



Notes on Early Land Plants Today. 65 New synonyms in Scapaniaceae

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Scapania portoricensis Hampe & Gottsche (1852: 342) is the only *Scapania* (Dumortier 1831: 38) Dumortier (1835: 14) species endemic to the Neotropics, and one of three species of this genus known from this area. It is widespread in mountain regions of tropical America (From Mexico and West Indies to Bolivia and SE Brazil). The species was studied in detail by Herzog (1928) and Hong (1988), but two species cited below as conspecific with *Scapania portoricensis* were not included in these studies.

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Scapania portoricensis Hampe et Gottsche, *Linnaea* 25 (3): 342, 1852 [1853] (Hampe & Gottsche 1852 [1853]). Type:—PUERTO RICO. *Schwanecke* 13 (G-00264878, lectotype **here selected**)

= *Scapania brasiliensis* Warnst., *Hedwigia* 63: 106, 1921 (Warnstorf 1921) **syn. nov.** Type:—BRAZIL. 1837, *Martius* (B-3000143261, Lectotype **here designated** or possibly holotype) [http://ww2.bgbm.org/herbarium/view_large.cfm?SpecimenPK=166294&idThumb=408775&SpecimenSequenz=1&loan=0]).

= *Scapania mexicana* Fulford et Sharp, *Mem. New York Bot. Gard.* 63: 37, 1990 (Fulford & Sharp 1990) **syn. nov.** Type:—MEXICO. Oaxaca: Juarez, *Sharp no. 3921* (TENN, holotype, *non vidi*).

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