# GOODENIACEAE (P. W. Leenhouts, Leyden)

Herbs or shrubs. Leaves spirally arranged—often radical or in tufts at the end of the twigs—very rarely opposite, simple, penninerved, exstipulate. Indument, if present, either consisting of simple, or fasciculate, or stellate hairs; leaf-axils often with hair tufts. Inflorescences cymose, bracteate, or flowers solitary, in the latter case sometimes together resembling racemes. Flowers 5-merous, epi- (or peri-) gynous, bisexual, protandrous, Calvx gamosepalous, tube nearly always adnate to the ovary, lobes usually well-developed. Corolla gamopetalous, nearly always zygomorphous by a dorsal slit; the free segments with very thin, sharply induplicative, membranous margins. Stamens 5, episepalous, free (rarely the anthers cohering in a tube), usually fully glabrous; filaments slender, linear, usually slightly narrowed from base to apex; anthers basifixed, introrse, rather long and narrow, 2-celled, cells opening lengthwise by a slit. Disk absent. Ovary 2- or (often imperfectly) 1-celled; style cylindrical, simple (in Calogyne bi- or trifid at the apex); stigma surrounded by a cup-shaped (in Lechenaultia distinctly 2-lobed) indusium, the margin of which is often ciliate. Ovules  $\infty$ -1, either axillary or  $\pm$  basally attached, anatropous, rarely campylotropous. Fruits usually capsular, sometimes drupaceous; calvx persistent. Seeds  $\infty$ -1, provided with endosperm.

Distribution. Fourteen genera comprising c. 300 spp., almost exclusively Australian, in (mostly East-)Malaysia 5 genera with 7 spp. conspecific with or allied to Queensland species.

Among the 14 genera 8 are strictly confined to Australia (1 also in Tasmania), one is distinctly sub-antarctic in the S. Pacific (Selliera), two possess a stray representative through Malaysia to SE. Asia (Calogyne, Goodenia), two others have a stray representative in New Guinea and the Aru Islands (Lechenaultia, Velleia), and one genus is wider distributed (Scaevola). Besides two littoral species which are widely distributed in the Old and New World, Scaevola centers in Australia but possesses also species in SE. Asia (1), Malaysia (2), Melanesia (several), New Zealand (1), Hawaii (several), and the Marquesas (2).

Ecology. The family is nearly exclusively confined to rather arid or periodically dry regions with open vegetation, consequently in *Malaysia* representatives are collected on sandy beaches, on open slopes, in savannahs, on dry rice-fields, and along forest edges. Only one species is important physiognomically, viz Scaevola sericea; it is a typical constituent of the littoral Barringtonia-formation behind the sandy beach. In places it may grow socially and form a pure, tall, shrubby fringe. In small islands, notably in the Pacific atolls, it is often very abundant and occurs not infrequently in the more open sandy or bouldery areas towards the centre of the islands. On rocky shores it is found on cliffs up to several tens of metres above sea-level.

Pollination. Krause gave a rather extensive review on the flower biology of the representatives of this family (Pfl. R. Heft 54, 1912, 13). The flowers appear to be protandrous, the anthers releasing the pollen when the flowers are still in bud. This pollen is deposited in the cupular indusium surrounding the stigma. At that stage the style equals the stamens in length and the stigma is not yet receptive, and often not developed. The pollen remains in the indusium and becomes available immediately after anthesis and may then be carried away by visiting insects, mainly bees and butterflies. The style enlarges during anthesis and the stigma becomes receptive at a later stage. Though self-fertilization is possibly not quite excluded, cross-fertilization seems to be the rule. A remarkably parallel flower biology is found in the also predominantly Australian family Proteaceae (cf. p. 149).

Dispersal. The fruits of most genera are capsular, opening by valves or slits. The seeds are usually small, light, flattened, and margined or rather narrowly winged, a structure suitable for dispersal by wind. The fruits of Scaevola, however, are drupaceous; their pericarp is more or less fleshy, the stone very hard, woody or sometimes corky. Dispersal will obviously be effected by frugivorous birds. In two littoral species, viz S. sericea and S. plumieri, fruits float very well in seawater retaining their viability for a long time (see Guppy, Plants, seeds & currents, 1917, p. 227-236). Their social occurrence, consequently an abundant production of fruit, and the easy means of dispersal by seawater and currents, is apparently mainly responsible for their large area of distribution.

Anatomy. See Metcalfe & Chalk, Anat. Dicot. 2 (1950) 807-810.

Taxonomy. Goodeniaceae are closely related to the Campanulaceae-Lobelioideae, from which they are mainly different by the absence of latex and by the much stronger development of the indusium. The monotypical Australian family Brunoniaceae has by some authors—among which recently Erdtman,

on palynological grounds—been united with the Goodeniaceae. Furthermore, there is some relationship with the Stylidiaceae.

Phytochemically, the presence of dipsacaan in Scaevola sericea is interesting as this pigment is otherwise known only from the Dipsacaceae (see TAMMES, Rec. Trav. Bot. Néerl. 5, 1908, 84). Furthermore, the presence of inuline has been recorded, a starch common to many Synantherae.

### KEY TO THE GENERA

1. Shrubs or lianas. Fruits drupaceou
2. Leaves narrowly linear, c. 1 mm wide. Fruits linear, long-beaked, in the basal half opening by
longitudinal slits
2. Leaves at least 5 mm wide. Fruits ellipsoid, not long-beaked, opening by valves.
3. All leaves radical. Flowers in cymes. Calyx free. Corolla adnate to the basal half of the ovary.
Capsules 4-valved
3. Part of the leaves cauline. Flowers solitary. Calyx-tube fully adnate to the ovary. Corolla epigynous.
Capsules 2-valved.

#### 1. VELLEIA

J. E. SMITH, Trans. Linn. Soc. 4 (1798) 217; KRAUSE, Pfl. R. Heft 54 (1912) 27. Herbs. Leaves radical, spathulate. Inflorescences from the axils of the rosette leaves, peduncled, repeatedly (cymosely) forked, erect or ascending. Sepals free or at the base slightly adnate to the ovary. Corolla hypo- or sometimes perigynous. Ovary superior or semi-inferior, imperfectly 2-celled. Capsule (2- or) 4-valved. Seeds few, compressed, margined or winged.

Distr. About 20 spp., all but one restricted to Australia and Tasmania.

1. Vellela spathulata R. Brown, Prod. (1810) 580; JUSSIEU, Ann. Mus. Hist. Nat. 18 (1811) t. 1, f. 3; Don, Gard. Dict. 3 (1834) 726; DC. Prod. 7 (1839) 518; De VRIESE, Nat. Verh. Holl. Mij Wet. II, 10 (1854) 174; KRAUSE, Pfl. R. Heft 54 (1912) 29, f. 7 E-F; MERR. & PERRY, J. Arn. Arb. 22 (1941) 387; STEEN. Blumea 7 (1954) 597.

Apparently perennial herb, c. 10 cm high (Australian specimens somewhat larger). Leaves 3<sup>1</sup>/2-5 by 1-1<sup>1</sup>/2 cm, herbaceous, glabrous (white-bearded in the axils); margin entire to faintly sinuate, sometimes with a few small teeth; apex rounded. Cymes 2-6, ascending, 7-12 cm long, laxly branched, few-flowered, mainly towards the apex with some scattered, reverse, appressed short hairs; bracts spathulate, up to 5 by 1<sup>1</sup>/2 mm. Flowers 8-9 mm long. Sepals 3, free, ovate, 5 by 2 mm, acute, outside glabrous, inside minutely tomentose towards the apex. Corolla adnate to the lower half of the ovary, 8 mm long, light-yellow, outside in the lower half sparsely pubescent, dorsally slit up to c. 1<sup>1</sup>/2 mm from the base, dorsally slit up to c. 1<sup>1</sup>/2 mm from the base, dorsal

and lateral petals connate for  $3^{1/2}$  mm, lateral ones and ventral one for 6 mm, ventral lobe slightly longer, dorsal ones slightly shorter than lateral ones, all with broad membranous wings, those at both sides of the dorsal slit being longer than the other ones. Stamens 3 mm long. Ovary  $1^{1/2}-2$  mm long, halfway connate with the corolla, glabrous, with c.  $7 \pm$  basal ovules; style  $3^{1/2}$  mm long, with some scattered short heirs; indusium membranous, ciliate, in the basal part adnate to the semi-discoid, crenulate stigma which is  $1^{1/2}-2$  mm in diam. Capsules 3 mm, the upper half opening by 4 valves. Seeds 2-3, elliptic, c. 2 mm long, margined.

Distr. E. Australia (Queensland, New South Wales) and *Malaysia*: SE. New Guinea (Western Div.: Oriomo River, Wassi Kussa).

Ecol. Damp places in the savannah-forests at low altitude in seasonal regions. Fl. Dec.-March.

Note. This species belongs to sect. Velleia (Velleiae verae R. Brown, sect. Trisepala Krause), characterized by the 3-merous calyx.

#### 2. GOODENIA

J. E. SMITH, Sp. Bot. New Holl. pt 1 (1793) 15; Trans. Linn. Soc. 2 (1794) 346; Krause, Pfl. R. Heft 54 (1912) 41.—Fig. 1.

Herbs or shrubs. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary. Ovary (sub-)inferior, usually imperfectly 2-celled. Capsule 2-(or 4-)valved. Seeds usually compressed, margined.

Distr. About 110 spp. all but one restricted to Australia and Tasmania.

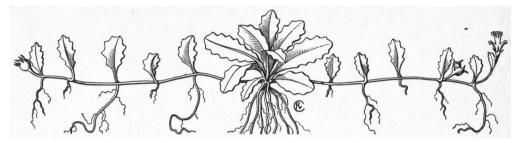


Fig. 1. Goodenia koningsbergeri (BACK.) BACK., × 2/3 (COERT 937).

1. Goodenia koningsbergeri (BACK.) BACK. ex BOLD. Zakfl. (1916) 88; BACK. Onkr. Suiker. (1931) 744; MERR. Brittonia 5 (1943) 32; BACK. Bekn. Fl. Java (em. ed.) 8 (1949) fam. 185, p. 1.—Selliera koningsbergeri BACK. Bull. Jard. Bot. Btzg II, 12 (1913) 36.—Calogyne cambodiana DANGUY, Not. Syst. 3 (1914) 22, cum fig.—G. cambodiana KERR, Fl. Siam. En. 2 (1936) 301.—Fig. 1.

Creeping, glabrous (except hair-tufts in the axils of young leaves), slightly succulent, annual herb. Stems rooting, terete, slender, up to 50 cm long, internodes 11/2-2 cm. Leaves radical and cauline; pale green, obovate to spathulate, 11/2-61/2 by 3/4-3 cm, slightly fleshy, narrowed towards the base; margin coarsely scattered-dentate; apex blunt to acute; petiole flattened, 1/2-4 cm. Flowers solitary, axillary, 7-10 mm long, glabrous; pedicel c. 1/2-11/2 cm long; bracteoles 0. Calyx-lobes lanceolate, 2-31/2 by 3/4-1 mm, acute. Corolla 5-8 mm long, pale yellow, white at base, the margin sometimes violet, and with some brown blotches on the inner side, dorsally slit up to 1 mm from the base, ventral and lateral lobes connate for 5-6 mm, dorsal ones slightly shorter and connate

with the lateral ones for 1½ mm, all lobes with a pair of deltoid, membranous wings at the apex, dorsal lobes moreover with a second wing along the dorsal margin. Stamens 2½-5 mm long, connective acuminate. Ovary inferior, 1-celled, with 8 basally inserted ovules; style 3-5 mm, glabrous; indusium 1 by 1½ mm, ciliate, including the cupular c. 1½ mm high, crenulate stigma. Capsules on up to 2½ cm long, recurved pedicels, slightly flattened-globular, 5-6 mm diam., 2-valved. Seeds 2-6, elliptic, compressed, c. 5-6 by 4 mm.

Distr. Siam, Cambodia, and Malaysia: Java (from Indramaju eastwards), Madura, Kangean, and Timor.

Ecol. A weed of dry rice-fields, of heavy, poorly drained clay-flats, in open places, restricted to low altitudes, up to 400 m, in distinctly seasonal regions, often gregarious. Fl. Dec.-Aug., fr. Febr.-May.

Note. This species belongs to sect. Goodenia (Eugoodenia BENTH.) subsect. Ebracteolatae KRAUSE. I doubt whether the subdivision of the section based on the presence or absence of the bracteoles is a natural one.

#### 3. CALOGYNE

R. Brown, Prod. (1810) 579; Krause, Pfl. R. Heft 54 (1912) 94.—Balingayum Blanco, Fl. Filip. (1837) 187.

Annual herbs. Leaves spirally arranged, irregular-dentate. Flowers axillary, without bracteoles. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary. Ovary inferior, imperfectly 2-celled; style 2- or 3-branched, indusium 2-lobed, ciliate; stigma inconspicuous. Capsules 2-valved. Seeds flattened, margined to narrowly winged.

Distr. Species 3-8, with the exception of C. pilosa restricted to Australia.

1. Calogyne pilosa R. Brown, Prod. (1810) 579; DC. Prod. 7 (1839) 517; DE VRIESE, Nat. Verh. Holl. Mij Wet. II, 10 (1854) 180; BAILL. Hist. Pl. 8 (1886) f. 180; E. & P. Nat. Pfl. Fam. 4, 5 (1889) f. 43 R; BANKS & SOL. Bot. Cook's Voy. 2 (1901) 55, t. 177 B; MERR. Publ. Gov. Lab. Philip. no 35 (1905) 68; KRAUSE, Pfl. R. Heft 54 (1912) 95, f. 17 A.B; MERR. Sp. Blanc. (1918) 374; En. Philip. 3 (1923) 589; MERR. & PERRY, J. Arn. Arb. 22 (1941) 388.—Balingayum decumbens BLANCO, Fl. Filip. (1837) 187; ed. 2 (1845) 132; ed. 3, 1 (1877) 237; F.-VILL. Nov. App. (1880) 93; MERR. Publ. Gov. Lab. Philip. no 27 (1905) 48.

Erect, annual herb, (3-)10-25 cm high, the few leafy and flower-bearing stems creeping after flowering. Stems terete, slender, laxly branched, laxly appressedly short-pubescent, mainly at the apex. Leaves spirally arranged, most of them contracted into basal rosettes and at the ends of the stems, sessile, linear, 4-8 by 1/2-3/4 cm, herbaceous, bluish green, laxly subpatently short-pilose, upper surface sometimes subglabrous; base narrowed to hastate; margin coarsely irregularly dentate; apex acute; midrib rather prominent beneath. Pedicels 1 cm. Flowers 9 mm, sparsely pubescent. Calyx-lobes linear-lanceolate, 3 by

1 mm; throat inside with a ring of hairs. Corolla 8 mm long, outside light brownish purple, inside yellow with an orange spot; dorsally slit up to c. 11/2 mm from the base, ventral and lateral lobes connate for c. 5 mm, dorsal and lateral ones for c. 2 mm, all lobes with membranous wings at both sides at the apex, those along the dorsal slit being rather long, all other ones deltoid; outside mainly with some cilia on the nerves in the apical part of the lobes, inside glabrous. Stamens 5(-3?), 3 mm long, connective mucronate. Ovary 1 mm long, septum nearly invisible, with 6 ovules, inserted on both sides of a low rim at the base; style 4 mm, with a few patent, long, and stiff hairs, 3-branched, indusium deeply 2-lobed. Cap-

sules ellipsoid, 4-5 by  $2-2^{1/2}$  mm, laxly pubescent; calyx slightly enlarged (lobes c. 4 mm long). Seeds 5, ovate, 4 by 2 mm.

Distr. N. Australia to S. China, in *Malaysia*: Philippines (Luzon: Rizal, Zambales, and Bulacan Prov.; Culion), Moluccas (Tenimber Isl.: P. Jamdena), and S. New Guinea (Merauke & Oriomo River).

Ecol. In Luzon apparently rather common in fallow rice-fields, in New Guinea and the Tenimber Isl. in rather dry savannahs and savannah-forests, apparently always under seasonal climatic conditions, up to 100 m. Fl. and fr. Nov.—March.

Vern. Baliñgáyo, Tag.

## 4. LECHENAULTIA

R. Brown, Prod. (1810) 581; Krause, Pfl. R. Heft 54 (1912) 97 (Leschenaultia).—Fig. 2.

Herbs or small, often ericoid, shrubs. Leaves spirally arranged, linear. Flowers solitary, in the upper leaf-axils or in racemes. Stamens 5, anthers usually connate surrounding the style. Ovary inferior, linear, 2-celled; ovules  $\infty$ , inserted on 2 parietal placentas; indusium 2-3-lobed. Capsule linear,  $\infty$ -seeded, sometimes beaked, opening by 4 slits caused by decay of internerval tissue.

Distr. About 20 spp., all but the present one restricted to Australia.



Fig. 2. Lechenaultia filiformis R.Br. a. Habit, b. fruit, c. seed ( $a \times \sqrt[3]{4}$ ,  $b \times 3$ ,  $c \times 7^{1/2}$ ; a van Royen 5054, b-c Buwalda 5527).

1. Lechenaultia filiformis R. Brown, Prod. (1810) 581; DC. Prod. 7 (1839) 519; F.v.M. Fragm. 6 (1868) 9, t. 48; F. M. Bail. Queensl. Fl. 3 (1900) 892; Krause, Pfl. R. Heft 54 (1912) 108; Merr. & Perry, J. Arn. Arb. 30 (1949) 60; Steen. Blumea 7 (1954) 598.—Fig. 2.

Erect, apparently annual, herb, 10-25 cm. Stems terete, with 4 ridges, slender, stiff, glabrous or with very few appressed, short hairs, the internodes rather long. Leaves sessile, glabrous, 1-2 cm by mm, entire, mucronate, midrib prominent beneath. Flowers few, in the upper leaf-axils, stalked, 2-21/2 cm long. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary; lobes linear, acute, dorsal one and both ventral ones 2 by 1/3 mm, lateral ones 31/2 by 1/2 mm. Corolla c. 11/2 cm long, dorsally slit up to c. 3 mm from the base, lobes connate for c. 7 mm, dorsal lobes c. 1 cm long, lateral and ventral ones distinctly longer, all-specially the larger oneswith broad membranous margins, which are undulate at the base and c. 2 mm longer than the corolla segments; corolla outside minutely pubescent at the base, mainly on the nerves, inside sparsely pilose; cream-coloured at the base, pale lilac towards the apex. Stamens 41/2 mm long, anthers emarginate at the apex. Ovary c. 1 cm long, as slender as the pedicel; style 71/2 mm long, glabrous; indusium 11/2 mm high, 3-lobed, inside velvety pubescent, stigma not prominent. Capsules  $1^{1/2}$  cm long, constricted between the seeds when dry, with a 6-7 cm long, sterile beak, basal 1-2 mm also sterile; slits only in the fertile part. Seeds ellipsoid, 13/4 by 3/4 mm, distinctly flattened, strongly truncate and acuminate at both ends; testa hard.

Distr. Queensland, North Australia, and Malaysia: New Guinea (Wassi Kussa & Kebar Valley), S. Moluccas (Aru Isl.: P. Trangan).

Ecol. Among grasses of savannahs and savannah-forests on acid soil under seasonal

climatic conditions, up to 650 m. Fl. July, Nov.-

Note. This is the type species of sect. Latouria ENDL. Gen. (1838) 508, which is mainly characterized by the beaked fruits.

## 5. SCAEVOLA

LINNÉ, Mant. (1771) 145; Krause, Pfl. R. Heft 54 (1912) 117.—Fig. 3-5.

Shrubs (Mal. spp.). Leaves spirally arranged or opposite, entire to dentate. Pubescence, if dense, often consisting of stellate hairs. Inflorescences axillary, cymose, provided with bracts and bracteoles. Flowers subsessile. Calyx-tube adnate to the ovary. Ovary (sub-)inferior, 2(-1)-celled, every cell with 1 axillary ovule. Stigma 2-lobed (Mal. spp.). Drupes sometimes more or less fleshy; stone rather hard, containing 1 or 2 seeds.

Distr. The genus Scaevola has been subdivided into 6 sections, in total comprising c. 80 spp. Three of these sections, with c. 60 spp., are nearly exclusively Australian (one sp. also in Tasmania, one exclusively in the Kermadec Isl.). Of the remaining three sections two are monotypical, one being restricted to SE. Asia (Formosa, Hainan, and Tonkin), the other (Enantiophyllum) to E. Malaysia & N. Australia.

Sect. Scaevola contains 19 spp.; 2 of its species are littoral and widely distributed (S. sericea from Madagascar through SE. Asia, Malaysia, and tropical Australia to the Central Pacific and S. plumieri from the Galapagos Isl. through tropical America and Africa to Ceylon and India). The remaining species are all extra-Australian: 2 are endemic in the Marquesas Isl., 8 in the Hawaiian Isl., 1 in Fiji, 1 in the New Hebrides, 4 in New Caledonia, and 1 in Malaysia.

#### KEY TO THE SPECIES

- 1. Leaves spirally arranged, usually tufted at the ends of the branches (sect. Scaevola).
- 2. Flowers  $2-2^{1/2}$  cm long. Calyx-lobes usually  $2^{1/2}$  mm or more. Fruits globular, white, c. 1 cm.

1. Scaevola sericea VAHL, Symb. Bot. 2 (1791) 37; BL. Bijdr. (1826) 730; PRESL, Reliq. Haenk. 2 (1835) 57; DC. Prod. 7 (1839) 506; DE VRIESE. Ned. Kruidk. Arch. I, 2 (1850) 31; Nat. Verh. Holl. Mij Wet. II, 10 (1854) 29; Miq. Fl. Ind. Bat. 2 (1856) 581; MERR. Philip. J. Sc. 5 (1910) Bot. 250; Fosberg & Sachet, Taxon 5 (1956) 7, with full discussion of synonymy.—Buglossum litoreum RUMPH. Herb. Amb. 4 (1743) 116, t. 54.—Lobelia plumieri (non L.) BURM. f. Fl. Ind. (1768) 189.-Lobelia frutescens MILL. Gard. Dict. ed. 8 (1768) p.p. pro syn.—S. lobelia MURR. Syst. Veg. ed. 13 (1774) 178, p.p., nom. illeg.; WILLD. Sp. Pl. 1 (1798) 955; BLANCO, Fl. Filip. (1837) 147; ed. 2 (1845) 104; ed. 3, 1 (1877) 193, t. 210; DE VRIESE, Ned. Kruidk. Arch. I, 2 (1850) 20; Nat. Verh. Holl. Mij Wet. II, 10 (1854) 20; VIDAL, Sinopsis, Atlas (1883) 29, t. 59.—Lobelia taccada GAERTN. Fruct. 1 (1788) 119, t. 25 f. 5.—S. koenigii VAHL, Symb. Bot. 3 (1794) 36; R. & S. Syst. 5 (1819) 160; SPRENGEL, Syst. 1 (1825) 752; BL. Bijdr. (1826) 730; Curtis, Bot. Mag. (1827) t. 2732; Decne, Nouv. Ann. Mus. Hist. Nat. Paris 3 (1835) 408; DC. Prod. 7 (1839) 505, sphalm. kaenigii; HASSK. Pl. Jav. Rar. (1848) 525; Miq. Fl. Ind. Bat. 2 (1857) 580, incl. also var. macrocalyx; F. SINCL. Indig. Fl. Hawai. (1885) t. 32; VIDAL, Rev. Pl. Vasc. Filip. (1886) 165; Schönland, E. & P. Nat. Pfl. Fam. 4, 5 (1889) 76, f. 43 S-T, 47; SCHIMPER, Bot. Mitt. Tropen 3 (1891) 172, t. 7 f. 25; King &

GAMBLE, J. As. Soc. Beng. 74, ii (1906) 50; KOORD. Exk. Fl. Java 3 (1912) 305; GUPPY, Plants, Seeds, and Currents (1917) 227; RIDL. Fl. Mal. Pen. 2 (1923) 199, f. 88.—S. taccada RoxB. Hort. Beng. (1814) 15; Fl. Ind. 2 (1824) 146; ed. 2, 1 (1832) 527; DC. Prod. 7 (1839) 505.—S. plumieri (non VAHL) BL. Bijdr. (1826) 730.—S. velutina PRESL, Reliq. Haenk. 2 (1835) 58.—S. leschenaultii DC. Prod. 7 (1839) 506.—S. macrocalyx DE VRIESE, Ned. Kruidk. Arch. I, 2 (1851) 138; Nat. Verh. Holl. Mij Wet. II, 10 (1854) 26, t. 3 f. 1-4.—S. piliplena Miq. Fl. Ind. Bat. 2 (1857) 581; Koord. Exk. Fl. Java 3 (1912) 305.—S. frutescens (non Lobelia frutescens MILL.) KRAUSE, Pfl. R. Heft 54 (1912) 125, f. 25; MERR. Philip. J. Sc. 7 (1912) Bot. 353, incl. also var. sericea; Int. Rumph. (1917) 496; Sp. Blanc. (1918) 374; Bibl. En. Born. Pl. (1921) 586; En. Philip. 3 (1923) 590; Docters van LEEUWEN, Ann. Jard. Bot. Btzg 37 (1927) t. 4 f. 12-13; HEYNE, Nutt. Pl. (1927) 1428; SKOTTSB. Bull. Bish. Mus. no 43 (1927) f. 14 h; BURK. Dict. (1935) 1970; Docters van Leeuwen, Ann. Jard. Bot. Btzg 46/47 (1936) 423; Corner, Ways. Trees 1 (1940) 310, f. 101; BACK. Bekn. Fl. Java (em. ed.) 8 (1949) fam. 185, 2; STEEN. Fl. Sch. Indon. (1949) 378; Henders. Mal. Wild Fl. 2 (1950) 253, f. 236. Fig. 3-4, 5g.

Erect or spreading shrub, sometimes a small tree (up to 7 m). Branchlets 1/2-1 cm thick, terete, usually glabrous, but the leaf-axils provided with

stiff tufts of white hairs. Leaves spirally arranged, the majority crowded at the ends of the branches, sessile, spathulate to obovate, 12-26 by 5-10 cm, herbaceous to thin-fleshy, glabrous (rarely short-tomentose on both sides), narrowed towards the base, margin entire or sinuate to dentate, apex blunt to rounded. Inflorescences laxly branched, c. 4 cm

long, few-flowered, glabrous (to densely woolly pubescent); peduncle c. 1 cm long. Bracts persistent, narrowly triangular, up to 3 mm long, white-pilose in the axils. Flowers  $2-2^{1/2}$  cm long, glabrous or (specially the corolla) more or less densely appressed-pubescent, scentless. Calyx-lobes linear to narrowly elliptic,  $(1^{1/2}-)2^{1/2}-5(-15)$  by  $^{1/2}(-5)$  mm, blunt,



Fig. 3. Scaevola sericea (MILL.) KRAUSE in flower and fruit, Udjung Genteng (SW. Java).

erect to faintly recurved. Corolla pale yellow, at first lilac-veined, white inside; tube inside densely pubescent, membranous margins of the lobes fimbriate towards the base. Style faintly pubescent at the base, sometimes in addition with some scattered long hairs. Drupe globular, faintly 2-lobed when dry, c.  $1-1^1/2$  cm in diam., with 4 faint ribs on every lobe, fleshy, (sub)glabrous, pellucid-white when ripe; stone 8 by 6 mm, rugose, septum distinctly prominent.

Distr. Madagascar, SE. Asia, throughout Malaysia, tropical Australia, Micronesia, Melanesia, and Hawaii.

Ecol. Restricted to the sea-shore, usually on the open sandy beach or on coastal cliffs of rocky coasts. Fl. and fr. Jan.—Dec.

One of the commonest, sometimes gregarious, shrubs fringing the tropical sandy beach behind the pescaprae formation, an early, euredaphic pioneer on fresh littoral sands, gravel, and rocks. The drupes are very probably dispersed by birds:

the stones are certainly water-borne and are dispersed by sea currents; they are often found washed ashore. They owe their power of buoyancy to the corky outer layer of the stone (see Guppy, *l.c.*).

DOCTERS VAN LEEUWEN (1927) found flowers frequently visited by large bees; in addition self-fertilization seems also to occur.

Uses. Several parts of this plant are used in native medicine (see Heyne, l.c.). The wood of the basal part is rather hard, but the pieces are small; as it is resistent against sea-water, it is used for making nails for canoes. The thick, soft pith of the young twigs is used in microscopical technique, replacing elder-pith. As this pith can easily be cut and painted, people (specially in the Moluccas) make flowers, small birds, and fruits etc. from it.

Vern. Sea-lettuce tree, E, strand ossetong, D, ambong-ambong, ambung-ambung, among-among, beruwas laut, buwas-buwas laut, gabusan, kaju

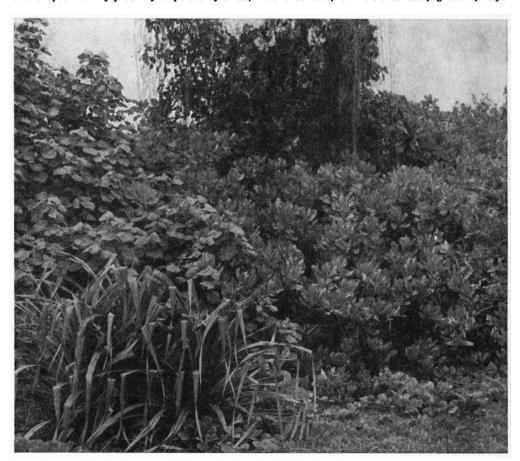


Fig. 4. Beach vegetation on the westcoast of Humboldt Bay, West New Guinea; on the right Scaevola Sericea Vahl, to the left Hibiscus tiliaceus L. and Pandanus sp., in the background Terminalia catappa L. with Cassytha filiformis L. (Photogr. L. Van der Hammen, 1954).

ambong, merambong, moh among, pělampong, M, subang-subang (suběng-suběng, subong-subong), Sum., tjilekle, Mentawei, babakoan, b. lalaki, gagabusan, niangka, porang, S, dudulan (wudulan), gabus, g. tjina, pohodo'elang, J, djati pasir, Md, klindo, pëlënda laut (polindo l.), Bali, bodjo, Sumbawa, tabuté, Alor, batang lampung, Borneo; Philippines: balak-bálak, balok-bálok, bokabok, bosboron, boto, linu, mosboron, panabolong, pañgangtolon, Tag., bokabok, bosboron, boto, mosboron, panabolong, pangangtolon, tagustus, Bis., chalmalukung, dudukdukin, Ilk., hulbo, Bik., linog, Sbl.; bawuntulon, bodjolo, bukolako, kokolě, panimburang, papatjèda, wintungtasi, Cel., anas, boppa tseda, gilitopa, hokal, kanum-búlan'a, kationgale, lotiek, mokal (mokar, morat), ndarimbu, nesnas, panimbúran'a, (pa)patjèda, Mol., rauw rauw, Aru Isl., fufum, kaikikira, paimeh, N. Guinea, dodogo kubar, N. Britain.

2. Scaevola micrantha PRESL, Rel. Haenk. 2 (1835) 58; DC. Prod. 7 (1839) 507; Miq. Fl. Ind. Bat. 2 (1856) 582; MERR. Philip. J. Sc. 5 (1910) Bot. 250; KRAUSE, Pfl. R. Heft 54 (1912) 121; MERR. En. Philip. 3 (1923) 590; HOLTHUIS & LAM, Blumea 5 (1942) 252.—Temminckia micrantha DE VRIESE, Ned. Kruidk. Arch. I, 2 (1850) 145; Nat. Verh. Holl. Mij Wet. II, 10 (1854) 11.—S. pedunculata MERR. Philip. J. Sc. 5 (1910) Bot. 251, incl. also var. mollis; GIBBS, J. Linn. Soc. Bot. 42 (1914) 100; MERR. Bibl. En. Born. Pl. (1921) 586; En. Philip. 3 (1923) 591.—S. merrillii ELM. Leafl. Philip. Bot. 4 (1912) 1491.—Fig. 5h.

Shrub, up to c. 2 m. Branchlets 1/4-1 cm thick, terete, glabrous to densely tomentose; leaf-axils provided with tufts of silky white hairs. Leaves spirally arranged, crowded at the ends of the branches, obovate to elliptic, 31/2-20 by 11/2-8 cm, coriaceous to herbaceous, glabrous to tomentose mainly on the lower side; attenuate to the distinctly petioled base; margin scattered denticulate, mainly towards the apex; apex rounded to acute, mucronulate; nervation rather conspicuous, specially beneath. Inflorescences laxly to rather densely branched, 21/2-10 cm long, glabrous to densely greyish-tomentose; peduncle 1-6 cm long. Bracts linear, up to 2 by 1/2 cm, with axillary hairtufts. Flowers 1 cm long, glabrous to rather densely pubescent. Calyx-lobes deltoid, acute, erect, 1 mm high. Corolla greenish-white within and outside at the base, lobes violet; tube inside densely pubescent, membranous margins of the lobes narrowed towards the base, entire. Style with some scattered long hairs, mainly at the base. Fruits ellipsoid, 5-6 by 21/2 mm, smooth, glabrous to pubescent, black when ripe.

Distr. Malaysia: Borneo (Mt Kinabalu), Philippines (Palawan, Luzon, Sibuyan, Mindanao), and Talaud Islands.

Ecol. On open, sunny slopes, 300-2500 m. Fl. and fr. Nov.-May.

Vern. Panimburan'a, Talaud.

Note. Part of the specimens from Mt Kinabalu and Palawan differ slightly by a densely stellate tomentum in all parts, rather thick twigs, long-

petioled and rather large leaves—not unlike those of S. sericea—and denser, many-flowered inflorescences; they have been distinguished as S. pedunculata var. mollis MERR. The differences mentioned are grading, however, and vary possibly even in one individual plant.

3. Scaevola oppositifolia R. Brown, Prod. (1810) 583.—S. oppositifolia ROXB. [Hort. Beng. (1814) 85, nomen] Fl. Ind. 2 (1824) 148; ed. 2, 1 (1832) 528; Don, Gard. Dict. 3 (1834) 728; DC. Prod. 7 (1839) 507; Miq. Fl. Ind. Bat. 2 (1857) 582; Ann. Mus. Bot. Lugd. Bat. 1 (1864) 210; KRAUSE, Pfl. R. Heft 54 (1912) 132.—S. corsoniana Don ex LOUDON, Gard. Mag. 18 (1842) 370.—S. amboinensis Mio. Ann. Mus. Bot. Lugd. Bat. 1 (1864) 210; KRAUSE, I.c. 133.—S. enantophylla F.V.M. Fragm. 8 (1873) 58.—S. novo-guineensis K. Sch. Bot. Jahrb. 9 (1887) 222; K. SCH. & LAUT. Fl. Schutzgeb. (1901) 594; do, Nachtr. (1905) 402, incl. var. glabra; KRAUSE, l.c. 133.—S. scandens F. M. BAIL. Rep. Exp. Bellenden-Ker (1889) 47.—S. similis HEMSL. Kew Bull. (1896) 38; KRAUSE, I.c. 131.—S. minahassae Koord. Minah. (1898) 628, 513; MERR. Philip. J. Sc. 2 (1907) Bot. 427; KRAUSE, l.c. 131; KOORD.-SCHUM. Syst. Verz. 3 (1914) 125; MERR. En. Philip. 3 (1923) 591.—S. dajoensis MERR. Philip. J. Sc. 2 (1907) Bot. 427; KRAUSE, l.c. 131; MERR. En. Philip. 3 (1923) 590.—S. acuminatissima MERR. Philip. J. Sc. 5 (1910) Bot. 249; En. Philip. 3 (1923) 590.—S. mindorensis MERR. Philip. J. Sc. 5 (1910) Bot. 250; En. Philip. 3 (1923) 591.—S. merrilliana Krause, l.c. 131, nom. superfl.—S. lauterbachiana Krause, l.c. 132; GIBBS, Arfak (1917) 183.—S. forbesii Krause, l.c. 133.—S. wollastonii Wernham, Trans. Linn. Soc. Bot. II, 9 (1916) 88.—Fig. 5a-f.

Scrambling (rarely erect) shrub or climber. Branchlets slender, terete, with long internodes; lateral twigs transverse. Leaves decussate, usually pseudo-distichous, distinctly petioled, ovate to ovate-lanceolate, 5-14 by 2-6 cm, chartaceous, glabrous or more or less pubescent, sometimes even densely woolly pubescent beneath; base acute; margin slightly revolute, usually entire to distantly dentate, sometimes lobed; apex acuminate, usually mucronate. Inflorescences axillaryoften 2 in one leaf-axil and then the upper one stronger developed-widely and laxly branched, 2-5 cm long peduncled, mostly many-flowered, rarely 1-3-flowered, sometimes exceeding the leaves, usually thinly and shortly appressedly pubescent. Bracts persistent, narrowly triangular, up to 1/2 cm. Flowers 11/4-11/2(-2) cm long, more or less densely pubescent. Calyx-lobes linear, c. 21/2 mm. Corolla yellow or outside greenish, in the basal half more or less brownish to purple, tube inside densely velvety pubescent, membranous margins of the lobes entire. Style glabrous, the indusium excepted. Fruits (in dry state) obovoid to ellipsoid, 5-7 by 21/2-3 mm, with 2 (septal) grooves, furthermore slightly tuberculate, subglabrous, rarely scattered appressed-pubescent. black when ripe.

Distr. North Queensland and Malaysia:

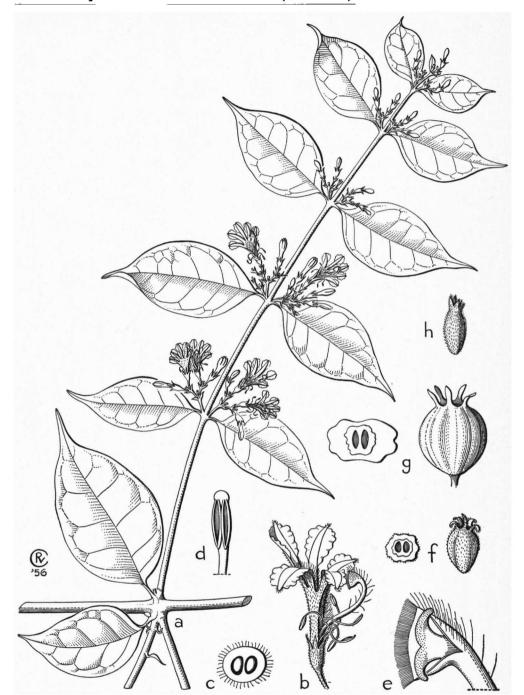


Fig. 5a-f. Scaevola oppositifolia R.Br. a. Flowering twig, b. flower, c. ovary in cross-section, d. anther, opened, e. stigma (indusium partly removed), f. fruit with cross-section.—g. Scaevola sericea Vahl, fruit with cross-section.—h. Scaevola micrantha Presl, fruit. ( $a \times 2/3$ , b and  $f-h \times 2$ ,  $c \times 6$ ,  $d \times 16$ ,  $e \times 10$ ; a-b Kaudern 518, f van Royen 3202, g NGF 3314, h BS 34598).

Philippines (Mindoro, Negros, Sulu Isl., and Mindanao), Celebes, Moluccas (Morotai, Ternate, Sula Islands, Ceram, and Ambon), and New Guinea (incl. New Ireland).

Ecol. Mostly in rather open places, along forest edges, road- and river-sides, in shrubberies and secondary vegetation, rarely in forest, 0-2700 m. Fl. and fr. Jan.-Dec.

Vern. Saroka, Bag., kakane-mapo, Minahasa, gambi, njeo bata, Ternate, hamboro, New Guinea.

Notes. This species is specially variable in the degree of pubescence and in the incision of the leaf-margins. Part of the material from E. New Guinea is densely white-woolly pubescent, especially on the lower side of the leaves; this has been distinguished as S. novo-guineensis. Specimens from N. Celebes—and to a lesser degree some from the Philippines—possess small, ovate, coriaceous, short-petioled, rather pubescent leaves with a strongly dentate to lobed margin, the nervation being sunken above (S. minahassae). Furthermore, the degree of branching of the inflorescence is apparently increasing from west to east. All these characters are grading, however.

The name S. merrilliana Krause is superfluous, as one of its syntypes is the type-collection of S. mindorensis Merr.

This is the single representative of sect. Enantiophyllum B. & H. (Gen. Pl. 2, 1876, 540) which is, in my opinion, monotypic. It is the only section with opposite leaves and a  $\pm$  climbing habit.

#### Excluded

Camphusia glabra (H. & A.) DE VRIESE, Ned. Kruidk. Arch. I, 2 (1850) 149.—Scaevola glabra H. & A. Bot. Beechey (1832) 89.—A Hawaiian species, erroneously mentioned by Index Kewensis 1 (1895) 408 as being described from Malaysia.

Lemairea amboinensis DE VRIESE, Nat. Verh. Holl. Mij Wet. II, 10 (1854) 189, t. 38.—The description (with plate) of this monotypic genus was based on a sheet, said to have been collected in Ambon, from the herbarium of VENTENAT, preserved in the Herbier Delessert at Geneva; it consisted of a loose flower and a fruiting twig. According to the drawing and description the loose flower is doubtless belonging to Scaevola sp.; the twig with fruits, which has kindly been traced at Geneva by Dr. BECHERER appeared exactly to match the rubiaceous Mycetia Javanica (BL.) KORTH.

BENTHAM & HOOKER and others have all treated Lemairea as a genus delendum. The name Lemairea amboinensis clearly falls under art. 76 of the rules of nomenclature and must be rejected as its characters were derived from two entirely discordant elements.