

TWO NEW SPECIES OF LEGUMINOSAE

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IN CONTINUING STUDIES on the Leguminosae tribe Sophoreae, material of two previously undescribed species in the genera *Ormosia* and *Diploptropis* came to light. Both these taxa seem clearly distinct from their presumed close relatives. My purpose in describing them now is to bring them to the attention of collectors in the hope that new and more complete material will become available through future field activity.

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Ormosia assamica Yakovlev, sp. nov. Arbor 25–30 m. alta; folia 7-foliolata, 3.2–3.7 dm. longa, petiolis circa 5 cm. longis, sparsim subtiliterque pubescentibus, foliolis oblongo-ellipticis vel late lanceolatis, apice aequabiliter acuminatis, basi truncatis, 10–15 cm. longis, 3.5–5 cm. latis, utrinque subglabris, nervis secundariis 10–12, prominulis, petiolulis ca. 0.5 cm. longis. Inflorescentiae appresse ferrugineo-pubescentes vel ferrugineo-villosae; flores 1.2–1.3 cm. longi, bracteolis jugatis deltoideis parvis, pedunculis ca. 0.5 cm. longis, calycibus 0.9–1 cm. longis, dentibus 0.5 cm. longis, corolla alba, petalis interioribus uniauriculatis. Legumen ignotum. — FIGURE 1.

TYPE: Assam. Akha Hills, Assam Valley, Dec. 1890, *Badul Khan* 10 (CAL, holotype).

This new species is probably most closely allied to *Ormosia pinnata* (Lour.) Merr. and *O. robusta* (Roxb.) Baker. The holotype (CAL) and only specimen I have seen was determined previously as *O. robusta* from which it differs significantly, as it also does from other species from southern and southeastern Asia.

When fruit of *Ormosia assamica* is known it may be that its closest relationship will prove to be with those species having septate legumes,



FIGURE 1. *Ormosia assamica* Yakovlev. Holotype (CAL), Badul Khan 10.
which as a group I have recently included in a distinct new genus (*Botanicheskij Zhurnal*, in press).



FIGURE 2 (left). *Diploptropis duckei* Yakovlev, Paratype (A), Duce 64. FIGURE 3 (right). *Diploptropis racemosa* (Hoehe) Amsh. Holotype (r no. 2901) Kuhlmann 389.

Diploctropis duckei Yakovlev, sp. nov. *Diploctropis racemosa* (Hoehne) Amsh. var. *parvifolia* Ducke, Legum. Amaz. Brasil. 104. 1939. Arbor; folia 15–17-foliolata, 7–8 cm. longa, foliolis oblongis basi oblique obtusis, supra glabris, subnitidis, subtus sparse appresse pubescentibus, 0.7–2.3 cm. longis, 0.4–0.9 cm. latis, petiolulis ca. 1 mm. longis. Inflorescentiae axibus appresse pubescentibus; flores 1–1.2 cm. longi, pedunculis 1–1.5 mm. longis, calycibus ca. 0.5 cm. longis. Fructus 1–2-sperma, planus, membranaceus, lanceolatus, 6–10 cm. longus, 1.4–2 cm. latus; semina oblonga, exalbuminata, testa tenui. — FIGURES 2 and 3.

TYPE: Brazil. Manáos, Estr. do Aleizo, *Ducke 1461* (LE, holotype; R, UC, US, isotypes); Manáos, *Ducke 64* (A, F, paratypes).

The new species, *Diploctropis duckei*, is most closely related to *D. racemosa* Hoehne from which it differs in the number and size of its leaflets and in the character as well as the size of many other parts, as shown in the table below.

DIPLLOTROPIS RACEMOSA		DIPLLOTROPIS DUCKEI	
LEAF	11–13(–15)-foliolate		15–17-foliolate
LEAFLETS	(1.4)1.7–3.8(4.5) × (1.1)1.4–1.9(2.3) cm.		(0.7)1–1.7(2.3) × 0.4–0.9 cm.
PETIOLULE	1.5 mm.		3–4 mm.
INFLORESCENCE	9–12 cm.		4–6 cm.
PEDICEL	3–4 mm.		1–1.5 mm.
CALYX	0.6–0.7 cm.		0.5 cm.

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