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A NEW COMBINATION IN *OZOROA*

Fernandes in Bol. Soc. Brot. 27: 150 (1965) resuscitated the genus *Ozoroa* Del. to accommodate all the species formerly placed in *Heeria* Meisn. except for *Heeria argentea* (Thunb.) Meisn. which remained as the only species of this monotypic genus. The main reasons for resuscitating *Ozoroa* lie in the differences in the fruits of the two genera. Since *Heeria argentea* is very similar in general facies to some of the other species formerly placed in *Heeria*, a special effort was made to study fresh fruits. The main differences mentioned by Fernandes could be confirmed and the resuscitation of *Ozoroa* is therefore supported. Most of the combinations in *Ozoroa* have already been made in various publications. The species *Heeria concolor* (C. Presl) Kuntze, however, is retained under the genus *Heeria* in the *Prodromus Südwestafrika* 74: 5 (1968) by Merxmüller and Schreiber because mature fruits of this species were not available for study at that time. Even though they suspected that it would prove to be an *Ozoroa* they

refrained from making the combination. The affinities of *Heeria concolor* are clearly with *Ozoroa dispar* (C. Presl) R. & A. Fernandes and *O. crassinervia* (Engl.) R. & A. Fernandes. Recently fairly mature fruits of this species have been collected by Mrs Eve Jenkins and there is no further doubt that it belongs in *Ozoroa*. The new combination is here effected.

Ozoroa concolor (C. Presl ex Sond.) De Wint., comb. nov. Type: Cape, between Natvoet and Gariep, 1 000-1 500, Drege (S, holo.; TCD, PRE, iso.).

Anaphrenium concolor E. Mey. in Drege, Zwei Doc. 163 (1843), nom. nud.

Rhus concolor E. Mey. ex C. Presl, Bot. Bemerk. 42 (1844), nom. nud.

Rhus concolor C. Presl ex Sond. in Fl. Cap. 1: 521 (1860).

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