

5. **IKONNIKOVIA** Linczevski in Komarov, Fl. URSS 18: 745. 1952.

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Shrublets dwarf. Branches many, thick. Leaves crowded at branch apices, in a rosette. Inflorescences axillary; spikes terminal and axillary or only terminal, densely arranged into 4–11 spikelets; lateral spikes sessile; bracts longer than first bractlet, margin broadly membranous and wider than herbaceous part, apex rigidly and thickly cuspidate; each flower subtended by a bractlet; first bractlet similar to bracts but slightly shorter. Calyx subtubular; tube upright basally, indistinctly herbaceous along ribs, membranous between ribs; limb scarious and narrowly campanulate, lobes erect. Corolla basally connate, petals patent. Stamens slightly adnate to corolla base. Ovary linear cylindrical, apex attenuate. Styles 5, free, basal half verrucose; stigmas depressed capitate. Capsule linear-oblong.

One species: China and Kazakstan.

1. **Ikonnikovia kaufmanniana** (Regel) Linczevski in Komarov, Fl. URSS 18: 381. 1952.

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Statice kaufmanniana Regel, Trudy Imp. S.-Peterburgsk. Bot. Sada 6: 300. 1880; *Goniolimon kaufmannianum* (Regel) Voss; *Limonium kaufmannianum* (Regel) Kuntze.

Shrublets herblike, 14–35(–50) cm tall. Branchlets 1–6 (–10) cm, densely covered with persistent petioles. Leaf blade linear-lanceolate, lanceolate, or oblanceolate, 3–7(–10) × 0.6–1.5(–2.5) cm, glaucous and sometimes abaxially purplish, base attenuate into a wide petiole, margin undulate, apex acuminate and stiffly mucronate. Inflorescences 1 or 2 from each rosette, arising from sub-basal leaves; peduncle and rachis scaly; rachis with a terminal and 1–3 or more lateral spikes, rarely with only 1 terminal spike; lateral spikes axillary from scales, slightly arcuate; spikelets (2 or)3(or 4)-flowered; bracts broadly ovate to elliptic-ovate, 0.9–1.1 cm, apex cuspidate; first bractlet apex with 1 or 2 cusps. Calyx 8–9 mm, pubescent along ribs, tube ca. 1 mm in diam.; limb pale yellow to pale brownish yellow; lobes erect, ca. 2 mm, narrow, apex aristate, sometimes lobulate between lobes, veins never reaching margin. Corolla purple, lobes apically retuse. Fl. Jun–Aug, fr. Jul–Sep.

Lower slopes and base of mountains. Xinjiang (Yili River basin) [Kazakstan].

