

Online Resources for Nomenclatural Verification

SPECIES REFERENCES

Germplasm Resources Information Network (GRIN)¹
(<http://www.ars-grin.gov/cgi-bin/npgs/html/taxgenform.pl>)

Electronic Plant Information Centre (ePIC)
(<http://epic.kew.org/index.htm>)

Searches:

The International Plant Names Index (IPNI)
(<http://www.ipni.org/ipni/plantnamesearchpage.do>)

Kew World Checklist of Selected Plant Families (WCSP) (<http://apps.kew.org/wcsp/home.do>)

Tropicos¹
(<http://www.tropicos.org/>)

The Plant List
(<http://www.theplantlist.org/>)

eFloras (Flora of China, Flora of North America, etc)¹
(<http://www.efloras.org/index.aspx>)

Flora Europaea
(<http://rbg-web2.rbge.org.uk/FE/fe.html#instructions>)

Australian Plant Name Index (APNI)
(<http://www.anbg.gov.au/apni/>)

African Plant Database
(<http://www.ville-ge.ch/musinfo/bd/cjb/africa/recherche.php>)

USDA Plants Database¹
(<http://plants.usda.gov/java/>)

Integrated Taxonomic Information System¹
(<http://www.itis.gov/>)

APG (Angiosperm Phylogeny Group)
<http://www.mobot.org/mobot/research/APweb/>

Quercus name database
<http://www.oaknames.org/>

Gymnosperm database
<http://www.conifers.org/>

Flora del Cono Sur ("southern cone" of S. America)
<http://www2.darwin.edu.ar/Proyectos/FloraArgentina/FA.asp>

Plants of Southern Africa online checklist
http://posa.sanbi.org/intro_posa.php

Canadensys – Database of Vascular Plants of Canada
<http://data.canadensys.net/vascan/search/>

CULTIVAR REFERENCES

International Cultivar Registration Authorities (ICRAs)^{1 2}
(<http://www.ishs.org/sci/icra.htm>)

Examples:

Magnolia Society International
(<http://www.magnoliasociety.org/>)

RHS Plant Registration Groups
(<http://www.rhs.org.uk/Plants/Plant-science/Plant-registration/>)

The American Hosta Society
(<http://www.hostaregistrar.org/>)

RHS Plant Finder^{1 2}
(<http://apps.rhs.org.uk/rhsplantfinder/index.asp>)

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
(<http://patft.uspto.gov/netahtml/PTO/search-bool.html>)

Canadian Plant Breeders' Rights Office
(<http://www.inspection.gc.ca/plants/plant-breeders-rights/eng/1299169386050/1299169455265>)

Conifers Society (for cultivars)
http://www.conifersociety.org/cs2/index.php?module=iw_webbox&ref=ConiferDB

Other Botanical Institutions
Missouri Botanical Garden Plant Finder^{1 2}
(<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/gardens-gardening/your-garden/plant-finder.aspx>)

Commercial Nurseries^{1 2}
Can be of some value, particularly if nursery introduced selection.

NOMENCLATURE STANDARDS

International Code of Botanical Nomenclature
(<http://ibot.sav.sk/icbn/main.htm>)

International Code of Nomenclature for Cultivated Plants
(<http://www.ishs.org/sci/icracpco.htm>)

¹ Reference also valuable for identifying common names

² Reference also valuable for identifying trademark designations/preferred selling names