



Dates in the International Code of Botanical Nomenclature

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In the circumstances, Burtt (loc. cit.) quite reasonably suggested that the name *Scabiosa papposa* L. should be rejected as a *nomen confusum*, and that the three species involved should be named respectively:

1. *Pterocephalus plumosus* (L.) Coult.
2. *Pterocephalus diandrus* (Lag.) Lag.
3. *Pterocephalus brevis* Coult.

Unfortunately, in 1957, when Burtt made these proposals, there was no machinery for insuring the permanent rejection of such confused names, and while the majority of botanists have agreed with his proposals, and adopted the suggested nomenclature, the name *Pterocephalus papposus* (L.) Coult. has recently reappeared in *Flora Europaea*, 4: 68 (1976), attached to the plant intended in *Sp. Pl. ed. 1*, which Burtt preferred to name *P. plumosus* (L.) Coult. On strict nomenclatural grounds, *Flora Europaea* is *arguably* correct, but in every other respect the decision is a regrettable one. For this reason I invoke the machinery set up in the new ICBN, and request that the appropriate committee add *Scabiosa papposa* L., *Sp. Pl. ed. 1*, 101 (1753) to the list of *nomina rejicienda*.

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Summary

A chronological list of the dates in the ICBN is given. A list indicating which dates pertain to the main taxonomic groups is added.

In a previous paper (Leussink, 1975) I have given an account of the dates in the International Code of Botanical Nomenclature (Seattle Code). The new edition of the Code (Leningrad Code) has recently been published (Stafleu et al., 1978), and it seems appropriate to update that account. In the Leningrad Code some dates were changed (Art. 13.1(g)) or deleted (cf. Arts. 13(i) and 42 of the Seattle Code), whereas also a few new dates were introduced (Arts. 28. Note 2 and 35.3). A few dates lacking in my 1975 account (those in the Introduction to Appendix II), have been included in the survey given below. The decimal-like numbering system of the individual paragraphs of the Articles and Recommendations in the Leningrad Code facilitates reference.

Chronological list of dates in the Leningrad Code

	Date	Article etc.
	1753	7.12; 13.4, 5; 23.6(c); Rec. 32A.1; 41. Note 1
	Mai 1753	13.5
	1 Mai 1753	13.1(a), (c), (d), (g), (h), 13.5; Introduction to Appendix II
	Aug 1753	13.5
	1753-1754	74.1(a)
	1754	13.4
	1762-1763	13.4; 41. Note 1
	1764	13.4
	1789	Introduction to Appendix II
	1 Jan 1801	13.1(b)
	31 Dec 1801	13.1(e)
	1820	13.1(i)
	31 Dec 1820	13.1(i)
	1 Jan 1821	13.1(f)
	1828	13.1(f)
	1 Jan 1848	13.1(g)

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1 Jan 1886	13.1(g)
1886-1888	13.1(g)
1 Jan 1890	35.3
1 Jan 1892	13.1(g)
1892-1893	13.1(g)
1 Jan 1900	13.1(g)
1 Jan 1908	42.1; 44.1
1 Jan 1912	20.2; 38.1
1 Jan 1935	36.1; 59.4
1 Jan 1953	29.3, 5; 31.1; 33.2; 34.4; 35.1, 2
1 Jan 1958	36.2; 37.1; 39.1; 59.4
1 Jan 1959	28. Note 2
1 Jan 1967	59.4
1 Jan 1973	29.5; 45.1
1 Jan 1975	H.10.4, 5

Survey according to the main taxonomic groups

Taxonomic group	Article etc.
All groups	20.2; 29.3, 5; 31.1; 33.2; 34.4; 35.1, 2; 37.1; 42.1; 44.1; 45.1
All groups with starting point 1 Mai 1753	13.4, 5; 23.6(c); Rec. 32A.1; 41. Note 1; 74.1
All groups, except Algae and Fossils	36.1
All groups, except Nostocaceae, Homocysteeae and Oedogoniaceae	35.3
Spermatophyta	13.1(a); Introduction to Appendix II
Pteridophyta	13.1(a)
Bryophyta	13.1(b), (c); 7.12
Lichenes	13.1(d)
Fungi	13.1(e), (f); 7.12; 59.4
Algae	13.1(g); 7.12; 36.2; 39.1
Myxomycetes	13.1(h)
Fossils	13.1(i); 7.12; 38.1
(Hybrids	H.10.4, 5)
(Cultivars	28. Note 2)

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