# A precursor to the treatment of Dorstenia (Moracea) for the floras of Cameroun and Gabon : corrections and additions 

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#### Abstract

Summary : Corrections and additions to the preliminary study of Dorstenia (Moracex) in Cameroon and Gabon having been published in Adansonia, ser. 2, 16 (4) : 415-443 (1977).


Résumé : Corrections et additions apportées à l'étude préliminaire du genre Dorstenia (Moraceæ) au Cameroun et au Gabon, publiée dans Adansonia, ser. 2, 16 (4) : 415-443 (1977).

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In the precursor to the treatment of Dorstenia for the Floras of Cameroun and Gabon in Adansonia, ser. 2, 16 (4) : 415-443 (1977), the name of Dorstenia mannii has been overlooked. D. ophiocoma K. Schumann \& Engl. proved to be a synonym of D. mannii Hooker f.

Since field-observations and new collections provide more dates, a revision of the infraspecific taxa of $D$. mannii is necessary. The following new combinations should be recognized :

Dorstenia mannii Hooker f.
Bot. Mag. 3 (27) : tab. 5908 (1871).
a. var. mannii.

- D. ophiocoma K. Schumann \& Engl. var. ophiocoma, Bot. Jahrb. $20: 145$ (1894) ; M. Hijman \& C. C. Berg, Adansonia, ser. 2, 16 (4) : 429 (1977).
b. var. mougasii M. Hijman, var. nov.

Herba 20-45 cm alta, puberula, internodia 1-3 cm longa. Lamina late oblonga vel elliptica, acuminata, basi subobtusa; stipulæ persistentes, subulatæ, 3-8 mm longæ. Inflorescentia singula, sirida; pedunculus (1.5-)3.5-5 cm longus; receptaculum ca .1 cm diametro, lobis triangularibus 5-8(-11).

TYPE : Hijman \& Weerdenburg 350, Gabon, 10 km SW Makokou, plateau d'Ipasse (holo-, U).

Stems ascending, $20-45 \mathrm{~cm}$ tall, puberulous, internodes $1-3 \mathrm{~cm}$ long. Lamina rather broadly oblong or elliptic, acuminate, with a subobtuse base ; stipules persistent, subulate, $3-8 \mathrm{~mm}$ long. Inflorescences solitary, greenish; peduncle rather long, (1.5-) $3.5-5 \mathrm{~cm}$; receptacle ca. 1 cm in diameter, with 5-8(-11) triangular lobes.


Map. 1. - Distribution of D. mannii Hooker f. var. mougasii M. Hijman.

Distribution : Gabon (map 1).
c. var. alternans (Engl.) M. Hijman, comb. nos.

- D. alternans Engl., Bot. Jahrb. 46 : 273 (1911).
- D. ophiocoma K. Schumann \& Engl. var. alternans (Engl.) M. Hijman \& C. C. Berg, Adansonia, ser. 2, 16 (4) : 429 (1977).
d. var. mungensis (Engl.) M. Hijman, comb. now.
- D. mungensis Engl., Bot. Jahrb. $20: 145$ (1894).
- D. ophiocoma K. Schumann \& Engl. var. mungensis (Engl.) M. Hijman \& C. C. Berg, Adansonia, ser. 2, 16 (4) : 430 (1977).
e. var. stipulata (Rendle) M. Hijman, comb. nos.
- D. stipulata Rendle, Journ. Bot. 53 : 298 (1915).
- D. ophiocoma K. Schumann \& Engl. var. stipulata (Rendle) M. Hijman \& C. C. Berg forma stipulata, Adansonia, ser. 2, 16 (4) : 430 (1977).
f. var. humilis (M. Hijman \& C. C. Berg) M. Hijman, comb. \& stat. nov.
- D. ophiocoma K. Schumann \& Engl. var. stipulata (Rendle) M. Hisman \& C. C. Berg forma humilis M. Hijman \& C. C. Berg, Adansonia, ser. 2, 16 (4): 430 (1977).

Key to the varieties of $D$. mannii

1. Receptacle with $10-14(-18)$ lobes passing into primary appendages.
2. Stems (30-) $50-100 \mathrm{~cm}$ tall. . ..................................................... . . var. mannii

$1^{\prime}$. Receptacle with less than 10 lobes passing into primary appendages.
3. Receptacle with ca. 8 lobes passing into primary appendages.
4. Apex of the lamina (mostly) distinctly acuminate.
5. Stems $30-50 \mathrm{~cm}$ tall ; stipules persistent, mostly conspicuous.
6. Stems almost glabrous; leaves narrowly elliptic or oblong, with a
cuneate base..................................................... var. alternans
$6^{\prime}$. Stems puberulous; leaves rather broadly elliptic or oblong, with a

$5^{\prime}$. Stems (30-)50-100 cm tall, often rather densely puberulous ; stipules
(sub)persistent, mostly not conspicuous.............................. var. mannii
4'. Apex of the lamina acute to faintly acuminate or obtuse.
7. Herb of ca. 40 cm tall with an ascending stem ; lamina $8-14 \mathrm{~cm}$ long,
$3.5-7 \mathrm{~cm}$ broad................................................. var. stipulata $7^{\prime}$. Little herb, up to ca. 30 cm tall with a creeping to ascending stem;
lamina rather small, $2-9(-11) \mathrm{cm}$ long, $1-4(-6) \mathrm{cm}$ broad.
8. Secondary veins in the lamina 4-6 pairs ; margin of the lamina entire . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . var. humilis
$8^{\prime}$. Secondary veins in the lamina 4-10 pairs ; margin of the lamina
usually lobed.................................................... . var. mungensis
$3^{\prime}$. Receptacle with 2-6 lobes passing into primary appendages.
9. Stems (30-) $50-100 \mathrm{~cm}$ tall ; inflorescences often in pairs.... var. mannii $9^{\prime}$. Stems up to 40 cm tall ; inflorescences solitary.
10. Secondary veins in the lamina $4-6$ pairs ; margin of the
lamina entire................................................ $\quad$ var. humilis
$10^{\prime}$. Secondary veins in the lamina $4-10$ pairs; margin of the
lamina usually lobed..................................... $\quad$ var. mungensis

The species $D$. harmsiana Engler as it was published in the precursor to the treatment of Dorstenia for the Floras of Cameroun and Gabon in Adansonia, ser. 2, 16 (4) : 430 (1977), must be named D. lujæ De Wildeman. D. harmsiana Engler as it was described by Engler in 1904 is a synonym of D. ciliata Engler.

The following new combinations should be recognized :

## Dorstenia lujæ De Wildeman

Pl. Nov. Herb. Then $1: 221$, tab. 50 (1907).
a. var. lujæ
b. var. batesii (Rendle) M. Hijman, comb. nov.

- D. batesii Rendle, Journ. Bot. 53 : 301 (1915).
- D. harmsiana Engl. var. batesii (Rendle) M. Hidman \& C. C. Berg, Adansonia, ser. 2, 16 (4) : 432 (1977).

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The distribution of Dorstenia letestui Pellegrin and that of Dorstenia brieyi De Wildeman, given in map 19 in Adansonia, ser. 2, 16 (4) : 441 (1977) have been confused by mistake.


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