



A taxonomic revision of the Malesian species of *Lasianthus* (Rubiaceae)

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Abstract Based on herbarium collections, the Malesian species of the genus *Lasianthus* are revised. A total of 131 species including 5 subspecies and 6 varieties are recognized from the Malesian region, of which 41 species, 3 subspecies and 3 varieties are described as new, and 3 new combinations are made for varieties. 22 species names and 15 variety names are reduced to synonyms. Ten species names and 2 varieties are treated as dubious mainly because their types cannot be traced. Additionally, 11 species are further excluded from *Lasianthus*. All species are described and a key to Malesian *Lasianthus* is given.

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INTRODUCTION

Lasianthus Jack is a large genus of the *Rubiaceae* with more than 180 species, predominantly in the Old World. The greatest species diversity is found in tropical Asia (Robbrecht 1988), where some 160 species occur, only one extending into Australia. The species of the genus occur almost exclusively in the understory of primary forests, and have limited potential for physiological acclimation to high light levels (Cai et al. 2005). There are occasionally records from secondary or seriously disturbed forests or forest edges. *Lasianthus* species are usually present in large numbers in the tropical forests of Asia and may therefore represent an ecologically important element. The species of *Lasianthus* also show interesting distribution patterns, which are of special interest for the study of the biogeography of tropical Asia and of prevailing speciation models in tropical rainforests.

The tropical Asian representatives of the genus are regarded to be extremely difficult taxonomically. The flowers and fruits are small and often shed from herbarium specimens. There are only a few diagnostic characters available for delineating the species and the majority of the characters used are quantitative features of the vegetative organs such as leaves, stipules, and bracts. It is therefore difficult to correctly determine a species by referring to old descriptions only. In most herbaria that we visited, misidentifications of *Lasianthus* specimens were frequent. Quite some earlier species and even newly recognized species have been described from a single type collection or a few collections only. Some types of Korthals' species, which should be in Leiden, could not be traced, while others were destroyed in Berlin during the World War II. Even the holotype of the type species of the genus *L. cyanocarpus* was destroyed by a fire in 1824 (Merrill 1952).

About 140 species names and numerous varieties were published based on Malesian collections (see below, Taxonomic History). All of these names except two were published before

1938. Since 1950, many more specimens from the Malesian region have been collected, but a synopsis on the genus for Malesia has not been made so far, except for two regional flora treatments, i.e. Bakhuizen van den Brink (1965) for Java (treating 29 species including 2 provisional names) and Wong (1989) for the Peninsular Malaysia (dealing with 54 species including 8 unnamed ones). Therefore, the present revision of *Lasianthus* from Malesia is most needed. Here we recognize 131 species from the Malesian region, of which 41 species, 3 subspecies and 3 varieties are described as new, and 3 new combinations are made for varieties. 22 species names and 15 variety names are reduced to synonyms. 10 species names and 2 varieties are treated as dubious mainly because their types could not be traced. Additionally, 11 species are excluded from *Lasianthus*.

METHODS

This paper is a classic taxonomic revision on the genus *Lasianthus* for Malesian species based mainly on morphological characters. The authors examined all collections from the Malesian region in AAU, BM, K, L, and U, and a selection of the Malesian collections in the herbaria BKF, KEP, MO, and SING. Type specimens in C, E, HBG, NY, P, SING, US have also been checked. The species presentation is in alphabetical order. The arrangement of synonyms is organized chronologically in homotypic paragraphs. All cited specimens are examined by the authors except a few type specimens which are indicated as 'n.v.'.

In total, all c. 3 600 specimens in K and L were examined. Additional specimens from AAU received on loan were also examined. More than 95 % of the *Lasianthus* collections in K and L have been identified for the present study. A small number of specimens, which do not belong to the species presently recognized, could not be treated because of imperfect state (lacking complete flowers or fruits). All published names from the Malesian region are covered in the present work. Nomenclature and typification follow the International Code of Botanical Nomenclature (McNeill et al. 2006). Lectotypifications for some of Blume's species are made. Neotypifications are also made for some species of which we could not trace type materials and which are most probably lost.

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TAXONOMIC HISTORY

Generic delimitation

Lasianthus Jack was established in 1823 based on two Sumatran species, *Lasianthus cyanocarpus* (later selected as the type of the genus; see below) and *Lasianthus attenuatus*. In the same year Blume (1823) listed several plant species under the genus name *Mephitidia* attributed to Reinwardt but described one species *M. hexandra* himself. The genus was re-described two years later by Reinwardt (1825), but no species were mentioned by him. According to the International Code of Botanical Nomenclature (McNeill et al. 2006), the genus *Mephitidia* is attributed to Reinwardt ex Blume with *M. hexandra* Blume as type. Blume (1826–1827) realized that *Mephitidia* was synonymous with *Lasianthus* Jack and provided accounts of the Javanese species. *Mephitidia* continued to be used by some authors because they were aware of an earlier publication of *Lasianthus* Adans. (= *Gordonia*) for a genus in the *Theaceae*. De Candolle (1830) was the most significant of these authors and Korthals (1851) was the last author to use *Mephitidia* for the Malesian species in taxonomic publications. Later, *Lasianthus* Jack has been conserved for the genus treated here.

Blume (1823) described from Java a monotypic genus *Litosanthes*, which is closely related to *Lasianthus*. Inherently Ridley (1923a) reduced this genus to a section of *Lasianthus*, however Bakhuizen van den Brink (1965) retained *Litosanthes* as a separate genus based on three characters: imbricate corolla, forked stipules, and pedunculate inflorescences. Deb & Gangopadhyay (1991) transferred some Indian taxa to *Litosanthes*, but subsequently Gangopadhyay & Chakrabarty (1992) reduced these taxa of *Litosanthes* to a section of *Lasianthus* (see section below).

The circumscription of *Lasianthus* Jack was more or less modified by later authors, especially referring to the number of ovary locules or pyrenes. In Jack's description *Lasianthus* has ovaries with 4 locules each with a single basal erect ovule, which normally develops into a drupe with 4 pyrenes. Blume (1826–1827) followed Jack's view, but described more variation based on more Malesian species: 4–9 locules and a drupe with 4–9 pyrenes. Wight (1846) modified the genus by adding a species with a 2-locular ovary and drupes with 2 pyrenes (*L. foetens* Wight = *Saprosma foetens* (Wight) K. Schum. (1891)). Korthals (1851) established a subgenus of *Dysosmia* based on a Javanese species *Mephitidia dichotoma* Korth., which has a 2-locular ovary and a compressed bi-pyrened drupe with a thin wall. Miquel (1857) raised it to generic rank as *Dysosmia* Korth., and consolidated the circumscription of *Lasianthus* Jack based on Blume's definition. Boerlage (1891) reduced *Dysosmia* Korth. to *Saprosma*. Baillon (1880), reputed for his wide generic concepts in general, enlarged *Lasianthus* Jack and moved the African genus *Saldinia* under *Lasianthus* Jack as a subgenus. *Saldinia* has a 2-locular ovary, which develops into a drupe with a single hard-walled pyrene. Bremekamp (1957) made a combination *L. furcatus* (Miq.) Bremek. based on *Canthium furcatum* Miq., and he sank *Saprosma dichotomum* (Korth.) Boerl. in *L. furcatus*. *Dysosmia* was again returned to *Lasianthus* by Bremekamp (1957) because its type is *Saprosma dichotomum*. Meanwhile, Bremekamp (1957) restored *Saldinia* and gave a new definition to *Lasianthus* as having 2–more locules in the ovary and drupes with 2–more pyrenes with a relatively soft wall (against *Saldinia*). Subsequently, some confusion emerged. A group of Asian species, which has 2-locular ovaries with a single basal erect ovule in each locule, and drupes with 2 pyrenes with a thin wall, as well as usually leaves with a looped venation, were treated in several different genera. Some of these species were treated as *Lasianthus*, some as *Saprosma* and some as *Amaracarpus* (Valeton 1911, Davis & Bridson 2004).

Lasianthus as defined here has drupes or pyrenes with a thick wall. Species that show drupes with a thin wall (and do not belong to *Saprosma* nor *Amaracarpus*), are here treated as dubious taxa. Their systematic position needs further study. Piesschaert (2001) studied the carpology of *Psychotrieae* and gave a definition of *Lasianthus* as having a gynoeceum with 4–12 locules that develops into a drupe with 4–12 pyrenes. In our present treatment, we restrict *Lasianthus* to species with drupes with 2–9 mature pyrenes with a thick wall that develop from ovaries with 2–9 locules for the Asian representatives. Petit (1964) and Denys (1981) discussed that African species have pyrenes with a pre-formed oval to circular germination lid that could easily be removed. However, for Asian species, few studies of the germination lids of pyrenes have been carried out.

Delimitation of the species

The African taxa have to some extent been treated by Verdcourt (1976) for tropical East Africa. Denys (1981) revised the genus for Central Africa. There seems to be less work on the three American species, however, Robbrecht (1982) commented upon two of these on the occasion of a discussion of the synonymy of the Panamanian endemic genus *Dressleriopsis*.

Important for mainland SE Asia is the work of Hooker (1880) who recognized some 52 species and placed them all in a subgeneric classification (see below, Infrageneric Classification). Subsequently regional flora accounts were produced for former 'Indo-China' (Pitard 1924) and for Thailand (Craib 1934). Later Yamazaki (1964) revised the genus for the Ryukyu Islands and Liu & Chao (1964) treated the Taiwanese species. Zhu (1994, 2002) treated the Chinese *Lasianthus* and then revised the genus for Thailand (Zhu 2001b). The taxa from the Indian subcontinent have received considerable attention in recent years: Deb & Gangopadhyay (1989, 1991) for India and Ridsdale (1998) for Sri Lanka.

The species of the genus from the Malesian region were studied by many authors: Java (Blume (1826–1827, types in L; Bakhuizen van den Brink 1963, types in L); Java, Sumatra and, Borneo (Korthals 1851, types not found; Miquel 1857, 1861, 1869, types in U and L); Borneo (Stapf 1894, types in K, SING; Merrill 1929a, 1937, holotypes in HBG, isotypes in NY); Peninsular Malaysia (King & Gamble 1904, types mainly in SING and K, fewer in U and L; Ridley 1909, 1910, 1912, 1917a, b, 1918, 1920, 1923a, b, types in K and SING; Wong 1989); the Philippines (Elmer 1906a, b, 1908, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1934a, b, holotypes in PNHT, isotypes dispersed in A, E, K, L, MO, NY, P, U, US; Merrill 1908a, b, 1922, 1923, holotypes in PNHT, isotypes dispersed in A, K, L, MO, NY, P, U, US); New Guinea (Lauterbach 1905, holotype could be in WRSL; Schumann 1905, type in B†; Valeton 1911, 1927, type mainly in B†, fewer in L, S; Wernham 1914, 1916, 1918, types in BM).

Infrageneric classification

The first apparent attempt to subdivide the genus (Wight 1846) created two subdivisions 'Bracteosae' and 'Nudiflorae', without rank and not typified. These two names were taken over by Hooker (1880) and given the rank of section: *Bracteatae* and *Nudiflorae*. Hooker described two further sections 'Stipulares' typified by *L. stipularis* Blume and a non-typified section 'Pedunculatae'. Hooker placed two of the species of Wight's group 'Nudiflorae' into this section hence only one of the original species remained in 'Nudiflorae', i.e. *L. blumeanus* which is the type of the section. The type species of *Lasianthus*, *L. cyanocarpus*, is in the sect. *Bracteatae* and hence this is a superfluous name for sect. *Lasianthus*.

Ridley (1923a) confused the issue further, the section including the type species also contained the species of sect. *Stipulares*

and was incorrectly called '*Eu-Lasianthus*' and two further sections were added. These have names formerly used at generic level, '*Mephitidia*' and '*Litosanthes*'. There was no further reference to the origin of these names in the text but it is reasonable to assume that these refer to the genera of the same name and that the typification is the same. These Javanese species were unknown in the Peninsular Malaysia and not treated directly by Ridley. Section *Mephitidia*, which has bracts inconspicuous or absent, is apparently the same as sect. *Nudiflorae* of Hooker, and sect. *Litosanthes*, which has forked stipules and pedunculate inflorescences, is the same as sect. *Pedunculatae* of Hooker. Finally, Gangopadhyay & Chakrabarty (1992) reduced the taxa included in *Litosanthes* back to a section of *Lasianthus* where Hooker's section *Pedunculatae* was the oldest available name at that level. They further chose *L. biermannii* King ex Hook.f. as the lectotype species of this section.

We accept here a division in three sections.

The position in Rubiaceae

In one of the classical subfamilial classifications of the *Rubiaceae* (Hooker 1873), *Lasianthus* is placed in the tribe *Psychotrieae*, based on the valvate aestivation of the corolla lobes and a single, basally attached ovule in each of the ovary locules. Schumann (1891) followed Hooker and retained the genus in the *Psychotrieae*.

Petit (1964) proposed new definitions for the *Psychotrieae* and *Morindeae*, based especially on seed characters. He defined *Psychotrieae* as having seeds with horny endosperm and small embryos whilst the *Morindeae* have seeds with soft oily endosperm and large embryos. Petit therefore transferred *Lasianthus* to the *Morindeae*. Petit's placement was followed by Verdcourt (1976) and Robbrecht (1988). However, Igersheim & Robbrecht (1993) narrowed the delimitation of the *Morindeae*, and *Lasianthus* was excluded to an uncertain position.

Recent molecular work has indicated further possible relationships. Bremer (1996), working with sequences of the chloroplast gene *rbcl*, reported that *Lasianthus* forms a single clade with *Pauridiantha* Hook.f. with high bootstrap support values. This is very surprising in view of morphological differences as *Pauridiantha* has a quite different fruit, berry-like and containing a large number of seeds. Andersson & Rova (1999) sequenced the *rps16* intron to investigate the phylogeny of the *Rubioideae* – the subfamily wherein *Psychotrieae* and *Morindeae* are placed in current systems (e.g. Robbrecht & Manen 2006). In their results *Lasianthus* groups together with the neotropical genus *Perama* Aubl. on a strongly supported branch, again in spite of morphological differences with *Perama*. Andersson & Rova (1999) suggested that *Lasianthus* should be added to the monogeneric tribe *Perameae* Bremek. ex Darwin, of which the position was previously uncertain as well (Robbrecht 1988). Bremer & Manen (2000), combining the results from the protein coding *rbcl* gene, the spacer sequence between *atpB* and *rbcl*, and Andersson & Rova's *rps16* intron data, suggested a new tribe *Lasiantheae* B.Bremer & Manen to include *Lasianthus* and *Trichostachys* Hook.f., the latter formerly placed in the *Morindeae*. Based on the chloroplast *rps16* intron sequence, a phylogenetic analysis of *Lasianthus* was made by Xiao & Zhu (2007). Contrary to Andersson & Rova (1999), they did include *Saldinia* A.Rich. and *Trichostachys*, and in their results *Lasianthus*, *Saldinia* and *Trichostachys* form a strongly supported branch, with *Perama* as their sistergroup. In fact, Xiao & Zhu's (2007) results are compatible with those of Andersson & Rova (1999). Piesschaert et al. (2000) added seven more genera of *Rubioideae* to the morphological and molecular matrix and following their cladistic analysis *Lasianthus*, *Saldinia* and *Trichostachys* form a closely related group and *Perama* is more distantly related to this group.

Piesschaert et al. (2000) also found additional morphological and anatomical characters to support Petit's (1964) ideas on the tribal characters of the *Psychotrieae* and *Morindeae*. The *Psychotrieae* mostly have terminal inflorescences, wood with radial multiple vessels, and seeds with small embryos and horny (not oily) endosperm. *Lasianthus* differs from the *Psychotrieae* in having axillary inflorescences paired at the nodes, solitary vessels, large embryos and soft oily endosperm. The latter seed characters are shared with the *Morindeae* which however, have biovulate locules and the ovules attached to the middle of the septum. *Lasianthus* has uniovulate locules and the ovules are attached at the base in the corner of the locule.

In conclusion, the abovementioned molecular analyses brought the novel view that *Lasianthus* separates on a branch independent from both the *Psychotrieae* and *Morindeae*. The suggestion to recognize the group of genera *Lasianthus*, *Saldinia* and *Trichostachys* at the tribal level is well supported by molecular and morphological characters. *Lasianthus*, *Saldinia* and *Trichostachys* form a strongly supported branch in the 'basal *Rubioideae*'. Further investigation is required to decide upon the position of *Perama*. Pending further clarification on this point it seems logical to accept the tribe *Lasiantheae* B.Bremer & Manen.

MORPHOLOGY

Life form

Lasianthus species are usually shrubs, but some are understory shrubs or grow into small trees (treelets); some African and American species are creeping plants. Generally they have a monopodial axis with lateral plagiotropic shoots.

Indumentum

An indumentum is often present on the branchlets, petioles, the lower surface of the leaves, especially on midribs and veins, as well as on the stipules in many of the species, and if present, it is of diagnostic importance. Some species are almost glabrous, such as *L. laevigatus*, *L. laxiflorus*, and *L. lucidus*. A few species have a variable indumentum: young branchlets and the lower surface of leaves are hairy to subglabrous or glabrous, which has led to the separation of varieties. Stiff hairs (stiff and rough hairs) are found in *L. hirsutus*; hirsute hairs (rough hairs) in *L. chrysotrichus*, *L. cyanocarpoides*; villous hairs (dense, long and soft hairs) in *L. curtisii*, *L. hirtus*, *L. hispidulus*, *L. sikkimensis* and others; pubescence (short, dense and usually appressed hairs) in *L. bracteolatus*, *L. chrysoneurus*, *L. chrysophyllus*, *L. clementis*, *L. euneurus*, *L. obliquinervis* and others; very short and thin pubescence in *L. chinensis*, *L. stercorarius*; strigillose hairs (spreading rough hairs) in *L. chlorocarpus*, *L. trichophlebus*; hispid hairs (stiff, rough and spreading hairs) in *L. borneensis*, *L. setulosus*; tomentose hairs (dense, relatively short and spreading hairs) in *L. chryseus*, *L. ferrugineus*, *L. tomentosus*, *L. undulatus* and others. The species *L. chrysoneurus* differs from *L. obscurus* by having appressed-pubescent vs tomentose indumentum. *Lasianthus hispidulus* separates from *L. clementis* by only having villose vs appressed-pubescent indumentum. However, the different types of hairs are sometimes hard to distinguish, and it turns out that different concepts of hair type were used by the various authors. Here we delimit hair types as explained above.

Leaf size, shape and texture

The foliage varies in shape and size in the genus. Some species have relatively small leaf-blades less than 10 cm long, such as *L. appressus*, *L. curtisii*, *L. lucidus*. *Lasianthus bifloroides* and *L. biflorus* have the smallest leaf-blades, less than 3 cm long. Some have leaf-blades longer than 15 cm, such as

L. chinensis and *L. hirsutus*. Several Bornean species have leaf-blades which are even more than 25 cm long, such as *L. longibracteatus* and *L. megaphyllus*. Most species have oblong leaf-blades, but *L. linearifolius* has linear leaf-blades. The leaf apex is usually cuspidate-acuminate or acute, but caudate in *L. dinghouanus* and *L. linearifolius*. Most species have cuneate or acute leaf bases, but *L. attenuatus*, *L. cyanocarpus* and *L. rigidus* have oblique, cordate or rounded bases. Leaf texture varies from chartaceous to coriaceous. *Lasianthus tenuifolius* has thinly chartaceous leaf-blades; leaves of *L. mucronulatus* and *L. oblongatus* are chartaceous, while those of *L. inodorus* and *L. vriesianus* are coriaceous. The petiole varies from subsessile to several cm long.

Leaf blade venation

Venation and the number of secondary veins are of some diagnostic value. The veinlets (nervules) are of more diagnostic importance. *Lasianthus brochidodromus*, *L. kinabaluensis* and *L. membranaceoideus* have looped venation, while most *Lasianthus* species have open venation. *Lasianthus chinensis* and *L. verticillatus* are two easily confused species, however *L. chinensis* has leaves with more than 10 pairs of nerves and reticulate nervules, while *L. verticillatus* has leaves with less than 10 pairs of nerves and (as most species) parallel nervules. *Lasianthus malaccensis* and *L. wightianus* have conspicuously reticulate nervules. *Lasianthus euneurus* and *L. verticillatus* have parallel nervules. *Lasianthus subaureus* separates from *L. verticillatus* mainly by having reticulate nervules vs parallel nervules. However, some species have nervules between parallel and reticulate, termed subparallel and subreticulate, respectively. The venation is usually prominent beneath, but in some species prominent on both surfaces. Several species have faint and obscure nervules.

Stipules

The size and shape of the interpetiolar stipules are of diagnostic value within the genus. *Lasianthus longifolius*, *L. obscurus*, *L. trichophlebus* and *L. venosus* have relatively large (more than 5 mm long), triangular or lanceolate stipules. Other species have minute, inconspicuous stipules. *Lasianthus stercorarius* and *L. vulcanicus* have stipules with a swollen base.

Inflorescences

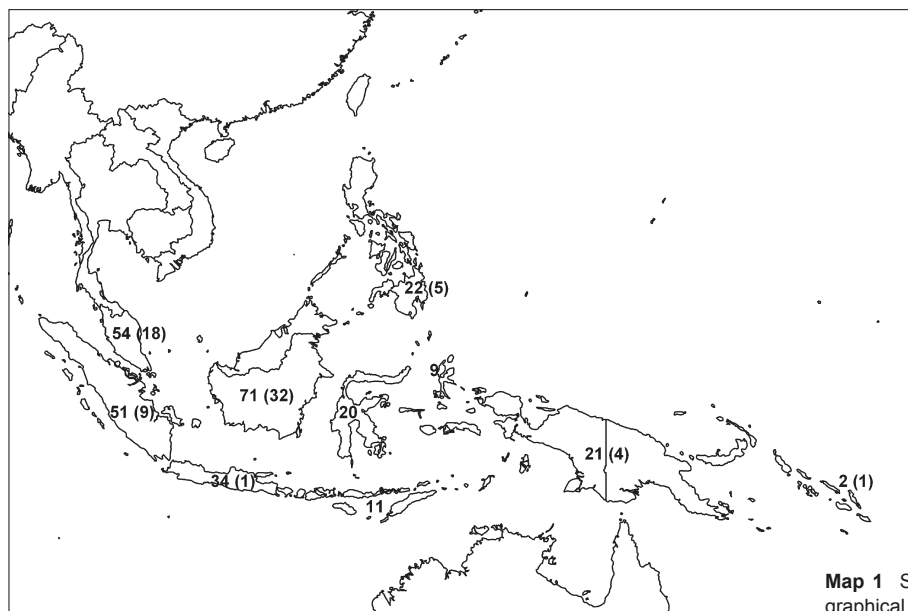
The inflorescences are axillary and paired at the nodes, sessile and fascicled, or pedunculate cymes. Bracts or bracteoles

are present and persistent, or absent. The diagnostic importance of bracts and peduncles was emphasized by Hooker (1880). For example, *L. chevalieri* Pit. from mainland SE Asia is separated from *L. capitatus* from Indonesia mainly by the sessile inflorescence. *Lasianthus laxiflorus*, *L. pendulus* and *L. robinsonii* have peduncles longer than 3 cm, whereas *L. brevipedunculatus* and *L. pergamaceus* have peduncles which are only 1–3 mm long. However, length variation of the peduncles sometimes reduces its diagnostic importance. For example, *L. capitatus* and *L. rhinocerotis* have inflorescences pedunculate or subsessile. Some species, such as *L. congesticymus* and *L. reticulatus* have inflorescences extremely congested. Bracts are notably orbicular and coriaceous in *L. inodorus*; ovate to lanceolate in *L. chrysoneurus* and *L. obscurus*; linear or lanceolate in *L. attenuatus*, *L. rigidus*, and *L. sikkimensis*; leaf-like in *L. cyanocarpus* and *L. hirsutus*, or inconspicuous or absent in *L. chinensis*, *L. curtisii*, *L. lucidus*, and *L. tomentosus*.

Flowers

The flowers are usually small, from several mm to a maximum of 2.5 cm long (only seen in *L. longifolius*). In most species they are sessile, but the flowers of *L. brevipedicellatus*, *L. oblongus*, *L. pedicellatus*, and *L. purpureus* are more or less conspicuously stalked. Some species have 4-merous flowers, such as *L. floresensis*, *L. ridsdalei*, and *L. trichophlebus*. Many species have 5-merous flowers. The calyx has more diagnostic characters. As it is persistent, its features can also be used for identifying material in fruiting stage. *Lasianthus chrysotrichus*, *L. curtisii*, and *L. hexandrus* have a calyx that is divided nearly to the base. *Lasianthus lucidus*, *L. ridsdalei*, and *L. sylvestroides* have calyx lobes which are conspicuously longer than the calyx tubes. Many species have calyx lobes which are nearly as long as the calyx tubes or shorter than the calyx tubes but still conspicuous. *Lasianthus fordii* and *L. hispidulus* have a calyx limb with 5 minute, triangular teeth. *Lasianthus longifolius*, *L. subaureus*, and *L. verticillatus* have cupular truncate calyx limbs or minute teeth at the apex. However, the length of calyx lobes is not always constant. In a few species, for example *L. fordii*, the calyx teeth can be variable.

The corolla is easily lost when preparing specimens, and not often used for diagnostic character, because it is poorly known for many species. Imbricate corolla lobes were used as one of the characteristics for moving sect. *Pedunculatae* Hook.f. of *Lasianthus* to *Litosanthes* Blume by Deb & Gangopadhyay (1989, 1991). However, both imbricate and valvate corolla lobes



Map 1 SE Asia showing total number of taxa for each geographical area and number of endemic taxa in brackets.

Table 1 Geographical distribution of Malesian *Lasianthus*.

Biogeographical area	Number of total taxa*	Number of endemic taxa*
Borneo	71	32
Peninsular Malaysia	54	18
Sumatra	51	9
Java	34	1
Philippines	22	5
New Guinea	21	4
Sulawesi	20	0
Lesser Sunda Islands	11	0
Moluccas	9	0
Solomon Islands	2	1
Country		
Malaysia	90	34
Indonesia	81	19
Brunei	23	1
Philippines	22	5
Papua New Guinea	19	2
Singapore	9	0
Solomon Islands	2	1

* Species, subspecies and varieties together.

are observed in species of sect. *Pedunculatae*. The systematic significance of corolla aestivation is limited, whereas the shape of the stamens and the ovary are rarely used as diagnostic characters. However, the number of ovary locules is of importance in separating *Lasianthus* from closely related genera.

Fruits

Fruits are drupes crowned (as already mentioned above) by persistent calyx lobes. Indumentum, surface texture (smooth or warty) and morphology (ridged or not ridged and the number of ridges) of the dry fruits are more of diagnostic importance. The ridges correspond to the number of pyrenes and are especially obvious in immature seeds or seeds from herbarium material. The fruits with a thick wall and 1–9 mature pyrenes (Asian species) develop from ovaries with 3–9 locules. The surface characters of the pyrene wall and cross section are of important diagnostic value. However, in the present revision, the number of pyrenes is often used as it is relatively easy to observe, wall characters only when no other diagnostic characters are available.

BIOGEOGRAPHY

With regard to the geographical regions as recognized by Van Steenis (1950) and Van Welzen & Slik (2009), Borneo with 71 taxa (including subspecies and varieties), is the most biodiverse area, followed by Peninsular Malaysia with 54 taxa. Next come Sumatra with 51 taxa, Java with 43 taxa, and the Philippines with 22 taxa. In terms of endemism, Borneo comes first again, housing 32 taxa, once more followed by Peninsular Malaysia with 18 taxa, Sumatra with 9 taxa, and the Philippines with 5 taxa (see Table 1 and Map 1).

TAXONOMIC TREATMENT

Lasianthus

Lasianthus Jack (1823) 125, nom. cons.; Blume (1826–1827) 995; Spreng. (1830) 94; Wight (1846) 498; Miq. (1857) 314; Hook.f. (1873) 129; Kurz (1877) 30; Hiern (1877) 228; Hook.f. (1880) 178; K.Schum. (1891) 120; Prain (1903) 576; Ridl. (1923a) 149; Pit. (1924) 371; Valetton (1927) 105; Craib (1934) 207; Fl. Hainan 3 (1974) 333; T.S.Liu & J.M.Chao (1964) 118; Bakh.f. (1965) 335; K.M.Wong (1988) 367; Deb & M.Gangop. (1991) 270; H.Zhu (1994) 49; (2001b) 124; (2002) 69. — Type: *Lasianthus cyanocarpus* Jack (typ. cons.).

Dasus Lour. (1790) 141, nom. rej. — Type: *Dasus verticillata* Lour. (= *Lasianthus verticillatus* (Lour.) Merr.).

Mephitidia Reinw. ex Blume (1823) 51. — Type: *Mephitidia hexandra* Blume (= *Lasianthus hexandrus* (Blume) Blume).

Litosanthes Blume (1823) 22; (1826–1827) 994. — Type: *Litosanthes biflora* Blume.

Santia Wight & Arn. (1834) 422, nom. illeg., non *Santia* Savi 1799. — Type: *Santia venulosa* Wight & Arn. (= *Lasianthus venulosus* (Wight & Arn.) Wight).

Subshrubs, shrubs, or rarely small trees, foetid or not. Branches and branchlets terete, sometimes compressed, rarely fistulose; lenticels inconspicuous or conspicuous. Leaves opposite, distichous, usually thinly coriaceous or chartaceous; apex acuminate, acute or cuspidate; base acute to rounded or cordate; midrib flat, depressed or slightly prominent above, usually prominent beneath; nerves generally prominent beneath, ascending at an angle of more than 45°, curved to the margin or joining the nerves above at margin; nervules parallel or reticulate. Stipules interpetiolar, usually persistent, well developed or inconspicuous, triangular, lanceolate, ovate or oblong; apex acute or obtuse. Inflorescences axillary, rarely supra-axillary, opposite, sessile, compact or cymes with peduncles, several-flowered to many-flowered; peduncles conspicuous or compressed, stout to extremely congested; bracts persistent or not, well developed or absent. Flowers small, white, sessile or pedicellate, in clusters or peduncled cymes axillary and paired at the nodes; calyx campanulate, with 3–6 teeth or lobes, rarely with cupular limb truncate at apex, persistent on fruit; corolla funnel-form or salver-shaped, several mm long to the maximum of 2.5 cm long, glabrous or hairy outside; the throat usually villous inside; the lobes 4–6, valvate or imbricate in bud; stamens 4–6, inserted on the throat of the corolla; filaments short; the anthers linear or oblong, dorsifixed, included or exerted; style linear, with 3–9 linear or lanceolate stigmas lobes; ovary 3–9-celled; ovules 1 in each cell, basal, erect. Fruit drupes small, pulpy, blue, or rarely white, black or red, usually globose, smooth or warty, rounded or ridged; pyrenes 2–9, thick walled, smooth, warty or sulcate on the abaxial face, usually triangular in transverse section.

Distribution — More than 180 species in tropical areas of the world, and centred in tropical Asia. There are more than 160 species in tropical Asia, c. 20 species in Africa, 1 in Australia and 3 in tropical America.

Note — Hooker's (1880) infrageneric system has been commonly accepted although there is not an exclusive character for any of the sections. Stipules, bracts and peduncles, which are key characteristics to separate sections in Hooker's system, vary from species to species gradually in size and shape. However, some correlation among these characteristics can be seen indeed. Large stipules (large enough to cover or partly cover the inflorescence) are correlated with the sessile inflorescence and numerous bracts except for two species in which the bracts are reduced. The sect. *Stipulares* so defined seems a natural group. The sect. *Nudiflorae*, which has sessile or subsessile inflorescences and inconspicuous bracts except one species with very short peduncles, can be recognised as a loose group. The sect. *Lasianthus*, which has sessile cymes accompanied by conspicuous bracts, cannot be clearly separated from the sect. *Pedunculatae*, which has peduncled cymes, because there is a group of species with conspicuous peduncles accompanied by conspicuous bracts, such as *L. moonii*, *L. pendulus*, *L. rhinocerotis*. Here we therefore reduce the sect. *Pedunculatae* to the sect. *Lasianthus*.

Key to the sections

1. Stipules quite large, ovate, oblong-ovate or triangular-ovate, coriaceous with membranaceous margin or membranaceous, partly or completely covering the sessile cymes sect. I. *Stipulares*

1. Stipules large or small, triangular, lanceolate, oblong, rarely ovate, never large enough to cover or partly cover cymes 2
2. Bracts conspicuous, linear-lanceolate, ovate, cordate or leaf-like, more than 3 mm long sect. II. *Lasianthus*
2. Bracts inconspicuous or absent, or minute, linear, usually less than 3 mm long sect. III. *Nudiflorae*

Sect. I. ***Stipulares*** Hook.f. (1880) 179. — Type: *Lasianthus stipularis* Wight

Key to the species

1. Stipules completely or almost covering the cymes, bracts not forming a dense and thick head if existent; leaves less than 16 cm long with 6–11 pairs of nerves 2
1. Stipules partly covering the cymes, bracts forming a dense and thick head; leaves usually longer than 16 cm with more than 12 pairs of nerves 53. *L. griffithii*
2. Bracts numerous, longer than 5 mm 3
2. Bracts few, less than 5 mm long 4
3. Bracts linear to narrowly lanceolate, up to 1.5 cm long, villous 117. *L. stipularis*
3. Bracts ovate-triangular to lanceolate, 7–8 mm long, glabrous except hairy margins 52. *L. glaber*
4. Branchlets and leaves glabrous; leaves oblong; calyx with a shallowly cupular limb, truncate or minute-teethed at apex 100. *L. pseudo-stipularis*
4. Branchlets hirsute; leaves ovate-elliptic with hirsute nerves beneath; calyx without a shallowly cupular limb but with lanceolate lobes with barbate hairs at margin 9. *L. barbiger*

Sect. II. *Lasianthus*

- sect. *Bracteatae* Hook.f. (1880) 179, nom. illeg. — Type: *Lasianthus cyanocarpus* Jack.
- sect. *Pedunculatae* Hook.f. (1880) 190. — Type: *Lasianthus biermannii* King ex Hook.f. (lecto, designated by Gangopadhyay & Chakrabarty 1992).

Key to the species

1. Cymes sessile, subsessile or shortly tuberculate 2
1. Cymes conspicuously pedunculate, peduncles more than 1 mm long 31
2. Bracts longer than 5 mm 3
2. Bracts shorter than 5 mm 17
3. Leaves with subcordate or rounded, more or less oblique bases 4
3. Leaves with cuneate or acute, equal-sided bases 9
4. Leaf nerves conspicuously depressed above, 10–13 pairs; drupes glabrous 33. *L. crassinervis*
4. Leaf nerves flat or slightly prominent above, usually less than 10 pairs; drupes hairy or glabrous 5
5. Plants glabrous; leaves with a faint intramarginal vein; bracts coriaceous, oblong-lanceolate to oblong, obtuse at the apex; calyx lobes oblong to oblong-ovate, obtuse at the apex 30. *L. cordatus*
5. At least stipules and bracts hirsute; leaves without an intramarginal vein; bracts chartaceous, not oblong-lanceolate or oblong, acuminate or acute at the apex; calyx lobes triangular or lanceolate, acute or acuminate at the apex 6
6. Branches glabrous, enlarged (swollen) at nodes; leaves hirsute on midrib and nerves beneath, obovate to obovate-oblong, coriaceous; drupes glabrous 106. *L. rigidus*
6. Branches usually densely tomentose or villous, not enlarged (swollen) at nodes; leaves usually densely tomentose, villous

- or setaceous beneath, usually oblong, membranaceous or chartaceous; drupes hairy 7
- 7. Branchlets densely spreading villous; bracts paired, with a long linear apex 113. *L. sogerensis*
- 7. Branchlets densely tomentose; hairs not spreading; bracts not paired, but numerous, acuminate 8
- 8. Bracts cordate to broadly lanceolate, somewhat leaf-like 37. *L. cyanocarpus*
- 8. Bracts linear to lanceolate, not leaf-like 6. *L. attenuatus*
- 9. Branchlets and leaves usually stiffly rusty-hirsute; bracts large, cordate, orbicular, ovate or ovate-lanceolate, leaf-like, more than 1 cm broad 56. *L. hirsutus*
- 9. Branchlets and leaves not stiffly rusty-hirsute; bracts relatively small, oblong-lanceolate, lanceolate, linear or subulate, less than 0.5 cm broad 10
- 10. Bracts oblong-lanceolate or lanceolate, with a conspicuous midrib 11
- 10. Bracts linear or linear-lanceolate, without a conspicuous midrib 12
- 11. Branchlets thinly appressed-pubescent; leaves narrowly oblong, less than 3 cm broad, thinly appressed-pubescent on midrib and nerves beneath; bracts 2 in each axil, oblong-lanceolate, less than 2 mm broad, glabrous above, appressed-pubescent hairs on midrib and margin beneath 86. *L. oblongatus*
- 11. Branchlets densely brown-hirsute; leaves oblong-elliptic, more than 3 cm broad, densely hirsute beneath; bracts numerous, lanceolate, more than 2 mm broad, hirsute 36. *L. cyanocarpoides*
- 12. Stipules ovate-triangular, up to 7 mm long 40. *L. ellipticus*
- 12. Stipules not ovate-triangular, relatively small, less than 4 mm long or inconspicuous 13
- 13. Bracts linear-lanceolate; drupes glabrous 112. *L. sikkimensis*
- 13. Bracts filiform or subulate-linear; drupes hairy 14
- 14. Bracts filiform, more than 8 mm long, forming a dense head 34. *L. crinitus*
- 14. Bracts subulate-linear, not forming a dense head 15
- 15. Leaves oblong to oblong-lanceolate, less than 3 cm broad 32. *L. coronatus*
- 15. Leaves elliptic-oblong or obovate-elliptic, more than 3 cm broad 16
- 16. Branchlets spreading tomentose; leaves elliptic, spreading tomentose beneath 69. *L. ledermannii*
- 16. Branchlets subglabrous or appressed-pubescent; leaves obovate-elliptic, appressed-pubescent or subglabrous beneath 13. *L. bracteolatus*
- 17. Leaves very large, 22–30 by 7–12 cm; drupes verrucose, with 6 conspicuous ridges 76. *L. megaphyllus*
- 17. Leaves less than 20 cm long, less than 6 cm broad; drupes without 6 conspicuous ridges 18
- 18. Leaves thickly coriaceous; bracts 2, spatulate-obovate, 3 by 2 mm; flowers 4-merous; drupes 3–4. 88. *L. obovatibracteatus*
- 18. Leaves coriaceous or chartaceous; bracts more than 2, not spatulate-obovate; flowers 4–6-merous; drupes 4–5. 19
- 19. Leaves coriaceous; bracts orbicular or ovate-orbicular 20
- 19. Leaves chartaceous, membranaceous or subcoriaceous; bracts neither orbicular nor ovate-orbicular 21
- 20. Leaves small, ovate-lanceolate, 8–11 by 1.5 cm with deeply depressed midrib and nerves above; calyx lobes ovate, longer than the tube 38. *L. depressineurus*

20. Leaves relatively large, more than 10 cm long and more than 2.5 cm broad; midrib and nerves not depressed above; calyx lobes ovate-lanceolate, not longer than the tube 60. *L. inodorus*
21. Branchlets and leaves glabrous; stipules and bracts glabrous except barbate margins 8. *L. barbatus*
21. Branchlets and leaves hairy beneath; stipules and bracts hairy 22
22. Stipules more than 5 mm long; bracts ovate or ovate-triangular 23
22. Stipules less than 5 mm long; bracts linear to linear-lanceolate or lanceolate 25
23. Leaves with acute bases; nerves 3–6 pairs; petioles 1.5–2 cm long; bracts small, less than 2 mm long; calyx lobes triangular, 1.5 mm long, glabrous internal surface; drupes conspicuously 5–8-ridged 85. *L. obliquinervis*
23. Leaves with cuneate to obtuse bases; nerves 8–10 pairs; petioles less than 1 cm long; bracts longer than 2 mm; calyx lobes lanceolate, longer than 1.5 mm, hirsute both surfaces; drupes without conspicuous ridges 24
24. Densely spreading tomentose hairs on branches, leaves beneath, stipules, bracts, calyx and drupes 89. *L. obscurus*
24. Thinly appressed-pubescent hairs on branches, leaves beneath, stipules, bracts and calyx; drupes subglabrous 23. *L. chrysoneurus*
25. Stipules triangular; branchlets and leaves beneath appressed-pubescent or puberulous; nervules parallel, bracts lanceolate to subulate; drupes with 4 pyrenes 26
25. Stipules lanceolate, linear, subulate or inconspicuous; branchlets and leaves beneath hirsute or tomentose; nervules parallel or reticulate; bracts linear, linear-lanceolate or linear-subulate; drupes with 4 or more pyrenes 27
26. Branchlets, leaf venation beneath, stipules and bracts appressed-puberulous; drupes glabrous except persistent calyx lobes 50. *L. foxworthyanus*
26. Branchlets, leaf venation beneath, stipules and bracts very densely appressed-pubescent; drupes puberulous 80. *L. mollis*
27. Leaf base cordate or slightly cordate and more or less oblique; nerves more than 12 pairs; calyx lobes up to 5 mm long; corolla up to 1.5 cm long 97. *L. pilosus*
27. Leaf base cuneate, acute or subrounded, not oblique; nerves less than 10 pairs; calyx lobes less than 5 mm long; corolla less than 1.2 cm long 28
28. Leaves more than 13 cm long; bracts numerous; fruits verrucose 104. *L. ridleyi*
28. Leaves less than 12 cm long; bracts not numerous; drupes smooth 29
29. Leaves subrounded at base; stipules inconspicuous; bracts linear-lanceolate; pyrenes 8 4. *L. appressus*
29. Leaves cuneate or acute at base; stipules linear-subulate or narrowly lanceolate; bracts linear; pyrenes 5–6 30
30. Leaves lanceolate; leaf nervules strongly reticulate; calyx lobes lanceolate, c. 2.5 mm long 98. *L. politus*
30. Leaves oblong or elliptic oblong; leaf nervules parallel; calyx lobes linear, 3–4 mm long 122. *L. sylvestroides*
31. Peduncles usually more than 4 cm long 32
31. Peduncles usually less than 4 cm long 33
32. Leaves oblong-ovate to ovate; nerves 4–6 pairs; petioles c. 5 mm long; stipules triangular, less than 2 mm long 46. *L. filipedunculatus*
32. Leaves oblong; nerves 8–9 pairs; petioles 2–3 mm; stipules triangular lanceolate, 4–5 mm long 107. *L. robinsonii*
33. Peduncles very slender, less than 0.3 mm diam 34
33. Peduncles relatively robust, more than 0.3 mm diam 35
34. Branchlets appressed hirsute; leaves elliptic-obovate, less than 2.5 cm long; leaf bases cuneate; stipules very small, inconspicuous; bracts small, subulate or inconspicuous; ovary 4-locular; drupes ovoid with 4 pyrenes 11. *L. biflorus*
34. Branchlets long spreading villose; leaves oblong-lanceolate, more than 5 cm long; leaf bases rounded to subcordate; stipules linear, c. 4 mm long; bracts linear to ovate, leaf-like, 6–10 mm long; ovary 8-locular; drupes globose with 6–8 pyrenes 45. *L. filiformis*
35. Plant totally glabrous 36
35. Branchlets and leaf nerves beneath hairy or more or less appressed-pubescent 38
36. Main peduncles up to 3 cm long, trifurcate; stipules up to 5 mm long; calyx c. 3 mm long, with c. 1 mm long subulate teeth 68. *L. laxiflorus*
36. Main peduncles less than 1.5 cm long, bifurcate; stipules less than 4 mm long; calyx 8–10 mm long, with 5–6 mm long oblong-lanceolate or lanceolate lobes 37
37. Leaves with looped venation; nerves 4–5 pairs; stipules very small, subulate, less than 1 mm long; drupes with 4 pyrenes; pyrenes very warty 51. *L. furcatoides*
37. Leaves without looped venation; nerves 8–10 pairs; stipules triangular, 3 mm long; drupes with 6 pyrenes; pyrenes smooth 64. *L. laevigatus*
38. Peduncles 2–3.5 cm long 39
38. Peduncles less than 2 cm long 41
39. Branchlets, leaves beneath and peduncles sparsely hirsute; leaves chartaceous with acute base; nerves 5–6 pairs; petioles 6–8 mm long; bracts linear; flowers 4-merous, pediceled 65. *L. lancilobus*
39. Branchlets, leaves beneath and peduncles densely spreading villose; leaves coriaceous with subcordate, rounded or obtuse bases; nerves 7–10 pairs; petioles shorter than 6 mm; bracts linear or filiform; flowers 5-merous, sessile 40
40. Leaves ovate-lanceolate, with an acuminate apex and a subcordate base; midrib and nerves deeply depressed above; nervules subparallel; petioles c. 1 mm long; bracts numerous, filiform, up to 1.5 cm long; corolla glabrous 93. *L. pendulus*
40. Leaves ovate-oblong with a caudate apex and a rounded or obtuse base; nerves flat above, nervules parallel; petioles 5 mm long; bracts 2, linear, 7–8 mm long; corolla densely villous 75. *L. malaiense*
41. Bracts 2, ovate, orbicular or cordate, leaf-like, more than 1 cm broad 42
41. Bracts more than 2, linear or subulate, not leaf-like, less than 5 mm broad 43
42. Branchlets and leaves densely spreading yellowish hirsute; leaves oblong, with slightly asymmetric base, 10–17 by 3–5 cm; peduncles 7–8 mm long, bracts relatively small, c. 1.5 by 1 cm, with shortly cuspidate apex; calyx lobes 5, 2–3 mm long; pyrenes 5 18. *L. cailinianus*
42. Branchlets and leaf nerves, bracts and calyx densely appressed-pubescent; leaves slightly obovate-oblong, 26–34 by 6–8 cm; peduncles c. 2–3 mm long; bracts large, c. 2 by 2 cm, with a c. 5 mm long cuspidate apex; calyx lobes 4, 1.5 mm long; pyrenes 4 24. *L. chrysophyllus*
43. Leaves 26–46 cm long; stipules c. 1 cm long; peduncles very short, 1–2 mm long; bracts up to 3 cm long 71. *L. longibracteatus*
43. Leaves less than 16 cm long; stipules less than 5 mm long; peduncles short or long; bracts less than 1.5 cm long 44

44. Bracts linear, 6–15 mm long, hirsute; cymes capitate 45
 44. Bracts linear or subulate, less than 5 mm long; hirsute or pubescent; cymes not capitate 46
 45. Leaf bases subrounded; nerves 9–12 pairs; bracts numerous, usually forming a dense head; peduncles usually very short; calyx lobes linear-lanceolate, c. 3 mm long; drupes with 5 pyrenes 103. *L. rhinocerotis*
 45. Leaf bases cuneate or acute; nerves 7–8 pairs; bracts not forming a dense head; peduncles up to 1.5 cm long; calyx lobes subulate-linear, up to 12 mm long; drupes with 6 pyrenes 19. *L. capitatus*
 46. Branchlets, leaves beneath and peduncles densely tomentose 47
 46. Branchlets, leaves beneath and peduncles appressed-pubescent or glabrous 48
 47. Peduncles 1–3 mm long; calyx lobes oblong to lanceolate-oblong, 3 mm long 15. *L. brevipedunculatus*
 47. Peduncles longer than 5 mm; calyx lobes linear, 5–6 mm long 121. *L. sumatraensis*
 48. Leaves linear-lanceolate, less than 2 cm broad, long-caudate at the apex; calyx lobes triangular, c. 0.8 mm long 39. *L. dinghouanus*
 48. Leaves not linear-lanceolate, more than 2.5 cm broad, acuminate or cuspidate at the apex; calyx lobes ovate-oblong or lanceolate, 1.5–4 mm long 49
 49. Branchlets, leaves beneath and peduncles densely appressed-pubescent; nerves 3–6 pairs; cymes trifurcate; flowers with 3–5 mm long pedicels, 4-merous; calyx lobes lanceolate, c. 1.5 mm long; drupes with 4 conspicuous ridges; pyrenes 4 67. *L. laxifloroideus*
 49. Branchlets, leaves beneath and peduncles thinly pubescent or glabrous; nerves 7–8 pairs; cymes bifurcate; flowers sessile, 5-merous; calyx lobes oblong, 3–4 mm long; drupes with 5 ridges; pyrenes 5 110. *L. scalariformis*

Sect. III. **Nudiflorae** Hook.f. (1880) 184. — Type: *Lasianthus blumianus* Wight

Key to the species

1. Cymes very shortly peduncled; branchlets conspicuously sulcate; leaves large, coriaceous, 18–25 by 5–8 cm; calyx obconic-cupular, truncate or minutely 4-toothed 95. *L. pergamaceus*
 1. Cymes sessile or tuberculate; branchlets not sulcate; leaves various; calyx various 2
 2. Leaves less than 3 cm long 10. *L. bifloroideus*
 2. Leaves more than 3 cm long 3
 3. Leaves linear, 10–14 by 0.9–1.8 cm, long-caudate at the apex, glabrous 70. *L. linearifolius*
 3. Leaves otherwise 4
 4. Leaves with conspicuously looped venation; branchlets and leaves glabrous except sometimes puberulous nerves beneath 5
 4. Leaves without looped venation; branchlets and leaves glabrous or hairy 7
 5. Leaves lanceolate, nerves 9–12 pairs; drupes puberulous and slightly warty 16. *L. brochidodromus*
 5. Leaves oblong or oblong-lanceolate; nerves less than 9 pairs; drupes glabrous and conspicuously warty 6
 6. Leaves subrounded at the base; nerves 6–8 pairs; drupes with conspicuous 8 ridges; pyrenes with 2 furrows on the abaxial face 77. *L. membranaceoideus*

6. Leaves acute to cuneate at the base; nerves 3–4 pairs; drupes with 3–4 obtuse ridges; pyrenes without furrow on the abaxial face 63. *L. kinabaluensis*
 7. Flowers on pedicels 2 mm long or more 8
 7. Flowers sessile or subsessile pedicels less than 1 mm long 13
 8. Leaves thinly membranaceous; nervules weak, inconspicuous; stipules broadly ovate 120. *L. submembranifolius*
 8. Leaves chartaceous to thickly coriaceous; nervules conspicuous; stipules otherwise 9
 9. Leaves elliptic, oblong-elliptic or oblong, large, 4.5–8 cm broad 10
 9. Leaves lanceolate, ovate-lanceolate, oblong-lanceolate, less than 4 cm broad 11
 10. Leaves chartaceous or subcoriaceous with acute bases 14. *L. brevipedicellatus*
 10. Leaves thickly coriaceous with subrounded bases 129. *L. vriesianus*
 11. Leaves; nervules reticulate; pedicels 8–10 mm long; drupes verrucose, c. 6 mm diam, with 4 conspicuous obtuse ridges; pyrenes 4 101. *L. purpureus*
 11. Leaves; nervules parallel; pedicels 2–3 mm long; drupes 3–4 mm diam, with 4–5 (smooth) or 7–8 (verrucose) obtuse ridges; pyrenes 4–5 or 7–8 12
 12. Stipules less than 1 mm long; calyx with triangular teeth; drupes smooth, with 4–5 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 4–5 92. *L. pedicellatus*
 12. Stipules 3–4 mm long; calyx truncate; drupes verrucose, with 7–8 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 7–8 87. *L. oblongus*
 13. Leaves narrowly oblong-lanceolate, narrowly lanceolate or linear-lanceolate, 5–6 times longer than broad, longer than 12 cm 14
 13. Leaves otherwise 17
 14. Plants densely tomentose; leaves 23–25 by 3–4 cm; nerves 16–18 pairs; calyx with 7–8 lanceolate lobes 41. *L. ericalyx*
 14. Branchlets glabrous or pubescent; leaves 9–19 by 1.5–3 cm; nerves less than 15 pairs; calyx with 4–5 teeth or with an almost truncate limb 15
 15. Nerves 7 pairs; stipules narrowly triangular, c. 4 mm long; calyx almost truncate or minutely 5-toothed 1. *L. acuminatissimus*
 15. Nerves 8–14 pairs; stipules triangular, 2–3 mm long; calyx with 4–5 conspicuous teeth 16
 16. Branchlets glabrous; leaves with densely hirsute margin; nerves 8–11; petioles 12–15 mm long 57. *L. hirtimarginatus*
 16. Branchlets densely appressed-pubescent; leaves without hirsute margin; nerves 12–14 pairs; petioles 4–5 mm long 3. *L. angustifolius*
 17. Drupes usually with 2 pyrenes (only in Borneo) 18
 17. Drupes with 3 or more pyrenes 20
 18. Leaves membranaceous; drupes ovoid, very rugose, without cork-like structure between pyrenes; pyrenes rugose on the abaxial face 78. *L. membranaceus*
 18. Leaves coriaceous; drupes ellipsoid, smooth, with cork-like structure between pyrenes; pyrenes smooth on the abaxial face 19
 19. Plants glabrous; leaves with subrounded base, nervules conspicuously prominent on both surfaces; petioles 5–7 mm long; stipules c. 2 mm long; calyx tube 3 mm long, not expanded at limb 84. *L. nigrescens*
 19. Branchlets, midrib and nerves beneath and stipules puberulous; leaves with cuneate base; nervules depressed

- or flat above, prominent beneath; petioles 1–1.5 cm long; stipules 4–6 mm long; calyx tube c. 1 mm long, limb c. 1–1.5 mm long, more or less expanded. 109. *L. sabahensis*
20. Plants spreading stiffly hirsute; leaves with subrounded and oblique base; nerves 10–12 pairs; stipules narrowly triangular or lanceolate, 4–5 mm long . . . 2. *L. acutatus*
20. Plant otherwise 21
21. Stipules ovate or ovate-triangular or triangular with a swollen base and a membranaceous margin, 3–6 mm long . . . 22
21. Stipules otherwise 24
22. Branchlets, leaves, stipules and calyx densely spreading villose; calyx with triangular lobes; drupes villose 58. *L. hirtus*
22. Branchlets, leaf midrib and nerves beneath (on lower surface), stipules and calyx thinly puberulous or glabrous; calyx subtruncate, with 4–5 minute teeth at the apex; drupes subglabrous or glabrous 23
23. Branchlets, leaf midrib and nerves beneath, stipules and calyx thinly puberulous; leaves with acuminate-caudate apex; nervules obscure above, subparallel; calyx urceolate; drupes with 6–9 pyrenes 115. *L. stercorarius*
23. Branchlets (except the youngest part), leaf midrib and nerves beneath and calyx quite glabrous; leaves with caudate apex; nervules distinct above, parallel; calyx shortly cupular; drupes with 4–5 pyrenes . . . 130. *L. vulcanicus*
24. Stipules longer than 6 mm. 25
24. Stipules shorter than 6 mm 29
25. Stipules broadly triangular or oblong-ovate, or oblong-lanceolate, coriaceous, glabrous or pubescent, persistent; drupes with sharp ridges 26
25. Stipules lanceolate, triangular-lanceolate, linear-lanceolate or subulate, chartaceous, hirsute or strigose, often deciduous; drupes without sharp ridges 27
26. Stipules appressed-pubescent; leaves 12–16 by 3–4.5 cm; nerves 9–12 pairs; nervules subparallel; petioles 2–3 mm long; calyx lobes triangular-lanceolate, 1–1.5 mm long; drupes 8–10-ridged; pyrenes 4–5 . . . 127. *L. venosus*
26. Stipules glabrous; leaves 20–33 by 6–11 cm; nerves 13–18 pairs; nervules reticulate; petioles 5–10 mm long; calyx cupular with minutely teeth at the apex; drupes 6-ridged; pyrenes 6 72. *L. longifolius*
27. Nervules parallel; calyx lobes 4; ovary 4-locular 125. *L. trichophlebus*
27. Nervules reticulate to subreticulate; calyx lobes 5; ovary 5-locular 28
28. Nerves 11 pairs; stipules triangular-lanceolate, 6–7 mm long, hirsute 90. *L. palawanensis*
28. Nerves 6–8 pairs; stipules subulate, 8 mm long, appressed-pubescent 91. *L. papuanus*
29. Stipules 4–5 mm 30
29. Stipules shorter than 4 mm 32
30. Leaves very large, 20–32 by 6–10 cm; nerves 10–12 pairs; calyx 7–8 mm long, lobes oblong, 4–5 mm long 99. *L. pseudolongifolius*
30. Leaves less than 20 cm long; nerves 6–7 pairs; calyx shorter than 5 mm, with minute teeth or lobes triangular-subulate 31
31. Branchlets densely appressed-pubescent; nervules parallel; calyx lobes 5–7, triangular-subulate, as long as the tube; pyrenes 5–7 114. *L. solomonensis*
31. Branchlets sparsely spreading hirsute; nervules subreticulate; calyx limb minutely toothed at the apex; pyrenes 4 21. *L. chlorocarpus*
32. Flowers 4-merous; calyx constricted at the base; drupes ellipsoid or ovoid, very rugose, narrowed at the base; pyrenes 1–4, deeply furrowed on the abaxial face . . . 33
32. Flowers 4–5-merous; calyx not constricted at base; drupes globose or subglobose, verrucose or smooth, not narrowed at the base; pyrenes 4 or more, not deeply furrowed on the abaxial face 35
33. Branchlets and leaves almost glabrous; leaves chartaceous to subcoriaceous; cymes conspicuously tuberculate (short congested peduncles, up to 5 mm long); calyx with 4 triangular lobes; the lobes c. 1 mm long; corolla tube slender, more than 5 mm long 27. *L. congesticymus*
33. Branchlets and leaf nerves beneath more or less appressed puberulous, pubescent or strigose; leaves coriaceous; cymes sessile or shortly tuberculate; calyx truncate or minutely toothed or with minutely triangular lobes; corolla tube stout, less than 3 mm long 34
34. Branchlets thinly puberulous or sparsely strigose; leaves 8–13 by 3–4 cm; nervules 3–6 pairs; petioles 4–5 mm long; cymes sessile; calyx truncate or minutely toothed 29. *L. constrictus*
34. Branchlets densely appressed-pubescent; leaves 19–26 by 6–9 cm; nerves 6–7 pairs; petioles 5–10; cymes shortly tuberculate; calyx with 4 minutely triangular lobes 102. *L. reticulatus*
35. Calyx with a cupular limb, truncate or minutely toothed at the apex 36
35. Calyx with conspicuously lobes 39
36. Leaves 18–30 cm long 7. *L. baasianus*
36. Leaves less than 18 cm long 37
37. Plant glabrous; leaves chartaceous; petioles c. 2.5–3.5 mm long; drupes without an enlarged cupular calyx 28. *L. conspicuus*
37. Branchlets and leaf venation beneath pubescent or puberulous; leaves coriaceous; petioles longer than 5 mm, drupes with an enlarged cupular calyx 38
38. Leaves with conspicuously reticulate nervules; nerves 10–12 pairs; petioles 10–15 mm long; drupes 5–6-ridged 118. *L. subaureus*
38. Leaves with parallel nervules; nerves 5–9; petioles 5–10 mm long; drupes without ridges 128. *L. verticillatus*
39. Calyx divided to the base, or calyx lobes conspicuously longer than the calyx tube 40
39. Calyx not cleft to the base, calyx lobes shorter than the calyx tube or just as long as the calyx tube 48
40. Calyx lobes oblong, obtuse at the apex 12. *L. borneensis*
40. Calyx lobes lanceolate or lanceolate-triangular, acuminate or acute at the apex 41
41. Leaves large, more than 12 cm long 66. *L. latifolius*
41. Leaves relatively small, usually less than 12 cm long 42
42. Leaves glabrous or glabrous except appressed-hirsute or sparsely hirsute midrib and nerves and/or margin beneath; branchlets glabrous or sparsely hirsute or more or less appressed-hirsute; calyx lobes narrowly lanceolate with a long-acuminate apex or oblong; drupes glabrous or sparsely hirsute. 43
42. Leaves very hairy beneath; branchlets very hairy but not appressed-hirsute; calyx lobes broadly lanceolate, usually acute at the apex; drupes hairy 45
43. Leaves ovate or ovate-elliptic, usually caudate at the apex; nervules parallel; flowers 5-merous; calyx lobes narrowly lanceolate with a long acuminate apex; drupes smooth, without ridges; pyrenes 5 73. *L. lucidus*

43. Leaves otherwise in shape; nervules reticulate; flowers 4-merous; calyx lobes lanceolate or oblong; drupes with 4 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 4 44
44. Leaves oblong-lanceolate to lanceolate, 1.2–1.5 cm broad, without a marginal vein; nerves 7–9 pairs; stipules subulate-triangular, c. 1 mm long; bracts 2, subulate, 2–3 mm long, spreading hirsute; calyx 2 mm long, sparsely spreading hirsute; calyx lobes lanceolate, 1.2 mm long; drupes globose, smooth on the external surface 105. *L. ridsdalei*
44. Leaves ovate-elliptic, 2–3.5 cm broad, with an obscure marginal vein; nerves 4–5 pairs; stipules very small, triangular, c. 0.5 mm long; bracts absent; calyx c. 4.5 mm long, puberulous; calyx lobes oblong, 3 mm long; drupes subglobose, verrucose on the external surface 48. *L. floresensis*
45. Leaves ovate-oblong, ovate-elliptic or ovate-lanceolate usually cuspidate at the apex; midrib glabrous above; flowers 5-merous; drupes with 5 pyrenes 46
45. Leaves usually lanceolate, acute or acuminate at the apex; midrib hairy above; flowers 4-merous; drupes with 4 pyrenes 47
46. Branchlets densely tomentose; leaves ovate-oblong to oblong, tomentose beneath; nervules parallel; stipules triangular, 2–3 mm long; calyx not divided to the base; calyx tube c. 1 mm long; calyx lobes 1.5–2 mm long; drupes tomentose 124. *L. tomentosus*
46. Branchlets densely spreading villose; leaves elliptic-lanceolate or ovate-lanceolate, softly villose beneath; nervules subparallel; stipules inconspicuous; calyx divided to the base; calyx lobes up to 5 mm long; drupes hirsute 35. *L. curtisii*
47. Branchlets relatively slender, densely appressed-hirsute; leaves beneath and midrib above densely appressed-pubescent; bracts absent 54. *L. hexandrus*
47. Branchlets relatively robust, densely and coarsely spreading hirsute; leaves beneath and midrib above densely and coarsely spreading hirsute; bracts linear, 3–6 mm long 25. *L. chrysotrichus*
48. Branchlets and leaves glabrous and darkish when dry; leave subrounded or rounded, thickly coriaceous, 3–6 by 2–4.5 cm, rounded or subcordate at the base; venation very distinct on both surfaces; nerves 5 pairs; flowers 4-merous; calyx campanulate with 4 broadly triangular teeth; drupes with 4 pyrenes (only in Borneo) 108. *L. rotundatus*
48. Plant otherwise 49
49. Branchlets and leaves spreading villose; leaves linear-oblong, thinly chartaceous; drupes oblate-globose, glabrous, smooth, with 7–8 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 7–8 123. *L. tenuifolius*
49. Branchlets, leaves and drupes otherwise 50
50. Leaves with conspicuously reticulate or subreticulate nervules 51
50. Leaves with parallel or subparallel nervules 64
51. Leaves lanceolate, 12–14 by 2.5–3 cm, caudate-acuminate at the apex; nerves 10–11 pairs; stipules broadly triangular, 3–4 mm, black and glabrous; calyx campanulate, 2–2.5 mm long, glabrous external surface, long yellowish hairy internal side, minutely 5–6-toothed at the apex; drupes globose, verrucose; pyrenes 5–6 62. *L. iteophyllus*
51. Plant otherwise 52
52. Branchlets and leaves beneath glabrous or thinly puberulous; leaves linear-lanceolate, with rounded and asymmetric base, 8–14 by 1.5–3 cm; petioles 1 cm long; stipules very small, triangular, c. 1 mm long; calyx limb with 5 subulate-triangular, c. 0.5 mm long teeth; drupes without ridges; pyrenes 4 17. *L. bruneensis*
52. Plant otherwise 53
53. Branchlets glabrous or subglabrous; leaves thickly coriaceous, glabrous or subglabrous; drupes with 8 ridges 54
53. Branchlets more or less hairy; leaves chartaceous to subcoriaceous, more or less hairy on venation beneath; drupes with 4–6 ridges or without conspicuous ridges 55
54. Leaves lanceolate, 12–19 cm long; stipules subulate, c. 2 mm long, puberulous; calyx densely puberulous; calyx lobes ovate, c. 1 mm long; drupes puberulous 5. *L. atroneurus*
54. Leaves lanceolate-oblong or oblong, 9–11 cm long; stipules triangular, c. 3 mm long, glabrous; calyx glabrous or sparsely puberulous; calyx lobes ovate-oblong, c. 2 mm long; drupes glabrous 31. *L. coriaceifolius*
55. Branchlets, leaves both surfaces, stipules and calyx densely dark-brown hispid; leaves subrounded and slightly asymmetric at the base; calyx lobes 5, ovate-triangular, 1.5 by 1.5 mm, as long as the calyx tube 111. *L. setulosus*
55. Plant otherwise 56
56. Leaves relatively large, longer than 15 cm, broader than 4 cm; petioles longer than 1 cm; calyx 5–7 mm long, with 4–6 triangular-ovate to orbicular reflexed lobes; drupes with 5–6 ridges 20. *L. chinensis*
56. Leaves less than 15 cm long and 4 cm broad; petioles less than 1 cm long; calyx less than 5 mm long; calyx lobes otherwise; drupes without ridges 57
57. Nerves more than 10 pairs; petioles 2–5 mm long 58
57. Nerves less than 10 pairs; petioles 5–8 mm long 61
58. Branchlets and petioles appressed-pubescent or puberulous; calyx with minute teeth 81. *L. mucronulatus*
58. Branchlets and petioles densely brownish tomentose; calyx with conspicuously lobes 59
59. Leaves longer than 12 cm; nerves 14–18 pairs; petioles 5 mm long; drupes densely brownish tomentose 44. *L. ferrugineus*
59. Leaves shorter than 12 cm; nerves 10–13 pairs; petioles c. 2 mm long; drupes pubescent or glabrous 60
60. Leaves rugose, puberulous both surfaces or only beneath, acute or caudate-cuspidate at the apex, undulate at margin; reticulate nervules obscure above; stipules subulate-triangular, densely tomentose; calyx with an obconic tube and a shortly campanulate limb 126. *L. undulatus*
60. Leaves smooth, tomentose on midrib and nerves both surfaces, acuminate at the apex, not undulate at the margin; reticulate nervules conspicuous above; stipules broadly triangular, glabrous; calyx otherwise 131. *L. wightianus*
61. Stipules 1.5–3 mm long; pyrenes 6 119. *L. subglobosus*
61. Stipules less than 1.5 mm long; pyrenes 4–5 62
62. Nerves 5 pairs; calyx campanulate; calyx lobes ovate-triangular, 1.5–2 mm long 55. *L. hirsutisepalus*
62. Nerves more than 6 pairs; calyx obconical or campanulate-cupular; calyx lobes triangular, 1 mm long or calyx minutely 5-toothed 63
63. Branchlets densely appressed-hirsute; leaves villose beneath; midrib depressed and hirsute above; petioles densely appressed-hirsute; stipules 1 mm long, appressed-hirsute; calyx obconic, densely villose; calyx lobes triangular, 1 mm long, villose both surfaces; drupes villose 61. *L. iteoides*
63. Young branchlets puberulous, later glabrescent; leaves appressed-pubescent on midrib and nerves beneath; midrib slightly prominent and glabrous above; petioles subglabrous; stipules c. 1.5 mm long, puberulous; calyx cam-

- panulate-cupular, puberulous, minutely 5-toothed; drupes glabrous 74. *L. malaccensis*
64. Branchlets and leaves glabrous; leaves lanceolate, ovate-lanceolate to ovate-elliptic, cymes subsessile or shortly tuberculate; flowers extremely small; calyx c. 1 mm long 65
64. Plant otherwise 66
65. Leaves 8–12 by 2–3.5 cm; nerves 4–5 pairs; calyx glabrous or sparsely puberulous; drupes oblate-globose, strongly warty; pyrenes with irregular sharp ridges 96. *L. phymatodeus*
65. Leaves 15–28 by 3.5–5 cm; nerves 7–10 pairs; calyx densely hirsute; drupes globose, smooth; pyrenes smooth on the abaxial face 79. *L. minutiflorus*
66. Branchlets and leaf venation beneath densely appressed-pubescent; leaf midrib depressed above and strongly elevated beneath; calyx cupular-campanulate, 3–4 mm long; calyx lobes 5, ovate-triangular, curved inward, 1–1.5 mm long; drupes conspicuously 4–5-ridged 47. *L. flavinervius*
66. Plant otherwise 67
67. Leaves relatively large, more than 5 cm broad; drupes 10–12 ridged 94. *L. perakensis*
67. Leaves relatively small, less than 5 cm broad; drupes with obtuse 4 ridges or smooth 68
68. Leaves less than 7.5 cm long, coriaceous; flowers 4-merous; drupes with 4 pyrenes 69
68. Plant otherwise 70
69. Branchlets, leaf midrib and nerves beneath and petioles tomentose, calyx densely tomentose; drupes without ridges 83. *L. nervosus*
69. Branchlets, leaf midrib and nerves and petioles glabrous or thinly puberulous; calyx pubescent; drupes with 4 ridges 82. *L. myrtifolius*
70. Branchlets sparsely appressed-hirsute to glabrous; leaves coriaceous, oblong-lanceolate, 8–13 by 2.5–3.5 cm, glabrous or sparsely hirsute on nerves beneath; nerves 6–9; nervules subparallel; stipules triangular, 3–4 mm long, coriaceous; calyx lobes 4, triangular, c. 2 mm long; drupes with 5 pyrenes 116. *L. sterrophyllus*
70. Plant otherwise 71
71. Branchlets, leaves beneath, petioles, stipules and calyx densely brown-tomentose; leaves lanceolate or oblong-lanceolate, 9–15 by 2–3.5 cm; nerves 6–8 pairs; nervules parallel; petioles c. 1 cm long; stipules c. 2 mm long; calyx tube c. 1 mm long, the lobes triangular; drupes smooth, sparsely tomentose, with 4–5 pyrenes .. 22. *L. chryseus*
71. Plant otherwise 72
72. Branchlets and leaf midrib and nerves beneath densely appressed-pubescent; leaves elliptic or oblong-elliptic, 5–10 by 1.5–4 cm, coriaceous; nerves 7–8 pairs; nervules densely anastomosing, parallel, distinct on both surfaces; stipules c. 1 mm long; flowers 4-merous; calyx limb dish-like, truncate or minutely 4-toothed; drupes with 4 pyrenes .. 42. *L. euneurus*
72. Plant otherwise 73
73. Leaves oblong, 10–15 cm long; nerves 9–11 pairs; petioles 1–1.5 mm long; calyx 3–4 mm long; calyx lobes triangular, 1–1.5 mm long 43. *L. fasciculus*
73. Leaves elliptic, ovate-oblong less than 10 cm long; nerves 4–6 pairs; petioles shorter than 1 cm; calyx less than 3 mm long; calyx teeth less 1 mm long 74
74. Branches and leaf nerves beneath glabrous or sparsely pubescent; calyx sparsely pubescent; drupes glabrous 49. *L. fordii*

74. Branches and leaves beneath densely villous or pubescent; calyx densely villous or pubescent; drupes pubescent or hirsute 75
75. Branches, leaves beneath and calyx densely spreading villous; drupes hirsute 59. *L. hispidulus*
75. Branches, leaves beneath and calyx more or less appressed-pubescent; drupes appressed-pubescent 26. *L. clementis*

1. *Lasianthus acuminatissimus* Merr.

Lasianthus acuminatissimus Merr. (1922) 467; (1923) 565. — Lectotype (designated here): *Bur. Sci.* 38058 (*Ramos & Edaño*) (lecto K; isolecto P, US), Philippines, Luzon, Bontoc, Mt Caua, 1800 m.

Shrubs, c. 1 m high; branchlets terete, 2–3 mm diam, brown, minutely appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades narrowly lanceolate, 9–19 by 1.5–3 cm, chartaceous, glabrous above, puberulous beneath, apex caudate-acuminate, base acute, midrib slightly depressed above, prominent and appressed-pubescent beneath, nerves flat above, prominent and appressed-pubescent beneath, 7 pairs, ascending at an angle of 45–50°, nervules distinct on both surfaces, puberulous beneath, subreticulate; petioles 5–7 mm long, appressed-pubescent. *Stipules* narrowly triangular to linear-lanceolate with an acuminate apex, c. 4 mm long. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile, fascicled; calyx 2.5–3 mm long, slightly puberulous; calyx limb cupular with 5 minute teeth; corolla tube cylindrical, c. 5 mm long, pubescent outside, glabrous inside in the lower half, villous in the upper half; corolla lobes 3 mm long, oblong, villous inside; anthers oblong, c. 2.2 mm long; style 6 mm long; ovary 5-locular. *Fruits* unknown.

Distribution — Endemic to the Philippines.

Note — This species is highly similar to *L. morus* Elmer in absence of assessment of relationships. It has similar calyx, stipules and indumentums to the latter, but differs in having narrowly lanceolate and chartaceous leaf blades with an elongated caudate-acuminate apex, and subreticulate nervules. Only the type specimen is known.

2. *Lasianthus acutatus* Miq.

Lasianthus acutatus Miq. (1861) 549. — Type: *Teysmann s.n.*, HB4011 (holo U), Sumatra, Moeara Enim, Palembang.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, spreading hirsute, brown. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 12–15 by 3–4 cm, subcoriaceous, spreading hirsute hairs on both surfaces, denser beneath and no midrib, apex acute to shortly caudate, base subrounded and oblique, midrib and nerves slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves ascending at an angle of c. 50°, curved to the margin, 10–12 pairs, nervules obscure above, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles c. 5 mm long, densely spreading hirsute. *Stipules* triangular-lanceolate to lanceolate, 4–5 mm long, spreading hirsute. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile. *Drupe*s crowned by 5 lanceolate calyx lobes, hirsute; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Endemic to Sumatra.

Note — Miquel (1869) sank this species to *L. mucronulatus*. However, it differs from *L. mucronulatus* in having spreading stiff hairs on branches, leaves and stipules, and triangular-lanceolate to lanceolate stipules which are 4–5 mm long. *Lasianthus mucronulatus* has appressed-pubescent on branches, leaf nerves beneath and stipules, and small triangular stipules. *Lasianthus acutatus* differs from *L. stercorarius* in having spreading stiff hairs on branches, leaves and stipules too, and triangular-lanceolate to lanceolate stipules without a swollen base. *Lasianthus acutatus* is probably a rare species, and is known only from the type specimen.

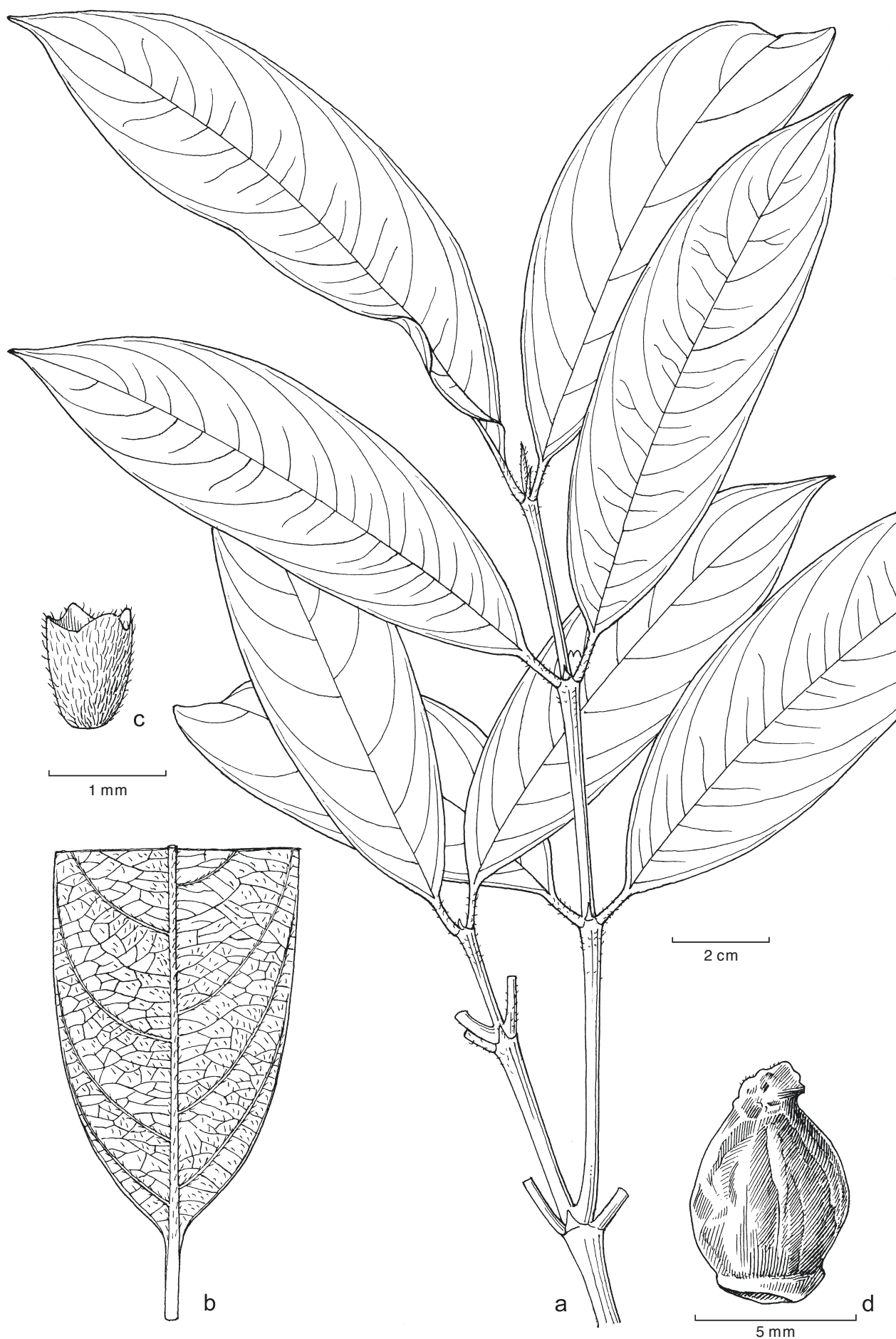


Fig. 1 *Lasianthus atroneurus* H.Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. lower surface of leaf showing reticulate nervules; c. calyx; d. fruit (all: Van Balgooy & Van Stetten 5396, holo L.).

3. *Lasianthus angustifolius* King & Gamble

Lasianthus angustifolius King & Gamble (1904) 126; Ridl. (1923a) 161; K.M.Wong (1989) 368. — Type: *Wray 413* (holo n.v.; iso L), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak, 4500 ft.

Lasianthus salicifolius Ridl. (1909) 35; (1923a) 166; K.M.Wong (1989) 367, syn. nov. — Type: *Ridley 14008* (holo SING), Peninsular Malaysia, Pahang, 5000 ft.

Small trees, up to 4.5 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades narrowly oblong-lanceolate or lanceolate, 12–15 by 1.5–2 cm, chartaceous to subcoriaceous, glabrous above except densely tomentose midrib, glabrous beneath except appressed-pubescent midrib and nerves, apex long-caudate to caudate-acuminate, base cuneate, midrib and nerves flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 12–14 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 50°, curved to the margin, nervules faint on the upper surface, distinct on the lower surface, reticulate; petioles 4–5 mm long, hirsute. *Stipules* triangular to triangular-lanceolate, 2–3 mm long, glabrous except ciliate margins. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tubular-campanulate, c. 2 mm long, appressed-pubescent on both sides, with 5 triangular-acuminate teeth, calyx teeth c. 0.5 mm long; corolla tubular, 5 mm long, tube glabrous on both sides; lobes 5, triangular-lanceolate, c. 1.5 mm long, appressed-pubescent on both sides; anthers narrowly oblong. *Drupes* ovoid-globose, c. 4 mm diam, sparsely pubescent, with 4–5 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 4–5, abaxially rugose.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia.

Note — *Lasianthus angustifolius* is close to *L. hirtimarginatus*, but differs from the latter in having densely appressed-pubescent branchlets, narrowly lanceolate to linear-lanceolate leaves with densely pubescent midrib above and 12–14 pairs of nerves, petioles 4–5 mm long.

4. *Lasianthus appressus* Hook.f.

Lasianthus appressus Hook. (1880) 181; King & Gamble (1904) 121; Ridl. (1923a) 156; Craib (1934) 207; K.M.Wong (1989) 371; H.Zhu (2001b) 122. — Type: *Griffith 2927* (lecto K, designated here), Peninsular Malaysia.

Shrubs, c. 1.5 m high; branches and branchlets terete, densely appressed-hirsute. *Leaves*: blades relatively small, lanceolate, 6–8 by 2–2.5 cm, subcoriaceous, pale shining and glabrous above when dry except the hairy midrib, hirsute on midrib and nerves as well as nervules beneath, apex acute to acuminate, base acute to cuneate, midrib and nerves slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 6–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of 35–40°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, prominent beneath, subparallel; petioles 4–5 mm long hirsute. *Stipules* very small, inconspicuous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts linear-lanceolate to subulate, up to 5 mm long, dense hirsute. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, pubescent outside, calyx tube c. 1 mm long, calyx lobes 4, triangular, 1 mm long; corolla tube 5 mm long, pubescent in upper part outside, corolla lobes 4, lanceolate, 2 mm long, pubescent both sides. *Drupes* small, 2–3 mm diam, subglobose, crowned by the triangular hirsute calyx-teeth, glabrous; pyrenes 8.

Distribution — Thailand, Peninsular Malaysia, Singapore.

5. *Lasianthus atroneurus* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 1

Similis *L. chinensis* Benth., sed foliis crasse coriaceis, lobis calycis 4, pyrenis 4 differt. Similis to *L. pergamaceus* King & Gamble, sed cymis sessilibus, foliis lanceolatis, lobis calycis ovatis differt. — Typus: *Van Balgooy & Van Setten 5396* (holo L), Borneo, W Kalimantan, Gunung Palung, 1000 m alt., in montane forest of summit ridge on granite, 12 June 1986.

Treelet, 3 m high; branchlets robust, c. 3 mm diam, compressed, fistulous, subglabrous, dark brown in the youngest part. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate, 12–19 by 3.5–4.3 cm, thickly coriaceous,

glabrous above, puberulous to glabrescent beneath, apex acute, the base cuneate midrib flat to slightly prominent above, strongly prominent beneath, dark brown and puberulous or glabrescent beneath, nerves slightly prominent above, strongly prominent beneath, 7–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of 70–80°, curved to margin, dark brown and puberulous or glabrescent beneath, nervules conspicuously prominent on both surfaces, reticulate, puberulous or glabrescent beneath, margin conspicuously recurved; petioles 5–10 mm long, puberulous and dark in colour. *Stipules* subulate, c. 2 mm long, puberulous. *Inflorescences* axillary, sessile; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tubular-cupular, c. 4 mm long, densely puberulous external surface, calyx lobes 4, ovate, c. 1 mm long, slightly folded; corolla not seen. *Drupes* ellipsoid, c. 5 mm diam, puberulous, with 8 ridges (alternately 4 obtuse and 4 acute), crowned by persistent shortly cupular calyx limbs with ovate lobes; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo (Kalimantan).

Habitat & Ecology — In montane forests on ridge top on granite soil at c. 1000 m altitude. Fruiting between March and June.

Additional specimen examined. Kalimantan, Gunung Palung, 1°12'S, 110°8'E, 1000 m alt., T.G. Laman et al. *TL801* (K, L).

Note — This species has conspicuously reticulate nervules and a tubular calyx with slightly folded ovate lobes, which points to relationship with *L. chinensis*, but differs from the latter in having thickly coriaceous leaves, calyx with 4 lobes and drupes with 4 pyrenes. It is similar to *L. pergamaceus*, but differs in having sessile cymes, lanceolate leaves and ovate calyx lobes, while *L. pergamaceus* has shortly peduncled cymes, oblong-elliptic leaves and truncate calyx limbs.

6. *Lasianthus attenuatus* Jack

Key to the varieties

1. Leaves oblong, more than 2 cm broad; stipules triangular or ovate-lanceolate, 2–3 mm long; bracts 6–15 mm long; corolla 10–12 mm long a. var. *attenuatus*
1. Leaves linear-oblong, less than 2 cm broad; stipules triangular-lanceolate, 5–8 mm long; bracts 5 mm long; corolla 8 mm long b. var. *minor*

a. var. *attenuatus* — Map 2

Lasianthus attenuatus Jack (1823) 126; Valetton (1927) 107; Merr. (1952) 229; Bakh.f. (1965) 338; K.M.Wong (1989) 367, p.p.; H.Zhu (2002) 72. — *Mephitidia attenuata* (Jack) DC. (1830) 452; Korth. (1851) 219. — Type: *Jack s.n.* (holo n.t.; iso L, barcode L0000674), Sumatra (Bencoolen).

Nonatelia? hispida Wall. ex Roxb. (1824) 187. — *Mephitidia wallichii* Wight & Arn. (1834) 390, in nota, nom. superfl. — *Lasianthus wallichii* (Wight & Arn.) Wight (1846) 503; Hook.f. (1880) 180; Matsum. (1901) 16; Prain (1903) 576; Pit. (1924) 387; Craib (1934) 220; Hara & Gould (1979) 204; Wu (1984) 1259; Deb & M.Gangop. (1991) 307; H.Zhu (1994) 56; (1998) 157; H.J.Li & H.Y.Liu (1998) 295, pl. 133; H.S.Lo (1999) 73, pl. 18: 1–7; H.Zhu (2001b) 146, nom. superfl. — Type: *De Silva s.n. ex Wall. Cat. 8442* (holo K), India, Silhet.

Mephitidia attenuata Jack var. *glabra* Korth. (1851) 220. — Type: *Korthals* (n.v.), Sumatra, Singalang.

Lasianthus densifolius Miq. (1857) 321; Craib (1934) 210; K.M.Wong (1989) 368, p.p. — Lectotype (here designated): *Junghuhn s.n.* (lecto L, barcode L0000679), Java, Ungaran.

Lasianthus plagiophyllus Hance (1875) 196; T.S.Liu & J.M.Chao (1964) 147, f. 16. — *Mephitidia plagiophylla* (Hance) Nakai (1927) 529. — *Lasianthus wallichii* (Wight & Arn.) Wight subsp. *plagiophyllus* (Hance) Wu & H.Zhu in Zhu (1994) 57. — Type: *Hance 18438* (holo BM, iso K), China, Hongkong.

Lasianthus densifolius Miq. var. *calycinus* King & Gamble (1904) 122; Ridl. (1923a) 153. — Type: *Ridley 5679* (n.v.), Singapore.

Lasianthus densifolius Miq. var. *latifolia* King & Gamble (1904) 122; Ridl. (1923a) 153. — Type: *Ridley 10948* (lecto SING, designated by Wong 1989; isolecto K), Peninsular Malaysia, Johore.

Lasianthus brachyphyllus K.Schum. (1905) 399; Vaeleto (1927) 106, syn. nov. — Type: Nyman n.678 (n.v.), New Guinea.

Lasianthus copelandii Elmer (1906b) 10; Merr. (1907) 306; Elmer (1913) 1869; Merr. (1923) 566, syn. nov. — Type: *E.B. Copeland s.n.* (n.v.), Philippines, Negros.

Lasianthus bordeni Elmer (1906b) 11. — Type: Elmer 6977 (iso E, K), Philippines, Luzon, Bataan.

Lasianthus tonkinensis (Drake) Pit. (1924) 376. — *Mephitidia tonkinensis* Drake (1895) 240. — Type: Balansa 2656 (holo P; iso K), Tonkin, Bavi.

Lasianthus attenuatus Jack var. *subsessilis* Vaeleto (1927) 108, syn. nov. — Type: Schlechter 17334 (holo B†), New Guinea.

Shrubs, 1–2 m tall; branches and branchlets usually densely tomentose or sometimes setose. Leaves: blades oblong, elliptic-lanceolate or oblong-ovate, 5–12 by 2.5–5 cm, membranaceous or subcoriaceous, subglabrous or hairy or tomentose beneath, rarely on both sides, apex acute to cuspidate-acuminate, base more or less oblique, slightly cordate, rarely rounded, midrib and nerves flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 6–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 60°, nervules subparallel, conspicuous beneath; petioles 1–3 mm long, tomentose.

Stipules triangular or ovate-lanceolate, 2–3 mm long, densely tomentose. *Inflorescences* cymose, sessile, 3–4-flowered, covered by persistent bracts; bracts subulate to lanceolate, 6–15 mm long, tomentose. *Flowers* sessile, 10–15 mm long; calyx campanulate, 2–3 mm long, hirsute, with 5 triangular teeth, hirsute; corolla 10–12 mm long, 5-lobed, sparsely hirsute outside, villous inside. *Drupe*s globose or ovoid, 5–10 mm diam, crowned with lanceolate, hirsute calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Nepal, Bhutan, NE India, China, S Japan, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Burma, Thailand, Malaysia (Peninsular and Borneo), Brunei, Philippines, Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Kalimantan, Sulawesi, Lesser Sunda Islands), Papua New Guinea.

Notes — Jack's type specimens were destroyed with greater part of his undistributed duplicates by fire in 1824 (Merrill 1952, Stafleu & Cowan 1979). Fortunately, a specimen of *L. attenuatus* with Jack's own handwriting on the label was traced in L by Merrill (1952), which greatly helps us to interpret this name. *Lasianthus attenuatus* is a widely distributed species in tropical Asia. Several different specific and varietal names were used by different authors. *Lasianthus wallichii* was used for the populations from India, Burma, Bangladesh, Thailand, Indochina, and SW China; *L. plagiophyllus* was used for the population from the Philippines (also *L. bodinieri* and *L. copelandii*), Taiwan, SE

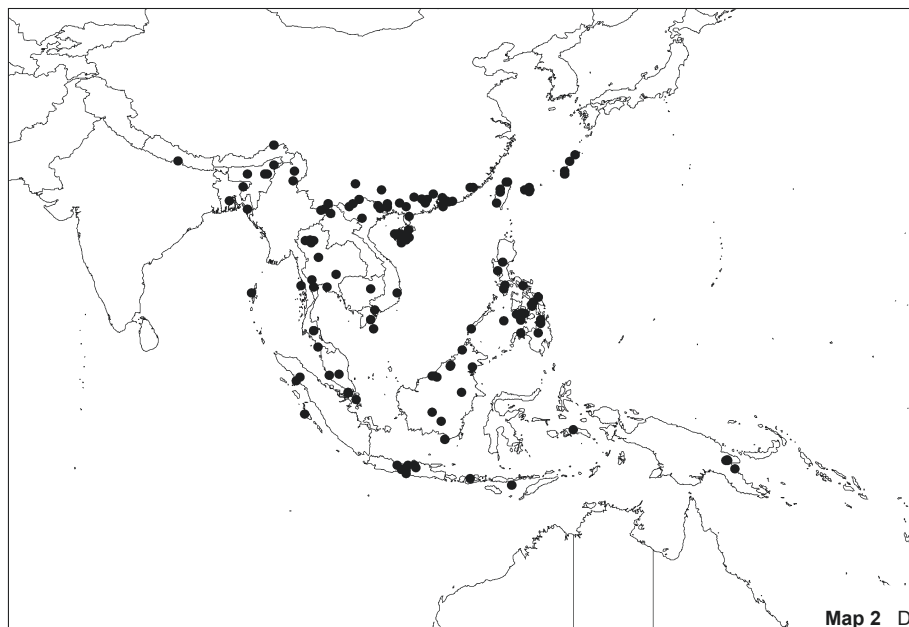
China; *L. densifolius* for the populations from Malaysia (also *L. bractescens*) and Java, and *L. attenuatus* for the one from Sumatra. In New Guinea, a variety of *L. attenuatus* was established (and also *L. brachyphyllus*). These species and varieties were recognized based mainly on variation of indumentum (e.g. hairs on both sides of leaves, on lower surface or both lower surface and midrib above), leaf-blade shapes (oblong or attenuated to the apex), length of petioles, etc. However, these characteristics vary continuously through almost the whole of its geographical area and show no clear geographically distinct groups.

Specimens that were identified as *L. copelandii* from the Philippines were a mixture of *L. attenuatus* and *L. cyanocarpus*. According to Merrill's original description, *L. copelandii* has oblong or oblong-lanceolate leaves with acuminate apex and unequally subcordate bases, and lanceolate bracts. These match *L. attenuatus* better than *L. cyanocarpus*. Therefore, *L. copelandii* is considered to be conspecific with *L. attenuatus* although its type has not been seen.

The type of *L. brachyphyllus* could be in Berlin. However, there is no folder of type specimens of *Lasianthus* in Berlin. It was certainly destroyed in the war in 1943. From original the description and Vaeleto's comments on it, *L. brachyphyllus* is mostly equal to *L. wallichii* Wight, i.e. the present *L. attenuatus*. After all collections from New Guinea in K and L were checked, we are sure that *L. brachyphyllus* is conspecific with *L. attenuatus*.

Lasianthus densifolius var. *latifolia*, according to King & Gamble (1904) and one syntype in SING, differs from the typical variety in having broadly oblong leaves and multi-cellular stiff hairs on both sides of leaves and branches. These characters of stiff or setose hairs on plants are found frequently in the population of *L. densifolius*, and are not of clear demarcation. *Lasianthus densifolius* var. *calycinus*, also from King & Gamble's description, differs from the typical variety in having leaves glabrous above except for a very few scattered appressed hairs, strigose midrib, less than 8 pairs of nerves, and the drupes crowned by calyx-lobes which are as long as the drupes. In our observations, both var. *calycinus* and var. *latifolia* cannot be separated from the typical variety. We agree with Wong (1989) who sank *L. densifolius* var. *latifolia* and var. *calycinus*.

Lasianthus attenuatus was often confused with *L. cyanocarpus* (*L. inaequalis* Blume). As pointed out by Merrill (1952), it strongly resembles *L. cyanocarpus* except in having different



Map 2 Distribution of *Lasianthus attenuatus* Jack.

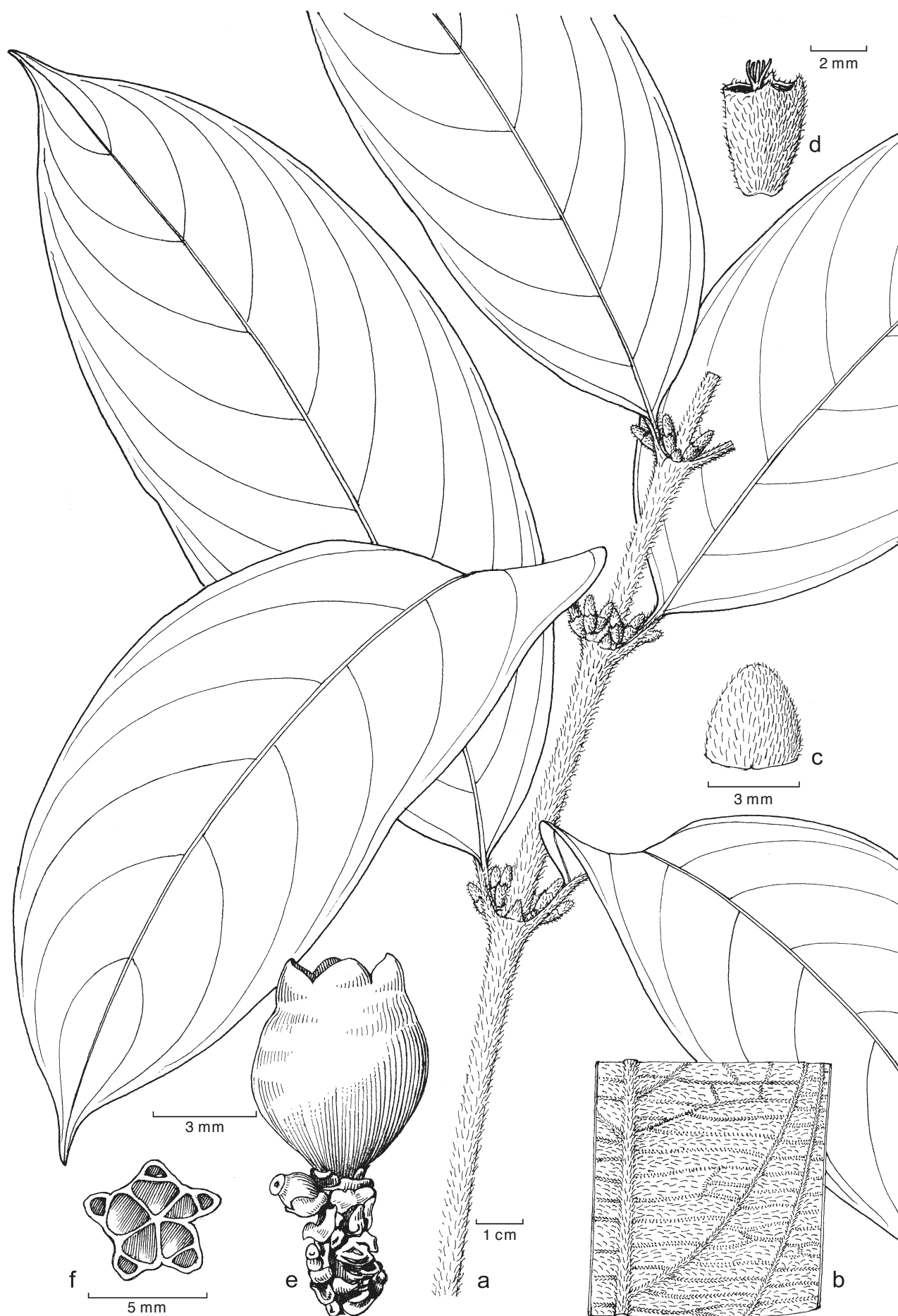


Fig. 2 *Lasianthus baasianus* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of lower surface of leaf showing subreticulate nervules; c. stipule; d. flower without corolla; e. fruits on shortly tuberculate inflorescence; f. cross section of fruit (all: *Nooteboom 4189*, holo L.).

bracts. *Lasianthus attenuatus* has linear to lanceolate bracts, while *L. cyanocarpus* has larger and cordate, ovate to broadly lanceolate, somewhere leaf-like bracts.

The syntype of *L. densifolius* in *L. (Junghuhn s.n.)* agrees exactly with the type of *L. wallichii*. However, Hooker's description and the cited specimen *Wall. Cat. 8441* (K) as *L. densifolius* does not agree with Miquel's type. It represents a different variety. King & Gamble (1904), Ridley (1923a) and Wong (1989) followed Hooker's conception and mixed them. Here we treat the different variety as a new variety of *L. attenuatus*.

b. var. *minor* H.Zhu, var. nov.

A var. *attenuatus* foliis minoribus linearis-oblongis 2 cm latis, stipulis triangulo-lanceolatis 5–8 mm longis, bracteis et floribus minoribus differt. — Typus: *J.F. Maxwell 82-72* (holo L), Singapore, Nee Soon, swamp forest.

Lasianthus densifolius Miq. (1857) 321, p.p. quoad syntype: *Horsfield s.n.* (K), Blambangan, Java.

Lasianthus densifolius auct. non Miq.: Hook.f. (1880) 182, cited specimen *Lasianthus?* *Wall. Cat. 8441* in part; King & Gamble (1904) 122; Ridl. (1923a) 156; K.M. Wong (1989) 368, p.p.].

This variety has relatively small linear-oblong leaves which are less than 2 cm broad, triangular-lanceolate and hirsute stipules which are 5–8 mm long, relatively small and subulate to linear bracts which are 5 mm long, and relatively small flowers which are 8 mm long.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia (Sumatra).

Habitat & Ecology — In swamp forest and lowland forests. Flowering and fruiting between January and March.

Note — The var. *attenuatus* differs from var. *minor* in having oblong leaves which are more than 2 cm broad, inconspicuous stipules, relatively large bracts and flowers.

7. *Lasianthus baasianus* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 2

Proximus *L. longifolius* Wight, sed ramulis, foliis subtus et calycibus puberulis, stipulis minoribus, floribus minoribus atque limbis calycis ad maturitatem fructus 2 mm longis differt. A *L. pseudolongifolius* H.Zhu ramulis foliisque subtus puberulis et limbis calycis cupulatis truncatis differt. — Typus: *Nooteboom 4189* (holo L), Borneo, Bukit Raya, 112°45'E, 0°45'S, 1300 m alt., in primary dipterocarp forest, 5 Dec. 1982.

Treelet, 3 m high; branchlets robust, compressed or subangular, fistulous, c. 5 mm diam, pubescent to glabrescent. *Leaves*: blades elliptic-oblong, 18–30 by 6–11 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, puberulous beneath, apex cuspidate, base acute to subrounded, midrib prominent above, conspicuously prominent beneath, puberulous beneath, nerves depressed to flat above, prominent beneath, 9 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–70°, curved to the margin, puberulous beneath, nervules clear above, prominent beneath, subreticulate, puberulous beneath; petioles 1–3 cm long, puberulous. *Stipules* triangular, 3 by 3 mm, pubescent. *Inflorescences* sessile, or shortly tuberculate; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx 3–4 mm long, pubescent, limb cupular, truncate or 4 minutely teeth; corolla 6–7 mm long, upper part puberulous external surface, lobes 4, lanceolate, 3 mm long, puberulous external surface, flocculose internal surface. *Drupe* subglobose, 5 by 6 mm, with 5 conspicuous ridges, puberulous, crowned by persistent cupular calyx limbs; calyx limbs 2 mm long; pyrenes 5, smooth on the abaxial face, subelliptic in transverse section.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo.

Habitat & Ecology — In lowland primary dipterocarp forest between 100–500 m altitude. Flowering between April and December; fruiting in January.

Additional specimens examined. Sarawak, *Paul Chai S. 34053* (L); Central Kalimantan, *J.P. Moega et al. 4019* (L); Borneo, Bukit Raya, *Veldkamp 8003*

(L), *Nooteboom 4735* (L); Central Kalimantan, *A.C. Church et al. 888* (L), 937 (K, L).

Note — This species is close to *L. longifolius* Wight. It differs from the latter by having pubescent branchlets, leaves beneath and calyx; smaller stipules (3 by 3 mm) and relatively small flowers (up to 8 mm long); drupe crowned by 2 mm long calyx limb. While *L. longifolius* has glabrous branchlets, leaves and calyx; stipules up to 1 cm long; flowers up to 3 cm long; drupes crowned by 5 mm long enlarged cupular calyx limb. It differs from *L. pseudolongifolius* by having pubescent branchlets, leaves beneath, and cupular, truncate calyx limbs.

8. *Lasianthus barbatus* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 3

Proximus *L. glabro* Ridl., sed foliis lanceolatis, 1.3–2.5 cm latis, nervulis subtus conspicuis, parallelis atque stipulis et bracteis minoribus differt. — Typus: *T. Suppiah s.n. KEP 104817* (holo L), Peninsular Malaysia, Kelantan, Ulu Sat FR., in primary forest, 13 June 1968.

Shrub, 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, glabrous, brown. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate, 8–12 by 1.3–2.5 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous except sparsely hirsute nerves beneath, apex caudate, aristate, arista 2 mm long, base acuminate to acute, midrib slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, glabrous, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 5–6 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to margin, sparsely hirsute beneath, nervules obscure above, conspicuous beneath, parallel, glabrous; petioles c. 5 mm long, glabrous. *Stipules* ovate-triangular to broadly triangular, 4–5 by 4 mm, glabrous except barbate margin. *Inflorescences* axillary, sessile; bracts ovate-triangular, glabrous except barbate margin, 4–5 by 2–4 mm; bracteoles ovate-triangular, glabrous except barbate margin. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile. *Drupe* subglobose, 4–5 by 4 mm, with 5 obtuse ridges, glabrous; calyx lobes persistent, lanceolate, 1 mm long, hirsute; pyrenes 4–5, smooth on the abaxial face, sulcate on the adaxial and the side faces in transverse section.

Distribution — Endemic to Peninsular Malaysia.

Habitat & Ecology — In primary forest. Fruiting in June.

Note — This species has stipules and bracts with barbate margins as *L. glaber*. It differs from the latter by having lanceolate leaves less than 2.5 cm broad, nervules conspicuous beneath, parallel, relatively small stipules and bracts; while *L. glaber* has elliptic-oblong leaves, 12–18 by 4–5.5 cm, nervules obscure on both surfaces, relatively large stipules and bracts. It is close to *L. foxworthyanus*, but differs from the latter by having glabrous branchlets and leaves, leaves lanceolate, nerves 5–6, stipules and bracts ovate-triangular, glabrous except barbate margins, drupes with 4–5 pyrenes.

9. *Lasianthus barbiger* Ridl.

Lasianthus barbiger Ridl. (1917b) 52. — Type: *Robinson & Kloss s.n.* (holo BM; iso K), Sumatra, Korinchi.

Shrubs, up to 3 m high; branchlets usually compressed, 2–3 mm diam, hirsute. *Leaves*: blades ovate-elliptic, 9–13 by 3.5–5 cm, subcoriaceous, sparsely hirsute on midrib and nerves both sides, apex shortly caudate or cuspidate, base cuneate, midrib and nerves slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 10–11 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 70°, curved to the margin, nerves prominent and sparsely hirsute beneath, subreticulate; petioles c. 1 cm long, hirsute. *Stipules* 0.5–1 cm long, lanceolate-oblong to ovate-oblong, membranaceous, with a broad base and an obtuse apex, sparsely hirsute. *Cymes* sessile; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* sessile, 4-merous; calyx tubular, with a campanulate limb, calyx tube c. 2 mm long, glabrous, calyx limb with 4 lanceolate c. 1.5 mm long lobes, barbate at margin; corollas unknown. *Drupe* ovoid, 5 by 8 mm,



Fig. 3 *Lasianthus barbatus* H. Zhu. a. Habit; b. detail of lower surface of leaf; c. stipule; d. bract; e. fruit; f. cross section of fruit (all: *T. Suppiah* s.n. KEP 104817, holo L.).

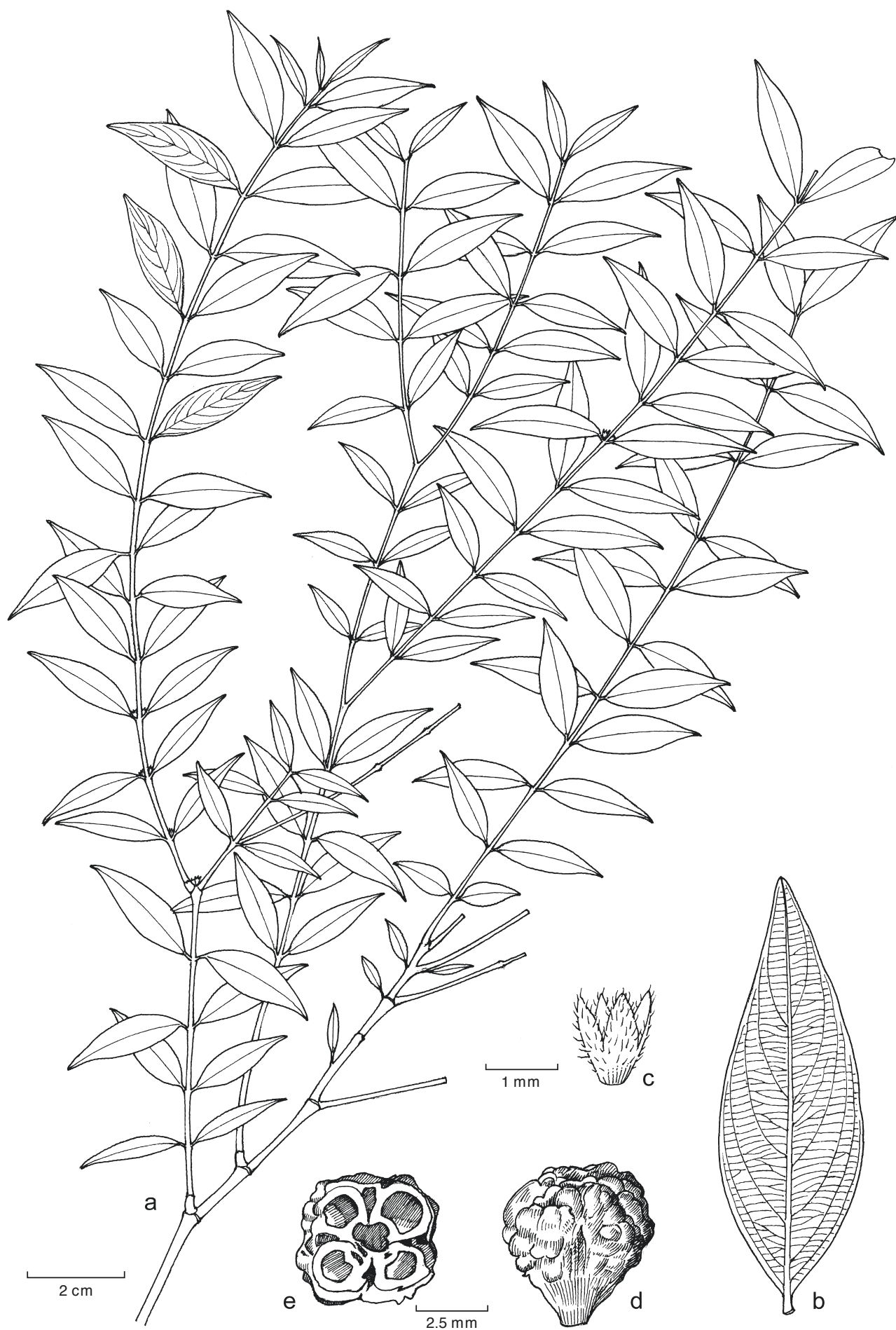


Fig. 4 *Lasianthus bifloroideus* H.Zhu. a. Habit; b. detail of lower surface of leaf showing parallel nervules; c. calyx; d. fruit; e. cross section of fruit (all: *Paul Chai* S.33809, holo L.).

narrow at base, with 4 obtuse ridges, crowned by persistent calyx lobes, glabrous; pyrenes 4, verrucose on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Endemic to Sumatra.

Note — This species has large membranaceous stipules similar to those of the closely related species *L. pseudo-stipularis* and *L. stipularis*. It differs from *L. pseudo-stipularis* by having hirsute branchlets, ovate-elliptic leaves with hirsute nerves beneath, calyx lobes lanceolate, barbate at margin. It differs from *L. stipularis* by having hirsute branchlets, ovate-elliptic leaves with hirsute nerves beneath, inconspicuous bracts, calyx lobes lanceolate, barbate at margin.

10. *Lasianthus bifloroideus* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 4

Similis *L. biflora* (Blume) M.Gangop. & Chakrab., sed ramulis rare puberulis, foliis ovato-lanceolatis glabris, cymis sessilibus vel subsessilibus, lobis calycis ovato-oblongis longioribus tubo et pyrenis conspicue verrucatis differt. — Typus: *Paul Chai* S.33809 (holo L; iso K), Borneo, Lubok Antu, Bukit Peninjau, in valley bottom, 13 Mar. 1974.

Small shrub, 1–2 m high, branchlets terete, slender, less than 1 mm diam, puberulous. *Leaves*: blades very small, ovate-lanceolate, 1.5–3 by 0.5–1 cm, chartaceous, glabrous on both surfaces, apex acuminate, mucronate, base acute; midrib slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves slender, flat above, prominent beneath, 5 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 60°, curved to margin, nervules weak, slender, parallel; petioles short, less than 1 mm long, puberulous. *Stipules* lanceolate, c. 1 mm long, puberulous. *Inflorescences* sessile or subsessile, bracts absent. *Flowers* very small; calyx c. 1 mm long, sparsely puberulous, calyx lobes 4, ovate-oblong, c. 0.7 mm long; corolla not seen. *Drupes* subglobose, 4–5 mm diam, glabrous, 4-ridged, crowned by 4 c. 1 mm long ovate-oblong calyx lobes; pyrenes 4, warty on abaxial face, orbicular in transverse section.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo (Lukok Antu).

Habitat & Ecology — Valley bottom near river. Flowering and fruiting in March.

Note — This species is closely related to *L. biflorus*, but differs from the latter by having branchlets thinly puberulous, leaves ovate-lanceolate glabrous, cymes sessile or subsessile, calyx lobes ovate-oblong longer than calyx tube, drupes more warty. *Lasianthus biflorus* has branchlets hirsute, leaves subrhombic to elliptic-obovate, hirsute midrib and nerves beneath, cymes with 5–15 mm long peduncles, drupes less warty.

11. *Lasianthus biflorus* (Blume) M.Gangop. & Chakrab. — Map 3

Lasianthus biflorus (Blume) M.Gangop. & Chakrab. (1992) 338; H.Zhu (2002) 100. — *Litosanthes biflora* Blume (1826–1827) 994. — Type: *Blume* s.n. (lecto L, designated by Zhu 2002, barcode L0000722), Java.

Lasianthus gracilis King & Gamble (1904) 132; Ridl. (1923a) 169; K.M.Wong (1989) 367. — Type: *Ridley* 2904 (lecto SING, designated by Wong 1988), Peninsular Malaysia.

Lasianthus gainii M.Gangop. & Chakrab. (1992) 338. — *Litosanthes gracilis* Hayata (1912) 113. — Syntypes: *Hayata* & *Sasaki* s.n. (n.v.), Kusukusu; *G. Nakahara* s.n. (n.v.), Botanrosha.

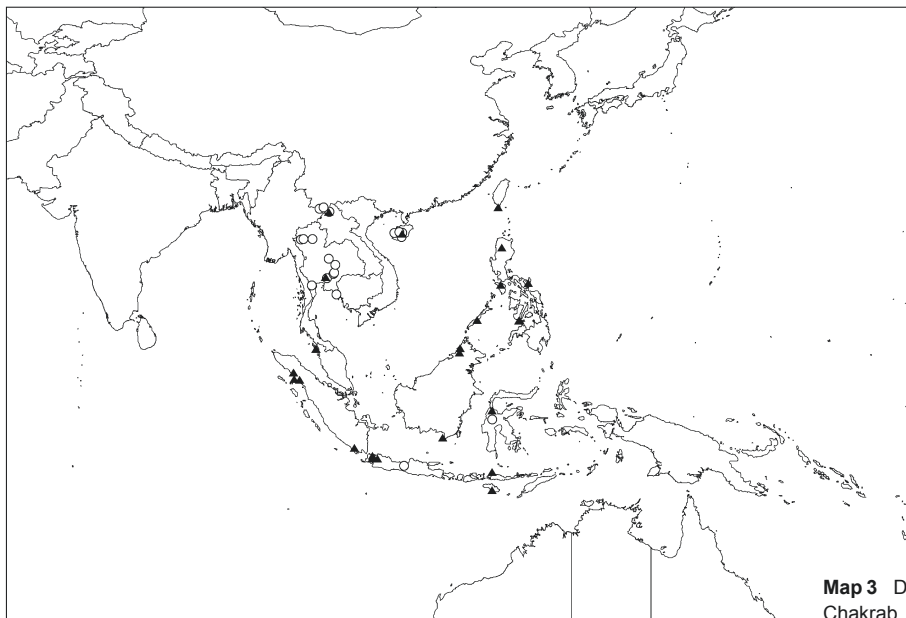
Shrubs, 1–2 m high; branchlets terete, densely hirsute. *Leaves*: blades chartaceous, subrhomboid or elliptic-obovate, 1.5–2.5 by 0.8–1.5 cm, apex acute, often mucronulate, base cuneate, glabrous above, hirsute beneath, midrib depressed above, prominent beneath, hirsute beneath, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 6–8 pairs, hirsute beneath, nervules obscure on both surfaces; petioles 1–2 mm long, hirsute. *Stipules* small, inconspicuous. *Cymes* with peduncles 0.5–1.5 cm long, hirsute; bracts small, inconspicuous. *Flowers* with pedicels c. 1 mm long; calyx campanulate, c. 2 mm long, glabrous, calyx limb with 5 triangular teeth; corolla 2–4 mm long, glabrous outside, lobes ovate. *Drupes* ovoid, c. 4–5 mm diam, glabrous, verrucose, 4-grooved; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — China (S Yunnan, Hainan, Taiwan), mainland SE Asia, Malaysia (Peninsular, Borneo), Philippines, Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Kalimantan, Sulawesi, Lesser Sunda Islands).

12. *Lasianthus borneensis* Merr.

Lasianthus borneensis Merr. (1929a) 292. — Type: *Elmer* 21212 (iso CAS, HUH, K, L, MO, SING, U), *Elmer* 21656 (para MO, SING), Borneo, Tawao. *Lasianthus sepalinus* Ridl. (1934) 120, syn. nov. — Type: *Ridley* 9703 (holo K), Borneo, Bongaya, Labuk Bay; *Clemens* 9467 (para SING), Sandakan.

Shrubs, c. 1–2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely appressed-pubescent, virid to brown. *Leaves*: blades oblong to oblong-lanceolate, 10–22 by 3–5.5 cm, coriaceous to subcoriaceous, glabrous and nitid above except midrib, densely short-hirsute or hispid beneath, apex shortly caudate-acuminate, base acute to subrounded, slightly asymmetric, midrib, nerves and nervules flat to slightly prominent above, conspicuously prominent beneath, nerves 8–10 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to the margin; nervules parallel; petioles 8–10 mm long, densely pubescent. *Stipules* oblong-ovate to lanceolate, 2–3 mm long, densely pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile, 5-merous; calyx campanulate,



Map 3 Distribution of *Lasianthus biflorus* (Blume) M.Gangop. & Chakrab. (▲) and *L. obscurus* (Blume ex DC.) Miq. (○).

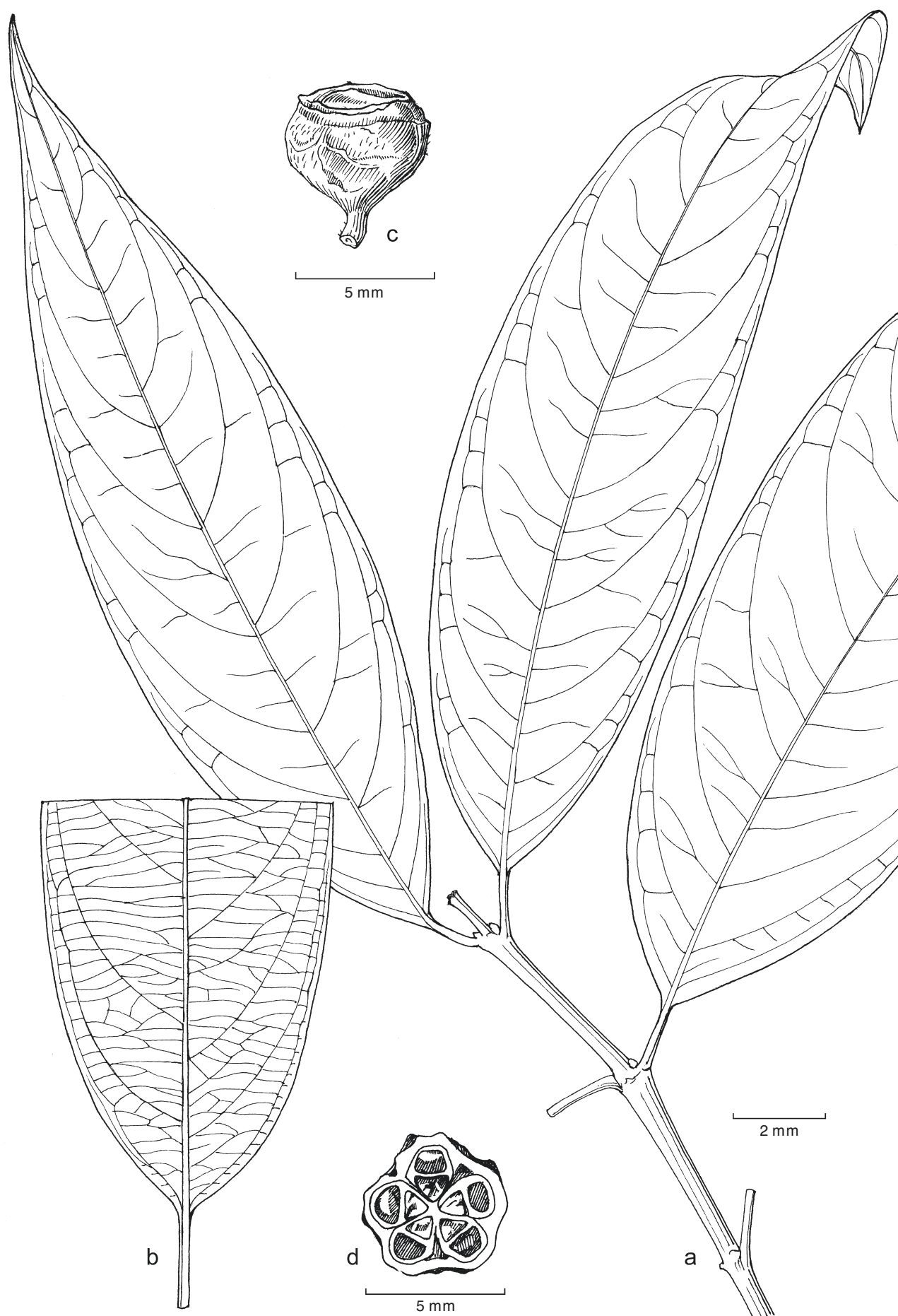


Fig. 5 *Lasianthus brevipedicellatus* H. Zhu. a. Habit; b. lower surface of leaf showing subparallel nervules; c. fruit; d. cross section of fruit (all: Y.P. Ching S.55288, holo L).

hirsute, calyx tube c. 2 mm long, lobes 5, oblong, c. 3 mm long; corolla tube cylindrical, c. 6 mm long, pubescent outside, villose inside; corolla lobes 5, oblong, acute at apex, 3 mm long, pubescent outside, floccose inside; anthers oblong, c. 1.5 mm long. *Drupes* globose, c. 5 mm diam, with 5 obtuse ridges, hirsute, crowned by 5 large oblong calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Malaysia (Borneo) and Brunei.

Note — This species is easily recognized by its hispid leaves, relatively large calyx and oblong calyx lobes with an obtuse apex. It is closely related to *L. setulosus* also from Borneo. *Lasianthus setulosus* differs in having densely spreading long hispid on branchlets and both surfaces of leaves, a relatively small calyx, 3 by 3 mm, with ovate-triangular calyx lobes with acute apex.

13. *Lasianthus bracteolatus* Miq.

Lasianthus bracteolatus Miq. (1869) 246; Bakh.f. (1965) 337. — Type: *Jung-huhn* s.n. (holo L, barcode L 0057503; iso L, barcode L0057504, L, barcode L0057505), Sumatra, Tapanuli.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, 2–3 mm diam, densely appressed-pubescent to subglabrous, brown. *Leaves*: blades elliptic to obovate-elliptic, 9–13 by 4–6 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above, pubescent on midrib, nerves and nervules beneath, apex shortly caudate to cuspidate, base rounded to subrounded, slightly asymmetric, midrib and nerves flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 7–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, prominent beneath, subparallel; petioles 4–5 mm long, densely pubescent. *Stipules* triangular-subulate, c. 4 mm long, densely pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts linear, 5–6 mm long, densely pubescent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, densely pubescent, tube c. 2 mm long, lobes 5, subulate, c. 1 mm long; corolla not seen. *Drupes* globose, c. 3 mm diam, pubescent, crowned by subulate calyx lobes; pyrenes 4–5, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Indonesia (Java and Moluccas).

Note — This species has elliptic to obovate-elliptic leaves with 7–8 pairs of nerves, bracts linear, and drupes with 4–5 pyrenes. It differs from *L. rigidus* by having relatively small leaves with rounded base, longer petioles, bracts linear and shorter, calyx lobes subulate, small and smaller pubescent drupes.

14. *Lasianthus brevipedicellatus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 5

Similis *L. vrieseano* Miq, sed foliis chartaceis vel subcoriaceis, basi acutis differt. A *L. perakensis* King & Gamble foliis glabris et drupis pedicellatis 5–6-porcatis apice truncatis differt. — Typus: *Ching S. 55288* (holo L), Borneo, Sarawak, Sg. Palong, 850 m alt., in dipterocarp forest, 24 Sept. 1987.

Treelet, 3 m high; branchlets terete, compressed in the youngest part, c. 3 mm diam, puberulous, fistulous. *Leaves*: blades elliptic to oblong-elliptic, 19–23 by 5–8 cm, chartaceous to subcoriaceous, glabrous on both surfaces, apex cuspidate to falcate-acuminate, mucronate, base acute, midrib slightly depressed or flat above, conspicuously prominent beneath, nerves prominent on both surfaces, 7–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to margin, glabrous, nervules prominent on both surfaces, subparallel, glabrous, margin recurved; petioles 1–1.5 cm long, puberulous or subglabrous. *Stipules* triangular, 1.5–2 mm long, often deciduous. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* not seen. *Drupes* stalked, fascicular; pedicels short, 1.5–2 mm long, slender, glabrous; drupes subglobose, sparsely puberulous, warty, 5–6 conspicuously obtuse ridges; pyrenes 5–6, slightly warty on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Malaysia (Peninsular and Sarawak).

Habitat & Ecology — In montane forest between 850–1000 m altitude. Fruiting in September.

Additional specimen examined. Peninsular Malaysia, Gunong Tapis, 3000 ft, KEP-FRI 10973 (L).

Note — This species is characterized by its stalked drupes, very small stipules, bracts absent and glabrous leaves with subparallel nervules prominent on both surfaces. It is very closely related to *L. vriesianus*, but differs from the latter by having chartaceous to subcoriaceous leaves with acute base and smaller flowers. *Lasianthus vriesianus* has thickly coriaceous leaves with subrounded base. In *L. vriesianus*, only the type with few immature drupes has been seen. More other diagnostic characteristics between these two species cannot be recognized because of insufficient collections. This species is also similar to *L. perakensis*, but differs from the latter by having glabrous leaves, pedicled drupes with 5–6 ridges, while *L. perakensis* has puberulous leaves on nerves beneath, sessile drupes with 10-ridged pyrenes and crowned by persistent obtuse spreading calyx lobes.

15. *Lasianthus brevipedunculatus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 6

Proximus *L. nervosus* King & Gamble, sed foliis majoribus 4.5–8 cm longis 2–3 cm latis, cymis brevipedunculatis, floribus 5-meris, lobis calycis triangulato-oblongis et pyrenis 5 differt. — Typus: *Nagamasu 3359* (holo L), W Sumatra, Gunung Sago, 2100–2260 m alt., in upper montane forest around the summit, 30 Oct. 1988.

Shrub, c. 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 1.5 mm diam, densely brown-yellowish tomentose. *Leaves* elliptic-oblong to ovate-oblong, 4.5–8 by 2–3 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, puberulous beneath, densely tomentose hairs on midrib and nerves beneath, apex acute or cuspidate, base subrounded, midrib depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves flat or slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, 5–6 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to margin, nervules prominent on both surfaces, parallel, margin hirsute; petioles 4–6 mm long, densely tomentose. *Stipules* triangular, 2 mm long, densely tomentose. *Inflorescences* shortly peduncled; peduncles 1–3 mm long, densely tomentose; bracts 1–2, linear, c. 2 mm long, tomentose. *Flowers* sessile; calyx hirsute external surface, lobes 5, oblong or lanceolate-oblong, 3 mm long, tube very short, less than 1 mm long; corolla 4–5 mm long, tomentose external surface, lobes 5, triangular-oblong, 2–3 mm long; stamens 5; ovary with 5 locules. *Drupes* c. 4 mm diam, subglobose, subglabrous, crowned by 5 calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Indonesia (W Sumatra).

Habitat & Ecology — In upper montane forest at 2100 m altitude.

Note — This species is closely related to *L. nervosus* from Malaysian mountains. It differs from the latter by having relatively large leaves (4.5–8 by 2–3 cm), cymes shortly peduncled, flowers 5-merous, calyx lobes triangular-oblong, and drupes with 5 pyrenes. *Lasianthus nervosus* has leaves of 2.5–3.5 by 1.5 cm, cymes sessile, flowers 4-merous, calyx with triangular teeth, and drupes with 4 pyrenes.

16. *Lasianthus brochidodromus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 7

Proximus *L. membranaceoides* H.Zhu, sed foliis lanceolatis 2–2.5 cm latis, drupis minoribus puberulis obtuse 4–5-porcatis et pyrenis abaxiali leviter verrucosis differt. — Typus: *Gaerlan et al. PPI 23712* (holo L), Philippines, Luzon, Quezon, Alabat Isl., 175 m alt., in dipterocarp forest, 25 March 1996.

Shrub, c. 1.5 m high; branchlets terete, compressed at nodes, c. 1.5 mm diam, glabrous. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate, glabrous except puberulous nerves and margin beneath, 10–15 by 2–2.5 cm; subcoriaceous, apex acuminate, margin slightly undulate and recurved, base acute, midrib slightly prominent above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves prominent on both surfaces, 9–12 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 90°, curved near margin

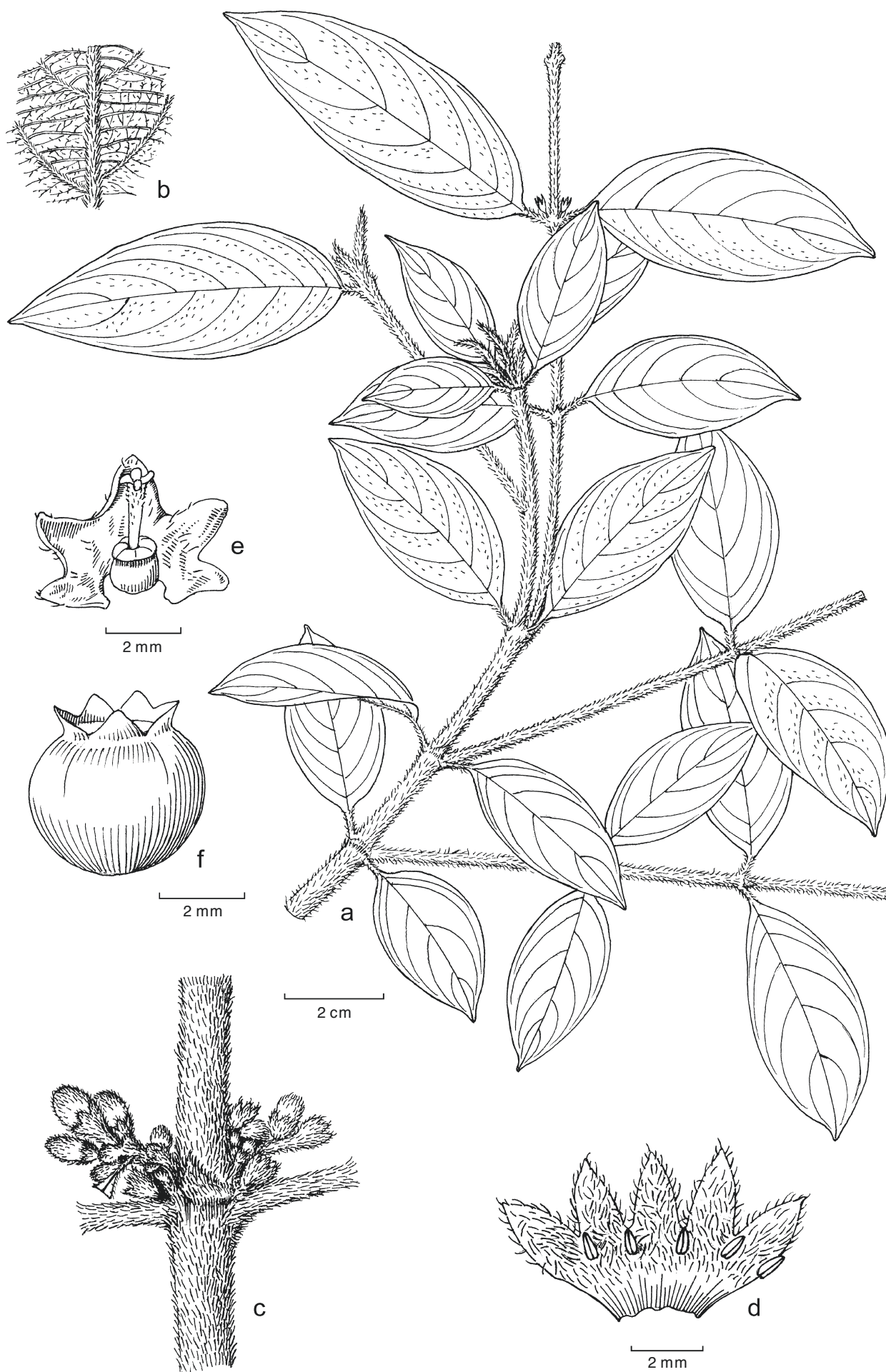


Fig. 6 *Lasianthus brevipedunculatus* H. Zhu. a. Habit; b. detail of lower surface of leaf showing indumentum and parallel nervules; c. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescences; d. corolla split opened; e. calyx split opened; f. fruit (all: H. Nagamasu 3359, holo L.).

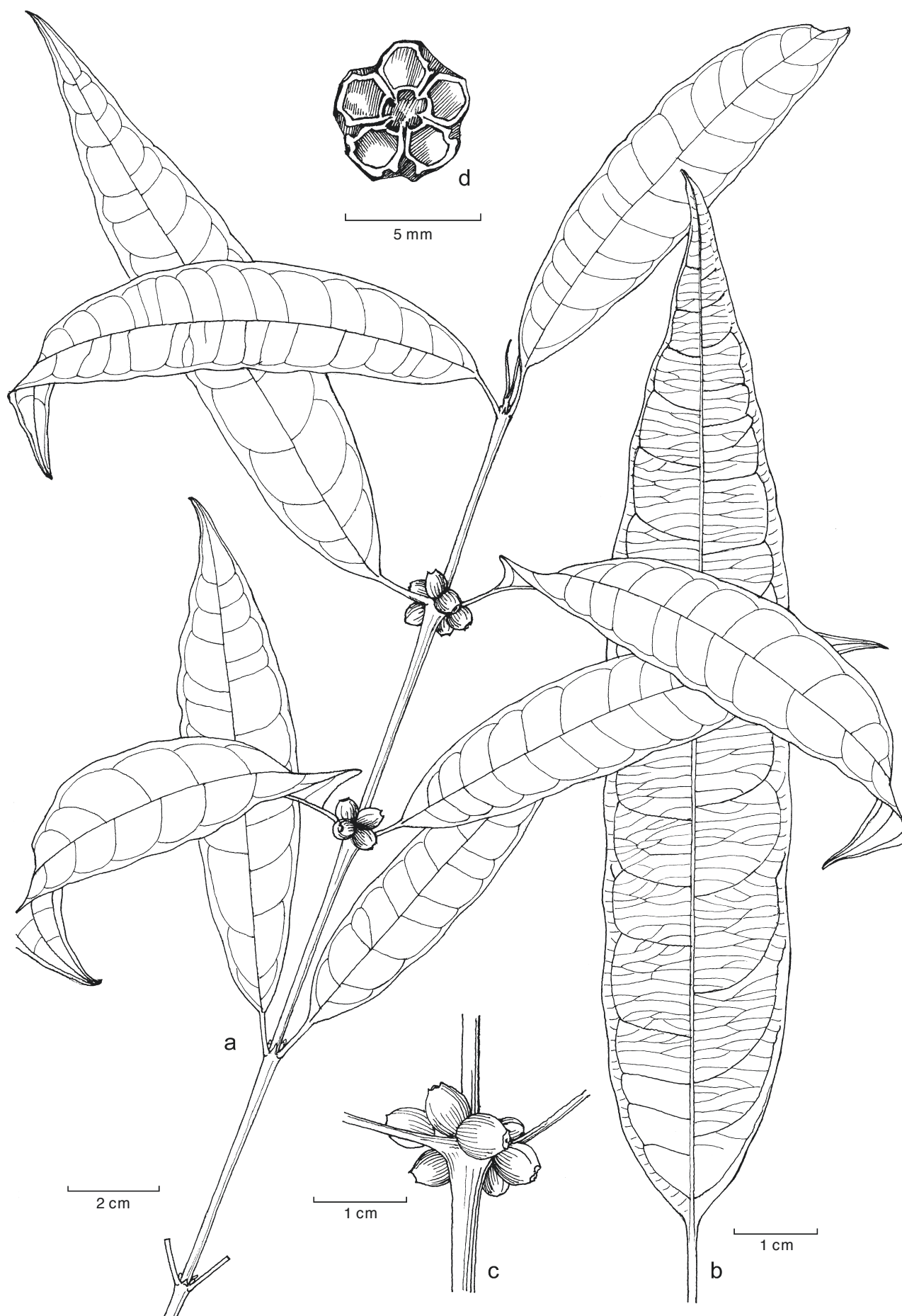


Fig. 7 *Lasianthus brochidodromus* H. Zhu. a. Habit with fruits; b. detail of leaf; c. detail of node showing axillary fruits; d. cross section of fruit (all: F. Gaerlan et al. PPI23712, holo L).

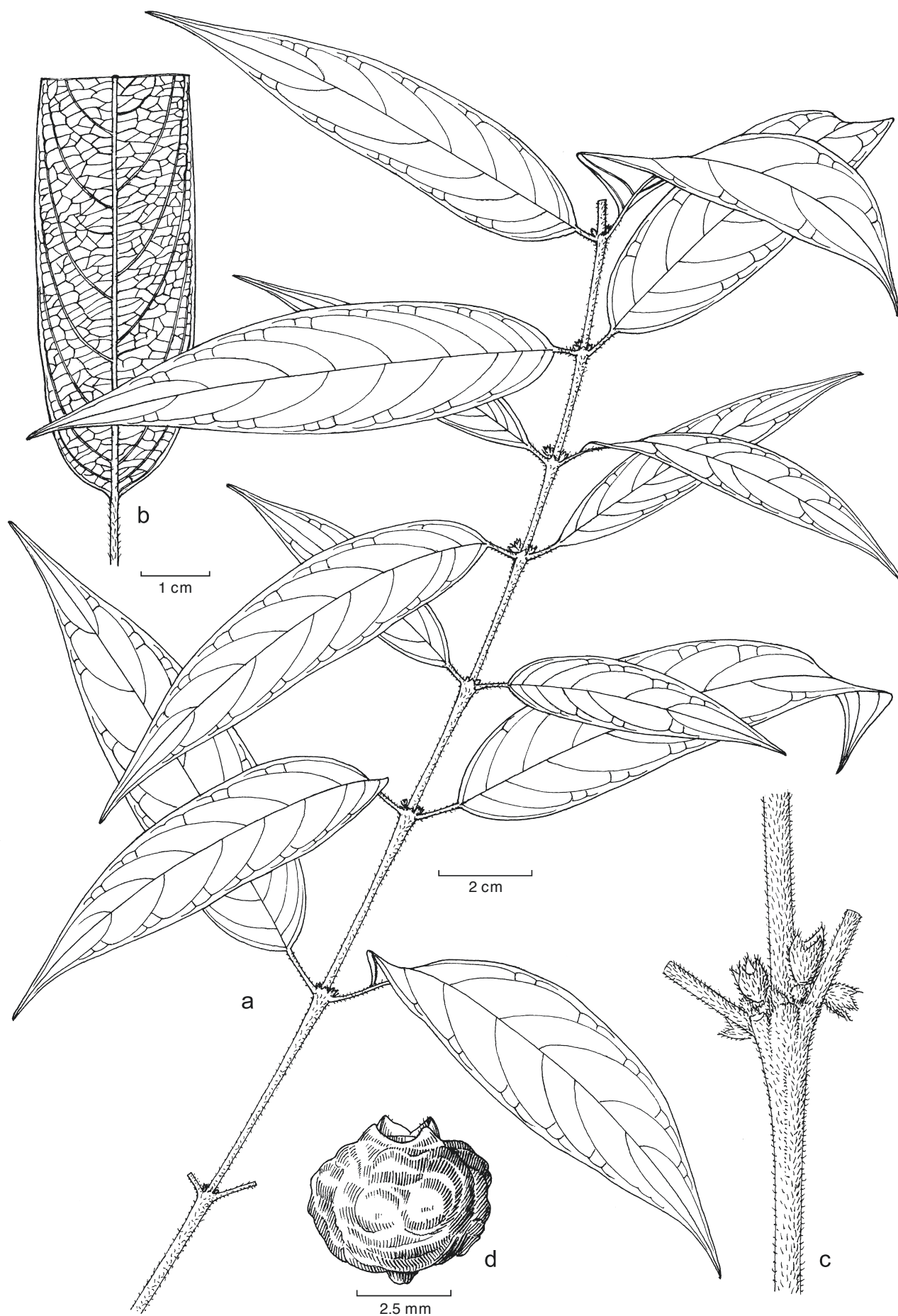


Fig. 8 *Lasianthus bruneensis* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. lower surface of leaf showing reticulate nervules; c. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescences; d. fruit (all: G.T. Prance et al. 30620, holo L).

and joining the nerves above, forming an intramarginal vein (looped venation), internerved vein weak, ascending from the midrib at an angle of c. 90°, combination to the main nerves, nervules conspicuous on both surfaces, reticulate; petioles 1–1.5 cm long, dark, glabrous or sparsely pubescent. *Stipules* small, subulate, c. 1.5 mm long, pubescent. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* not seen. *Drupes* in fascicles, sessile, globose, c. 5 mm diam, puberulous, slightly warty, with 4–5 obtuse ridges, crowned by very small calyx teeth; pyrenes 4–5, slightly warty on the abaxial face, orbicular in transverse section.

Distribution — Endemic in Alabat Isl., Quezon, Philippines.

Habitat & Ecology — In dipterocarp forest. Fruiting in March.

Note — This species is characterized by its lanceolate leaves with a looped venation. It seems to be close to *L. membranaceoides*, but differs from the latter by having leaves lanceolate, 2–2.5 cm broad, drupes puberulous, c. 5 mm diam, with 4–5 obtuse ridges, pyrenes slightly warty on the abaxial face, orbicular in transverse section. *Lasianthus membranaceoides* has leaves oblong, 3–4 cm broad, drupes glabrous, c. 7 mm diam, conspicuously 8-ridged, pyrenes sulcate on the abaxial face, triangular in transverse section.

17. *Lasianthus bruneensis* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 8

Proximus *L. subaureo* Craib, sed foliis basi rotundatis conspicue asymmetricis, stipulis minoribus 1 mm longis atque calycibus dentatis differt. — **Typus:** *Prance et al.* 30620 (holo L; iso K), Brunei, Bukit Belalong, 909 m alt., in lower montane forest around summit, 23 Feb. 1992.

Treelet, 2 m high; branchlets terete, puberulous, glabrescent or glabrous. *Leaves:* blades linear-lanceolate to oblong-lanceolate, 8–14 by 1.5–3 cm, coriaceous, glabrous or sparsely puberulous on leaf nerves beneath, apex attenuate to acuminate or caudate, margin recurved, base rounded, asymmetric, midrib conspicuously prominent on both surfaces, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 6–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of 75–85°, curved to the margin, nervules conspicuous beneath, reticulate; petioles nigrescent, 1 cm long, sparsely puberulous. *Stipules* very small, triangular, 1 mm long, puberulous. *Inflorescences* sessile or short tuberculate, bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* in fascicles sessile; calyx campanulate, 2 by 2 mm, puberulous, limb with 5 subulate-triangular 0.5 mm long teeth; corolla not seen. *Drupes* c. 4 mm diam, subglobose, subglabrous, black, crowned by persistent small subulate-triangular calyx teeth; pyrenes 4–5, slightly rugose on the abaxial face, triangular in transverse section, with thickened wall.

Distribution — Brunei.

Habitat & Ecology — In lower montane forest between 800–1160 m altitude. In sandstone soil. Flowering and fruiting between October and February.

Additional specimens examined. Brunei, Bukit Tudal, *Davis A.P.* 481.

Note — This species is close to *L. subaureus*. It differs from the latter by having leaves with rounded and asymmetric bases, very small stipules, calyx not cupular, calyx limb with subulate-triangular teeth. *Lasianthus subaureus* has leaves with acute to acuminate base, stipules 3 mm long, calyx cupular, with truncate limb.

18. *Lasianthus callinianus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 9

Proximus *L. chrysophyllo* Miq., sed plantis dense patentibus fulvi-hirsutis, foliis minoribus oblongis basi leviter asymmetricis, pedunculis cymae robustis 7–8 mm longis, bracteis minoribus apice breviusculatis, lobis calycis 5, 2–3 mm longis et pyrenis 5 differt. Similis *L. cyanocarpo* Jack, sed plantis dense fulvi-hirsutis, foliis majoribus 10–17 cm longis basi abrupte acutis vel subrotundatis, nervis 14-binatis et pedunculis cymae robustis 7–8 mm longis differt. *A.L. hirsuto* (Roxb.) Merr. plantis dense fulvi-hirsutis, foliis basi abrupte

acutis vel subrotundatis, nervis 14-binatis, stipulis minoribus 3 mm longis et cymis pedunculatis differt. — **Typus:** *Ismael* 3/21.8.1957 (holo L), W Sumatra, east of Pajakumbuh, 500–1000 m alt., in primary forest, 21 Aug. 1957.

Shrub, c. 2.5 m high, branchlets terete, or slightly compressed in the youngest part, robust, c. 3–4 mm diam, densely spreading yellowish hirsute. *Leaves:* blades oblong, 10–17 by 3–5 cm, thickly chartaceous, stiffly spreading yellowish hirsute on both surfaces, apex acute, base abruptly acute or subrounded, slightly asymmetric, midrib densely stiffly hirsute above, strongly prominent and densely hirsute beneath, nerves depressed above, strongly prominent beneath, densely hirsute, c. 14 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 80°, curved gradually to margin, nervules obscure above, conspicuous beneath, subreticulate, hirsute, margin slightly recurved, densely hirsute; petioles 5–7 mm long, densely hirsute. *Stipules* lanceolate-triangular, c. 3 mm long, densely hirsute. *Inflorescences* pedunculate; peduncles 7–8 mm long, robust, densely yellowish hirsute; bracts 2, leaf-like, ovate, c. 1.5 by 1 cm, with shortly cuspidate apex and rounded or subcordate base, and with midrib and nerves like the leaves, densely yellowish hirsute on both surfaces; bracteoles numerous, outer ones like bracts but smaller, interior ones ovate to linear, c. 1 cm long, densely hirsute; calyx c. 4–5 mm long, densely hirsute, lobes 5, lanceolate, 2–3 mm long, densely hirsute on both surfaces; corolla densely hirsute. *Drupes* c. 4 mm diam, subglobose, densely hirsute, crowned by persistent linear-lanceolate, c. 5 mm long, hirsute calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Indonesia (W Sumatra).

Habitat & Ecology — In montane primary forest between 500–1000 m altitude.

Notes — This species is characterized by its densely spreading yellowish hirsute hairs, peduncled cymes with leaf-like bracts and bracteoles. It is closely related to *L. chrysophyllus*, but differs from the latter by having branchlets, leaves both surfaces densely spreading yellowish hirsute; leaves relatively small, oblong, with slightly asymmetric base, 10–17 by 3–5 cm; peduncles 7–8 mm long, bracts relatively small with shortly cuspidate apex; flowers 5-merous; calyx lobes 5, 2–3 mm long. *Lasianthus chrysophyllus* has branchlets and leaf venation, bracts and calyx densely appressed-pubescent; leaves larger, slightly obovate-oblong, 26–34 by 6–8 cm; peduncles c. 2–3 mm long; bracts larger, with a c. 5 mm long cuspidate apex; flowers 4-merous; calyx lobes 4, c. 1.5 mm long.

It is also related to *L. cyanocarpus*, but differs from the latter by having plants covered by densely yellowish hirsute, leaves relatively big (10–17 cm long) with abruptly acute to subrounded base and 14 pairs of nerves, cymes with 7–8 mm long robust peduncles. While *L. cyanocarpus* has much soft pilose hairs on branchlets, leaves and bracts; leaves relatively small (8–13 cm long) with rounded to cordate oblique base and less than 10 pairs of nerves; cymes sessile or subsessile. This species is also similar to *L. hirsutus*, but differs from the latter by having densely yellowish hirsute hairs, leaves with 14 pairs of nerves and abruptly acute or subrounded base, stipules 3 mm long, cymes peduncled. *Lasianthus hirsutus* has rusty hirsute hairs, leaves with 7–10 pairs of nerves and acute to cuneate base, stipules 8–10 mm long, and cymes sessile.

19. *Lasianthus capitatus* Blume

Lasianthus capitatus Blume (1826–1827) 996; Miq. (1857) 320; (1869) 246; Merr. (1921) 577; Bakh.f. (1965) 337. — *Mephithidia capitata* (Blume) DC. (1830) 453. — Type: *Blume s.n.* p.p. (the part from Java, non Sumatra) (lecto L, designated here, barcode L0310036), Java.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, c. 3 mm diam, densely tomentose. *Leaves:* blades oblong-elliptic to oblong-lanceolate, 10–15 by 3–3.5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, tomentose beneath, apex acuminate, base acute or cuneate, midrib and nerves flat



Fig. 9 *Lasianthus caillinianus* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of node showing indumentum of branch and lower surface of leaf; c. detail of inflorescence; d. bract; e. calyx split opened; f. fruit; g. pyrene in lateral view (all: *Ismael* no. 3/21.8.1957, holo L.).

or slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 7–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of 40–50°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, slightly prominent beneath, parallel; petioles 5–8 mm long, densely tomentose. *Stipules* narrowly triangular, c. 3 mm long, densely tomentose. *Cymes* pedunculate; peduncles 0.2–2 cm long, stout, densely tomentose; bracts linear, 0.5–1 cm long, densely tomentose. *Flowers* sessile; calyx densely long-villose, tube 1–2 mm long, lobes 6, linear, up to 12 mm long; corolla tube c. 10 mm long, long-villose outside, lobes 6, ovate-triangular, c. 3 mm long, long-villose outside, floccose inside. *Drupes* subglobose, c. 8 mm diam, densely tomentose, crowned by persistent linear calyx lobes; pyrenes 6.

Distribution — Indonesia (Java and Lesser Sunda Islands).

Notes — The herbarium sheet with barcode L0310036 is a mixture containing two distinct species respectively from Java and Sumatra; the lectotype of *L. capitatus* is the one from Java.

Lasianthus capitatus is similar to *L. chevalieri* from mainland SE Asia. It differs in having pedunculate cymes, 7–8 pairs of nerves, conspicuously villose linear bracts and relatively small flowers. *Lasianthus chevalieri* has sessile and ebracteate cymes, 11 pairs of nerves, relatively large flowers with the calyx tube 5–6 mm long, the calyx lobes 13–14 mm long, the corolla tube 13 mm long and the corolla lobes c. 8 mm long.

Lasianthus capitatus has peduncles, which vary from almost subsessile to 1–2 cm long even in the same specimen. The inferior peduncles are usually longer and the superior ones are shorter. A variety of short peduncles cannot be clearly recognized (e.g. var. *sessilis* Blume in sheets and var. *subsessilis* Miq. in sheets).

20. *Lasianthus chinensis* (Champ.) Benth. — Map 4

Lasianthus chinensis (Champ.) Benth. (1861) 160; Hook.f. (1880) 187; F.B. Forbes & Hemsl. (1888) 388; T.Yamaz. (1964) 352; T.S.Liu & J.M.Chao (1964) 124, f. 4; J.M.Chao (1978) 286; H.Zhu (1994) 67; H.J.Li & H.Y.Liu (1998) 280; H.S.Lo (1999) 84, pl. 22: 1–5; H.Zhu (2001b) 123; (2002) 88. — *Mephitidia chinensis* Champ. (1852) 196. — Type (j): *Champion?* 112 (lecto K; isolecto NY, designated by Zhu 2001b), Hongkong; *Champion* s.n. (para K), Hongkong.

Lasianthus dinhensis Pierre ex Pit. (1924) 388. — Syntypes: *Poilane* 283 (P), Cambodge [Cambodia], Kampot; *Pierre* 3257 (BM, K, MO, P), Cochinchina [Vietnam], Baria.

Lasianthus dinhensis Pierre ex Pit. var. *tonkinensis* Pit. (1924) 388. — Syn-types: *Balansa* 640 (K, P), Vietnam: Tonkin, Ouonbi; Laos: *Poilane* 2327 (BM, K, P), Tranninh.

Lasianthus dinhensis Pierre ex Pit. var. *glabrescens* Pierre ex Pit. (1924) 388.

— Type: *Pierre* 3258 (holo P), Cochinchina [Vietnam].

Mephitidia odajimae Masam. (1934) 211. — *Lasianthus chinensis* (Champ.) Benth. var. *odajimae* (Masam.) Kaneh. (1936) 669. — Type not designated.

Shrubs, 1–4 m tall; branches and branchlets terete, densely pubescent. *Leaves*: blades subcoriaceous, oblong, 15–25 by 4–7 cm, apex acute or acuminate, base acute or obtuse, margin usually reflexed, glabrous above, thinly to densely pubescent beneath, midrib and nerves flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 9–15 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct above, distinct and prominent beneath, reticulate; petioles 1–1.5 cm long, pubescent. *Stipules* triangular, 2–3 mm long, pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent; 4–6-flowered. *Flowers* sessile; calyx elongated campanulate, 5–7 mm long, with 4–6 triangular-ovate or orbicular reflexed lobes; corolla white, 10–15 mm long, hirsute outside, lobes 5–6, lanceolate. *Drupes* pubescent, 8 mm diam, with 5–6 conspicuous longitudinal angles; pyrenes 5–6.

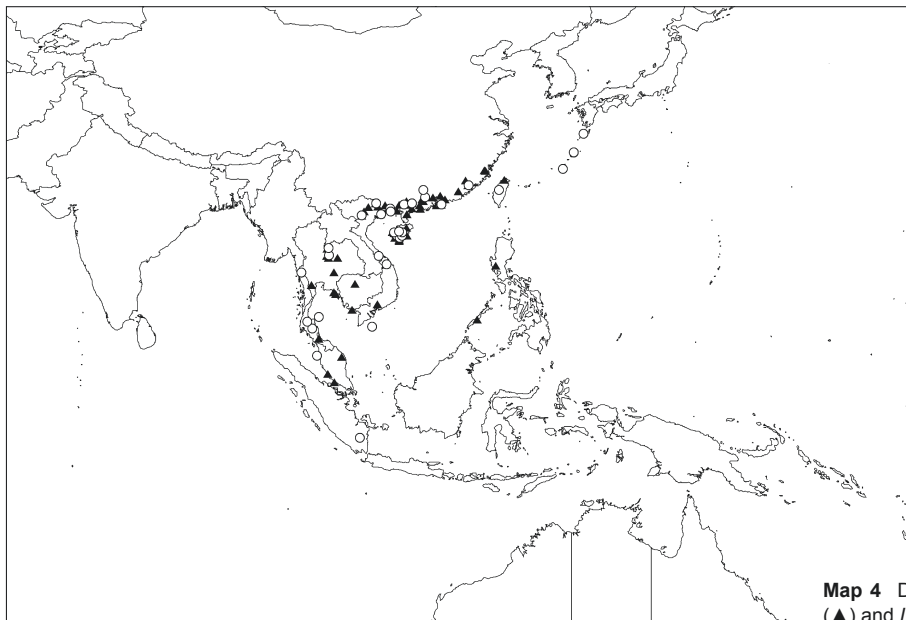
Distribution — China, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, Peninsular Malaysia, Philippines (Palawan).

Note — *Lasianthus chinensis* is easily confused with *L. verticillatus*. This confusion has occurred in many references. According to Bentham's (1861) original description of *L. chinensis*, it has leaves with parallel nervules conspicuous on both sides and diverging from the midrib, but the type specimen has almost reticulate nervules. This may be a factor leading to the confusion. *Lasianthus chinensis* usually has dense pubescence on branches and leaf nerves beneath, chartaceous or subcoriaceous leaves with 10–13(–15) pairs of nerves, and reticulate nervules as well as reflexed margins, calyx with triangular, ovate or orbicular reflexed lobes, and drupes with 5–6 conspicuous longitudinal angles; while *L. verticillatus* has thin or sparse appressed-pubescence on branches and leaf nerves beneath, coriaceous leaves with 5–9 pairs of nerves and parallel nervules, and a cupulate, usually truncate or sometime minutely toothed calyx, and smooth and rounded drupes.

21. *Lasianthus chlorocarpus* K.Schum.

Lasianthus chlorocarpus K.Schum. (1905) 399; Valetton (1927) 109; Merr. & L.M.Perry (1946) 219. — Type: *Lauterbach* 3151 (B+), New Guinea; *Wiakabu et al.* LAE 50043 (neotype L, designated here), New Guinea, Vanimo sub Province, 140 m alt., in rainforest, 5 Sept. 1982.

Lasianthus chlorocarpus K.Schum. var. *curvinervis* Valetton (1927) 110, syn. nov. — Type: *Ledermann* 6630 (lecto SING, designated here), New Guinea.



Map 4 Distribution of *Lasianthus chinensis* (Champ.) Benth. (▲) and *L. curtisii* King & Gamble (○).

Shrubs, c. 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, slightly compressed in the youngest part, sparsely spreading hirsute (strigillose), brown when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 10–18 by 3–5 cm, chartaceous, glabrous above, hirsute on venation beneath, apex acute to cuspidate, base acute or cuneate, slightly asymmetric, midrib and nerves flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 7 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 50°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, distinct and slightly prominent beneath, subreticulate; petioles 5–10 mm long, spreading hirsute. *Stipules* subulate, 4–5 mm long, hirsute. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, spreading hirsute, tube c. 2 mm long, limb c. 1.5 mm long, with 4 minute teeth; corolla tube c. 5 mm long, glabrous in the lower half on both sides, hirsute in the upper half on both sides, corolla lobes 4, lanceolate, c. 3 mm long, hirsute outside, floccose inside. *Drupes* ellipsoid, c. 5 mm diam, sparsely hirsute, verrucose, with 4 obscure ridges; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Philippines, Indonesia (Lesser Sunda Islands, Sulawesi, Irian Jaya) Papua New Guinea, Solomon Isl., N Australia.

Notes — This species is very close to *L. trichophlebus*. Both species have strigillose hairs on young branches, leaves nerves beneath, stipules and calyx. *Lasianthus chlorocarpus* differs from *L. trichophlebus* by having subulate stipules and thinner chartaceous leaves with subreticulate nervules and relatively short strigose and minutely toothed calyx limb; while the latter has coriaceous to subcoriaceous leaves, lanceolate-triangular calyx lobes, lanceolate stipules that are more than 5 mm long, and much long and spreading strigose hairs.

This species is also close to *L. verticillatus*. It differs from the latter by having relatively long subulate stipules (up to 5 mm long); chartaceous leaves with subreticulate nervules; strigillose hairs on branches, nerves beneath, stipules and calyx; as well as usually slightly verrucose drupes with 4 pyrenes and without an enlarged cupular and truncate calyx limb. *Lasianthus verticillatus* usually has triangular stipules, subcoriaceous to coriaceous leaves, parallel nervules and glabrous or appressed-puberulous on branches, nerves beneath, stipules and calyx, and usually drupes with 5 pyrenes and crowned by an enlarged cupular calyx limb with truncate apex.

Valetton (1927) and Merrill & Perry (1946) mentioned that *L. chlorocarpus* could be *L. strigosus* Wight from Australia. We agree that *L. chlorocarpus* is conspecific to *L. strigosus* auct. plur. (non Wight) from Australia.

Schlechter 18625 (K), a syntype of *L. chlorocarpus* K. Schum. var. *curvinervis* Valetton, is closer to *L. verticillatus* than to *L. chlorocarpus* and therefore excluded from *L. chlorocarpus*.

22. *Lasianthus chryseus* Ridl.

Lasianthus chryseus Ridl. (1920) 143; (1923a) 158. — Lectotype (here designated) *Ridley 140* (lecto K), Singapore; *Curtis s.n.* (para, n.v.), Peninsular Malaysia, Penang.

Mephitis capitata (Blume) DC. var. *ferruginea* Korth. (1851) 222, syn. nov. — Type: *Korthals s.n.* (iso L, barcode L0057527), Borneo, Prarawin.

Lasianthus kurzii auct. non Hook.f.: King & Gamble (1904) 119.

Shrubs, 1.2–2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2.5 mm diam, densely brown-tomentose. *Leaves*: blades elliptic-oblong to oblong-lanceolate, 9–15 by 3–5 cm, thinly coriaceous, glabrous and nitid above, densely brown-tomentose beneath, apex acute, base acute or cuneate, midrib and nerves flat or slightly depressed above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves 6–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 50°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct above, distinct and prominent beneath, densely anastomosing, parallel; petioles c. 1 cm long, densely brown-tomentose. *Stipules* triangular-lanceolate, c. 2 mm long,

densely brown-tomentose. *Cymes* sessile; bracts very small, subulate, c. 1 mm long, densely tomentose. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, densely tomentose outside, calyx tube c. 1 mm long, limb with 4–5 triangular lobes, densely tomentose outside, glabrous and dark in colour inside, lobes c. 1 mm long; corolla c. 5 mm long, densely tomentose outside. *Drupes* globose, 4–5 mm diam, sparsely hairy or glabrous except the upper part, obscurely 4–5-ridged; pyrenes 4–5, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Malaysia (Peninsular, Borneo), Brunei, Indonesia (Kalimantan).

Notes — *Lasianthus chryseus* differs from *L. trichophlebus* var. *latifolius* by having denser tomentose branchlets and leaves beneath, midrib and nerves strongly prominent beneath, nervules also more prominent beneath, small and inconspicuous stipules, subulate bracts and much smooth drupes (non verrucose) with 4–5 pyrenes. It differs from *L. obscurus* in having small stipules and minutely subulate bracts, and subglabrous drupes except hirsute hairs on upper part.

The type specimen of *L. capitatus* var. *ferruginea* Korth. differs from *L. capitatus* var. *capitatus* by having ferruginous-tomentose branchlets and leaves beneath, and almost no peduncles, just as *L. chryseus*.

23. *Lasianthus chrysoneurus* (Korth.) Miq. — Map 5

Lasianthus chrysoneurus (Korth.) Miq. (1857) 322; H. Zhu (2002) 81. — *Mephitis chrysoneura* Korth. (1851) 222. — Type: *Korthals s.n.* (lost), Java, Patoea; *Backer 22515* (neotype L, designated by Zhu 2002) Java, Jawa Barat, Tjadasmalang.

Lasianthus glabrescens Miq. (1857) 317, syn. nov. — Type: *Zollinger 621* (= 594) (holo L; iso K), Java.

Lasianthus kurzii Hook.f. (1880) 183; Pit. (1924) 384; Craib (1934) 212; Deb & M. Gangop. (1991) 288; H. Zhu (1994) 60; (1998) 153; H. S. Lo (1999) 90; H. Zhu (2001b) 133. — Type: *Wall. Cat. 8310* (holo K), Burma, Chopedang. *Lasianthus hoensis* Pierre ex Pit. (1924) 383. — Syntypes: *Pierre 1316* (P; isosyn BM, E, K), Cochinchina, Bien Hoa, Tri-huyen; *Poillane 40832* (P; isosyn BM), Bien Hoa, Gia-ray; *Pierre 3267* (P), Cambodia, Mt Camchay, Kampot.

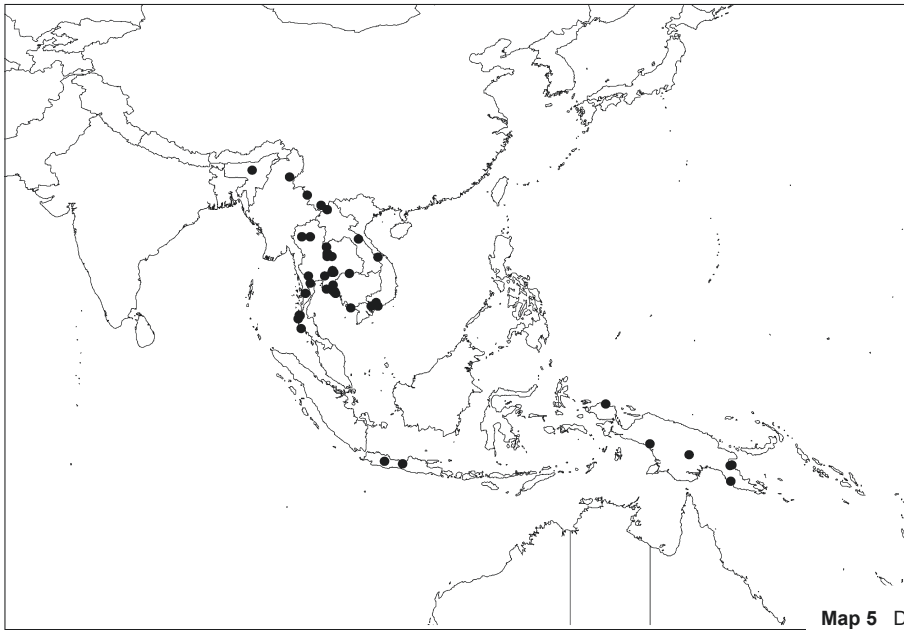
Lasianthus kurzii Hook.f. var. *howii* H. S. Lo (1993) 2; (1999) 90. — Type: *Wang 80524* (holo SCBI), China, Yunnan, Mengla.

[*Lasianthus stercorarius* auct. non Blume: Kurz (1877) 31].

Shrubs, to 3 m tall; branchlets appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades elliptic-oblong to elliptic-lanceolate, 12–20 by 3–5 cm, apex acuminate, base cuneate, membranaceous, glabrous above, appressed-pubescent beneath, midrib and nerves slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 7–10 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, nervules slightly distinct on both surfaces, dense, parallel; petioles 5–10 mm long, appressed-pubescent. *Stipules* triangular or oblong-lanceolate, up to 8 mm long, pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts persistent, outer bracts ovate, inner bracts lanceolate, all not more than 5 mm long, pubescent. *Flowers* sessile or subsessile; calyx campanulate, 2–3 mm long, pubescent; lobes triangular, 4–6; corolla 5–6 mm long, puberulous outside in upper part, pubescent inside in the throat. *Drupes* subglobose, 4–6 mm diam, pubescent; pyrenes 5–6.

Distribution — India, Burma, China (S Yunnan), Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, Indonesia (Java) and Papua New Guinea.

Note — We have not seen the type of *L. chrysoneurus* in L, even Miquel himself had not seen it as he indicated when he made the combination, although the type should be in Leiden. However, there are some specimens from Java in L which match Korthals' description of *L. chrysoneurus* well. *Lasianthus glabrescens* is conspecific with *L. chrysoneurus*. *Lasianthus kurzii* from mainland SE Asia, which has the same characteristics on leaves, stipules, bracts and flowers as



Map 5 Distribution of *Lasianthus chrysoneurus* (Korth.) Miq.

L. chrysoneurus, could not be separated from *L. chrysoneurus*; it is also conspecific with the latter. *Lasianthus chrysoneurus* differs from *L. obscurus* by different indumentum.

24. *Lasianthus chrysophyllus* Miq.

Lasianthus chrysophyllus Miq. (1857) 322; (1869) 248. — Type: *Junghuhn* s.n. (holo L, barcode L000676; iso L, barcode L000677), Sumatra.

Shrubs or treelet; branchlets robust, slightly compressed, c. 4–5 mm diam, fistulose, densely brown-appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate or oblong-oblancheolate, 26–34 by 6–8 cm, thinly coriaceous, glabrous above except hirsute midrib, brown-golden-pubescent beneath, apex cuspidate to shortly caudate, base acute to subrounded, asymmetric, the margin reflexed, nerves slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, 13–15 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to margin, nervules slightly obscure above, distinct and prominent beneath, reticulate; petioles 1–1.5 cm long densely appressed-pubescent. *Stipules* triangular, 8–9 mm long, densely appressed-pubescent. *Cymes* pedunculate; peduncles 2–5 mm long, robust, densely appressed-pubescent; bracts leaf-like, outer pairs rounded, palmate-nerved, c. 2 by 2 cm, golden-pubescent on both surfaces, ciliate at the margin, with a cuspidate-caudate apex and a rounded to subcordate base, inner ones becoming smaller, from leaf-like to ovate and lanceolate, golden-pubescent on both surfaces. *Flowers* 4-merous, sessile; calyx obconical, c. 4–5 mm long, tube c. 1.5 mm long, glabrous, limb densely hirsute with 4 lanceolate c. 1.5 mm long lobes; corolla c. 15 mm long, tube glabrous in the lower half, lobes 4, triangular-lanceolate, c. 2.5 mm long, hirsute outside. *Drupes* subglobose, c. 3–4 mm diam, glabrous except the hirsute persistent calyx limb, slightly verrucose; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Indonesia (Sumatra).

25. *Lasianthus chrysotrichus* Lauterb.

Lasianthus chrysotrichus Lauterb. (1905) 400; Valeton (1911) 497; (1927) 109. — Type: *Schlechter* 14376 (WRSL?, n.v.), New Guinea.

Shrubs, up to 3 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely and coarsely spreading hirsute. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 5–8 by 2–2.5 cm, chartaceous to subcoriaceous, glabrous above except spreading hirsute hairs on midrib, densely hirsute on midrib and nerves beneath, apex acute, base acute to subrounded, rarely asymmetric, nerves flat or slightly

depressed above, prominent beneath, 6–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 50°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles 4–5 mm long, densely spreading hirsute. *Stipules* inconspicuous, triangular, c. 1–1.5 mm long, densely hirsute. *Cymes* sessile; bracts linear, fewer, 3–6 mm long, densely hirsute. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, c. 5 mm long, hirsute outside, tube c. 1.5–2 mm long, lobes 4, lanceolate, nerved, c. 3 mm long, hirsute outside, glabrous inside; corolla tube c. 4 mm long, hirsute in the upper half, lobes 4, c. 1.5–2 mm long, hirsute outside. *Drupes* subglobose, c. 4–5 mm diam, hirsute, crowned by lanceolate calyx lobes; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Papua New Guinea.

Notes — This species is close to *L. curtisii* by having similar linear-lanceolate calyx lobes (much longer than tube). It differs from the latter by having spreading much coarsely hirsute hairs on branchlets, leaf lower surface and midrib above; bracts 2, linear, hirsute, up to 6 mm long (only seen in fruit stage, inconspicuous in flower stage); flowers 4-merous and drupe with 4 pyrenes. *Lasianthus curtisii* has spreading villose hairs on branchlets and leaf lower surface; bracts absent; flowers 5-merous and drupe with 5 pyrenes. It is also similar to *L. hexandrus*, but differs in having spreading hirsute hairs on branches and leaves nerves beneath, bracts 2, linear, up to c. 6 mm long (only seen in fruit stage); while *L. hexandrus* has appressed-pubescent branchlets and leaf nerves beneath, bracts absent.

Valeton published a name *Lasianthus chrysotrichoides* Valeton in his Key to species of New Guinean *Lasianthus* without description. We saw a specimen in Leiden, i.e. *H.J.Lam* 975 with Valeton's handwriting on attached labels (two sheets). This plant cannot be separated from *L. chrysotrichus*.

26. *Lasianthus clementis* Merr.

Lasianthus clementis Merr. (1908b) 164; Elmer (1911) 1034; (1913) 1869; Merr. (1923) 565. — Syntypes: *Clemens* 561 (PNH+), 846 (PNH+), Philippines, Mindanao, Leyte. Neotype: *Elmer* 13613 (K, designated here), Philippines, Mindanao, Agusan, Cabadbaran.

Lasianthus canephoroides Wernham (1918) 73. — Type: *Forbes* 203 (holo BM), New Guinea, Sogere, 2000 ft, syn. nov.

Lasianthus bulusanensis Elmer (1934a) 3252. — Type: *Elmer* 16532 (iso L, U), Philippines, Luzon, Sorsogon, Mt Bulusan, syn. nov.

Lasianthus neglectus Valeton ex Bakh.f. (1963) 63, Bakh.f. (1965) 343, syn. nov. — Type: *Backer* 4915 (holo L), W Java, Mt Tjerimai, 1500 m alt.

Shrubs, 1–1.5 m tall; branches and branchlets densely appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades elliptic, oblong or ovate-oblong, 7–10 by 3–5 cm, subcoriaceous to chartaceous, glabrous above, densely appressed-pubescent on midrib and nerves beneath, apex cuspidate-acuminate or acuminate, base acute or obtuse, midrib and nerves flat or slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 4–6 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 60°, curved to the margin, nervules subparallel, slightly prominent beneath; petioles 3–7 mm long, appressed-pubescent. *Stipules* minute, subulate, c. 1 mm long, appressed-pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile, clusters; calyx campanulate, 1.5 mm long, appressed-pubescent, with 5 minute and triangular or subulate teeth; corolla white, 6–7 mm long, 5-lobed, pilose outside, villous inside. *Drupes* globose, pubescent or subglabrous, 3–6 mm diam; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Philippines (Mindanao, Negros, Luzon), Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Lesser Sunda Islands, Sulawesi, Moluccas), New Guinea

Notes — The type of *L. clementis* was not seen, but several specimens from the Philippines which are indicated as *L. clementis*, including the ones determined by Merrill himself, match Merrill's description well. The species is acceptable and consequently one of these collections from Mindanao of the Philippines, from the same place as the syntypes, was selected as a neotype. *Lasianthus clementis* is hardly distinguished from *L. canephoroides* from New Guinea and *L. neglectus* from Java. They are conspecific.

According to Elmer, *L. bulusanensis* differs from *L. clementis* by having leaves with caudate apex and acute base, which are just the same as those from Java (= *L. neglectus*). This is not enough to separate it from *L. clementis*.

Lasianthus clementis is very closely related *L. hispidulus* from mainland SE Asia, Sumatra and Borneo. It is separated from *L. hispidulus* in having more or less appressed hairs on branchlets, leaves beneath and calyx, and drupes appressed-pubescent or subglabrous. *Lasianthus hispidulus* has a dense covering of spreading hairs on branchlets, leaves beneath, calyx, and drupes. Both *L. hispidulus* and *L. clementis* have close affinity to *L. fordii*. They differ from *L. fordii* in having densely hairy branches, leaves beneath and calyx. The three taxa form a species complex or a complex species.

27. *Lasianthus congesticymus* H.Zhu

Lasianthus congesticymus H.Zhu (2001b) 124, f. 1. — Type: *Larsen et al.* 45955 (holo AAU), Thailand, Nakhon Srithamathat, Khao Luang, evergreen montane forest, 700–1200 m alt.

Shrubs; branchlets compressed when young, later terete, brown, subglabrous. *Leaves*: blades elliptic, 12–19 by 3.5–6.5 cm, chartaceous, more or less brown, glabrous, apex acuminate or subcaudate, base cuneate or rounded, slightly unequal sides, midrib conspicuous above, prominent beneath, nerves 6–7 pairs, conspicuous above, slightly prominent beneath, nervules conspicuous on both surfaces, subparallel; petioles 8–10 mm long, subglabrous. *Stipules* triangular, acute at apex, c. 1.5 mm long. *Cymes* pedunculate, strongly reduced; bracts absent. *Flowers* subsessile; calyx 2 mm long, limb more or less constricted at the base, lobes 4, triangular, c. 1 mm long, sparsely puberulous external surface; corolla 10 mm long, puberulous on upper part outside, lobes 5, with pilose outside. *Drupes* ellipsoid, 5 mm long, rugose, narrowed at the base, crowned by the persistent calyx limb; pyrenes 4, very furrowed on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Thailand (Peninsular) and Malaysia (Borneo).

28. *Lasianthus conspicuus* Ridl.

Lasianthus conspicuus Ridl. (1909) 36; (1923a) 167; Craib (1934) 209; K.M. Wong (1989) 369; H.Zhu (2001b) 124. — Type: *Ridley* 13628 (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Pahang.

Shrubs, glabrous; branchlets terete, black when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 12–17 by 3–5 cm, chartaceous, apex caudate, base broadly cuneate to subrounded, midrib, nerves and nervules conspicuous above, prominent beneath, nerves 8–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of 70–80°, curved to the margin, nervules reticulate; petioles short, c. 3–5 mm long. *Stipules* small, triangular. *Cymes* sessile; bracts minute, linear, glabrous. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, limb cupular, with 5 minute teeth; corolla glabrous except the mouth, lobes 5, nearly half as long as tube. *Drupes* small, ovoid, crowned by 5-toothed calyx; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Thailand and Peninsular Malaysia.

29. *Lasianthus constrictus* Wight

Lasianthus constrictus Wight (1846) 515; Kurz (1877) 31; Hook.f. (1880) 188; King & Gamble (1904) 117; Merr. (1921) 577; Ridl. (1923a) 163; Craib (1934) 209; Bakh.f. (1965) 342; K.M.Wong (1989) 369; H.Zhu (2001b) 124. — Type: *Griffith s.n.* (holo K), Burma.

Lasianthus constrictus Wight var. *latifolius* Craib (1934) 209. — Type: *Kerr* 14940 (holo K; iso BK), Thailand. Pattani.

Shrubs; branchlets thinly appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate to oblong-lanceolate, 8–13 by 3–4 cm, subcoriaceous, yellowish brown when dry, glabrous above, sparsely strigose on nerves beneath, apex acute to shortly caudate or acuminate, base acute; midrib, nerves and nervules prominent on both surfaces, nerves 3–6 pairs, nervules subreticulate; petioles 4–5 mm long, sparsely strigose. *Stipules* small, triangular, 3–4 mm long, sparsely strigose. *Cymes* sessile or subsessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile, small, crowded; calyx with an obconical tube and a hemispherical limb, minutely strigose, somewhat constricted at the throat, tube 1.5–2 mm long, limb shortly 4-toothed or almost truncate, c. 1 mm long; corolla hirsute or glabrous outside, tube about 3 mm long, lobes c. 2 mm long. *Drupes* ovoid or ellipsoid, with a constricted base, glabrous, crowned by a cupular calyx-limb which is somewhat constricted at base; pyrenes 2–4, very furrowed on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Burma, Thailand (Peninsular), Singapore, Malaysia (Sarawak, Sabah), Brunei, Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Kalimantan).

Notes — Var. *latifolius* differs from the typical variety by having broader leaves. However, the demarcation becomes vague when more specimens are checked and var. *latifolius* cannot be clearly separated from var. *constrictus*.

This species has a calyx constricted at base of cupular limb and drupes crowned by calyx limb constricted at base with 2–4 developed pyrenes. The same type of drupes is found in *L. reticulatus* (= *L. maingayi*). *Lasianthus constrictus* is very closely related to *L. reticulatus*. It differs from *L. reticulatus* by having relatively small leaves with 3–5 pairs of nerves and subglabrous or sparsely strigose branches and leaf nerves beneath, shorter petioles, cymes usually sessile, calyx limb truncate or minutely toothed, while *L. reticulatus* has appressed-pubescent hairs on branches and nerves beneath, leaves relatively large with 6–7 pairs of nerves which are strongly prominent beneath, flowers sessile clustered in very short congested peduncles, calyx limb with 4 minutely triangular lobes.

30. *Lasianthus cordatus* Merr.

Lasianthus cordatus Merr. (1929a) 293. — Type: *Elmer 21865* (iso CAS, L, SING), Borneo (Sabah), Tawao.

Shrubs, glabrous; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, more or less compressed or sulcate, red-brownish. *Leaves*: blades oblong-elliptic, 15–20 by 5–7.5 cm, chartaceous, nitid both surfaces, apex cuspidate, base rounded to subcordate, slightly asymmetric, midrib and nerves prominent on both surfaces, nerves 5–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 70°, curved to the margin, uppermost two pairs joining near the leaf margin and forming an obscure intramarginal vein, internerved vein conspicuous, nervules distinct on both surfaces, reticulate; petioles very short to subsessile. *Stipules* triangular-lanceolate, c. 3 mm long, sparsely hirsute. *Cymes* sessile; bracts with a midrib, numerous, oblong-lanceolate to oblanceolate, glabrous, coriaceous, 5–10 mm long, obtuse at the apex. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tube glabrous, c. 2 mm long, lobes 5, oblong to oblong-ovate, obtuse at apex, c. 1 mm long, glabrous or sparsely ciliate at margin; corolla not seen. *Drupe*s ovoid, glabrous, c. 8 mm long; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Malaysia (Sabah).

Notes — From Merrill's description, this species has stipules which are oblong, obtuse, 5–7 mm long. However, from our examining the type specimen, it has stipules, which are triangular-lanceolate, 3 mm long; but has numerous bracts, which are oblong to lanceolate, 5–10 mm long, which match the description of "stipules" by Merrill.

This species is closely related to *L. membranaceus*. It differs from the latter by having leaves usually with rounded or cordate base, numerous bracts, which are oblong to lanceolate, 5–10 mm long and drupes with 4 pyrenes. *Lasianthus membranaceus* has leaves with acute base, small, linear bracts, and drupes usually with 2 pyrenes. However, as mentioned by Merrill, the apical portion of branchlets of *L. cordatus* bears leaves without a cordate base, which make it close to *L. membranaceus*.

31. *Lasianthus coriaceifolius* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 10

Proximus *L. myrtifolius* Ridl. subsp. *vicario* H.Zhu, sed foliis majoribus 9–11 cm longis 3–4.5 cm latis, nervulis reticulatis, calycibus majoribus, tubis calycis longioribus, lobis calycis ovato-oblongis et drupis acute 8-porcatis differt. — Typus: *Lee S. 52556* (holo L; iso K), Borneo, Sarawak, Ulu Trusan Lawas, 900 m alt., in hill mixed dipterocarp forest, 12 May 1986.

Treelet, 4–5 m high; branchlets terete, 3–4 mm diam, fistulose, glabrous, darkish. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate-oblong or oblong, 9–15 by 3–6 cm, thickly coriaceous, glabrous on both surfaces; apex abruptly acute, base acute to subrounded, midrib slightly depressed above, conspicuously prominent beneath, darkish, nerves prominent on both surfaces, 6–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 80°, curved to margin; nervules prominent on both surfaces, conspicuously reticulate, margin conspicuously recurved; petioles 0.5–1 cm long, glabrous, darkish. *Stipules* triangular, c. 3 by 3 mm, glabrous. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx long-campanulate, sparsely puberulous or glabrous, darkish, tubes c. 3 mm long, lobes 4, ovate-oblong, c. 2 mm long; corolla 8–9 mm long, glabrous external surface. *Drupe*s ellipsoid, 5–6 mm diam, with 8 acute, conspicuous ridges, glabrous, crowned by persistent calyx lobes; pyrenes 4, rhombic-circular in the transverse section.

Distribution — Malaysia (Sarawak) and Brunei.

Habitat & Ecology — In montane forest. Flowering and fruiting between May and September.

Note — This species is characterized by its glabrous plants, thickly coriaceous leaves with reticulate nervules and conspicuously recurved margin, and 8-ridged drupes. It is closely related to *L. myrtifolius* subsp. *vicarius*, but differs from the latter by

having relatively big leaves (9–11 by 3–4.5 cm) with reticulate nervules, relatively big calyx (5 mm long) with longer calyx tubes and ovate-oblong calyx lobes, drupes with 8 acute ridges. *Lasianthus myrtifolius* subsp. *vicarius* has leaves 4.5–7.5 by 2–3 cm, nervules parallel, calyx campanulate, 2–3 mm long with triangular calyx lobes, drupes without conspicuous ridges.

32. *Lasianthus coronatus* King & Gamble

Lasianthus coronatus King & Gamble (1904) 120; Ridl. (1923a) 157. — Type: *Scortechini 329* (iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak.

Lasianthus wallichii Wight ? var. *penangensis* Hook.f. (1880) 181. — Type: *Wall. Cat. 8441*, p.p (holo K), Peninsular Malaysia.

Lasianthus politus Ridl. var. *insularis* Craib (1934) 216, syn. nov. — Type: *Put 1195* (holo K), Thailand, Surat.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely tomentose. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 5–10 by 1.5–3 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above except sometime hairy midrib, tomentose beneath, apex acuminate to caudate-acuminate, base cuneate to subrounded, slightly asymmetric, midrib and nerves flat or slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 6–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 60°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles c. 2 mm long, densely tomentose. *Stipules* inconspicuous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts linear, 5–8 mm long, densely tomentose. *Flowers* sessile; calyx and corolla not seen. *Drupe*s subglobose, tomentose, crowned by 5 linear calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Thailand (Peninsular), Peninsular Malaysia.

Note — This species has tomentose hairs on branchlets, leaf nerves beneath, stipules, bracts; leaves oblong-lanceolate with cuneate to subrounded base, bracts linear; drupes with 5 pyrenes. It is quite close to *L. attenuatus*, but differs from the latter by having leaves with cuneate or subrounded base and slender linear bracts.

33. *Lasianthus crassinervis* Ridl.

Lasianthus crassinervis Ridl. (1910) 59. — Type: *Ridley 14487* (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Ulu Temengoh.

Lasianthus retosus auct. non Wight: K.M.Wong (1989) 371.

Shrubs, c. 1 m high; branchlets terete, 2–3 mm diam, densely brown-tomentose. *Leaves*: blades oblong, 9–19 by 3–4 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above, tomentose beneath, apex cuspidate, base rounded to subcordate, oblique, margin reflexed, nerves 10–13 pairs, depressed above, prominent beneath, ascending at an angle of c. 50°, curved to the margin, nervules slightly obscure above, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles c. 3 mm long, densely tomentose. *Stipules* triangular, c. 3 by 3 mm, densely tomentose. *Cymes* sessile; bracts numerous, outer pairs leaf-like, ovate, up to 1 cm long, inner ones smaller, lanceolate to linear, all of them densely tomentose. *Flowers* sessile; calyx and corolla not seen. *Drupe*s globose, glabrous, 3–4 mm diam, verrucose, crowned by small triangular calyx lobes which are c. 0.5 mm long; pyrenes 4–5, verrucose on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia.

Notes — This species has nerves which are conspicuously depressed above and elevated beneath, subparallel nervules which are faint above and conspicuous beneath, ovate to lanceolate bracts, as well as glabrous and verrucose drupes.

Ridley (1923a) reduced it to *L. retosus* that he sank to a variety as *L. pilosus* var. *retosus*. However, it conspicuously differs from *L. pilosus* (= *L. retosus*) by having leaves with strongly depressed nerves above, bracts which are obovate to lanceolate, 0.8–1.2 cm long and glabrous drupes. *Lasianthus pilosus* has leaves with nerves slightly depressed above, linear bracts, and pilose drupes with smooth surface.

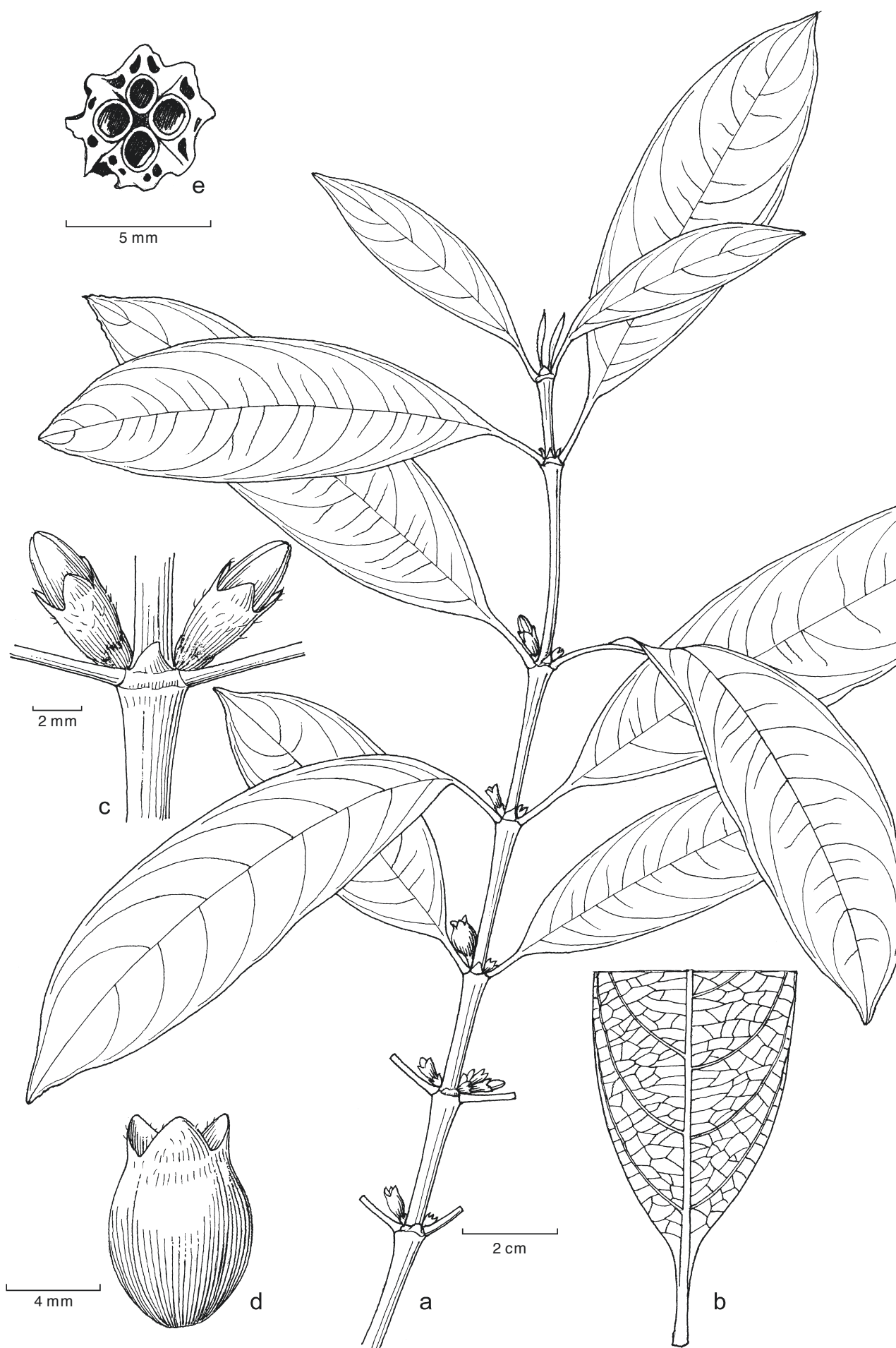


Fig. 10 *Lasianthus coriaceifolius* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. lower surface of leaf showing reticulate nervules; c. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescences; d. fruit; e. cross section of fruit (all: B. Lee S.52556, holo L.).

34. *Lasianthus crinitus* Hook.f.

Lasianthus crinitus Hook.f. (1880) 182. — Type: *Wall. Cat.* 8441, p.p. (holo K), Peninsular Malaysia, Penang, or Singapore.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, c. 3 mm diam, densely brown-tomentose. *Leaves*: blades oblong, 10–15 by 2.5–4 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, densely brown-tomentose beneath, apex acute to acuminate, base rounded, margin reflexed, midrib and nerves flat to slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 8–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 50°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct above, distinct and prominent beneath, parallel; petioles 3–4 mm long, densely brown-tomentose. *Stipules* inconspicuous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts numerous, filiform, up to 1 cm long, densely tomentose, forming a dense head. *Flowers* clustered, sessile; calyx and corolla not seen. *Drupes* globose, c. 3 mm diam, densely brown-tomentose, 5-ridged, crowned by 5 linear calyx lobes which are c. 2 mm long and tomentose; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia.

Note — This species has branchlets and leaf blades beneath rusty-tomentose, cymes sessile, bracts filiform, dense and numerous. The type is a fragment mounted with two other taxa, i.e. *L. attenuatus* and *L. attenuatus* var. *minor* on the same sheet. Only one specimen from Peninsular Malaysia (*FRI 15716* from Fraser's hill of Pahang) in L that we examined matches the type and description. This species is closely related to *L. lineolatus* Craib by its indumentum and bracts.

35. *Lasianthus curtisii* King & Gamble — Map 4

Lasianthus curtisii King & Gamble (1904) 128; Ridl. (1923a) 161; Craib (1934) 209; T.Yamaz. (1964) 352, p.p.; T.S.Liu & J.M.Chao (1964) 126, f. 5; H.Zhu (1994) 64; (1998) 151; H.S.Lo (1999) 92; H.Zhu (2001b) 126; (2002) 86. — Lectotype: *Curtis 284* (lecto SING, designated by Zhu 2002; isolecto K), Peninsular Malaysia, Penang.

Lasianthus formosensis Matsum. var. *hirsuta* Matsum. (1901) 17. — Type: *Owatari s.n.* (holo TI, n.v.), Taiwan.

Lasianthus kwangtungensis Merr. (1929b) 323. — Type: *Tsiang 55* (holo SCBI; iso K), China, Hongkong.

Lasianthus condorensis Pierre ex Pit. (1924) 385. — Syntypes: *Balansa 2658* (P), Vietnam Tonkin, Bavi; *Eberhardt 1981* (P), Annam, Quang-tri; *Harmand 916* (P), Cochinchina [Vietnam], Condor.

Lasianthus pseudo-lucidus King & Gamble (1904) 128; Ridl. (1923a) 168. — Type: *Wray 4109* (holo SING), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak, 5000 ft.

Shrubs, 1–2 m tall; branches and branchlets terete, c. 1.5–2 mm diam, densely villous. *Leaves*: blades ovate-lanceolate or elliptic-lanceolate, 5–9 by 2–3 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above, densely and softly villous beneath, apex cuspidate-acuminate, base cuneate or obtuse, midrib and nerves flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 4–6 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles 4–5 mm long, villose. *Stipules* minute, inconspicuous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx divided nearly to the base into 5 lanceolate up to 5 mm long, acuminate lobes, hirsute outside; corolla 7–8 mm long, 5-lobed, outside hispid, inside villous, the throat hairy. *Drupes* ovoid-globose, hirsute, 4–5 mm diam, crowned by the long persistent calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — China, Japan (Amami, Kyushu, Ryukyu), Vietnam, Thailand, Peninsular Malaysia, Indonesia (Sumatra).

Note — Wong (1989) reduced *L. pseudo-lucidus* to *L. curtisii*. *Lasianthus pseudo-lucidus* is very closely related to *L. curtisii* in having calyx almost the same as the latter. However, it has narrower leaves, which is a little different from the typical *L. curtisii*.

36. *Lasianthus cyanocarpoides* Valetton

Lasianthus cyanocarpoides Valetton (1927) 108; Merr. & L.M.Perry (1946) 219. — Type: *Schlechter 17805* (holo S; iso K, L), Papua New Guinea, Kaiser-Wilhelmsland, 1000 m, 29 May 1908.

Shrubs to treelets, up to 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 3 mm diam, densely hirsute, dark-brown when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong-elliptic, rarely obovate, 10–15 by 4–6 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above except hirsute hairs on midrib, hirsute beneath, apex cuspidate to cuspidate-caudate, base cuneate, slightly asymmetric, nerves 9–13 pairs, flat to slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, ascending at an angle of c. 60°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, prominent beneath, subreticulate; petioles 5–8 mm long, densely dark-brown-hirsute. *Stipules* linear-lanceolate to triangular-lanceolate, up to 8 mm long, hirsute, cadulous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts numerous, hirsute, outer ones with a midrib, leaf-like, lanceolate, up to 1.5 cm long, hirsute, inner ones smaller, lanceolate to linear. *Flowers* sessile; calyx obconical, c. 2 mm long, densely long-hirsute, lobes 5, subulate, c. 1 mm long; corolla tube c. 5 mm long, hirsute, lobes 5, triangular, c. 3 mm long, hirsute. *Drupes* subglobose, c. 3 mm diam, hirsute; pyrenes 5, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Indonesia (Irian Jaya), Papua New Guinea.

37. *Lasianthus cyanocarpus* Jack

Lasianthus cyanocarpus Jack (1823) 316; Miq. (1857) 316; (1869) 245 (p.p. excl. syn. *L. densifolius* Miq.); Merr. (1952) 229; Bakh.f. (1965) 338. — Type: *Jack s.n.* (lost), Sumatra, Tapanoolly (west coast of Sumatra), *Borssum 1864* (neo L, designated here), west coast, Lubuk Sikaping.

Lasianthus inaequalis Blume (1826–1827) 996; Miq. (1857) 316; King & Gamble (1904) 114; Elmer (1906b) 10; Merr. (1921) 578; (1923) 566; Ridl. (1923a) 155; Valetton (1927) 106; Merr. (1937) 298; K.M.Wong (1989) 370; H.Zhu (2001b) 131, syn. nov. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (lecto L, here designated, barcode L0000688; isolecto K), Java, Seribu.

Lasianthus cyanocarpus Jack var. *subsessilis* King & Gamble (1904) 113. — Syntypes: *Ridley 9730* (n.v.), Perak; *King's collector 472* (K); *Scortechini 1207* (K).

Lasianthus subinaequalis King & Gamble (1904) 120; Ridl. (1923a) 155; Craib (1934) 218. — Syntypes: *King's collector 157* (n.v.), 3358 (n.v.), *Ridley 9715* (SING), *Wray 2588* (SING), 3451 (SING), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak.

Lasianthus bractescens Ridl. (1918) 85; (1923a) 154; K.M.Wong (1989) 370, syn. nov. — Type: *Ridley 8213* (syn K), Peninsular Malaysia, Selangor, Batu Caves.

Lasianthus bractescens Ridl. var. *rosulatus* Ridl. (1918) 85; (1923a) 154, syn. nov. — Type: *Ridley s.n.* (n.v.), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak.

Lasianthus inaequalis Blume var. *angustibractea* Valetton (1927) 107, syn. nov. — Type: *Schlechter 19334* (syn K), New Guinea.

Shrubs; branches terete, 1.5–2 mm diam, densely tomentose. *Leaves*: blades elliptic-oblong to oblanceolate-oblong, 8–13.5 by 2.5–4.5 cm, membranaceous, glabrous except tomentose midrib and puberulous nerves above, or all tomentose, softly tomentose beneath, apex shortly acuminate or caudate, base rounded, oblique or oblique cordate, midrib conspicuous above, prominent beneath, nerves 7–10 pairs, flat above, prominent beneath, ascending at an angle of c. 50°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, distinct beneath, subreticulate; petioles short, c. 2 mm long, densely tomentose. *Stipules* linear, inconspicuous, densely tomentose, deciduous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts numerous, densely tomentose, outer ones leaf-like, broadly ovate, abruptly acuminate at apex, up to 1.8 cm long, long-tomentose, inner ones becoming smaller. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate with 4–5 deep unequal lanceolate or linear-lanceolate tomentose 3–4 mm long lobes; corolla short, 4–5-lobed, glabrous inside, long yellow pilose outside. *Drupes* ovoid, sparsely pilose, crowned by the persistent calyx lobes; pyrenes 4, rugose.

Distribution — Thailand, Malaysia (Peninsular, Borneo), Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Kalimantan, Lesser Sunda Islands, Irian Jaya), Philippines, Papua New Guinea.

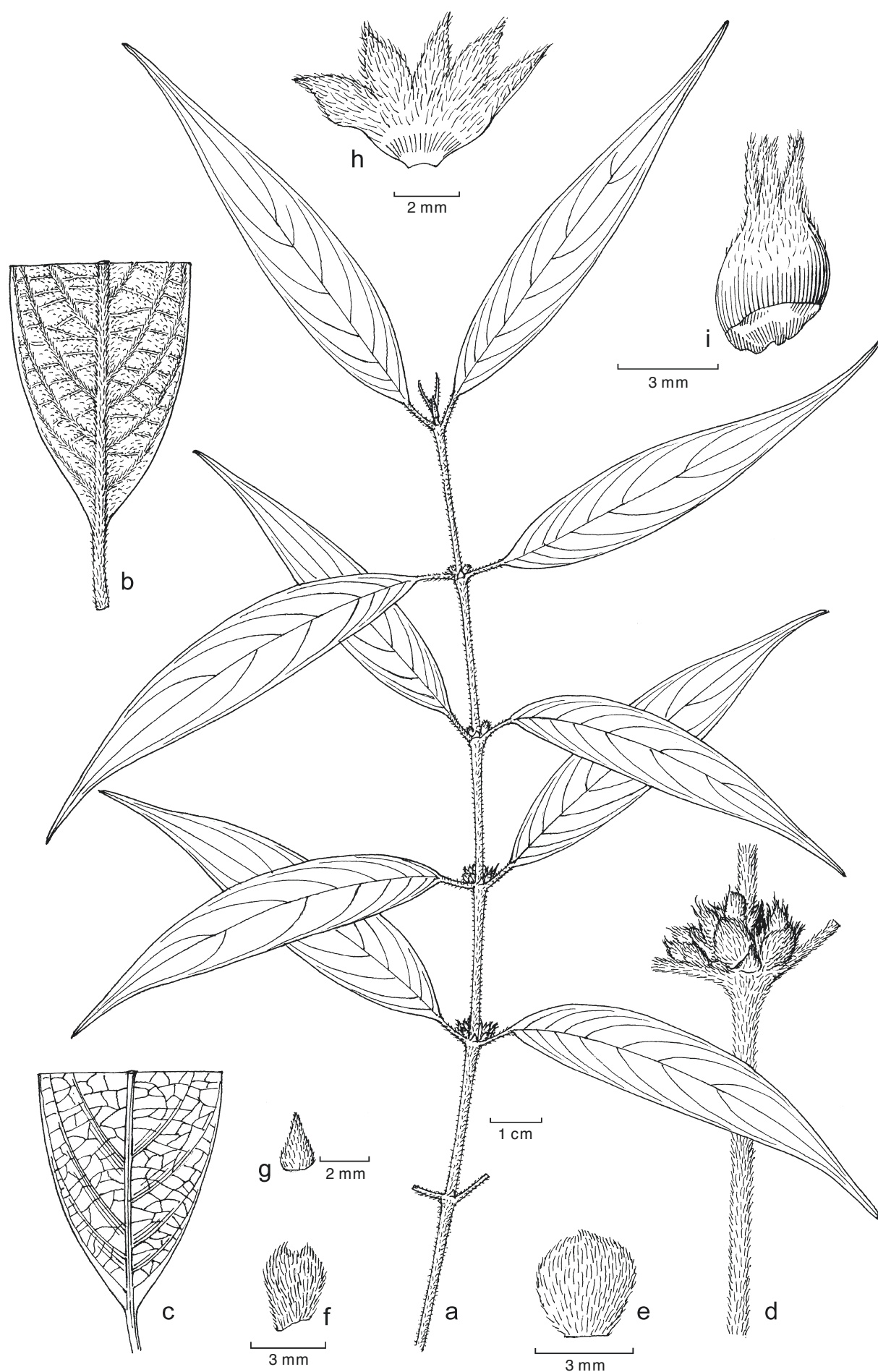


Fig. 11 *Lasianthus depressineurus* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of lower surface of leaf; c. detail of upper surface of leaf showing reticulate nervules; d. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescence; e. bract; f. bracteole; g. stipule; h. calyx split opened; i. immature fruit (all: Dyg Awa & B. Lee S. 50579, holo L).

Notes — As mentioned earlier in this paper, Jack's holos were destroyed by fire in 1824. The type of *L. cyanocarpus* was certainly lost. The name *L. cyanocarpus* has been misused for the species *L. hirsutus* for a long time and in many taxonomic references as pointed out by Merrill (1952).

A specimen *Blume s.n.* (L0000688) from Seribu of Java indicated as *L. inaequalis* with Blume's handwriting is recognised to be a syntype and here designated as lectotype because more than one locality was mentioned in Blume's original description.

Miquel (1869) reduced *L. inaequalis* to a synonym of *L. cyanocarpus*. Merrill (1952) confirmed that *L. inaequalis* from Java is conspecific to *L. cyanocarpus*. Bakhuizen van den Brink Jr (1965) followed Miquel and Merrill in the treatments of Java *Lasianthus*. From Jack's description *L. cyanocarpus* has large cordate bracts, which is a key diagnostic character. After checking all Malesian specimens, we are sure that *L. inaequalis* is conspecific to *L. cyanocarpus*. Miquel's and Merrill's treatments are correct.

Lasianthus cyanocarpus is very closely related to *L. attenuatus*, but differs from the latter by having cordate to broadly lanceolate, somewhere leaf-like bracts. *Lasianthus cyanocarpus* differs from *L. hirsutus* by having relatively small leaves with cordate, slightly oblique bases, usually less and relatively small bracts. *Lasianthus hirsutus* has relatively large leaves with cuneate, little unequal base; relatively long petioles; conspicuous triangular stipules; more bracts with outer ones ovate-oblong, and leaf-like, inner ones gradually narrower and smaller; as well as usually long rough hairs cover.

From Ridley's description, *L. bractescens* var. *rosulatus* has oblong, broad and sessile leaves with unequal base; bracts ovate acute, forming a rosette, which strongly suggest it is the same species as *L. cyanocarpus* although its type is not seen.

38. *Lasianthus depressineurus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 11

Proximus *L. inodorus* Blume, sed foliis minoribus ovato-lanceolatis, costis et nervis supra conspicue depressis, lobis calycis ovatis longioribus tubo differt. — Typus: *Dyg Awa & Lee S.50579* (holo L; iso K, MO), Borneo, Sarawak, Bt. Lawi, Bario, 1290 m alt., in hill mixed dipterocarp forest, on top of the ridge, 3 Aug. 1985.

Treelet, 2 m high; branchlets slender, terete, c. 1 mm diam, densely tomentose. *Leaves*: blades ovate-lanceolate, 8–11 by 1.5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous except pubescent midrib and nerves beneath, apex caudate, base acute or subrounded; midrib and nerves deeply depressed above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves 6–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of 45–60°, curved to margin, nervules obscure above, prominent beneath, reticulate, glabrous, margin conspicuously recurved; petioles 5–8 mm long, densely tomentose. *Stipules* triangular, c. 2 mm long, densely tomentose. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts ovate-orbicular, c. 3 mm long, pubescent surfaces; bracteoles oblong, c. 2.5 mm long, pubescent. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx campanulate, pubescent, lobes 5, ovate, c. 2.5 mm long, 1.5 mm broad, pubescent both surfaces, densely hirsute on margin, tubes c. 2 mm long; corolla not seen. *Drupe* globose, c. 3 mm diam, pubescent, crowned by persistent ovate, c. 4 mm long calyx lobes; pyrenes 4, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Malaysian (Sarawak).

Habitat & Ecology — In montane forest between 1290–1400 m altitude. Flowering and fruiting in August.

Additional specimen examined. Borneo, Sarawak, Limbang, *D. Awa & B. Lee S.47839* (L).

Note — This species is characterized by its deeply depressed midrib and nerves above surface and ovate-orbicular bracts. It seems to be related to *L. inodorus*, but conspicuously differs from the latter by having small ovate-lanceolate leaves

with deeply depressed midrib and nerves above, ovate calyx lobes longer than the tube.

39. *Lasianthus dinghouanus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 12

Proximus *L. laxifloroideo* H.Zhu, sed foliis lineari-lanceolatis 1–2 cm latis apice longicaudatis, floribus minoribus, lobis calycis triangularis 0.8 mm longis differt. *A.L. foetidissimo* A.Chev. ex Pit. foliis apice longicaudatis, nervis 3–4-binatis, floribus 4-meris, drupis glabris et pyrenis 4 differt. — Typus: *Dyg Awa et al. S.46999* (holo L; iso K, L), Borneo, G. Kanji, Lindu, 530 m alt., in non-dipterocarp forest on sandy soil, 18 Apr. 1984.

Treelet, 4 m high, 2 cm diam; branchlets slender, terete, c. 2 mm diam, subglabrous to appressed-pubescent, brown. *Leaves*: blades linear-lanceolate, 10–14 by 1–2 cm, chartaceous to subcoriaceous, glabrous except more or less appressed-pubescent midrib and nerves beneath, apex long caudate, margin recurved, base acute to acuminate, midrib flat above, prominent beneath, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 3–4 pairs, nervules slightly obscure above, conspicuous beneath, parallel, glabrous; petioles 8–10 mm long, slender, more or less appressed-pubescent. *Stipules* subulate-triangular to triangular, 1–1.5 mm long, pubescent. *Inflorescences* peduncled; peduncles 5–20 mm long, slender, trifurcate at apex, more or less pubescent; bracts very small, subulate, c. 1 mm long, pubescent. *Flowers* shortly pediceled; calyx campanulate, pubescent, tube c. 1 mm long, lobes 4, triangular, c. 0.8 mm long; corolla c. 5 mm long, tube glabrous outside, lobes 4, ovate, c. 1 mm long, pubescent external surface. *Drupe* with 1–2 mm long pedicels, globose, c. 4 mm diam, glabrous but very verrucose, 4-ridged; pyrenes 4, verrucose on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo.

Habitat & Ecology — Lower montane forest between 500–1300 m altitude. Flowering and fruiting between April and October.

Additional specimens examined. Sarawak, Lundu, *Ftr. Ilias Paie S.13619* (K, L); same locality, *J.D. Mamit S.35169* (K, L); same locality, *P.S. Ashton S.18876* (K, L); Sarawak, Gunong Silantek, *Ilias Paie S.42455* (K, L); Sarawak, *G.Buri, P.Chai et al. S.36803* (L).

Note — This species is closely related to *L. laxifloroideus*. It differs from the latter by having glabrous or sparsely appressed-pubescent on branches and leaf midrib beneath, leaves linear-lanceolate, less than 2 cm broad; leaf apex long caudate; flowers relatively small, calyx lobes triangular, c. 0.8 mm long. It is also similar to *L. foetidissimus*, but differs from the latter by having leaves with a long caudate apex, nerves 3–4 pairs, flowers 4-merous, drupes glabrous with 4 pyrenes. *Lasianthus foetidissimus* has leaves with an acuminate and mucronate apex; nerves 6 pairs; flowers 5-merous; drupes pubescent with 5 pyrenes.

40. *Lasianthus ellipticus* Wight

Lasianthus ellipticus Wight (1846) 507; Hook.f. (1880) 182; King & Gamble (1904) 118; Ridl. (1923a) 159; K.M.Wong (1989) 372; H.Zhu (2001b) 126. — Type: *Kew Distrib. 2934 (Griffith s.n.)* (holo K), Peninsular Malaysia.

Lasianthus venulosus Ridl. (1912) 23, non Wight (1846). — Syntypes: *Chan Chu Kang 6146* (n.v.), *Ridley 12542* (iso K), Bukit Panjang, Singapore.

Lasianthus sordidus Ridl. (1911) 60. — Type: *Ridley 14488* (iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Ulu Temengoh.

Lasianthus scalaris Craib (1933) 26; (1934) 216. — Type: *Kerr 18809* (holo K; iso BK), Thailand, Phuket.

Lasianthus velutinus Ridl. (1920) 144; (1923a) 159; K.M.Wong (1989) 372, syn. nov. — Type: *Ridley s.n.* (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Kelantan.

Shrubs, 1–2 m high, branchlets densely hirsute to tomentose. *Leaves*: blades elliptic or oblong-elliptic, 10–15 by 5–7 cm, rigid chartaceous to subcoriaceous, usually glabrous above, appressed-hirsute on midrib, nerves and nervules beneath, apex acute to shortly caudate or cuspidate-acuminate, base broadly cuneate to subrounded, midrib slightly depressed above,



Fig. 12 *Lasianthus dinghouanus* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. lower surface of leaf showing parallel nervules; c. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescence; d. fruit; e. cross section of fruit (all: *Dyg Awa et al.* S. 46999, holo and iso L.).

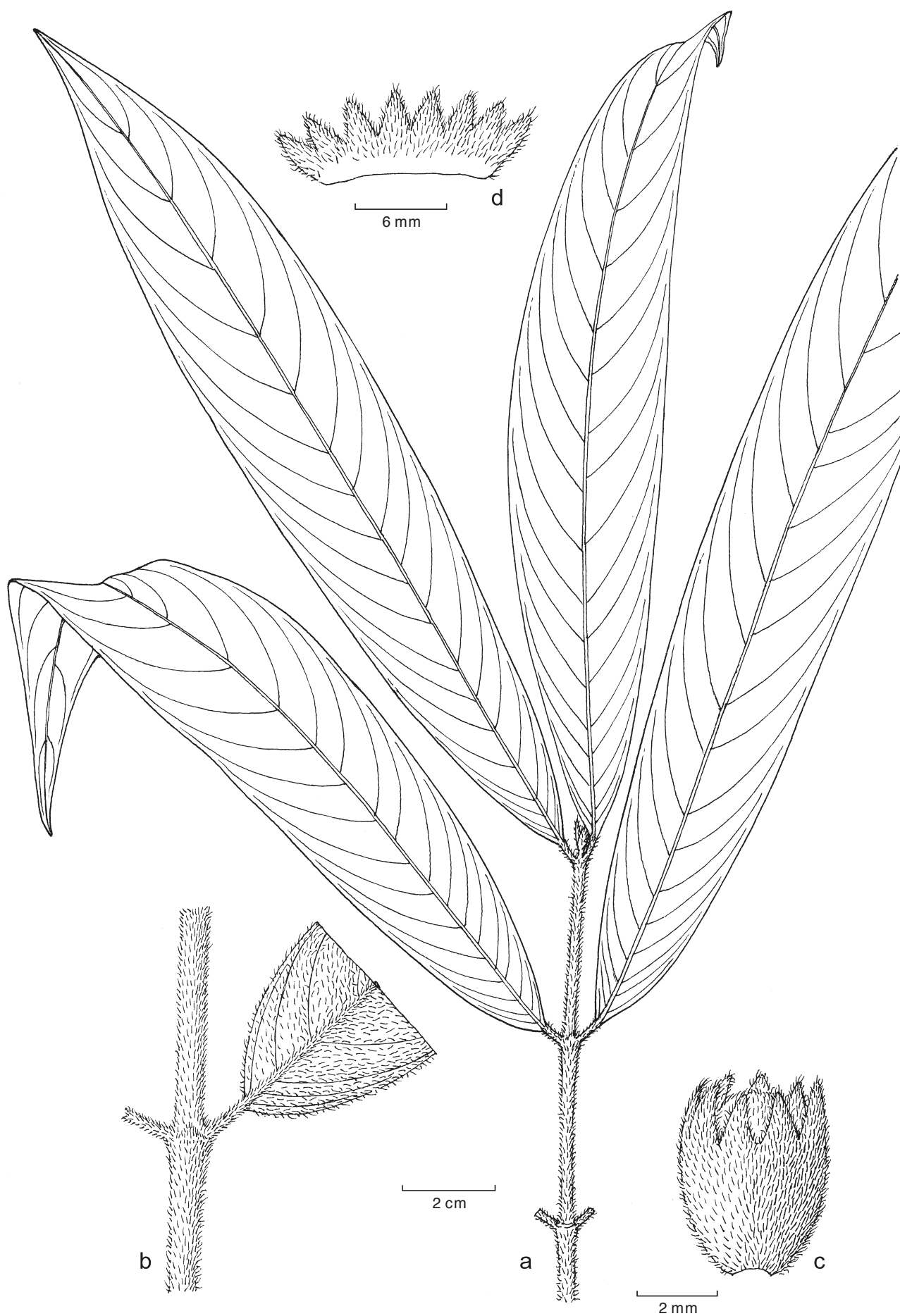


Fig. 13 *Lasianthus eriocalyx* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of branch; c. immature flower; d. calyx split opened (all: F.S.P. Ng s.n. KEP-FRI 22027, holo L.).

prominent beneath, nerves and nervules conspicuous or slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 7–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 50°, curved to the margin, nervules parallel, margin recurved; petioles 0.8–1.7 cm long, densely hirsute. *Stipules* broadly triangular, up to 7 mm long, 4.5 mm broad, hirsute. *Cymes* sessile; bracts conspicuous, up to 9 mm long, linear or lanceolate, densely long-hirsute. *Flowers* sessile; calyx long-hirsute, tube c. 1 mm long, lobes 5 narrowly triangular, c. 1 mm long, hirsute outside; corolla tube c. 4–5 mm long, glabrous, corolla lobes 5, c. 2 mm long, long-hirsute outside, floccose inside. *Drupes* subglobose c. 5 mm diam, hirsute; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Thailand, Malaysia (Peninsular, Borneo), Indonesia (Sumatra, Java).

Note — *Lasianthus velutinus* is almost the same as *L. ellipticus* except a little denser tomentose hairs which is not enough to separate it from the latter.

41. *Lasianthus eriocalyx* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 13

Similis *L. ferrugineus* King & Gamble, sed foliis longissimis, stipulis minutis 1 mm longis et lobis calycis 7–8 differt. — Typus: *F.S.P. Ng s.n. KEP-FRI 22027* (holo L; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Ulu Trengganu, 900 m alt., in hillside primary forest, 26 Mar. 1974.

Treelet, c. 6 m high, crown spreading horizontally; branchlets terete, densely yellowish tomentose. *Leaves*: blades narrowly oblong-lanceolate, 23–25 by 3–4 cm, chartaceous, tomentose on both surfaces, apex acuminate to caudate, base acute to subrounded, midrib densely tomentose, prominent beneath, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, tomentose, 16–18 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60°, curved to margin, nervules obscure above, conspicuous beneath, reticulate, tomentose; petioles c. 5 mm long, tomentose. *Stipules* small, triangular, c. 1 mm long, tomentose. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* in fascicle, sessile; calyx densely tomentose, tube c. 2.5 mm long, lobes 7–8, lanceolate, 3 mm long, 1 mm broad, densely tomentose external surface, sericeous internal surface; corolla not seen (from the description on the label of the type specimen, the corolla is whitish green, filled with hairs inside). *Fruits* not seen.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia.

Habitat & Ecology — In montane primary forest. Flowering in March.

Note — This species is characterized by having very tomentose hairs on branchlets, leaves and calyx; leaves narrowly oblong-lanceolate, very long; calyx with 7–8 lanceolate lobes. This species is most similar to *L. ferrugineus*, but differs from the latter by having much longer leaves (23–25 cm long), very small stipules (1 mm long) and calyx lobes 7–8. *Lasianthus ferrugineus* has leaves less than 18 cm long, stipules more than 3 mm long and calyx lobes 5.

42. *Lasianthus euneurus* Stapf

Lasianthus euneurus Stapf (1894) 185; Merr. (1921) 577. — Type: *Haviland 1119* (holo K; iso SING), Borneo, 7600 ft, in upper montane rainforests.

Shrubs to treelets, 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely pubescent. *Leaves*: blades elliptic or oblong-elliptic, 5–10 by 1.5–4 cm, coriaceous, glabrous except pubescence on midrib and nerves beneath, apex acute to acute-cuspidate, base acute, midrib and nerves flat or slightly prominent above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves 7–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct and nitid both surfaces, densely anastomosing, parallel; petioles 5–10 mm long, densely pubescent. *Stipules* subulate-triangular, c. 1 mm long, pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers*

sessile; calyx obconical to campanulate, c. 1.5 mm long, pubescent outside, calyx limb truncate or minutely 4-toothed; corolla tube c. 3–4 mm long, puberulous outside, corolla lobes 4, ovate, pubescent outside, floccose inside; anthers 4. *Drupes* subglobose, 2–3 mm diam, sparsely pubescent, 4-obtusely ridged; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Malaysia (Borneo) and Indonesia (Sumatra).

43. *Lasianthus fasciculus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 14

Proximus *L. euneurus* Stapf, sed floribus 5-meris, calycibus 3–4 mm longis, lobis calycis triangulatis 1–1.5 mm longis, foliis 10–15 cm longis, nervis 9–11-binatis et nervulis supra obscuris differt. — Typus: *Kessler PK32* (holo L), Sumatra, Kabupaten Tapanuli Utara Tele, 1650 m alt., in primary forest, 2 Dec. 1988.

Treelet, c. 4–5 m high; branchlets compressed at the youngest part, densely appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades oblong, 10–15 by 3–5 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above, pubescent venation beneath, apex acute, mucronate, base acute, margin recurved, midrib depressed above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves flat or slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, 9–11 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to margin, nervules obscure above, prominent beneath, parallel; petioles 1–1.5 cm long, densely appressed-pubescent. *Stipules* triangular, c. 1 mm long, densely appressed-pubescent. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx campanulate, 2–4 mm long, densely pubescent, lobes 5, triangular, 1–1.5 mm long, pubescent except margins external surface, tube 1.5–2 mm long, densely pubescent; corolla 6–7 mm long, lobes 5, triangular-lanceolate, c. 2 mm long, densely pubescent external surface, floccose internal surface, tube glabrous at the lower part. *Fruits* not seen.

Distribution — Indonesia (West Sumatra).

Habitat & Ecology — In montane forests between 1650–2300 m altitude. Flowering during December and February.

Additional specimen examined. W Sumatra, Gunung Rasam, *H. Nagamasu* 3691 (L).

Note — This species is closely related to *L. euneurus*, but differs from the latter by having 5-merous flowers, calyx 3–4 mm long with triangular, 1–1.5 mm long lobes, leaves relatively big, 10–15 by 3–5 cm, with 9–11 pairs of nerves, nervules obscure above. *Lasianthus euneurus* has 4-merous flowers, calyx 1–1.5 mm long with 4 minute teeth, leaves less than 10 cm long with 7–8 pairs of nerves, nervules conspicuous and prominent above.

44. *Lasianthus ferrugineus* King & Gamble

Lasianthus ferrugineus King & Gamble (1904) 130. — Type: *Wray 3911* (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak, 4500 ft.

Shrubs to treelets; c. 2 m high; branchlets terete, robust, c. 3 mm diam, densely brown-tomentose. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 12–15 by 2.5–3.5 cm, subcoriaceous, tomentose on both surfaces but denser beneath, apex acuminate to caudate-acuminate, base broadly cuneate to subrounded, slightly asymmetric, dark-brown when dry, midrib dense brown-tomentose on both surfaces, prominent beneath, nerves 14–18 pairs, flat above, prominent beneath, ascending at an angle of c. 70°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, distinct beneath, reticulate; petioles c. 5 mm long, densely brown-tomentose. *Stipules* triangular, 3–4 mm long, densely brown-tomentose. *Cymes* sessile, bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tubular-campanulate, densely tomentose, c. 3 mm long, with 5 lanceolate or subulate lobes; corolla not seen. *Drupes* subglobose, densely brown-tomentose, 3–4 mm diam; pyrenes 5–6, verrucose on the abaxial face, thick-walled.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia.



Fig. 14 *Lasianthus fasciculus* H.Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. lower surface of leaf showing parallel nervules; c. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescences; d. calyx split opened; e. corolla split opened (all: P.J.A. Kessler PK32, holo L).



Fig. 15 *Lasianthus filipedunculatus* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of lower surface of leaf showing subparallel nervules and indumentum; c. detail of node; d. flower; e. fruit; f. cross section of fruit (all: I.M. Said et al. BRUN15640, holo L.).

Habitat & Ecology — In upper montane rainforest. Flowering and fruiting in March and April.

Notes — This species is similar to *L. pilosus*, especially in the indumentum. Wong (1989) reduced *L. ferrugineus* to a synonym of *L. pilosus*. However, it differs from the latter by having leaves with broad-cuneate bases, longer petioles and shorter calyx lobes. We think it is better to keep it as a separate species.

This species differs from *L. hirtus* by having relatively small triangular stipules, oblong-lanceolate leaves 12.5–15 cm long, with 14–18 paired-nerves. From King, it differs from *L. harveyanus* King & Gamble by having leaves sparsely hairy above, shorter hairy beneath, oblong-lanceolate, nerves 16–18; calyx with 5 deep lanceolate lobes; while the latter has leaves scabrid puberulous, elliptic to ovate-elliptic, nerves 4–6 pairs, calyx narrowly campanulate.

45. *Lasianthus filiformis* King & Gamble

Lasianthus filiformis King & Gamble (1904) 131; Ridl. (1923a) 169; K.M.Wong (1989) 367. — Type: *Scortechini* 29 (lecto SING, designated by Wong 1989), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak; *King* 857 (para K), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak.

Lasianthus filiformis King & Gamble var. *bracteata* King & Gamble (1904) 131; K.M.Wong (1989) 367. — Type: *Ridley* 8578 (lecto SING, designated by Wong 1989), Peninsular Malaysia, Selangor; *Scortechini* 190 (para K), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak.

Slender shrubs, c. 1 m high; branchlets slender, c. 1.5 mm diam, spreading long-hairy. *Leaves*: blades oblong to oblong-lanceolate, 5–7 by 1.5–2 cm, chartaceous, villous on both surfaces, apex acuminate or cuspidate-acuminate, base rounded to subcordate, oblique, midrib and nerves slender and slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 6–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 45°, curved to the margin; nervules obscure above, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles very short, c. 1 mm long, villous. *Stipules* linear, c. 4 mm long, villous. *Cymes* pedunculate; peduncles slender, filiform, 1–2.5 cm long, villous; bracts 1–2, leaf-like and ovate, or linear-lanceolate, 6–10 mm long, villous. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, villous, tube c. 2 mm long, lobes 4, linear-lanceolate, c. 2 mm long; corolla tubular, villous, 4-lobed; ovary 8-locular. *Drupe*s globose, c. 3 mm diam, sparsely long-hairy; pyrenes 6–8.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia.

Note — This var. *bracteata* differs from the typical variety by having only a little wider bracts which is not enough to recognize it as a variety.

46. *Lasianthus filipedunculatus* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 15

A. L. pendulo Ridl. ramulis foliis subtus pedunculis bracteis molliter tomentosis, costis et nervis supra leviter depressis vel planiusculis, petiolis 5 mm longis, capitulis cymae laxis, floribus 4-meris et pyrenis 4 differt. — Typus: *BRUN* 15640 (holo L), Brunei, Temburong, in primary dipterocarp forest, 17 July 1993.

Treelet; branchlets terete, robust, c. 2–3 mm diam, brown-yellowish tomentose. *Leaves*: blades oblong-ovate to ovate, 10–15 by 2.5–5 cm, chartaceous to subcoriaceous, glabrous above, tomentose beneath, apex caudate to cuspidate, margin recurved, base rounded to subcordate, midrib flat to slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, 4–6 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 60°, curved to margin, nervules obscure above, conspicuous beneath, subreticulate, tomentose beneath; petioles c. 5 mm long, densely tomentose. *Stipules* small, triangular, less than 2 mm long, densely tomentose. *Inflorescences* pedunculate; peduncles slender, 4–13 cm long, tomentose; bracts 2 in each node, thinly linear, 5–20 mm long, tomentose; bracteoles linear, relatively short, tomentose. *Flowers* 1–2 in

each node, 4-merous, pediceled; pedicels c. 1 mm long; calyx densely tomentose, lobes 4, linear, c. 2.5 mm long, tube short, obconical, c. 1 mm long; corolla c. 3 mm long, upper part external surface tomentose, lower part glabrous; stamens 4. *Drupe*s subglobose, 7–8 mm diam, square in transverse section, warty, sparsely tomentose, conspicuously 4-ridged, crowned by 4 linear tomentose 5 mm long calyx lobes; pyrenes 4, deeply sulcate on the abaxial face, subrhombic in transverse section.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo: Brunei, Sabah.

Habitat & Ecology — In primary forest of lower montane below 1200 m altitude. Flowering in July and fruiting in November.

Additional specimens examined. Sabah, Nabawan, *F. Krispinus* SAN 118556 (K, L), *F. Krispinus* SAN 118646 (K, L); Sabah, Pensiangan, *A. Mantor* SAN 136779 (L); Brunei, Temburong, *D.A. Simpson* 2201 (K, L), same locality, *P.C. Bygrave* 35 (L).

Notes — This species differs from *L. pendulus* by having soft and relatively short hairs on branches, leaves beneath, peduncles and bracts; leaf midrib and nerves slightly depressed or flat above, petioles c. 5 mm long; head of cymes less compact; flowers 4-merous; drupes with 4 pyrenes. *Lasianthus pendulus* has relatively long and stiff hairs on branches, leaves beneath, peduncles and bracts; leaf midrib and nerves deeply depressed above; petioles 1–2 mm long, head of cymes more compact; flowers 5-merous; drupes with 5 pyrenes.

This species is also related to *L. robinsonii*, but differs in having oblong-ovate to ovate leaves, nerves 4–6 pairs, petioles c. 5 mm long and stipules triangular less than 2 mm long. *Lasianthus robinsonii* has oblong leaves, nerves 8–9 pairs, petioles 2–3 mm and stipules triangular lanceolate, 4–5 mm long.

47. *Lasianthus flavinervius* Ridl.

Lasianthus flavinervius Ridl. (1915) 154; (1923a) 162. — Type: *Ridley* 16121 (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Gunong Tahan, Pahang.

Shrubs; branchlets robust, terete, 3–4 mm diam, compressed and slightly sulcate in the youngest part, densely appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades oblong to oblong-elliptic, 10–15 by 3–5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, appressed-pubescent on venation beneath, apex acuminate to cuspidate-acuminate, base acute or cuneate; midrib depressed above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves 6–8 pairs, flat above, strongly prominent beneath, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, nervules slightly prominent above, conspicuously prominent beneath, subparallel; petioles c. 1 cm long, densely appressed-pubescent. *Stipules* broadly triangular, c. 1.5 mm long, appressed-pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tubular-campanulate, 3–4 mm long, appressed-pubescent outside, lobes 5, ovate-triangular, curved inward, c. 1–1.5 mm long, hirsute inside; corolla hirsute outside. *Drupe*s campanulate, c. 5 mm long, crowned by 5 calyx lobes, pubescent, conspicuously 4–5-ridged; pyrenes 4–5.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia, Indonesia (Sumatra).

Notes — The species is very close to *L. chinensis*. It differs from the latter by having 6–8 pairs of nerves and somewhere subparallel nervules, midrib depressed above and strongly prominent beneath, nerves strongly prominent beneath.

Wong (1989) sank this species to *L. perakensis*. However, it differs from the latter by having midrib and nerves strongly prominent beneath, calyx tubular-campanulate with 5 ovate-triangular lobes, drupes campanulate crowned by 5 conspicuous calyx lobes, drupes with 4–5 ridges. *Lasianthus perakensis* has midrib and nerves not strongly prominent beneath, calyx limb slightly trumpet-shaped with 5 indistinct obtuse lobes, drupes hemispheric with 10 obtuse ridges and crowned by obtuse calyx lobes.

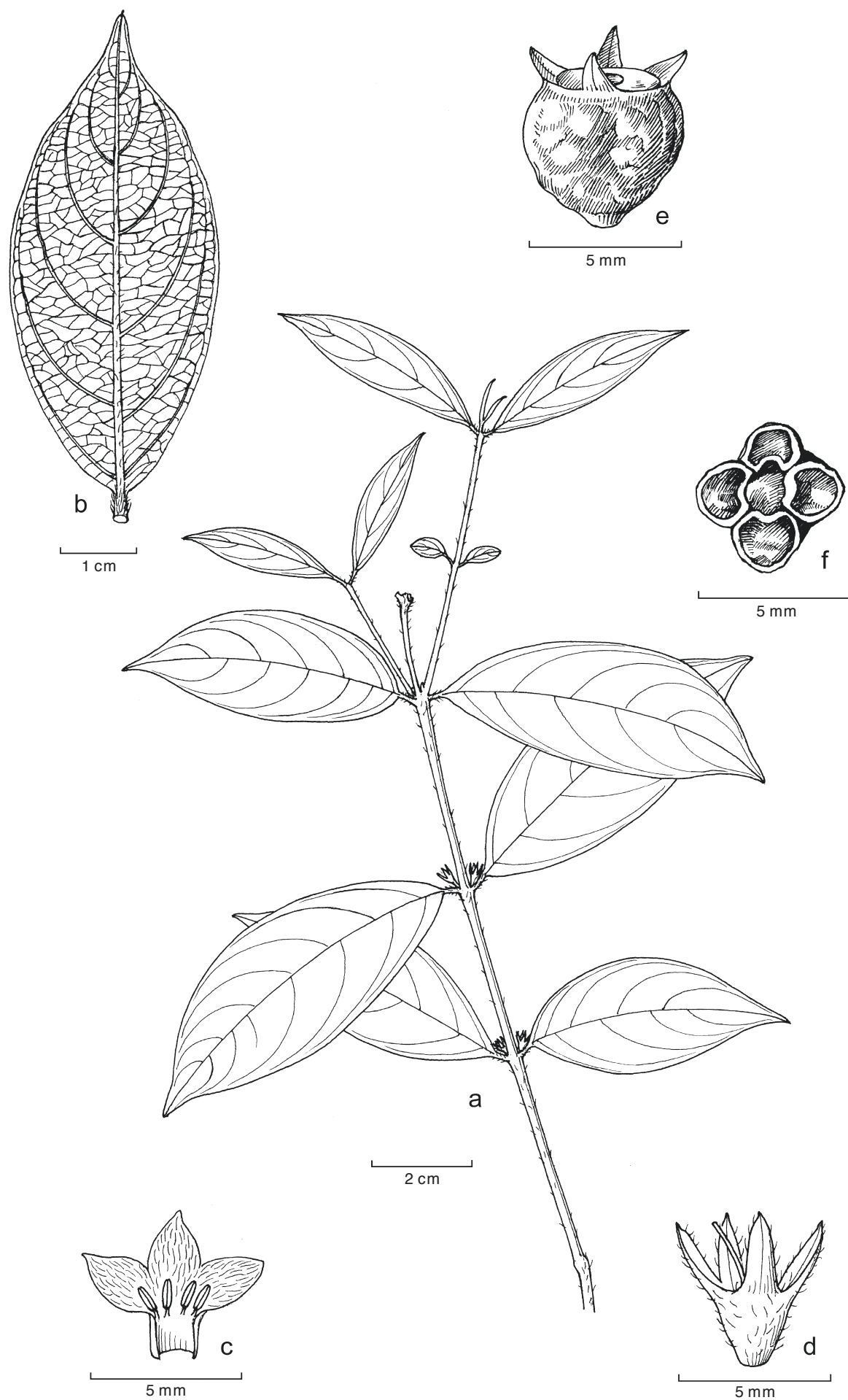


Fig. 16 *Lasianthus floresensis* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. lower surface of leaf showing reticulate nervules; c. corolla split opened; d. calyx; e. fruit; f. cross section of fruit (all: J.A.J. Verheijen 2359, holo L).

48. *Lasianthus floresensis* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 16

Proximus *L. fortulentus* Ridsd., sed petiolis brevioribus c. 2 mm longis, cymis sessilibus, lobis calycis oblongis 3 mm longis et pyrenis leviter verrucosis differt. — Typus: *Verheijen* 2359 (holo L), Lesser Sunda Islands, Flores, 22 Dec. 1996.

Shrub; branchlets terete, c. 1 mm diam, sparsely hirsute to glabrescent. *Leaves*: blades ovate-elliptic, 4–8 by 2–3.5 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous or sparsely hirsute midrib and nerves beneath, apex acute, margin recurved, base acute to subrounded, midrib slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves prominent on both surfaces, 4–5 pairs, ascending at an angle of 70–80°, curved, joining the veins above near leaf margin, forming an obscure intramarginal vein, nervules slightly prominent on both surfaces, weak, reticulate; petioles short, c. 2 mm long, sparsely hirsute or glabrescent. *Stipules* very small, triangular, c. 0.5 mm long. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* solitary, sessile; calyx campanulate, tube c. 1.5 mm long, puberulous, lobes 4, oblong, c. 3 mm long, 1 mm broad, glabrous or sparsely puberulous; corolla 5 mm long, tube c. 2 mm long, glabrous, lobes 4, ovate, 3 by 3 mm, puberulous external surface, floccose internal surface. *Drupes* subglobose, glabrous, c. 5 mm diam, verrucose, with 4 conspicuous, obtuse ridges, crowned by persistent oblong calyx lobes; pyrenes 4, slightly warty on the abaxial face, suborbicular in the transverse section.

Distribution — Indonesia: Java, Lesser Sunda Islands (Flores, Sumbawa), Moluccas.

Habitat & Ecology — Flowering and fruiting in December.

Additional specimens examined. Lesser Sunda Islands, Sumbawa, *herb Soembawa* 194 (L); Java, *J.H. Coert* 1423 (L); Moluccas, Tanimbar, *Jamdena*, *D.R. Pleyte* 175 (L), *P. Buwalda* 4713 (K, L).

Note — This species is closely related to *L. fortulentus* Ridsd. from Ceylon. It differs from the latter by having shorter petioles (c. 2 mm long), cymes sessile, calyx lobes oblong, 3 mm long, and pyrenes slightly warty on the abaxial face; while *L. fortulentus* has petioles up to 1.5 cm long, cymes shortly pedunculate, calyx lobes triangular, 1–1.3 mm long, pyrenes conspicuously sulcate on the abaxial face.

49. *Lasianthus fordii* Hance**Key to the varieties**

1. Leaves ovate-oblong, apex acuminate or cuspidate-acuminate a. var. *fordii*
1. Leaves ovate, apex caudate b. var. *microphyllus*

a. var. *fordii* — Map 6

Lasianthus fordii Hance (1885) 324; T.Yamaz. (1964) 352 (excl. var. *pubescens* (Matsum.) T.Yamaz.); T.S.Liu & J.M.Chao (1964) 128, f. 7; H.Zhu (1994) 72; H.J.Li & H.Y.Liu (1998) 284, pl. 126; H.S.Lo (1999) 97, pl. 25: 5–9; H.Zhu (2001b) 127; (2002) 98. — Type: *Ford* 66 (holo BM; iso K), China, Guangdong (Kwangdong), Lo Fu Shan.

Lasianthus tashiroi Matsum. (1901) 37. — *Mephitidia tashiroi* (Matsum.) Nakai (1922) 396. — Type: *Uchiyama* s.n. (n.v.).

Mephitidia tashiroi (Matsum.) Nakai var. *kotoensis* Nakai ex Sasaki (1928) 382, nom. nud.

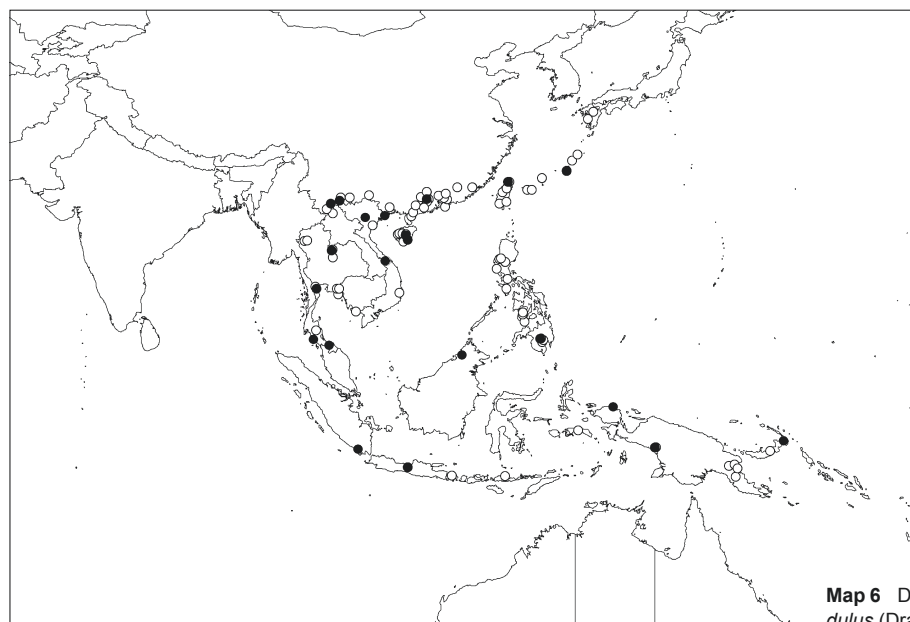
Lasianthus zambalensis Elmer (1934b) 3209. — Type: *Elmer* 22045 (iso A, K, L, MO, NY, P, SING), Philippines, Luzon, Pampanga.

Lasianthus kamputensis Pierre ex Pit. (1924) 392, p.p. quoad syntypes *Eberhardt* 2050 (P), *Pierre* 3266 (P).

Shrubs, 1–2 m tall; branchlets terete or compressed in the youngest part, c. 2 mm diam, glabrous to thinly appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades ovate-oblong, 6–10 by 3–5 cm, subcoriaceous or chartaceous, apex acuminate or cuspidate-acuminate, base acute or obtuse, glabrous above, thinly appressed-pubescent or subglabrous beneath, midrib and nerves flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 4–6 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to the margin, nervules usually obscure above, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles up to 1 cm long, subglabrous to hirsute. *Stipules* minute, triangular, pubescent. *Cymes* sessile, bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, sparsely pubescent, c. 2 mm long, with 5 triangular teeth; corolla 6–10 mm long, glabrous outside, villous inside, 5-lobed. *Drupes* globose or subglobose, 5–6 mm diam, glabrous; pyrenes 5–6.

Distribution — India (Northeast), China, Japan (Yakushima, Kyushu, Ryukyu), Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand, Philippines (Luzon to Mindanao), Indonesia (Java, Sulawesi, Lesser Sunda Islands, Moluccas, Irian Jaya), Papua New Guinea.

Note — *Lasianthus fordii* is similar to *L. lucidus* and are often confused in herbaria. *Lasianthus lucidus* has small ovate to ovate-lanceolate leaves and lanceolate calyx lobes longer than



Map 6 Distribution of *Lasianthus fordii* Hance (O) and *L. hispidulus* (Drake) Pit. (●).

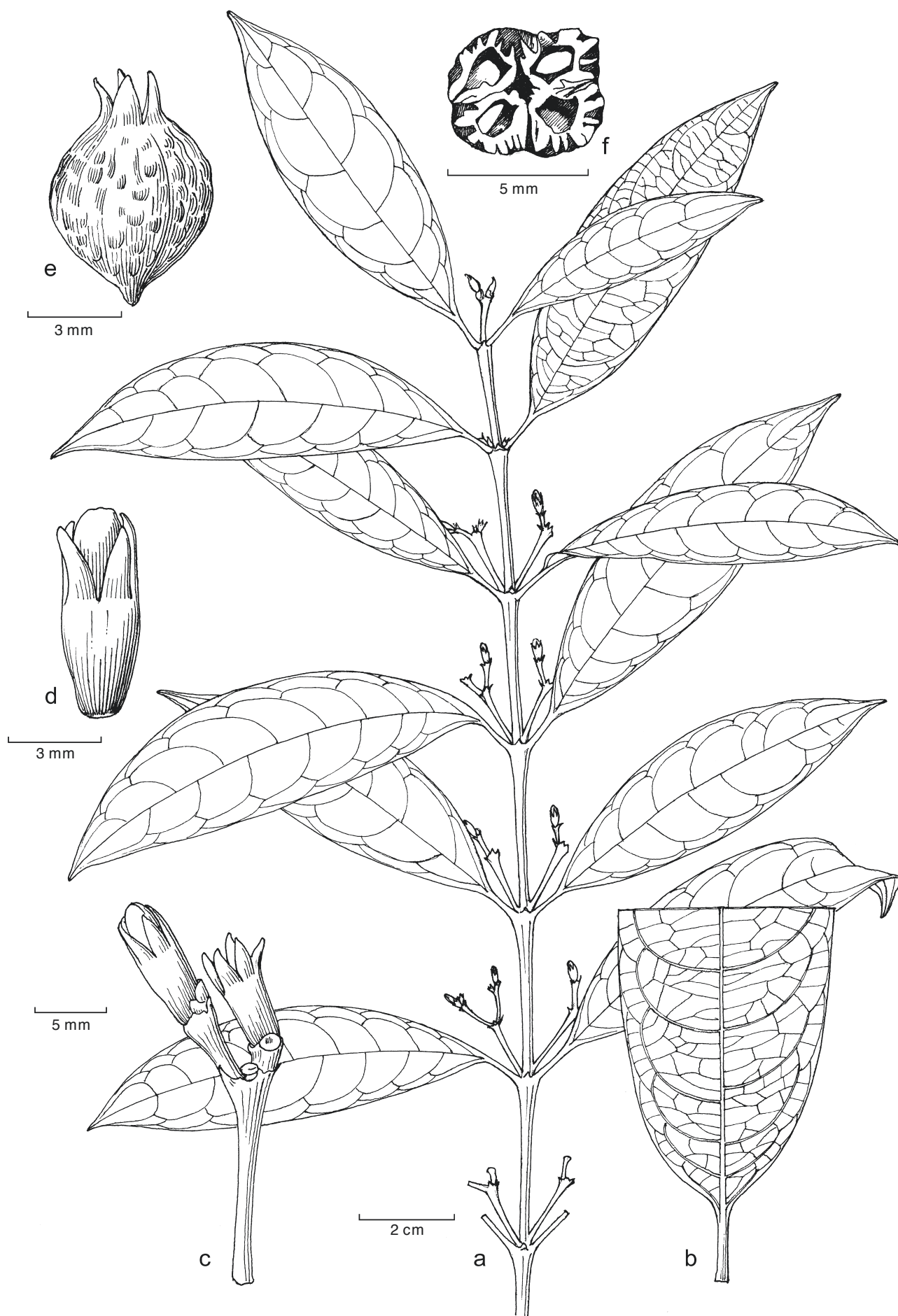


Fig. 17 *Lasianthus furcatoides* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. lower surface of leaf showing reticulate nervules; c. detail of inflorescence; d. immature flower; e. fruit; f. cross section of fruit (all: *Ilias Paie* S.27239, holo L.).

tube, while *L. fordii* has leaves from small ovate-lanceolate to bigger ovate-oblong and minute triangular calyx lobes shorter than tube.

b. var. *microphyllus* (Elmer) H.Zhu, stat. & comb. nov.

Lasianthus microphyllus Elmer, Leaflet Philipp. Bot. 5 (1913) 1870; Merr. (1923) 566. — Typus: *Elmer 13790* (iso A, CAS, E, K, L, MO, U, US), Philippines, Mindanao, Mt Urdaneta, 6500 ft, mossy forest.

Shrubs, branchlets subglabrous to glabrous. *Leaves* relatively small, ovate, apex caudate. *Calyx* glabrous. *Drupes* globose, crowned by minute calyx teeth.

Distribution — The Philippines.

Note — *Lasianthus microphyllus* is very closely related to *L. fordii*. It differs from *L. fordii* only by having usually much small ovate leaves with a caudate apex which is too weak to recognize it as a separate species. We here sink it to a variety of *L. fordii*.

50. *Lasianthus foxworthyanus* Craib

Lasianthus foxworthyanus Craib (1933) 21; (1934) 211; K.M.Wong (1989) 369; H.Zhu (2001b) 129. — Type: *Kiah 24312* (holo BK; iso KEP, SING), Thailand, Pattani.

Shrubs, up to 3 m high; branchlets terete, c. 1.5–2 mm diam, densely appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades oblong, oblong-lanceolate or oblong-elliptic, 9–16 by 3–5 cm, thinly coriaceous, glabrous above, appressed-pubescent on venation beneath, apex acuminate, aristate at summit, base cuneate, midrib slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 6–9 pairs, flat or slightly prominent above, conspicuously prominent beneath, nervules distinct on both surfaces, parallel; petioles 5–7 mm long, appressed-pubescent. *Stipules* triangular, 4–5 mm long, appressed-pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts appressed-pubescent, outer ones lanceolate, up to 5 mm long, inner ones smaller, linear to subulate. *Flowers* not seen. *Drupes* globose, c. 5 mm diam, puberulous or subglabrous, crowned by appressed-pubescent calyx limbs, with 4 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Thailand, Peninsular Malaysia.

51. *Lasianthus furcatoides* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 17

Proximus *L. laevigato* Blume, sed foliis venationibus brachiodromibus, nervis 4–5, stipulis subulatis minutis, lobis calycis et corollis 4, pyrenis 4 conspicue verrucosis differt. — Typus: *Ilias Paie S.27239* (holo L; iso K), Sarawak, Ulu Segan, Bintulu, 600 ft alt., hillside, 27 Aug. 1968.

Shrub, 1.3–2 m high; branchlets robust, usually compressed, c. 3 mm diam, glabrous, yellowish. *Leaves*: blades oblong, 7–13 by 2–4.5 cm, membranaceous, glabrous on both surfaces, apex cuspidate, base cuneate, midrib slightly prominent above, conspicuously prominent beneath, nerves slightly prominent on both surfaces, 4–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of almost 90°, curved near the leaf margin and joining the veins above forming an intramarginal vein, internerved veins conspicuous, ascending from the midrib at a nearly right angle, combination to the main nerves, nervules slightly prominent on both surfaces, reticulate; petioles 0.5–1 cm long, glabrous. *Stipules* very small, subulate-triangular, less than 1 mm long, glabrous. *Inflorescences* pedunculate; peduncles 0.5–1.5 cm long, furcate, glabrous except sparse bristles at nodes, flattened at base and nodes; bracts subulate, c. 1 mm long, puberulous or glabrous; bracteoles subulate to ovate, less than 1 mm long. *Flowers* sessile, articulate; calyx obconical, up to 8 mm long, glabrous, tubes 2.5–3 mm long, lobes 4, triangular-lanceolate or oblong-lanceolate, up to 5 mm long; corolla as long as calyx, lobes 4, sparsely puberulous external surface, floccose internal

surface; stamens 4, adhering on corolla tube; ovary 4-locular. *Drupes* oblong, c. 5 mm diam, glabrous, verrucose, crowned by lanceolate calyx lobes; pyrenes 4, very warty on abaxial face.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo (Sarawak).

Habitat & Ecology — In forest between 600–2300 ft. Flowering and fruiting between August and December.

Additional specimen examined. Sarawak, Bakam, Abg. Mohtar S.47207 (L).

Note — This species is characterized by its glabrous plants, looped leaf venation, and furcate peduncles. It is closely related to *L. laevigatus*, but differs in having leaves with looped venation; nerves 4–5 pairs; stipules very small, subulate, less than 1 mm long; calyx and corolla lobes 4; drupes with 4 pyrenes; pyrenes very warty. *Lasianthus laevigatus* has leaves without looped venation; nerves 8–10; stipules triangular, 4 mm long; calyx and corolla lobes 5–6; drupes with 6 pyrenes; pyrenes much more smooth.

52. *Lasianthus glaber* Ridl.

Lasianthus glaber Ridl. (1911; nec 1910) 59; (1923a) 155; K.M.Wong (1989) 373, p.p. — Type: *Ridley 11486* (14490 in publication) (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Temengoh.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, sometimes compressed in the youngest part, glabrous, dark-brown when dry. *Leaves*: blades elliptic, elliptic-lanceolate, thinly coriaceous, 15–18 by 4–5 cm, glabrous on both surfaces, apex cuspidate-acute, base acute, midrib depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 6–7 pairs, flat above, prominent beneath, ascending at an angle of 70–80°, curved to the leaf margin, nervules slender, distinct on both surfaces, subparallel; petioles 5–10 mm long, glabrous. *Stipules* big, ovate-triangular to triangular-lanceolate, 8–9 mm long, 5 mm broad at base, glabrous except the sparsely ciliate margin. *Cymes* sessile; bracts numerous, glabrous except long-ciliate hairs at the margin, outer ones similar to stipules, ovate-triangular, 7–8 mm long, inner ones smaller, lanceolate. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, tube c. 1.5 mm long, glabrous, limb with 5 broadly triangular lobes, glabrous outside, long-ciliate inside and at margin, lobes c. 1 mm long; corolla glabrous outside, tube 6–7 mm long, lobes 5, oblong, c. 3 mm long. *Drupes* subglobose, c. 5 mm diam, the base narrowed, with 4–5 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 4–5.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia.

Notes — The specimen *Ridley 11486* from Temenggo of Perak in SING that has the name *L. glaber* written on the label in Ridley's handwriting, is annotated as the type of *L. glaber*. Although it is not *Ridley 14490* in publication, it agrees with Ridley's description.

This species is similar to *L. stipularis*. It differs from *L. stipularis* by having ovate-lanceolate stipules and ovate-triangular to lanceolate bracts, 7–8 mm long, with hairs at margin. *Lasianthus stipularis* has linear to narrowly lanceolate bracts which are villous and up to 1.5 cm long.

53. *Lasianthus griffithii* Wight

Key to the varieties

1. Branchlets glabrous to stiffly hirsute; leaves glabrous to sparsely hirsute, nervules slightly prominent beneath a. var. *griffithii*
1. Branchlets completely glabrous; leaves with stiff hairs on both surfaces, nervules conspicuously elevated beneath b. var. *scabridus*

a. var. *griffithii*

Lasianthus griffithii Wight (1846) 505; Hook.f. (1880) 179; King & Gamble (1904) 111; Merr. (1921) 577; Ridl. (1923a) 152; K.M.Wong (1989) 371. — Type: Kew Dist. 2935 (*Griffith s.n.*) (holo K), Peninsular Malaysia.

Lasianthus spathulatus Miq. (1869) 246, syn. nov. — Type: *Vriese & Teysmann s.n.* (holo L, barcode L0057497), Borneo.

Lasianthus polycarpus Miq. (1869) 247; Merr. (1921) 579; (1929a) 292; (1937) 298, syn. nov. — Type: *Vriese & Teysmann s.n.* (holo L, barcode L0057500), Borneo.

Lasianthus griffithii Wight var. *latibracteata* King & Gamble (1904) 112. — Syntypes: *Ridley 10196* (n.v.), Selangor; *Ridley 9528* (n.v.), Perak; *Scortechini 6172* (iso K).

Treelets, up to 5 m high; branchlets terete, robust, c. 3–4 mm diam, glabrous to more or less stiffly hirsute, dark-brown when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, obovate to obovate-lanceolate, 18–25 by 4–9 cm, coriaceous, glabrous to sparsely hirsute above, glabrous to densely hirsute beneath, apex cuspidate to caudate-cuspidate, margin often reflexed, base cuneate to acuminate, midrib and nerves flat to slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 12–20 pairs, usually ascending at an angle of over 50°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure to prominent above, prominent beneath, reticulate; petioles 1–2 cm long, glabrous to hirsute. *Stipules* big, partly covering the cymes, ovate to triangular-ovate or broadly triangular, 1–2 by 1–2 cm, coriaceous with membranaceous margin, usually glabrous. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts numerous, linear, hirsute, forming a dense head. *Flowers* sessile, sealed (hidden) by bracts; calyx tube obconic, c. 2 mm long, glabrous, calyx limb funnel-shaped, 3–4 mm long, glabrous outside, hirsute inside, calyx lobes usually 6, ovate-triangular, c. 2 mm long, glabrous outside, densely hirsute inside, or hirsute both sides; corolla short, c. 4–5 mm long, glabrous outside, hairy inside. *Drupe*s turbinate-ellipsoid, c. 1 cm long, the base narrowed, the apex crowned by a cupular calyx limb, glabrous except the calyx limb; pyrenes usually 6.

Distribution — Malaysia (Peninsular, Borneo), Indonesia (Sumatra).

Notes — *Lasianthus griffithii* has large obovate-elliptic leaves (glabrous to hairy), large broad-triangular stipules, flowers densely covered by numerous filiform to lanceolate bracts with dense hairs outside, calyx with 5–7 triangular hairy lobes, drupes toothed. *Lasianthus polycarpus* is just the same species as *L. griffithii*. *Lasianthus spathulatus* differs from *L. griffithii* by having only relatively narrow, so-called spatulate leaves, which is not enough to separate it from the latter. Wong (1989) sank *L. griffithii* var. *latibracteata*.

Lasianthus griffithii is quite variable in leaf sizes and indumentum. It has leaves from relatively narrow spatulate to obovate, from 15 cm long to 35 cm long, most are oblong-obovate and 18–25 cm long. It is glabrous on branches, leaves and stipules to tomentose or hirsute hairs on leaves beneath, branches and leaves beneath or whole plant.

b. var. *scabridus* (King & Gamble) H.Zhu, stat. nov.

Lasianthus scabridus King & Gamble, J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal 73 (1904) 111; Ridl. (1923a) 152; K.M.Wong (1989) 370. — Typus: *Ridley 6463* (lecto SING, designated by Wong 1988), Peninsular Malaysia, Johore.

Branchlets terete, robust, glabrous, dark-brown when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate to obovate-lanceolate, with stiff hairs on both sides; nervules reticulate, conspicuously prominent beneath. *Stipules* big, partly covering the cymes, ovate to triangular-ovate or broadly triangular, 1–2 by 1–2 cm, coriaceous with membranaceous margin, glabrous. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts numerous, linear, hirsute, forming a dense head. *Flowers* sessile, sealed (hidden) by bracts.

Distribution — Malaysia (Peninsular, Borneo), Indonesia (Sumatra, Kalimantan).

Note — *Lasianthus scabridus* differs from *L. griffithii* in having stiff hairs on both sides of leaves, reticulate nervules conspicuously prominent beneath. It is suitable to sink *L. scabridus* to a variety of *L. griffithii* as var. *scabridus*.

54. *Lasianthus hexandrus* (Blume) Blume

Lasianthus hexandrus (Blume) Blume (1826–1827) 998; Miq. (1857) 323; (1869) 249. — *Mephitidia hexandra* Blume (1823) 51. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (lecto L, designated here, barcode L0310418). Paratypes: *Blume s.n.* (L, barcode L0310419), *Blume s.n.* (L, barcode L0310420), Java, Salak.

Shrubs to treelets, up to 2.5 m high; branchlets terete, slender, c. 1 mm diam, densely appressed-hirsute. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate, 4–9 by 1–2 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above except hirsute midrib, pubescent beneath, apex acuminate to caudate-acuminate, base acute to obtuse, nerves relatively slender, flat or slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, 6–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of 70–80°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, slender and distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles 3–4 mm long, densely appressed-hirsute. *Stipules* triangular, 1.5–2 mm long, densely appressed-hirsute. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* usually solitary; calyx tubular-campanulate, hirsute, divided near to the base, tube c. 1.5 mm long, lobes 4–6, oblong-lanceolate, c. 3 mm long, long-hirsute outside, glabrous inside; corolla not seen. *Drupe*s subglobose, c. 4 mm diam, hirsute, 4-obtuse-ridged, crowned by oblong-lanceolate calyx lobes; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Indonesia (Java, Sumatra, Kalimantan).

Notes — This species has appressed-hirsute hairs on branches, leaves beneath, leaf midrib above and calyx, lanceolate leaves with an acuminate apex and acute base, calyx divided near to the base (lobes lanceolate longer than tube, just like *L. curtisii*), hirsute drupes crowned by oblong-lanceolate calyx lobes. According to Blume (1826–1827), this species has 6-merous flowers (*hexandrus*). According to Miquel (1869), the flowers are 5-merous. In our observation (Sumatra, J.A. Lörzing 11395), it has 4–6 oblong-lanceolate calyx lobes, drupes with 4 pyrenes.

Lasianthus hexandrus differs from *L. curtisii* by having appressed-hirsute hairs on branches, leaves beneath and leaf midrib above, lanceolate leaves and drupes with 4 pyrenes. *Lasianthus curtisii* has spreading villose hairs on branches and leaves beneath, leaf midrib glabrous above, leaves oblong or ovate-oblong, drupes with 5 pyrenes. *Lasianthus hexandrus* differs from *L. chrysotrichus* in having appressed-hirsute hairs on branchlets and leaf nerves beneath. *Lasianthus chrysotrichus* has spreading hirsute hairs on branches and leaves nerves beneath.

55. *Lasianthus hirsutisepalus* H.Zhu, sp. nov.

Proximus *L. appresso* Hook.f., sed nervis rare hirsutis subtile, nervulis reticulatis, calycibus dense hirsutis, lobis calycis ovato-triangularibus dense hirsutis et pyrenis 4 differt. — Typus: *Tong et al. S. 32936* (holo K), Malaysia (Borneo), Ulu Sg. Masia, 4700 ft, 13 Mar. 1973.

Shrub, c. 3 m high; branches and branchlets terete, densely appressed-hirsute. *Leaves*: blades relatively small, lanceolate, 6–8 by 1.5–2 cm, subcoriaceous, pale shining and glabrous above when dry, hirsute on midrib and sparsely hirsute on nerves beneath, apex acute to acuminate, base acute to cuneate, midrib slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 5 pairs, ascending at an angle of 30–40°, curved to the margin, nervules conspicuous, prominent on both sides, reticulate; petioles 5–10 mm

long hirsute. *Stipules* triangular, c. 1 mm long, hirsute. *Cymes* sessile; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, densely hirsute on outside, tube c. 2 mm long, lobes 4, ovate-triangular, 1.5–2 mm long, densely hirsute both sides; corolla not seen. *Drupes* small, 3 mm diam, globose, crowned by the ovate-triangular calyx lobes, hirsute; pyrenes 4, smooth on abaxial face.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo.

Habitat & Ecology — Flowering March.

Note — This species differs from *L. appressus* in having sparse hirsute hairs on nerves beneath, nervules reticulate; calyx densely hirsute, lobes ovate-triangular, densely hirsute on both sides; drupes with 4 pyrenes.

56. *Lasianthus hirsutus* (Roxb.) Merr. — Map 7

Lasianthus hirsutus (Roxb.) Merr. (1952) 229; Bakh.f. (1965) 339; Deb & M.Gangop. (1991) 282, f. 4; H.Zhu (1994) 58; H.S.Lo (1999) 79; H.Zhu (2001b) 129; (2002) 76. — *Triosteum hirsutum* Roxb. (1824) 180. — Type: Unknown collector, sp.no: 139 (holo BM), Chittagong.

Lasianthus bracteatus Wight (1846) 501. — Type: Griffith s.n. (n.v.), Peninsular Malaysia.

Lasianthus roxburghii Wight (1846) 502. — Type not designated.

Lasianthus oculus-cati Miq. (1857) 315; (1869) 249. — Type: Unknown collector s.n. (holo L, barcode L0057762), Java.

Lasianthus laevicaulis Kurz (1875) 327. — Type: Kurz s.n. (iso K), Nicobar Island.

Lasianthus everettii Merr. (1908a) 265. — Type: Everett s.n. FB. 5591 (lost), Philippines, Negros Occidental.

Lasianthus cyanocarpus Jack var. *novoguineensis* Valetton (1911) 498; Merr. & L.M.Perry (1946) 219, syn. nov. — Type: Versteeg 1406 (iso L), SW New Guinea.

Lasianthus cyanocarpus Jack var. *asperatus* Pierre ex Pit. (1924) 381. — Type: Pierre 3256 (syn P; isosyn. L), Bien Hoa.

Lasianthus cyanocarpus Jack var. *lucidus* Pierre ex Pit. (1924) 382. — Syntypes: Pierre s.n. (P; isosyn. L), Vietnam, Bien Hoa; Harmand s.n. (P), Condor.

Lasianthus cyanocarpus auct. non Jack: Blume (1826–1827) 996; Benth. (1861) 160; Kurz (1877) 32; Hook.f. (1880) 179; Hemsl. (1888) 388; King & Gamble (1904) 113; Merr. (1921) 578; Pit. (1924) 381; Ridl. (1923a) 153; Craib (1934) 210; H.L.Li (1944) 430; T.S.Liu & J.M.Chao (1964) 129, f. 6; K.M.Wong (1989) 370; H.J.Li & H.Y.Liu (1998) 280, pl. 125.

Shrubs, 1–2 m high, usually stiff spreading rusty-hirsute; branchlets terete, robust, c. 3 mm diam, dark-brown when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong or oblanceolate-oblong, 13–20 by 5–6 cm, subcoriaceous or coriaceous, apex acuminate, base acute, dark-brown when dry, midrib and nerves flat to slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 7–10 pairs, ascending at

an angle of 70–80°, curved to the margin, nervules slender, obscure above, prominent beneath, subparallel; petioles 10–15 mm long, hirsute. *Stipules* lanceolate or triangular-lanceolate, 8–10 mm long, densely hirsute. *Cymes* sessile, covered with many persistent leafy bracts, outer ones ovate-lanceolate, 2–3 cm long, with distinct nerves, inner ones linear, much smaller, all hirsute on both surfaces. *Flowers* sessile, calyx obconical, densely long-hirsute, with 5 linear-lanceolate lobes, tube c. 1 mm long, lobes 5, c. 2.5 mm long, long-hirsute; corolla tube c. 1–1.2 cm long, glabrous in the lower half, hirsute in the upper half, glabrous inside, lobes 5, ovate, c. 3 mm long. *Drupes* ovoid-globose, hirsute to glabrous, crowned by the hirsute calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

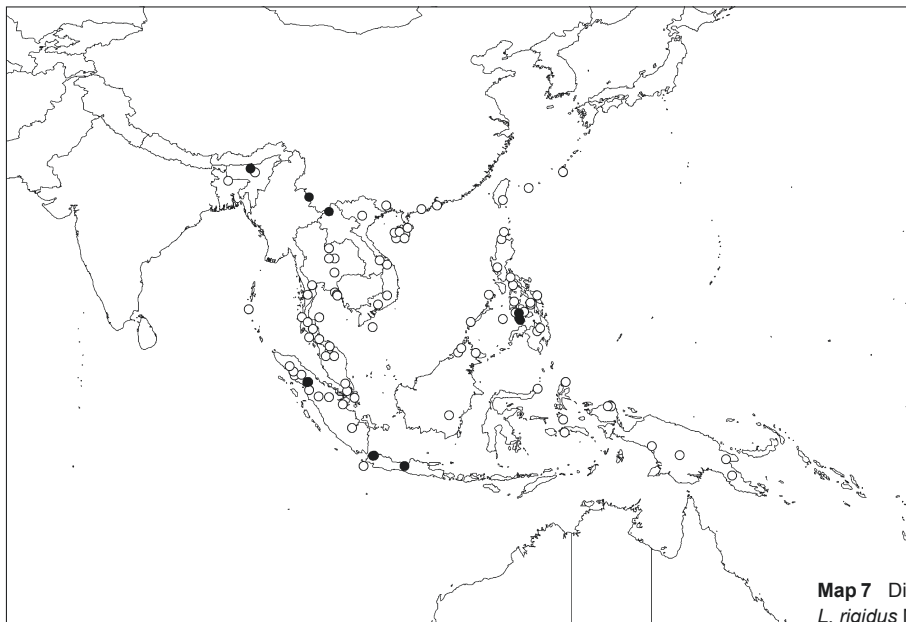
Distribution — India, Bangladesh, Burma, China, Japan (Ryukyu), Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, Malaysia (Peninsular, Borneo), Philippines, Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Kalimantan, Moluccas, Irian Jaya), Papua New Guinea.

Note — *Lasianthus hirsutus* is a widely distributed species. It differs conspicuously from other species of the genus mainly by its usually stiff rusty-hirsute hairs and cymes covered with many persistent large leafy bracts. This species is easily recognized. However, it was mistakenly called *L. cyanocarpus* by most authors. Although Merrill (1952) showed that the correct name of the species is *L. hirsutus*, the misapplied name *L. cyanocarpus* has subsequently been used by many authors. The species *L. cyanocarpus* is clearly different from *L. hirsutus*. *Lasianthus cyanocarpus* has relatively smaller leaves with cordate and a slightly oblique base, usually fewer and relatively small bracts. *Lasianthus hirsutus* differs from it in relatively large leaves with cuneate, slightly unequal base, relatively long petioles, conspicuous triangular stipules, more numerous bracts, outer ones ovate-oblong, leaf-like, inner ones gradually narrower and smaller, as well as usually long rusty-hirsute hairs on plants.

57. *Lasianthus hirtimarginatus* H.Zhu, sp. nov.

Similis *L. angustifolio* King & Gamble, sed ramulis glabris, foliis dense hirsutis ad marginem, nervis 8–11 binatis et petiolis longioribus differt. — Typus: Hotta & Tamin 201 (holo L), W Sumatra, Padang, 1300 m alt., 23 Jan. 1981.

Shrub, 3 m high; branchlets slightly compressed, glabrous, c. 2 mm diam, lenticellate. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate, 12–17 by 1.5–2.5 cm, chartaceous, glabrous above, puberulous or glabrescent beneath except pubescent midrib and nerves, apex long caudate, margin densely hirsute, base acute, slightly asymmetric, midrib slightly depressed above, prominent beneath,



Map 7 Distribution of *Lasianthus hirsutus* (Roxb.) Merr. (○) and *L. rigidus* Miq. (●).

nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 8–11 pairs, ascending at an angle of 70–80°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, slightly clear beneath, reticulate, puberulous beneath; petioles 1.2–1.5 cm long, glabrous. *Stipules* triangular, c. 2 mm long, hirsute. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* sessile; calyx pubescent, with 4–5 minutely teeth; corolla pubescent. *Drupes* c. 5 mm diam, warty, irregular ridged, pubescent; pyrenes 4–5.

Distribution — Indonesia (Sumatra).

Habitat & Ecology — In lower montane forests between 1100–1500 m altitude in W Sumatra. Flowering and fruiting between January and August.

Additional specimen examined. W Sumatra, Padang, H. Nagamasu 3140 (L).

Note — This species is similar to *L. angustifolius*. It differs from the latter by having glabrous branchlets, densely hirsute leaf margin, nerves 8–11 pairs and longer petioles (1.2–1.5 cm long); while *L. angustifolius* has pubescent branchlets, glabrous leaf margin, nerves 12–14 pairs and short petioles (4–5 mm long).

58. *Lasianthus hirtus* Ridl.

Lasianthus hirtus Ridl. (1909) 36; (1923a) 153. — Type: *Ridley 14009* (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Pahan.

Lasianthus acutatus auct non Miq.: Bakh.f. (1965) 341.

Shrubs, 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely spreading brown-pilose. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 6–9 by 2–2.5 cm, thinly coriaceous, densely pilose on both surfaces, apex caudate to caudate-acuminate, base acute to subrounded, midrib and nerves depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 8–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 50°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles 2–4 mm long, densely spreading brown-pilose. *Stipules* ovate, 3–4 mm long, membranaceous, densely pilose. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, dense pilose, tube c. 1 mm long, lobes 5, subulate-lanceolate, c. 1.5 mm long, densely long-pilose; corolla c. 7–8 mm long, pilose outside, lobes 5, lanceolate. *Drupes* ellipsoid, c. 4 mm long, sparsely pilose to densely pilose, with 5 obtuse ridges, crowned by densely pilose calyx limbs; pyrenes 4, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia, Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Sulawesi).

Notes — This species is close to *L. acutatus* but differs from it by having dense spreading pilose hairs on branches, leaves, petioles, stipules and calyx; leaves relatively small (6–9 cm long); stipules ovate. *Lasianthus acutatus* has stiff hairs on branches, leaves, and stipules, relatively bigger leaves that are 12–17 cm long, linear-lanceolate stipules.

Lasianthus hirtus has ovate and membranaceous stipules, the same as *L. stercorarius*, but differs from the latter by having dense spreading pilose hairs on branches, leaves, petioles, stipules, and calyx; calyx with 5 subulate-lanceolate lobes; drupes with 5 pyrenes.

Lasianthus hirtus was reduced to a synonym of *L. pilosus* by Wong (1989). However, it conspicuously differs from *L. pilosus* by having leaf blades relatively small (6–9 cm long) and with less nerves and acute to subrounded base; stipules ovate; bracts absent; calyx lobes subulate-lanceolate, relatively short, c. 1.5 mm long. *Lasianthus pilosus* has leaves relatively large (10–17 cm long) with usually rounded unequal base and more nerves; stipules triangular-lanceolate; bracts subulate; calyx lobes filiform, relatively long.

Lasianthus hirtus could be conspecific to *L. rufus* (Korth.) Miq., because it almost agrees with Korthals' (1851) description.

Without seeing type specimens of *L. rufus*, we still treat *L. hirtus* separately.

59. *Lasianthus hispidulus* (Drake) Pit. — Map 6

Lasianthus hispidulus (Drake) Pit. (1924) 393; H.Zhu (2001b) 130; (2002) 99. — *Mephitidia hispidulus* Drake (1895) 239. — Lectotype (selected by Zhu 2001b): *Eberhardt 3852* (lecto P), Vietnam. Thai-nguyen.

Lasianthus brevidens Craib (1933) 19; (1934) 208; H.Zhu (1998) 151. — Type: *Kerr 10833* (holo K; iso BM), Thailand, Rachaburi, Prachuap, 700 m.

Lasianthus bunzanensis Shimizu (1944) 301; T.S.Liu & J.M.Chao (1964) 121, f. 3; H.Zhu (1994) 73; H.J.Li & H.Y.Liu (1998) 277, pl. 122; H.S.Lo (1999) 99. — Type: *Suzuki 16385* (holo TIU, n.v.), Taiwan, Taipei.

Shrubs, 1–1.5 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely brown-villous. *Leaves*: blades elliptic to ovate-oblong, 7–10 by 3–5 cm, thinly coriaceous to chartaceous, apex cuspidate-acuminate or acuminate, base acute or obtuse, glabrous above, densely villous beneath, midrib and nerves flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 4–6 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to the margin, nervules slightly obscure above, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles 4–7 mm long, villous. *Stipules* minute, subulate, c. 1 mm long, hirsute. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile, clusters; calyx campanulate, 1.5 mm long, densely villous, teeth 5, minute, broad-triangular, c. 0.5 mm long, densely villous outside, glabrous inside; corolla white, 5–6 mm long, 5-lobed, pilose outside, villous inside. *Drupes* globose, hirsute, 3–5 mm diam; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — China, Japan (Ryukyu), Vietnam, Thailand, Malaysia (Borneo), Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Irian Jaya) and Papua New Guinea.

Note — *Lasianthus brevidens* from Thailand agrees well with *L. hispidulus* from Indochina, China (Hainan and Yunnan). We have not seen the type of *L. bunzanensis* from Taiwan, but from the original description and the checked specimens from Taiwan it is clear that *L. bunzanensis* is conspecific to *L. hispidulus*. This species is very closely related to *L. clementis* from the Philippines. It is separated from *L. clementis* only by having densely spreading hairs on branchlets, leaf undersurface, calyx and drupes, while *L. clementis* has densely more or less appressed hairs on branchlets, leaves beneath, and calyx, drupes appressed-pubescent or subglabrous. Both *L. hispidulus* and *L. clementis* have close affinity to *L. fordii*. They differ from *L. fordii* only by being densely hairy on branches, leaves beneath, and calyx.

60. *Lasianthus inodorus* Blume

Key to the subspecies

1. Branchlets and leaves glabrous or sparsely puberulous hairs on leaf lower surface; leaves relatively large, longer than 12 cm 2
1. Branchlets and leaf lower surfaces appressed-pubescent; leaves relatively small, usually less than 12 cm long c. subsp. *pubescens*
2. Branchlets with conspicuous lenticel; leaves oblong with subrounded bases; nerves 7–11 pairs; nervules subreticulate; bracts caducous b. subsp. *montigenus*
2. Branchlets without conspicuous lenticel; leaves elliptic to elliptic-lanceolate with acuminate bases; nerves 6–7 pairs; nervules parallel; bracts persistent . . . a. subsp. *inodorus*

a. subsp. *inodorus* — Map 8

Lasianthus inodorus Blume (1826–1827) 998; Miq. (1857) 322; (1869) 248; Merr. (1921) 577; Bakh.f. (1965) 339; H.Zhu (1998) 152; (2001a) 451; (2001b) 132; (2002) 77. — *Mephitidia inodora* (Blume) DC. (1830) 453. — Type: *Blume s.n* (holo L, barcode L0000690), Java.

Lasianthus tubiferus Hook.f. (1880) 183; Craib (1934) 219; Deb & M.Gangop. (1991) 305, f. 14; H.Zhu (1994) 59. — Type: *Hooker & Thomson s.n.* (lecto K; designated by Deb & Gangopadhyay 1991; isolecto A, L), India, Khasia. *Lasianthus poilanei* Pit. (1924) 398. — Type: *Poilane 234* (holo P; iso E, K), Mt Elephant, 1000 m, Cambodia.

Shrubs, 2–3 m high; branches and branchlets glabrous or thinly puberulous. *Leaves*: blades elliptic to elliptic-lanceolate, 10–20 by 2.5–6 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, glabrous or sparsely puberulous beneath, apex acuminate, base acuminate; nerves 6–7 pairs, nervules parallel, nerves and nervules conspicuous beneath; petioles 6–10 mm long, glabrous or sparsely puberulous. *Stipules* triangular or ovate-lanceolate, 3–5 mm long, glabrous, coriaceous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts persistent, 3–6 mm long, orbicular or ovate-orbicular, thickly coriaceous, glabrous or pubescent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tubular, tube 2 mm long, glabrous, with 5 ovate-lanceolate lobes, puberulous outside; corolla 10 mm long, puberulous outside, villous inside. *Drupe*s ovoid, 10 mm long, glabrous; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — India (northeast part), Bangladesh (eastern part), China (Yunnan), Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand, Indonesia (Sumatra, Java).

Note — Subsp. *inodorus* has a wide, disjunct distribution. However, the specimens from mainland SE Asia and the ones from Sumatra and Java are almost identical so that clear variation within this subspecies cannot be recognized.

b. subsp. *montigenus* H.Zhu — Map 8

Lasianthus inodorus Blume subsp. *montigenus* H.Zhu (2001a) 451. — Type: *Zhu 98-7-01* (holo HITBC), Borneo, Kinabalu, alt. 2400 m, in upper montane forest.

Shrubs, 2–3 m tall; branches subterete or slightly tetragonous, striate and conspicuously lenticellate, glabrous, incrassate at nodes, internode 3.5–4 cm long, nigrescent when drying. *Leaves*: blades 12–15 by 3.5–5.5 cm, oblong, apex shortly caudate, base subrounded, coriaceous, glabrous on both sides, nerves 7–11-paired, tertiary nerves subreticulate, nerves and tertiary nerves conspicuous on both sides; petioles 5 mm long, glabrous. *Stipules* ovate-triangular, 3–5 mm long, apex acuminate, pubescent. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts orbicular, subcoriaceous, caducous. *Flowers* sessile; calyx glabrescent, tube 2.5 mm long, lobes 5, broad-triangular, 2 mm long, apex and margin pubescent. *Fruits* oblong, 10 mm long, glabrous; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo.

Additional specimens examined. Borneo, Kinabalu, alt. 7000 ft, *Clemens 32536* (K).

c. subsp. *pubescens* H.Zhu — Map 8

Lasianthus inodorus Blume subsp. *pubescens* H.Zhu (2001a) 451. — Type: *Zhu 98-7-02* (holo HITBC), Borneo, Kinabalu, alt. 1600 m, in lower montane forest.

Shrubs, 1–1.5 m tall; branches subterete, densely appressed-pubescent, incrassate at nodes, internode 2.5–3 cm long. *Leaves*: blades 6–13 by 2.2–5 cm, oblong-lanceolate, apex subacute to shortly acuminate, base broadly cuneate, coriaceous, glabrous above, pubescent beneath, nerves 6–7-paired, tertiary nerves subparallel, nerves and tertiary nerves conspicuous on both sides; petioles 3 mm long, pubescent. *Stipules* triangular, 5 mm long, apex acuminate, densely pubescent. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts orbicular, subcoriaceous, pubescent, semi-persistent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tube 2 mm long, pubescent outside, lobes 5, 2 mm long, broad-triangular, pubescent outside, apex and margin densely pubescent; corolla 8 mm long, tube 4–5 mm long, glabrescent outside, lobes subspathulate, pubescent outside, villous inside; stamens 5; anthers oblong. *Mature fruit* not seen.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo (Sabah, Brunei, Sarawak, Kalimantan).

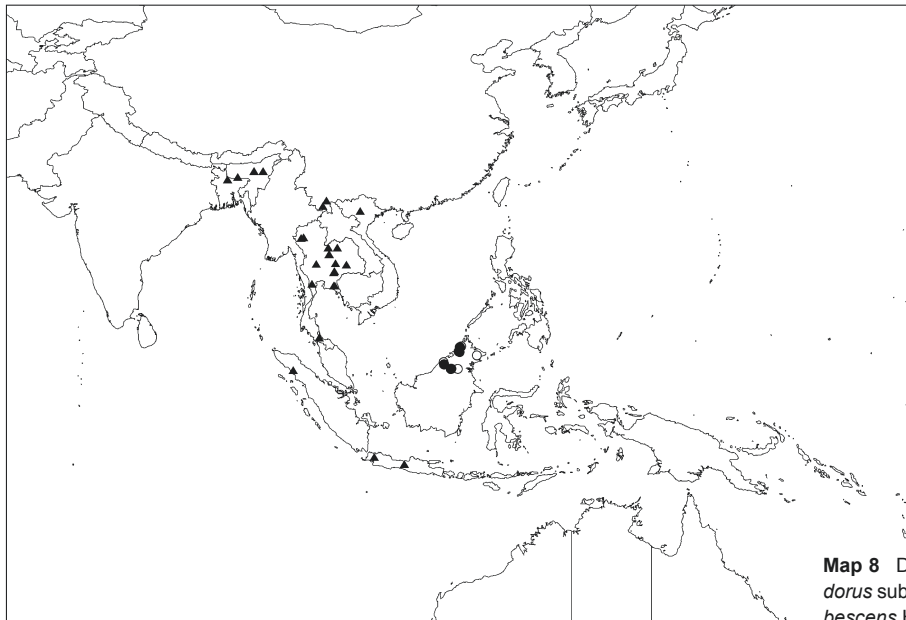
Notes — Subsp. *pubescens* has coriaceous elliptic or elliptic-lanceolate leaves and conspicuously orbicular or ovate coriaceous bracts that make it a clear species in the genus.

Lasianthus inodorus from the mountains of Sumatra and Java is clearly conspecific to *L. poilanei* of Cambodia and *L. tubiferus* from India, Thailand and Yunnan of China. The species has coriaceous elliptic or elliptic-lanceolate leaves and persistent orbicular coriaceous bracts, which clearly distinguish it in the genus.

61. *Lasianthus iteoides* Valetton ex H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 18

Similis *L. hexandro* Blume, sed lobis calycis triangulatis c. 1 mm longis aequalis tubo differt. — Typus: *Bünnemeijer 3578* (holo L.), Indonesia, Sumatra Barat, Malintang, Gunung, c. 1100 m alt., 18 July 1918.

Shrub, c. 3 m high; branchlets terete, c. 1.5 mm diam, densely appressed hirsute. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate to oblong lanceolate, 6–13 by 1.6–3 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above except hirsute midrib, villose beneath; apex acute to acuminate, margin slightly recurved, base acute, midrib depressed above,



Map 8 Distribution of *Lasianthus inodorus* Blume (▲), *L. inodorus* subsp. *montigenus* H.Zhu (●) and *L. inodorus* subsp. *pubescens* H.Zhu (○).

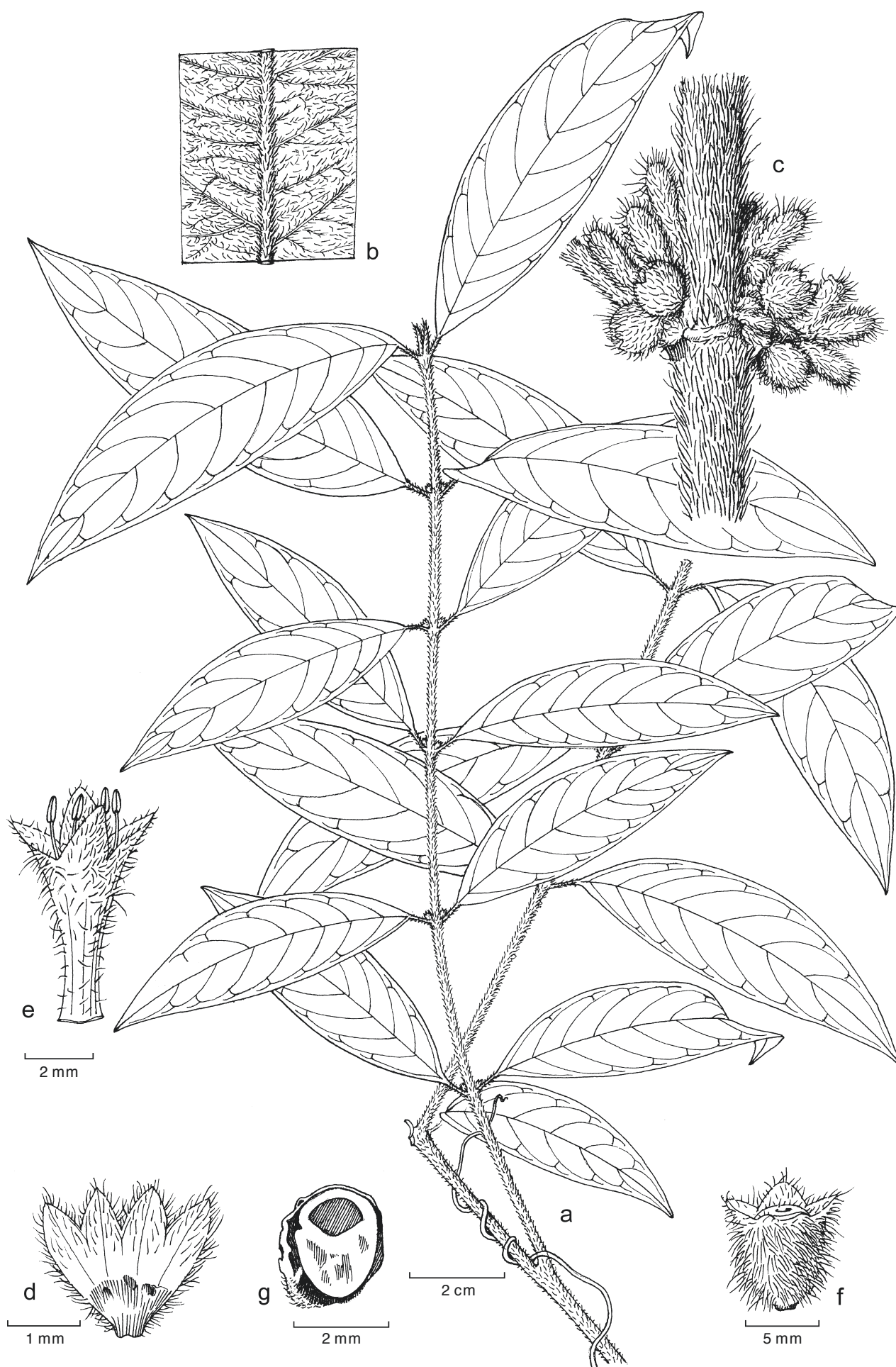


Fig. 18 *Lasianthus iteoides* Valetton ex H.Zhu. a. Habit; b. detail of lower surface of leaf showing indumentum; c. detail of node showing axillary inflorescences; d. calyx split opened; e. corolla; f. fruit; g. cross section of pyrene (all: *Bünnemeijer* 3578, holo L).

prominent beneath, hirsute, nerves depressed and obscure above, prominent and conspicuous beneath, hirsute beneath, 7–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to margin, nervules obscure above, conspicuous beneath, villose, reticulate; petioles c. 5 mm long, densely appressed hirsute. *Stipules* triangular, 1 mm long, appressed hirsute. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx obconical, c. 2 mm long, densely villose, lobes 4–5, triangular, 1 mm long, villose both surfaces; corolla claviform when in bud, densely spreading villose, 6–7 mm long, lobes triangular-oblong, c. 2 mm long; stamens with c. 0.8 mm long filaments; styles 5 mm long. *Drupes* globose, c. 5 mm diam, villose; pyrenes 5, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — W Sumatra.

Habitat & Ecology — In forest between 100–1100 m altitude. Flowering in July; fruiting in September.

Additional specimens examined. Sumatra, Malintang, *Bünnemeijer* 3862 (L); Sumatra, Sago, Gunung, *Bünnemeijer* 3686 (L), *Dayar Arbain* DA399 (L).

Notes — This species is similar to *L. hexandrus*, but differs from the latter by having triangular calyx lobes, c. 1 mm long, as long as the calyx tube. *Lasianthus hexandrus* has lanceolate calyx lobes, 3–4 mm long, conspicuously longer than the tube.

Valeton recognized the species as a new one, but did not make the description except a determination label on the type specimen. Here we described it as a new species.

62. *Lasianthus iteophyllus* Miq.

Lasianthus iteophyllus Miq. (1869) 247; Bakh.f. (1965) 340. — Lectotype (designated here): *Blume s.n.* (lecto L, barcode L0305214). Paratypes: *Blume s.n.* (L, barcode L0305211), *Blume s.n.* (L, barcode L0305213), Java.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, sparsely hirsute, dark-brown in the youngest part. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate, 12–14 by 2.5–3 cm, thinly coriaceous, glabrous on both surfaces except sparsely hirsute hairs on midrib and nerves beneath, apex caudate-acuminate, base acute, slightly asymmetric, midrib and nerves slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 10–11 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct and prominent on both surfaces, reticulate; petioles 3–4 mm long, hirsute. *Stipules* triangular, 3–4 mm long, glabrous except long-pilose hairs on the margin, coriaceous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, 2–2.5 mm long, glabrous, limb pilose inside, with 5–6 minute teeth, teeth subulate, c. 0.5 mm long, pilose at the margin and inside; corolla not seen. *Drupes* globose, glabrous, very verrucose; pyrenes 5–6, irregular sulcate on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Indonesia (Java).

63. *Lasianthus kinabaluensis* Stapf

Lasianthus kinabaluensis Stapf (1894) 184; Wernham ex Gibbs (1914) 95; Merr. (1921) 577. — Type: *Haviland* 1306 (lecto K; designated here; isolecto SING); *Haviland* 1323 (para K), Borneo, Penokok, 3000–3200 ft.

Shrubs, up to 2 m high, glabrous; branchlets terete, slender, c. 1 mm diam, nitid. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate, 5–10 by 1.5–2.5 cm, thinly coriaceous, apex caudate-acuminate, base acute or cuneate, the margin often reflexed, midrib flat or depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves slender, prominent beneath, 3–4 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 60°, curved near the leaf margin and joining the veins above forming an intramarginal vein, nervules slender, loosely anastomosing, distinct beneath, reticulate; petioles 5–10 mm long. *Stipules* minute, triangular, c. 1 mm long, ciliate at margin. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, c. 1.5 mm long, glabrous, lobes 4–5, triangular, c. 0.8 mm long; corolla c. 4–5 mm long,

glabrous outside, lobes 4–5. *Drupes* subglobose, c. 5 mm diam, glabrous, 3–4-obtuse-ridged, verrucose; pyrenes 3–4, verrucose on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo.

Note — This species is related to *L. constrictus* by its glabrous plants, calyx constricted at the base of the limb and warty drupes with 3–4 pyrenes. It differs from the latter by having relatively small and thin leaves with looped venation.

64. *Lasianthus laevigatus* Blume

Lasianthus laevigatus Blume (1826–1827) 998; Miq. (1857) 320; (1869) 247; Boerl. (1891) 140; Merr. (1921) 577; Bakh.f. (1965) 337. — Lectotype (designated here): *Blume s.n.* (lecto L, barcode L0000692). Paratypes: *Blume s.n.* (L, barcode L0000691), *Blume s.n.* (L, barcode L0000693), *Blume s.n.* (L, barcode L0000694), Java, Salak.

Shrubs, up to 5 m high, glabrous; branchlets terete, 2–3 mm diam, dark-brown when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 9–18 by 2–4.5 cm, coriaceous, apex cuspidate-acuminate, margin often reflexed and more or less undulate, base acuminate, midrib and nerves prominent on both surfaces, nerves 8–10 pairs, slender, ascending at an angle of over 60°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, distinct beneath, reticulate; petioles 1–2 cm long. *Stipules* triangular, c. 3 mm long, glabrous. *Cymes* pedunculate, glabrous; main peduncles 1–1.5 cm long; branches 5–8 mm long; bracts subulate, 1–2 mm long, minutely ciliate. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tube tubular-campanulate, c. 5 mm long, glabrous, calyx lobes 4, lanceolate, 5–6 mm long, glabrous; corolla 7–8 mm long, tube glabrous, lobes 6, glabrous outside, densely floccose inside; stamens 6. *Drupes* turbinate, c. 5–6 mm diam, glabrous, conspicuously 6-ridged; pyrenes 6.

Distribution — Endemic to Indonesia (Java).

Habitat & Ecology — From lowland rainforests to montane forests between 700–1400 m altitude. Flowering in March; fruiting in April.

65. *Lasianthus lancilobus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 19

Proximus *L. robinsonii* Ridl., sed ramulis costis nervis subtus, pedunculis et calycibus sparsim hirsutis, nervis 5–6-binatis, nervulis subparallelis, petiolis 6–8 mm longis, bracteis late-linearibus costatis 1.5 mm longis et lobis calycis lanceolatis nervatis differt. — Typus: *Church et al.* 2639 (holo L; iso K), Borneo, W Kalimantan, Serawai, 1600 m alt., in upper montane mossy forest, 22 Oct. 1995.

Treelet, 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 1.5 mm diam, deeply brown, sparsely hirsute. *Leaves*: blades oblong, 6–13 by 2.5–3.5 cm, chartaceous, glabrous except sparsely hirsute midrib and nerves beneath, apex acuminate to shortly caudate, base acute, midrib slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 5–6 pairs, nervules obscure above, conspicuous beneath, subparallel; petioles 6–8 mm long, hirsute. *Stipules* lanceolate, c. 3 mm long, hirsute. *Inflorescences* peduncled; peduncles slender, c. 0.3 mm diam, 2.5–3 cm long, hirsute; bracts 2 at each node, usually unequal, longer ones linear and with a midrib, up to 1.5 cm long, 1 mm broad, sparsely hirsute; shorter ones narrowly linear, hirsute. *Flowers* pediceled; pedicels 1–3 mm long, hirsute; calyx hirsute, lobes 4, lanceolate, usually nerved, 5 mm long, hirsute external surface, tube c. 2 mm long; corolla not seen. *Drupes* subglobose, glabrous, 4 obtuse ridges, verrucose on surface, 4–5 mm diam, crowned by lanceolate calyx lobes.

Distribution — Indonesia (W Kalimantan).

Habitat & Ecology — In upper montane mossy forest. Flowering in October.

Note — This species is characterized by its slender peduncles, linear bracts with a midrib and nerved lanceolate calyx



Fig. 19 *Lasianthus lancilobus* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of branch; c. detail of inflorescence; d. calyx (all: A.C. Church *et al.* 2639, holo L.).

lobes. It is closely related to *L. robinsonii*, but differs from the latter by having sparsely hirsute branches and leaf midrib and nerves beneath, peduncles and calyx; nerves 5–6 pairs, nervules subparallel; petioles 6–8 mm long; bracts broadly linear with a midrib, up to 1.5 cm long; calyx lobes lanceolate, nerved. *Lasianthus robinsonii* has spreading tomentose branches, leaf nerves beneath and peduncles; nerves 8 pairs, nervules reticulate; petioles short, less than 3 mm long; bracts subulate-linear, less than 1 cm long and without a midrib; calyx lobes subulate.

66. *Lasianthus latifolius* (Blume ex DC.) Miq.

Lasianthus latifolius (Blume ex DC.) Miq. (1857) 320; (1869) 245; Merr. (1921) 577; Bakh.f. (1965) 342. — *Mephitidia latifolia* Blume ex DC. (1830) 453. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (lecto L, designated here, barcode L0057522). Paratypes: *Blume s.n.* (L, barcode L0057523), *Blume s.n.* (L, barcode L0057524), *Blume s.n.* (L, barcode L0057525), *Blume s.n.* (L, barcode L0057526), Java, Salak.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, robust, c. 3 mm diam, glabrous except appressed-puberulous nodes. *Leaves*: blades elliptic-oblong, 13–15 by 5–7 cm, coriaceous, glabrous except sparsely hirsute hairs on midrib and nerves beneath, apex cuspidate, base acute or broadly cuneate, midrib slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, c. 7 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to the margin, nervules prominent on both surfaces, densely anastomosing, parallel; petioles 1–1.5 cm long, appressed-puberulous. *Stipules* triangular, c. 3 mm long, appressed-puberulous. *Cymes* sessile or very small tuberculate (c. 1 mm long); bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, puberulous, tube c. 1.5 mm long, lobes 5, lanceolate-triangular, c. 2.5 mm long; corolla not seen. *Drupes* globose, red in colour, c. 5 mm diam, glabrous, 12-ridged; pyrenes 6, sulcate on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Indonesia (Java).

Note — This species is closely related to *L. calycinus* Dunn from Hainan of China.

67. *Lasianthus laxifloroideus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 20

Proximus *L. laxifloro* Merr. sed ramulis costia nervis subtus stipulis pedunculis calycis appressi-pubescentibus, foliis angustioribus, petiolis 5 mm longis, stipulis minoribus triangularis 2 mm longis, cymis 1–2 cm longis differt. A *L. dinghoui* H.Zhu foliis oblongis vel ovato-oblongis 2.5–4.5 cm latis apice acuminatis vel cuspidatis, lobis calycis lanceolatis 1.5 mm longis differt. — Typus: *Ching S.40794* (holo L; iso K, L), Borneo, Sabah, Kelingkang Range, 1650 ft, in mixed dipterocarp forest, 10 Oct. 1979.

Shrub, up to 3 m high; branchlets terete, c. 1.5 mm diam, densely appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades oblong or ovate-oblong, 10–16 by 2.5–4.5 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous except appressed-pubescent midrib and nerves beneath, apex acuminate to cuspidate, base abruptly acute to subrounded, midrib and nerves slightly prominent above, conspicuously prominent beneath, nerves 3–6 pairs, nervules prominent on both surfaces, more conspicuous beneath, parallel; petioles c. 5 mm long, appressed-pubescent. *Stipules* triangular, c. 2 mm long, appressed-pubescent. *Inflorescences* peduncled, appressed-pubescent; peduncles 0.5–2 cm long, trifurcate at each node; bracts subulate-linear, 2–3 mm long, pubescent; bracteoles small, subulate, c. 1 mm long. *Flowers* pediceled; pedicels 3–5 mm long, articulate, appressed-pubescent; calyx campanulate, appressed-puberulous, tube 1.5 mm long, lobes 4, oblong-lanceolate, c. 1.5 mm long; corolla glabrous external surface, 6–7 mm long, lobes 4. *Drupes* rhomboidal-globose, 5 mm diam, glabrous, verrucose external surface, conspicuously 4-ridged; pyrenes 4, strongly verrucose on abaxial face and sides.

Distribution — Malaysia (Borneo).

Habitat & Ecology — In lower montane forests between 350–900 m altitude. Flowering in April; fruiting in October.

Additional specimens examined. W Kalimantan, Serawai, A.C. Church et al. 2001 (L); W Kalimantan, Kabupaten Sanggau, W. de Jong 889 (L); Sarawak, Lubok Antu, Dyg Awa et al. 44116 (L); Sabah, Kelingkang Range, Rena et al. S.58966 (L); Sabah, Serian, B. & K. Bremer 1650 (L); Sarawak, G. Lesong, B. Lee S.43203 (L).

Note — This species is closely related *L. laxiflorus* and *L. dinghoui* H.Zhu. It differs from *L. laxiflorus* by having appressed-pubescent branches, leaf midrib and nerves beneath, stipules, peduncles, and calyx; petioles 5 mm long; stipules small, triangular, c. 2 mm long; inflorescence 1–2 cm long. While *L. laxiflorus* is a glabrous plant and has petioles 6–10 mm long, stipules lanceolate 5–7 mm long, inflorescence 3–4 cm long. It differs from *L. dinghoui* by having densely appressed-pubescent on branches, and leave beneath, leaves oblong to ovate-oblong, more than 2.5 cm broad; leaf apex acuminate to cuspidate; calyx lobes oblong-lanceolate, c. 1.5 mm long.

68. *Lasianthus laxiflorus* Merr.

Lasianthus laxiflorus Merr. (1937) 298. — Type: *Winkler 430* (holo HBG; iso HBG, NY), W Borneo, Bukit Mulu, 450 m alt.

Shrubs to treelets, 3 m high, glabrous; branchlets terete, c. 2.5 mm diam, slightly compressed in the youngest part. *Leaves*: blades oblong, 10–19 by 2.5–6 cm, coriaceous, apex cuspidate, base acute to broadly cuneate, midrib and nerves slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 3–5, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct on both surfaces, subreticulate; petioles 6–12 mm long. *Stipules* triangular to triangular-lanceolate, up to 5 mm long, glabrous. *Cymes* pedunculate; main peduncles up to 3 cm long, slender, trifurcate; branches 5–10 mm long; bracts subulate-linear, 2–3 mm long. *Flowers* subsessile, articulate; calyx obconical, with 4–5 teeth, tube c. 2 mm long, teeth subulate, c. 1 mm long; corolla c. 8 mm long, subglabrous, lobes 4–5, oblong-ovate; anthers 4–5, oblong; ovary 4-locular. *Drupes* ellipsoid, c. 4 mm diam verrucose; pyrenes 3–4.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo (Sarawak, Sabah, Kalimantan).

Note — This species is strongly characterized by being glabrous, having relatively large subcoriaceous oblong leaves (13–19 by 5–6 cm) with acute or cuspidate apex and broadly acute base, midrib and nerves conspicuously prominent beneath, stipules subulate-lanceolate up to 5 mm long, cymes peduncled, usually two peduncles in each axil, main peduncles up to 3 cm long, bracts subulate-linear, 3 mm long.

69. *Lasianthus ledermannii* Valetton

Lasianthus ledermannii Valetton (1927) 108. — Type: *Ledermann 9373b* (B†), New Guinea, Etappenberg, 850 m; *Takeuchi 5096* (neo L, designated here; isoneo K), New Guinea, East Sepik, Hunstein range, 915 m alt., 29 Sept. 1989.

Shrubs or treelets, 1.5 m high; branchlets terete, robust, c. 3 mm diam, densely dark-brown-tomentose. *Leaves*: blades elliptic, elliptic-oblong, 8–13 by 3–5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above except hirsute hairs on midrib, densely brown-tomentose beneath, apex cuspidate or shortly caudate, margin slightly reflexed, base cuneate to subrounded, rarely asymmetric, midrib and nerves flat to slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 6–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of 45–60°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, distinct and prominent beneath, subparallel; petioles c. 5 mm long, densely tomentose. *Stipules* triangular-lanceolate, c. 5 mm long, densely tomentose. *Cymes* sessile; bracts numerous, lanceolate to linear-lanceolate, 5–8 mm long, densely tomentose. *Flowers*

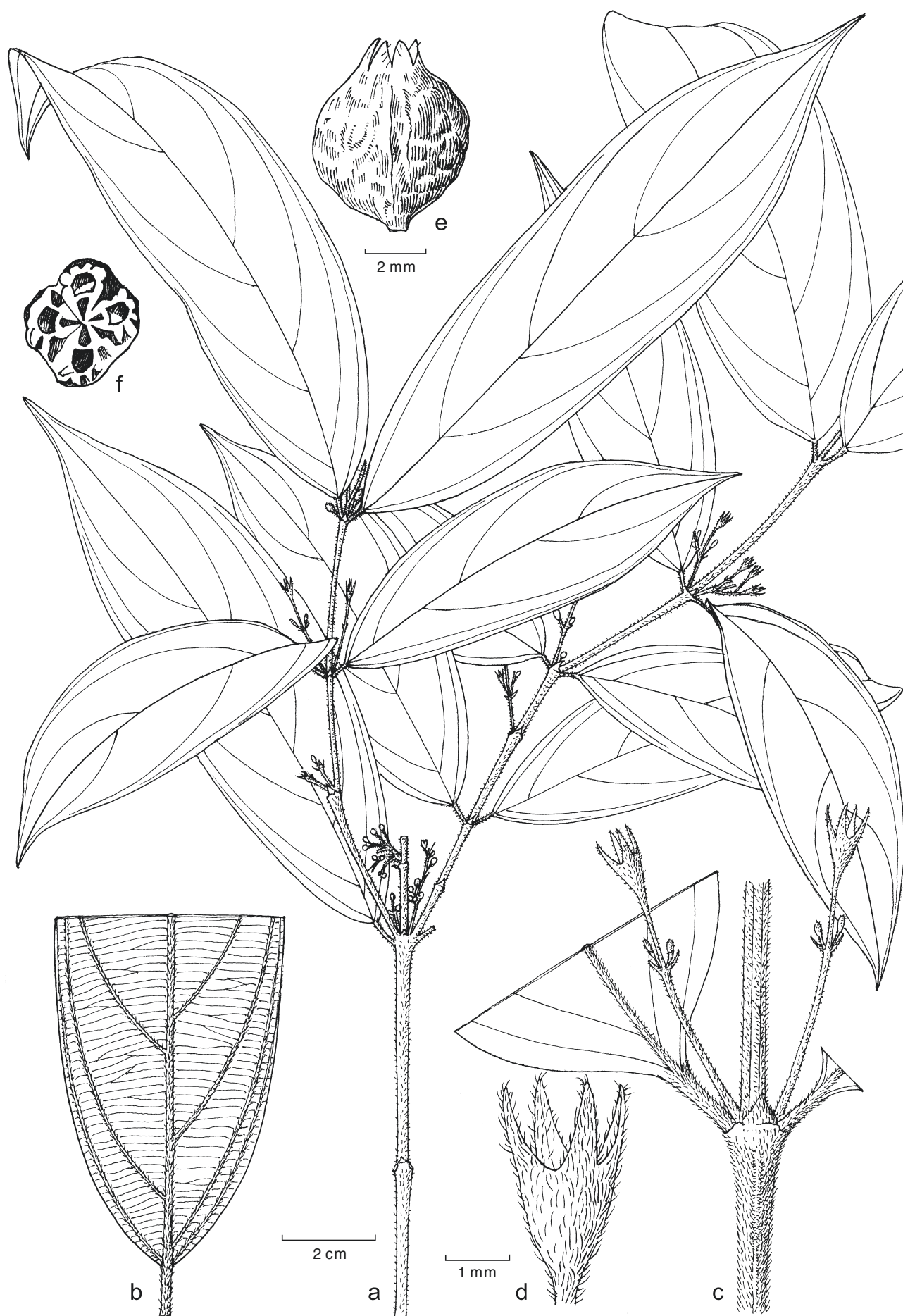


Fig. 20 *Lasianthus laxifloroides* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of lower surface of leaf showing parallel nervules; c. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescences; d. calyx; e. fruit; f. cross section of fruit (all: Y.P. Ching S.40794, holo and iso L.).

sessile; calyx obconical, densely tomentose, tube c. 1 mm long, lobes 5, lanceolate, c. 1.5 mm long; corolla tube 4–5 mm long, glabrous, lobes 5, ovate, c. 3 mm long, hairy both sides. *Drupes* globose to subglobose, 4–5 mm diam, tomentose; pyrenes 5, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Indonesia (Irian Jaya) and Papua New Guinea.

Notes — According to Valetton, this species has fuliginous-tomentose hairs on branches, leaves nerves beneath, bracts, and drupes; leaves short petiolate, elliptic-oblong or elliptic-lanceolate, subcoriaceous; midrib above and nerves beneath tomentose; nerves 6–7; stipules linear, hirsute; bracts numerous, subulate-linear, outer ones 7–10 mm long; calyx hirsute, lobes 2 mm long; drupes globose, apex hirsute.

The type of *L. ledermannii* was destroyed during World War II in Berlin. There are several specimens from New Guinea, which agree well with the description of *L. ledermannii*. Among them, *Takeuchi 5096* perfectly matches the type description. Therefore we select it as a neotype.

This species is closely related to the western Malaysian species *L. ellipticus*.

70. *Lasianthus linearifolius* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.*

Similis *L. angustifolius* King & Gamble, sed ramulis et foliis glabris, foliis linearibus, lobis calycis triangularibus 4 differt. — Typus: *Beaman et al. 7783* (holo L), Borneo, Sabah, Ranau, 750 m alt., in dipterocarp forest, on ultramafic soil, 8 Dec. 1983.

Shrub, 1 m high; branchlets terete, slender, less than 1 mm diam, sparsely puberulous or glabrous. *Leaves*: blades linear, 10–14 by 0.9–1.8 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous or except sparsely pubescent midrib beneath, apex long-caudate, margin slightly undulate, base acute, midrib slightly prominent above, conspicuously prominent beneath, nerves slender, slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, 10–16 pairs, ascending at an angle of 80–90°, curved near margin, going paralleling to margin for some distance and joining the nerves above, forming an obscure intramarginal vein, nervules obscure above, weakly prominent beneath, subparallel; petioles 3–6 mm long, sparsely puberulous. *Stipules* small, subulate, c. 1 mm long, pubescent. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; immature calyx campanulate, pubescent or glabrous, tube c. 1 mm long, lobes 4, triangular, up to 1 mm long; corolla pubescent on external surface. *Drupes* subglobose, with 4 obtuse ridges, c. 3 mm diam, puberulous or glabrous, crowned by 4 small triangular calyx lobes; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Malaysia (Sabah).

Habitat & Ecology — In dipterocarp forest of SE base of Mt Kinabalu on ultramafic soil. Flowering and fruiting in December.

Additional specimen examined. Sahab: Ranau, D. Andau 1049 (K).

Note — This species is characterized by its linear leaves. It differs from *L. angustifolius* by having almost glabrous branchlets and leaves, leaves linear, calyx with 4 triangular lobes. *Lasianthus angustifolius* has branchlets densely pubescent, leaves oblong-lanceolate, leaf midrib and nerves densely pubescent, calyx with 5 triangular teeth.

71. *Lasianthus longibracteatus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 21

Proximus *L. rhinocerotis* Blume, sed foliis majoribus 26–40 cm longis subtus hispidis, nervulis reticulatis, bracteis conspicue lonioribus, calycibus fissilobis, lobis calycis linearis-lanceolatis 5–6 mm longis differt. A *L. megaphyllo* H.Zhu foliis subtus hispidis basi subrotundatis, petiolis lonioribus, cymis capitatis brevi-pedunculatis, bracteis numerosis 3 cm longis differt. — Typus: *Burley et al. 858* (holo L), Kalimantan, S. Kahayan, 150 m alt., in primary lowland forest, 1 May 1988.

Shrub, 1–1.5 m high; branchlets robust, 6–7 mm diam, fistulose, compressed, glabrescent. *Leaves*: blades obovate-oblong, coriaceous, 26–46 by 10–12 cm, glabrous above, hispid hairs on venation beneath, apex cuspidate to obtuse, base subrounded; midrib depressed above, conspicuously prominent beneath, hispid beneath, nerves depressed above, prominent beneath, 12–15 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 60°, curved to the margin, hispid beneath, nervules depressed above, prominent beneath, reticulate; petioles c. 1 cm long, hirsute. *Stipules* triangular-lanceolate, c. 1 cm long, 4–5 mm broad at base. *Inflorescences* axillary, capitate, very short pedunculate or subsessile; peduncles 1–2 mm long; bracts numerous, linear, up to 3 cm long, densely hirsute. *Flowers* covered by bracts, sessile; calyx split into 5 linear-lanceolate lobes near the base lobes 5–6 mm long, 1 mm broad, hirsute external surface and densely hirsute at apex, glabrous internal surface; corolla 12 mm long, subglabrous except the upper part; style filiform, up to 15 mm long; stigma 4–5, filiform. *Drupes* subglabrous, 6 mm diam, conspicuously 6-ridged, smooth; pyrenes 6, smooth on the abaxial face, ovate-triangular in transverse section.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo (Sarawak, Kalimantan).

Habitat & Ecology — In lowland dipterocarp forest. Flowering in May; fruiting in February.

Additional specimens examined. W Kalimantan, W. de Jong 760 (L), A.C. Church et al. 1681; Borneo, unknown coll., L barcode L0310812, L0310813; Borneo, H. Hallier 2016, Teysmann 8005; Sarawak, W.M.A. Brooke 9348.

Note — This species has the biggest leaves and the longest bracts in the genus. It is close to *L. rhinocerotis* by its similar capitate inflorescence with short peduncles and numerous linear bracts. It differs from the latter by having much larger leaf blades (26–40 cm long) covered with hispid hairs beneath, and with reticulate nervules; bracts up to 3 cm long; calyx split to the base; calyx lobes linear-lanceolate, 5–6 mm long. It differs from *L. megaphyllus* by having leaves with subrounded base, hispid beneath; leaf venation more prominent beneath; petioles 1 cm long; inflorescence capitate, very short pedunculate; bracts numerous, linear, up to 3 cm long, densely hirsute.

72. *Lasianthus longifolius* Wight

Key to the subspecies and varieties

1. Leaves with rigid, minute hairs on venation beneath; nervules conspicuously prominent beneath; corolla shorter, less than 1 cm long; drupes crowned by a short cupular calyx limb (not enlarged) a. subsp. *longifolius*
1. Leaves glabrous on both surfaces; nervules prominent on both surfaces; corolla longer, up to 2.5 cm long; drupes crowned by an enlarged cupular calyx limb 2
2. Leaves obovate-oblong to lanceolate-oblong, 6–11 cm broad, apex cuspidate to cuspidate-acute, base cuneate b. subsp. *laevis*
2. Leaves broadly oblong, 11.5–13.5 cm broad, the apex rounded, the base subrounded c. var. *obtusifolius*

a. subsp. *longifolius*

Lasianthus longifolius Wight (1846) 514; Hook.f. (1880) 187; King & Gamble (1904) 116; Ridl. (1923a) 164. — Type: *Kew Dist. 2936* (*Griffith s.n.*) (holo K), Peninsular Malaysia.

Treelets, c. 2 m high; branchlets robust, often compressed, c. 3–5 mm diam, glabrous. *Leaves*: blades obovate-oblong to lanceolate-oblong, 20–33 by 6–11 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, rigid minute hairs on venation beneath and scabrous (asperate) when touching, apex cuspidate to cuspidate-acute, base cuneate, slightly asymmetric, midrib and nerves slightly

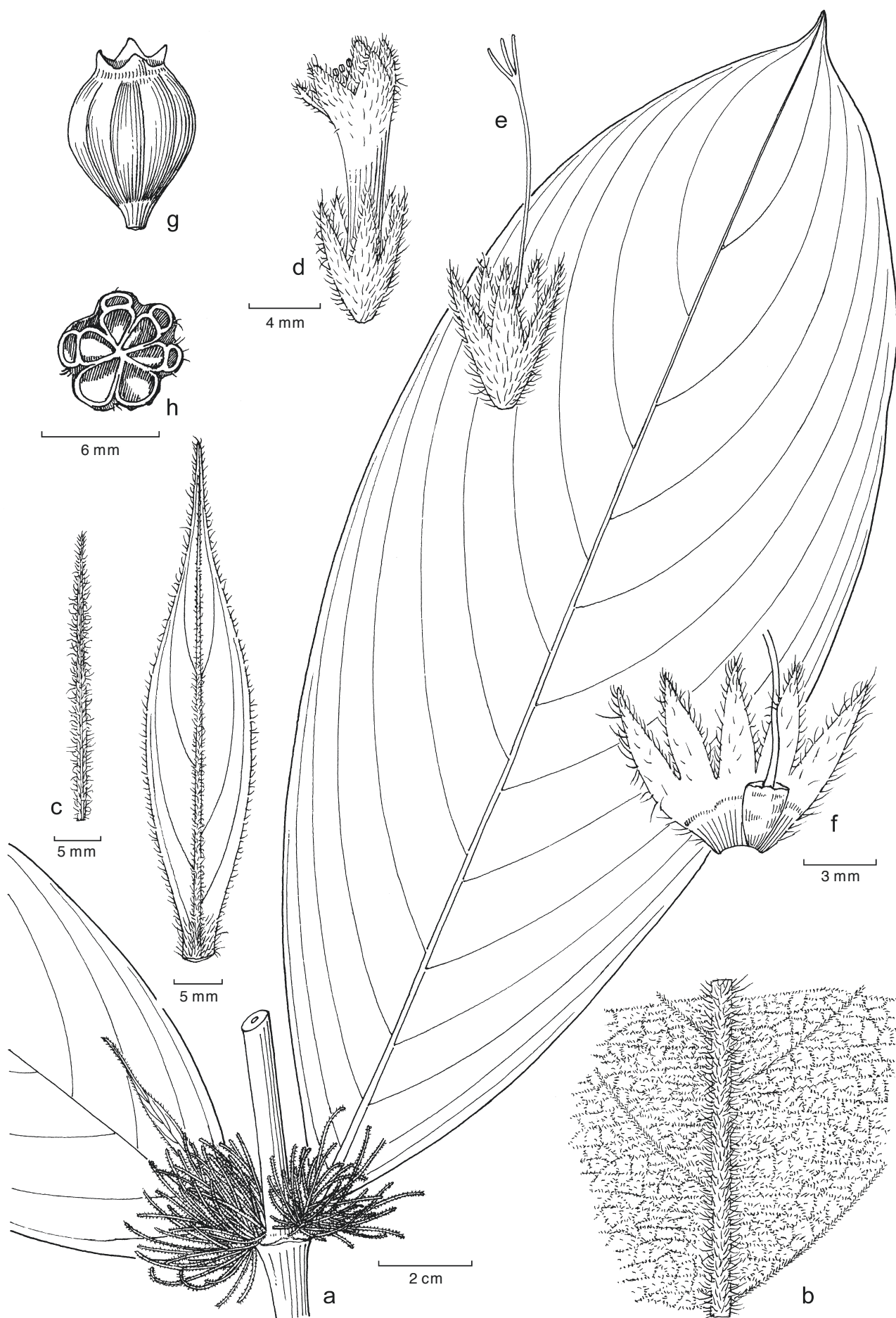


Fig. 21 *Lasianthus longibracteatus* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of lower surface of leaf; c. bracts; d. flower; e. calyx; f. calyx split opened; g. fruit; h. cross section of fruit (all: J.S. Burley et al. 858, holo L.).

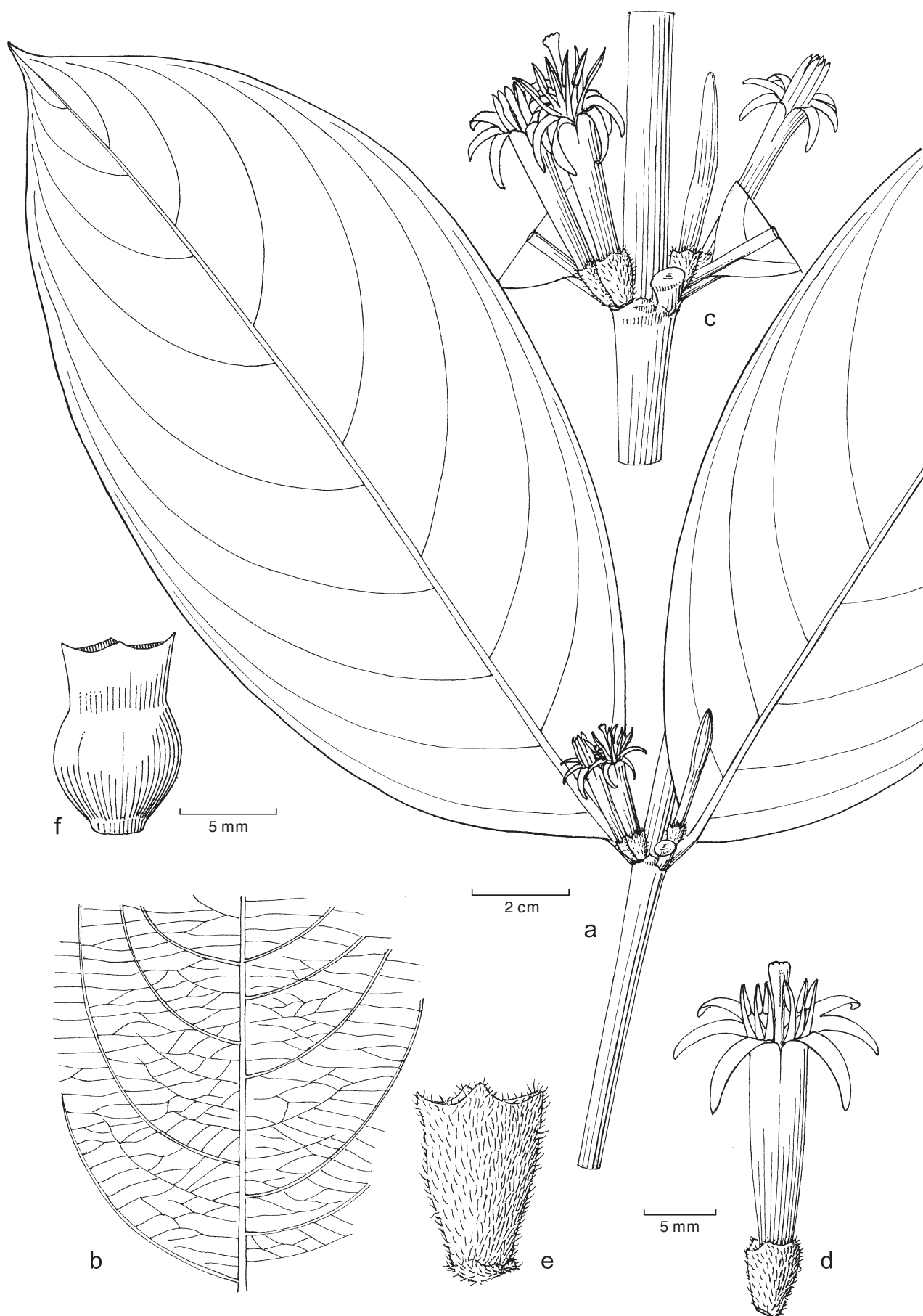


Fig. 22 *Lasianthus longifolius* Wight subsp. *laevis* H.Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. lower surface of leaf showing reticulate nervules; c. detail of node showing axillary inflorescences; d. flower; e. calyx; f. fruit (a–e: C. Hansen 295, holo L; f: Yii et al. S.43146, MO).

prominent above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves 13–18 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to the margin, nervules prominent on both surfaces, reticulate; petioles 5–10 mm long, glabrous, or sparsely ciliate hairs on the margin. *Stipules* broadly triangular or oblong-lanceolate, 6–12 mm long, glabrous. *Cymes* sessile or very short tuberculate; bracts inconspicuous or fewer, small, ovate, hirsute, less than 3 mm long. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tube obconical, c. 2 mm long, glabrous, limb cupular, c. 2 mm long, glabrous, truncate or with 4–5 triangular teeth which are c. 0.5–1 mm long and sparsely ciliate at margin; corolla tube c. 5–6 mm long, glabrous, lobes 4–6, lanceolate, c. 4–5 mm long, glabrous outside, densely floccose inside. *Drupes* subglobose, c. 5–6 mm diam, glabrous, crowned by a usually truncate calyx limb, ridged; pyrenes 6, ridged on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia and Indonesia (Sumatra).

Note — *Lasianthus longifolius* differs from *L. griffithii* by having leaves with rigid minute hairs on venation beneath, oblong-lanceolate stipules not covering the flowers, without numerous filiform bracts except fewer very small ones, flowers with cupular calyx, drupes crowned by a cupular truncate or small dentate calyx limb.

b. subsp. *laevis* H.Zhu, subsp. nov. — Fig. 22

A typo foliis glabris nitidis, nervulis subtus et supra prominentibus, corollis usque ad 2.5 cm longis, drupis limbis calycis dilatatis cupulatis differt. — Typus: *Hansen 295* (holo L), Borneo, Sarawak, Gunong Mulu, 200 m alt., in kerangas forest, 7 Feb. 1978.

Treelets, branchlets robust, often compressed, glabrous. *Leaves*: blades obovate-oblong to lanceolate-oblong, 20–33 by 6–11 cm, cuspidate to cuspidate-acute at apex, broadly cuneate at base, coriaceous, glabrous and nitid, with the secondary nerves from the costa between nerves, smooth leaf beneath, nerves 7–12 pairs, nervules prominent on both surfaces. *Cymes* sessile; bracts inconspicuous or fewer, small. *Calyx tube* obconical, glabrous, limb cupular; corolla tubular, up to 2.5 cm long. *Drupes* 5–6 mm diam, crowned by an enlarged cupular calyx limb, ridged; pyrenes 6, ridged on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Borneo (Sarawak) and Brunei.

Habitat & Ecology — In lowland primary forest below 500 m altitude. Flowering during October to February; fruiting in May.

Additional examined specimens. Sarawak, Ulu Medamit, *R. George et al. S.43027* (L); Sarawak, G. Mulu, *Paul Chai S.39588*; Sarawak, the 4th Division, *Othman et al. S.49087* (K). Brunei, Belait, *J. Dransfield 6854* (L); Brunei, Bukit Teraja, *M.J.E. Coode 6896* (L), *D.A. Simpson 2076*.

Notes — This subspecies differs from the typical subspecies by having glabrous and nitid leaves with the secondary nerves from the costa between nerves, smooth leaf beneath, nervules prominent on both surfaces, corolla up to 2.5 cm long, crowned by an enlarged cupular calyx limb. While the typical subspecies has leaves beneath with rigid minute hairs on venation and scabrous (asperate) when touching, nervules conspicuously prominent beneath, corolla less than 1 cm long, drupes crowned by a short cupular calyx limb (not enlarged).

This subspecies was treated as the typical subspecies. However, the specimens from Borneo are different from the ones from Peninsular Malaysia and Sumatra. The specimens from Peninsular Malaysia and Sumatra agree well with the type, while the ones from Borneo are different as discussed above. It is better to recognise the specimens from Borneo as a new subspecies.

From specimens annotated labels, this taxa has calyx white, petals reflexed, with long violet hairs on inner surface.

c. var. *obtusifolius* H.Zhu, var. nov.

A typo foliis late-oblongis apice rotundatis basi subrotundatis differt. — Typus: *Wong 1569* (holo L), Brunei, Belait, in primary forest, 7 Oct. 1989.

Treelets, branchlets robust, often compressed, glabrous. *Leaves* broadly oblong, 22–28 by 11.5–13.5 cm rounded at apex and subrounded at base, coriaceous, glabrous and nitid, with the secondary nerves from the costa between nerves, nerves 7–10 pairs, nervules prominent beneath.

Distribution — Endemic to Brunei.

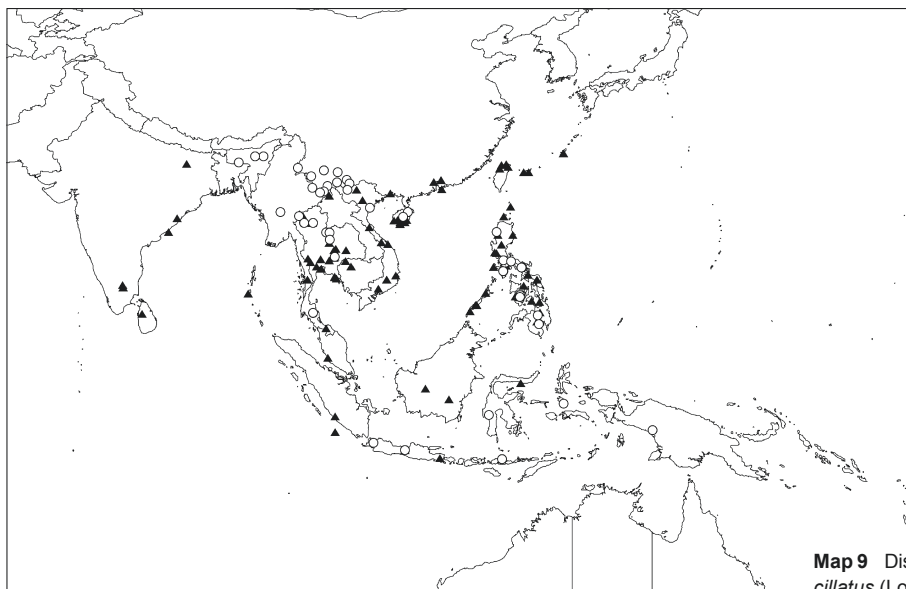
Habitat & Ecology — In primary forest. Flowering and fruiting in October.

Note — This variety differs from the typical variety by having broadly oblong leaves with rounded apex and subrounded base, 22–28 by 11.5–13.5 cm.

73. *Lasianthus lucidus* Blume — Map 9

Lasianthus lucidus Blume (1826–1827) 997; Miq. (1857) 319; Kurz (1877) 30; Hook.f. (1880) 184; Pit. (1924) 385; Craib (1934) 214; Bakh.f. (1965) 342; Deb & M.Gangop. (1991) 290, f. 6, exclud. var. *caudisepalus* Deb & M.Gangop.; H.Zhu (1994) 63; (1998) 153; H.S.Lo (1999) 88; H.Zhu (2001b) 135; (2002) 84. — *Mephitidia lucida* (Blume) DC. (1830) 453. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (lecto L, designated by Zhu 2002, barcode L0000697); *Blume s.n.* (para L, barcode L0305289), Java.

Shrubs, 1–1.5 m high; branches and branchlets glabrous or sparsely strigose on very young parts. *Leaves*: blades ovate,



Map 9 Distribution of *Lasianthus lucidus* Blume (○) and *L. verticillatus* (Lour.) Merr. (▲).

ovate-elliptic, 4–9 by 1.5–3 cm, membranaceous or subcoriaceous, glabrous above, sparsely strigose or hirsute on nerves and nervules beneath, apex acuminate or cuspidate-acuminate, base cuneate, midrib and nerves flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 3–4 pairs, ascending at an angle of 45–60°, curved to the margin, nervules slightly obscure above, distinct beneath, parallel; petioles 5–8 mm long, usually strigose. *Stipules* triangular, c. 1 mm long, strigose. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx widely campanulate, with lanceolate lobes, tube c. 1 mm long, subglabrous, lobes 5, c. 2–3 mm long, usually strigose outside and at the tip, glabrous inside; corolla glabrous to strigose outside, villous at throat inside. *Drapes* globose or ovoid, crowned with persistent calyx lobes, glabrous, 4–5 mm diam; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — NE India, Burma, China, Vietnam, Thailand, Malaysia, Philippines, Indonesia (Java, Lesser Sunda Islands, Sulawesi, Moluccas, Irian Jaya), New Guinea.

Note — *Lasianthus lucidus* is similar to *L. fordii*. *Lasianthus lucidus* has small ovate to ovate-elliptic leaves and lanceolate calyx lobes which are longer than the tube, while *L. fordii* has small ovate-lanceolate to larger ovate-oblong leaves and minute triangular calyx lobes which are shorter than the tube.

74. *Lasianthus malaccensis* King & Gamble

Lasianthus malaccensis King & Gamble (1904) 124; Ridl. (1923a) 165; K.M.Wong (1989) 368. — Type: Ridley 3219 (holo SING), Peninsular Malaysia.

Lasianthus flavinervius auct non Ridl.: Craib (1934) 211.

Shrubs or treelets; branchlets terete, c. 1.5 mm diam, puberulous, very dark in colour when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 7–13 by 2–3.5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, appressed-pubescent hairs on midrib and nerves beneath, dark olivaceous-brown when dry, apex acuminate, margin reflected, base cuneate or acute, midrib and nerves slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 7–10 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 50°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct on both surfaces, reticulate; petioles 4–7 mm long, puberulous. *Stipules* triangular, the base broad, abruptly narrowed into the triangular apex, c. 1.5 mm long, puberulous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate-cupular, puberulous, c. 1.5 mm long, wide and minutely 5-toothed. *Drapes* subglobose, glabrous, crowned by 5–6 obtuse short calyx teeth; pyrenes 4–5, smooth.

Distribution — Southern Thailand, Peninsular Malaysia.

Note — *Lasianthus malaccensis* is closely related to *L. chinensis*, especially the reticulate nervules and reflected leaf margins. It differs from the latter by having young branchlets puberulous, glabrescent, relatively smaller lanceolate to ovate-lanceolate leaves with acute to acuminate apex, midrib and nerves minutely appressed-pubescent beneath, less nerves (8–9 pairs), and smaller drupes. It is also closely related to *L. wightianus*, but differs from the latter by having young branchlets puberulous and later glabrescent, midrib and nerves minutely appressed-pubescent beneath, nerves 7–9 pairs, stipules relatively small.

75. *Lasianthus malaiense* H.Zhu

Lasianthus malaiense H.Zhu (2000a) 257. — Type: Henderson 18008 (holo SING), Peninsular Malaysia, Pahang, Cameron's Highlands, alt. 5000 ft, 27 Nov. 1925.

Shrubs, c. 2 m high; branchlets terete, or slightly compressed in the youngest part, robust, c. 3 mm diam, densely spreading brown-villose. *Leaves*: blades ovate-oblong to elliptic, 6–15 by 2.5–5.5 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above, densely spreading

brown-villose beneath, apex acute to cuspidate, base rounded or obtuse, margin reflexed, midrib and nerves flat or slightly depressed above, conspicuously prominent beneath, nerves 7–10 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin; nervules distinct above, prominent beneath, parallel; petiole c. 5 mm long, densely spreading brown-villose. *Stipules* triangular, c. 3 mm long, spreading brown-villose. *Cymes* peduncled; peduncles robust, 2–3 cm long; bracts 2, linear, 7–8 mm long; bracteoles inconspicuous. *Flowers* subsessile; calyx 3–4 mm long with 5 lanceolate lobes, lobes c. 2.5 mm long; corolla brown-villose. *Drapes* subglobose, c. 5 mm diam, crowned by persistent calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia, Indonesia (Sumatra).

Note — *Lasianthus malaiense* differs from *L. robinsonii* in having leaves brown-villose beneath, nervules parallel, petioles up to 5 mm long; robust peduncles 2–3 cm long; flowers 5-merous, calyx lobes lanceolate, 2.5 mm long. It differs from *L. pendulus* by ovate-oblong leaves with caudate apex and rounded base, nerves flat above, nervules parallel, petioles 5 mm long; bracts 2, 7–8 mm long, calyx lobes lanceolate, 2.5 mm long and corolla hairy.

76. *Lasianthus megaphyllus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 23

Similis *L. griffithii* Wight, sed stipulis triangulatis minoribus, foliis basi rotundatis vel subcordatis, petiolis brevioribus, bracteis ovatis differt. — Typus: Nooteboom 4340 (holo L), Borneo, Bukit Raya, 130 m alt., in primary dipterocarp forest, 17 Dec. 1982.

Small tree, 2 m high; branchlets robust, c. 4–5 mm diam, subangulose, fistulose, incrassate at nodes, glabrous. *Leaves*: blades elliptic-oblong, large, 22–30 by 7–12 cm, coriaceous, glabrous on both surfaces, apex acute to cuspidate, margin slightly recurved, base rounded to subcordate, midrib slightly prominent above, conspicuously prominent beneath, sparsely hirsute or glabrescent beneath, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 12–16 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to the margin, hirsute to glabrescent beneath, nervules conspicuous above and very prominent beneath, subreticulate, appressed-hirsute or subglabrous beneath; petioles subsessile or short, 4–5 mm long, sparsely hirsute. *Stipules* triangular, subcoriaceous, up to 1 cm long, 3–6 mm broad at base, brown hirsute. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts conspicuous, ovate, 5–6 by 4–5 mm, hirsute external surface; bracteoles lanceolate to linear, 5–6 mm long, densely hirsute. *Flowers* not seen. *Drapes* subglobose, blue when fresh, 5–6 by 5–6 mm, conspicuously 6-ridged, verrucose, glabrous except hirsute upper part, crowned by 5–6 triangular-lanceolate, 1.5 mm long, hirsute, persistent calyx lobes; pyrenes 6, verrucose on the abaxial face, grooved on the adaxial face.

Distribution — Borneo.

Habitat & Ecology — In lowland rainforest (below 200 m altitude). Fruiting from July to December.

Additional specimens examined. Borneo, Tumbang, Veldkamp 8144 (L); Sarawak, B. Lee S.40652 (L), B. Lee S.54735 (K, L), P. Chai et al. S.33331 (L), Othman et al. S.41248 (K, L), Othman et al. S.56055 (K, L); W Kalimantan, J.S. Burley et al. 2894 (K, L); Liang Gagang, H. Hallier 3083 (L); Bukit Raya, Nooteboom 4203 (L); E Borneo, A. Kostermans 10493 (K, L); Borneo, Amdjah 19 (L); Kalimantan Selatan, K. Kartawinata 705 (L); Borneo, F.H. Endert 2661 (K, L), H. Hallier 3289 (L).

Note — This species is close to *L. griffithii*. It differs from the latter by having triangular stipules, 8–10 by 3–6 mm; leaves with rounded to subcordate base; shorter petioles; less dense ovate bracts. *Lasianthus griffithii* has big ovate-orbicular stipules, usually more than 1 by 1 mm; leaves with cuneate base; relatively long petioles and very dense linear bracts.

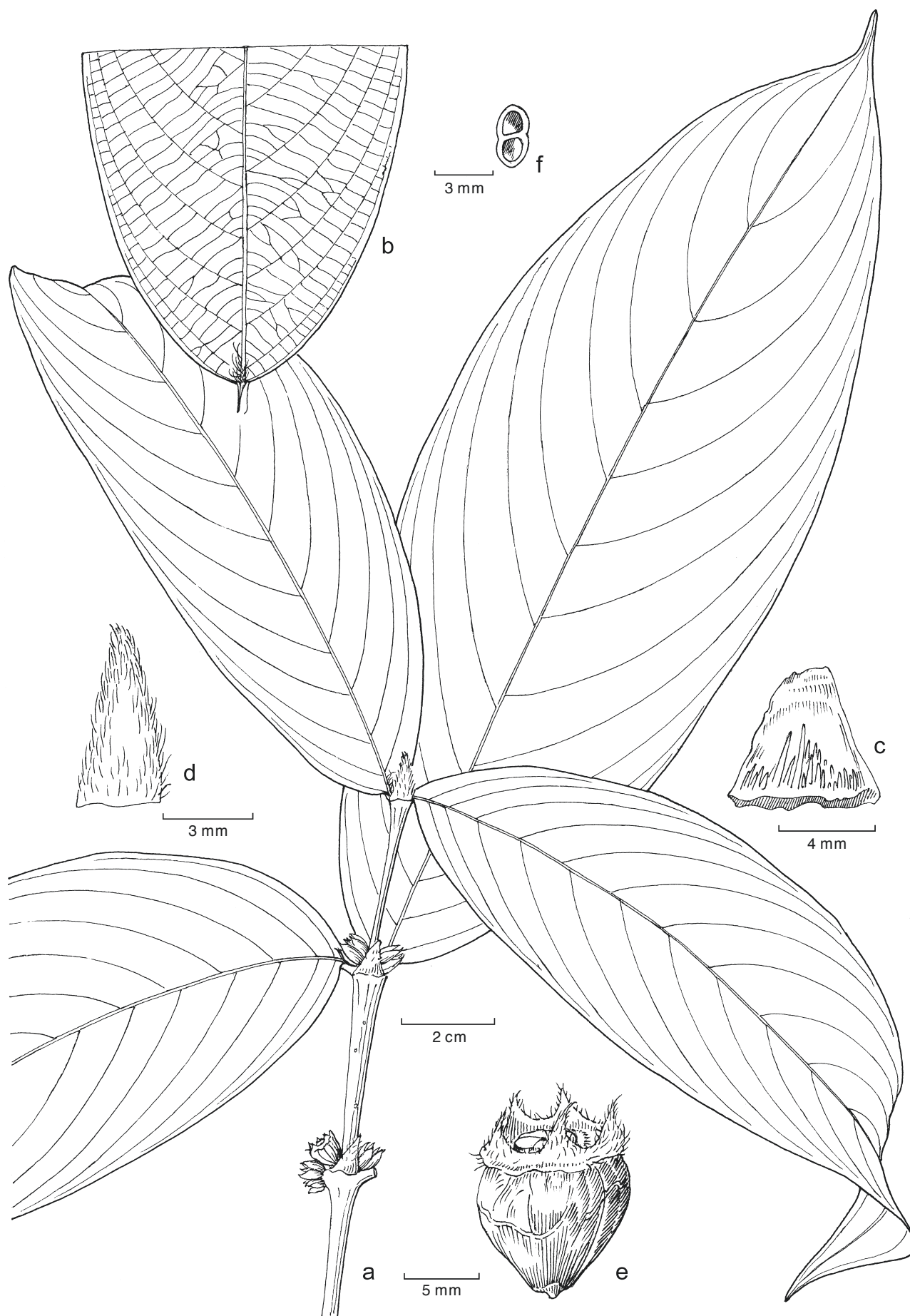


Fig. 23 *Lasianthus megaphyllus* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of lower surface of leaf showing subreticulate nervules; c. stipule; d. bract; e. fruit; f. cross section of pyrene (all: *Nooteboom 4340*, holo L.).

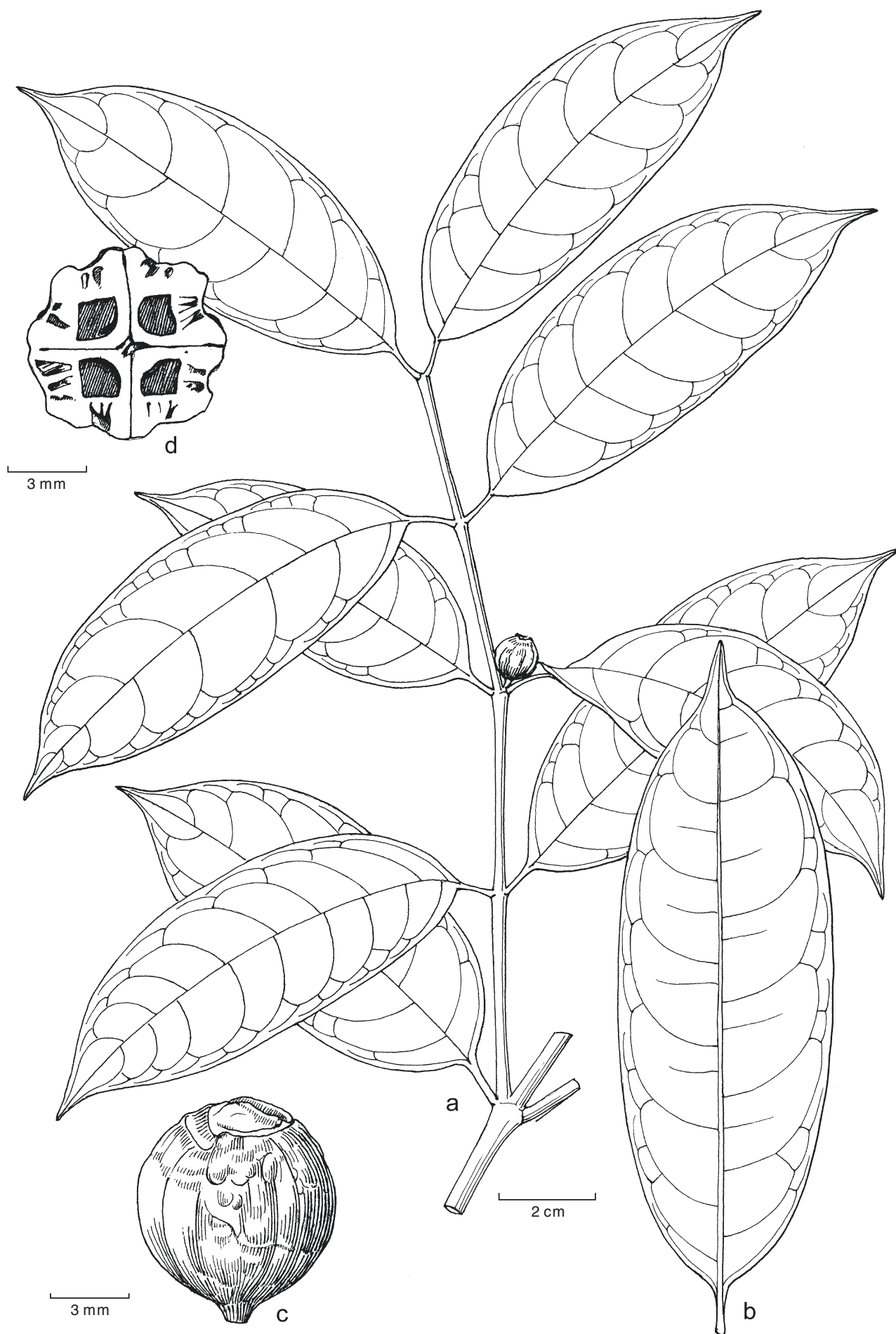


Fig. 24 *Lasianthus membranaceoides* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescence; b. leaf; c. fruit; d. cross section of fruit (all: J. Dransfield et al. 6537, holo L).

77. *Lasianthus membranaceoides* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 24

A. L. membranaceus Stapf foliis coriaceis, venationibus brachidodromibus, stipulis inconspicuis, bracteis inconspicuis, fructibus globosis conspicue octogonis, pyrenis 4 differt. — Typus: *Dransfield et al.* 6537 (holo L; iso K), Brunei, Belait, 50 m alt., in primary mixed dipterocarp forest, 5 June 1989.

Small tree, up to 3 m high, branchlets terete, 2 mm diam, glabrous. *Leaves*: blades oblong, 9–11 by 3–4 cm, coriaceous, glabrous, apex cuspidate, base subrounded to cuspidate, midrib depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves prominent on both surfaces, 6–8 pairs, combine venous, ascending at an angle of almost 90°, curved near the leaf margin and joining the veins above forming an intramarginal vein, internerved veins conspicuous, ascending from the midrib at a right angle, combination to the main nerves; nervules conspicuous on both surfaces, reticulate; petioles 6–10 mm long, glabrous. *Stipules* inconspicuous. *Inflorescences* sessile or forming a very short tubercle; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* sessile, very small; immature flowers only 1 mm long, 4-merous; calyx campanulate, glabrous, lobes ovate-triangular, 0.3–0.5 mm long; corolla glabrous on external surface, lobes 4, ovate, 0.5 mm long; anthers 4. *Drupes* globose, c. 7 mm diam, conspicuously 8-ridged, glabrous, rugose; pyrenes 4, rarely 3, with two irregular sulcae on the abaxial face of the pyrene, subrhombic in transverse section, and with very thick-walled abaxial side.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo.

Habitat & Ecology — In lowland rainforest between 50–300 m altitude. Flowering and fruiting between March and June.

Additional specimen examined. Borneo, Sabah, Lumaku, *Nooteboom* 1167 (L).

Note — This species is close to *L. membranaceus*. It differs from the latter by having coriaceous leaves with combine venous nerves forming looped venation; stipules inconspicuous; drupes globose with 8 ridges, pyrenes 4; each pyrene with 2 irregular sulcate on the abaxial face. *Lasianthus membranaceus* has membranaceous to subcoriaceous leaves without conspicuous looped venation; stipules triangular, 3 mm long; drupes verrucose, without conspicuous ridges; pyrenes usually 2, rarely 3–4; pyrene without 2 sulcae on the abaxial face.

78. *Lasianthus membranaceus* Stapf

Lasianthus membranaceus Stapf (1894) 184; Merr. (1921) 578. — Type: *Haviland* 1336 (lecto K, designated here; isolecto SING); *Haviland* 1300 (para K), Borneo, Penokok, 3000 ft.

Lasianthus membranaceus Stapf var. *firma* Stapf (1894) 185; Merr. (1921) 578, syn. nov. — Type: *Haviland* 1241 (holo K), Borneo, Kadamaian, 5000 ft.

Shrubs, up to 2 m high, glabrous; branchlets terete, sometimes compressed in the youngest part, c. 2 mm diam. *Leaves*: blades oblong to elliptic-oblong or obovate-oblong, 11–22 by 4–7 cm, membranaceous, apex cuspidate, base broadly cuneate or cuspidate-acute, slightly asymmetric, midrib and nerves flat to slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 4–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 60°, curved to the margin, nervules loosely anastomosing, weak at both surfaces, reticulate; petioles 5–10 mm long. *Stipules* triangular, up to 3 mm long, glabrous or ciliate at tip. *Cymes* sessile or very short tuberculate; bracts inconspicuous or linear, usually 3 mm long, glabrous or hirsute. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tube obconical, c. 1 mm long, glabrous, limb c. 0.5 mm long, glabrous, with minute 4 subulate teeth; corolla tube c. 5 mm long, glabrous outside, lobes 4, linear-oblong, c. 2 mm long; anthers 4; ovary 4-locular. *Drupes* ovoid, c. 10 mm long, glabrous, verrucose; pyrenes 2–4, with thick warty wall.

Distribution — Malaysia (Borneo), Brunei.

Note — This species has glabrous oblong leaves, 4-merous flowers, calyx with 4 triangular teeth, ovary 4-locular, drupes with 2–4 pyrenes. The variety *firma* cannot clearly be distinguished from the typical variety and should be reduced to synonymy. *Lasianthus membranaceus* differs from *L. kinabaluensis* by larger leaves with rounded bases. *Lasianthus membranaceus* occurs mainly on low land and lower montane rainforest below 1500 m altitude, while *L. kinabaluensis* occurs mainly in upper montane rainforest over 1200 m altitude.

79. *Lasianthus minutiflorus* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 25

Proximus *L. phymatodeus* H.Zhu, sed foliis conspicue majoribus 15–28 cm longis 3.5–5 cm latis, nervis 7–10-binatis, calycibus dense hirsutis, drupis levigatis et pyrenis abaxialiter levigatis differt. — Typus: *Buwalda* 6546 (holo L), Sumatra, Derapit (C Sumatra), in primary forest.

Treelet, 1.5–2 m high; branchlets terete, 1.5–2 mm diam, glabrous, brown. *Leaves*: blades ovate-lanceolate to ovate elliptic, coriaceous, 15–28 by 3.5–5 cm, glabrous on both surfaces, apex caudate, mucronate, margin slightly recurved, base acute or cuneate; midrib slightly prominent above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 7–10 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to margin; nervules parallel, prominent on both surfaces, conspicuous beneath; petioles c. 1 cm long, glabrous or sparsely puberulous, dark-brown. *Stipules* triangular, 1.5–3 mm long, puberulous, bristles from the inside base of stipules existent, c. 0.5 mm long. *Inflorescences* extremely congested; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* sessile, extremely small; calyx c. 1 mm long, densely hirsute, lobes 4–5, triangular-subulate, 0.5 mm long, densely hirsute on external surface; corolla not seen. *Drupes* subglobose, 4–5 mm diam, subglabrous, smooth, with 4–5 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 4–5, smooth on the abaxial face, sulcate on sides, ovate in the transverse section.

Distribution — Malaysia (Peninsular), Indonesia (Sumatra).

Habitat & Ecology — In lowland and lower montane primary forest. Flowering and fruiting between February and April.

Additional specimens examined. N Sumatra, Langkat, *Soedarsono* 250 (K, L), *Soedarsono* 327 (K, L), Peninsular Malaysia, Pahang, *KEP-FRI* 6443 (L); Ulu Kelantan, *KEP-FRI* 5476 (L); Kelantan, *M.R. Henderson* 19732 (K).

Note — This species is characterized by its extremely small flowers fascicled in the extremely congested cymes. It seems close to *L. phymatodeus*, but differs from the latter by having leaves conspicuously big (15–28 by 3.5–5 cm), with 7–10 pairs of nerves, calyx densely hirsute, drupes smooth on surface, pyrenes smooth on the abaxial face, sulcate on sides from cross section view. *Lasianthus phymatodeus* has leaves 8–12 by 2–3.5 cm, with 4–5 pairs of nerves, calyx sparsely puberulous or glabrous, drupes strongly warty; pyrenes irregularly sharp ridges on all sides from cross section view.

80. *Lasianthus mollis* Ridl.

Lasianthus mollis Ridl. (1920) 144; (1923a) 158; K.M.Wong (1989) 373. — Type: *Ridley s.n.* (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Tebong.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, 1.5–2 mm diam, densely pubescent. *Leaves*: blades elliptic, 8–11 by 3–3.5 cm, thinly coriaceous, glabrous above except pubescent hairs on midrib, pubescent hairs on venation beneath, apex acuminate to caudate-acute, base cuneate, midrib and nerves slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 5–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of 45–50°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct on both surfaces, parallel; petioles 0.8–1 cm long, densely pubescent. *Stipules* lanceolate, usually up to 5 mm long, densely pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts small, lanceolate, 2–3 mm long, densely long-pubescent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx c. 2 mm long,

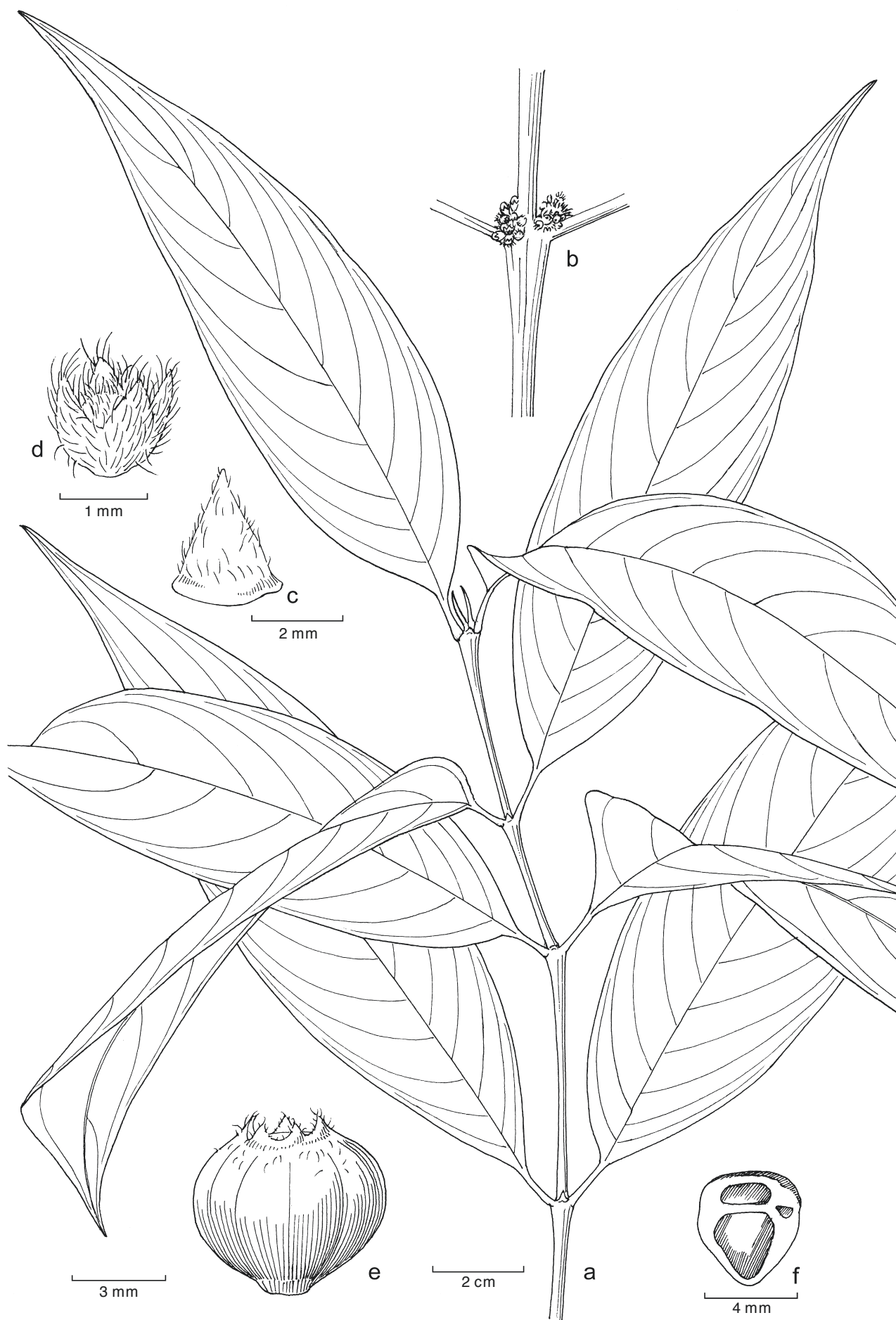


Fig. 25 *Lasianthus minutiflorus* H.Zhu. a. Habit; b. detail of node showing axillary inflorescences; c. stipule; d. calyx; e. fruit; f. cross section of pyrene (all: Buwalda 6546, holo L).

with an obconical tube and campanulate limb, tube 0.8–1 mm long, glabrous, limb with 4 lanceolate lobes which are 0.6–8 mm long and hirsute; corolla 8–10 mm long, tube glabrous outside, villose inside, lobes 4, hairy on both sides. *Drupes* oblong, 5 mm diam, puberulous; pyrenes 4–5.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia, Indonesia (Sumatra).

Note — This species is very close to *L. chrysoneurus* but differs from the latter by having relatively small leaves, stipules and bracts, and denser but less appressed pubescence.

81. *Lasianthus mucronulatus* (Korth.) Miq.

Lasianthus mucronulatus (Korth.) Miq. (1857) 325; (1869) 249. — *Mephitidia mucronulata* Korth. (1851) 222. — Type: *Korthals s.n.* (lecto L, designated here, barcode L0057756), Sumatra, Singalang; *Korthals s.n.* (para, n.v.), Borneo, Balaran, and Pamaton.

Lasianthus palembanicus Miq. (1861) 549. — *Lasianthus stercorarius* Blume var. *palembanicus* (Miq.) Miq. (1869) 248. — Type: *Teysmann s.n.* (holo U), Sumatra, Palembang, Ogan-ulu.

Lasianthus stercorarius Blume var. *borneensis* Miq. ex Valetton & Winkler (1910) 569, syn. nov. — Type: *Winkler 2216* (n.v.), Borneo.

Shrubs to treelets; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, puberulous, dark-brown when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 10–12 by 2–4 cm, chartaceous, glabrous or sparsely pubescent hairs on midrib above, pubescent hairs on venation beneath, apex caudate-acuminate or acuminate, margin slightly undulate and reflexed, base broadly cuneate to subrounded, slightly asymmetric, midrib and nerves slightly prominent on both surfaces, nerves slender, 10–16 pairs, ascending at an angle of 45–60°, curved to the margin; nervules distinct on both surfaces, reticulate; petioles 2–4 mm long, puberulous. *Stipules* triangular, usually 2 mm long, puberulous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; obconic-campanulate; calyx tube c. 0.8 mm long, glabrous or pubescent, calyx limb c. 0.6 mm long, with 4–5 minute and pubescent teeth; corolla pubescent outside, tube c. 2 mm long, lobes c. 1 mm long. *Drupes* globose, c. 3 mm diam, puberulous or subglabrous; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Kalimantan).

Notes — This species differs from *L. stercorarius* by having usually relatively large chartaceous leaves with broadly cuneate to subrounded bases and more than 10 paired nerves and small, 2 mm long, triangular stipules and smaller drupes without a truncate calyx limb.

Lasianthus mucronulatus var. *lineata* was established on Korthals's Sumatra specimens. It has triangular stipules with swollen base, subcoriaceous leaves with much acute base which are the same as *L. stercorarius*. Var. *lineata* here is reduced to *L. stercorarius*.

Lasianthus stercorarius var. *borneensis* is the same as *L. mucronulatus* morphologically as pointed by Valetton & Winkler. It is here reduced to a synonym of *L. mucronulatus*.

82. *Lasianthus myrtifolius* Ridl.

Key to the subspecies

1. Leaves ovate-lanceolate or ovate with a caudate-acuminate apex; calyx and corolla pubescent . . . a. subsp. *myrtifolius*
1. Leaves oblong with an abruptly acute apex; calyx and corolla glabrous b. subsp. *vicarius*

a. subsp. *myrtifolius*

Lasianthus myrtifolius Ridl. (1909) 35; (1923a) 161; K.M.Wong (1989) 369. — Type: *Ridley 13630* (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Pahang, 5000 ft.

Shrubs, 1–2 m high; branchlets terete, slender, c. 1 mm diam, puberulous. *Leaves*: blades ovate-lanceolate to ovate, 3–7 by 1–2 cm, coriaceous, glabrous and nitid on both surfaces, or minutely puberulous hairs on midrib and nerves beneath, apex caudate-acuminate, aristate, arista c. 1 mm long, base acute, midrib slightly depressed above, prominent beneath; nerves prominent on both surfaces, 5–6 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 45°, curved to the margin, nervules prominent and distinct on both surfaces, parallel; petioles 3–5 mm long, puberulous. *Stipules* subulate-triangular, c. 1 mm long, pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, c. 2 mm long, pubescent outside, lobes 4, triangular, c. 1 mm long; corolla c. 5 mm long, lobes 4, linear, pubescent outside, hairy inside. *Drupes* globose, c. 4 mm diam, verrucose, conspicuously 4-ridged; pyrenes 4, sulcate on the abaxial face and sides.

Distribution — Endemic to Peninsular Malaysia.

Note — This species has small thickly coriaceous leaves, which look like myrtaceous leaves, and very small flowers.

b. subsp. *vicarius* H.Zhu, subsp. nov. — Fig. 26

A typo foliis majoribus oblongis apice abrupte acutis, calycibus et corollis extus glabris differt. Similis *L. coriaceifolius* H.Zhu, sed nervulis foliorum parallelis, calycibus minoribus, lobis calycis triangularibus, drupis non conspicue porcatis, pyrenis abaxiali laevigatis differt. — Typus: *Banying ak Nyudong S. 19397* (holo L), Borneo, Naoung, Anap, 1150 m alt., in submontane heath forest, 11 Oct. 1963.

Treelet, 5–6 m high; branchlets terete, robust, c. 2.5 mm diam, glabrous, darkish. *Leaves*: blades oblong, 4.5–7.5 by 2–3 cm, thickly coriaceous, glabrous, apex abruptly acute, margin recurved, base acute, midrib, nerves and nervules prominent on both surfaces, nerves 6–8 pairs, nervules parallel; petioles c. 3 mm long, glabrous, darkish. *Stipules* triangular-subulate, 1.5 mm long, subglabrous. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts small, ovate, 1 mm long or inconspicuous. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, 2–3 mm long, glabrous, darkish, lobes 4, triangular, c. 1 mm long; corolla 4–5 mm long, glabrous on external surface, darkish, lobes ovate-triangular, 1 mm long. *Drupes* subglobose, c. 4 mm diam, glabrous, crowned by calyx lobes; pyrenes 4, smooth on abaxial face, suborbicular in the transverse section.

Distribution — Borneo (Sarawak).

Habitat & Ecology — Submontane heath forest or mossy forest on the summit over 1100 m altitude. Flowering and fruiting between May and October.

Additional specimen examined. Sarawak, Bantulu, E.F. Brunig S.8770 (K, L).

Note — This subspecies differs from the typical subspecies by having oblong leaves with abruptly acute apex, glabrous calyx and corolla external surface. The typical subspecies has ovate-lanceolate or ovate leaves with caudate-acuminate apex, pubescent calyx and corolla external surface. It differs from *L. coriaceifolius* by having leaves with parallel nervules, calyx relatively small (2–3 mm long), calyx lobes triangular, drupes without conspicuous ridges, pyrenes smooth on abaxial face. *Lasianthus coriaceifolius* has leaves with conspicuously reticulate nervules, calyx 5 mm long, calyx lobes ovate-oblong, drupes with 8 acute ridges, pyrenes with ridges on the abaxial face.

83. *Lasianthus nervosus* King & Gamble

Lasianthus nervosus King & Gamble (1904) 129; Ridl. (1923a) 163; K.M.Wong (1989) 367. — Type: *Scortechini 342* (holo K; iso BM), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak.

Shrubs to treelets, 1–2 m high; branchlets terete, 1.5–2 mm diam, densely tomentose. *Leaves*: blades oblong to oblong-

Fig. 26 *Lasianthus myrtifolius* Ridl. subsp. *vicarius* H.Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. flower (all: *Banying ak Nyudong* S.19397, holo L).



lanceolate, 2.5–5 by 1–2 cm, coriaceous, glabrous and nitid above, densely tomentose beneath, especially on venation, apex acute, mucronate, margin reflexed, base broadly cuneate to subrounded, midrib depressed above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves flat above, strongly prominent beneath, 6–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 50°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct above, prominent beneath, parallel; petioles 3–5 mm long, densely tomentose. *Stipules* subulate, c. 1 mm long, densely tomentose. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, c. 2 mm long, densely tomentose, lobes 4, triangular, c. 0.6 mm long; corolla c. 4 mm long, tomentose outside, lobes 4. *Drupe*s globose, sparsely hairy, c. 4 mm diam; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia, Indonesia (Sumatra, Kalimantan).

Notes — This species has densely tomentose hairs on branchlets and leaf midrib and nerves beneath; leaves oblong, 2.5–5 by 1–2 cm with acute and mucronate apex and abruptly acute base, midrib depressed and nerves flat above, midrib and nerves strongly prominent beneath; cymes sessile, absent; flowers 4-merous; calyx tomentose with 4 triangular teeth; drupes globose with 4 pyrenes.

This species differs from *L. myrtifolius* by having densely tomentose hairs on branchlets and leaf midrib and nerves beneath; leaves oblong, nerves flat above; drupes globose without conspicuous ridges. *Lasianthus myrtifolius* has branchlets thinly puberulous or subglabrous; leaves ovate-lanceolate, thinly puberulous or glabrous beneath, with caudate-acuminate apex; nerves conspicuously prominent above; drupes with conspicuous 4 ridges.

84. *Lasianthus nigrescens* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.*

Proximus *L. sabahensis* H.Zhu, sed foliorum laminis oblongis apice cuspidatis basi subrotundatis, nervulis conspicue prominentibus, petiolis 5–7 mm longis et tubis calycis 3 mm longis differt. — Typus: *Beaman 8149* (holo K), Malaysia (Sabah), Ranau District, East Mesilau River, 1950–2100 m alt., in oak-laurel forest, 30 Dec. 1983.

Shrubs, up to 2.5 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, glabrous, more or less compressed in the youngest part. *Leaves*: blades oblong, 6–12 by 3–5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous, turning black when dry, apex cuspidate, rarely acute, margin reflexed, base subrounded, rarely acute, midrib and nerves prominent on both surfaces, nerves 6–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of 80–90°, curved to the margin, nervules loosely anastomosing, subparallel, conspicuously prominent on both surfaces; petioles 5–7 mm long, glabrous. *Stipules* triangular, c. 2 mm long, glabrous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile, fascicular; calyx campanulate, tube c. 3 mm long, with 4 c. 1 mm long minute teeth, puberulous or glabrous outside; corolla tubular, c. 1 cm long, puberulous or glabrous outside, lobes 4, c. 2 mm long, puberulous or glabrous. *Drupe*s ellipsoid, 6–7 mm long, c. 5 mm diam, glabrous, crowned by a cupular calyx limb with 4 minute teeth, 2-pyrene, with cork-like structure between pyrenes; pyrenes with a hard wall, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo.

Habitat & Ecology — In forest between 1800–2200 m altitude. Flowering and fruiting from March to December.

Note — *Lasianthus nigrescens* is close to *L. sabahensis*, especially in the same type of drupes that have a cork-like structure between pyrenes. *Lasianthus nigrescens* differs from the latter in having leaves oblong, with usually cuspidate apex and subrounded base, nervules conspicuously prominent on both surfaces; petioles 5–7 mm long; calyx tube 3 mm long, not expended at limb. *Lasianthus nigrescens* differs from *L. membranaceus* in having coriaceous leaves with nervules conspicu-

ously prominent on both surfaces; drupes with cork-like structure between pyrenes; pyrene walls smooth on the abaxial face.

85. *Lasianthus obliquinervis* Merr.

Key to the subspecies

1. Leaves with acute base; stipules triangular to oblong-triangular. a. subsp. *obliquinervis*
1. Leaves with cuneate base; stipules linear-subulate b. subsp. *novoguineensis*

a. subsp. *obliquinervis*

Lasianthus obliquinervis Merr. (1906) 136. — Type: *Whitford 247* (lecto US, designated here), Philippines, Luzon, Bataan, May 1904.

Shrubs, c. 2 m high, branches 5–6 mm diam, striate; branchlets 2–3 mm diam, terete or slightly compressed, puberulous. *Leaves*: blades ovate-lanceolate to ovate-elliptic, 10–15 by 2.5–5 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above, puberulous beneath, brownish, apex acuminate to acute, rarely cuspidate, base acute, slightly asymmetric and decurrent, midrib slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, pubescent beneath, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 3–6 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–70°, curved to the margin, brown pubescent, nervules obscure above, conspicuous beneath, parallel, glabrous; petioles 1.5–2 cm long, pubescent. *Stipules* triangular to oblong-triangular, up to 5–6 mm long, 3–4 mm broad at base, pubescent. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts small, ovate to subulate, c. 1 mm long, hirsute. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx campanulate, 1.5 by 1.5 mm, densely pubescent, limb with 4–5 triangular lobes, lobes 0.5 mm long, densely hirsute outside, glabrous inside; corolla 6–8 mm long, densely hirsute except the base, lobes 5, oblong, c. 4 mm long; stamens 5, filaments 2 mm long; anthers 1 mm long. *Drupe*s globose, hirsute, blue when fresh, 4–5 mm diam, crowned by persistent calyx lobes, 5–8-ridged, often 6-ridged; pyrenes 5–8, smooth on the abaxial face, triangular in transverse section.

Distribution — Philippines (Luzon to Mindanao), Papua New Guinea (Southern Highlands).

Habitat & Ecology — Montane forest between 800–1800 m altitude.

Notes — This species is close related to *L. chrysoneurus*. It differs from the latter by having leaves with longer petioles (1.5–2 cm) and acute base, as well as less nerves (3–6 pairs); bracts small, less than 2 mm long; calyx lobes triangular, 1.5 mm long, glabrous internal surface; drupes conspicuously 5–8-ridged. *Lasianthus chrysoneurus* has relatively big ovate-oblong or oblong leaves with petioles less than 1 cm long, the base cuneate to obtuse, nerves 8–10 pairs; bracts longer than 2 mm; calyx lobes lanceolate, longer than 1.5 mm, hirsute both surfaces; drupes without conspicuous 5–8 ridges.

Lasianthus obliquinervis is variable in leaf size. Specimens which were treated as *L. obliquinervis* were mixed with *L. verticillatus* even if identified by Merrill himself. From our checking on specimens in L, MO, SING and Chinese herbaria, most specimens indicated as *L. obliquinervis* agree well with *L. verticillatus*, while some do not. When Merrill described *L. obliquinervis*, he cited 10 collections (syntypes). We are not sure if all the syntypes represent the same species. Only two syntypes, i.e. *Whitford 247* and *Meyer 2212* were traced and seen. Both of them match Merrill's description and surely represent *L. obliquinervis*. *Lasianthus obliquinervis* differs from *L. verticillatus* by having stipules oblong-ovate, c. 5 mm long, calyx limbs with 4–5 triangular lobes and drupes with usually 6 triquetrous pyrenes and not crowned by an enlarged cupular and truncate calyx limb.

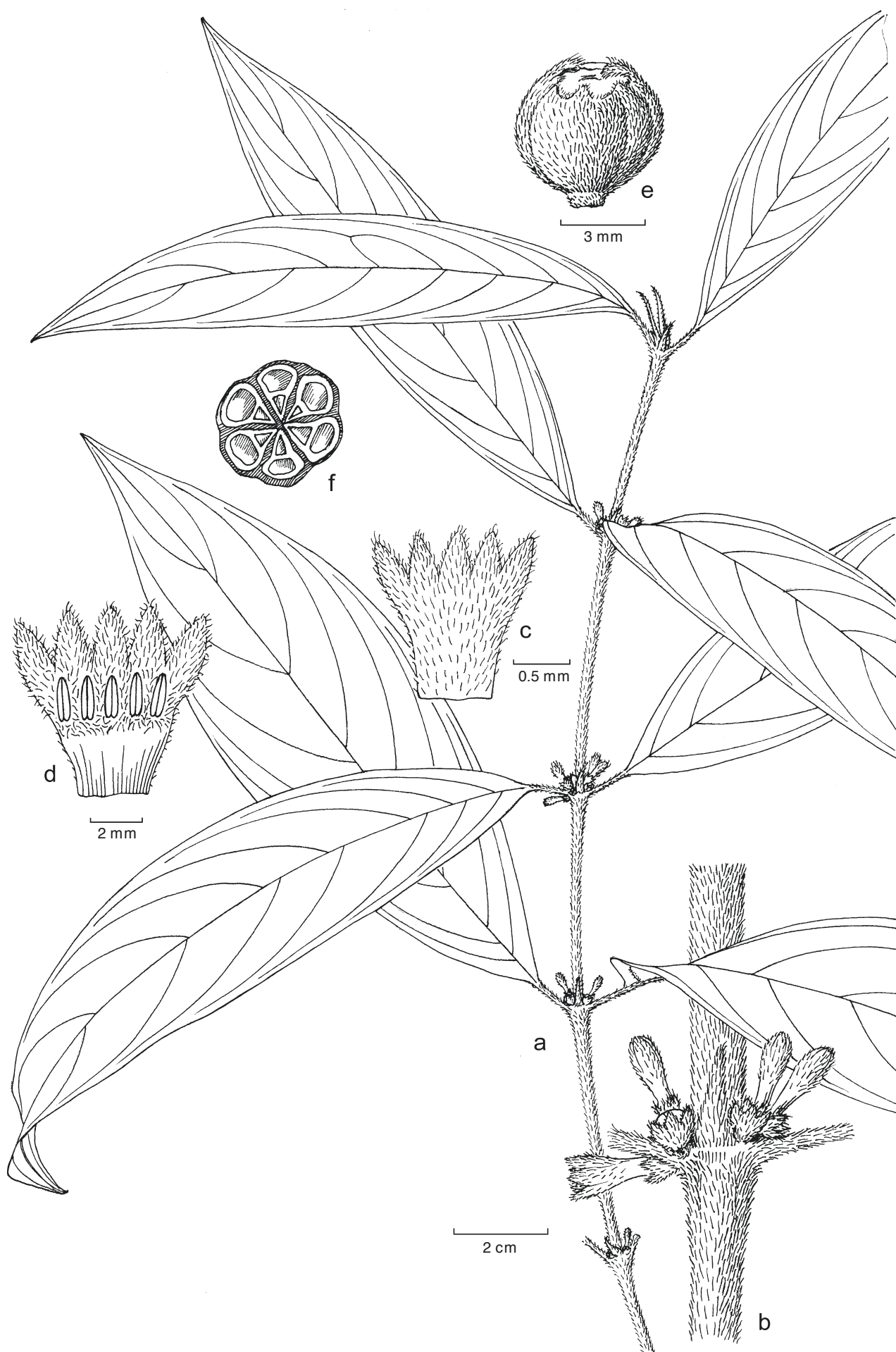


Fig. 27 *Lasianthus obliquinervis* Merr. subsp. *novoguineensis* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescences; c. calyx split opened; d. corolla split opened; e. fruit; f. cross section of fruit (all: J. Vandenberg et al. NGF.39936, holo L).

b. subsp. *novoguineensis* H.Zhu, subsp. nov. — Fig. 27

A typo foliis basi asymmetricis cuneatis, stipulis linearibus-subulatis 6 mm longis differt. — Typus: *J. Vandenberg et al. NGF.39936* (holo L.), New Guinea, Western Highlands District, 4450 ft alt., in *Castanopsis* forest, 30 Oct. 1968.

Shrub, branchlets terete, densely puberulous. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate to elliptic-lanceolate, 10–15 by 2.5–5 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above, puberulous beneath, apex acuminate, base cuneate and asymmetric, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 6–7 pairs, pubescent, nervules conspicuous beneath, parallel. *Stipules* linear-subulate, 6 mm long, pubescent. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx campanulate, densely pubescent, limb with 4–5 triangular lobes; corolla 6–8 mm long, densely hirsute except the base. *Drupes* globose, hirsute, 4–5 mm diam, crowned by persistent calyx lobes, with 6 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 6, smooth on the abaxial face, ovate in transverse section.

Distribution — Endemic to Papua New Guinea (Western Highlands).

Habitat & Ecology — In montane forest between 1400–1500 m altitude. Flowering and fruiting between July and October.

Additional specimen examined. New Guinea, Western Highlands, *Streimann* 8460 (L).

Note — This subspecies differs from the typical subspecies by having leaves with cuneate and asymmetric bases, stipules linear-subulate (6 mm long). The typical subspecies has leaves with acute and symmetrical bases, stipules triangular to oblong-triangular.

86. *Lasianthus oblongatus* Merr.

Lasianthus oblongatus Merr. (1937) 299. — Type: *Winkler 1364* (iso NY), W Borneo, Sungei Obat, 100 m alt.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, slightly appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades narrowly oblong, 9–14 by 2–3 cm, chartaceous, glabrous above, appressed-pubescent hairs on midrib and nerves beneath, apex acuminate, base broadly cuneate to subrounded, midrib and nerves slightly prominent on both surfaces, nerves slender, 13–15 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 60°, curved to the margin, nervules slightly obscure on both surfaces, subparallel; petioles c. 2 mm long, pubescent. *Stipules* lanceolate, 4–5 mm long, hirsute, deciduous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts with a midrib, leaf-like, oblong-lanceolate, c. 1 cm long and 2 mm broad, paired in leaf axil, 4 in each node. *Flowers* solitary, sessile. *Drupes* ovoid, c. 4 mm diam, glabrous or sparsely pubescent, calyx lobes persistent, 1.5–2 mm long, hirsute; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo.

Note — This species is distinct by rather thin oblong leaves and pairs of persistent lanceolate bracts.

87. *Lasianthus oblongus* King & Gamble

Lasianthus oblongus King & Gamble (1904) 127; Ridl. (1923a) 166; K.M.Wong (1989) 368. — Type: *King's collector 4128* (lecto SING, selected by Wong 1989; isolecio BM, K, L). Paratypes: *Scortechini 265* (n.v.); *Ridley 4935* (n.v.), 9702 (n.v.), 9729 (n.v.); *Wray 2590* (SING); *King's collector 402* (SING), 4462 (K), 10082 (n.v.); *Curtis 2081* (SING), Perak. *Ridley 7438* (n.v.), Selangor, Peninsular Malaysia.

Shrubs, up to 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, minutely puberulous or glabrescent, dark when dry. *Leaves*: blades narrowly oblong-lanceolate, 9–14 by 2–3 cm, thinly coriaceous, glabrous above, puberulous hairs on midrib and nerves beneath, apex caudate-acuminate, base acute, dark when dry, midrib and nerves slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 6–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin; nervules slender, densely anastomosing, parallel; petioles 5–8 mm long, puberulous. *Stipules* triangular, c. 3 mm

long, densely pubescent. *Cymes* sessile, bracts absent. *Flowers* pediceled; pedicels c. 3 mm long, glabrous; calyx shallow cupular, c. 1.5 mm long, glabrous or puberulous, limb c. 1 mm long, truncate; corolla c. 5 mm long, pubescent outside, lobes 5, oblong, densely long-floccose inside. *Drupes* globose, c. 3–4 mm diam, puberulous or glabrous, verrucose, with 7–8 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 7–8.

Distribution — Endemic to Peninsular Malaysia.

Note — *Lasianthus oblongus* has oblong-lanceolate leaves with clearly parallel nervules, pedicels relatively short, 2–3 mm long, drupes with 7–8 pyrenes, differing from *L. purpureus*.

88. *Lasianthus obovatibracteatus* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 28

Proximus *L. inodoro* Blume subsp. *pubescens* H.Zhu, sed foliis basi asymmetricis rotundatis, stipulis minoribus, bracteis spatulato-obovatis minoribus, lobis calycis 4 et drupis glabris differt. A *L. sterophyllo* Merr. foliis minoribus basi asymmetricis rotundatis, stipulis minoribus, bracteis spatulato-obovatis et pyrenis 3–4 differt. — Typus: *Beaman 10038* (holo L; iso K), Borneo, Sabah, Lahad Datu, 800–880 m alt., in low mossy primary forest, on ultramafic rock soil, 10 June 1984.

Treelet, c. 2.5 cm high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, puberulous, darkish. *Leaves*: blades ovate-oblong, 5–8 by 2–3 cm, thickly coriaceous, glabrous except puberulous midrib beneath, darkish, apex acute, margin slightly recurved, base rounded or subrounded, slightly asymmetric, midrib slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves prominent on both surfaces, 6–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of 70–80°, curved to the margin, nervules prominent on both surfaces, subreticulate; petioles 5–6 mm long, puberulous. *Stipules* triangular, 3 mm long, subglabrous. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts 2, spatulate-obovate, 3 by 2 mm, puberulous or subglabrous. *Flowers* in fascicle, sessile; calyx campanulate, sparsely puberulous, 4–5 mm long, tubes obconical, 2–2.5 mm long, lobes 4–5, ovate-triangular, c. 2.5 mm long; corolla c. 8 mm long, glabrous outside, lobes 4, ovate-oblong, c. 3.5 mm long, 2.5 mm broad. *Drupes* ellipsoid, compressed, c. 5 mm diam, glabrous, crowned by 4–5 ovate-triangular calyx lobes; pyrenes 3–4, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Malaysia (Sabah).

Habitat & Ecology — Low mossy primary forest on ultramafic rock soil. Flowering and fruiting between March and June.

Note — This species is closely related to *L. inodorus* subsp. *pubescens*, but differs from the latter by having leaves with rounded and slightly asymmetric base, relatively small stipules, bracts relatively small and spatulate-obovate, drupes glabrous with 3–4 pyrenes. *Lasianthus inodorus* subsp. *pubescens* has leaves with cuneate or acute base, stipules 4 mm long, densely pubescent, bracts orbicular and densely pubescent, up to 5 mm diam, calyx lobes 5, drupes pubescent. *Lasianthus obovatibracteatus* is also similar to *L. sterophyllus*, but differs from the latter by having relatively small leaves with rounded and slightly asymmetric base, relatively small stipules, bracts spatulate-obovate, drupes with 3–4 pyrenes. *Lasianthus sterophyllus* has leaves 9–12 cm long with acute to subacute base, bracts absent, stipules 4–5 mm long, drupes with 5 pyrenes.

89. *Lasianthus obscurus* (Blume ex DC.) Miq. — Map 3

Lasianthus obscurus (Blume ex DC.) Miq. (1857) 317; (1869) 245, p.p. excl. specimen *Zollinger 621*; Hook.f. (1880) 183; Bakh.f. (1965) 341; H.Zhu (2002) 80. — *Mephitidia obscura* Blume ex DC. (1830) 453. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (holo L, barcode L0057529), Java.

Lasianthus kurzii Hook.f. var. *sylvicola* H.S.Lo (1993) 3; H.Zhu (1998) 153; H.S.Lo (1999) 90. — Type: *E. Hainan Expedit. 530* (holo SCBI), China, Hainan.

Lasianthus kurzii Hook.f. var. *fulvus* C.Y.Wu & H.Zhu (in Zhu 1994) 60. — Type: *Yunnan-expedit. 59-13346* (holo KUN), China, Yunnan, Xishuangbanna.

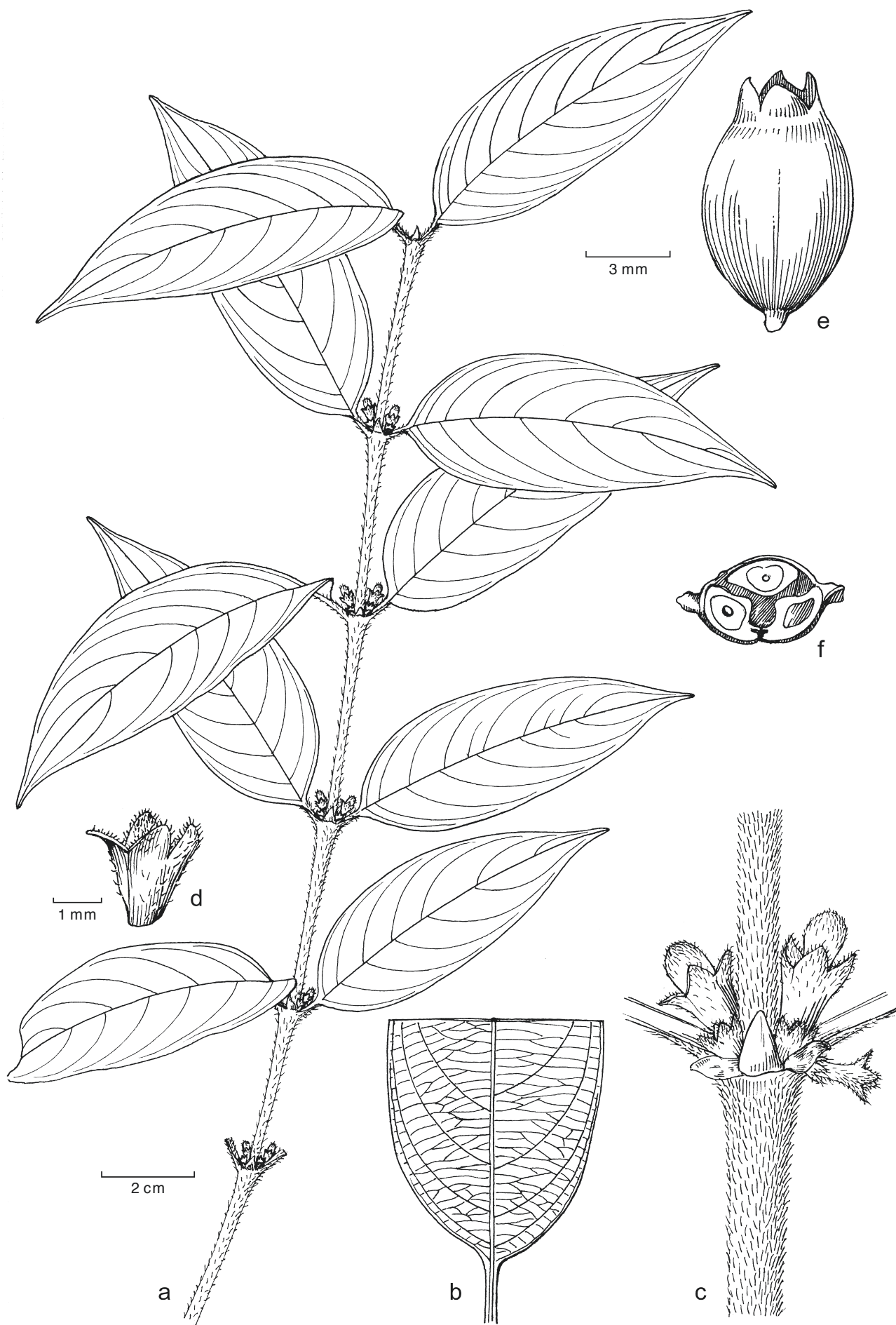


Fig. 28 *Lasianthus obovatibracteatus* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of lower surface of leaf showing subreticulate nervules; c. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescences; d. calyx; e. fruit; f. cross section of fruit (all: J.H. Beaman 10038, holo L.).

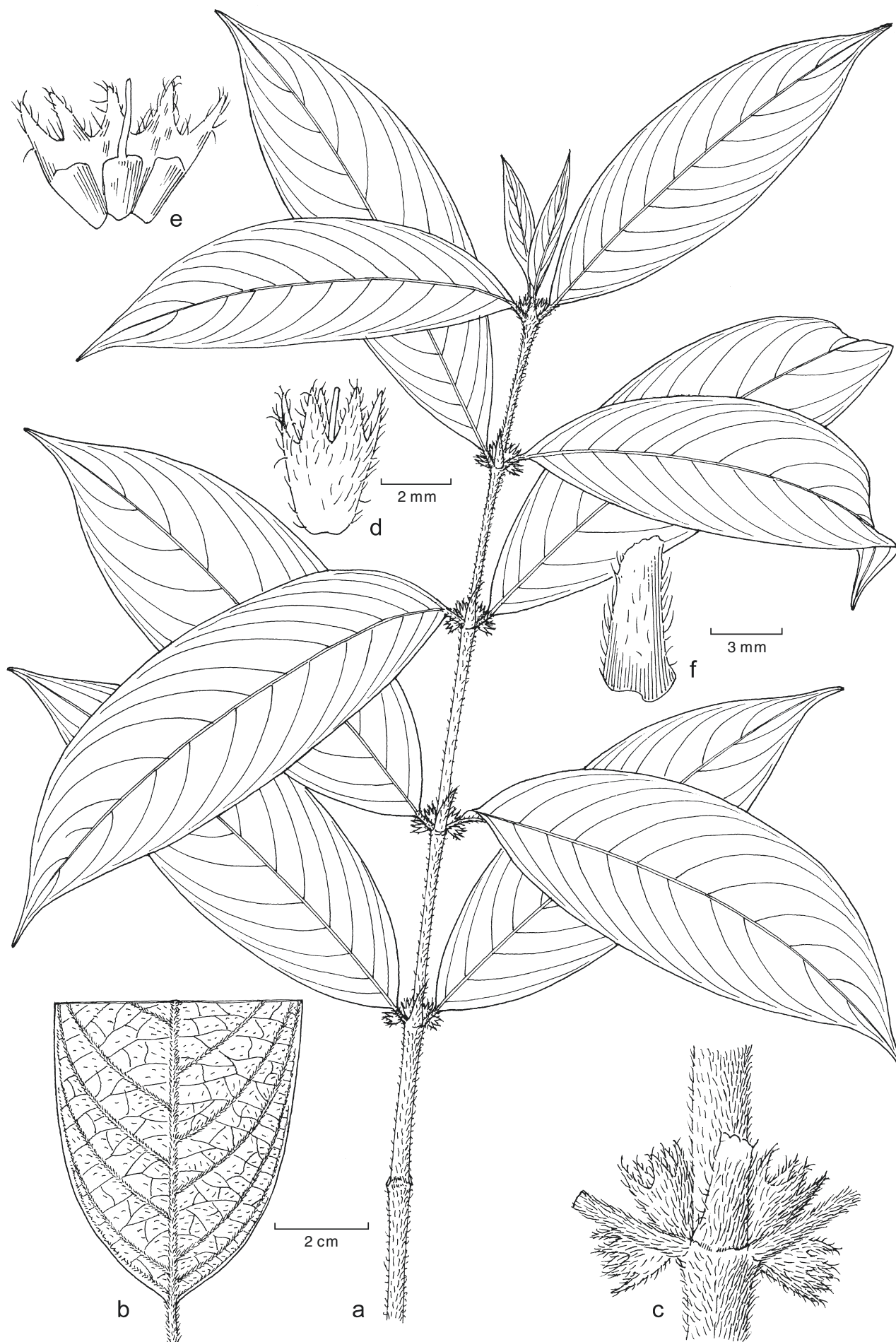


Fig. 29 *Lasianthus palawanensis* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of lower surface of leaf showing reticulate nervules; c. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescences; d. calyx; e. calyx split opened; f. stipule (all: A.D.E. Elmer 13252, holo L).

Shrubs, to 3 m high; branchlets terete, robust, c. 3 mm diam, densely spreading tomentose. *Leaves*: blades elliptic-oblong to oblong, 12–20 by 3–5 cm, membranaceous, or thinly coriaceous, glabrous above except sometimes tomentose hairs on midrib, tomentose beneath, apex acuminate to cuspidate-acute, base cuneate to subrounded, midrib and nerves slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 7–10 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct on both surfaces, parallel; petioles 5–10 mm long, spreading tomentose. *Stipules* triangular or oblong-lanceolate, up to 8 mm long, tomentose. *Cymes* sessile; bracts persistent, outer bracts ovate, inner bracts lanceolate, all not more than 5 mm long, densely tomentose. *Flowers* sessile or subsessile, numerous; calyx campanulate, 2–3 mm long, tomentose, lobes triangular, 4–6, c. 1–1.5 mm long; corolla 5–6 mm long, puberulous outside in the upper half, pubescent inside at the throat. *Drupe*s subglobose, 4–6 mm diam, tomentose, crowned by persistent calyx lobes; pyrenes 5–6.

Distribution — China (Yunnan, Hainan), Vietnam, Thailand, Indonesia (Java, Sulawesi).

Notes — *Lasianthus obscurus* is very close to *L. chrysoneurus*. *Lasianthus obscurus* has densely spreading tomentose hairs on branches, leaf undersides, stipules, bracts, and calyx, while *L. chrysoneurus* has appressed pubescence on branches, leaf undersides, stipules, bracts, and calyx. They are separated only by different indumentum. Considering that there are relatively few diagnostic characters in the genus and the clear distinction between the two taxa by different types of indumentum, it seems better to treat them as two separate species.

Lasianthus kurzii var. *sylicola* and var. *fulvus* from mainland SE Asia are conspecific with *L. obscurus*, and *L. kurzii* var. *kurzii* from India and mainland SE Asia is conspecific with *L. chrysoneurus*.

90. *Lasianthus palawanensis* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 29

Proximus *L. trichophlebus* Hemsl., sed foliis obovato-oblongis chartaceis, nervulis subreticulatis, lobis calycis 5 subulato-lanceolatis aequalis tubo differt. — *Typus*: Elmer 13252 (holo L), Philippines, Palawan Island, May 1911.

Shrub; branchlets terete, robust, c. 2.5–3 mm diam, sparsely hirsute, densely at nodes, dark-brownish. *Leaves*: blades obovate-oblong, 10–12 by 3–3.5 cm, chartaceous, glabrous and dark-brownish above, puberulous or glabrescent and lightly brownish beneath, apex cuspidate or shortly caudate, mucronate, base acute; midrib flat above, prominent and sparsely hirsute beneath, nerves slightly prominent above, prominent and hirsute beneath, c. 11 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 60°, curved gradually to margin, nervules slightly prominent on both surfaces, obscure beneath, reticulate; petioles 3–5 mm long, hirsute. *Stipules* triangular-lanceolate, 6–7 mm long, hirsute. *Inflorescences* sessile, bracts fewer, linear, c. 2 mm long, hirsute. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx campanulate, c. 4 mm long, hirsute, lobes 5, subulate-lanceolate, c. 2 mm long; corolla c. 5–6 mm long, tube glabrous outside, lobes 5, lanceolate, c. 2 mm long, puberulous external surface; ovary with 5 locules. *Drupe*s not seen.

Distribution — Endemic to Palawan Islands of Philippines.

Note — This species has hirsute hairs on nodes of branchlets, leaf nerves beneath, stipules, and calyx; stipules triangular-lanceolate, 6–7 mm long. It seems closely related to *L. trichophlebus*, but differs from the latter by having obovate-oblong and chartaceous leaves with subreticulate nervules, calyx lobes 5, subulate-lanceolate, as long as calyx tube. *Lasianthus trichophlebus* has oblong and coriaceous leaves with parallel nervules, calyx lobes 4, triangular, shorter than calyx tube.

91. *Lasianthus papuanus* Wernham

Lasianthus papuanus Wernham (1916) 78; Valetton (1927) 109; Merr. & L.M.Perry (1946) 219. — *Type*: Kloss s.n. (holo BM), New Guinea, 500 ft.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, densely appressed flavi-hirsute. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 7–11 by 2–3 cm, glabrous above except hairy midrib, appressed-pubescent hairs on venation beneath, apex acute, base broadly cuneate to subrounded, nerves slightly obscure above, prominent beneath, 7–8 pairs, nervules obscure above, subreticulate; petioles 4–5 mm long, densely flavi-pubescent. *Stipules* subulate, 8 mm long, appressed-pubescent, deciduous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* solitary or paired, 5-merous; calyx campanulate, lobes triangular-lanceolate, 2.5 mm long, glabrous inside and pilose outside; corolla tube 4.8 mm long, sparsely hirsute, lobes 5, oblong, c. 1.5 mm long, hirsute outside, barbate inside. *Fruits* not seen.

Distribution — New Guinea.

Note — This species is very close to *L. chrysotrichus*, but differs from the latter by having appressed-pubescent on branches, nerves beneath, stipules up to 8 mm long, 5-merous flowers without bracts, and triangular-lanceolate calyx lobes, while *L. chrysotrichus* has spreading harsh-hirsute hairs, stipules 2–3 mm long, usually 4-merous flowers with linear bracts and lanceolate calyx lobes. It differs from *L. hexandrus* by having stipules up to 8 mm long, calyx campanulate, lobes triangular-lanceolate.

92. *Lasianthus pedicellatus* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 30

Proximus *L. oblongo* King & Gamble, sed stipulis minoribus, calycibus triangulatis dentatis, drupis levigatis obtuse 4–5-porcatis, pyrenis 4–5 differt. — *Typus*: De Vogel 5344 (holo L), Sulawesi, Palu, Mt Poroka Timbu, 1950 m alt., in primary montane forest, 14 May 1979.

Treelet, 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 1.5 mm diam, dark in the youngest part, glabrous or thinly puberulous. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate, 6–9 by 1.5–2.5 cm, glabrous except sparsely puberulous midrib and nerves beneath, apex acuminate to caudate, aristate, arista c. 1 mm long, margin recurved, base acute, midrib slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 5 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 60°; nervules prominent on both surfaces, parallel; petioles c. 5 mm long, sparsely puberulous or glabrescent. *Stipules* very small, triangular, less than 1 mm long. *Inflorescences* extremely congested to nearly sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* fascicular, pediceled; pedicels slender, c. 2 mm long; calyx obconical, c. 1 mm long, with 5 triangular teeth, puberulous; corolla c. 4 mm long, puberulous outside. *Drupe*s subglobose, c. 3 mm diam, smooth, subglabrous, with 4–5 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 4–5, smooth on the abaxial face, orbicular at the transverse section.

Distribution — Malaysia (Sabah) and Indonesia (Sulawesi).

Habitat & Ecology — In montane forest between 1500–2000 m altitude. Flowering and fruiting between March and May.

Additional specimens examined. Sulawesi, Mt Roroka Timbu, E.F. de Vogel 5136 (K, L); Borneo, Sabah, J.H. Beaman 8928 (K, L); Sabah, Kinabalu, J & M.S. Clemens 29838 (L).

Note — This species is closely related to *L. oblongus*, but differs from the latter by having very small stipules, calyx with triangular teeth, drupes smooth, with 4–5 obtuse ridges and crowned by small triangular calyx teeth, pyrenes 4–5. *Lasianthus oblongus* has relatively big stipules 3–4 mm long, calyx shallow cupular with truncate limb, drupes verrucose, with 7–8 obtuse ridges and crowned by a short cupular calyx limb, pyrenes 7–8.

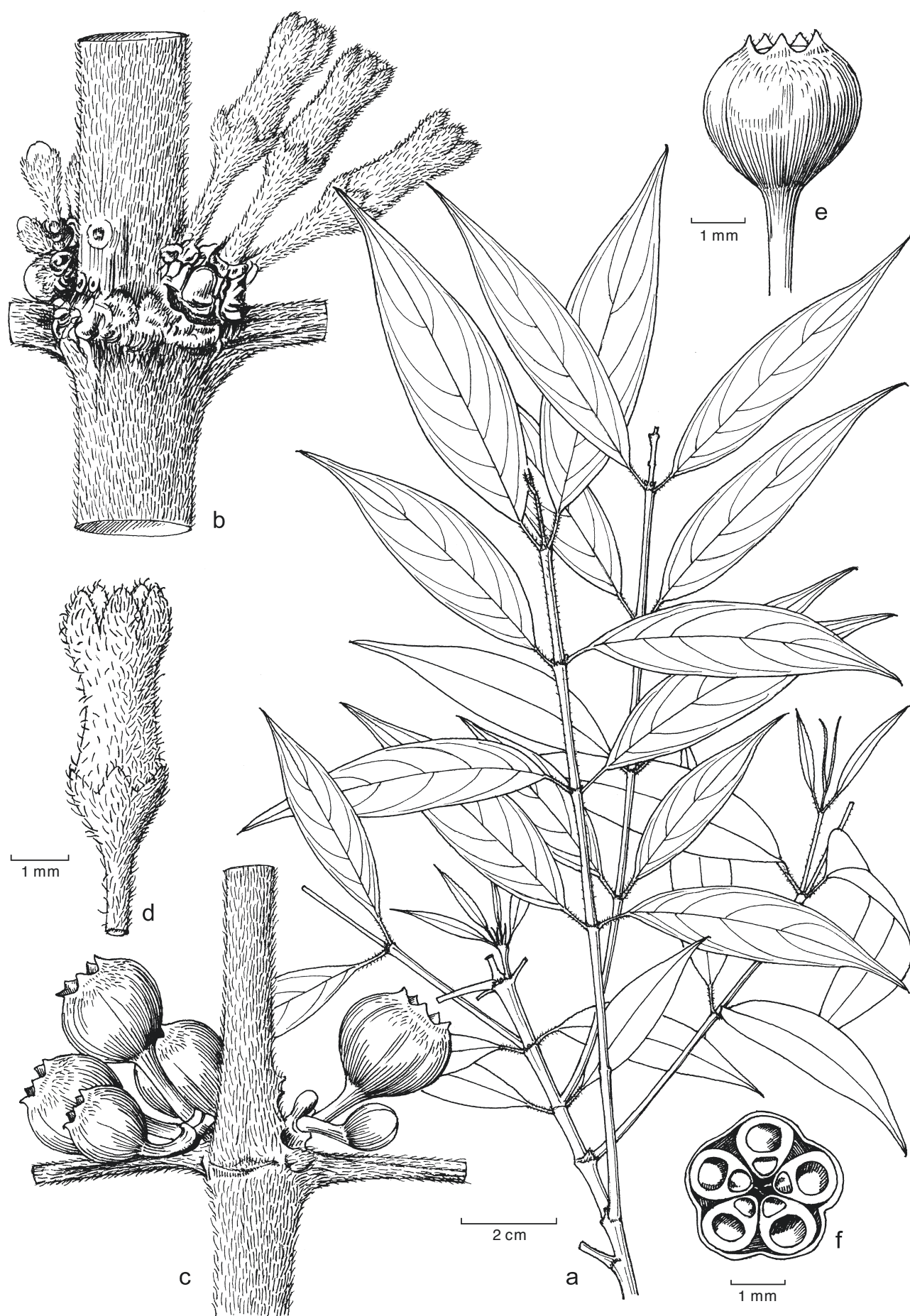


Fig. 30 *Lasianthus pedicellatus* H. Zhu. a. Habit; b. detail of node showing axillary inflorescences; c. detail of node showing fruits; d. flower; e. fruit; f. cross section of fruit (all: E.F. de Vogel 5344, holo L).

93. *Lasianthus pendulus* Ridl.

Lasianthus pendulus Ridl. (1909) 37; (1923a) 168; K.M.Wong (1989) 372.
 — *Lasianthus capitatus* Blume subsp. *pendulus* (Ridl.) H.Zhu (2000b) 398.
 — Type: *Ridley 14007* (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Pahang, Telem.

Treelets, c. 2 m high; branchlets terete, robust, c. 3 mm diam, densely spreading long-hairy. *Leaves*: blades ovate-lanceolate, 7–11 by 2–3.5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, spreading long-hairy beneath, apex acuminate, margin conspicuously reflexed, base rounded to subcordate, midrib and nerves conspicuously depressed above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves 8–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 50°, curved to the margin, nervules slightly obscure, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles very short, c. 1 mm long, densely long-hairy. *Stipules* inconspicuous. *Cymes* pedunculate; peduncles 2–3.5 cm long, densely spreading long-hairy; bracts filiform, numerous, up to 1.5 cm long, densely long-hairy. *Flowers* sessile; calyx with 5 long, lanceolate-subulate and hairy lobes; corolla glabrous. *Drupe*s obovoid, narrowed to base, 5-ribbed, crowned by hairy calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia.

Habitat & Ecology — Montane forest, 1500–1900 m altitude.

Note — *Lasianthus pendulus* differs from *L. capitatus* in having ovate to ovate-lanceolate leaves with rounded base, shorter petioles, nerves conspicuously depressed above and more slender peduncles.

94. *Lasianthus perakensis* King & Gamble**Key to the varieties**

1. Leaves with nerves 7–8 pairs, 15–25 by 5.5–8 cm; rusty-puberulous on branches, midrib and nerves beneath; drupes c. 4 mm diam, sessile a. var. *perakensis*
1. Leaves smaller with nerves 3–5 pairs, 13–16 by 3–4.5 cm; sparse puberulous on branches, midrib and nerves beneath; drupes smaller c. 2 mm diam, with 1 mm long pedicels b. var. *kalimantanensis*

a. var. *perakensis*

Lasianthus perakensis King & Gamble (1904) 126; Ridl. (1923a) 160; K.M.Wong (1989) 372 (excl. syn. *L. flavinervius* Ridl.); H.Zhu (2001b) 139. — Type: *Wray 4128* (lecto SING, designated by Wong 1989). Paratypes: *King's collector 682* (n.v.), *2438* (n.v.), *2838* (n.v.), *10210* (n.v.), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak.

Shrubs; branches terete, robust, c. 3 mm diam, or slightly compressed in the youngest part, minutely rusty-puberulous. *Leaves*: blades elliptic or obovate-elliptic, 15–25 by 5.5–8 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above, puberulous on midrib and nerves beneath, apex cuspidate or caudate, base cuneate; midrib slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 7–8 pairs, flat above, prominent beneath, nervules subparallel, conspicuous on both sides; petioles about 1 cm long, rusty-puberulous. *Stipules* triangular, acute, up to 5 mm long, rusty-puberulous. *Cymes* sessile, bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile, crowned; calyx campanulate, c. 2 mm long, much tapered to the base, mouth wide, truncate, with 5 indistinct blunt spreading segments, pubescent; corolla short, 3 mm long, lobes ovate-triangular, 1.5 mm long, pubescent; ovary 5-celled. *Drupe*s hemispheric, c. 4 mm diam, subglabrous or sparsely puberulous, 10-ribbed, crowned by the calyx limb; pyrenes 10.

Distribution — S Thailand, Malaysia (Peninsular, Sabah) and Indonesia (Sumatra, Kalimantan).

Note — *Lasianthus perakensis* has a wide to slightly trumpet-shaped calyx limb with 5 indistinct blunt spreading lobes, drupes hemispheric with 10 obtuse ridges and crowned by blunt calyx lobes, pyrenes 5.

b. var. *kalimantanensis* H.Zhu, var. nov.

A typo foliis minoribus, nervis 3–5, ramis sparsim puberscentibus, costis et nervis sparsim puberscentibus subter, pedicellis 1 mm longis, drupis minoribus differt. — Typus: *Church et al. 713* (holo K), Borneo, C Kalimantan, Sintang, 100 m alt.

Branches sparse puberulous. *Leaves*: blades elliptic or obovate-elliptic, 13–16 by 3–4.5 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above, sparse puberulous on midrib and nerves beneath, apex cuspidate or caudate, base broadly cuneate; nerves 3–5 pairs, flat above, prominent beneath, nervules subparallel, conspicuous on both sides. *Stipules* triangular, acute, up to 4–5 mm long, puberulous. *Cymes* sessile, bracts absent. *Flowers* with 1 mm long pedicels, crowned; calyx campanulate, calyx mouth wide, truncate, with 5 indistinct teeth, pubescent. *Drupe*s hemispheric, c. 2 mm diam, subglabrous or sparsely puberulous, 10-ribbed, crowned by the calyx limb; pyrenes 10.

Habitat — Mixed dipterocarp forest.

Distribution — Borneo, C Kalimantan.

Note — The variety differs from the typical variety by having smaller leaves with nerves 3–5 pairs, 13–16 by 3–4.5 cm; sparse puberulous on branches, midrib and nerves beneath; smaller drupes c. 2 mm diam, with 1 mm long pedicels.

95. *Lasianthus pergamaceus* King & Gamble

Lasianthus pergamaceus King & Gamble (1904) 123; Ridl. (1923a) 164; K.M.Wong (1989) 369, p.p. — Type: *Wray 270* (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak, 4500 ft.

Lasianthus coriaceus King & Gamble (1904) 123. — Lectotype (designated by Wong 1989): *Scortechini 332* (lecto SING; isolecto K), Perak; *Ridley 10217* (para, n.v.), Peninsular Malaysia, Selangor.

Lasianthus crassifolius Ridl. (1918) 85; (1923a) 165. — Lectotype (designated here): *Ridley 15689* (lecto K), Peninsular Malaysia; Selangor; *Maingay s.n.* (para, n.v.), Peninsular Malaysia.

Treelets; branchlets terete, robust, glabrous or minutely puberulous in the youngest part, sulcate when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong-elliptic, 18–25 by 5–8 cm, thinly coriaceous, glabrous on both surfaces except minutely puberulous in young leaves beneath, apex cuspidate-acuminate, base broadly cuneate to subrounded, slightly asymmetric, midrib and nerves distinct or slightly depressed above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves 10–12 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 70°, curved to the margin, secondary nerves from the costa between nerves conspicuous, nervules distinct on both surfaces and prominent beneath, reticulate; petioles 7–10 mm long. *Stipules* triangular, 3–4 mm long, glabrous. *Cymes* shortly pedunculate; peduncles robust, 2–3 mm long, glabrous; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* sessile; calyx obconic-cupular, 3–5 mm long, with a truncate or minutely 4-toothed limb, glabrous; corolla tubular, pubescent outside, villous inside, 4-toothed; anthers 4. *Drupe*s cupular-globose, c. 5–6 mm diam, glabrous or minutely hairy, crowned by a truncate or minutely 4-toothed limb; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia, Philippines (Palawan).

Note — This species is closely related to *L. chinensis* and *L. repoeuensis*, but it differs from both in having short robust peduncles and usually sulcate branchlets and cupulate calyx with truncate limb and drupe with 4 pyrenes. It is also similar to *L. subaureus*, but differs from the latter by having large leaves, sulcate branchlets, and peduncled cymes.

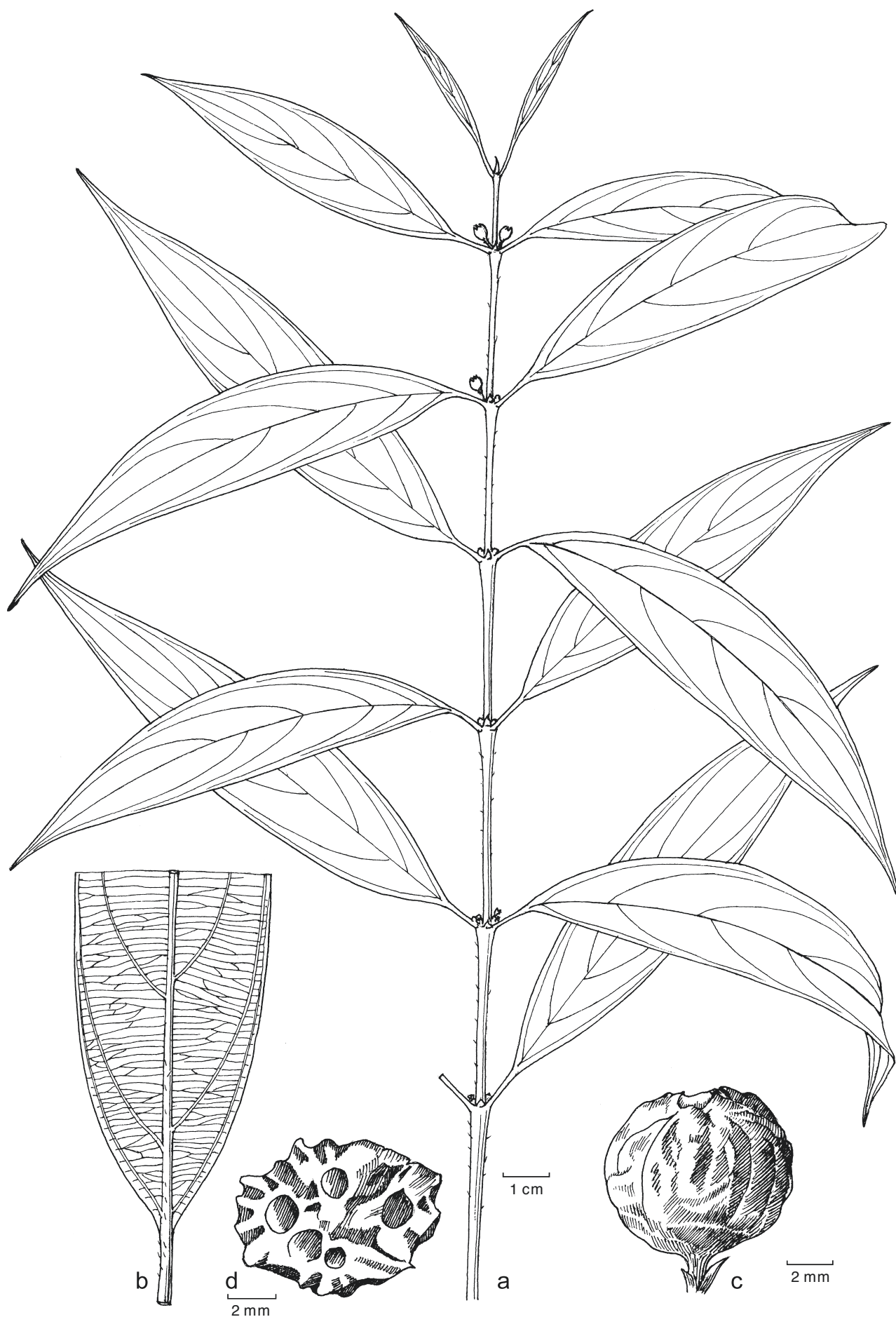


Fig. 31 *Lasianthus phymatodeus* H. Zhu. a. Habit; b. lower surface of leaf showing parallel nervules; c. fruit; d. cross section of fruit (all S. Tong S.33878, holo L).

96. *Lasianthus phymatodeus* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 31

Proximus *L. kinabaluensis* Stapf, sed foliis non brochidodromis, nervulis densis parallelis, drupis conspicue verrucosis, pyrenis 4 conspicue acute porcatis differt. — Typus: *Tong* S.33878 (holo L; iso K), Sarawak, Lubok Antu, 3300 ft alt., in mossy forest, 13 Mar. 1974.

Treelet, c. 4 m high; branchlets terete, slightly compressed in the youngest part, c. 1.5 mm diam, glabrous, brownish. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate to ovate-elliptic, 8–12 by 2–3.5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous on both surfaces, apex acuminate to slightly caudate, base acute to abruptly acute, midrib flat to slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, glabrous; nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 4–5 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to margin, glabrous, nervules obscure above, conspicuous beneath, dense and parallel, glabrous; petioles 6–8 mm long, glabrous. *Stipules* triangular, 1.5–2 mm long, puberulous, bristle at the internal base of stipules. *Inflorescences* sessile to subsessile; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* small; calyx campanulate, c. 1 mm long, sparsely puberulous or glabrous, with 4 minutely subulate teeth; corolla not seen. *Drupe*s oblate-globose, c. 6–7 mm diam, glabrous, strongly warty; pyrenes 4, with irregular sharp ridges on all sides from transverse section view.

Distribution — Borneo (Sarawak, Lubok Antu district).

Habitat & Ecology — In mossy forest between 3300–4200 ft altitude. Flowering and fruiting in March.

Additional specimen examined. Sarawak, Lubok Antu district, *Paul Chai* S.33826 (K, L).

Note — This species is closely related to *L. kinabaluensis*, but differs from the latter by having leaves with dense and parallel nervules, without looped venation, drupes strongly warty and with 4 pyrenes, pyrenes with conspicuously irregular sharp ridges on all sides from cross section view. *Lasianthus kinabaluensis* has leaves with looped venation, nervules loose and reticulate, drupes slightly warty, usually with 3 pyrenes, pyrenes slightly warty from cross section view.

97. *Lasianthus pilosus* Wight**Key to the varieties**

1. Leaves 3.5–6 cm broad a. var. *pilosus*
1. Leaves relatively narrow, 2.5–3 cm broad b. var. *angustifolius*

a. var. *pilosus*

Lasianthus pilosus Wight (1846) 506; Hook.f. (1880) 182; King & Gamble (1904) 115; Ridl. (1923a) 157; K.M.Wong (1989) 370; H.Zhu (2001b) 139. — Type: *Kew Dist.* 869 (*Griffith* s.n.) (holo K), Peninsular Malaysia.

Lasianthus retosus Wight (1846) 506; Hook.f. (1880) 181. — *Lasianthus pilosus* Wight var. *retosus* (Wight) Ridl. (1923a) 157. — Type: *Kew Dist.* 2918 (*Griffith* s.n.) (holo K), Peninsular Malaysia, Mt Ophir.

Lasianthus pilosus Wight var. *glabra* King & Gamble (1904) 115. — Type: *Ridley* 7424 (n.v.), Peninsular Malaysia, Selangor.

Lasianthus robustus King & Gamble (1904) 123; Ridl. (1923a) 165. — Type: *Hervey* s.n. (*Ridley* s.n. in protologue) (holo SING), Peninsular Malaysia.

Shrubs or treelets, up to 3 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely spreading pilose. *Leaves*: blades oblong, elliptic-oblong or oblong-lanceolate, 8–17 by 3.5–6 cm, chartaceous to subcoriaceous, pilose both surfaces, denser on midrib above and midrib and nerves beneath, apex caudate-acuminate, base rounded to slightly subcordate, asymmetric, nerves slender, flat or slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, 9–15 pairs, nervules obscure above, distinct beneath, reticulate; petioles 3–5 mm long, densely pilose. *Stipules* triangular-lanceolate, acute, densely pilose, up to 3 mm long. *Cymes* sessile; bracts small, filiform, 4–5 mm long, pilose. *Flowers* sessile; calyx

dense pilose, tubular, up to 8 mm long, lobes 5–7, lanceolate to linear, up to 5 mm long; corolla tubular, up to 15 mm long, pilose outside, lobes 5–7, linear-lanceolate, 3 mm long. *Drupe*s subglobose, sparsely pilose or glabrous crowned by long hairy calyx limbs with long lobes; pyrenes 5–7, very hard.

Distribution — S Thailand, Malaysia (Peninsular, Sarawak).

b. var. *angustifolius* Hook.f.

Lasianthus pilosus Wight var. *angustifolius* Hook.f. (1880) 182; King & Gamble (1904) 115; Ridl. (1923a) 157; Craib (1934) 215; K.M.Wong (1989) 372; H.Zhu (2001b) 139. — Type: *Griffith* s.n. (holo K), Burma, Tenasserim, Mergui.

Distribution — Burma, Thailand, Peninsular Malaysia.

Note — Differing from typical variety by leaves relatively narrow, 10–12.5 by 2.5–3 cm.

98. *Lasianthus politus* Ridl.

Lasianthus politus Ridl. (1918) 85; (1923a) 158; K.M.Wong (1989) 372; H.Zhu (2001b) 139. — Type: *Ridley* 15690 (holo K), Peninsular Malaysia, Selangor.

Shrubs, c. 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely tomentose. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate, 6–12 by 2–3 cm, coriaceous, shining green and glabrous above, tomentose beneath, apex acuminate, margin reflexed, base shortly cuneate or acute, midrib depressed above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves flat or slightly depressed above, strongly prominent beneath, 6–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, nervules slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, reticulate; petioles 2–3 mm long, densely tomentose. *Stipules* narrowly lanceolate, c. 2 mm long, densely tomentose. *Cymes* sessile; bracts linear, numerous, long-hairy. *Flowers* sessile; calyx very densely hairy, 3–4 mm long, tube short, lobes 5, lanceolate to linear, acuminate, 2–2.5 mm long, densely long hairy. *Drupe*s globose, hairy, crowned by 5 hairy calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Thailand, Peninsular Malaysia.

Note — This species has leaves coriaceous, glabrous above, densely tomentose beneath, lanceolate, cuneate at base, midrib depressed above and elevated beneath, nervules reticulate; bracts small, linear, hirsute, less than 5 mm long; drupes densely hirsute.

99. *Lasianthus pseudolongifolius* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 32

Similis *L. longifolio* Wight, sed stipulis minoribus, lobis calycis 4–5, oblongis, 4–5 mm longis, 2.5 mm latis, tubo calycis 3 mm longo differt. — Typus: *Bernard Lee* S.39988 (holo L), Borneo, Sarawak, Sg. Nawai, 800 m alt., on sandstone soil, 5 Sept. 1978.

Shrub, 2.5 m high; branchlets robust, 0.5 mm diam, glabrous; lenticels conspicuous. *Leaves*: blades oblong, 20–32 by 6–10 cm, coriaceous, glabrous on both surfaces or sparsely puberulous on nerves beneath, brown when drying, apex cuspidate, margin recurved, base acute; midrib depressed above, prominent beneath, nigrescent, nerves slightly prominent above, strongly prominent beneath, 10–12 pairs, ascending at an angle of 70–90°, curved to the margin, nervules prominent on both surfaces, reticulate; petioles 5–10 mm long, glabrous. *Stipules* triangular, 4–5 by 4–5 mm, glabrous. *Inflorescences* axillary, sessile; bracts inconspicuous or small, triangular, 1–2 mm long. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx 7–8 mm long, thinly puberulous outside, lobes 4–5, oblong, 4–5 mm long, 2.5 mm broad, rounded or obtuse at apex; corolla c. 1 cm long, glabrous outside, lobes 4–5, ovate, thinly puberulous external surface, floccose internal surface. *Fruits* not seen.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo (Sarawak).

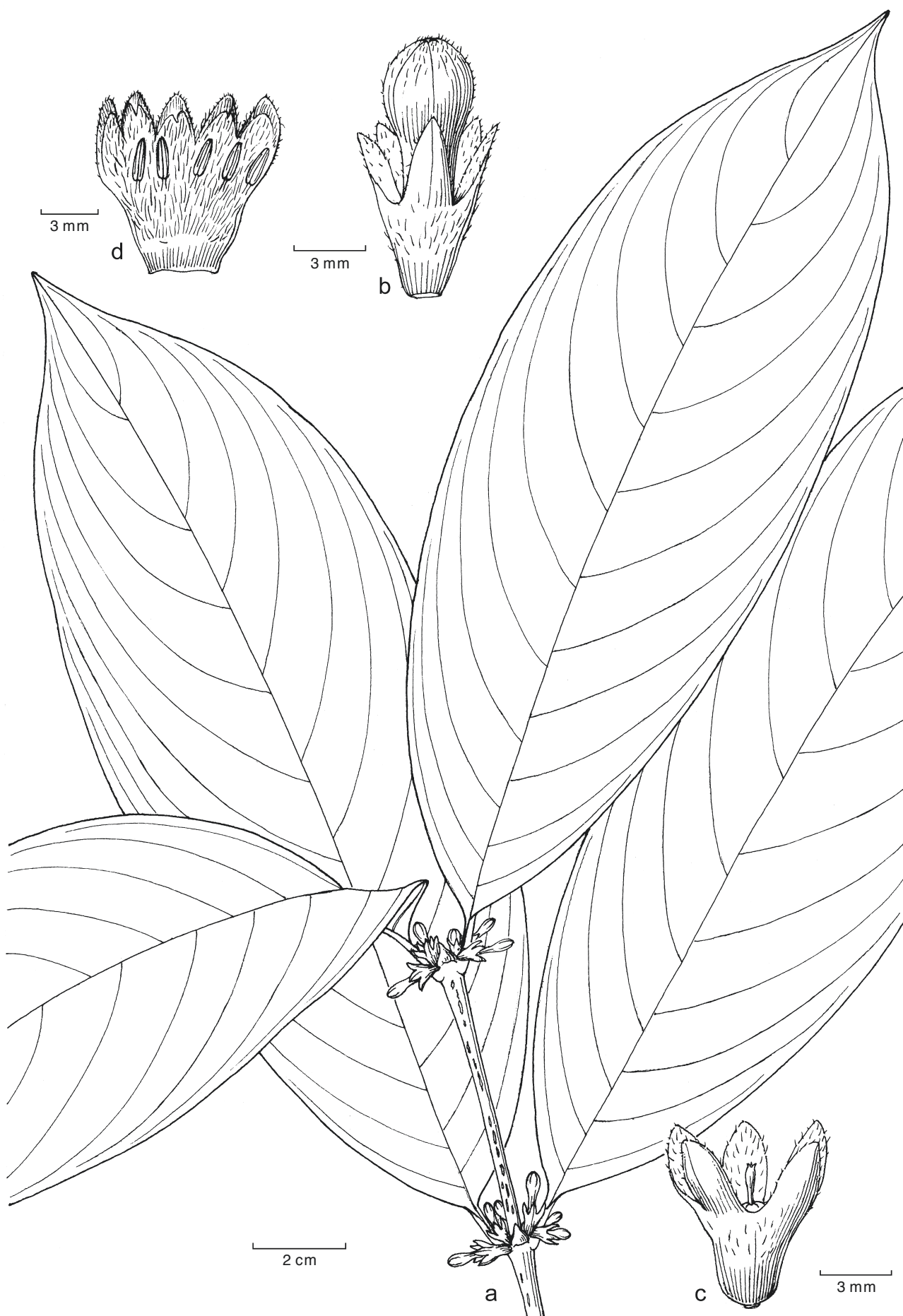


Fig. 32 *Lasianthus pseudolongifolius* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. flower; c. calyx; d. corolla split opened (all: Bernard Lee S.39988, holo L.).

Habitat & Ecology — In primary forest near stream bank between 800–1000 m altitude. Flowering between December and March.

Additional specimen examined. Sarawak, G.H. Pickles 3673 (L).

Note — This species looks like *L. longifolius* except the quite different flowers and relatively small stipules. It has a calyx divided into clear lobes; calyx lobes 4–5, oblong, obtuse or rounded at apex, 4–5 mm long, 2.5 mm broad; calyx tube 3 mm long; stipules triangular, 4 by 4 mm. *Lasianthus longifolius* has calyx with an enlarged cupular limb and truncate apex; stipules up to 1 cm long.

100. *Lasianthus pseudo-stipularis* Amshoff ex Bakh.f.

Lasianthus pseudo-stipularis Amshoff ex Bakh.f. (1963) 64; (1965) 340. —

Type: *Winckel 1916* (holo L), W Java, Tjadasmalang (SW Tjidadap, Priandgan), 1000 m alt.

Shrubs, 1–2 m high; branchlets terete, 2–3 mm diam, glabrous, dark-brown when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong to elliptic-oblong or oblong-obovate, 10–15 by 3.5–5 cm, glabrous on both surfaces, apex cuspidate-acute, base acute, dark-brown when dry, midrib and nerves flat to slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 7–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, nervules slightly obscure above, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles 5–8 mm long, glabrous. *Stipules* ovate to ovate-triangular, 5–7 by 5 mm, with thinly membranaceous margin, glabrous. *Cymes* sessile, bracts minute, inconspicuous. *Flowers* sessile; calyx glabrous, c. 2 mm long, tube obconic, c. 1 mm long, limb shallowly cupular, c. 1 mm long, truncate or obscurely 4–5-toothed; corolla c. 1 cm long, glabrous outside, tube c. 6 mm long, lobes c. 4 mm long, glabrous outside, pilose inside; anthers 5. *Drupes* turbinate-globose, c. 5 mm long, glabrous, verrucose, 4-ridged; pyrenes 4, verrucose on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Indonesia (Sumatra, Java).

Note — This species differs from *L. stipularis* by having cymes without numerous hirsute bracts.

101. *Lasianthus purpureus* Blume

Lasianthus purpureus Blume (1826–1827) 1000; Miq. (1857) 324; (1869) 249; Bakh.f. (1965) 336. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (lecto L, designated here, barcode L0057519), Java.

Lasianthus umbellatus Kuntze (1891) 290; Bakh.f. (1965) 336, syn. nov. — Possible type: *Kuntze 4565* (NY), Java, Tjiboday.

Lasianthus glaber Scheff. ex Valetton (1914) 293, t. 400. — Type: *Valetton s.n.* (holo L, barcode L0012041), Java, Preanger, Tjibodas.

Treelets, up to 4 m high; branchlets terete or slightly compressed in the youngest part, c. 2 mm diam, glabrous. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate to oblong-lanceolate or ovate-lanceolate, 12–20 by 2–3.5 cm, glabrous on both surfaces, apex acuminate to caudate-acuminate, base acute, midrib and nerves prominent on both surfaces, nerves 5–6 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 60°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct and prominent on both surfaces, reticulate; petioles c. 1 cm long, glabrous. *Stipules* small, subulate, c. 1 mm long, glabrous. *Cymes* sessile, tuberculate; bracts absent. *Flowers* fascicular, pediceled; pedicels 8–10 mm long, glabrous; calyx c. 1.5–2 mm long, glabrous, tube obconic, c. 1 mm long, limbs shallowly campanulate, c. 0.5–1 mm long, minutely 4-toothed; corolla tubular, up to 8 mm long, tube glabrous outside, lobes 4, lanceolate, c. 3 mm long, puberulous at the apex outside. *Drupes* subglobose, up to 6 mm diam, conspicuously 4-ridged, glabrous, verrucose; pyrenes 4, verrucose on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Indonesia (Sumatra, Java).

Notes — *Lasianthus purpureus* is a glabrous plant. It has oblong-lanceolate to ovate-lanceolate leaves with clearly reticulate nervules, flowers fascicled with usually more than 5 mm long pedicels, calyx limb truncate to 4-dentate, drupes with usually 4-ribbed, verrucose and 4 pyrenes.

Lasianthus umbellatus cannot clearly be separated from *L. purpureus*. Bakhuisen van den Brink Jr. separated *L. umbellatus* from *L. purpureus* by its dentate calyx limb, shorter (5–8 mm long) corolla, 4 ribbed drupes and lanceolate to ovate-lanceolate leaves; while *L. purpureus* has truncate calyx limb, 9–10 mm long corolla, 2–5 but usually 4 ribbed drupes and lineari-lanceolate leaves. However, the diagnostic characters given by Bakhuisen van den Brink Jr. separating these two species are not strong.

In Blume's description of this species, more than one locality was mentioned. The sheet barcode L0057519 with Blume's handwriting and a local name Kahitutung on the label which matches most to the protologue, is recognised to be a syntype and chosen here as lectotype.

102. *Lasianthus reticulatus* Blume

Lasianthus reticulatus Blume (1826–1827) 1000; Miq. (1857) 324; (1869) 248; Valetton ex Winkler (1910) 569; Merr. (1921) 578; (1929a) 292; Bakh.f. (1965) 343. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (holo L, barcode L0000700; iso L, barcodes L0000701, L0000702), Java, Seriboe.

Lasianthus cinnamomoides Miq. (1857) 325. — Type: *Zollinger* (n.v.), Java, Passir Madang.

Lasianthus maingayi Hook.f. (1880) 188; King & Gamble (1904) 132; Ridl. (1923a) 160; Craib (1934) 213; K.M.Wong (1989) 369; H.Zhu (2001b) 136, syn. nov. — Type: *Kew Distr. 871* (Maingay 1699) (K), Peninsular Malaysia.

Lasianthus caloneurus K.Schum. (1902) 339; Pit. (1924) 397. — Type: *Schmidt 683* (holo C), Thailand, Chantaburi.

Lasianthus flavicans King & Gamble (1904) 116. — Syntypes: *Ridley 4394* (n.v.), 6927 (n.v.), Singapore; *Scortechini s.n.* (n.v.), Perak; *Ridley 2223* (n.v.), *King's collector 10974* (n.v.), Pahang.

Shrubs, c. 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2.5 mm diam, compressed in the youngest part, minutely appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades elliptic-oblong to elliptic-oblongate, 20–26 by 6–9 cm, thinly coriaceous or membranaceous, pale greenish when dry, glabrous above, minutely appressed-pubescent beneath, apex acuminate or caudate-acuminate, base acute, midrib, nerves and nervules conspicuous above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves 5–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, tertiary nervules parallel, quaternary nervules reticulate; petioles short, 5–10 mm long, minutely appressed-pubescent. *Stipules* small, triangular, acute at apex, c. 3 mm long, strigose. *Cymes* very short pedunculate or extremely congested; bracts usually absent. *Flowers* subsessile, crowned; calyx campanulate, c. 2 mm long, constricted somewhat below the 3–4 triangular teeth, appressed-pubescent; corolla tubular, c. 6 mm long, with 3–4 lobes, glabrous outside, pubescent inside; ovary with 3–4 locules. *Drupes* obliquely elliptic, narrowed at base, glabrous, rugose, 1–4-ridged; pyrenes 1–4, verrucose, furrow on the abaxial face.

Distribution — S Thailand, Malaysia (Peninsular, Borneo), Singapore, Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Kalimantan, Sulawesi), Brunei, Philippines (Palawan).

Notes — This species has appressed-pubescent branchlets and leaf midrib and nerves beneath; leaves large, elliptic-oblongate to elliptic-oblong; nerves prominent beneath, 6–7 pairs; nervules reticulate; petioles short; stipules small, triangular; cymes tuberculate; calyx limb campanulate with 4 minute lobes; ovary 4-locular; drupes verrucose, constricted at the base of persistent calyx limb; pyrenes 1–4. *Lasianthus maingayi* cannot be separated from *L. reticulatus*.

This species is very closely related to *L. constrictus*. It differs from the latter by having densely appressed-pubescent on

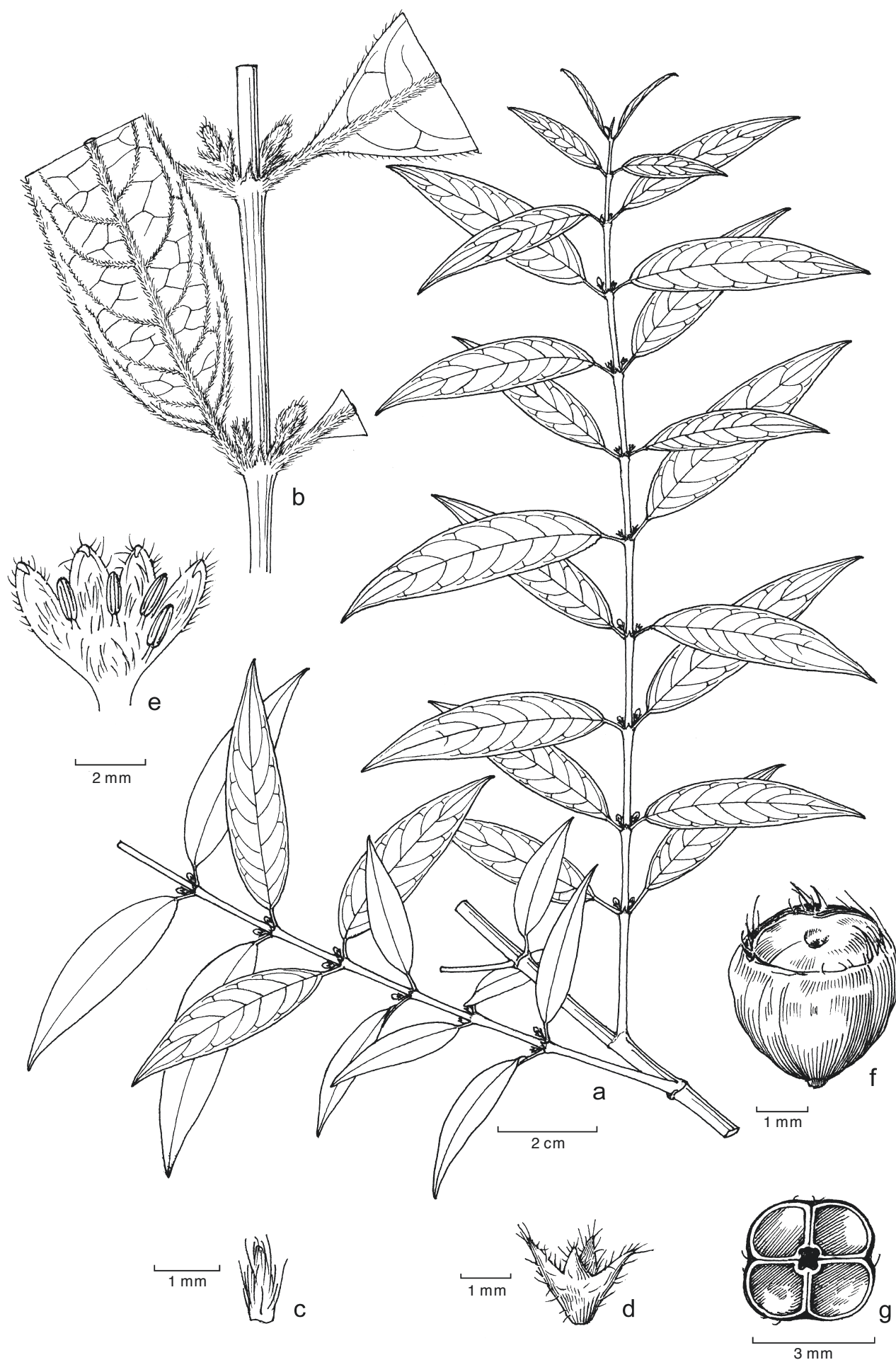


Fig. 33 *Lasianthus ridsdalei* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of branch showing stipule and axillary inflorescences; c. stipule; d. calyx; e. corolla split opened; f. fruit; g. cross section of fruit (a–e: C.E. Ridsdale SMHI1837; f, g: C.E. Ridsdale 1046, holo L.).

branches and nerves beneath, leaves relatively large with 6–7 pairs of nerves, flowers sessile clustered in very short congested peduncles, calyx limb with 4 minutely triangular lobes. *Lasianthus constrictus* has relatively small leaves with 3–5 pairs of nerves and subglabrous or sparsely strigose branches and leaf nerves beneath, cymes usually sessile, calyx limb truncate or minutely toothed.

103. *Lasianthus rhinocerotis* Blume

Lasianthus rhinocerotis Blume (1826–1827) 996; Miq. (1857) 315; (1869) 245; Ridl. (1923a) 154; Merr. (1929a) 292; Bakh.f. (1965) 338; H.Zhu (1998) 154; (2001b) 140; (2002) 101. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (lecto L, designated by Zhu 2002, barcode L0000703), Java.

Shrubs, 1–2 m high; branchlets terete, usually robust, c. 3 mm diam, densely brown-villous. *Leaves*: blades oblong, oblong-lanceolate or lanceolate, 9–18 by 3–6.5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, densely brown-villous beneath, apex cuspidate-acuminate or cuspidate-acute, base subrounded, midrib and nerves usually depressed, rarely flat above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves 9–12 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 50°, curved to the margin, nervules flat and slightly distinct above, prominent and distinct beneath, parallel; petioles 5–8 mm long, densely brown-villous. *Stipules* triangular, 2–3 mm long, densely brown-villous. *Cymes* shortly pedunculate; peduncles 2–5 mm long, densely brown-villous; bracts numerous, filiform to linear, 6–15 mm long, densely brown-villous. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tube c. 4 mm long, sparsely pilose outside, with usually 6 lobes, lobes linear-lanceolate, 3 mm long, densely villous; corolla tube 4 mm long with 5 lobes, lobes oblong, 3 mm long, densely hirsute outside. *Drupes* subglobose or obovate, c. 4 mm diam, pubescent or subglabrous, or slightly longitudinal angles, crowned with hirsute calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Thailand, Malaysia (Peninsular, Borneo), Brunei, Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Kalimantan, Sulawesi, Irian Jaya).

Note — This species is characterized by having densely villous hairs on branchlets and leaves beneath, cymes with short and robust peduncles and numerous hairy filiform to linear bracts.

104. *Lasianthus ridleyi* King & Gamble

Lasianthus ridleyi King & Gamble (1904) 115; Ridl. (1923a) 154; Craib (1934) 216; K.M.Wong (1989) 371; H.Zhu (2001b) 140. — Type: *Ridley 3620a* (n.v.), Singapore.

Lasianthus reticulatus Blume var. *polydasys* Miq. (1869) 248. — Type: *Kort-hals s.n.* (holo L), Sumatra, syn. nov.

Lasianthus singaporensis King & Gamble (1904) 117; Ridl. (1923a) 159. — Type: *Ridley 9095* (holo SING), Singapore, Bukit Timah.

Lasianthus maingayi Hook.f. var. *hirta* Ridl. (1923a) 160. — Type: *Ridley s.n.* (iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Negri Sembilan.

Shrubs, up to 2 m high; branchlets, terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely and softly tomentose. *Leaves*: blades elliptic to oblong-elliptic, 15–20 by 3.5–7 cm, membranaceous or thinly coriaceous, both sides olivaceous when dry, glabrous above, tomentose beneath, apex caudate-acute to acuminate, base broadly cuneate to subrounded, midrib and nerves flat or slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 5–10 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 50°, curved to the margin, nervules slightly distinct above, prominent and distinct beneath, subreticulate; petioles c. 5 mm long, densely tomentose. *Stipules* inconspicuous or triangular, c. 2 mm long, densely tomentose. *Cymes* subsessile, tuberculate; bracts numerous, linear with spreading hairs, up to 5–6 mm long. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, c. 1.5 mm long, glabrous, lobes 4–5, triangular, c. 0.5 mm long, spreading hirsute at tip; corolla 6–7 mm long, clavate in bud, glabrous outside except for sparsely hairs on the lobes, villous inside.

Drupes subglobose, narrowed at base, glabrous, rugose, usually with 4 ridges; pyrenes 4, very verrucose.

Distribution — Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia (Peninsular, Sabah), Indonesia (Sumatra, Kalimantan).

Notes — This species is very similar to *L. reticulatus*. It was treated as *L. reticulatus* var. *polydasys* and *L. maingayi* var. *hirta*. It differs from *L. reticulatus* (= *L. maingayi*) by having spreading pubescens on branchlets and leaves beneath and numerous hairy linear bracts. It is better to treat it as a separate species.

Wong (1989) reduced *L. singaporensis* to a synonym of *L. ridleyi*. However, *L. singaporensis* differs from the typical *L. ridleyi* in having relatively narrow oblong-lanceolate leaves and shorter linear bracts.

105. *Lasianthus ridsdalei* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 33

Similis *L. lucido* Blume, sed foliis lanceolatis, nervis 7–9-binatis, costis nervis et marginis subtus hirsutis, stipulis hirsutis, bracteis 2 subulatis patenter hirsutis, floribus 4-meris minoribus patenter hirsutis, pyrenis 4 differt. A *L. microphylo* Elmer foliis lanceolatis, nervis 7–9-binatis, costis nervis et marginis subtus hirsutis, stipulis hirsutis, bracteis 2 subulatis patenter hirsutis, floribus 4-meris minoribus patenter hirsutis, lobis calycis lanceolatis, pyrenis 4 differt. — Typus: *C.E. Ridsdale 1046* (holo L), Philippines, Palawan, Infanta Mine area, 200 m alt., in lowland forest, 25 Oct. 1985.

Shrub, 1 m high; branchlets slender, terete, c. 1 mm diam, sparsely hirsute. *Leaves*: blades small, oblong-lanceolate to lanceolate, 3.5–5.5 by 1.2–1.5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, sparsely pubescent or glabrescent except hirsute midrib, nerves and margin beneath, apex acute to acuminate, margin hirsute, base acute, midrib depressed above, prominent and hirsute beneath, nerves 7–9 pairs, flat above, prominent beneath, ascending at an angle of c. 70°, curved to the margin, sparsely hirsute beneath, nervules obscure above, conspicuous beneath, reticulate, puberulous or glabrescent beneath; petioles 3–5 mm long, hirsute. *Stipules* subulate-triangular, c. 1 mm long, apex caudate, hirsute. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts 2, subulate, 2–3 mm long, spreading hirsute. *Flowers* solitary, sessile; calyx 2 mm long, sparsely spreading hirsute, tube c. 0.8 mm long, lobes 4, lanceolate, 1.2 mm long; corolla c. 5 mm long, spreading hirsute external surface on upper part, lobes 4, hirsute external surface, floccose internal surface. *Drupes* globose, glabrous or sparsely hirsute, c. 3 mm diam, obtusely 4-ridged, smooth external surface; pyrenes 4, smooth on the abaxial face, ovate-orbicular in transverse section.

Distribution — Endemic to Palawan (Philippines).

Habitat & Ecology — In lowland forests on ultrabasic soil below 200 m altitude. Flowering in May; fruiting in October.

Additional specimen examined. Palawan, *C.E. Ridsdale SMHI1837* (K, L).

Note — This species differs from *L. lucidus* by having leaves lanceolate, nerves 7–9 pairs, hirsute hairs on midrib, nerves, and margin beneath; stipules hirsute; bracts 2, subulate, spreading hirsute; flowers 4-merous, relatively small, spreading hirsute; drupes with 4 pyrenes. It differs from *L. microphyllus* by having leaves lanceolate, nerves 7–9 pairs, hirsute hairs on midrib, nerves, and margin beneath; stipules hirsute; bracts 2, subulate, spreading hirsute; flowers 4-merous, spreading hirsute; calyx lobes lanceolate; drupes with 4 pyrenes.

106. *Lasianthus rigidus* Miq. — Map 7

Lasianthus rigidus Miq. (1857) 321; Bakh.f. (1965) 340; H.Zhu (2002) 75. — Type: *Junghuhn s.n.* (lecto L, designated by Zhu 2002, barcode L0000704), Java, Pengalengan. Paratypes: *Unknown collector s.n.* (U, barcode U0006067); *Junghuhn s.n.* (L, barcode L0305517), Java, Kananga.

Lasianthus tentaculatus Hook.f. (1880) 181; Deb & M.Gangop. (1991) 302, f. 12; H.Zhu (1994) 58; H.S.Lo (1999) 105. — Type: *Wall. Cat. 8306* (holo K), India, Silhet.



Fig. 34 *Lasianthus sabahensis* H. Zhu. a. Habit with fruit; b. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescences; c. calyx; d. corolla split opened; e. cross section of ovary; f. fruit; g. cross section of fruit (all: Chew & Corner RSNB 4598, holo L.).

Lasianthus humilis Elmer (1908) 519; Merr. (1923) 566. — Type: *Elmer 9687* (holo lost; iso A, E, K, NY), Negros, Province of Negros Oriental, Cuernos Mountains, Dumaguete, Mar. 1908.

Shrubs, 1–1.5 m high; branchlets terete, robust, 2–3 mm diam, compressed and enlarged at nodes, glabrous or subglabrous. *Leaves*: blades obovate-oblong, obovate or oblong, 10–18 by 3.5–7 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, hirsute on midrib, nerves, and nervules beneath, apex shortly cuspidate-acuminate, base oblique, obtuse, slightly cordate or rounded, midrib and nerves flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 8–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin; nervules distinct above, prominent beneath, parallel; petioles 3–7 mm long, sparsely hirsute. *Stipules* persistent, triangular or subulate, 5–6 mm long, hirsute. *Cymes* sessile; bracts linear, linear-lanceolate to lanceolate, 9–12 mm long, numerous, hirsute. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx campanulate, 2–3 mm long, sparsely hirsute outside, with 5 triangular 1 mm long teeth; corolla c. 10 mm long, puberulous outside, pubescent inside in the upper part. *Drupe*s globose, glabrous, 4–5 mm diam, crowned by hirsute calyx teeth; pyrenes 5, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — NE India, China (S Yunnan), Indonesia (Sumatra, Java), Philippines (Negros Oriental).

Note — This species has leaves obovate-oblong or obovate, 12–18 cm long, 5–7 cm broad, shortly cuspidate-acuminate at apex, the base oblique, obtuse, slightly cordate or rounded; stipules triangular or subulate, 5–6 mm long, hirsute; cymes sessile; bracts linear, linear-lanceolate to lanceolate, 9–12 mm long, numerous, hirsute; drupes globose, glabrous with 5 pyrenes.

107. *Lasianthus robinsonii* Ridl.

Lasianthus robinsonii Ridl. (1909) 37; (1923a) 169; K.M.Wong (1989) 373. — Type: *Ridley 13631* (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Pahang, 4000–5000 ft.

Shrubs, 1–2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely tomentose. *Leaves*: blades oblong, 12–16 by 3.5–5 cm, membranaceous or thinly coriaceous, glabrous above, pubescent hairs on midrib and nerves beneath, apex cuspidate-acute, base subrounded to rounded, midrib and nerves flat to slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves 8–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60° or more, curved to the margin, nervules distinct above, prominent beneath, subparallel; petioles 2–3 mm long, tomentose. *Stipules* triangular-lanceolate, 4–5 mm long, tomentose. *Cymes* long-pedunculate; peduncles slender, up to 5–6 cm long, tomentose; bracts 2, filiform, up to 8 mm long, tomentose; bracteoles like bracts but smaller, numerous. *Flowers* sessile; calyx c. 2.5 mm long, tomentose, lobes 4, linear, longer than tube; corolla c. 6 mm long, hairy both inside and outside, tube short, lobes oblong, longer than the tube. *Drupe*s obovoid, tomentose to subglabrous, crowned by long linear calyx lobes; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Endemic to Peninsular Malaysia.

108. *Lasianthus rotundatus* Stapf

Lasianthus rotundatus Stapf (1894) 185; Merr. (1921) 578. — Type: *Haviland 1141* (holo K), Borneo, 8300 ft.

Shrubs, c. 1 m high; branchlets terete, c. 1.5 mm diam, glabrous, slightly compressed in the youngest part, darkish when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong-rounded, subrounded or rounded, 3–6 by 2–4.5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous on both surfaces, apex shortly cuspidate or apiculate, base rounded, blackish when dry, midrib and nerves prominent on both surfaces or slightly depressed above, nerves c. 5 pairs, ascending at an angle of 70–80°, curved to the margin, nervules prominent

and distinct on both surfaces, subparallel; petioles 3–6 mm long, glabrous. *Stipules* triangular, c. 1 mm long, glabrous or sparsely puberulous. *Cymes* sessile or subsessile (peduncles less than 2 mm long); bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, c. 2 mm long, tube c. 1 mm long, glabrous, limb c. 1 mm long, puberulous outside, teeth 4, broadly triangular, c. 0.6 mm long; corolla tube c. 4 mm long, lobes 4, ovate, c. 2.5 mm long; stamens 4; ovary 4-locular. *Drupe*s subglobose, 3–4 mm diam, glabrous; pyrenes 4, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo (Sabah).

109. *Lasianthus sabahensis* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 34

Similis *L. sterophyllo* Merr., sed limbis calycis 4 minute dentibus, ovariis 3-locularibus, pyrenis 2 raro 3 differt. — Typus: *Chew & Corner RSNB 4598* (holo L; iso K), Malaysia (Sabah), Mt Kinabalu, 5000 ft, Bembangan River, 1.3.1964.

Shrubs, up to 3 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, puberulous to subglabrous, more or less compressed in the youngest part. *Leaves*: blades oblong or lanceolate-oblong, 9–15 by 2–5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, puberulous hairs on midrib and nerves beneath, apex acute to acuminate or cuspidate, margin reflexed, base cuneate, midrib prominent on both surfaces, nerves depressed or flat above, prominent beneath, 7–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–80°, curved to the margin, nervules loosely anastomosing, subparallel, slightly prominent on both surfaces; petioles 1–1.5 cm long, puberulous. *Stipules* triangular, 4–6 mm long, with an acuminate to cuspidate apex, puberulous. *Cymes* sessile or shortly tuberculate; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile, fascicular; calyx campanulate, tube c. 1 mm long, limb c. 1–1.5 mm long, more or less expanded, with 4 minute teeth, puberulous on both sides; corolla tubular, c. 5 mm long, puberulous outside, densely hairy in the upper half of the tube and the lobes inside, lobes 4; ovary 3-locular. *Drupe*s ellipsoid, 8–9 mm long, c. 5 mm diam, puberulous or glabrous, crowned by a cupular calyx limb with 4 minute teeth, pyrenes 2, rarely 3, with thick, hard wall, smooth on the abaxial face, between pyrenes cork-like structure.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo.

Habitat & Ecology — In forest between 800–1800 m altitude. Flowering from September to January.

Notes — This species is similar to *L. sterophyllus*, but differs in having relatively large stipules (4–6 mm long), calyx limbs with minute teeth, 3-locular ovary and 2-, rarely 3-pyrened drupes with cork-like structure between pyrenes, while *L. sterophyllus* has stipules which are 3–4 mm long, calyx with 4 triangular lobes which are 2 mm long, and drupes with 5 pyrenes.

This species seems somewhat between *Lasianthus* and *Saladinia* morphologically. *Saladinia* has a 2-locular ovary which develops to a 1-pyrened drupe with a hard wall. *Lasianthus* has an ovary with 3 or more locules, which develops to a drupe with 1 or more pyrenes with a hard and thick wall. *Lasianthus sabahensis* has a 3-locular ovary which develops to a drupe with 2 rarely 3 pyrenes of hard and thick walls.

110. *Lasianthus scalariformis* King & Gamble

Lasianthus scalariformis King & Gamble (1904) 131; Ridl. (1923a) 167; M.R. Hend. (1933) 107; K.M.Wong (1989) 369. — Type: *Scortechini 411* (lecto K, designated here), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak; *Wray 332* (para, n.v.), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak, 6700 ft.

Shrubs or treelets, up to 4 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, thinly pubescent, dark in colour when dry. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate-oblong to elliptic-oblong, 10–15 by 2.5–3.5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous on both surfaces except sparsely pubescent hairs on midrib and nerves beneath, apex acuminate to acute,

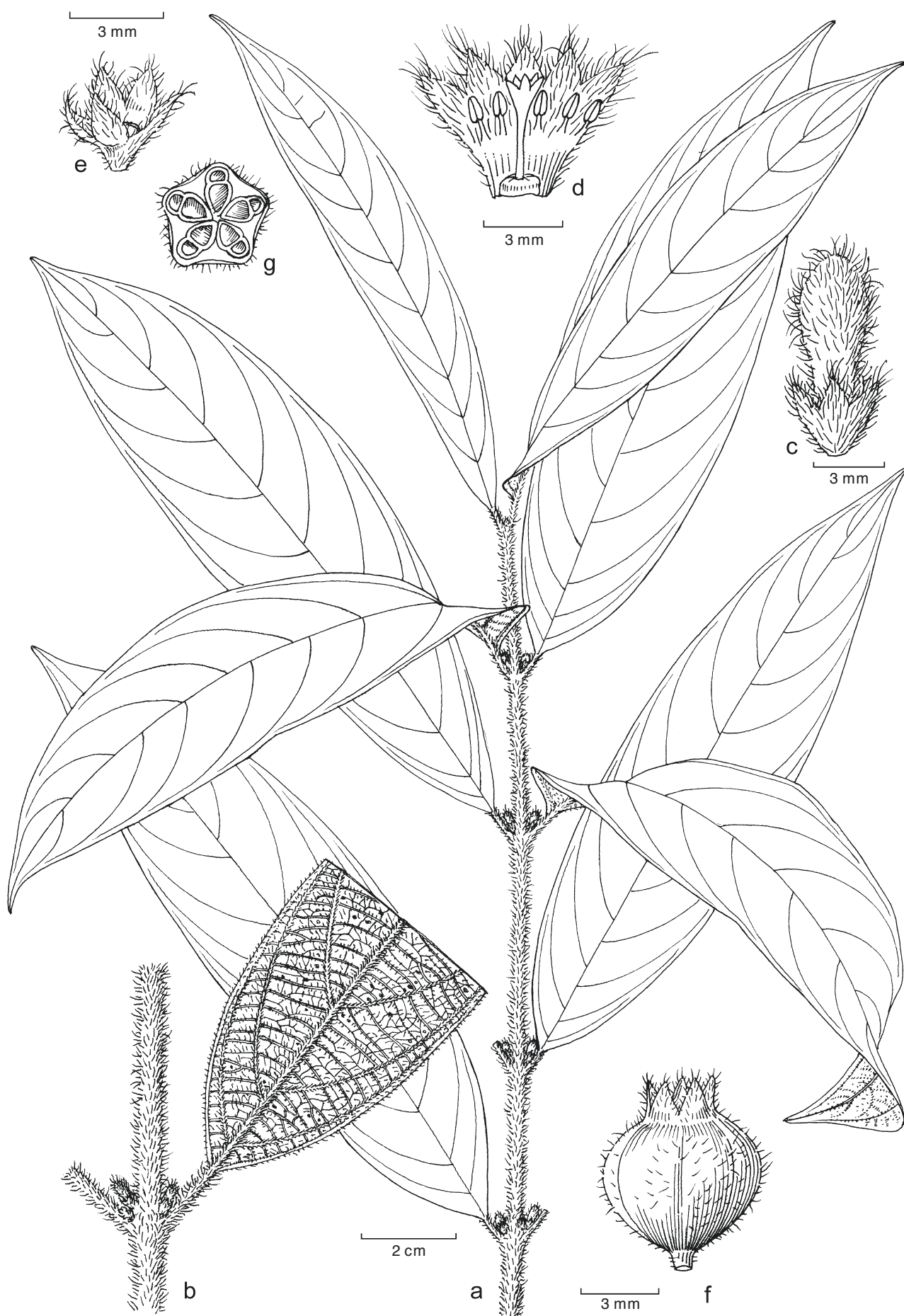


Fig. 35 *Lasianthus setulosus* H. Zhu. a. Habit; b. detail of node showing axillary inflorescences and lower surface of leaf; c. flower; d. corolla split opened; e. calyx; f. fruit; g. cross section of fruit (a–e: R. George *et al.* S.42843, holo L.; f, g: W.M.A. Brooke 9115, L.).

base acute, midrib and nerves flat to slightly prominent above, strongly prominent beneath, nerves 7–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, nervules prominent on both surfaces, densely anastomosing, parallel; petioles 5–10 mm long, pubescent. *Stipules* triangular, 2–3 mm long, pubescent. *Cymes* pedunculate; main peduncles 5–10 mm long, robust, pubescent or glabrous with 2 branches; branches 2–4 mm long, pubescent or glabrous; bracts minute, subulate, c. 2 mm long, pubescent; bracteoles c. 1 mm long. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tube obconic, c. 2–3 mm long, pubescent, lobes 5, oblong or ovate-oblong, 3–4 by 1.5 mm, sparsely hirsute outside, puberulous inside; corolla tubular, 5–6 mm long, tomentose outside, lobes 5, triangular-ovate; stamens 5; filaments very short c. 1.2 mm long. *Drupes* obovoid, 3.5–4 mm diam, glabrous, 5-ridged, crowned by persistent calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Peninsular Malaysia, Indonesia (Sumatra).

111. *Lasianthus setulosus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 35

Similis *L. borneensis* Merr., sed ramulis et foliis dense longiore hispidis, calycibus minoribus, lobis calycis ovato-triangularis, 1.5 mm longis, apice acutis differt. *A.L. piloso* Wight foliis basi subrotundatis, bracteis inconspicuis, lobis calycis ovato-triangularis, 1.5 mm longis differt. — Typus: *R. George* et al. S.42843 (holo L; iso K), Borneo, Limbang, on lower slope, 11 Sept. 1980.

Shrub or treelet, 2–2.5 m high; branchlets terete, slightly compressed, c. 2 mm diam, densely dark-brown hispid. *Leaves*: blades elliptic-lanceolate, 10–17 by 2.5–5 cm, chartaceous to subcoriaceous, densely dark-brown hispid both surfaces, apex acuminate, base subrounded, slightly asymmetric, midrib depressed above, prominent beneath, densely hispid both surfaces or lower surface in old leaves, nerves slightly depressed and obscure above, prominent beneath, 9–12 pairs, ascending at an angle of c. 70°, curved to the margin, hispid, nervules obscure above, conspicuous beneath, subreticulate, hispid; petioles 0.5–1 cm long, densely hispid. *Stipules* subulate-triangular, c. 2 mm long, hispid. *Inflorescences* sessile, bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* sessile, 5-merous; calyx campanulate, 3 by 3 mm, hispid, lobes 5, ovate-triangular, 1.5 by 1.5 mm, sparsely hispid both surfaces; corolla 6 mm long, tube puberulous external surface, lobes 5–6, lanceolate, 2 mm long, hirsute external surface, floccose hairs on internal surface, densely white lanate at the mouth. *Drupes* globose, 4–5 mm diam, hispid, 5-ridged, crowned by the persistent 5 ovate-triangular calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Borneo (Sarawak, Sabah, Brunei).

Habitat & Ecology — In forest. Flowering from September to November.

Additional specimens examined. Sarawak, G. Mulu, *P.Chai* S.39676 (L); Sg. Entulu, *B. Lee* S.54731 (L); Belaga, *W.M.A. Brooke* 9115 (L). Brunei, Temburong, *C. Hansen* 1622 (L), *I. Nielsen* & *H. Balslev* 1086 (AAU); Sukang, *D.W. Kirkup* & *S. Thomas* 619 (AAU). Sabah, Apensiangan Kayu, *A. Mantor* SAN 136864 (L).

Note — This species is similar to *L. borneensis*. It differs from the latter by having densely spreading long hispid on branchlets and leaves on both surface, calyx relatively small, 3 by 3 mm, calyx lobes ovate-triangular with acute apex; while *L. borneensis* has very short hispid (strigose) on branchlets and leaves beneath, calyx 5 by 5 mm, calyx lobes oblong with obtuse apex. It differs from *L. pilosus* by having leaves with subrounded base, bracts inconspicuous, calyx lobes ovate-triangular, 1.5 mm long. *Lasianthus pilosus* has leaves with subcordate base; bracts linear, 5 mm long; calyx lobes linear, up to 5 mm long or more.

112. *Lasianthus sikkimensis* Hook.f.

Lasianthus sikkimensis Hook.f. (1880) 180; Deb & M.Gangop. (1991) 297; H.Zhu (1994) 60; (1998) 155; H.S.Lo (1999) 80, pl. 21: 6–11. — Type: *Hooker & Thomson* 11 (holo K), Sikkim-Himalaya.

Lasianthus mindanaensis Merr. (1922) 466; (1923) 567. — Type: *Bur. Sci.* 38795 (*Ramos & Endano s.n.*) (holo lost; iso K, L, US), Philippines, Mindanao, Mt Candoon, syn. nov.

Lasianthus langkokensis (Drake) Pit. (1924) 379. — *Mephitidia langkokensis* Drake (1895) 240. — *Lasianthus sikkimensis* Hook.f. subsp. *langkokensis* (Pit.) H.Zhu (1994) 61; (1998) 153. — Type: *Balansa* 2654 (holo P), Vietnam, Tonkin, Bavi.

Lasianthus baviensis (Drake) Pit. (1924) 380. — *Mephitidia baviensis* Drake (1895) 239. — Type: *Balansa* 2655 (holo P; iso K), Vietnam, Tonkin, Tu-phap.

Lasianthus tsangii Merr. ex Li (1943) 458; H.J.Li & H.Y.Liu (1998) 295. — Type: *Tsang* 23940 (holo SCBI), China, Kwangsi [Guangxi].

Shrubs, 1–3 m high; branches and branchlets densely brown-tomentose. *Leaves*: blades elliptic-lanceolate or elliptic, 10–20 by 2.5–5 cm, subcoriaceous or thinly coriaceous, glabrous above, densely brown-tomentose beneath, apex cuspidate-acuminate, base acute or obtuse, usually recurved at margin, midrib and nerves flat above, conspicuously prominent beneath, nerves 7–10 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 50°, curved to the margin, nervules subparallel, prominent beneath; petioles 6–14 mm long, brown-tomentose. *Stipules* triangular, 2–4 mm long, densely tomentose. *Cymes* sessile, 1–3-flowered; bracts persistent, linear to lanceolate, up to 2 cm long, brown-tomentose. *Flowers* sessile or subsessile; calyx 3–4 mm long, tube glabrous outside, lobes 5, triangular, hirsute outside; corolla c. 10 mm long, puberulous outside. *Fruits* ellipsoid, 6–8 mm long, glabrous except on the persisting hirsute calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — NE India, Sikkim, Bangladesh, China, Vietnam, Thailand, Philippines.

Note — *Lasianthus mindanaensis* has branches rather densely brown-tomentose; leaves chartaceous to subcoriaceous, lanceolate, 11–18 cm long, apex caudate, base acute, nerves 7, nervules rather distinct beneath, yellowish brown-tomentose on nerves and nervules beneath, petioles densely brown-tomentose; stipules ovate, 3–4 mm long, densely brown-tomentose; flowers sessile, fascicles, bracts narrowly lanceolate, 8 mm long, brown-tomentose; calyx tube glabrous, lobe 2 mm long, glabrous outside; drupes glabrous, 5 mm long. All of these characters agree well with *L. sikkimensis*. *Lasianthus mindanaensis* is conspecific with *L. sikkimensis*.

113. *Lasianthus sogerensis* Wernham

Lasianthus sogerensis Wernham (1918) 72. — Type: *Forbes* 313 (holo BM), New Guinea, Sogere, 3000 ft.

Shrubs, up to 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely spreading villous. *Leaves*: blades oblong to obovate-oblong, 7–11 by 2–4 cm, chartaceous, sparsely villous above but densely villous hairs on midrib, densely villous beneath, apex cuspidate-acuminate, base subrounded to rounded, more or less oblique, the margin ciliate, nerves obscure above, prominent and distinct beneath, 8–11 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles 2–5 mm long, densely villous. *Stipules* inconspicuous. *Cymes* sessile, bracts paired in each leaf axil, leaf-like, ovate-lanceolate to lanceolate, up to 1.5 cm long, nerved, long-villous, apex caudate with a linear tip. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tube campanulate, c. 3 mm long, densely villous, lobes 4, linear-lanceolate, c. 3 mm long, villous; corolla tubular, c. 5 mm long, villous outside. *Drupes* globose, villous, c. 4 mm diam, 4–5-ridged, verrucose, crowned by linear-lanceolate calyx lobes; pyrenes 4–5, verrucose on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Indonesia (Moluccan, Irian Jaya) and Papua New Guinea.

Note — This species has densely spreading villous hairs on branches, leaves, stipules, bracts, and drupes. It has chartaceous leaves with subrounded, or rounded and slightly oblique,

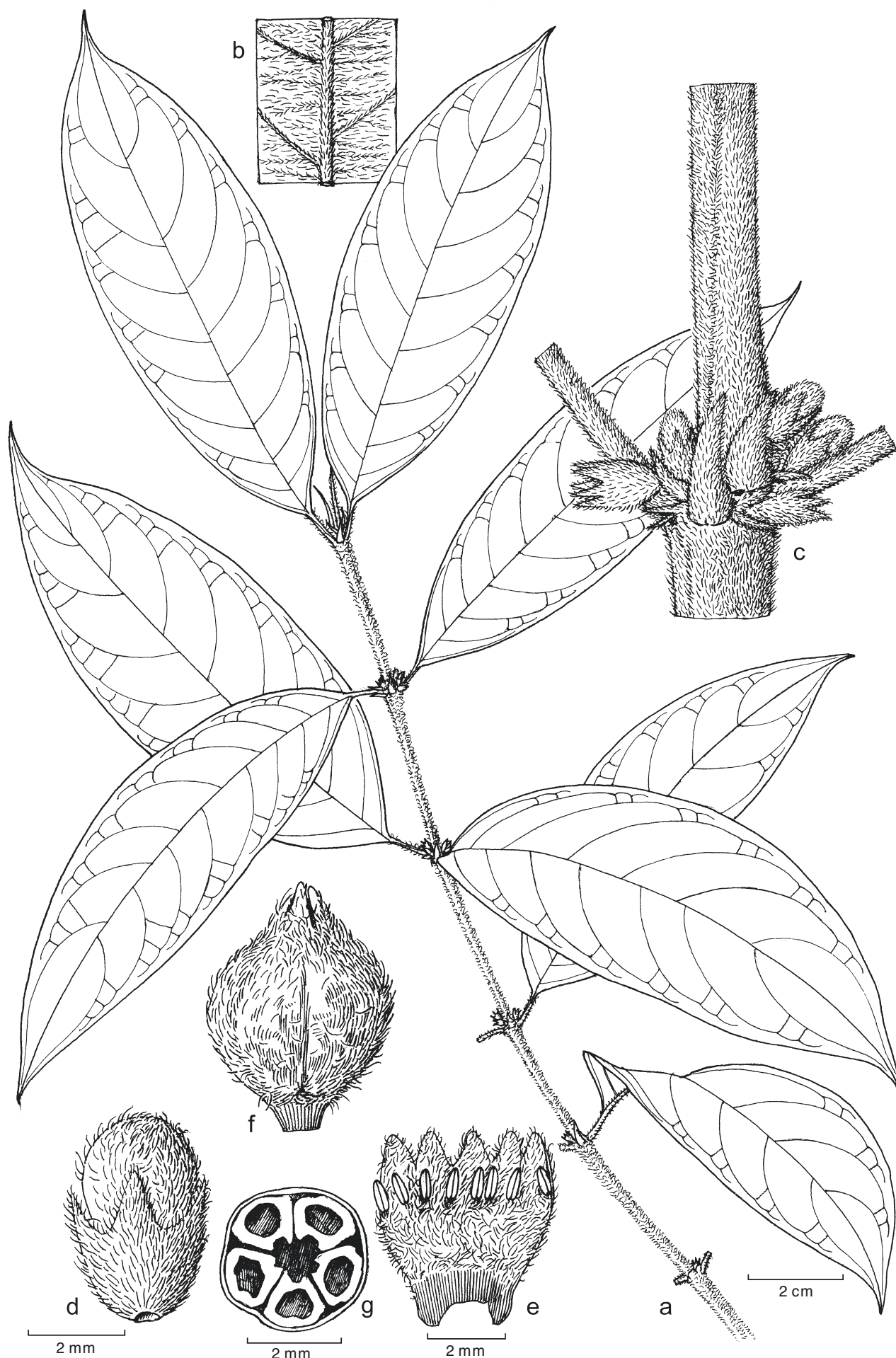


Fig. 36 *Lasianthus solomonensis* H. Zhu. a. Habit; b. detail of lower surface of leaf showing indumentum; c. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescences; d. flower; e. corolla split opened; f. fruit; g. cross section of fruit (all: T.C. Whitmore RSS6051, holo L.).

bases, and ciliate margin, 8–11 pairs of nerves. Its stipules are inconspicuous but bracts are paired, leaf-like, ovate-lanceolate, with a long linear apex. It has drupes with 4–5 pyrenes crown by linear-lanceolate calyx lobes. This species is closely related to *L. attenuatus* and *L. cyanocarpus*, but differs from both of them by having densely patent or spreading villose hairs on the plant, bracts with a long linear apex. Furthermore, it differs from *L. attenuatus* by leaf-like paired bracts, and differs from *L. cyanocarpus* by ovate-lanceolate bracts paired in each leaf axil. Wernham (1918) did not mention bracts but described stipules with two long prongs (8 mm long), and also described the drupes with 2 pyrenes. In our observation of the specimens, which match type well, this species has inconspicuous stipules but conspicuously ovate-lanceolate bract pairs, and drupes with 4 pyrenes. Wernham could have called the bracts stipules.

114. *Lasianthus solomonensis* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 36

Proximus *L. chlorocarpus* K.Schum., sed ramulis dense pubescentibus, floribus 5–7 meris, lobis calycis triangulato-subulatis aequalis tubo, drupis minoribus, pyrenis 5–7 differt. A *L. clementis* Merr. foliis majoribus, stipulis lineari-subulatis 5 m longis, floribus 5–7-meris, bracteis subulatis 2 mm longis, lobis calycis aequalis tubo differt. — Typus: *Whitmore RSS6051* (holo L), Solomon Islands, Guadalcanal, Mt Gallego, 2000 ft alt., in very steep unstable hillside, 6 July 1965.

Shrub, c. 1–2 m high; branchlets terete or compressed in the youngest part, c. 1.5 mm diam, densely appressed brownish pubescent. *Leaves*: blades elliptic-oblong, 10–12 by 3–4 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above, puberulous beneath, appressed-pubescent midrib and nerves beneath, apex cuspidate, with c. 2 mm long arista, margin slightly undulate and recurved, base acute; midrib flat or slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, 6–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of 60–70°, curved to margin, nervules conspicuous beneath, parallel; petioles 0.8–1 cm long, densely pubescent. *Stipules* linear-subulate, c. 5 mm long, densely pubescent. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts small, subulate, c. 2 mm long, pubescent. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx campanulate, c. 3 mm long, pubescent, lobes 5–7, triangular-subulate, c. 1.5 mm long, pubescent external surface, glabrous internal surface; corolla c. 5 mm long, pubescent external surface, lobes 5–7, lanceolate; stamens 5–8, filament very short; styles c. 4 mm long, with 5–7 linear stigmas. *Drupe* globose, c. 3 mm diam, pubescent, crowned by 5–7 subulate calyx lobes; pyrenes 5–7, slightly verrucose on abaxial face, ovate on the transverse section.

Distributed — Solomon Islands.

Habitat & Ecology — In primary forest between 300–2000 ft altitude. Flowering and fruiting between July and December.

Note — This species is closely related to *L. chlorocarpus*, but differs from the latter by having branchlets densely pubescent, flowers 5–7-merous, calyx lobes triangular-subulate, as long as calyx tube, drupes relatively small with 5–7 pyrenes. *Lasianthus chlorocarpus* has branchlets and leaf nerves beneath strigose, flowers 4-merous, calyx usually with a limb truncate or small dentate, drupes relatively big, pyrenes 4. This species differs from *L. clementis* by having leaves relatively big, stipules linear-subulate, 5 mm long, flowers 5–7-merous, bracts subulate, 2 mm long, calyx lobes as long as calyx tube, drupes with 5–7 pyrenes.

115. *Lasianthus stercorarius* Blume

Lasianthus stercorarius Blume (1826–1827) 1000; Miq. (1857) 324; (1869) 248; Merr. (1921) 577; Bakh.f. (1965) 341. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (holo L, barcode L0000707), Java, Mt Tjerimai.

Lasianthus stercorarius Blume var. *polypleura* Blume ex Miq. (1869) 248, syn. nov. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (lecto L, designated here, barcode L0305599), Java; *Blume s.n.* (para L, barcode L0305583), Java.

Lasianthus mucronulatus (Korth.) Miq. var. *lineata* Miq. (1869) 249, syn. nov. — Type: *Korthals s.n.* (holo L, barcode L0310824), Sumatra.

Shrubs to treelets, up to 4.5 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, thinly appressed-puberulous or glabrous. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate to ovate-lanceolate, 7–15 by 2–4 cm, subcoriaceous to coriaceous, glabrous above, puberulous hairs on venation beneath or glabrous also, apex acuminate-caudate, base acute, midrib slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves flat and slightly obscure above, prominent beneath, 5–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of 45–60°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, distinct beneath, subparallel; petioles 5–10 mm long, puberulous or glabrous. *Stipules* triangular, 3–6 mm long, coriaceous, swollen at the base, puberulous or glabrous. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx urceolate or urceolate-cupular, c. 1.5–2 mm long, with a truncate or minutely toothed limb, puberulous or glabrous; corolla tubular, c. 5–7 mm long, puberulous outside. *Drupe* globose, glabrous or thinly puberulous, 3–5 mm diam, acute at the base, truncate or minutely toothed at the apex, conspicuously 6–9-ridged; pyrenes 6–9, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Malaysia (Peninsular, Borneo) and Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Kalimantan, Sulawesi).

Habitat & Ecology — In primary forest.

Notes — *Lasianthus stercorarius* is a very variable species in leaves, indumentum, and drupes. It is keyed out mainly by its conspicuously ovate-triangular stipules with swollen bases. The type specimen shows thin puberulous hairs on branches and leaf nerves beneath; subcoriaceous leaves with 5–6 nerves and nervules reticulate, apex acuminate, base acute; calyx limbs subtruncate and with 4–5 minute teeth; drupes with 8–9 pyrenes. Two varieties were established: var. *polypleura* based on specimens with leaves of 8 pairs of nerves; var. *palembanicus* based on specimens with leaves of 12–14 pairs of nerves. The variety *palembanicus* is conspecific to *L. mucronulatus* and should be reduced to a synonym of the latter.

Lasianthus stercorarius differs from *L. mucronulatus* by having usually relatively small subcoriaceous leaves with acute to cuneate base and less than 10 pairs of nerves and conspicuously more than 2 mm long triangular stipules with swollen bases.

Lasianthus mucronulatus var. *lineata* was established on Korthals's Sumatra specimens. It has triangular stipules with swollen base, subcoriaceous leaves with much acute base and should be reduced to *L. stercorarius*.

116. *Lasianthus sterrophyllus* Merr.

Lasianthus sterrophyllus Merr. (1937) 299. — Type: *Winkler 508* (holo HBG; iso NY), Borneo, Bukit Mulu, 950 m alt.

Shrubs or treelets, up to 3 m high; branchlets terete, 2–3 mm diam, glabrous except sparsely hirsute at nodes. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 8–13 by 2.5–3.5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, glabrous or sparsely hirsute hairs on midrib and nerves beneath, apex acute to caudate-acute, base acute, midrib and nerves slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 6–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of 55–70°, curved to the margin, nervules prominent on both surfaces, subparallel; petioles 5–10 mm long, glabrous or sparsely hirsute. *Stipules* triangular, 3–4 mm long, coriaceous, glabrous or pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent or inconspicuous. *Flowers* sessile calyx campanulate, subglabrous, tube c. 2 mm long, lobes 4, triangular, c. 2 mm long, sparsely hirsute; corolla not seen. *Drupe* subglobose, c. 4 mm diam, glabrous or sparsely hirsute, crowned by persistent triangular calyx lobes; pyrenes 5, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Malaysia (Sarawak), Indonesia (Kalimantan).

Notes — This species is similar to *L. inodorus* subsp. *montigenus*. *Lasianthus inodorus* subsp. *montigenus* has conspicuous orbicular or ovate bracts (although they are usually caducous, you can always see some in most specimens) and is found above 1700 m altitude. *Lasianthus sterrophyllus* has inconspicuous bracts and has 4 ovate 2 mm long calyx lobes, and is usually found below 1700 m altitude.

An imperfect specimen in Leiden (*Winkler 508*) differs from the type description of *L. sterrophyllus* in having conspicuous ovate bracts. The label on the specimen looks quite new from the paper appearance and typing writing, and the date of collection 2/12/1925 does not agree with Merrill's type *Winkler 508*. The specimen obviously is *L. inodorus* subsp. *montigenus*.

117. *Lasianthus stipularis* Blume

Lasianthus stipularis Blume (1826–1827) 997; Miq. (1857) 319; (1869) 246; Kurz (1877) 30; Hook.f. (1880) 179; King & Gamble (1904) 112; Elmer (1906b) 10; Ridl. (1923a) 152; Merr. (1929a) 292; Craib (1934) 217; K.M.Wong (1989) 368; H.Zhu (2001b) 141. — *Mephitidia stipularis* Korth. (1851) 223. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (holo L, barcode L0000708; iso L, barcode L0000709), Java, Salak.

Lasianthus stipularis Blume var. *novoguineensis* Valetton (1911) 498, syn. nov. — Type: *Versteeg 1228* (holo L; iso K), SW New Guinea.

Shrubs, 1–2 m high, entirely glabrous except bracts and corolla; branchlets terete, 2–3 mm diam, compressed in the youngest part. *Leaves*: blades oblanceolate-oblong, 12–16 by 3–5.5 cm, membranaceous, greenish brown when dry, apex cuspidate-caudate, base cuspidate-cuneate, midrib and nerves flat to slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 9–10 pairs, slender, ascending at an angle of over 50°, curved to the margin, nervules faint, subparallel; petioles 5–10 mm long; stipules broadly triangular-ovate, ovate or ovate-orbicular, larger, covering the cymes, up to 1.25 cm long and broad at base, membranaceous, glabrous, persistent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts numerous, linear to narrowly lanceolate, villous, up to 1.5 cm long, often exceeding the stipules. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, teeth broadly triangular, c. 1 mm long, hirsute; corolla not seen. *Drupe* ovoid-globose, glabrous, 4–5 mm diam, crowned with calyx limbs, with 4 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 4.

Distribution — Burma, Thailand, Malaysia (Peninsular, Borneo), Brunei, Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Kalimantan, Sulawesi, Moluccas), Philippines, Papua New Guinea.

Note — This species has numerous hairy linear to narrowly lanceolate bracts up to 1.5 cm long, in which it differs from *L. pseudostipularis* (bracts minute and inconspicuous). *Lasianthus stipularis* var. *novoguineensis* differs from the typical variety by only having oblong to elliptic-lanceolate leaves, which is not enough to separate it from *L. stipularis* as a variety of the latter.

118. *Lasianthus subaureus* Craib

Lasianthus subaureus Craib (1933) 27; (1934) 218; K.M.Wong (1989) 368; H.Zhu (2001b) 142. — Type: *Kerr 14117* (holo K; iso BK), Thailand, Phuket.

Shrubs, up to 3 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely appressed puberulous, aureate when young. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 10–17 by 1.7–3.5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous, luteous above, pubescent hairs on midrib and nerves, or nervules beneath, apex acuminate, margin often reflexed, base acute to cuneate or rounded, slightly unequal-lateral, midrib conspicuous, more or less depressed above, prominent beneath, nerves prominent on both surfaces, c. 12 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 50°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct and slightly prominent on both surfaces, reticulate; petioles 10–15 mm long, densely appressed puberulous. *Stipules*

triangular-subulate, 2.5–3 mm long, puberulous. *Cymes* sessile or rarely extremely congested; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx cupulate, c. 4 mm long, appressed puberulous, tube 1.5–2 mm long, limb cupular, apex truncate or minutely toothed; corolla tubular, pubescent outside, tube up to 12 mm long, lobes 6, linear or linear-lanceolate, pilose outside; ovary with 6 locules. *Drupe* subglobose, 4–5 mm diam, puberulous, conspicuously 5–6-ridged, base narrowed, apex crowned by a cupular and truncate or minutely toothed calyx limb; pyrenes 5–6, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Burma, Thailand, Peninsular Malaysia.

Note — This species is close to *L. verticillatus* by its cupular calyx with truncate limb. It differs from the latter by having relatively narrow leaves with reticulate veinlets and longer petioles.

119. *Lasianthus subglobosus* H.Zhu, sp. nov.

Similis *L. bruneensis* H.Zhu, sed ramulis dense depressi-pubescentibus, foliis basi acutis, nervulis conspicuis, petiolis pubescentibus 5 mm longis et pyrenis 6 differt. — Typus: *Puasa-Angian 3967* (holo K; iso L), Malaysia (Sabah), Tambunan, 1200 ft, 19/02/1934.

Treelet, 2 m high; branchlets terete, densely depressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades lanceolate to oblong-lanceolate, 8–12 by 1.8–4.5 cm, coriaceous, pubescent on leaf nerves beneath, apex acuminate or caudate, base acute, midrib and nerves conspicuously prominent on both surfaces, nerves 5–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, nervules conspicuous on both surfaces, reticulate; petioles 0.5 cm long, pubescent. *Stipules* small, triangular, 1.5–3 mm long, pubescent. *Inflorescences* sessile, bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx campanulate, 2 mm long, pubescent, calyx lobes 5, triangular, 1–2 mm long; corolla not seen. *Drupe* c. 3 mm diam, subglobose, puberulous, black, crowned by persistent small subulate-triangular calyx teeth; pyrenes 6, shallow sulcate on the abaxial face, triangular in transverse section.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo.

Habitat & Ecology — In forest. Flowering and fruiting from February to December.

Note — This species is close to *L. bruneensis*, but differs from the latter in having branchlets densely depressed-pubescent; leaves with an acute base, nervules conspicuous on both surfaces; petioles 5 mm long, pubescent; drupes with 6 pyrenes.

120. *Lasianthus submembranifolius* Elmer

Lasianthus submembranifolius Elmer (1913) 1871; Merr. (1923) 567. — Type: *Elmer 14261* (iso A, CAS, K, L, MO, NY), Philippines, Mindanao, Mt Urdaleta, 3250 ft.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, compressed in the youngest part, glabrous. *Leaves*: blades ovate-oblong, 10–15 by 3–5 cm, more or less unequal-lateral, thinly membranaceous, glabrous above, minutely puberulous hairs on midrib and nerves beneath, apex cuspidate-acute, base cuneate, asymmetric, midrib and nerves almost flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 4–5 pairs, ascending at an angle of 40–50°, curved toward the margin and joining the nerves above very near the margin, forming an obscure intramarginal vein, nervules distinct beneath, loosely anastomosing, reticulate; petioles less than 1 cm long, glabrous. *Stipules* broadly ovate, c. 2 by 3 mm, glabrous. *Cymes* tuberculate; bracts minute, numerous, subulate, 0.5–1 mm long, glabrous. *Flowers* shortly pedicelled; pedicels 1–2 mm long, glabrous; calyx shallow-cupular, 1–2 mm long, glabrous, with 5 oblong-triangular lobes; corolla c. 1.5–3 mm long, glabrous outside, with 5 bluntly oblong lobes; stamens 5;

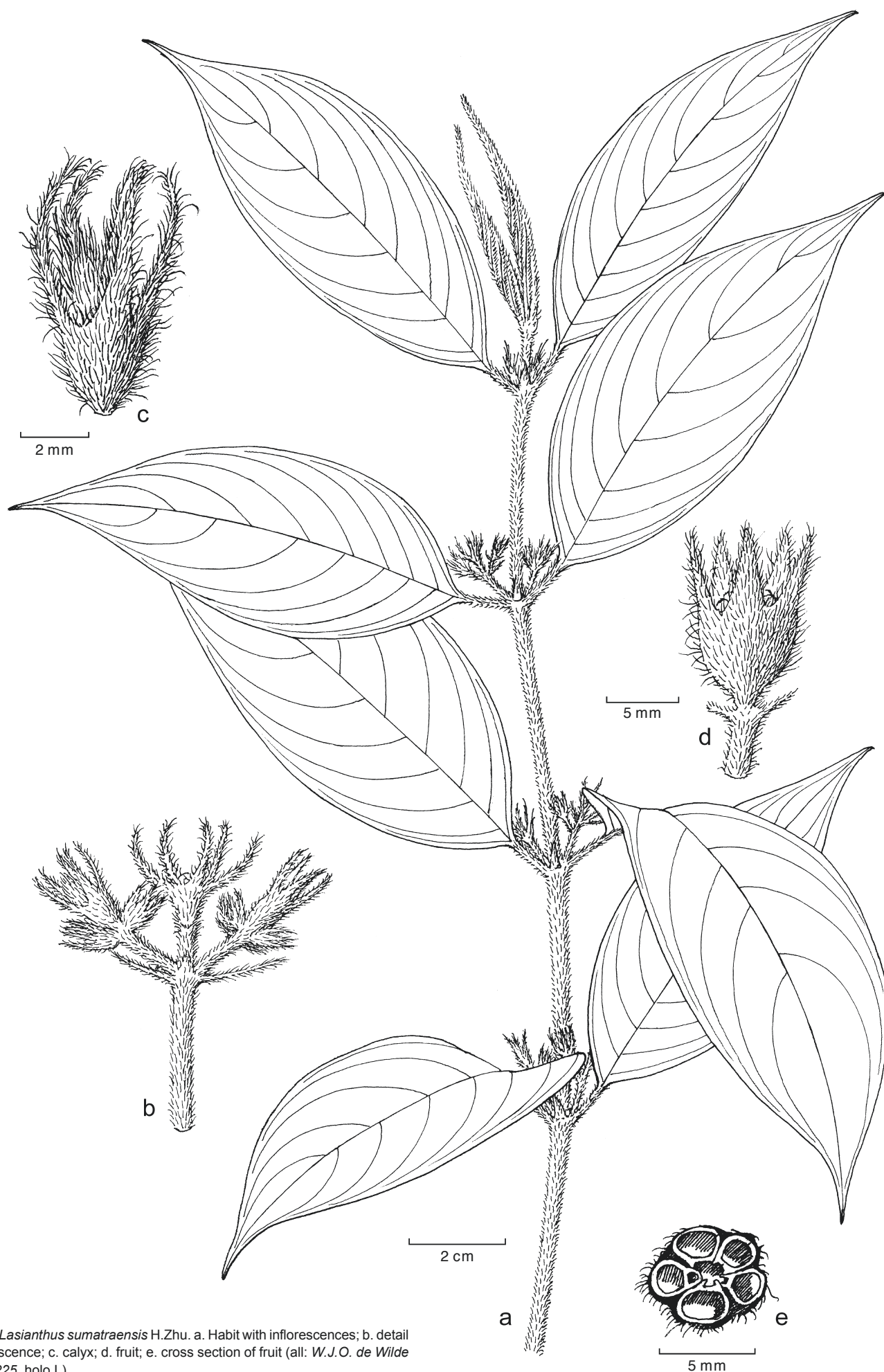


Fig. 37 *Lasianthus sumatraensis* H. Zhu. a. Habit with inflorescences; b. detail of inflorescence; c. calyx; d. fruit; e. cross section of fruit (all: W.J.O. de Wilde et al. 13225, holo L).

filament short. *Drupes* subglobose, up to 7.5 mm long; pyrenes 5, coarsely rugose on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Endemic to the Philippines.

Note — According to Elmer's description, this species has rugose drupes with 5 pyrenes.

121. *Lasianthus sumatraensis* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 37

Similis *L. malaiense* H.Zhu, sed foliis basi acutis praeter costae et nervis subtus glabris, cyma ramosa, floribus pedicellatis, lobis calycis linearis 5 mm longis differt. *A.L. scalariformis* King & Gamble ramulis dense brunneo-tomentosis, costis et nervis subtus brunneo-tomentosis, foliis ovato-ellipticis et lobis calycis linearibus tomentosis differt. — Typus: *De Wilde et al.* 13225 (holo L), North Sumatra, Kutatjane, 2500 m alt., in montane mossy forest, 23 June 1972.

Shrub, up to 4 m high; branchlets terete, densely brown tomentose. *Leaves*: blades ovate-elliptic, 7–11 by 2.5–4.5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous except venation beneath, apex acute to acuminate, margin ciliate, base acute to subrounded, midrib depressed above, prominent beneath, brown tomentose beneath, nerves flat above, prominent beneath, 6–7 pairs, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, tomentose beneath, nervules prominent on both surfaces, conspicuous, parallel, pubescent to glabrescent beneath; petioles 1–1.5 cm long, brown tomentose. *Stipules* lanceolate, 3–4 mm long, tomentose. *Inflorescences* cymose, brown tomentose; the main peduncles 5–10 mm long, peduncles branches (if present) c. 5 mm long; bracts linear, 2 in each node, 5 mm long, brown hirsute; bracteoles 2, linear, 3–5 mm long, brown hirsute. *Flowers* pedicellate; pedicels 1–3 mm long, brown tomentose; calyx campanulate, densely brown tomentose, lobes 5, linear, 5–6 mm long, densely tomentose external surface. *Drupes* subglobose, 5-ridged, crowned by persistent linear, 5 mm long, calyx lobes; pyrenes 5, smooth on the abaxial face, suborbicular in transverse section.

Distribution — Sumatra (northern part).

Habitat & Ecology — In montane rainforest to mossy forest between 1600–2600 m altitude. Flowering and fruiting between May and August.

Additional specimens examined. North Sumatra, Atjeh, 2400–2600 m alt., *W.J.O. de Wilde et al.* 16785 (K, L); Atjeh, 1600–1800 m alt., *K. Iwatsuki et al.* S.958; Atjeh, *Van Steenis* 9545 (L).

Note — This species is quite similar to *L. malaiense*. It differs from the latter by having leaves with acute base, glabrous except venation beneath; cymes branched; flowers pedicellate; calyx lobes linear, 5 mm long. While *L. malaiense* has leaves with rounded base, villose beneath; cyme capitate; peduncles 2–3 cm long; flowers sessile; calyx lobes lanceolate, 2.5 mm long. It differs from *L. scalariformis* by having dense brown tomentose hairs on branchlets, leaf midrib and nerves beneath; ovate-elliptic leaves; calyx lobes linear, densely tomentose. While *L. scalariformis* has leaves subglabrous, elliptic-lanceolate; calyx lobes oblong-lanceolate, sparsely hirsute.

122. *Lasianthus sylvestroides* Veleton

Lasianthus sylvestroides Veleton (1927) 109; Merr. & L.M. Perry (1946) 219. — Type: *Ledermann* 12655a (holo B†), New Guinea, Felsspitze, 1400–1500 m; *Brass* 13025 (neo L, designated here), New Guinea, Idenburg River.

Shrubs; branchlets terete, tomentose. *Leaves*: blades oblong or elliptic-lanceolate, 7–11 by 2.5–4 cm, subcoriaceous, glabrous above except tomentose midrib, tomentose beneath, apex acute to acuminate, mucronate, base acute, margin recurved, midrib flat above, prominent beneath, nerves flat to slightly depressed above, prominent beneath, 7–10 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 45°, curved to the margin, nervules prominent on both surfaces, parallel; petioles, c. 3–5 mm long, tomentose. *Stipules* linear-subulate, 4–5 mm long,

tomentose. *Cymes* axillary, sessile or subsessile; bracts linear, 5–6 mm long, singular, tomentose. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx obconical, tube c. 2 mm long, hirsute, lobes 5, linear, 3–4 mm long, hirsute; corolla tomentose. *Drupes* globose, 4–5 mm diam, with 5–6 obtuse ridges, verrucose, crowned by the persistent linear to lanceolate-subulate, 3–4 mm long, hirsute calyx lobes; pyrenes 5–6.

Distribution — Indonesia (Sulawesi, Irian Jaya), Papua New Guinea.

Note — The specimen *Brass* 13025 so closely fits the description of Veleton's species according to Merrill (Merrill & Perry 1946) that we select it as a neotype.

123. *Lasianthus tenuifolius* H.Zhu, sp. nov. — Fig. 38

Similis *L. attenuatus* var. *minore* H.Zhu, sed foliis tenui-chartaceis, stipulis subulato-linearibus, bracteis inconspicuis, fructibus glabris et pyrenis 7–8 differt. — Typus: *W. Ave* 100 (holo L), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak, 550 m alt., in hill dipterocarp forest, 31 Aug. 1982.

Shrub, 1 m high; branchlets slender, terete, spreading villous. *Leaves*: blades narrow-oblong to linear-oblong, 6–10 by 1.5–2.5 cm, thinly chartaceous, sparsely spreading villous on both surfaces, densely on midrib and nerves, apex acute, margin ciliate, base rounded, oblique, midrib flat above, prominent beneath, nerves obscure above, slightly prominent beneath, 6–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of 45–50°, curved to the margin; petioles short, 1–2 mm long, villous. *Stipules* subulate-linear, 3–5 mm long, villous. *Inflorescences* sessile; bracts inconspicuous. *Flowers* fascicular; calyx campanulate, 3–4 mm long, glabrous to sparsely villous on external surface, lobes 5, triangular-lanceolate, 2.5 mm long, glabrous to sparsely villous; corolla 6–7 mm long, villous on external surface, lobes ovate-triangular. *Drupes* oblate-globose, 4–5 by 3–4 mm, glabrous, yellowish, 7–8 conspicuously sulcate; pyrenes 7–8, ovate-triangular in transverse section, smooth but with a furrow on the abaxial face, shallow furrow on the sides.

Distribution — Malaysia (Peninsular, Borneo) and Indonesia (Sumatra).

Habitat & Ecology — In hill rainforest between 50–600 m altitude. Flowering and fruiting between August and November.

Additional specimens examined. W Kalimantan, *Kohyama et al.* K 10591 (L). Sarawak, *P.Chai et al.* S.31536 (L); *C. Hose* 156 (L). Brunei, *M.J.E. Coode* 6402 (L). Sabah, *B.C. Stone* SAN 85255 (K, L). Borneo, Bukit Raya, *Veldkamp* 8048 (L); *Korth. s.n.* W Sumatra, *H. Nagamasu* 3277 (L). Peninsular Malaysia, Selangor, *KEP-FRI* 1958 (L); Perak, *W. Ave* 24 (L); Pasoh, *KEP-FRI* 25703 (L); Pasoh, *E.G.* 1532 (L).

Note — This species is quite similar to *L. attenuatus* var. *minor*. It differs from the latter by having thinly chartaceous leaves; nerves obscure upper surface; stipules subulate-linear; bracts inconspicuous; drupes glabrous; pyrenes 7–8. *Lasianthus attenuatus* var. *minor* has chartaceous to subcoriaceous leaves with conspicuous nerves upper surface; stipules linear-lanceolate; bracts conspicuous, linear to linear-lanceolate; drupes hirsute; pyrenes 4–5. This species was confused with *L. cyanocarpus* (= *L. inaequalis*). Miquel (1857) doubted that a drupe with 8 pyrenes was found in *L. inaequalis* and later stated that drupes with 8 pyrenes do not occur in *L. inaequalis* (Miquel 1869). In our opinion, the specimens with 8-pyrened drupes present the new species.

124. *Lasianthus tomentosus* Blume

Lasianthus tomentosus Blume (1826–1827) 997; Miq. (1857) 318, p.p. quoad type specimens; (1869) 245; Bakh.f. (1965) 343. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (lecto L, designated here, barcode L0057521), Java.

Shrubs, c. 2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely to thinly brown-tomentose. *Leaves*: blades ovate-oblong to

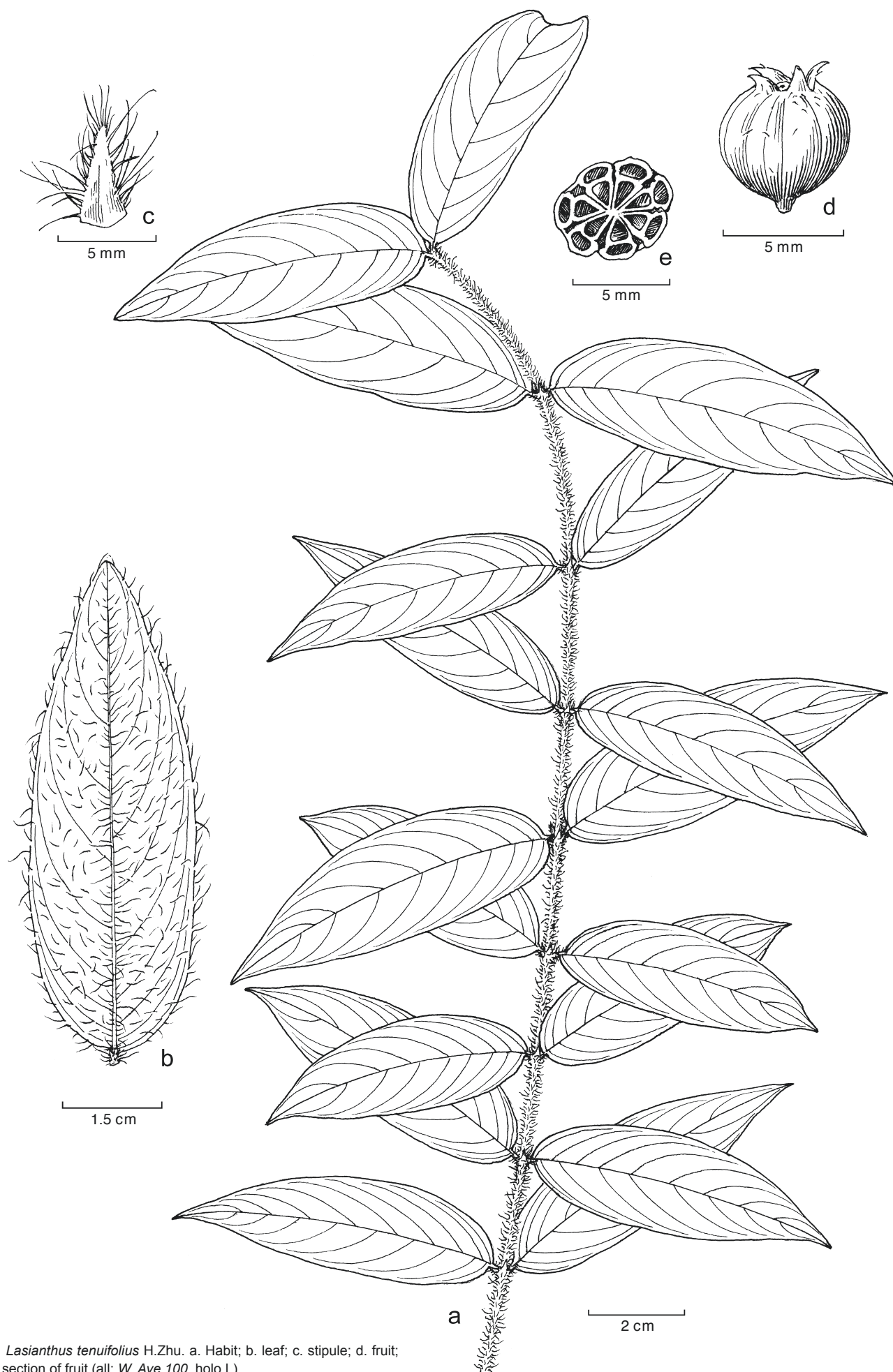


Fig. 38 *Lasianthus tenuifolius* H.Zhu. a. Habit; b. leaf; c. stipule; d. fruit; e. cross section of fruit (all: *W. Ave 100*, holo L).

oblong, 6.5–11 by 2–4 cm, thinly coriaceous, glabrous above, tomentose beneath, apex cuspidate-acute, aristate, base acute or broadly cuneate, midrib and nerves flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 3–6, ascending at an angle of 50–60°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct above, prominent and distinct beneath, parallel; petioles 5–8 mm long, tomentose. *Stipules* triangular, 2–3 mm long, densely to sparsely tomentose. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, 2–3 mm long, tomentose, tubes c. 1 mm long, lobes 5, lanceolate, c. 1.5–2 mm long; corolla 5–8 mm long, tomentose outside. *Drupes* subglobose, sparsely tomentose, crowned by lanceolate calyx lobes; pyrenes 5.

Distribution — Indonesia (Java, Sulawesi, Irian Jaya), Papua New Guinea.

Notes — This species was confused with *L. trichophlebus* var. *latifolius* (= *L. hiiranensis* or *Lasianthus tomentosus* var. *hiiranensis* (Hayata) H.Zhu). The specimens from mainland SE Asia and Peninsular Malaysia were treated as *L. tomentosus* (King & Gamble 1904, Ridley 1923a, Craib 1934) which may be due to two misidentified sheets in Kew. Based on the same sheets, they were treated as *L. tomentosus* var. *hiiranensis*. These two specimens in Kew, *Horsfield s.n.* [Rub. 50] from Java, are indicated as *L. tomentosus* in Miquel's handwriting and were cited as such in literature (Miquel 1857). Miquel later changed his mind and considered that they were not the same as *L. tomentosus* (Miquel 1869). The type material of *L. tomentosus* is only present in Leiden. It is difficult to correctly recognize *L. tomentosus* based on the simple original description without examining type material. The specimens from mainland SE Asia and Malaysia which were mistaken as *L. tomentosus*, have conspicuous strigose linear-lanceolate stipules, 4-merous flowers, hirsute and verrucose drupes with 4 pyrenes and are more closely related to *L. trichophlebus* than to *L. tomentosus*; we include them in *L. trichophlebus* var. *latifolius*.

Lasianthus tomentosus differs from *L. lucidus* in having tomentose hairs on branchlets, leaf lower surface, and flowers. The population from Java has dense tomentose hairs, but the populations from Sulawesi and New Guinea become less hairy and are closer to *L. lucidus*.

Only one specimen annotated *L. tomentosus* in Blume's handwriting was seen in Leiden. However, Blume's description mentions several localities and consequently this specimen is a synonym. We have chosen it as the lectotype of Blume's species.

125. *Lasianthus trichophlebus* Hemsl.

Key to the varieties

1. Branches sparsely strigillose; leaves glabrous except strigillose or hirsute midrib and nerves beneath a. var. *trichophlebus*
1. Branches densely hirsute, leaves pubescent beneath b. var. *latifolius*

a. var. *trichophlebus* — Map 10

Lasianthus trichophlebus Hemsl. (1888) 388; H.Zhu (1994) 70; H.S.Lo (1999) 95; H.Zhu (2001b) 144; (2002) 92. — Type: Ford 113 (holo K), Guangdong, Luo Fu Shan.

Lasianthus barbellatus Ridl. (1917a) 187; (1923a) 164; Craib (1934) 208; K.M.Wong (1989) 368. — *Lasianthus trichophlebus* Hemsl. subsp. *barbellatus* (Ridl.) H.Zhu (2001b) 144. — Type: Burkill 976 (holo SING; iso K), Peninsular Malaysia, Pahang, Pulau Tioman, Juara Bay.

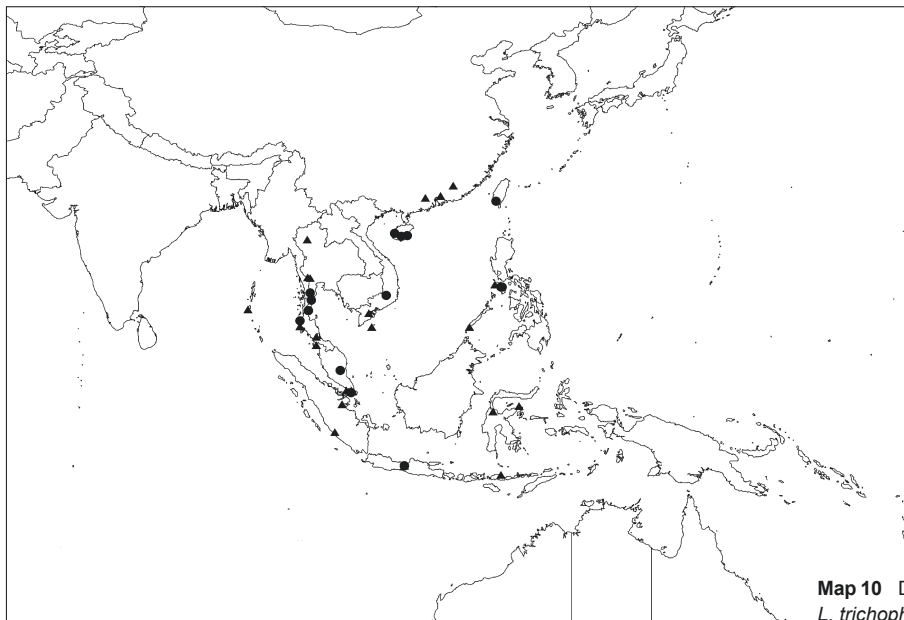
Lasianthus cupreus Pierre ex Pit. (1924) 392. — Type: Harmand s.n. (*Pierre Herb. no. 6173*) (lecto P, designated by Zhu 2001b), Vietnam, Condor.

Lasianthus andamanicus Hook.f. var. *ciliatus* Deb & M.Gangop. (1987) 458, syn. nov. — Type: Balakrishnan 654 (holo CAL; iso E, PBL), S Andaman.

Shrubs; 1–2 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, sparsely strigillose or glabrous but densely strigillose on nodes. *Leaves*: blades oblong, elliptic-oblong, 8–15 by 3–5 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, strigillose or hirsute on midrib and nerves beneath, apex cuspidate or acute, base cuneate, midrib and nerves flat or slightly prominent above, prominent beneath, nerves 7–9 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 50°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct above, prominent beneath, parallel; petioles 5–8 mm strigillose. *Stipules* triangular-lanceolate, to 8 mm long, densely strigillose. *Cymes* sessile, bracts absent. *Flowers* subsessile, 4-merous; calyx campanulate, c. 2 mm long, strigillose outside, tube c. 1 mm long, with 4 triangular teeth, teeth c. 1 mm long, spreading strigillose; corolla 6–8 mm long, densely strigillose in the upper half outside. *Drupes* subglobose, 5–6 mm diam, verrucose, sparsely strigillose, crowned by persistent strigillose calyx lobes; pyrenes 4, verrucose on the abaxial face.

Distribution — India (Andaman and Nicobar Islands), South China, South Vietnam, Thailand, Peninsular Malaysia, Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Sulawesi, Lesser Sunda Islands), Philippines (Palawan, Mindoro).

Notes — *Lasianthus trichophlebus* was often confused with both *L. chinensis* and *L. verticillatus*. However, it differs from



Map 10 Distribution of *Lasianthus trichophlebus* Hemsl. (▲) and *L. trichophlebus* var. *latifolius* (Miq.) H.Zhu (●).

L. chinensis by having coriaceous leaves with 7–9 pairs of nerves and parallel veinlets; stipules triangular-lanceolate, strigillose, 5 mm long; flowers usually 4-merous as well as drupes with 4 pyrenes. It differs from *L. verticillatus* by having strigillose hairs on young branches and leaf nerves beneath; stipules triangular-lanceolate, strigillose, more than 5 mm long; flowers usually 4-merous; calyx with strigillose triangular lobes, and drupes with 4 pyrenes and verrucose on external surface.

Lasianthus trichophlebus subsp. *barbellatus* was considered to be different from the typical subspecies by having relatively small and elliptic leaves. After more Malesian specimens were examined, it became clear that *L. trichophlebus* subsp. *barbellatus* cannot be separated from *L. trichophlebus*.

b. var. *latifolius* (Miq.) H.Zhu

Lasianthus trichophlebus var. *latifolius* (Miq.) H.Zhu (2002) 93. — *Lasianthus sylvestris* Blume var. *latifolius* Miq. (1869) 248. — Type: *Korthals s.n.* (lecto L, designated here, barcode L0305397), Java, Papandajang; *Teysmann s.n.* (para, n.v.), Sumatra, Loeboe.

Lasianthus hiiranensis Hayata (1919) 62; Shimizu (1944) 239; T.S.Liu & J.M.Chao (1964) 134, f. 9; J.M.Chao (1978) 295, pl. 1010; H.Zhu (1994) 70; H.J.Li & H.Y.Liu (1998) 287, pl. 128; H.S.Lo (1999) 87. — *Lasianthus tomentosus* Blume var. *hiiranensis* (Hayata) H.Zhu (1998) 156. — Type: *Hayata & Sasaki 24295* (holo TIU, n.v.), China, Taiwan.

Lasianthus cupreus sensu Pit. (1924) 392, p.p. quoad specimen *Gaudichaud 229*.

Lasianthus lei Merr. & Metcalf ex H.S.Lo (1993) 12; (1999) 86, pl. 16: 7–12. — Type: *Lei 1025* (holo SCBI; iso K, P, SYS, US), China, Hainan.

Lasianthus tomentosus auct. non Blume: Miq. (1857) 318, p.p. quoad specimen *Horsfield s.n.* from Java; King & Gamble (1904) 130; Ridl. (1923a) 161; Craib (1934) 219; H.Zhu (1998) 155.

Distribution — China (Hainan, Taiwan), Vietnam, Thailand, Peninsular Malaysia, Indonesia (Java, Sumatra), Philippines.

Note — This taxon was treated as *L. tomentosus* (King & Gamble 1904, Ridley 1923a, Craib 1934) which may be due to two misidentified sheets in K. These two specimens, which are labelled as *Horsfield s.n.* [Rub. 50] from Java, are indicated as *L. tomentosus* with Miquel's handwriting and also were cited in literature (Miquel 1857). Miquel (1869) later changed his mind and considered that they were not the same as *L. tomentosus*. The taxon which was mistaken as *L. tomentosus*, has conspicuous strigose linear-lanceolate stipules, 4-merous flowers, hirsute and verrucose drupes with 4 pyrenes and is closer related to *L. trichophlebus* than to *L. tomentosus*. The taxon differs from *L. trichophlebus* by having only dense hirsute hairs on the branches and pubescent hairs on the leaf lower surface. It is better to treat the taxon as a variety of *L. trichophlebus*. A Javanese taxon *L. sylvestris* var. *latifolius* is recognized to be conspecific with this taxon. Therefore the combination for the taxon is made as *L. trichophlebus* var. *latifolius*.

126. *Lasianthus undulatus* H.Zhu, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 39

Similis *L. clementis* Merr., sed ramulis dense tomentosis, foliis oblongi-lanceolatis rugosis margine undulatis, nervis 10–13-binatis, nervulis conspicue reticulatis et calycis limbis campanulatis differt. — Typus: *Van Steenis 9886* (holo L; iso K), Sumatra, Atjeh, Gajalanden, 1100 m alt., in forest ridges, 20 Mar. 1937.

Shrub, 4 m high; branchlets terete, c. 2 mm diam, densely brownish tomentose. *Leaves*: blades oblong-lanceolate, 6–11 by 2–3 cm, chartaceous to subcoriaceous, puberulous or glabrescent above, puberulous beneath, rugose on both surfaces, apex acute or caudate-cuspidate, mucronate, margin recurved, base acute or abruptly acute, rugose and more or less undulate, midrib flat or slightly prominent and hirsute above, conspicuously prominent and densely hirsute beneath, nerves slender,

slightly prominent and sparsely hirsute above, conspicuous and densely hirsute beneath, 10–13 pairs, ascending at an angle of 70–80°, curved to the margin, nervules obscure above, conspicuous beneath, reticulate; petioles c. 2 mm long, densely tomentose. *Stipules* subulate-triangular, 2–3 mm long, densely tomentose. *Inflorescences* axillary, sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* fascicular, sessile; calyx 2 mm long, pubescent on the external surface, tube obconical, c. 1 mm long, limb campanulate, lobes 5, triangular or subulate, c. 0.8 mm long; corolla up to 5 mm long, puberulous external surface, lobes 5, oblong-lanceolate, c. 2 mm long; stamens 5, filaments c. 0.8 mm long; anthers oblong, c. 0.8 mm long; ovary with 5 locules. *Mature drupes* not seen. *Immature drupes* subglobose, subglabrous, smooth; pyrenes 5, smooth on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Endemic to Sumatra.

Habitat & Ecology — Montane forest between 1100–1500 m altitude. Flowering and fruiting between February and June.

Additional specimens examined. N Sumatra, Atjeh, *De Wilde et al. 14766* (K, L), 18625 (K, L).

Note — This species is similar to *L. clementis*, but differs from the latter by having densely tomentose hairs on branchlets; leaves oblong-lanceolate, rugose, undulate at margin, nerves 10–13 pairs, nervules conspicuously reticulate; calyx with a campanulate limb. *Lasianthus clementis* has appressed-pubescent branchlets; leaves ovate-lanceolate, smooth on surfaces and at margin; nerves 4–5 pairs; nervules subparallel; calyx without a campanulate limb.

127. *Lasianthus venosus* Blume

Lasianthus venosus Blume (1826–1827) 990; Miq. (1857) 323; (1869) 249; Bakh.f. (1965) 340. — Type: *Blume s.n.* (holo L, barcode L0000711), Java, Seriboe.

Lasianthus pterospermus Wight (1846) 510; King & Gamble (1904) 125; Ridl. (1923a) 160; K.M.Wong (1989) 368, syn. nov. — Type: *Kew Dist. 2929 (Griffith s.n.)* (holo K; iso HUH), Peninsular Malaysia.

Lasianthus singalensis Miq. (1869) 247, syn. nov. — Type: *Korthals s.n.* (holo L, barcode L0057495; iso L, barcode L0057496), Sumatra, Mt Singalang.

Lasianthus chinensis sensu King & Gamble (1904) 124, p.p. quoad specimen *King's collector 10100* (L).

Shrubs, up to 4 m high; branchlets terete, 2–2.5 mm diam, appressed-puberulous or glabrous, compressed in the youngest part and often dark-brown when dry. *Leaves*: blades oblong, elliptic-oblong or obovate-oblong, 12–16 by 3–4.5 cm, thinly coriaceous, glabrous above, appressed-pubescent hairs on midrib and nerves or glabrescent beneath, apex cuspidate-acute or cuspidate-acuminate, base cuneate to subrounded, more or less asymmetric, midrib and nerves flat above, prominent beneath, nerves 9–12 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 60°, curved to the margin, nervules distinct above, distinct and prominent beneath, subparallel; petioles 2–3 mm long, pubescent. *Stipules* large, oblong-lanceolate to triangular oblong, 6–8 or to 10 mm long, 3–4 mm broad, appressed-pubescent. *Cymes* sessile, bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tube obconic, 1–1.5 mm long, sparsely pubescent, lobes 4–5, lanceolate to triangular, 1–1.5 mm long, hirsute both sides; corolla tubular, c. 6 mm long, glabrous and dark outside, lobes 4–5, ovate, c. 2 mm long. *Drupes* subglobose, 6–8 mm diam, glabrous, conspicuously and sharply 8–10-ridged, crowned by hirsute calyx limbs; pyrenes 4–5, 2-winged on the abaxial face.

Distribution — Malaysia (Peninsular, Sarawak), Indonesia (Sumatra, Kalimantan).

Notes — *Lasianthus venosus* is characterized by triangular-oblong to oblong-lanceolate stipules up to 10 mm long, drupes sharply 8–10-ridged with 4–5 pyrenes, c. 8 mm diam, pyrenes with 2 wings (a longitudinal wing on each side of the convex of pyrene). *Lasianthus pterospermus* and *L. singalensis* are

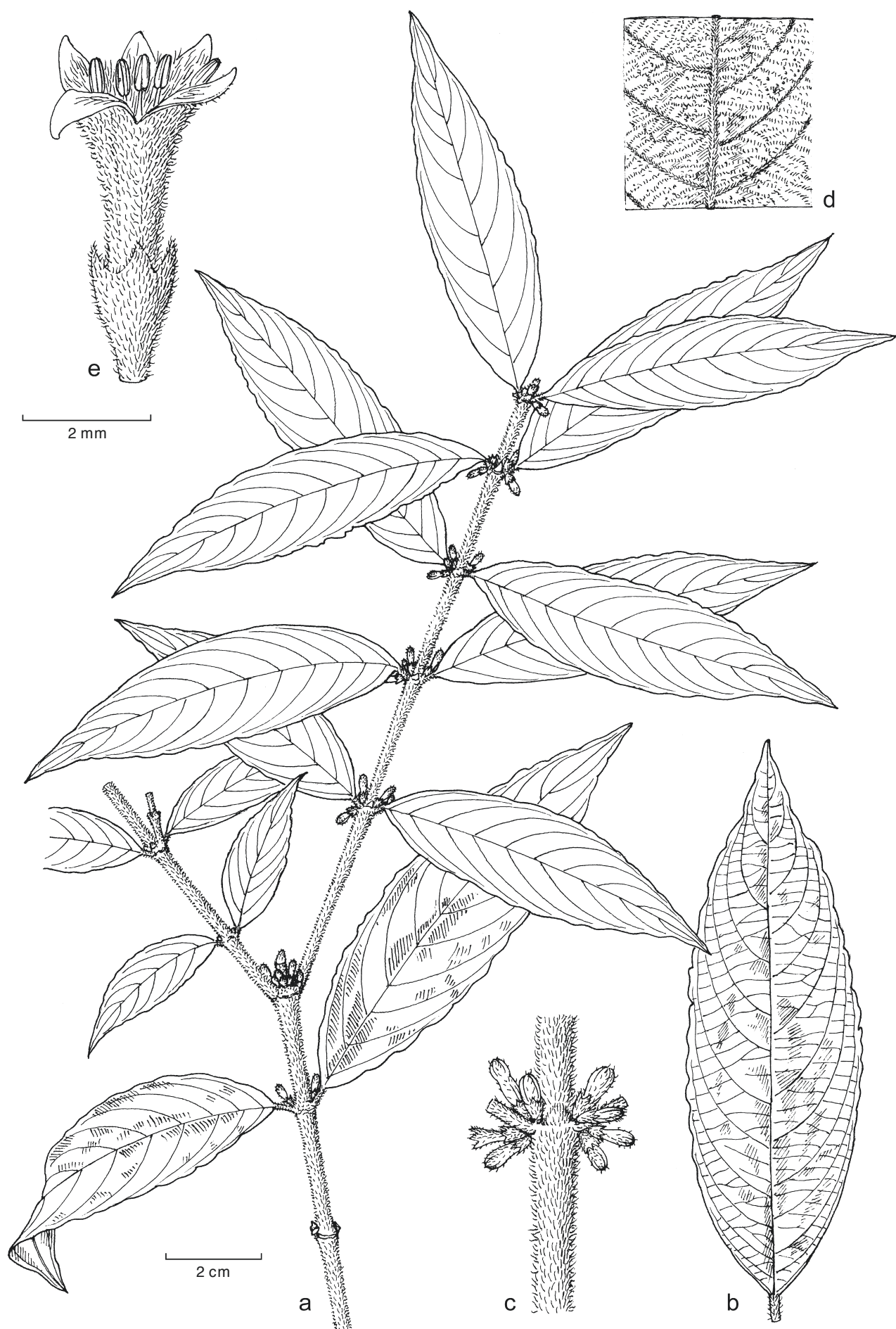


Fig. 39 *Lasianthus undulatus* H. Zhu. a. Habit with flowers; b. leaf showing reticulate nervules; c. detail of node showing stipule and axillary inflorescences; d. detail of lower surface of leaf showing indumentum; e. flower (all: Van Steenis 9886, holo L.).

characterized just by the same characteristics as *L. venosus*. They are surely conspecific.

Miquel (1869) reduced *L. rigidus* to a synonym of *L. venosus*. However, the type of *L. rigidus* is quite different from the type of *L. venosus* and represent a different species.

128. *Lasianthus verticillatus* (Lour.) Merr. — Map 9

Lasianthus verticillatus (Lour.) Merr. (1935) 372; H.Zhu (1994) 68; (1998) 156; (2001b) 144; (2002) 90. — *Dausus verticillatus* Lour. (1790) 142; S.Moore (1925) 250. — Type: *Dausus* G.48 (holo BM), Vietnam.

Lasianthus sylvestris Blume (1826–1827) 999; Miq. (1857) 323; (1869) 248; Bakh.f. (1965) 343, syn. nov. — Type: *Blume* s.n. (holo L, barcode L0057520), Java, Rompien.

Lasianthus sylvestris Blume var. *subsessilis* (Miq.) Miq. (1869) 248. — *Lasianthus subsessilis* Miq. (1861) 550, syn. nov. — Type: *Teysmann* 4273 (holo L; iso K), Sumatra, Lampung.

Lasianthus truncatus Bedd. (1874) 2, t. 9; Hook.f. (1880) 189; Deb & M.Gangop. (1991) 302, f. 13. — Type: *Beddome* s.n. (lecto K, designated by Deb & Gangopadhyay 1991), India, Mahendra Hill.

Lasianthus andamanicus Hook.f. (1880) 189; Deb & M.Gangop. (1991) 276, excl. var. *ciliatus* Deb & M.Gangop.; Craib (1934) 207. — Type: *Wall. Cat.* 8309 (holo K), Andaman.

Lasianthus wrayi King & Gamble (1904) 119; Ridl. (1923a) 162, syn. nov. — Type: *Wray* 257 (holo K; iso U), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak, 4500 ft.

Lasianthus morus Elmer (1906a) 73; Merr. (1923) 567, syn. nov. — Type: *Elmer* 7050 (holo A; iso K, NY), Philippines, Palo, Leyte.

Lasianthus tamirensis Pierre ex Pit. (1924) 390. — Type: *Pierre* 587 (holo P; iso A, K, L, MO, SING), Cambodia, Samrong-tong, Mt Tamire.

Lasianthus nigrocarpus Masam. (1932) 222, nom. nud.

Lasianthus taiwanensis Shimizu (1944) 239. — *Lasianthus obliquinervis* Merr. var. *taiwanensis* (Shimizu) T.S.Liu & J.M.Chao (1964) 145, f. 15; H.J.Li & H.Y.Liu (1998) 293. — *Lasianthus verticillatus* (Lour.) Merr. var. *taiwanensis* (Shimizu) H.Zhu (1994) 69; (1998) 156. — Type: *Suzuki & Fukuyama* s.n. (TIU, n.v.), Taiwan.

Lasianthus obliquinervis auct. non Merr.: T.S.Liu & J.M.Chao (1964) 141, f. 13; J.M.Chao (1978) 301; H.J.Li & H.Y.Liu (1998) 293, pl. 132; H.S.Lo (1999) 100, pl. 26: 1–6.

[*Lasianthus chinensis* auct. non Benth.: Maxim. (1883) 173; A.Henry (1896) 51; Matsum. (1901) 16; Pit. (1924) 391; H.L.Li (1963) 855, p.p.].

Shrubs, 1.5–3 m tall; branchlets terete, c. 3 mm diam, appressed-pubescent. *Leaves*: blades oblong to oblong-lanceolate, 9–18 by 1.5–7 cm, coriaceous, glabrous above, thinly pubescent beneath, apex cuspidate-acute, acute or cuspidate-acuminate, base acute, midrib and nerves flat or slightly prominent above, conspicuously prominent beneath, nerves 5–9 pairs, nervules densely anastomosing, parallel; petioles 5–10 mm long, pubescent. *Stipules* triangular, 3–4 mm long, pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent or small subulate bracts; 2–5-flowered. *Flowers* sessile; calyx cupular, 3–5 mm long, subglabrous or puberulous, tube short, 1–2 mm long, limb 2–3 mm long, truncate or minutely dentate at apex, puberulous; corolla up to 10–12 mm long, hirsute outside, villous inside, lobes 5, ovate. *Drupes* subglobose, up to 10 mm diam, crowned by an enlarged cupular and truncate calyx limb, smooth on external surface; pyrenes usually 5, rare 4.

Distribution — India (Andaman and Nicobar Islands), Sri Lanka, Burma, China, Japan (Ryukyu), Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, Malaysia (Peninsular, Sabah), Philippines (Luzon to Palawan and Mindanao), Indonesia (Sumatra, Java, Lesser Sunda Islands, Sulawesi), Papua New Guinea.

Notes — *Lasianthus verticillatus* is a wide distributed and variable species. It was treated as *L. andamanicus* and, the form with narrow leaves, as *L. truncatus* in India and Burma, as *L. sylvestris*, with the form with narrow leaves as var. *subsessilis* in Java and Sumatra, as *L. tamirensis* in Cambodia. It was confused with *L. obliquinervis* in the Philippines and also confused with *L. chinensis* and *L. trichophlebus* in China and Indochina.

Lasianthus verticillatus differs from *L. trichophlebus* by having more or less appressed pubescence on branches and leaf nerves beneath, stipules usually shorter, c. 3 mm long, flowers usually 5-merous, calyx limb cupular and usually truncate or sometimes minutely toothed, as well as the drupes crowned by a cupular and truncate calyx limb and smooth on external surface.

The specimens from mainland southeast China, Taiwan and Ryukyu that have been treated as *L. obliquinervis* are clearly conspecific with *L. verticillatus*. That is why Zhu (1994) reduced *L. obliquinervis* to a synonym of the latter. After examining specimens indicated as *L. obliquinervis* from the Philippines in K, L, MO, SING, it is found that these specimens represent more than one *Lasianthus* species. Even specimens determined as *L. obliquinervis* by Merrill himself, represent more than one species. Most of them agree well with *L. verticillatus*, while some do not. When Merrill described *L. obliquinervis*, he cited 10 collections (syntypes). We have seen only one of them, i.e. *Whitford?* 247, isosyntypes in P and US. The isosyntype represents a different species from *L. verticillatus*. According to Merrill, *L. obliquinervis* has oblong-ovate c. 5 mm long stipules, calyx limbs with 4–5 triangular lobes and drupes with 6 triquetrous pyrenes and not crowned by an enlarged cupular and truncate limbs, which do not agree with *L. verticillatus*.

Lasianthus sylvestris, from the type specimen, is the same species as *L. verticillatus*. Although variety *subsessilis* has narrower leaves, it is just the same as *L. truncatus*.

Lasianthus wrayi has branches densely appressed-pubescent; leaves oblong-lanceolate, appressed-pubescent on nerves beneath, nerves 5, nervules parallel; stipules triangular; inflorescences subsessile; calyx campanulate, appressed-hirsute, with 4 small acute teeth. The incomplete duplicate of type specimen in U shows that *L. wrayi* is very similar to *L. verticillatus*. None of its characters are beyond the variability of *L. verticillatus*. It is, therefore, better to sink *L. wrayi* into *L. verticillatus*.

The specimens treated as *L. morus* were mixtures containing *L. verticillatus*, *L. trichophlebus*, and *L. chlorocarpus*. The type specimens of *L. morus* shows that this species has branchlets sparsely hirsute; leaves lanceolate, subcoriaceous, 10–16 by 1.5–2.5 cm, with falcate-caudate apex and acute or cuneate base, glabrous above, thinly appressed-pubescent venation beneath; stipules triangular, c. 2 mm long, hirsute; cymes sessile or very congested; calyx campanulate, pubescent, with a limb truncate or minutely 4-toothed; drupes verrucose, crowned by 4 minute subulate teeth, with 4 pyrenes. This species matches *L. verticillatus* and is here reduced to the latter.

Lasianthus verticillatus differs from *L. chinensis* by having usually thinner appressed-pubescent branches and leaf nerves beneath, coriaceous leaves with 5–9 pairs of nerves and parallel veinlets, cupulate and usually truncate calyx without teeth or sometime with minute teeth, and the drupes without conspicuous angular.

129. *Lasianthus vriesianus* Miq.

Lasianthus vriesianus Miq. (1869) 249. — Type: *De Vriese & Teysmann* s.n. (holo L, barcode L0057506), Borneo.

Shrubs or treelets?; branchlets subterete, robust, c. 4.5 mm diam, glabrous, dark-brown when dry. *Leaves*: blades ovate-oblong, 13–19 by 4.5–6 cm, coriaceous, glabrous on both surfaces, apex acuminate, base broadly cuneate to subrounded; midrib prominent above, strongly prominent and dark-brown in colour beneath, nerves prominent on both surfaces, 6–8 pairs, ascending at an angle of 70–80°, curved to the margin, nervules densely anastomosing, prominent and distinct on

both surfaces, subparallel; petioles c. 1 cm long, glabrous. *Stipules* broadly triangular, c. 2 mm long, puberulous. *Cymes* tuberculate; bracts absent. *Flowers* shortly pediceled; pedicels 2–3 mm long, slender, glabrous; calyx very small, campanulate, c. 1 mm long, glabrous, with 4–5 triangular teeth; corolla not seen. *Drupe*s globose, c. 3 mm diam, glabrous, with 4–5 obtuse ridges; pyrenes 4–5.

Distribution — Endemic to Borneo.

Note — This species is characterized by glabrous and large coriaceous leaves and pediceled flowers. It is closely related to *L. brevipedicellatus* by similar pediceled flowers and drupes, but differs from the latter by having thickly coriaceous leaves with subrounded base. *Lasianthus brevipedicellatus* has chartaceous to subcoriaceous leaves with acute base. Only the type specimen of *L. vriesianus* with few immature drupes is seen. Of *L. brevipedicellatus*, only the type specimen and a collection from Malaysia, both in fruiting stage, were studied.

130. *Lasianthus vulcanicus* Ridl.

Lasianthus vulcanicus Ridl. (1923b) 71. — Type: Ridley s.n. (holo K), Sumatra, Sibavak volcano.

Treelets, up to 5 m high; branchlets terete, c. 1.5 mm diam, glabrous or sparsely pubescent hairs on the youngest part. *Leaves*: blades ovate, ovate-elliptic or ovate-lanceolate, 5–10 by 1–3 cm, coriaceous, glabrous on both surfaces, apex caudate, base acute, rarely acuminate, midrib, nerves and nervules distinct and prominent on both surfaces, nerves 5–7 pairs, usually ascending at an angle of over 60°, curved to the margin, nervules densely anastomosing, subparallel; petioles 4–5 mm long, glabrous or sparsely pubescent. *Stipules* triangular, 1.5–3 mm long, with a swollen base, glabrous or sparsely pubescent. *Cymes* sessile, bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx tube obconic, 0.8–1 mm long, glabrous, limb cupular, c. 1 mm long, minutely 5-toothed; corolla short, 3–4 mm long, glabrous outside. *Drupe*s obconic-globose, 3–4 mm diam, glabrous; pyrenes 4–5.

Distribution — Malaysia (Sabah), Indonesia (Sumatra, Java).

Note — This species is quite close to *L. stercorarius*, but differs from the latter by having glabrous branchlets and leaves, leaves with caudate apex, nervules distinct on both surfaces, densely anastomosing, parallel, relatively short petioles, stipules relatively small, calyx with a shortly cupular limb and drupes with 4–5 pyrenes.

131. *Lasianthus wightianus* Hook.f.

Lasianthus wightianus Hook.f. (1880) 188; King & Gamble (1904) 125; Ridl. (1923a) 162. — Type: Kew Dist. 2922 (Griffith s.n.) (holo K), Peninsular Malaysia, Mt Ophir.

Lasianthus venosus auct. non Blume: Wight (1846) 514.

Shrubs, up to 2.5 m high; branchlets robust, subterete, 2.5–3 mm diam, brown-tomentose. *Leaves*: blades oblong or lanceolate oblong, 4–10 by 1.5–3.5 cm, rigid-chartaceous, scaberrulous or tomentose hairs on midrib and nerves both surfaces, densely beneath, apex acuminate, base acute to subrounded, midrib and nerves slender and flat above, stout and prominent beneath, nerves 9–13 pairs, ascending at an angle of over 50°, curved to the margin, nervules prominent on both surfaces, conspicuously reticulate; petioles c. 2 mm long, tomentose. *Stipules* conspicuous, broadly triangular, 3–4 mm long, pubescent. *Cymes* sessile; bracts absent. *Flowers* sessile; calyx campanulate, pubescent, tube 0.8–1 mm long, lobes 5, subulate-triangular, c. 1 mm long; corolla hirsute outside. *Drupe*s ellipsoid, glabrous or pubescent, c. 3 mm diam; pyrenes 4–5.

Distribution — Endemic to Peninsular Malaysia.

Note — This species is closely related to *L. malaccensis* by its leaves with conspicuously reticulate nervules, but differs from the latter by having densely pubescent branchlets, pubescent midrib and nerves on both surface; nerves 9–13 pairs; petioles 2 mm long; stipules relatively big; drupes with 5–6 pyrenes. *Lasianthus malaccensis* has young branchlets puberulous and later glabrescent, midrib and nerves minutely appressed puberulous beneath; nerves 8–9 pairs; petioles 5–6 mm long; stipules relatively small; drupes with 4 pyrenes.

DUBIOUS SPECIES

1. *Lasianthus apiocarpus* (Korth.) Miq. (1857) 318. — *Mephitidia apiocarpa* Korth. (1851) 221. — Type: Korthals s.n. (n.v.), Sumatra, Singalang.

Note — According to Korthals' description, this species has oblong leaves; tomentose branches and leaves beneath as well as petioles; lanceolate bracts; glabrous pyriform drupes. This species seems to be quite closely related to *L. ellipticus* except for its glabrous drupes (*L. ellipticus* has hirsute drupes). However, after all collections in L were checked, no Korthals' collection that matches the description was found. Also Miquel did not see Korthals' material with the name *Mephitidia apiocarpa*. There is not enough evidence to confirm that *L. apiocarpa* is conspecific with *L. ellipticus*.

2. *Lasianthus brevipes* Valetton (1927) 110. — Syntypes: Ledermann 9303 (L), 10310 (L), New Guinea.

Note — This species does not match *Lasianthus* in having 2-pyrened drupes with a thin wall. Its generic position needs to be further studied.

3. *Lasianthus caudiculatus* Ridl. (1915) 48; (1923a) 167. — Type: Robinson s.n. (holo K), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak, 4500 ft.

Note — According to Ridley's description *L. caudiculatus* has yellow appressed hairs on branches, leaf nerves beneath; leaves lanceolate with long caudate apex and cuneate base, 8–9 by 2.5 cm; nerves 5 pairs; stipules triangular, silky; cymes sessile; calyx covered by silky yellow hairs. We have not seen any specimen from Peninsular Malaysia that matches Ridley's description. Wong (1989) reduced it to a synonym of *L. montanus*. However, *L. montanus* is quite ambiguous because no other confirming specimens are available except the imperfect type specimen in SING. The few specimens indicated as *L. montanus* actually belong to *Urophyllum hirsutum* Wight.

4. *Lasianthus furcatus* (Miq.) Bremek. (1957) 94, in adnot. — *Canthium furcatum* Miq. (1857) 252. — Syntypes: Junghuhn s.n. L0000682 (L), Junghuhn s.n. L0000683 (L), Java, Oengaran, Pengalengan; Zollinger s.n. (n.v.), Java, Gede.

Note — This species does not match *Lasianthus* in having 2-pyrened drupes with a thin wall. Its generic position needs to be further study.

5. *Lasianthus harveyanus* King & Gamble (1904) 129; Ridl. (1923a) 162; K.M.Wong (1989) 370. — Type: Wray 444 (n.v.), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak, 3400 ft.

Note — From King & Gamble's description, this species has branches rather thick and minutely rusty-tomentose; leaves membranaceous, elliptic or ovate-elliptic, 4–5 in. long, apex rather blunt, base rounded, scabrid-puberulous beneath, nerves 4–6, minutely pubescent beneath, rusty-tomentose on the midribs on both sides; stipules triangular; cymes sessile, ebracteate; flowers sessile, 4-merous, calyx narrowly campanulate, densely pubescent, mouth 4-toothed. No specimens which match the species were found.

6. *Lasianthus harveyanus* King & Gamble var. *longifolia* King & Gamble (1904) 129; Ridl. (1923a) 161. — Type: *Harvey s.n.* (n.v.), Peninsular Malaysia.

Notes — From King & Gamble's description, this variety has relatively large oblong-elliptic leaves with acuminate apex and 8–9 pairs of nerves up to 7.5 in. long.

Wong (1988) mentioned that only type collections of *L. harveyanus* and var. *longifolia* were known and informed us that they should be in SING. However, we did not see them in SING. No specimen checked by us match King & Gamble's descriptions well. Therefore we treat both this species and its variety as dubious.

7. *Lasianthus lowianus* King & Gamble (1909) 871. — *Lasianthus lucidus* King & Gamble (1904) 132, non Blume (1826–1827). — Syntypes: *Ridley 7437* (SING); *Wray 2807* (SING); *King's collector 2840* (lecto L, designated here), Peninsular Malaysia, Selangor.

Note — This species does not match *Lasianthus* in having 2-pyrened drupes with a thin wall. Its generic position needs further study.

8. *Lasianthus montanus* King & Gamble (1904) 127; Ridl. (1923a) 163; K.M.Wong (1989) 371. — Type: *Wray 3932* (lecto SING, designated by Wong 1988), Peninsular Malaysia.

Note — This species is known from the incomplete type specimen in SING only. Since ovary and drupes were not included in King & Gamble's description, we cannot be certain that the species belongs to *Lasianthus*.

9. *Lasianthus ovatus* (Korth.) Miq. (1857) 321. — *Mephitidia ovata* Korth. (1851) 221. — Type: *Korthals s.n.* (n.v.), Sumatra, Merapi.

Lasianthus ovatus (Korth.) Miq. var. *oligoneurus* (Korth.) Boerl. (1891) 141. — *Mephitidia ovata* Korth. var. *oligoneura* Korth. (1851) 221. — Type: *Korthals s.n.* (n.v.), Borneo, Sakoembang.

Notes — From Korthals' description, this species has oblong-ovate leaf blade, apex acuminate, base obtuse or subcordate, hirsute beneath; cymes capitulate, with hirsute peduncle. According to the original description, this species differs from *L. capitatus* by having curved nerves, prolonged nervules, shorter calyx lobes.

Miquel did not see the type specimens. Neither did we after checking all *Lasianthus* collections in L. Several specimens from Sumatra and Borneo roughly match Korthals' simple description, however, not one of these specimens can with certainty be identified with *L. ovatus*.

10. *Lasianthus platyphyllus* (Korth.) Miq. (1857) 318. — *Mephitidia platyphylla* Korth. (1851) 222. — Type: *Korthals s.n.* (n.v.), Sumatra, Singalang.

Note — According to Korthals, this species has branches glabrous; leaves ovate, the apex short acuminate, the base acute, nerves parallel, strigose beneath; bracts lanceolate, strigose; calyx lobes lanceolate hirsute. No specimens from Sumatra were found to match Korthals' description.

11. *Lasianthus rufus* (Korth.) Miq. (1857) 325. — *Mephitidia rufa* Korth. (1851) 222. — Type: *Korthals s.n.* (n.v.), Java, Boerangrang.

Note — According to Korthals' description, this species has oblong-ovate and hirsute leaves with acuminate apex and unequal base; stipules ovate with acute apex, hirsute; calyx and drupes hirsute. There are no specimens from Java and Sumatra, which match the description of this species. However, as mentioned in the introduction, it is often a pitfall to recognise species without checking the type(s). These specimens from

Java and Sumatra also agree well with *L. hirtus* from Peninsular Malaysia. *Lasianthus hirtus* could be conspecific with *L. rufus*. However, as long as the type specimens of *L. rufus* are not found, it is better to keep the name *L. hirtus* and treat *L. rufus* as a dubious name.

12. *Lasianthus stipularis* Blume var. *hirtus* Ridl. (1923a) 153; K.M.Wong (1989) 370. — Type: *Ridley s.n.* (n.v.), Selangor, Lime-stone rock, Kanching.

Note — From Ridley's description, this variety has very hairy stems, leaf lower surface and stipules. No specimens which match Ridley's description were found.

EXCLUDED SPECIES

- Lasianthus culionensis* Elmer (1906b) 11. — Type: *Merrill 615* (iso NY, n.v.), Philippines, Palawan, Culion. — *Plectronia culionensis* Merr. (1923) 535. = *Canthium culionensis* (Elmer) Merr. (1928) 8.

- Lasianthus firmus* Miq. (1861) 549. — Type: *Teysmann s.n.* (U), Sumatra, Palembang.

Note — From Miquel's description and type specimen, this species has large triangular-lanceolate stipules 1.5 cm long, coriaceous oblong leaves with 14–16 pairs of nerves, linear and appressed villose, bracteoles, and appressed villose calyx. No flowers and drupes were seen from the type specimen in U. From the stipule and leaf characters, it is not a *Lasianthus*.

- Lasianthus hispidus* Elmer (1906b) 10. — Type: *E.D. Merrill 767* (iso K, NY), Philippines, Palawan, Paragua, 1700 ft, 18 Feb. 1903. = *Hedyotis perhispida* (Elmer) Elmer (1912) 1333.

- Lasianthus leucocarpus* (K.Schum. & Lauterb.) M.Gangop. & Chakrab. (1992) 338. — *Litosanthes leucocarpa* K.Schum. & Lauterb. (in Lauterbach & Schumann 1901) 586. — Type: *Lauterbach 2113* (n.v.), New Guinea. = *Amaracarpus grandifolius* var. *leucocarpus* (Lauterb. & K.Schum.) A.P.Davis (in Davis & Bridson 2004) 46.

- Lasianthus minahassae* Koord. (1898) 496. = *Praravinia minahassae* Koord. (1904) 79; (1922) 60.

- Lasianthus multibracteatus* Wernham (1916) 78. — Type: *Boden-Kloss s.n.* (holo BM), New Guinea 3900 ft ? = *Amaracarpus*.

Note — According to Wernham's description, this species has deciduous, 1.5 cm long stipules and a bilocular ovary, which suggest that it is not a *Lasianthus* species.

- Lasianthus novoguineensis* (Warb. ex Boerl.) M.Gangop. & Chakrab. (1992) 338. — *Litosanthes novoguineensis* Warb. ex Boerl. (1891) 142. = *Amaracarpus novoguineensis* (Warb. ex Boerl.) Valetton (1911) 501.

- Lasianthus subspicatus* King & Gamble (1904) 118; Ridl. (1923a) 168. — Syntypes: *Curtis 4276* (SING), Peninsular Malaysia, Penang; *Wray 863* (n.v.), Perak. = *Hypobathrum longifolium* (DC.) K.M.Wong (1989) 354.

- Lasianthus tobingsensis* Miq. (1869) 249. — Type: *Junghuhn s.n.* (holo L, barcode L0000729; iso U), Sumatra, Tobing. = *Leucolophus tobingsensis* (Miq.) Bremek. (1940) 189.

- Lasianthus villosus* Ridl. (1918) 86; (1923b) 168. — Type: *Ridley 14074* (K), Peninsular Malaysia, Perak, Tapah. = *Urophyllum*.

Note — This species has leaves elliptic with a long-caudate apex and obtuse base; nerves 18 pairs; stipules lanceolate with acuminate apex, up to 1.5 cm long, villous; cymes stout with

5 mm long peduncles, bracts lanceolate, 4–7 mm long; *Fruits* hairy, with numerous small seeds. It is clearly a *Urophyllum*.

Litosanthes brauniana Warb. ex Boerl. (1891) 142. — *Lasianthus braunianus* (Warb. ex Boerl.) M. Gangop. & Chakrab. (1992) 338. = *Amaracarpus braunianus* (Warb. ex Boerl.) Valetton (1911) 501.

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