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Jepson Manual Update

by Margriet Wetherwax

The following are some of the changes in the taxonomy of higher plants that have occurred since *The Jepson Manual* was published in 1993. We will attempt to keep our *Friends* up to date on changes that will be made in the Second Edition (to be published in 2008).

On the family level:

Aceraceae and Hippocastanaceae

to be recognized within Sapindaceae

Amaranthaceae

to include Chenopodiaceae

Apocynaceae

to include Asclepiadaceae

Boraginaceae

to include Hydrophyllaceae and Lennoaceae

Brassicaceae

to include Capparaceae

Orobanchaceae

to include all of the parasitic and hemi-parasitic members of Scrophula-riaceae *s.l.*

Myrsinaceae

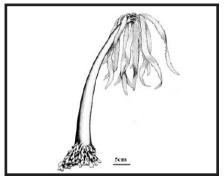
to include Anagallis, Glaux, Lysimachia, and Trientalis

Plantaginaceae

to include Callitricaceae, Hippuridaceae, and a large part of Scrophulariaceae *s.l.*

Primulaceae

to include Androsace, Dodecatheon, and Primula



Postelsia palmaeformis, the sea palm

DeCew's Online Guide to Marine Algae

by Richard L. Moe

The California coastline supports some of the most diverse communities of marine algae (seaweeds) in the world. The University Herbarium, University of California, Berkeley has, since its inception, been in the forefront of seaweed taxonomic research. The most recent curator of algae, Paul Silva, has carried on the tradition of the first curator, W. A. Setchell, by building up and cataloging a library of worldwide seaweed literature.

One of Silva's graduate students, Tom DeCew, became interested in assembling a complete inventory of what had been published about marine algae of the northeast Pacific and in cataloging data from herbarium specimens about distribution and seasonal reproductive patterns.

DeCew began work on this project as a master's student at Humboldt State University and continued,

Consortium of California Herbaria

by Staci Markos

The Consortium of California Herbaria is a new database initiative that is supported by the California Digital Library. The goal of the project is to serve as a gateway to information from California vascular plant specimens that are housed in herbaria throughout the state. The database now includes information for over 463,000 specimens, all searchable through a single interface (http://ucjeps.berkeley.edu/ chc open.html). Originally developed around botanical collections from University of California herbaria, the consortium continues to grow as more collections are added. Currently, eight collections are accessible through this interface (JEPS, SBBG, DAV, IRVC, UCR, UCSB, UCSC, and UC).

Another goal of the consortium is to provide latitude/longitude data for as many California specimens as possible. Currently, specimens from all eight participating institutions are being georeferenced. It is our hope that the project will con-

tinue to grow. If your institution is interested in joining, please email Richard Moe: (rlmoe@berkeley.edu).



New Research Grants at the University and Jepson Herbaria

California Native Plant Georeferencing: A fundamental Conservation Tool

Earlier this year, The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation awarded the Jepson Herbarium a grant to support efforts to georeference plant collections housed at the University and Jepson Herbaria. Localities are sorted by county and then the process of georeferencing begins. The data are run through two "automated" georeferencing programs and the localities that remain are georeferenced using maps. As counties are completed, the data will be incorporated into SMASCH and will be made publicly available. The results of this project will greatly enhance conservation efforts in California by allowing the application of powerful geographic information system (GIS) technology to understand and predict plant distributions.

Developing Global Access to the Index Nominum Algarum

The Index Nominum Algarum (INA) was initiated in 1949 by Paul C. Silva and it has developed into a comprehensive nomenclator and bibliography of ~250,000 names and references. The INA is all-inclusive, comprising scientific names of all algae, both living and fossil, at all ranks, from superregnum to subforma. The INA information resides on 3×5 cards and images of the cards are available on the web. The University Herbarium has received funding from the Global Biodiversity Information Facility to complete the index of the images, thereby enabling queries and hyperlinks to be made.

http://ucjeps.berkeley.edu/INA.html

Phylogeny and ecological radiation of the true thistles, genus Cirsium

A grant to Bruce Baldwin and Dean Kelch from the National Science Foundation

The true thistles (genus *Cirsium*) are highly diverse, taxonomically problematical, and ecologically and economically important components of north temperate floras worldwide. Minimal genetic variation across species has hampered resolution of relationships in *Cirsium* but can now be overcome with the identification of three highly variable, nuclear gene regions that provide phylogenetic information at fine-scale levels within the genus. Phylogeny of the true thistles will be studied by comparing DNA sequences from three nuclear gene regions (G3pdh, the B1 promoter, and histidine kinase). Hypotheses to be tested include: (1) Do the ecologically diverse New World thistles constitute a natural group? (2) Are the New World species (especially the Californian endemics) good examples of adaptive radiation? (3) Did the New World thistles arise from a common European or Asian ancestor? (4) Is *Cirsium* distinct from the closely related genus *Carduus*?

Resolution of natural groupings within *Cirsium* also will be used to replace the prevailing, highly unnatural, sectional classification of the genus. Achieving a natural classification of *Cirsium* is critically important to provide a biologically meaningful framework for future basic and applied research on true thistles.

This research will have the broader impacts of enriching undergraduate education at the University of California, Berkeley. Undergraduate students will be enlisted in the efforts and will participate in laboratory research. The project will also involve at-risk, ethnically diverse high school students, who will be introduced to biological research and will participate in growing research plants. By defining natural species groups within *Cirsium*, this research will aid biological-control researchers in choosing new agents for controlling non-native weedy thistles. Land resource professionals and the lay public will be instructed in the conservation of rare thistles by means of a field workshop and a larger group will have access to results on the Jepson Online Interchange website, thereby obtaining information on the importance of modern systematic approaches to understanding regional plant diversity and classification.



Cirsium hydrophilum var. vaseyi Mount Tamalpais Thistle Photo by John Game

DeCew's Guide, continued from page 1.

with the collaboration of Paul Silva, during his Ph.D. studies at Berkeley and afterwards. The project eventually became a bibliography to the biology of common northeast Pacific seaweeds with line drawings and tabular displays of latitudinal distribution and reproductive phenology. DeCew canvassed West Coast herbaria to compile phenology and distribution data and searched the macroalgal literature for studies pertaining to West Coast seaweeds. The project, which DeCew called Guide to the Seaweeds of British Columbia, Washington, Oregon, and Northern California was intended to complement Marine Algae of California (M.A.C.) by I.A. Abbott and G.J. Hollenberg (Stanford University Press, 1976): to provide documentation for the treatments in M.A.C. and to increase its geographic coverage.

The project started during an explosion of interest in marine botany, and DeCew continuously expanded its scope, so that the goal of completion seemed to recede even as the assembled data burgeoned. Furthermore, Tom himself was additionally occupied in contributing to the explosion by completing life-history studies on a variety of red algae.

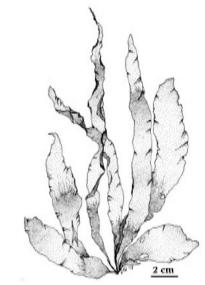
DeCew's book was begun on an original Macintosh computer using one of the first desktop publishing programs—Ready Set Go. DeCew intended to self-publish the book, and worked on what amounted to galley-proofs, keeping the project always in a state of incipient publication. Shortly before his untimely death in 1997, DeCew realized that it would be advantageous to convert his data to a form that could accommodate other programs.

Paul Silva, Robert Rasmussen (DeCew's teacher at Humboldt State University), and Richard Moe decided a little more than a year ago to take advantage of this conversion to release a Web version of part of DeCew's book—the pages on green and brown algae, which comprise somewhat less than half of the whole. The Web version contains all of the taxa and references included by DeCew, with the bibliography having been brought up to date by Silva. Most of DeCew's illustrations, many of which were commissioned specially for the book, were scanned by Rasmussen at high resolution, and then reduced for screen display.

The format of the Web pages approximates DeCew's intended layout, with illustrations at the top of each page followed by a list of synonyms, localities, and references indexed by subject. At the bottom of each page is a table showing reproductive state in each month in each of five precincts from British Columbia to Monterey. The pages are hyperlinked in various

ways. Several features projected by De-Cew: descriptive paragraphs for taxa not covered by Abbott and Hollenberg and taxonomic commentary necessitated by new systematic treatments have been omitted from the Web pages. They will be included eventually, along with additional illustrations. The taxonomy of the red algae has been especially affected by recent investigations, so those pages will demand more effort before their eventual Web publication.

If you're interested in seaweeds, check out the DeCew Guide: http://ucjeps.berkeley.edu/guide. The Jepson Herbarium is also sponsoring a workshop on seaweeds June 24-26, 2005. Call the Herbarium (510) 643-7008 for details.



Petalonia fascia

May 19, 2005

Diversification of floral development in the papilionoid legume tribe Amorpheae

Michelle McMahon, Department of Evolution and Ecology, UC Davis

7:30 pm in 2063 Valley Life Sciences Building, UC Berkeley Lectures are open to all. Refreshments will be served following the lecture.



A Special message for our Jepson Workshop Participants

The Jepson Herbarium is excited to be welcoming a new addition to our family – Cynthia is expecting her first child in June! The necessary travel restrictions and maternity leave coincides with many of this season's workshops

and we want to assure you that "the show will go on" – this year is

shaping up as an excellent year for the flowers.

We're pleased to introduce Anna Larsen as our interim workshop coordinator for 2005. The workshops will continue to provide a wonderful learning experience for our participants with the same high standards of excellence that is our tradition. Anna has been a volunteer on several weekend workshops and she is a graduate student in the herbaria so you may recognize her.

If you have any questions about the season or any of the workshops, please call the Herbarium at (510) 643-7008. Cynthia will be in the office until mid-May and will return to the Herbarium in August to coordinate Aquatic Plants and Compositae. While Cynthia is away, you can contact Anna at alarsen@berkeley.edu. We can't wait to see you on a workshop soon!



Anna Larsen

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The Jepson Herbarium is pleased to offer thanks to those who chose to honor or remember others with gifts to the herbarium.

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In honor of Herb and Garrison Norvell Craig Norvell Jepson Manual Update, continued from page 1.

Scrophulariaceae in California will include only *Buddleja* (moved from Buddlejaceae in TJM1), Myoporum (moved from Myoporaceae in TJM1), Scrophularia, and Verbascum. Mimulus will be recognized in the Phrymaceae.

Typhaceae recognized as separate from Sparganiaceae

On the genus level:

Asteraceae:

Aster to be recognized as: Almutaster, Eucephalus, Eurybia, Ionactis, Oreostemma, Sericocarpus, and Symphyotrichum

Conyza coulteri A. Gray is now recognized as Laennecia coulteri (A. Gray) G. L. Nesom

Senecio in California to be recognized as *Senecio*, *Packera*, and Pericallis

Fabaceae: Caesalpinia virgata to be recognized as Hoffmannseggia microphylla

Nyctaginaceae: **Selinocarpus nevadensis** recognized as Acleisanthes diffusus Polemoniaceae: many changes have occurred over the last few years, including changes in generic delimitations of Gilia, Linanthus, and Navarrettia

Primulaceae:

Centunculus minimus to be recognized as Anagallis minima **Samolus** to be recognized in Theophrastaceae, from Primulaceae

Liliaceae *s.l.*:

Disporum recognized as *Prosartes* Smilacina recognized as Maianthemum

Cyperaceae: *Scirpus* to be recognized as *Amphiscirpus*, *Bolboschoenus*, Isolepis, Schoenoplectus, and Trichophorum

For current news on family standings, please check the Angiosperm Phylogeny Group's website at http://www.mobot.org/MOBOT/Research/APweb/welcome. html This website is updated daily!

For changes in California taxa on the species level, please see the *Index to* California Plant Names, at http://www.ucjecps.berkeley.edu. Please click on 'online resources' and from there go to the 'Jepson Interchange'

Changes in tarweeds can be found at: http://ucjeps.berkeley.edu/tarweeds.html

For more information on the Scrophulariaceae, see:

Olmstead, R. G. 2002. Whatever happened to the Scrophulariaceae? Fremontia 30(2): 13-22

Albach et al. 2005. Piecing together the "new" Plantaginaceae. American J. Bot. 92: 297-315.

For more information on Polemoniaceae, see the following papers in *Aliso*: Porter, J. M. 1997. Phylogeny of Polemoniaceae based on nuclear ribosomal internal transcribed DNA sequences. Aliso 15: 57-77.

Porter, J.M., and Johnson, L. A. 1998. Phylogenetic relationships of Polemoniaceae: Inferences from mitochondrial nad1b intron sequences. Aliso 17: 157-188.

For changes in monocot families, please see the introductory paper in Fremontia by UC/JEPS post doc

Kelch, Dean. 2002. Consider the Lilies. Fremontia 30(2):23 - 29



THE JEPSON HERBARIUM PROJECTS & RESOURCES

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Group Volunteer Saturday begins at 10 am and finishes up by 5 pm (participants need not stay the full time). We also welcome **individual volunteers** who can come in during our regular hours (M-F 8-5). We will try to match your unique interests and abilities.

For more information, please call or write to Ana Penny (510) 642-2465, apenny@uclink4.berkeley.edu.

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