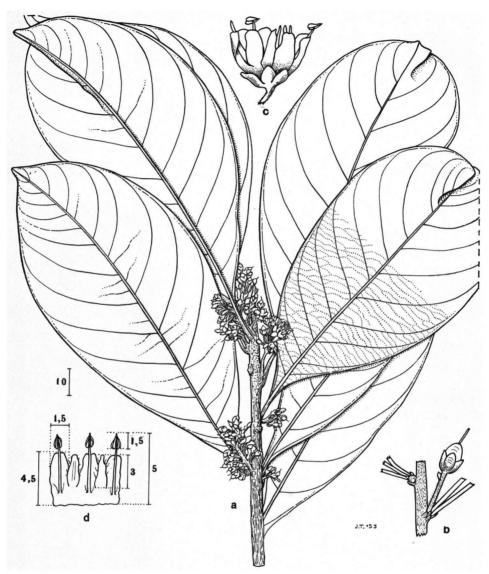


Fig. 4. X. racemosa, a. habit, b. juvenile fruit, c. flower, d. corolla, inside. (from Bon 4266).

below; midrib impressed above, prominent below, secondary nerves 8—13, ascending at an angle of 45°—65°, curved, diminishing until inconspicuous, prominulous above, prominent below, tertiary nerves transverse, prominulous above, prominent below; petioles 10—17 mm long, flat or broadly grooved above and sometimes minutely crested, glabrous. *Flowers* solitary or in clusters along 7—30 mm long axillary shoots, in the axils of triangular,

c. 1 mm long, obtuse, ferruginously tomentose bracts, peduncle compressed. 2-5 mm long, appressedly whitish tomentose, rachis appressedly tomentose, with numerous white lenticels; pedicels terete or subangular, 4-6 mm long, sparsely ferruginously or whitish tomentose, at base with 2 lanceolate, acute, c. 0.5 mm long bracteoles, and sometimes also an additional lanceolate or linear, scale-like, 1-1.5 mm long one closely below the sepals. ovate, 1.5—2.8 by 1.5—2 mm, apex obtuse, glabrous without, glabrous or subglabrous within. Corolla whitish or yellowish, 4-5 mm long, lobes elliptic or oblong, 2.5—3.5 by 1—1.5 mm, apex truncate, tips often crenulate, auriculate at base. Stamens 4.5-5.5 mm long, filaments subulate, 3-3.5 mm, anthers ovoid, 1.2-1.5 mm long, apex acute, dehiscing extrorsely. Staminodes ovate, 2-3.5 by 1-2 mm, apex obtuse or acute, attenuate and auriculate at base, margins sparsely and irregularly fimbriate. Ovary ovoid. 5-7-lobed, stout, 1 mm high and diam., glabrous except for a few long hairs at base; style subulate, 3-3.5 mm long. Fruits ovoid, 16-18 mm long. 1-seeded; seeds ellipsoid oblong, albumen present, scar unknown, cotyledons thin, radicle 2.5 mm long.

Lectotype specimen: Bon 5220 in P.

Vern. name: mai-lai-duoi (= ivory wood) (Annam).

Use: Provides one of the best timbers of northern Annam.

Distr.: Indochina.

INDOCHINA. Tonkin, Mt Câ: Bon 4266 (P), fl.; Phú Dien: Bon 5220 (P), fl. March; Cho-ganh: Pételot s.n. (P), fl. & fr.; Ké-só, on limestone rocks: Balansa 4337 (K, P), fl. May — Annam, Thanh-hoa prov., Nhu-Xuân: Caday 38268 (P), fl. April.

Remarks: Dubard in his original description mentioned 3 specimens; it is here proposed to select Bon 5220 as the lectotype specimen.

The details of the fruit are extracted from Lecomte's description as I have not seen the material.

Lecomte distinguished a variety subracemosum on account of the very short racemes but this seems hardly justified as in Bon 4266 an even shorter raceme was found beside the 2—3 cm long inflorescences. In the type specimen of var. subracemosum (Balansa 4337) the inflorescence is 2—5 mm long.

6. X. baranense (Lec.) van Royen, nov. comb. — Sideroxylon baranense Lec., Fl. Gén. Indo-Chine 3, 7, 1930, 889—890 — Fig. 5.

Trees, 9—10 m. Branchlets terete, 1—4 mm in diam., with numerous round lenticels, glabrous. Leaves scattered, obovate or elliptic, (1.3—)2.5—4.5 by (0.8—)1.2—3 cm, apex rounded, entire, retuse or acutely or obtusely acuminate (acumen 1—2.5 mm), base attenuate and decurrent; subcoriaceous, glabrous on either side, greyish nitidous above, greenish dull below; midrib flat or prominulous above, prominent below, secondary nerves 7—10, ascending at an angle of 55°—65°, straight, irregularly archingly joined, prominulous on either side, but more conspicuous above, tertiary nerves reticulate-parallel to secondary ones, prominulous on either side, but more

Fig. 5. X. baranense, a. flowering specimen, b. fruiting specimen, c. part of leaf, d. flower, e. sepal, outside, f. corolla, inside, g. stamen, h. gynaecium. (b. from Poilane 9721, the rest from Poilane 9718).



conspicuous above: petioles 1-4 mm long, grooved above, rounded below. whitish sericeous. Flowers golden-yellow, fragrant, solitary or in few-flowered clusters, pendulous; pedicels angular, 4-6 mm long, whitish sericeous. Sepals ovate-triangular, 2-3 by 2-2.5 mm, apex obtuse or subacute, whitish sericeous without, glabrous within, inner sepals with membranous margin which is narrowed at base. Corolla 6-8 mm long, lobes lanceolate, 4-5.5 by 1.5-2 mm, apex obtuse, whitish tomentose at base. Stamens 4-5 mm, filaments subulate, 2.5—3.5 mm long, anthers sagittate, 2—2.5 mm long, with two short acute tips, dehiscing extrorsely. Staminodes lanceolate, 3.5-4.5 mm, apex aristate with a membranous aristum, densely ferruginously tomentose on either side. Ovary ovoid-globose, c. 1.5-2 mm, 5-lobed, ferruginously tomentose; style long exsert, terete to angular, 7-9 mm long. Fruits known in a young state only, ovoid or ellipsoid, sometimes slightly oblique, 8-15 by 4-6 mm, 2-3-seeded, whitish sericeous, style marcescent, up to 10 mm, pericarp fleshy; seeds not seen, but according to Lecomte 7 mm long, 3.5 mm wide, with a linear scar.

Type specimen: Poilane 9721 in P.

Vern. name: dau libô (Moï).

Distr.: Indochina.

INDOCHINA. Annam, prov. Phanrang, Baran: Poilane 9718 (P), fl.; ibidem: Poilane 9721 (P), fr.

7. X. siamensis (Fletcher) van Royen, nov. comb. — Planchonella siamensis Fletcher, Kew Bull. 1937, 1938, 373—374 — Pouteria? siamensis (Fletcher) Baehni, 1942, 372 — Fig. 6.

Trees, c. 12 m. Branchlets terete or angular, 1-3 mm in diam., striate, glabrous. Leaves spatulate or elliptic, sometimes rhomboid-oblong, 2-3.5 by (0.6—)1—2 cm, tip obtuse, mucronulate, base tapering into petiole; margins slightly involute; coriaceous, nitidulous above, dull below; midrib not or slightly prominent above, prominent below, secondary nerves 5-10. ascending at an angle of 40°-45°, straight, forked at their tips, not or indistinctly joined by tertiary nerves, sometimes irregularly archingly joined, prominulous above, prominent below, tertiary nerves laxly reticulate, sometimes one nerve more distinct and parallel to the secondary ones, inconspicuous, more distinct above than below: petioles 2-4 mm long, flat above, rounded below, glabrous. Flowers white, in few-flowered clusters, sometimes along foliate brachyblasts; pedicels terete or angular, 3-4 mm long, whitish puberulous. Sepals ovate or lanceolate, 2.3—4 by 1—1.5 mm, apex obtuse, grevish puberulous tomentose on either side, inner sepals with membranous margin. Corolla white, 4-5 mm long, lobes lanceolate, 3-3.5 by 1-1.5 mm, apex obtuse or subacute. Stamens 2.5-4 mm long, filaments subulate, 1.5-2 mm long, anthers sagittate, c. 2 mm long, apex obtuse, apiculate, dehiscing laterally. Staminodes lanceolate-aristate, 2-3 mm long, entire with margins. Ovary globose, c. 2 mm in diam., 4-celled, densely yellowish-whitish tomentose; style subulate, 3-4 mm, hirsute at base. Fruits unknown.

Type specimen: Kerr 10124 in K.

Vern. name: tan sian (Siam).

Distr.: Siam.

SIAM. Kanburi, c. 50 m, open scrub: Kerr 10124 (K, L), tree c. 12 m, fl. white, Jan.

Remarks: In X. siamensis and X. parvifolia the flowers are sometimes borne along brachyblasts though in X. siamensis this phenomenon is less distinct than in X. parvifolia. Not only do the two species resemble each other in these dwarf shoots with numerous leaf scars, with a few leaves and with clusters of flowers, but also in the shape of their leaves which is obovate or spatulate. However, they are also to distinguish from each

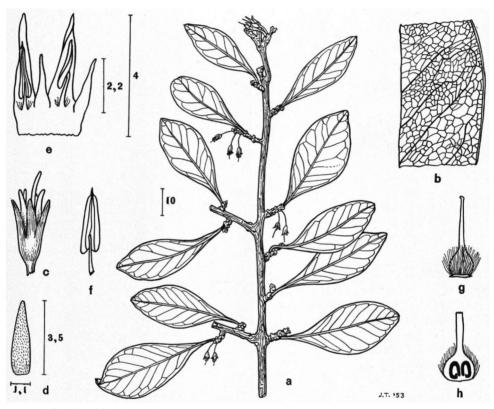


Fig. 6. X. siamensis, a. habit, b. part of leaf, c. flower, d. sepal, ontside, e. corolla, inside, f. stamen, g. gynaecium, h. longitudinal section of gynaecium. (from Kerr 10124).

other in the shape of the leaves, those of X. parvifolia being obovate or cordate, those of X. siamensis being spatulate to elliptic. The pedicels in X. parvifolia are ferruginously sericeous and in X. siamensis whitish puberulous. It is on account of the resemblance stated that X. siamensis is included in this genus.

8. X. parvifolia (A. DC) van Royen, nov. comb. — Sapota parvifolia A. DC, Prodr. 8, 1844, 175 — Planchonella parvifolia (A. DC) Pierre, Not. bot. Sapot., 1890, 36; Dubard, 1912, 55; Lam, 1925, 199—200; Lam, 1927,

467 — Sideroxylon parvifolium (A. DC) F.-Vill. in Blanco, Fl. Filip., Novis App. 1880, 124; Vidal, Phan. Cum. Phil., 1885, 124; idem, Rev. Pl. Vasc. Filip., 1886, 176; Merrill, Enum. Ph. Fl. Pl. 3, 1923, 286 — Pouteria parvifolia (A. DC) Baehni, 1942, 373.

Small trees, sometimes with up to 3.5 cm long spines. Branchlets terete, 1-4 mm in diam., striate, ferruginously appressedly puberulous, glabrescent. Leaves conferted at tips of 1-10 mm long brachyblasts, obovate or obcordate, 2-5.5 by 0.8-2.5 cm, rounded, obtuse or emarginate at apex, tapering towards base and decurrent: membranous or coriaceous, glabrous on either side, nitidulous above, dull below; midrib prominulous above, prominent below, secondary nerves 7—10, ascending at an angle of (40°—)50°— 65°, straight, sometimes sinuous, forked at their tips, irregularly archingly joined, prominulous and inconspicuous on either side, tertiary nerves laxly reticulate, prominulous on either side; petioles 2-6 mm long, canaliculate above, rounded below, glabrous. Flowers solitary or in clusters at tips of brachyblasts; pedicels subterete or angular, 3-6 mm long, ferruginously sericeous. Sepals ovate, 3.5-4 by c. 2 mm, apex obtuse or acute, ferruginously sericeous on either side, often curved outwards. Corolla 6-9 mm long. lobes lanceolate, 5-6 by c. 1.5 mm, apex obtuse or acute. Stamens 4-5 mm long, filaments subulate, 1.5-2 mm, anthers sagittate, 2.5-3.5 mm long, apex cuspidate, dehiscing laterally. Staminodes lanceolate, c. 3 mm long, apex acuminate, margins coarsely lacerate or fimbriate. Ovary ovoid, 1— 1.5 by 1—1.5 mm, 5-lobed, ferruginously tomentose; style filiform, 9—12 mm long. Fruits globose, 1.5—2.2 cm diam., 1- or 2-seeded, black, glabrous, pericarp thick, fleshy; seeds ovoid, 8-9 by c. 7 mm, apiculate at the top, brown, nitidous, scar linear, nearly as long as the seed, 1-2 mm wide, brownish, dull, albumen copious, cotyledons foliaceous, radicle cylindrical, c. 1 mm.

Type specimen: Cuming 1147 in G.-Boiss.

Vern. names: auanagin (Ilocos); kalunañgin (Ilocos); manzánas-gúbat (Tagban), bu úl (Mindoro).

Distr.: Luzon and Mindoro.

LUZON. Prov. Ilocos Norte (f. Merrill, 1923); prov. Ilocos Sur, without loc.: Cuming 1147 (FI, G.-Boiss, L, P, SING), fl.; prov. Pangasinan, Santiago Isl.: Clemens 18198 (SING), March; prov. Batangas, without loc.: Ramos 1925 (NSW, PNH, SING), fr. Aug.

MINDORO. Mt Yagaw: Conklin PNH 19335 (L, PNH), Dec.

Remarks: Seeds have become known for the first time by the NSW specimen of Ramos 1925.

9. X. maritima (Pierre) van Royen, nov. comb. — Planchonella maritima Pierre, Not. bot. Sapot., 1890, 36, nomen; Pierre in Dubard in Lecomte, Not. Syst. 2, 1911, 87, descr.; Dubard, 1912, 54 — Sideroxylon maritimum Pierre, l. c. 1890, 36, nomen; Pierre in Dubard in Lecomte, Fl. Gén. Indo-Chine, 3, 7, 1930, 889, f. 97, descr. — Pouteria maritima (Pierre) Baehni, 1942, 371.

Trees or shrubs, sometimes creeping, 7—8 m, spiny. Branchlets terete, 1—3 mm in diam., striate, appressedly whitish or greyish tomentose, glabrescent, with numerous, 3—30 mm long, greyish or blackish, terete and acute spines. Leaves suborbicular or broadly obovate, 1.2—3 by 0.8—2.5 cm, tip

rounded or short obtusely to subacutely acuminate, sometimes shortly mucronate, base attenuate; subcoriaceous, sometimes ferruginously tomentose when young, glabrescent, nitidous above, dull below; midrib prominulous or impressed above, prominent below, secondary nerves 3-6, ascending at an angle of 60°-70°, straight or slightly curved, irregularly archingly joined, prominulous or subcanaliculate above, prominulous below, tertiary nerves reticulate, nearly invisible and prominulous or impressed above, invisible below; petioles 2-6 mm long, concave or canaliculate above, rounded below, glabrous, Flowers in few-flowered clusters; pedicels terete or subangular, 4-8 mm long, greyish or ferruginously sericeous. Outer sepals orbicular-ovate, 2.5-3 by 2-2.5 mm, apex subacute, subcarinate without in the apical part, ferruginously sericeous on either side, inner sepals ovatelanceolate, shorter and narrower than outer ones, ferruginously sericeous on either side. Corolla 3.5-5 mm long, lobes spatulate, ovate or ovateoblong, 2.5—3.5 by c. 1.5 mm, apex obtuse or subacute. Stamens 2.5—3 mm, filaments subulate, 1-1.5 mm long, anthers ovoid or oblong-triangular, 2-2.5 mm long, apex acuminate and subacute, truncate or mucronate, dehiscing extrorsely or laterally. Staminodes triangular-linear, 2.5—3 mm long, apex acute or aristate, sometimes with one lateral tooth. Ovary globose-ovoid, c. 1 mm in diam., 5-lobed, ferruginously tomentose; style 5-ribbed, 4-5 mm long, stigma slightly capitate. Fruits ovoid, sometimes oblique, up to 12 mm long and diam., crowned by a 9-10 mm long remnant of the style in the iuvenile fruit, mature fruit mucronate only, 1- or 2-seeded, greyish puberulous, black, pericarp chartaceous; seeds irregularly ovoid, compressed, up to 10 mm long, brown, nitidous, scar linear, nearly as long as the seed, c. 1.5 mm wide.

Type specimen: Pierre 3276 in P.

Vern. names: gang-gay (Annam); cây ma duong (Annam).

Use: On account of its spines this plant is used for hedges. The fruit is edible and the fragrant flowers are sometimes used for ornamental purposes.

Distr.: Indochina.

INDOCHINA. Annam, Nha-trang: Chevalier, Robinson, Poilane (f. Lecomte, 1930); Tourane, in dunes: J. & M. S. Clemens 3317 (K), low shrub, fl. & fr. May—July; prov. Barria, along the sea: Pierre 3276 (P), fl.

Remarks: The description of the fruit is partly extracted from Lecomte, 1930, as I did not see complete material.

10. X. burmanica (Coll. & Hemsl.) van Royen, nov. comb. — Sideroxylon burmanicum Collett & Hemsley, J. Linn. Soc. 28, 1891, 82 — Planchonella burmanica (Coll. & Hemsl.) H. J. Lam, 1925, 267 — Pouteria? burmanica (Coll. & Hemsl.) Baehni, 1942, 367 — Planchonella punctata Fletcher, Kew Bull. 1937, 1938, 372 — Pouteria? punctata (Fletcher) Baehni, 1942, 369—370.

Trees, 5—20 m. Branchlets terete to compressed, slightly thickened below the nodes, 1.5—4 mm in diam., sparsely hairy, glabrescent. *Leaves* elliptic to obovate, 4.5—16 by 2—6.5 cm, rounded to shortly obtusely acuminate at apex, cuneate at base, short or long decurrent; margin subinvolute; chartaceous or coriaceous, juvenile leaves whitish sericeous, mature ones

glabrous on either side, nitidulous above, lighter and dull to nitidulous below: midrib prominulous above, sometimes shallowly sulcate, prominent below, secondary nerves 9-16, ascending at an angle of 50°-70° (45° in basal part), straight, slightly curved near margin, archingly joined, prominent on either side, tertiary nerves laxly reticulate, often one nerve more distinct and subparallel to the secondary nerves, inconspicuous or prominent above prominulous or prominent below; petioles (0.4—0.8—)1—3 cm long. flat above and sometimes canaliculate, glabrous, rarely with a few scattered hairs. Flowers solitary or in few-flowered clusters; pedicels terete. (2-4-)7-11 mm long, whitish or greyish appressedly tomentose. Sepals ovate or lanceolate, 3-7 by 2.5-4 mm, apex obtuse, subacute or acute, sometimes subcarinate, grevish tomentose without, ferruginously sericeous within. Corolla white, 6-10 mm long, lobes lanceolate or oblong, 4-5.5 by 2-2.5 mm, apex obtuse. Stamens 4.5-5.5 mm long, filaments subulate, 1.5—2.5 mm long, anthers sagittate, (2—2.5—)3—4 mm long, apex with a long narrow, acute acumen, dehiscing extrorsely. Staminodes ovate or lanceolate or subrotundate, (2-2.5-)4.5-7 mm long, apex aristate, often sinuously bent. Ovary conoid-ovoid, 5-lobed, (1.5-2-)5 by 1-2 mm. brownish tomentose; style linear, 7-10 mm long, 5-ribbed, capitate. Fruits known in var. burmanica only.

Type specimen: Collett 740 in K.

Distr.: Burma and Siam.

Var. burmanica.

Branchlets with few linear lenticels. Leaves decurrent over a long distance along petiole, petioles 10—30 mm long. Flowers 5—7 in each cluster; pedicels 7—11 mm long. Staminodes 4.5—7 mm long. Anthers 3—4 mm long. Fruits ovoid-ellipsoid, 2—4 by 1.2—2.5 cm, apex obtuse or acute, 1-or 2-seeded, sometimes crowned by a small remnant of the style, black, ferruginously or yellowish puberulous or sericeous, glabrescent, pericarp thick, fleshy; seeds compressed ellipsoid, sometimes oblique, 1.5—2.2 by 0.8—1 by 0.5—0.7 cm, obtuse at either end, brown or yellow, nitidous, with a small wart over the scar, scar as long as seed, 4—8 mm wide, white or light brown, albumen copious, cotyledons foliaceous, radicle curved, 1—2 mm, obtuse.

Type specimen: Collett 740 in K.

Vern. names: tān sion (Siam); nom prāsī (Siam)

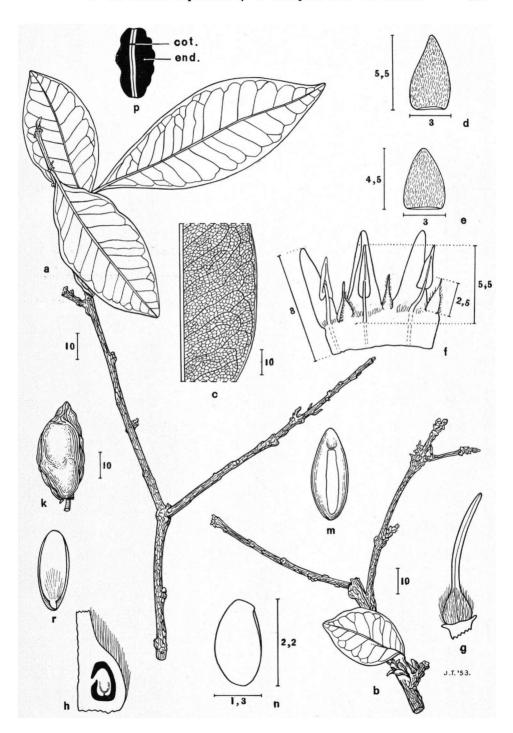
Distr.: Burma and Siam.

Burma. Shan hills, Jiwangan, alt. c. 1300 m: Collett 740 (K), fl. May; Ruby mines district, Kyaukelebeni to Shwenyaungbiu: Lace 5987 (K), fr. Oct.; Maymyo plateau, alt. c. 1100 m: Lace 6241 (K), fr. June.

plateau, alt. c. 1100 m: Lace 6241 (K), fr. June.

SEAM. Hue Nam Mar, Dar Sui, alt. c. 600 m, savannah forest: Kerr 5809 (K), tree 15 m, fl. white, April; Jap Sai, Chantabun, alt. c. 100 m: Kerr 9602 (K), spreading tree c. 10 m, fr. Dec.; Samong, Chieng mai, alt. c. 600 m, mixed deciduous forest: Kerr 6392 (K), tree c. 20 m, fl. Oct.

Fig. 7. X. burmanica, var. lenticellata, a. habit, b. habit, c. part of leaf, d. outer sepal, outside, e. inner sepal, outside, f. part of corolla, inside, g. gynaecium, h. longitudinal section of ovary, k. fruit, m. seed showing the scar, n. seed, p. transverse section of embryo, r. longitudinal section of embryo. (from Kerr 5555).



Remarks: The fruit of var. burmanica has been described from Lace 6241 for the juvenile and from Lace 5987 for the mature state.

Planchonella punctata is regarded as conspecific with X. burmanica var. burmanica since the sole difference, the minutely punctate lower surface of the leaves, can not be considered sufficient to maintain it as a distinct species.

Var. lenticellata (Fletcher) van Royen, nov. stat. — Planchonella lenticellata Fletcher, Kew Bull. 1937, 1938, 371—372 — Pouteria ? lenticellata (Fletcher) Baehni, 1942, 367 — Fig. 7.

Branchlets with numerous roundish lenticels. Leaves shortly decurrent along petiole, the latter 4—8 mm long. Flowers solitary or 2—4 in a cluster; pedicel 2—4 mm long; staminodes 2—2.5 mm long, anthers 2—2.5 mm long.

Type specimen: Kerr 5555 in K.

Vern. name: ma nom nang.

Distr.: Siam.

SIAM. Dio Chieng dao, alt. c. 1300 m, open evergreen forest: Kerr 5555 (K), tree c. 5 m, fr. June; Phre, alt. 180 m: Phra Vanpruk 469 (K), fl.

Remarks: In Kerr's publication the type specimen is indicated as being Kerr 5335 but the label bears the number 5555 and therefore this number is regarded as the correct collector's number.

Provisionally *Planchonella lenticellata* is kept apart from *X. burmanica*, on account of the distinct differences though it has been reduced to varietal rank. Yet it is to be doubted whether these details will hold good when more material is available.

11. X. tomentosa (Roxb.) Rafinesque, Sylv. Tell., 1838, 36—Sideroxylon tomentosum Roxburgh, Pl. Coast of Coromandel 1, 1795, 28, t. 28; Wallich, Cat., 1828, 4153, p.p.; Roxburgh, Fl. Ind., ed. Carey 1, 1832, 602; Graham, Bombay Fl., 1839, 1057; Kurz, For. Fl. Br. Burma 2, 1877, 116; Hooker, Fl. Br. Ind. 3, 1882, 538; Gamble, Fl. Madras 4, 1921, 759—Pouteria tomentosa (Roxb.) Baehni, 1942, 368—Planchonella dongnaiensis Pierre, Not. bot. Sapot., 1890, 36, nomen; Dubard, 1912, 54, nomen; Pierre in Dubard in Lecomte, Not. Syst. 2, 1911, 87, descr.—Sideroxylon dongnaiense Pierre, l. c. 1890, 36, nomen; Pierre in Lecomte, Fl. Gén. Indo-Chine 3, 7, 1930, descr.—Pouteria † dongnaiensis (Pierre) Baehni, 1942, 415.

Trees, 10—15 m, often spiny. Branchlets sometimes subflexuose, terete, 1—4 mm in diam., striate, sometimes markedly lenticellate, ferruginously, yellowish or greyish tomentose, ultimately glabrous; spines 0.6—5 cm long. Leaves elliptic, elliptic-oblong, ovate or obovate, 4—14 by 2—6 cm, apex obtuse or short obtusely or acutely acuminate, cuneate at base, decurrent; margins undulate; chartaceous or coriaceous, juvenile leaves ferruginously or yellowish tomentose on either side, glabrescent, sometimes tomentose in the smallest leaves only, nitidulous above, dull below; midrib prominulous, flattened or impressed above and sometimes minutely crested, prominent below, secondary nerves 8—16, ascending at an angle of 50°—80°, straight, forked at their tips and irregularly, sometimes indistinctly, archingly joined, impressed or prominulous above, prominent below, tertiary nerves reticulate, sometimes subparallel to the secondary ones, often one nerve more distinctly

so, flat or impressed above, prominulous below, sometimes inconspicuous at either side: petioles 3-20 mm long, grooved above, sometimes flat or with 2 narrow linear ribs in the groove, rounded below, ferruginously, yellowish or greyish tomentose, glabrescent. Flowers fragrant, in clusters; pedicels 4-7 mm, ferruginously, yellowish or greyish tomentose. Sepals triangular or ovate, 4-6 by 2-3.5 mm long, apex acute or subacute, ferruginously vellowish or grevish tomentose without, sericeous within, inner sepals smaller than outer ones and with a membranous margin. Corolla white or dull white, 4—8 mm long, lobes lanceolate-oblong or ovate, 3.5—4.5 by 1.5— 2.5 mm. Stamens 3-5 mm long, filaments subulate, 1-1.5 mm long, anthers sagittate, 3-4 mm long, apiculate, dehiscing laterally. Staminodes lanceolate, long aristate, 3-3.5 mm long. Ovary barrel-shaped to conoid, 1-2 by 1.5—2 mm, 5-lobed, densely yellowish tomentose; style filiform, 6—15 mm long, angular. Fruits ovoid to fusiform, 2-3 by 1-1.8 cm, 1-5-seeded, acute or obtuse, sometimes crowned by the 1-10 mm long, persistent style, whitish, black or brownish, yellowish or ferruginously tomentose, glabrescent, pericarp hard, woody; seeds fusiform, 1.6-2 by 0.6-1.1 by c. 0.5 cm, obtuse at apex, acute at base, yellow or brown, nitidous, scar nearly as long to half as long as the seed, linear or small, circular and basal, 3-4 mm wide, whitish, albumen copious, cotyledons foliaceous, radicle stout, 2-3 mm, obtuse.

Lectotype specimen: Haines 4849a in K.

Vern. names: kanta bohul (Uriya); palei (or pala) (Tamil); hoodigalla (Bagada); holay (Bagada); holly (Bagada); mul makil (Tamil); thit-cho (Burma); cay-gang, cây chéo (Annam); phle-gang (Moi). Except for the three last-named the names are extracted from literature.

Use: The wood is said to be useful as it is hard, heavy and fibrous. The fruit is edible and is often conserved.

Distr.: Ceylon, India and Burma to Indochina.

CEYLON. without loc.: Thwaites s.n. (BM) fl. & fr.

INDIA. Gundattu Shola, Pulneys: Bourne 962 (K), fr. June; Briar Shola: Bourne 6134 (K), fr. May; Krurda, Puri Dut, Barum hillforest: Haines 4849a (K), fr. Dec.; Cheetoo, on the oogalee Nuddi: Ritchie 1104 (K), tree 6 m, fl. white, fragrant, Nov.; Vizagapatam: Lushington s.n. (K), fr.; ibidem, Aralagadam Ghats: Lushington s.n. (K), fl. May; Nilgiris: Beddome 4854 (SING), fl.; ibidem: Beddome 4855 (SING), fl.; ibidem: Thompson s.n. (L), fl.; Perrottet 29 (G), fl.; Kondon Rai, Bombay: Young s.n. (L), fl.; Mangalore: Wight 1747 (L), fl.; Santaveri Bababood, c. 1200 m: Meebold 6994 (SING), fr. Oct.; Malabar: Stocks s.n. (S), fl.

BURMA. Prome and Pegu districts, (f. Kurz., 1877).

INDOCHINA. Annam, Bien-Hoa, near Bao Chiang: Pierre 3274 (FI, L, P), fl. & fr. Oct.; Gia-Lau-Me and Tin-Man (f. Baehni, 1942).

Remarks: As Roxburgh did not indicate a type specimen, Haines 4849a was chosen as the one most closely resembling the description and picture given by him. It must be pointed out that, although Roxburgh describes the throat of the corolla as being "downy" this is not shown in his picture. Moreover, the margins of the staminodes are drawn with an irregular outline, in fact the latter is fimbriate, as far as is observed in the flowers examined.

This variable species might be subdivided into two varieties, one with a flattened or impressed upper side of the midrib, secondary nerves and

veins and with a fusiform fruit with wrinkled, fleshy pericarp when dry, while the second variety has prominulous midribs above, secondary nerves and veins and an ovoid fruit with small, fibrous pericarp, the latter variety being conspecific with the type variety. As there are only a few specimens of each available these varieties are not described here as it is doubted whether the above-mentioned details are constant and of taxonomic value since e.g. Meebold 6993 and Bourne 6134 have fruits of the first-named form but leaves of the second. Characteristic examples of the second variety are Bourne 962, Ritchie 1104 (however, with fruits with slightly wrinkled pericarp) and Haines 4849a. A thoroughly good specimen of the first-named variety is only Lushington s.n.

12. X. cambodiana (Pierre) van Royen, nov. comb. — Planchonella cambodiana Pierre, Not. bot. Sapot., 1890, 36, nomen; Dubard, 1912, 54, nomen; Pierre in Dubard in Lecomte, Not. Syst. 2, 1911, 85, descr. — Sidero-xylon cambodianum Pierre, l. c. 1890, 36, nomen; Lecomte, Fl. Gén. Indo-Chine 3, 7, 1930, 894, descr. — Pouteria cambodiana (Pierre) Baehni, 1942. 370.

Shrubs or trees, (3—)8—10 m, sometimes spiny. Branchlets terete. 2— 4 mm in diam., lenticellate, densely whitish and ferruginously tomentose, glabrescent; spines 1-2 cm, acute. Leaves rhomboid-obovate or elliptic, sometimes lanceolate, (2-)3.5-7.5 by 2.5-4.5 cm, apex obtuse, entire or retuse, sometimes short obtusely acuminate, tapering towards the base; subcoriaceous or chartaceous, sparsely tomentose above, densely tomentose below, glabrescent on either side; midrib prominulous above, prominent below, secondary nerves 5-11, ascending at an angle of 55°-70°, but c. 45° in the basal part, slightly curved, forked at their tips, sometimes indistinct archingly joined, but mostly diminishing until inconspicuous. prominulous or impressed above, prominent below, tertiary nervation laxly reticulate, inconspicuous or invisible at either side; petioles 2-5 mm long, slightly flat above, densely whitish or yellowish tomentose. Flowers in fewflowered clusters; pedicels terete or angular, 3-7 mm long, whitish or ferruginous appressedly tomentose. Sepals 4 or 5, ovate or oblong, 2.5-4 by 1-2 mm, apex obtuse or obtusely acuminate, whitish appressedly pubescent without, ferruginously sericeous within, sometimes carinate. Corolla 4-6 mm long, lobes oblong-lanceolate or ovate, 3-4 by c. 1.5 mm, apex obtuse or acute. Stamens 3.5—4.5 mm long, filaments subulate, 2—2.5 mm long, anthers sagittate or ovate, 2-2.5 mm long, apex acute, dehiscing extrorsely. Staminodes lanceolate or linear, 2-3 by c. 0.5 mm, with a filiform acumen. Ovary globose-ovoid, 2.5—3 mm in diam., 4- or 5-celled, densely whitish tomentose; style subulate, 5-ribbed, 4-5 mm long. Fruits ovoid, 2-2.5 by 1-1.5 cm, apex obtuse or acute, 1-(3)-seeded, densely yellowish tomentose, pericarp woody; seeds ovoid-ellipsoid, c. 1.5 by 0.8 by 1.1 cm, laterally compressed, acute or obtuse at either end, brown, nitidous, scar as long as seed, 4-5 mm wide, whitish, albumen copious, cotyledons foliaceous, radicle conoid, 1-2 mm, acute.

Type specimen: Pierre 921 in P.

Distr.: Indochina.

Var. cambodiana — Fig. 8.

Leaves rhomboid-obovate or elliptic, apex rounded to short obtusely acuminate.

Type specimen: Pierre 921 in P.

Vern. names: sra ngam, cây gang tu hu (Khmer); dan ca diêu, ca diêu (Moi); tan nom (Siam).

Use: A decoction of roots, leaves and wood is given to women and

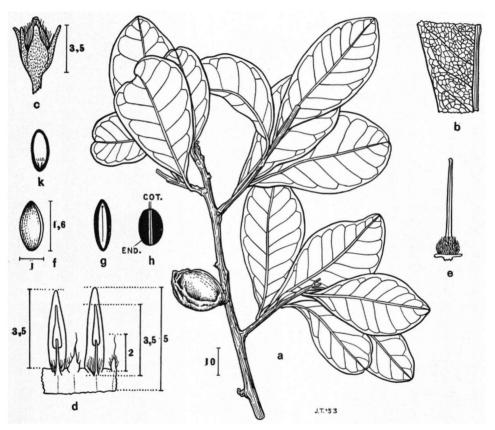


Fig. 8. X. cambodiana, var. cambodiana, a. habit, b. part of leaf, c. juvenile fruit, d. corolla, inside, e. gynaecium, f. seel, lateral view, g. seed, h. transverse section of embryo, k. transverse section of embryo. (from Pierre 921).

cattle to stimulate the flow of milk. The hard wood is used for timber, the fruit is edible.

Distr.: Indochina, Siam.

INDOCHINA. Cambodia, prov. Pên Lover: Pierre 921 (L, P) — Annam, near Nhatrang and prov. Phanrang (f. Lecomte, 1930).

SIAM. Lampang, 240 m, in open deciduous jungle: Winit 848 (K), evergreen, milky, sometimes spiny shrub, c. 3 m, fl. April.

Var. thorelii (Lec.) van Royen, nov. stat. — Sideroxylon cambodianum Pierre, var. thorelii Lecomte, Fl. Gén. Indo-Chine 3, 7, 1930, 894.

Leaves lanceolate, markedly attenuate at apex.

Type specimen: Thorel s.n. in P.

Distr.: Indochina.

INDOCHINA. Laos, between Ubon and Kemmaret: Thorel s.n. (P), fl. Oct.

Remarks: This variety hardly seems to be a good one, since the lanceolate, acuminate leaves, according to Lecomte, form the single difference between the two varieties. The rather poor material does not allow a decision and more new collections have to be studied to solve this minor problem.

13. X. assamica (Clarke) van Royen, nov. comb. — Sideroxylon assamicum Clarke in Hooker, Fl. Br. India 3, 1882, 537; Kanjilal & Das, Fl. Assam 3, 1939, 192 — Planchonella assamica (Clarke) Pierre, Not. bot. Sapot., 1890, 36 — Sideroxylon tomentosum Wallich, Cat., 1828, 4153, p.p. — Pouteria assamica (Clarke) Baehni, 1942, 364 — Planchonella assamica (Clarke) Fletcher, Kew Bull. 1937, 1938, 327, note.

Trees. Branchlets terete or angular, 2-5 mm in diam., yellowish or ferruginously villous, glabrescent. Leaves ovate, elliptic or broadly lanceolate, 6-16.5 by 2-7 cm, apex acute or acutely acuminate, rarely obtusely acuminate (acumen 3-15 mm), base broadly cuneate or rhomboid, abruptly narrowed into and shortly decurrent; membranous or chartaceous, nitidous and glabrous above, except sometimes for the villous midrib and nerves, brownish villous below, glabrescent except sometimes along midrib and secondary nerves; midrib prominulous and minutely crested above, prominent below, secondary nerves 9-15, ascending at an angle of 60°-85°, curved, sometimes at tip only, forked at their tips and irregular archingly joined, prominulous above, prominent below, tertiary nerves laxly reticulate, prominulous above, prominent or prominulous below; petioles 5-15 mm long, canaliculate to flat above, yellowish or ferruginously tomentose. Flowers dull white, in few-flowered clusters, pendulous; pedicels angular, 4-7 mm long, yellowish or ferruginously tomentose. Sepals oblong-lanceolate, 4-5 by c. 2 mm, apex acute, densely yellowish or brownish tomentose or villous without, sericeous within, inner sepas with membranous margins, subcarinate (according to Clarke acute). Corolla 4-8 mm long, lobes lanceolate, 3-4 by c. 1.5 mm, obtuse or truncate at apex. Stamens 2.5-4.5 mm long, filaments subulate, 1-1.5 mm long, anthers sagittate, 2-2.5 mm long, apex mucronate, dehiscing extrorsely, base of thecae obtuse. Staminodes lanceolate, 2.5—3.5 mm long, apex long aristate, subcarinate at dorsal side. Ovary ovoid-globose, c. 2 mm in diam, and high, 5-lobed, yellowish pilose; style subulate, 8-10 mm long, angular, glabrous. Fruits ellipsoid or ovoid, 2-3 by 0.8-1.5 cm, 1- or 2-seeded, attenuate at base, crowned by the up to 7 mm long remnant of the style, yellowish or ferruginously villous, glabrescent, blackish or brownish when dry, pericarp fleshy; seeds ellipsoid, 10-12 by 3-4 by 2-3 cm, acute at either end, black, nitidous, scar as long as seed, embryo unknown.

Lectotype specimen: Masters s.n. in K.

Vern. name: dieng-soh-mānong-ksui (Khasi).

Distr.: Assam.

ASSAM. without loc.: Masters s.n. (K), fr.; ibidem: Hooker (?) 628 (K), fr.; ibidem, Jenkins s.n. (L), fl.

Remarks: As Clarke did not indicate a type specimen it is proposed to select *Masters s.n.* as a lectotype specimen. This specimen bears fruit only and therefore *Jenkins s.n.* is proposed as a 'typus florum'.

14. X. embeliifolia (Merrill) van Royen, nov. comb. — Sideroxylon embeliaefolium Merrill, Lingnan Sc. Journ. 14, 1935, 45, f. 14 — Fig. 9.

Shrubs or trees. 2.5-15 m, sometimes spiny. Branchlets terete or angular. 1-3 mm in diam., blackish or brownish, striate, glabrous; spines 1-1.5 cm, black, acute. Leaves scattered or sometimes borne on brachyblasts, spatulate, obovate-oblong, obovate or elliptic, 2—9 by 0.7—3 cm. apex retuse, obtuse, acute or obtusely or acutely acuminate, base tapering, decurrent: margins involute, undulate; coriaceous, glabrous and nitidous or nitidulous on either side; midrib impressed above, prominent below, secondary nerves 7—12, ascending at an angle of 45°—65°, straight, irregularly joined and sometimes forming a nearly straight intramarginal nerve, impressed above, prominent below, tertiary nerves reticulate, subparallel or parallel to the secondary nerves, impressed above, sometimes inconspicuous, below as much prominent as the secondary nerves; petioles 2-6 mm long, canaliculate above, rounded below, glabrous. Flowers mostly solitary, sometimes in few-flowered clusters; pedicels terete, 3-5 mm long, yellowish to whitish sericeous. Sepals ovate-lanceolate, 5-5.5 by 2-2.5 mm, apex subacute, yellowish or whitish sericeous on either side. Corolla white, 10-14 mm long, lobes linear, 7-10.5 by 2-3 mm, apex obtuse. Stamens 6-8.5 mm long, filaments subulate, 4-5 mm long, anthers sagittate, 3-4 mm long, connective prolonged, with two acute teeth at the top, dehiscing extrorsely. Staminodes ovate, 4-7.5 mm long, apex long aristate, densely ciliate along margin at base. Ovary ovoid, c. 1.5 by 2.5 mm, 5-lobed, densely ferruginously tomentose; style subulate, 11-15 mm long, 5-ribbed, with 5 stigmas. Fruits globoid or obliquely obovoid, 1-1.5 by 1-1.5 cm, often provided with a short remnant of the style, 1- or 2-seeded, black when dry, glabrous or slightly pubescent at base, pericarp fleshy; seeds ellipsoid, laterally compressed, c. 12 by 7 by 5 mm, brown, nitidous, subrostrate at apical part of scar, scar fairly broad, nearly as long as seed, 2-5 mm wide, whitish, albumen copious, cotyledons foliaceous, radicle conoid, 1-2 mm, obtuse.

Type specimen: Lau 567 in NY.

Vern. name: ko to (Lai).

Distr.: Hainan.

HAINAN. Chiang-kiang distr., Tsat Cha Ling, moist gentle slope, loam: Lau 1945 (BM), tree 5 m, fr. June; Tan distr., I Kap Shan, dry gentle slope, sandy soil, thicket: Lau 1184 (BM), tree 6 m, fl. Febr.; ibidem: Lau 1172 (BM), tree 5 m, fl. white, Febr.; Wenchang distr., Tung Koo Shan and vicinity, near Shan Hoi village, dry gentle slope, sandy soil, thicket: Fung 20357 (BM, SING), tree 5 m, fr. Aug.; Ngai distr., Naam Shan Leng, dry gentle slope: Lau 269 (K), tree c. 2.5 m, fr. July; ibidem, Ko Leng, on moist loamy, gentle slope in thicket: Lau 567 (K), tree 15 m, fl. & fr. Oct.; Yaichow, c. 350 m, in forest: Chum & Tso 44618 (K), tree 8 m, fl. Dec.; Kan-en distr., Chim Fung Ling near Sam Mo Watt village, dry gentle slope, forest

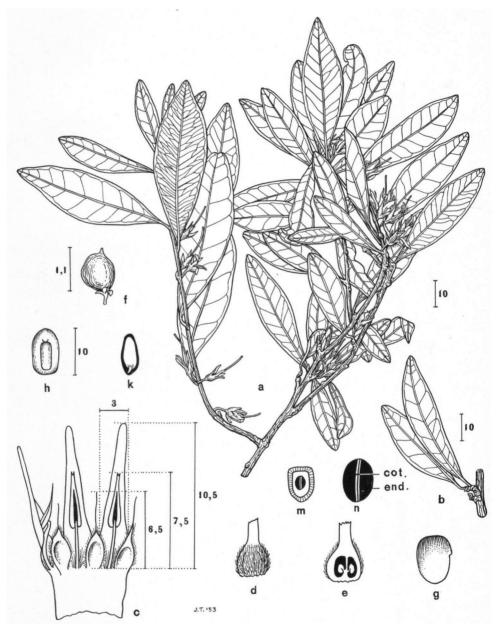


Fig. 9. X. embeliifolia, a. habit, b. brachyblast with leaves, c. corolla, inside, d. ovary, e. longitudinal section of ovary, f. fruit, g. seed, h. seed, k. longitudinal section of embryo, m. transverse section of seed, n. transverse section of embryo. (from Lau 3092).

fairly common: Lau 3507 (S), tree 4 m, fl. March, juv. fr.; without loc., on rocks at top of mountain: Liang 66089 (S), shrub 2 m, fl. white; ibidem, in shaded thicket: Liang 63012 (S), tree 4-6 m, fr. green, Sept.

Remarks: This species differs in a few details from the other species of the genus, viz. in the reticulate tertiary nervation subparallel or parallel to the secondary nerves, the rather broad scar of the seed, the relatively large flowers and the 2-tipped connective of the anther. Though the broad scars resemble those in the genus Mastichodendron where it is roundish and basal I do not hesitate to insert this species in Xantolis on account of the hairs at the base of the filaments and the aristate staminodes with ciliate margins.

## Collectors' numbers

The numbers between brackets indicate the number of the species.

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