

THE IDENTITY OF QUIDUCIA GAGNEP.

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Whilst working on the *Rubiaceae* for Flora Malesiana Prof. van Steenis brought to my attention the publication of Gagnepain of the genus *Quiducia* which seemed to occupy a most anomalous position in the tribe *Psychotrieae*. On examining the type material it soon became apparent that *Quiducia* represents a species of *Silvianthus* (*Carlemanniaceae*/*Caprifoliaceae*) and is conspecific with the species described by Airy Shaw; the slight discrepancies between the two species as regards the placentation must be considered as faulty observation by Gagnepain.

Silvianthus tonkinensis* (Gagnep.) Ridsd., *comb. nov.

Quiducia tonkinensis Gagnep., Bull. Soc. Bot. Fr. 95 (1948) 33; Lemée, Dict., Suppl. 9 (1951) 232. — T y p e: Eberhardt 4158, Qui-duc, Hoa-binh Prov., Tonkin (P).
S. clerodendroides Airy Shaw, Kew Bull. 19 (1965) 507. — T y p e: Kerr 21191, Laos (n.v.).

D i s t r i b u t i o n. China (Yunnan), Laos (Vientiane), Tonkin (Hoa-binh, Eberhardt 4158, 4175).

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