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THE GENUS MILIUSA IN THE AUSTRO-MALESIAN AREA (ANNONACEAE), A RECTIFICATION

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SUMMARY

Confusion concerning the validation of *Miliusa vidalii* J. Sinclair is rectified.

Key words: Annonaceae, *Miliusa*, *Miliusa vidalii*, Australia, Flora Malesiana.

When we published the revision of the genus *Miliusa* in the Flora Malesiana area and Australia, nomenclatorial confusion concerning the species *Miliusa vidalii* has arisen (Mols & Keßler, 2003: 455). During the process of publishing the sentences "Published without Latin description. No validation has been found." were separated from the true nomenclatorial section. Therefore it appears that this statement refers to *Miliusa vidalii*. In truth the sentences refer to the synonym *Polyalthia pacifica* Elmer. As this species was published in 1939 without a Latin description, which is required for all names published after 1 January 1935, this name is illegitimate. *Miliusa vidalii*, on the contrary, was properly published.

Miliusa vidalii J. Sinclair (1955) 378. — *Saccopetalum longipes* S. Vidal (1886) 43 non *M. longipes* King. — Type: *Vidal 15* (lecto K), Philippines, Luzon, Pr. Bataan, Bagac, fr.

Polyalthia pacifica Elmer (1939) 3690, nom. illeg. — Type: *Elmer 17357* (holo A; iso BO, L, P), Philippines, Luzon, Prov. Sorsogon, Irosin, Mt Bulusan, September 1916, fl. Published without Latin description. No validation could be found.

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