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EXPANSION OF DIPLOPTERYS AT THE EXPENSE OF BANISTERIOPSIS (MALPIGHIACEAE)

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**Abstract.** Phylogenetic analyses of molecular and morphological data have shown the genus *Banisteriopsis* to be polyphyletic and the genus *Diplopterys* to be nested within *Banisteriopsis* subg. *Pleiopterys*, which is not in the clade that contains the type of the name *Banisteriopsis*. Therefore, it is necessary to take up the name *Diplopterys* for the small genus formerly called that plus subg. *Pleiopterys* of *Banisteriopsis*. A description of the amplified genus *Diplopterys* is provided, two new species are described (*D. bahiana* and *D. carvalhoi*), and the following new combinations in *Diplopterys* are proposed, with all combinations by W. R. Anderson and C. Cav. Davis: *D. amplectens*, *D. cachimbensis*, *D. caduciflora*, *D. cristata*, *D. erianthera*, *D. heterostyla*, *D. hypericifolia*, *D. krukoffii*, *D. leptocarpa*, *D. longialata*, *D. lucida*, *D. latea*, *D. nigrescens*, *D. nutans*, *D. paralia*, *D. peruviana*, *D. platyptera*, *D. populifolia*, *D. pubipetala*, *D. rondoniensis*, *D. schunkei*, *D. sepium*, *D. valvata*, *D. virgultosa*, and *D. woytkowskii*. Illustrations are provided for *D. bahiana*, *D. cabrerana*, *D. carvalhoi*, *D. cachimbensis*, *D. pubipetala*, and *D. valvata*.

**Keywords:** *Banisteriopsis*, *Diplopterys*, Malpighiaceae.

Malpighiaceae are a largely Neotropical family of flowering plants, many of which produce wind-dispersed samaras. In most of the larger genera that produce samaras, some species “have had the principal wing(s) reduced or lost, often augmented by new supernumerary winglets or various kinds of aerenchyma or air-filled chambers” (Anderson, 2001: 85). One example of such reduction is *Diplopterys* A. Juss., which resembles species of *Banisteriopsis* C. B. Rob. in its flowers but produces a mericarp that lacks the dorsal wing of *Banisteriopsis*. Niedenzu (1928) muddied the waters by adding to *Diplopterys* three genera that are not closely related to it, *Jubelina* A. Juss., *Malpighiodes* Nied., and *Mezia* Nied. (Anderson, 1981, 1990, 2006). Gates (1982) clarified the situation by restricting *Diplopterys* to its type, *D. paralia* A. Juss. [*D. pauciflora* (G. Mey.) Nied.], plus three species that were unknown to Niedenzu. She recognized the close relationship of *Diplopterys* and *Banisteriopsis* but chose to maintain them as separate genera because of their strikingly different fruits.

Gates recognized three subgenera in *Banisteriopsis*: *Banisteriopsis*, *Hemiramma* (Griseb.) B. Gates, and *Pleiopterys* (Nied.) B. Gates. She identified the closest relatives of *Diplopterys* as species in *Banisteriopsis* subg. *Pleiopterys* sect. *Anisopterys* (Griseb.) B. Gates. Our recent phylogenetic analysis of Malpighiaceae from combined molecular and morphological data (C. Davis and W. Anderson, unpubl. data) has revealed that *Banisteriopsis* is not monophyletic, even if *Diplopterys* is included in *Banisteriopsis*. Although the proper disposition of subgenera *Banisteriopsis* and *Hemiramma* is not entirely clear, we know from the available data that *Diplopterys* is embedded in *Banisteriopsis* subg. *Pleiopterys* (Fig. 1) and that this clade is distinct from the one containing the lectotype of *Banisteriopsis*; the latter clade is more closely related to the gaudichaudioids (sensu Davis et al., 2001). Of the species included in our analyses, *D. cabrerana* (Cuatrec.) B. Gates is a strongly supported sister to *B. hypericifolia* (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & B. Gates, a species of subg. *Pleiopterys* sect. *Anisopterys*, and that...

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pair is strongly supported as sister to *B. lutea* (Griseb.) Cuatrec., a species of subg. *Pleiopterys* sect. *Sciurostylis* (Skottsb.) B. Gates (Fig. 1). From these observations we can conclude that (1) Gates was correct in her assessment of the systematic position of *Diplopterys*; it does belong with the species she assigned to *Banisteriopsis* subg. *Pleiopterys*. (2) *Banisteriopsis* as she recognized it is polyphyletic and must be reconfigured, excluding the species of subg. *Pleiopterys* as well as *Diplopterys*. There are two generic names available for that group of species, *Diplopterys* and *Jubistylis* Rusby, with *Diplopterys* having priority. In this paper we provide a description of the amplified *Diplopterys*, transfer to *Diplopterys* all of the species assigned by Gates to *Banisteriopsis* subg. *Pleiopterys* except for one that we do not accept as distinct, and describe two new species of *Diplopterys*.

Gates (1982) pointed out in defense of *Diplopterys* that in addition to having fruits without dorsal wings, the species she assigned to the genus also differ from most species of *Banisteriopsis* in their lingulate, spreading bracts and bracteoles, although she readily admitted that identical bracts and bracteoles are found in two species of *Banisteriopsis* subg. *Pleiopterys* that have a samara with a well-developed dorsal wing, *B. krukoffii* B. Gates and *B. patula* B. Gates. One of her four species of *Diplopterys*, however, *D. mexicana* B. Gates, was (and still is) known only from its type, which bore no fruits. Given that *Diplopterys* is embedded in *Banisteriopsis* subg. *Pleiopterys*, it seems quite possible that when *D. mexicana* is collected with fruits, they will prove to be samaras with a dorsal wing like those of *B. krukoffii* and *B. patula*, rather than reduced fruits like those of the three South American species of *Diplopterys* sensu stricto. Indeed, the disjunction of the Mexican endemic *D. mexicana* (the nearest species with lingulate bracts and bracteoles is in Amazonian Colombia) will be easier to understand if it bears a winged samara, which might have helped it achieve such a surprising range extension.

Because our taxonomy so closely mirrors that in the excellent monograph by Gates (1982), we are not providing a key to species here. Gates’s key to flowering specimens will lead the user of that paper to *Diplopterys* or *Banisteriopsis* subg. *Pleiopterys*, and her key to fruiting specimens of *Banisteriopsis* will identify all the species treated here except those with reduced fruit wings, which are distinguished in her key to the species of *Diplopterys*. The only exceptions are our new species, *D. bahiana* W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, which comes out in Gates’s key with *B. virgultosa* (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & B. Gates or *B. nigrescens* (A. Juss.) B. Gates, and *D. carvalhoi* W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, which will key in Gates’s paper to *B. nutans* (Nied.) B. Gates or *B. peruviana* (Nied.) B. Gates. The distinguishing characteristics of these two new species are discussed below in their protologues. Our other departure from the taxonomy of Gates is to place one of her names, *B. parvifolia* (Nied.) B. Gates, in synonymy under *B. leiocarpa* (A. Juss.) B. Gates, which is treated here as a species of *Diplopterys*.

**Figure 1.** Phylogenetic tree for three species of Malpighiaceae, representing *Diplopterys* in the expanded sense adopted in this paper (*Diplopterys* plus *Banisteriopsis* subg. *Pleiopterys*). The parsimony tree shown here is extracted from a larger phylogenetic analysis of Malpighiaceae using combined DNA sequences from plastid *matK*, *ndhF*, and *rbcL*, nuclear *PHYC*, and morphology; all genes were sequenced for all taxa (C. Davis and W. Anderson, unpubl. data). Bootstrap values are given above branches. Vouchers for collections sequenced: *D. cabreraana*, Burnham 1774 (MICH); *D. hypericifolia*, Anderson 13638 (MICH); *D. lutea*, Fairchild Tropical Garden 60-85 (FTG).
Diplopterys A. Juss. in Deless., Icon. Sel. Pl. 3: 20, pl. 33. 1838 ["1837"].

**TYPE:** Diplopterys paralias A. Juss. in Deless. [Diplopterys pauciflora (G. Mey.) Nied. in Engl.]

**Synonyms:** Banisteria sect. Anisopterys Griseb., Linnaea 13: 201. 1839.


**TYPE:** Banisteria pubipetala A. Juss. in A. St.-Hil. [Diplopterys pubipetala (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis].


**TYPE:** Banisteria hassleriacea Chodat [Diplopterys lutea (Griseb.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis].


**TYPE:** Banisteria pubipetala A. Juss. in A. St.-Hil. [Diplopterys pubipetala (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis].


**TYPE:** Banisteria hypericifolia A. Juss. in A. St.-Hil. [Diplopterys hypericifolia (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis].

The following description of Diplopterys sensu lato is based for the most part on the descriptions of Diplopterys sensu stricto and Banisteriopsis subg. Pleiopterys found in Gates (1982).

Woody vines or shrubs, when shrubby the branches often twining. Leaves opposite; petiole eglandular or bearing 2 (rarely 4) glands on distal half; lamina with glands (often minute) on or just within margin (on the abaxial surface in 1 species); stipules interpetiolar, distinct, small to minute. Inflorescence axillary or occasionally terminal, of 4- to 6-flowered umbels borne singly or in short racemes or cymes, or condensed axillary racemes of up to 8 pairs of flowers; bracts and bracteoles eglandular, persistent; pedicels sessile. Flowers bilaterally symmetrical in both corolla and androecium. Sepals all eglandular or the lateral 4 biglandular and the anterior eglandular, the glands when present mostly attached below free part of sepal. Petals yellow, glabrous or abaxially sparsely to densely sericeous, the posterior petal different in size, shape, and stance from the lateral 4. Stamens 10, all fertile, the connective with projecting convex cells or papillae. Gynoecium 3-carpellate, the carpels distinct in the ovary, 1 anterior and 2 posterior; styles 3, distinct, hairy at least at base or up to 2/3 of their length; stigmas terminal and capitate or occasionally truncate. Fruit dry, schizocarpic,
comprising 3 mericarps (or fewer by abortion) separating from a low pyramidal torus; nut of mericarp smooth-sided, rugose, ribbed, or bearing diverse winglets, and in most species bearing a well-developed dorsal wing thickened on the adaxial edge with the veins bending toward the thinner abaxial edge, usually bearing a triangular or rounded appendage on adaxial edge at base; dorsal wing reduced to a crest in 4 species; locule of mericarp glabrous within; carpophore present or absent. Chromosome number: \( n = 10 \) (in \( D. \) hypericifolia [Gates, 1982] and \( D. \) valvata [Anderson, 1993]).

\textit{Diplopterys} in the expanded sense adopted here comprises 31 species of the Neotropics (one in Mexico, one in Costa Rica, two in Panama, one in Trinidad, and 30 in South America).

**Diplopterys amplectens** (B. Gates) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, \textit{comb. nov}.

**Distribution:** eastern and southern Brazil.

Liana lignosa, caulibus sericeis vel demum glabrescentibus; lamina foliorum majorum 3.7–6.3 cm longa, 2.0–2.8 cm lata; petiolus 3–4 mm longus, aureo-sericeus vel demum glabrescens; axis inflorescentiae sericeus; flores in umbella 4-flora portati; pedicelli 19–22 mm longi, sericei; petala lutea, abaxialiter dense sericea, margine lacera; antherae sparsim tomentosae; styli ca. 2 mm longi, subaequales; samara 21–24 mm longa, ala dorsali 16–20 mm longa, 9–12 mm lata, basi appendice 1.5–3.0 mm alta instructa, nuce in quoque lateré 2 crisís crassís alae dorsalis parallelís instructa.

Woody vine; stems initially loosely sericeous, glabrescent (in second year?) and developing lenticels. Lamina of larger leaves 3.7–6.3 cm long, 2.0–2.8 cm wide, elliptical, cuneate at base, acuminate at apex, flat or slightly falcate, glabrescent at maturity with the abaxial midrib thinly sericeous and with scattered straight appressed hairs on abaxial surface, especially at base, several minute glands impressed in margin, the principal lateral veins 7–9 on each side; petiole 3–4 mm long, golden-sericeous or eventually glabrescent, eglandular; stipules 0.3–0.5 mm long, triangular, borne on stem beside petioles, persistent or deciduous. Inflorescences axillary or terminal, an umbel of 4 flowers raised on a sericeous stalk 3–6 mm long, occasionally (?) with an additional pair of flowers borne slightly below the terminal umbel; bracts and bracteoles ca. 1 mm long and wide, ovate, appressed, abaxially sericeous, adaxially glabrous, eglandular, persistent; pedicel sessile, 19–22 mm long, sericeous with the hairs whitish. Sepals 1.0–1.5 mm long beyond glands, 1.5–1.7 mm wide, rounded, abaxially densely sericeous, adaxially glabrous, appressed in anthesis, the lateral 4 biglandular with the glands 1.5–2.0 mm long and 1.0–1.3 mm wide, the glands attached mostly below free part of sepal, the anterior sepal eglandular; petals yellow, abaxially densely but loosely sericeous on claw and limb (especially proximally and on margin), adaxially glabrous, deeply lacerate; lateral petals with limb 8.0–9.5 mm long, 8.5–10.0 mm wide, orbicular, the claw 3 mm long; posterior petal similar to lateral petals but with a thicker claw (not constricted at apex) and often a somewhat smaller limb, more deeply and finely divided on margin; filaments glabrous, distinct or connate at base, ± straight, 1.5–2.5 mm long, shortest opposite anterior-lateral petals; anthers sparsely tomentose distally on locules, 1.3–1.8 mm long, those opposite sepal longer and with apically more swollen connectives than those opposite petals, the connectives not exceeding locules; ovary ca. 1.5 mm high, densely dark-brown-sericeous; styles subequal, ca. 2 mm long, erect and straight, sericeous proximally with straight erect hairs and distally glabrous, the stigmas capitate or truncate. Samara (slightly immature?) densely sericeous, especially on nut, 21–24 mm long; dorsal wing 16–20 mm long, 9–12 mm wide, bearing at adaxial base a rounded-triangular appendage 3–4 mm long, 1.5–3.0 mm high; nut 3–4 × 2–3 mm, bearing on both sides 2 thick dissected ridges parallel to each other and to base of dorsal wing; carpophore rudimentary, ca. 0.7 mm long and 0.3 mm wide.

Phenology: the only known collection was found with flowers and fruits in June.

Ecology and Distribution: known from open dry vegetation in central Bahia, Brazil. This species is named for the Brazilian state of Bahia, source of the type. In the key by Gates (1982) it comes out to *Banisteriopsis virgultosa* (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & B. Gates [Diplopterys virgultosa (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis] or *D. nigrescens* (A. Juss.) B. Gates [D. nigrescens (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis]. The samara of *D. virgultosa* is similar in size to that here, but its nut is smooth-sided and the leaf has a very short petiole and an orbicular lamina that is cordate at the base. In *D. nigrescens* the ridges on the nut of the samara radiate from the areole, rather than lying parallel to the dorsal wing as in this species, and its petals are only sparsely sericeous. In flower *D. bahiana* resembles *D. pubipetala* (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, which is common in Bahia, but the samara of that species bears several well-developed winglets on the sides of the nut, very different from the thick ridges found in *D. bahiana*.

A possible second collection of *Diplopterys bahiana* is Lewis et al. SPF 37240 (MICH), from Rio de Contas, in the same region of Bahia as that where the type was collected. We are not treating it as a paratype because it differs in some respects from the type of *D. bahiana*. In 1980, Gates identified this collection as *Banisteriopsis nigrescens*, but it does not fit her description of *B. nigrescens*. Its very immature
fruits seem to have lateral crests similar to those of *D. bahiana*. A decision as to the identity of the collection by Lewis et al. will have to await the availability of more and better collections.


**Distribution:** Amazonian South America.


**Distribution:** central and southern Brazil.


**Distribution:** western Amazonian South America.


**Distribution:** Amazonian South America.

Liana lignosa, caulibus mox glabratis; lamina foliorum majorum 7–12 cm longa, 3.0–7.5 cm lata, mox glabrata; petiolor 11–23 mm longus, glaber; axis inflorescentiae sparsissime sericeus vel glabratus; flores in umbella 4–5-flora portati; pedicelli 20–35 mm longi, sparsissime sericei vel glabrati; calycis glandulae 4.3–4.5 mm longae, 26–34 mm latae, basi appendice 8–10 mm alta instructa, nuce in quoque latere 8–12 alulis 3–6 mm latis e areola ventrali radiatibus instructa.

Woody liana; stems smooth, shining, apparently glabrous but actually very sparsely sericeous with scattered straight appressed hairs 0.2–0.3 mm long, soon nearly or quite glabrate. Lamina of larger leaves 7–12 cm long, 3.0–7.5 cm wide, elliptical or somewhat obovate, cuneate to rounded at base, abruptly acuminate at apex, falcate, glabrous at maturity or bearing a few minute appressed hairs on abaxial midrib, with many tiny glands impressed in margin and evenly distributed between base and apex, the principal lateral veins 4–6 on each side; petiole 11–23 mm long, glabrous, eglandular; stipules 0.3–0.5 mm long, triangular, borne on stem between petioles, mostly soon deciduous and leaving a scar. Inflorescences axillary or terminal, unbranched or ternate, terminating in an umbel of 4(–5) flowers subtended by a proximal pair of flowers up to 6 mm below, the axis very sparsely sericeous to glabrate; bracts 1.0–1.6 mm long and wide, triangular or ovate, appressed, abaxially sparsely sericeous, adaxially glabrous, eglandular, persistent; bracteoles like bracts but mostly smaller; pedicel sessile, 20–35 mm long, very sparsely sericeous with the scattered hairs like those on stem, to glabrate. Sepals 0.5–1.0 mm long beyond glands, 1.5–2.0 mm wide, broadly rounded, appressed in anthesis, abaxially thinly sericeous, adaxially glabrous, the lateral 4 biglandular with the crowded glands 4.3–4.5 mm long and 1.5–2.5 mm wide, the anterior eglandular but mostly hidden by glands on adjacent sepals, the glands 1/3–1/2 attached to free part of sepal and 1/2 or more decurrent onto receptacle; petals yellow, abaxially densely appressed-sericeous on limb and claw, adaxially glabrous, the lateral 4 strongly reflexed in anthesis, the posterior with the claw erect and the limb reflexed; anterior-lateral petals with limb 9–11 mm long, 8–11 mm wide, cuneate on margin, the claw 2.5–3.0 mm long; posterior-lateral petals with limb smaller, 8 mm long, 7–8 mm wide, short-fimbriate, the claw 2.0–2.5 mm long; posterior petal with limb 7.5–8.0 mm long, 6.5–7.5 mm wide, short-fimbriate with some proximal fimbriae glandular-thickened,
FIGURE 3. Diplopterys cabrerana. A, flowering branch; B, leaf base with marginal glands, adaxial view; C, node to show interpetiolar stipular ridge; D, umbel of four flower buds; E, petals, posterior-lateral (above) and posterior (below), abaxial view; F, part of androecium laid out, abaxial view, the stamen to right opposite posterior petal; G, gynoecium, anterior style in center; H, mericarp with short wings, abaxial view (left), adaxial view (center), cross section (right); I, mericarp with longer wings, abaxial view (left), adaxial view (right), cross section (below). Scale bar = 4 cm (A); 1.3 cm (B); 4 mm (C); 1 cm (D); 5 mm (E); 2 mm (F, G); 2 cm (H, I). A, B, and D–G drawn from Schultes & Cabrera 17297 (US); C from Burnham 1900 (MICH); H from Krukoff 8971 (MICH); and I from Williams 14965 (US). Modified from a drawing first published in Mem. New York Bot. Gard. 32: 166. 1981.
the claw 3.5 mm long, not constricted at apex; filaments glabrous, connate at base, ± straight, 2–3 mm long, longest opposite anterior sepal, shortest opposite anterior-lateral and posterior petals; anthers tomentose on locules, 1.5–2.2 mm long, longer opposite sepals than opposite petals, smallest opposite posterior petal, the connective glandular-swollen and, opposite sepals, ± exceeding locules; ovary 1.3 mm high, short-sericeous, all 3 locules fertile; styles equal or subequal, 3.0–3.5 mm long, erect or curved toward posterior petal, sericeous at base with long straight erect hairs and distally glabrous, the stigmas capitate. Samara very sparsely sericeous like stem, to glabrate, 83–108 mm long; dorsal wing 70–95 mm long, 26–34 mm wide, bearing at adaxial base a rounded appendage 14–20 mm long, 8–10 mm high; nut 12–20 × 10–15 mm, bearing on both sides 8–12 winglets 3–6 mm wide, radiating from ventral areole and distally interconnected to form a ruffled complex; carpophore 1.0–1.5 mm long and ca. 0.4 mm wide.

Phenology: collected once with flowers in December, and twice with fruits in February.

Ecology and Distribution: known only from wet forest near the Atlantic coast of southern Bahia, Brazil.


We are happy to name this species in honor of André Maurício Vieira de Carvalho (1951–2002), a fine botanist who made a splendid contribution to our knowledge of the flora of Bahia.

*Diplopterys carvalhoi* is evidently close to *D. nutans* and *D. peruviana*, which were treated as part of the *Banisteriopsis lucida* group by Gates (1982). The most dramatic distinguishing character of *D. carvalhoi* is the enormous samara, its dorsal wing much longer and wider than that of any other species of *Diplopterys* (indeed, this is probably the largest banisterioid samara known). The many large winglets radiating from the areole also set it apart, as does the large appendage at the base of the dorsal wing. The species is also distinguished from its close congeners by its long petioles, pedicels, and calyx glands, and by being glabrate or nearly so on the stem, inflorescence axis, and pedicels. Gates described the claw of the posterior petal in *D. lucida* as constricted at the apex, which does not seem to be the case in the only flowering material of *D. carvalhoi* available to us. *Diplopterys peruviana* is known from a single collection made in Peru, whereas *D. nutans*...
is known from several collections made in Panama, Venezuela, Peru, and Bolivia (Gates, 1982).

The fruit of this species is especially interesting in the context of a comparison of Banisteriopsis and Diplopterys. Gates (1982: 209) maintained that the complex of interconnected winglets found in Diplopterys sensu stricto is not found in Banisteriopsis, but just such interconnections are present in the fruit of D. carvalhoi, a species that Gates surely would have included in Banisteriopsis. Indeed, comparison of our Figs. 3 and 4 will show how similar are the mericarps of D. cabrerana and D. carvalhoi when the dorsal wing of the latter is excluded from consideration. Because D. carvalhoi does not have the lingulate spreading bracts and bracteoles found in Diplopterys sensu stricto, we are not suggesting that it be considered a close sister to those species, but its fruit certainly serves as a good model for what was probably found in the ancestor of Diplopterys sensu stricto before the loss of the dorsal wing.

Diplopterys cristata (Griseb.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, comb. nov.
Distribution: Venezuela, Guyana, Suriname.

Distribution: Bolivia and Pará, Brazil.

Diplopterys erianthera (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, comb. nov.
Distribution: western Amazonian South America.

Diplopterys heterostyla (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, comb. nov.
Distribution: Northern Colombia.

Diplopterys hypericifolia (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, comb. nov.
Distribution: eastern Brazil.

Distribution: Amazonian Brazil and Venezuela.


**Distribution:** Amazonian Peru.


**Distribution:** Amazonian Colombia, Peru, and Bolivia.


**Distribution:** Trinidad and South America south to Bolivia and southern Brazil.


Distribution: central and southern South America to Argentina.


Distribution: Veracruz, Mexico.

Diplopterys nigrescens (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, comb. nov.


Distribution: Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo, Brazil.

Diplopterys nutans (Nied.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, comb. nov.


Distribution: Panama, Venezuela, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia.

Diplopterys patula (B. Gates) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, comb. nov.


Distribution: eastern Brazil.

Diplopterys pauciflora (G. Mey.) Nied. in Engl., Pflanzenr. IV, 141 [Heft 91]: 129. 1928.


Diplopterys paralias var. latifolia Nied., Malpigh. Amer. 22. 1912. Diplopterys pauciflora var. latifolia (Nied.) Nied. in Engl., Pflanzenr. IV, 141 [Heft 91]: 129. 1928. TYPE: FRENCH GUIANA. No collector or number cited (Holotype: B†).

Distribution: eastern Brazil, Guyana, French Guiana.
Figure 5. *Diplopterys pauciflora*. A, flowering branch; B, node to show interpetiolar stipular ridges; C, base of lamina to show marginal glands; D, base of umbel to show bracts and bracteoles; E, petals, posterior (above) and lateral (below), abaxial view; F, partial androecium laid out, abaxial view, the stamen to right opposite posterior petal; G, stamen from opposite a petal, adaxial view; H, gynoecium, anterior style in center; I, mericarps, abaxial view (left) and adaxial view (right). Scale bar = 4 cm (A); 4 mm (B–D); 5 mm (E); 2 mm (F–H); 2 cm (I). A and D–G drawn from Jacquemin 2596 (MICH); B from Arquembourg & Dervaux 38 (MICH); and C, H, and I from Granville 6856 (MICH).


**Distribution:** Cajamarca, Peru.
**Diplopterys platyptera** (Griseb.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, **comb. nov.**  
**Distribution:** Costa Rica, Panama, Venezuela.

**Diplopterys populifolia** (Nied.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, **comb. nov.**  
**Distribution:** Amazonian Peru.

**Diplopterys pubipetala** (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, **comb. nov.**  
**Distribution:** much of South America, from Colombia and Venezuela south to northern Paraguay.

**Diplopterys rondoniensis** (B. Gates) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, **comb. nov.**  
**Distribution:** Rondônia, Brazil.

**Diplopterys schunkei** (B. Gates) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, **comb. nov.**  
**Distribution:** San Martín, Peru.

**Diplopterys sepium** (A. Juss.) W. R. Anderson & C. Cav. Davis, **comb. nov.**
Figure 6. Diplopterys pubipetala. A, flowering branch (with enlargements of abaxial margin to show glands); B, node to show interpetiolar stipules; C, umbel of four flower buds with subtending pair cut away; D, flower, lateral view, posterior petal uppermost; E, lateral petal, abaxial view; F, posterior petal, abaxial view; G, portion of androecium, abaxial view, the stamen to left opposite posterior petal; H, portion of androecium, adaxial view, with filaments straightened to show their relative lengths, the stamen to left opposite posterior petal; I, gynoecium; J, distal portion of style; K, samara; L, nut of samara enlarged to show lateral winglets; M, nut of samara, abaxial view to show carpophore. Scale bar = 4 cm (A); 4 mm (B, G–I); 8 mm (C, D, L, M); 5.7 mm (E, F); 1.3 mm (J); 2 cm (K). A and B drawn from Oliveira et al. 104 (MICH); C from Macedo 5448 (MICH); D–J from Fonseca et al. 1130 (MICH); and K–M from Kral & Wanderley 75349 (MICH).
Figure 7. *Diplopterys valvata*. A, flowering branch, and abaxial view of detached large leaf; B, node with interpetiolar ridge bearing stipules; C, apex of petiole, adaxial view, to show large glands; D, flower bud; E, flower, posterior petal to right; F, androecium and gynoecium, view from behind with short stamen opposite posterior petal in foreground; G, androecium and gynoecium, lateral view, posterior petal to left; H, gynoecium; I, enlarging fruits enclosed by accrescent sepals; J, immature fruit; K, samara. Scale bar = 4 cm (A, I); 4 mm (B, C, F–H); 8 mm (D); 1.3 cm (E, J); 2 cm (K). A–J drawn from Anderson et al. 36981 (MICH); K from Harley 21676 (MICH). Modified from a drawing first published in Contr. Univ. Michigan Herb. 11: 52. 1975.

**Distribution:** Piauí and Bahia, Brazil.


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