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## ***Cyrtandra fawcettii* R. Kr. Singh, Deroliya & Sanjeet Kumar, a replacement name for *C. serrata* Fawc. (Gesneriaceae)**

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**Abstract:** A new name, *Cyrtandra fawcettii* R.Kr.Singh, Deroliya & Sanjeet Kumar, is proposed herein to replace the illegitimate name *C. serrata* Fawc., being a later homonym of *C. serrata* Blanco. In addition, lectotype is designated here for the name *C. serrata* Fawc.

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### **Introduction**

The genus *Cyrtandra* J.R.Forst. & G.Forst. consists of about 690 species, distributed throughout Southeast Asia and the Pacific, and constitutes the largest genus of Gesneriaceae (Atkins et al., 2013; POWO, 2024; Singh & Arigela, 2024). In Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste (East Timor), the genus is represented by 9 species, namely *Cyrtandra calyptribracteata* Bakh.f., *C. coccinea* Blume, *C. insignis* C.B.Clarke, *C. nemorosa* Blume, *C. picta* Blume, *C. rostrata* Blume, *C. sandei* de Vriese, *C. serrata* Fawc. and *C. sulcata* Blume (POWO, 2024). However, the name *C. serrata* Fawc. (1885: 513) is illegitimate because it is a later homonym of *C. serrata* Blanco (1837: 18) in accordance with Article 53.1 of the ICN (Turland et al., 2018). Therefore, a replacement name is herein proposed. Additionally, lectotype is designated for the name *C. serrata* Fawc., and the guidelines and recommendations of Article 9 of ICN (Turland et al., 2018) were followed.



Figure 1: Lectotype of *Cyrtandra serrata* Fawc. (BM000795041, © The Natural History Museum, London)



Figure 2: Isolectotype *Cyrtandra serrata* Fawc. (L.2826329, © Naturalis Biodiversity Center, Leiden)

## Nomenclature

***Cyrtandra fawcettii*** R.Kr.Singh, Deroliya & Sanjeet Kumar, *nom. nov.*

≡ *Cyrtandra serrata* Fawc. in H.O.Forbes, *Naturalist's Wanderings E. Archipel.* 513. 1885, *nom. illeg., non* Blanco, *Fl. Filip.* [F.M. Blanco] 18. 1837.

**Lectotype (designated here):** Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, East Timor, Mount Barique, *s.d.*, *H.O. Forbes 3883* (BM000795041!, Figure 1); *isolectotype* L.2826329! (Figure 2).

**Distribution:** Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste (East Timor).

**Etymology:** Named after William Fawcett (1851–1926), British Botanist.

**Notes:** Fawcett (1885) described *Cyrtandra serrata* based on specimens of collection numbers 3868 and 3883, collected by H.O. Forbes from Mount Barique, East Timor. Presently, two specimens of collection number 3883 are extant, one each at BM (BM000795041) and L (L.2826329). The better-preserved specimen BM000795041, is designated here as the lectotype as it agrees well with the protologue.

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