

Stirtonanthus, a new name for Stirtonia (Leguminosae, tribe Podalyrieae)

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The new generic name *Stirtonanthus* is proposed to replace the illegitimate *Stirtonia* Van Wyk & Schutte (1994), which proves to be a later homonym of *Stirtonia* A. L. Smith (1926) and *Stirtonia* R. Brown (1900).

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The new genus *Stirtonia* was described by Van Wyk & Schutte (1994) to accommodate three anomalous species of the tribe Podalyrieae (Fabaceae). The name unfortunately turns out to be an illegitimate later homonym of *Stirtonia* A. L. Smith (1926) (in current use for a genus of lichens) and also of *Stirtonia* R. Brown (1900). The following name change is proposed, and the necessary new combinations are made below:

Stirtonanthus Van Wyk & Schutte, nom. nov.

pro *Stirtonia* Van Wyk & Schutte in Nord. J. Bot. 14: 320 (1994)
non *Stirtonia* A. L. Smith in Brit. Mycol. Soc. 11: 195 (1926),
nec *Stirtonia* R. Brown in Trans. Proc. New Zealand Inst. 32:
149 (1900). – Type (designated by Van Wyk & Schutte 1994):
Podalyria insignis Compton (now *Stirtonanthus insignis* (Compton) Van Wyk & Schutte).

1. *Stirtonanthus taylorianus* (L. Bolus) Van Wyk & Schutte, comb. nov.

Podalyria tayloriana L. Bolus in Journ. Bot. 72: 22 (1934). –
Type: anon. s.n. (BOL 20839!, lectotype, designated by Van

Wyk & Schutte 1994). *Stirtonia tayloriana* (L. Bolus) Van Wyk
& Schutte in Nord. J. Bot. 14: 322 (1994), nom. illeg.

2. *Stirtonanthus chrysanthus* (Adamson) Van Wyk & Schutte, comb. nov.

Podalyria chrysantha Adamson in Journ. Bot. 72: 21 (1934). –
Type: Pocock 1016 (BOL!, lectotype, designated by Van Wyk &
Schutte 1994; BM!, K!, isotypes). *Stirtonia chrysantha* (Adamson)
Van Wyk & Schutte in Nord. J. Bot. 14: 324 (1994), nom.
illeg.

3. *Stirtonanthus insignis* (Compton) Van Wyk & Schutte, comb. nov.

Podalyria insignis Compton in Jl. S. Afr. Bot. 19: 109 (1953). –
Type: Compton 18441 (NBG!, holotype; BOL!, isotype). *Stirtonia chrysantha* (Adamson) Van Wyk & Schutte in Nord. J. Bot. 14: 324 (1994), nom. illeg.

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of the tribe Podalyrieae (Leguminosae) from South Africa. –
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