

## STILBACEAE

### *STILBE VERTICILLATA*, THE CORRECT NAME FOR THE SPECIES PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS *STILBE MUCRONATA*

During the course of revising the Cape endemic family Stilbaceae, it has come to my attention that the name of the species currently known as *Stilbe mucronata* N.E. Br. (Pearson 1901; Gibbs Russell *et al.* 1987), is antedated by an earlier name. Moldenke's combination, *Stilbe verticillata* (Ecklon & Zeyher) Moldenke made in 1948 is the correct name for this species but has been overlooked until now. *Stilbe chorisepala* Suesseng., currently upheld as a distinct species (Gibbs Russell *et al.* 1987), is here reduced to synonymy. The full synonymy is as follows:

***Stilbe verticillata* (Eckl. & Zeyh.) Moldenke** in *Phytologia* 2: 474 (1948).

*Trichocephalus verticillatus* Eckl. & Zeyh.: 131 (1835). Type: In lateralibus montium prope Palmietrivier, supra Grietjiesgat, June, Alt. 4, Ecklon & Zeyher 1003 (SAM, iso!).

*Stilbe mucronata* N.E. Br.: t. 2526 (1897); Pearson: 184 (1901). Type: In declivibus montium Houwhoek, April 1895, 1400 ped., *Bolus* 8409 (K, lecto.! here designated).

*Stilbe chorisepala* Suesseng.: 56 (1950). Type: Franschhoek Pass, 17-11-1946, S. Rehm (M, holo!).

*Stilbe mucronata* N.E. Br. var. *cuspidata* H.H.W. Pearson: 184 (1901). *Stilbe verticillata* (Eckl. & Zeyh.) Moldenke var. *cuspidata* (H.H.W. Pearson) Moldenke: 474 (1948). Type: Zwartberg, Caledon, 3000 ft, Dec., *Bolus* s.n. (K, holo!).

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