
CORRECT NAMES FOR THE VARIETIES OF CAREX ALBICANS / C. EMMONSII — Rettig (Sida 13:449–452. 1989) reduced Carex artitecta Mackenzie and C.physorhyncha Steudel to varieties of C. emmonsii Dewey ex Torrey. In doing so, I stated that the oldest specific epithet, C. albicans Willd. ex. Sprengel, should not be used under article 69.1 of the ICBN (Greuter et al., eds. International Code of Botanical Nomenclature. 1988). It has been pointed out, however, that the name may not have been used "widely and persistently" enough to warrant rejection. Regardless, unless a formal proposal to reject the name C. albicans is approved by the Committee for Spermatophyta and the Botanical Congress, the correct names for the three varieties are:

Carex albicans Willd. ex Sprengel var. albicans, Syst. veg. 3:818. 1826.
Type: CAROLINA (holotype: B, GA [photo!]). Includes
Carex artitecta Mackenzie (Carex emmonsii var. mublenbergii (A. Gray) J. Rettig).

Carex albicans var. emmonsii (Dewey ex Torrey) J. Rettig, comb. nov.

Carex albicans var. australis (L. Bailey) J. Rettig, comb. nov.
Basionym: Carex varia var. australis L. Bailey, Bot. Gaz. (Crawfordsville) 17:153. 1892. (lectotype: Tracy s.n. in 1889, Mississippi, BH!; isolecotype: NY!, US!). Includes Carex physorhyncha Steudel (Carex emmonsii var. australis (L. Bailey) J. Rettig). For complete synonymy see Rettig (1989). I thank Dr. A. A. Reznicek for pointing out the problem and reviewing this manuscript. — J. H. Rettig, Department of Biology, Texas A & M University, College Station, TX 77843, U.S.A.

KOELERIA GERARDII (VILL.) SHINNERS (POACEAE) NEW TO LOUISIANA — Koeleria gerardii (Vill.) Shinners was reported to be adventive at a few coastal localities in the United States including Texas by Gould, 1975. Hitchcock, 1951 reported this taxon as Koeleria phleoides (Vill.) Pers. and stated that it was introduced from Europe at Pensacola, Florida., Mobile, Alabama, Cameron County, Texas, Portland, Oregon, and at several points in California. Additionally, he reported it to be cultivated in nursery plots at Beltsville, Maryland and Tucson, Arizona. A recent collection of this taxon from Vernon Parish, Louisiana is apparently the first for the state (Allen, 1980). Koeleria gerardii is usually called annual koeleria and is characterized by its annual habit and pubescent spikelets. The other species of Koeleria (K. pyramidata (Lam.) Beauv.) in Louisiana is perennial and has scabrous spikelets. The collection data are:

LOUISIANA. Vernon Parish: disturbed area near Range Control off Texas Ave. on Ft Polk ca 4 mi ENE of Pickering, 12 May 1989, Allen 16433 (LAF,LSU,NLU).