

The genus *Clerodendrum* L. was divided into a number of different sections or subgenera by Gürke (1895), Pearson (1912) and Thomas (1936) on the basis of *inter alia* the flower symmetry. In the past, some of these sections or subgenera were considered to be independent genera, e.g. the genus *Cyclonema* Hochst. (1842). Steane *et al.* (1997) showed that *Clerodendrum sens. lat.* is polyphyletic and that *Cyclonema* should be reinstated as a genus. Steane & Mabberley (1998) revived the genus *Rothea* Raf. for taxa under the subgenus *Cyclonema* (Hochst.) Thomas and/or sections *Cyclonema* (Hochst.) Gürke and *Konocalyx* Verdc. of the genus *Clerodendrum* on the grounds of the corolla (flower) symmetry, anther attachment and stigma symmetry. More new combinations for taxa from the *Flora zambesiaca* and *Conspectus florum angolensis* areas were made by Fernandes & Verdcourt (2000).

A number of new combinations for taxa occurring in southern Africa, not covered by the above-mentioned publications, are presented here:

***Rothea caerulea* (N.E.Br.) P.P.J.Herman & Retief, comb. nov.**

*Clerodendrum caeruleum* N.E.Br. in Kew Bulletin 1895: 115 (1895). Type: [KwaZulu-]Natal, Mooi River Valley, *Gerrard 1252* (K).

***Rothea cuneiformis* (Moldenke) P.P.J.Herman & Retief, comb. nov.**

*Clerodendrum cuneiforme* Moldenke in Phytologia 59: 119 (1986). *C. cuneatum* Gürke: 303 (1900), nom. illeg., non Turcz.: 221 (1863). Type: Transvaal [Mpumalanga], Lydenburg, *Wilms 160* (?B).

*C. scheffleri* Gürke var. *ellipticum* Moldenke: 417 (1940). Type: [KwaZulu-]Natal, Durban, *Evans 544a* (NH).

***Rothea louwalbertsii* (P.P.J.Herman) P.P.J.Herman & Retief, comb. nov.**

*Clerodendrum louwalbertsii* P.P.J.Herman in Bothalia 25: 100 (1995). Type: Transvaal [Northern Province], between Nylstroom and Warmbaths, *Germishuizen 3343* (PRE, holo!).

***Rothea pilosa* (H.Pearson) P.P.J.Herman & Retief, comb. nov.**

*Clerodendrum pilosum* H.Pearson in Transactions of the South African Philosophical Society 15: 181 (1905). Type: [Eastern Cape], Kentani, *Pegler 164* (PRE!).

***Rothea uncinata* (Schinz) P.P.J.Herman & Retief, comb. nov.**

*Clerodendrum uncinatum* Schinz in Verhandlungen des Botanischen Vereins der Provinz Brandenburg 31: 206 (1889). *Kalaharia uncinata* (Schinz) Moldenke: 132 (1955). Type: South West Africa [Namibia], Goroxas, *Schinz 1890* (?Z).

*C. spinescens* (Oliv.) Gürke: 180 (1893), nom. illeg.

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