## Notes on African plants

## **VARIOUS AUTHORS**

## APOCYNACEAE

## THE CORRECT AUTHOR CITATION FOR PACHYPODIUM SUCCULENTUM

Pachypodium succulentum (L.f.) Sweet, Hort. Brit. ed. 2: 594 (1830); A.DC. in DC., Prodr. 8: 424 (1844); Stapf in Fl. Cap. 4,1: 517 (1907), as P. succulentum (Thunb.) A.DC.; Codd in Fl. S. Afr. 26: 285 (1963), as P. succulentum (L.f.) A.DC.; Mabberley in Taxon 29: 605 (1980), as P. succulentum (Jacq.) Sweet.

Echites succulenta L.f., Suppl. 167 (1781); Thunb., Prodr. 37 (1794); Jacq., Fragm. bot. 74, t. 117 (1809); Thunb., Fl. Cap. ed. Schult. 232 (1823).

For some years the author citation for *Pachypodium succulentum* was referred to as (L.f.) A.DC. Mabberley, *l.c.*, reported an earlier combination by Sweet and listed the authority as (Jacq.) Sweet. Sweet cited the basionym as *Echites succulenta* Jacq. but Jacquin did not claim to be the author. He referred to the species as *Echites succulenta* Thunb. and Thunberg (1823) included 'Linn. Suppl. p. 167' among his references, thus leading one to the original description.

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