



## Typification and taxonomical notes on the names published by Roberto de Visiani and Josif Pančić in *Plantae Serbicae Rariores aut Novae—Decas II*

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### Abstract

We provide information on the typification of ten species names described by Roberto de Visiani and Josif Pančić in *Plantae Serbicae Rariores aut Novae—Decas II*, published in 1865, and one published by Pančić in Flora of the Principality of Serbia (1874). Ten lectotypes are designated here. The name *Scabiosa achaeta* Visiani & Pančić is synonymised with *Scabiosa fumarioides* Visiani & Pančić. Differential characters distinguishing *Allium serbicum* Visiani & Pančić and the similar *A. pallens* L. are given.

**Key words:** lectotypification, *Scabiosa achaeta*, *Scabiosa fumarioides*, *Allium pallens*, *Allium serbicum*, *Herbarium Dalmaticum*, *Herbarium Pancinianum*, Istituto Veneto di Scienze Lettere ed Arti

### Introduction

This paper is the third of a series (Clementi *et al.* 2014, 2015) concerning the typification of the taxa published in the four works stemmed from the collaboration of Roberto de Visiani (1800–1878) with Josif Pančić (1814–1888): Visiani (1860), Visiani & Pančić (1862, 1865, 1870). The aim of this paper is to provide typification of the ten names validly published in Visiani & Pančić (1865) and some taxonomical notes on *Scabiosa achaeta* Visiani & Pančić (1865) and *Allium serbicum* Visiani & Pančić (1865).

Some confusion exists on the exact date of publication of Visiani & Pančić (1865), with some sources reporting the date 1866 (e.g. Stafleu *et al.* 1986). Indeed, in a letter to Pančić dated 8 June 1866, Visiani stated that he had just received the eighty copies of that work that his co-author had ordered. Nevertheless, a note in Visiani & Pančić (1870) reads “[*Euphorbia glabrifolia*] publici juris facta est anno 1865, quo Decas nostra edita fuit” (i.e. “[*Euphorbia glabriflora*] was made public in year 1865, in which our Decas [= Visiani & Pančić (1865)] was published”). We must conclude that at least the first copies of Visiani & Pančić were made available at the *Istituto* in Venice in 1865.

Information on the two botanists and their work together can be found in the two previous papers.

### Materials and methods

Most of the plants collected by Pančić that were described by Visiani or jointly with Visiani are held in the Herbarium of Padova (PAD) and in the Herbarium of the University of Belgrade (BEOU), in the special collection *Herbarium Pancinianum* (Vukojičić *et al.* 2011). The following herbaria were also consulted: BOLO, BP, BUNS, CL, G, GOET, JE, K, HAL, PRC and W (abbreviations follow Thiers 2014). We consulted as well Visiani’s original manuscript for Visiani & Pančić (1865) and some letters to Visiani (especially by Pančić) dating 1857 to 1865. This material is conserved at the Historical Library of the Botanical Garden of Padova (collocation: manuscript in AR-B26, letters in AR-B12). One particularly relevant letter was written by Pančić to Visiani on the 17<sup>th</sup> of September 1865. In it, he expressed his final opinion on the new species that were about to be published. Unfortunately for him, the work had already been