

PROPOSALS FOR TREATING FOUR SPECIES COMPLEXES IN *FICUS* SUBGENUS *UROSTIGMA* SECTION *AMERICANAEE* (*MORACEAE*)

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SUMMARY

Four species complexes of *Ficus* subg. *Urostigma* sect. *Americanae* (Moraceae) are discussed. Four new combinations are made in *Ficus americana* Aubl.: subsp. *andicola* (Standl.) C.C. Berg, subsp. *greiffiana* (Dugand) C.C. Berg, subsp. *guianensis* (Desv.) C.C. Berg, and subsp. *subapiculata* (Miq.) C.C. Berg.

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INTRODUCTION

The American *Ficus* flora comprises some taxonomic complexes for which numerous names have been created and in which morphologically, phytogeographically and/or ecologically definable entities cannot be satisfactorily distinguished. These complexes have been indicated by Berg & Simonis (1981) and Berg (1989). I have tried as long as possible to distinguish entities at the species level (see, e.g., Berg et al., 1986; Berg, 1992; Berg & Simonis, 2000; Berg & Villavicencio, 2004), although not very consistently as with regard to naming and defining. These attempts could not be perpetuated. With the aim to write a monograph of the neotropical sections of *Ficus*, numerous specimens from the whole range of distribution have been simultaneously compared to arrive at acceptable solutions for the treatment of the complexes. Moreover, the acceptance (Brummitt, 2005) of some of the proposals to conserve and reject some names within the complexes (Berg, 2003) made it possible to elaborate on solutions.

The complexes indicated were the *F. americana*, *F. aurea*, *F. citrifolia*, *F. obtusifolia*, *F. pertusa*, and *F. trigonata* complexes. The elements of the *F. obtusifolia* and *F. trigonata* complexes could gradually be recognised as more or less clearly definable species. The others continued to cause taxonomic problems for which solutions are proposed in the present paper.

1. FICUS AMERICANA COMPLEX

The names I have been applying were:

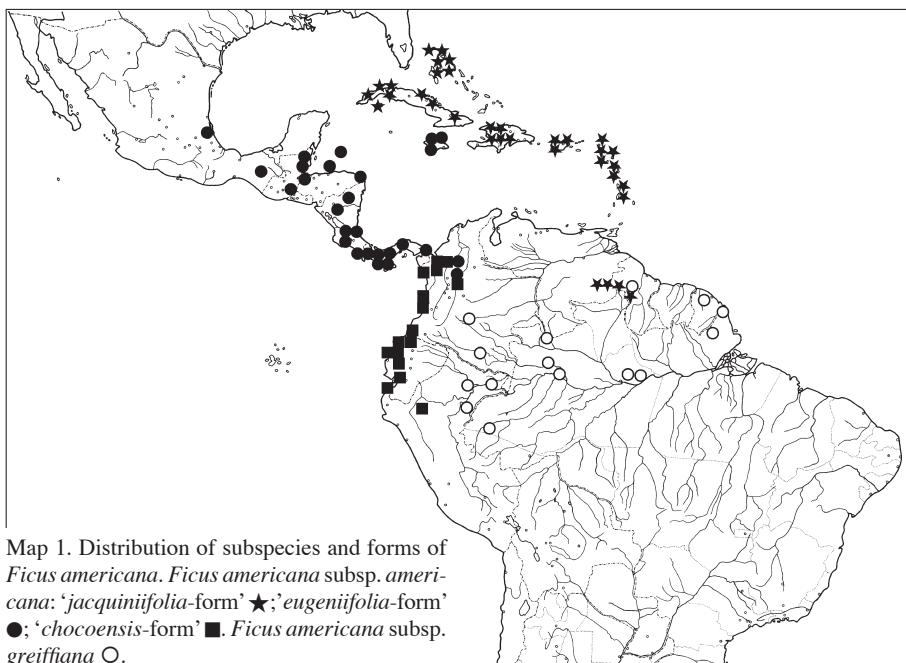
- *Ficus americana* (s.str.) for material in the present publication included in subsp. *americana*;

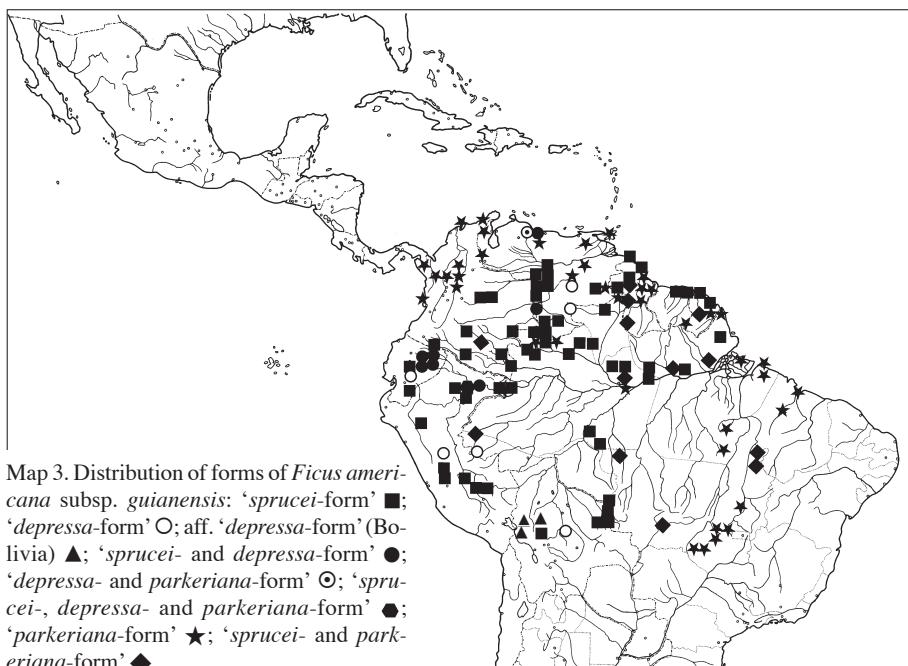
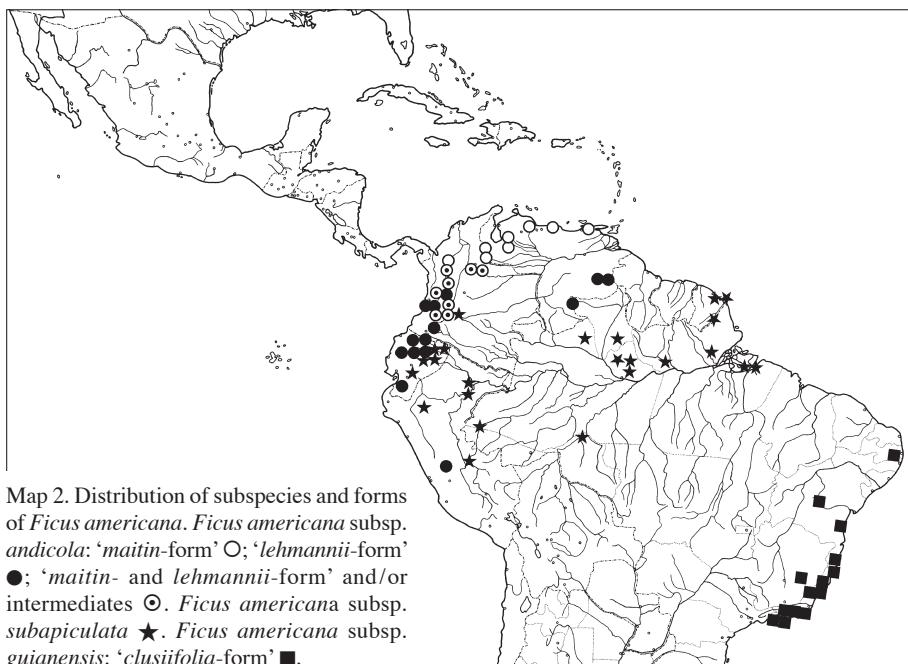
- *Ficus andicola* for montane non-ramiflorous material from Colombia and Ecuador, in the present publication included in subsp. *andicola*;
- *Ficus clusiifolia* for ramiflorous material from eastern Brazil, in the present publication included in subsp. *guianensis* – ‘*clusiifolia*-form’;
- *Ficus greiffiana* for non-ramiflorous, mainly Amazonian material, in the present publication under subsp. *greiffiana*;
- *Ficus guianensis* for South American ramiflorous material with relatively large figs and relatively long peduncles (incorrectly so, as the type has small figs!), in the present publication referred to subsp. *guianensis* – ‘*parkeriana*-form’;
- *Ficus maitin* for montane non-ramiflorous material from northern Venezuela, in the present publication referred to subsp. *andicola* – ‘*maitin*-form’;
- *Ficus matthewsii* for South American material with small figs and short peduncles, in the present publication included in subsp. *guianensis* – ‘*matthewsii*-form’;
- *Ficus subapiculata* for mainly Amazonian ramiflorous material with figs with a sunken ostiole, in the present publication in subsp. *subapiculata*.

The most satisfactory solution for treating this complex is to subdivide it under the name *F. americana* Aubl. into five subspecies.

Seven collections examined cannot be included in any of the subspecies recognised.

The distribution of subspecies and informal entities is presented in Map 1, 2, and 3, which are based on a (limited) set of specimens recently examined.





Ficus americana Aubl.

Ficus americana Aubl. (1775) 952, nom. conserv. — *Ficus perforata* L. (1775) 17, nom. rej. — Type: [icon] Plumier, Pl. Amer. (ed. Burman) (1757) t. 132, f. 2.

KEY TO THE SUBSPECIES

- 1a. Figs axillary or just below the leaves, usually in pairs 2
- b. Figs on short-shoots below the leaves, often more than 2 together 4
- 2a. Peduncle 0–0.6 cm long, basal bracts (1–)2–5(–6) mm long; at altitudes between (500–)1200 and 3000 m. — South America (Andean region, in Venezuela also Coastal Mountain Range and Tepui region) **B. subsp. *andicola***
- b. Peduncle 0.2–1.2 cm long, basal bracts 1–2(–2.5) mm long 3
- 3a. Apex of lamina rounded to obtuse or acuminate and base obtuse to cuneate; upper and lower surface of lamina when dry almost similar; at altitudes up to 1000 m or in the Tepui region 1300–2000 m. — West Indies, Mexico, Central America, Pacific coastal region of Colombia and Ecuador, Tepui region (Venezuela and Guyana) **A. subsp. *americana***
- b. Apex of lamina subacute to acuminate and base mostly cuneate; upper and lower surface of lamina when dry usually different; at low altitudes. — Northern Amazon basin and Guianas **C. subsp. *greiffiana***
- 4a. Ostiole superficial; fig receptacle 0.3–0.5(–1) cm diam.; peduncle (0.1–)0.2–0.3 cm long. — South America (widespread) **D. subsp. *gianensis***
- b. Ostiole sunken in apex of fig receptacle; fig receptacle 0.4–1.3 cm diam.; peduncle 0.1–0.6 cm long. — Northern Amazon region and French Guiana **E. subsp. *subapiculata***

A. subsp. *americana*

- ?*Ficus arbutifolia* Link (1822) 450. — Type: Hort. Bot. Berol. (holo B), origin unknown.
Ficus jacquiniiifolia A. Rich. (1841–1851) 221, t. 72. — Type: *De la Sagra s.n.* (holo P; iso P), Cuba, without locality.
?*Ficus periplocifolia* Kunth & C.D. Bouché (1847) 16. — Type: Hort. Bot. Berol. (holo B), origin unknown, 17 Sept. 1846.
?*Ficus consanguinea* Kunth & C.D. Bouché (1847) 17. — *Urostigma consanguineum* (Kunth & C.D. Bouché) Miq. (1862) 408. — Type: Hort. Bot. Berol. (holo B; iso U), origin unknown.
Urostigma eugeniaefolium Liebm. (1851) 329. — *Ficus eugeniiifolia* (Liebm.) Hemsl. (1883) 144. — Type: *Oersted 14311* (holo C; iso US), Costa Rica, Ujara.
Urostigma chiriquitanum Miq. (1862) 412. — *Ficus chiriquiana* (Miq.) Miq. (1867b) 298. — Type: Warszewicz s.n. (holo? B), Panama, Mountains of Chiriquí.
Urostigma liebmannianum Miq. (1854) 195. — *Ficus liebmanniana* (Miq.) Miq. (1867b) 298. — Type: Seemann 497 (holo BM), Panama, Chagres River.
Urostigma oerstedianum Miq. (1854) 196. — *Ficus oerstadiana* (Miq.) Miq. (1867b) 299. — Type: Seemann 1158 (holo BM), Panama, Chiriquí, Chiriquí Volcano.
Ficus fadyenii Miq. (1867a) 219. — Type: *MacFadyen s.n.* (holo U; iso L), Jamaica, without locality.
Ficus sintenisii Warb. (1903) 464. — Type: *Sintenis 1346* (lecto B; isolecto G, GH, LD, M, NY, P, S), Puerto Rico, Sierra de Luquillo, Jimenes.
Ficus omphalophora Warb. (1903) 466. — Type: *Bertero s.n.* (lecto B; isolecto M), Guadeloupe, without locality.

- Ficus wilsonii* Warb. (1903) 467. — Type: *Wilson* 347 (lecto B), Jamaica, without locality.
- Ficus choocoensis* Dugand (1942a) 35. — Type: *Archer* 2169 (holo US), Colombia, Chocó, Río Tutunendo, E of Quibdó.
- Ficus georgii* Standl. & L.O. Williams (1951) 236. — Type: *León* 2560 (holo US), Costa Rica, Cartago, Turrialba, Pejibaye.

The quality of the types for the names indicated with a ? (here and below) is such that their identity remains uncertain.

Distribution — West Indies to southern Mexico and through Central America to the Pacific coastal regions of Colombia, Ecuador, and northern Peru, in humid and dry forest, at altitudes up to 1000(–1500) m; also in the Tepui region of Venezuela and the adjacent part of Guyana at altitudes between 1300 and 2200 m.

Note — Three informal entities can be distinguished on the basis of (average) differences in dimensions of lamina and fig and the prominence of the venation of the lamina above:

- a. ‘*jacquiniifolia*-form’ with relatively small laminas with the venation prominent above and small figs, occurring in the West Indies (except for Jamaica) and in mountains of Guyana and eastern Venezuela;
- b. ‘*eugeniiifolia*-form’ with relatively small laminas with the venation plane above and with small figs, occurring in Jamaica, southern Mexico, Central America, and northern Colombia (Antioquia);
- c. ‘*choocoensis*-form’ with relatively large laminas (mostly 10–20 cm long) and relatively large figs (usually 0.8–1.2 cm diam.), occurring in the Pacific coastal region of Colombia, Ecuador, and northern Peru.

B. subsp. *andicola* (Standl.) C.C. Berg, comb. & stat. nov.

- Ficus andicola* Standl. (1937b) 167. — Type: *Lehmann* 5807 (holo F; iso GH, US), Colombia, Cauca, near Popayán, 1500–1600 m.
- Ficus lehmannii* Standl. (1929) 202. — Type: *Lehmann* 5607 (holo US; iso B, F, G), Colombia, Cauca, Popayán, 1500–1800 m.
- Ficus archeri* Standl. (1937b) 167. — Type: *Archer* 3369 (holo F; iso COL, US), Colombia, Cauca, near Popayán.
- Ficus popayanensis* Standl. (1937b) 174. — Type: *Lehmann* 5608 (holo F), Colombia, Cauca, Víbora, Andes of Popayán, 1300–1600 m.
- Ficus maitin* Pittier (1937) 73. — Type: *Gehringer* 450 (holo VEN; iso A, G, US), Venezuela, Mérida, near Tabay, 1800–2000 m.
- Ficus ovalifolia* Pittier (1937) 73, non Ridl. (1916). — *Ficus depressa* Pittier (1943) 258. — Type: *Pittier* 13162 (holo VEN; iso G, US), Venezuela, Trujillo, near El Rosario, road Valera-Timotes, 1200 m.
- Ficus rigidifolia* Pittier (1937) 79. — Type: *Christ* 48 (holo VEN; iso G, US), Venezuela, Trujillo, La Cuchilla.
- Ficus cundinamaricensis* Dugand (1942a) 36. — Type: *Pérez-Arbeláez* 10221 (holo COL; iso COL), Colombia, Cundinamarca, Santander, below El Salto, Río Bogotá, 1600 m.
- Ficus estanislana* Dugand (1942a) 43. — Type: *Hno. Nicéforo & Hno. Estanislao* 3 (holo COL), Colombia, Norte de Santander, Bochalema, 1170 m.
- Ficus machetana* Dugand (1942a) 55. — Type: *Cuatrecasas* 9671 (holo COL; iso F, US), Colombia, Cundinamarca, between Machetá and Guateque, 1800–1900 m.
- Ficus soatensis* Dugand (1942b) 37. — Type: *Cuatrecasas & García-Barriga* 1061 (holo COL; iso F, US), Colombia, Boyacá, Soatá, 2130 m.

Ficus chaponensis Dugand (1942b) 38. — Type: *Lawrance* 273 (holo US; iso A, F, G, MICH, NY), Colombia, Boyacá, region of Mt Chapón, c. 1200 m.

?*Ficus fresnoensis* Dugand (1943b) 272. — Type: *García-Barriga* 8222 (holo COL; iso NY, US), Colombia, Tolima, El Fresno, ‘Cuchilla del Topacio’, 1680 m.

Ficus soatensis Dugand var. *bogotensis* Dugand (1955) 239. — Type: *Duque-Jaramillo* 2940 (holo COL; iso F, US), Colombia. Cundinamarca, Bogotá, Parque de San Diego, 2620 m.

The type of *F. guntheri* J.H. Torres (1985) has not been examined; it might represent a hairy form of subsp. *andicola*.

Distribution — From the Coastal Mountain Range of Venezuela through the Andes to northern Ecuador, also in the Tepui region of Venezuela, southern Ecuador and Central Peru; in montane and submontane forest (or scrub); at altitudes between (500–)1200–3000 m.

Notes — 1. At altitudes below 1500 m on the western slopes of the Andes, this subspecies cannot always be distinguished from the ‘*chocoensis*-form’ of subsp. *americana*.

2. Two informal entities can be recognised. However, in the region where they co-occur, intermediates are numerous:

- a. ‘*lehmanni*-form’ with lamina often longer than 10 cm, fig receptacles 0.8–1.3 cm diam., and basal bracts 2–5 mm long, occurring in the Andean region of Colombia and northern Ecuador, and northern and central Peru, and in the Tepui region of Venezuela;
- b. ‘*maitin*-form’ with lamina often less than 10 cm long, fig receptacles 0.5–0.7 cm diam., and basal bracts 1–3 mm long, occurring in the Coastal Mountain Range of Venezuela to southern Andean Colombia (Cauca).

C. subsp. **greiffiana** (Dugand) C.C. Berg, *comb. & stat. nov.*

Ficus greiffiana Dugand (1942a) 49. — Type: *Cuatrecasas* 8884 (holo COL; iso F, US), Colombia, Caquetá, Florencia, Buenavista.

Distribution — Guyana and French Guiana and northern Amazon Basin to Colombia and Peru, in humid forest at low altitudes.

D. subsp. **guianensis** (Desv.) C.C. Berg, *stat. & comb. nov.*

Ficus guianensis Desv. (1825) 62. — Type: *Martin s.n.?* (holo P), French Guiana, without locality.

?*Ficus clusiifolia* Schott (1827) 409. — *Urostigma clusifolium* (Schott) Miq. (1847) 543. — Type: *Schott s.n.* (holo B), Brazil, without locality.

?*Ficus splendens* Kunth & C.D. Bouché (1847) 14. — Type: Hort. Bot. Berol., origin unknown (holo B, not found, probably represented by material in U, ex Hort. Bot. Berol. 1848 and ex Hort. Berol. 1851).

?*Ficus anacardiifolia* Kunth & C.D. Bouché (1847) 15. — Type: Hort. Bot. Berol., origin unknown (holo B; iso U).

Urostigma mathewsi Miq. (1847) 549. — *Ficus mathewsi* (Miq.) Miq. (1867) 298. — Type: *Mathews* 2059 (holo K, not found in 2001, but see DeWolf (1975) 251), Peru, without locality.

Pharmacosycea parkeriana Miq. (1848) 71. — *Ficus parkeriana* (Miq.) Sandwith (1932) 227. — Type: *Parker s.n.* (holo K; iso E, G), Guyana, Demerara.

Ficus martinii Miq. (1867a) 219. — Type: *Martin s.n.* (holo U; iso B, G, K, L, NY, P, R; the same collection as that of the type of *F. guianensis*?), French Guiana, without locality.

- Ficus umbonigera* Warb. (1903) 480. — Type: *Hart* 1808 (holo not found in B; iso TRIN, US), Trinidad, between Latrea and Irais.
- Ficus grenadensis* Warb. (1903) 481. — Type: *Eggers* 6138 (holo B; iso GH, US), Grenada, near Plaisance.
- Ficus ob lanceolata* Rusby (1907) 446. — Type: *Bang* 2369 (holo NY; iso B, C, F, G, LD, LE, M, MICH, MIN, O, US), Bolivia, Sud Yungas, Coroico.
- Ficus gleasonii* Standl. (1937b) 170. — Type: *De la Cruz* 2396 (holo F; iso GH, K, NY, US), Guyana, Upper Mazaruni River.
- Ficus sprucei* Standl. (1937b) 176. — Type: *Spruce* 2804 (holo F; iso C, COL, E, GH, LE, NY, P), Brazil, Amazonas, Rio Uaupés, near Panuré.
- Ficus myriasycea* Pittier (1937) 75. — Type: *Pittier* 11924 (holo VEN; iso A, US), Venezuela, Distrito Federal, Caruao.
- Ficus niceforoi* Dugand (1942a) 59. — Type: *Hno. Nicéforo s.n.* (holo COL), Colombia, Meta, Villavicencio.
- Ficus vaupesana* Dugand (1942a) 72. — Type: *Cuatrecasas* 7308 (holo COL; iso F, US), Colombia, Vaupés, Río Vaupés, Yuruparí.
- Ficus metensis* Dugand (1943a) 77. — Type: *Cuatrecasas & García-Barriga* 4332 (holo US; iso COL, F), Colombia, Meta, Río Orocué.
- Ficus corpulenta* Pittier (1943) 257. — Type: *Ll. Williams* 15237 (holo VEN; iso US), Venezuela, Amazonas, between Tamatama and Esmeralda, Isla Solitaria.
- Ficus maroana* Pittier (1944) 120. — Type: *Ll. Williams* 14427 (holo VEN; iso G, RB, US), Venezuela, Amazonas, Río Guainía, Maroa.
- Ficus chiribiquetensis* Dugand (1944) 375. — Type: *Schultes* 5445 (holo COL; iso COL, US), Colombia, Vaupés, Río Macaya, Cerro Chiribiquete.
- Ficus erratica* Standl. (1948) 295. — Type: *Fanshawe* 2436 = *FD* 5172 (holo F; iso A, K, NY, U, US), Guyana, Aruka River, Mabaruma.
- Ficus mensalis* Standl. (1948) 297. — Type: *Maguire* 24584 (holo F; iso A, K, MO, NY, U, US), Surinam, Tafelberg, 2 km S of East Ridge.

Distribution — From the Lesser Antilles (Grenada and St. Vincent), Tobago, and Trinidad, to northern South America, westwards to parts of Antioquia and Chocó (Colombia), to the Guianas, the Amazon Basin, and eastern and central Brazil; in humid forest and savannah forest; at low altitudes, or on the eastern slopes of the Andes in submontane forest at altitudes up to 2100 m.

Notes — 1. This subspecies is very variable in size and shape of the lamina, and in the dimensions and shape of the fig receptacle, the length of the peduncle and basal bracts, a variation that allows recognition of three main informal entities:

- a. ‘*mathewsiiform*’ with small figs, mostly 0.3–0.4 cm diam., peduncle 0.1–0.4 cm long, and basal bracts varying from 0.5–4 mm long; the lamina varies from small to large. It is widespread and common in the Amazon Basin, the Guianas, and the lowlands of north-western South America, in humid forest and savannah, at altitudes up to 1000 m, and on the eastern slopes of the Andes, in submontane forest, at altitudes up to 2100 m. This form is quite variable and two subforms can be recognised;
- a'. ‘*sprucei*-subform’ with laminas usually small, up to 10 cm long, the fig receptacle subglobose and small, 0.3–0.4(–0.5) cm diam., and the basal bracts small, 0.5–1 mm long. It is found in the greater part of the range of the form, occurring at altitudes up to 2100 m;
- a". ‘*depressa*-subform’ with laminas small to medium-sized, the fig receptacle depressed-globose, and the basal bracts relatively large, 2–3(–4) mm long. It

is mainly found in the upper Amazon Basin and the foothills of the Andes in Venezuela and from Ecuador (Napo) to Bolivia (Santa Cruz), in Venezuela also in the Amazonas and Bolívar, at altitudes up to 1000 m. Some collections from Bolivia have relatively large basal bracts, but the fig receptacles are not clearly depressed-globose;

- b. ‘*clusiifolia*-form’ with small to medium-sized laminas mostly with rounded to obtuse apices, fig receptacle subglobose, 0.4–0.7 mm long, and basal bracts large, 2–3(–4) mm long. It is found in eastern Brazil (from Pernambuco to Rio de Janeiro);
- c. ‘*parkeriana*-form’ with small to medium-sized laminas, fig receptacle globose, mostly 0.5–1 cm diam., peduncle often longer than 0.4 cm, and basal bracts small, 1–2.5 mm long. It extends from the Lesser Antilles (Grenada and St. Vincent), Tobago, and Trinidad to northern South America, from the Guianas to Colombia (Guajira, Magdalena, Antioquia, and Chocó), the Amazon Basin (mainly the lower and middle part), and Central Brazil, in humid forest, savannah forest, gallery forest, or montane forest (in Bolivia), at altitudes up to 1300 (or 2000) m.

2. *Ficus schippii* Standl., ranging from Belize to Peru (and the adjacent part of Brazil) is also ramiflorous and can usually be distinguished from *F. americana* subsp. *guianensis* ‘*sprucei*-subform’ by the presence of patent yellowish hairs on the midrib of the lamina beneath and/or exfoliating epidermis of the petiole. However, hairs on the midrib may be absent and only the other differentiation character present, and if the latter is weakly developed it is (almost) impossible to distinguish the taxa.

E. subsp. *subapiculata* (Miq.) C.C. Berg, comb. & stat. nov.

Urostigma subapiculatum Miq. (1853) 101. — *Ficus subapiculata* (Miq.) Miq. (1867) 298. — Type: *R. Spruce* 949 (holo U; iso G, LE, M), Brazil, Amazonas, Manaus.

Distribution — French Guiana and the northern part of the Amazon Basin westwards to Colombia and Ecuador; in humid forest; at altitudes up to 1200 m.

2. FICUS AUREA COMPLEX

The naming of Central American and Mexican herbarium material was linked to the preparation of a treatment of *F. aurea* for Flora Mesoamericana and because of the variation, informal entities were distinguished, but for the Caribbean material it was not necessary because of the uniformity of the material.

***Ficus aurea* Nutt.**

Ficus aurea Nutt. (1846) 4, t. 43, nom. cons. — Type: *Blodgett s.n.* (holo BM; iso NY), USA, Florida, Key West.

Ficus ciliolosa Link (1822) 450, nom. rej. prop. — Type: *Hort. Bot. Berol.* (holo B; iso NY), origin unknown.

Ficus aurea Nutt. var. *latifolia* Nutt. (1846) 4. — Type: *Blodgett s.n.* (holo BM), USA, Florida, Key West.

Ficus venusta Kunth & C.D. Bouché (1847) 16. — *Urostigma venustum* (Kunth & C.D. Bouché) Miq. (1847) 538. — Type: *Hort. Bot. Berol.*, origin unknown (holo B; iso U).

Urostigma tecolutense Liebm. (1851) 324. — *Ficus tecolutensis* (Liebm.) Miq. (1867) 299. — Type: *Liebmann* 14335 (holo C; iso B; iso fragments F, GH, K), Mexico, Veracruz, Río Tecoluta, Sepillo.

Ficus dimidiata Griseb. (1859) 151. — Type: *Wullschlaegel* 1368 (holo GOET), Jamaica, Manchester.

Urostigma warczewiczii Miq. (1862) 410. — *Ficus warczewiczii* (Miq.) Miq. (1867) 298. — Type: *Warzewicz* s.n. (holo U), Guatemala, without locality.

Ficus tuerckheimii Standl. (1917) 13. — Type: *Pittier* 16149 (holo US; iso B, NY), Costa Rica, La Fortuna, Volcan de Irazú, 1575 m.

Ficus isophlebia Standl. (1917) 14. — Type: *Pittier* 2821 (holo US), Panama, Chiriquí, near David.

Ficus jimenezii Standl. (1917) 14. — Type: *Tonduz & O. Jiménez* 17536 (holo US; iso GH), Costa Rica, near San José.

Ficus cookii Standl. (1917) 15. — Type: *Cook* 73 (holo US), Mexico, Chiapas, San Vincente.

Ficus lundellii Standl. (1935) 54. — Type: *Lundell* 3406 (holo F; iso MICH, S, US), Guatemala, Petén, La Libertad.

Ficus cabusana Standl. & Steyermark (1940) 226. — Type: *Steyermark* 37583 (holo F), Guatemala, San Marcos, Río Cabús, Potrero Matasán, Finca 'El Porvenir', 1000–1300 m.

Ficus laterisyce W.C. Burger (1973) 426. — Type: *Lent* 2972 (holo F; iso U, US), Costa Rica, Cartago, Río Pejibaye, 2 km SW of Taus.

Ficus mayana Lundell (1975) 157. — Type: *Lundell & Contreras* 19266 (holo LL; iso BM, K, F, S), Guatemala, Petén, La Cumbre.

Ficus rigidula Lundell (1975) 159. — Type: *Breedlove* 9568 (holo LL), Mexico, Chiapas, near Tuxtla Gutierrez, 600 m.

Ficus rzedowskiana Carvajal & Cuevas-Figueroa (2003), of which type material has not been examined, might be included in synonymy.

Ficus sapotifolia Kunth & C.D. Bouché (1847) 17. — Type: Hort. Berol., origin unknown (holo B), has been included in the synonymy of *F. aurea*, as by Fawcett & Rendle (1914). The type proved to belong to *F. obliqua* G. Forst. (Berg & Villavicencio, 2004; Berg & Corner, 2005).

Distribution — USA (Florida), Bahama Archipelago, Caicos Islands, Greater Antilles (Hispaniola, Cuba, Jamaica), Little and Grand Cayman, San Andrés, southern Mexico, and Central America (to Panama); in various types of vegetation; at altitudes up to 1800 m.

Note — This species is extremely variable in shape and dimensions of the leaves. It is variable in the size of the receptacles and basal bracts. The following ± contrasting morphological features can be indicated: lamina oblong to elliptic with cuneate to rounded base vs cordiform to elliptic with cordate to rounded base; lamina small (up to c. 10 cm) vs large (longer than 10 cm); figs 0.6–0.8 cm vs 1–1.2 mm; figs sessile vs pedunculate (only found in the northern part of Mesoamerica). Large figs usually have large basal bracts, small figs have relatively small to large basal bracts. None of the morphs can be related to certain habitats or altitudes. Taking into account the extremes in the variation, one can recognise four informal entities:

- a. 'aurea-form' with the lamina oblong to elliptic, up to 10 cm long, base cuneate to rounded; figs 0.6–0.8 cm diam., sessile or pedunculate;
- b. 'tuerckheimii-form' with the lamina oblong to elliptic, longer than 10 cm, base cuneate to rounded; figs 1–1.2 cm diam., sessile;
- c. 'isophlebia-form' with the lamina cordiform to ovate, base cordate to rounded; figs c. 1 cm diam., sessile;
- d. 'cookii-form' with the lamina cordiform to ovate, base cordate to rounded; figs c. 1 cm diam., pedunculate.

3. FICUS CITRIFOLIA COMPLEX

In attempts to distinguish as long as possible morphological entities to the best of my capability I have applied in the past the following names:

- *Ficus amazonica* for material with small leaves and figs, mainly in the Guianas and adjacent parts of the continent and Trinidad;
- *Ficus brittonii* for material with small leaves and figs in Curaçao, and dry parts of north-eastern Colombia and north-western Venezuela;
- *Ficus citrifolia* for most of the material from the West Indies, Central America and the Pacific coastal region of South America;
- *Ficus dugandii* for specimens with a ± clearly cuneate base of the lamina and obovoid figs in north-western South America, Panama, and Costa Rica;
- *Ficus eximia* for material with large leaves and figs in the lowlands of South America, eastwards to Guyana and southwards to Argentina, and, moreover, in Panama;
- *Ficus subandina* for montane Andean material with large, often shortly pedunculate figs from Colombia to Bolivia.

A recent study of the type of *F. eximia* Schott (1827), however, made it clear that the name has to be applied for the species until recently named *F. glabra* Vell. (1831).

Some closely related species: *Ficus krukovi* Standl. can be reasonably well distinguished. The lack of sufficient collections makes the status of *F. cremersii* C.C. Berg slightly doubtful. *Ficus aripuanensis* C.C. Berg & Kooy had to be reduced to a synonym of *F. donnell-smithii* Standl.

***Ficus citrifolia* Mill.**

Ficus citrifolia Mill. (1768), nom. conserv. — *Ficus catesbaei* Steud. (1840) 635., nom illeg. — Type: Anonymus in herb. Miller (holo BM), West Indies (?).

Ficus caribea Jacq. (1767) 30, nom. rej. — Type: Heller 6330 (neo L), Puerto Rico, Adjuntas, 5 miles from Ponce.

Ficus pedunculata Aiton (1789) 450. — *Urostigma pedunculatum* (Aiton) Miq. (1847) 540. — *Ficus populnea* var. *laevigata* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *pedunculata* (Aiton) Warb. (1903) 475. — Type: [icon] Plukenet, Phytographia (1692) t. 178, f. 4.

Ficus laevigata Vahl (1805) 183. — *Urostigma laevigatum* (Vahl) Miq. (1847) 539. — *Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *laevigata* (Vahl) Warb. (1903) 474. — Type: West s.n. (holo C), St. Croix, without locality.

Ficus lentiginosa Vahl (1805) 183. — *Urostigma lentiginosum* (Vahl) Liebm. (1851) 323. — *Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Warb. (1903) 476. — *Ficus laevigata* Vahl var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Urb. (1905) 198. — Type: Ryan s.n. (holo C), Montserrat, without locality.

Ficus populnea Willd. (1806) 1141. — *Urostigma populneum* (Willd.) Miq. (1847) 537. — Type: ex. Hort. Paris (holo B-W), origin unknown.

Ficus gigantea Kunth (1817) 49. — *Urostigma giganteum* (Kunth) Miq. (1847) 530. — Type: Von Humboldt & Bonpland s.n. (or 722) (holo P; iso B), Venezuela, near Caracas.

Ficus rubrinervis Link (1822) 448. — Type: Hort. Bot. Berol. (holo B), Brazil.

?*Ficus oblongata* Link (1822) 449. — Type: Anonymus s.n. (holo B), Brazil?, without locality.

Ficus pedunculata Aiton. var. *acuta* Nutt. (1846) 2. — Type: Anonymus in herb. Nuttall (holo BM), USA, Florida, Key West.

Ficus brevifolia Nutt. (1846) 3. — *Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *brevifolia* (Nutt.) Warb. (1903) 473. — *Ficus laevigata* Vahl var. *brevifolia* (Nutt.) Rossberg (1935) 583. — *Ficus citrifolia* Mill. var. *brevifolia* (Nutt.) D'Arcy (1973) 116. — *Ficus citrifolia* Mill. subsp. *brevifolia* (Nutt.) E. Murray (1983) 6. — Type: Anonymus in herb. Nuttall (holo BM), USA, Florida, Key West.

- Ficus botryapioides* Kunth & C.D. Bouché (1847) 15. — Type: Hort. Bot. Berol. (holo B), Mexico.
- Ficus umbrifera* Kunth & C.D. Bouché (1847) 18. — *Ficus populooides* Warb. forma *umbrifera* (Kunth & C.D. Bouché) Warb. (1903) 480. — Type: Hort. Bot. Berol. (holo B), origin unknown.
- Ficus syringifolia* Kunth & C.D. Bouché (1847) 35. — *Urostigma syringifolium* (Kunth & C.D. Bouché) Miq. (1847) 535. — *Ficus populooides* Warb. forma *syringifolia* (Kunth & C.D. Bouché) Warb. (1903) 480. — Type: Hort. Bot. Berol. (holo B), Venezuela, Caracas, Feb 1846.
- Urostigma leucostictum* Miq. (1847) 535. — *Ficus leucosticta* (Miq.) Miq. (1867b) 297, non Spreng. (1826). — Type: Parker s.n. (holo K), Guyana, Demarara.
- Urostigma amazonicum* Miq. (1847) 541. — *Ficus amazonica* (Miq.) Miq. (1867b) 298. — Type: Von Martius s.n. (holo M; iso U), Brazil. ‘Prov. Rio Negro’, Amazon River.
- Urostigma angustifolium* Miq. (1847) 541. — *Ficus angustifolia* (Miq.) Miq. (1867b) 298. — Type: Parker s.n. (holo K), Guyana, Demerara.
- Urostigma sancti-crucis* Liebm. (1851) 328. — *Ficus sancti-crucis* (Liebm.) Miq. (1867b) 299. — *Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *laevigata* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *sancti-crucis* (Liebm.) Warb. (1903) 475. — Type: Oersted s.n. (holo C), St. Croix, without locality.
- Ficus eximia* Schott var. *cubensis* Miq. (1867b) 297. — Type: *Anonymous* in herb. Lips 48 (holo U), Cuba, without locality.
- Ficus thomaeae* Miq. (1867b) 299. — *Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *laevigata* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *thomaeae* (Miq.) Warb. (1903) 474. — Type: Ehrenberg 236 (holo?, B), St. Thomas, without locality.
- Ficus surinamensis* Miq. (1867a) 219. — Type: Kegel 186 (lecto U; isolepto C?, P), Surinam, near plantation Quarta.
- Ficus portoricensis* Urb. (1900) 472. — *Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *laevigata* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *portoricensis* (Urb.) Warb. (1903) 474. — *Ficus laevigata* Vahl subvar. *portoricensis* (Urb.) Urb. (1905) 198. — Type: Sintenis 5037 (holo not found in B; iso G, GH, LD, M, NY, S, US), Puerto Rico, near Jabucoa.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *bahamensis* Warb. (1903) 473. — Type: Eggers 3800 (lecto G; isolepto M, P), Bahamas, Hog Island.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *brevifolia* (Nutt.) Warb. subvar. *cubana* Warb. (1903) 473. — Type: Wright 544 (lecto G; isolepto NY), Cuba, without locality.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *brevifolia* (Nutt.) Warb. subvar. *floridana* Warb. (1903) 473. — Type: Curtiss 2548 (holo B; iso LE), USA, Florida, Meig’s Key.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *laevigata* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *sancti-eustachii* Warb. (1903) 475. — Syn-types: *Suringar* s.n. (not found in B), St. Eustatius, Klif, Fairplay; *Suringar* s.n. (not found in B), St. Martin, without locality.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *laevigata* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *sancti-joannis* Warb. (1903) 475. — Syn-types: Eggers 3094 (not found in B), St. John, Klein Carmel Bay; Eggers 3260 (not found in B), St. John, Küstenberg.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *laevigata* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *hispaniolae* Warb. (1903) 476. — *Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *hispaniolae* (Warb.) Urb. (1920) 168. — *Ficus laevigata* Vahl var. *hispaniolae* (Warb.) Rossberg (1935) 583. — Type: Bertero s.n. (lecto G), Dominican Republic, without locality.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *subcordata* Warb. (1903) 476. — *Ficus laevigata* Vahl var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Urb. subvar. *subcordata* (Warb.) Urb. (1905) 198. — Type: Sintenis 4411 (lecto L; isolepto G, GH, LD, LE, P), Puerto Rico, Adjuntas.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *cerasicarpa* Warb. (1903) 477. — *Ficus laevigata* Vahl var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Urb. subvar. *cerasicarpa* (Warb.) Stehlé, M. Stehlé & L. Quentin (1938) 180. — Type: Duss 2197 (not found in B), Guadeloupe, without locality.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *obliquicuspis* Warb. (1903) 477. — *Ficus laevigata* Vahl var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Urb. subvar. *obliquicuspis* (Warb.) Urb. (1905) 198. — Type: Bertero s.n. (lecto G), Puerto Rico, without locality.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *reticulosa* Warb. (1903) 477. — *Ficus laevigata* Vahl var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Urb. subvar. *reticulosa* (Warb.) Stehlé, M. Stehlé & L. Quentin (1938) 181. — Type: Plée s.n. (holo not found in B), Martinique, without locality.

- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *subdepressa* Warb. (1903) 477. — *Ficus laevigata* Vahl var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Urb. subvar. *subdepressa* (Warb.) Stehlé, M. Stehlé & L. Quentin (1938) 180. — Type: *Bertero s.n.* (not found in B), Guadeloupe, without locality.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *subpyriformis* Warb. (1903) 477. — *Ficus laevigata* Vahl var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Urb. subvar. *subpyriformis* (Warb.) Stehlé, M. Stehlé & L. Quentin (1938) 180. — Type: *Bertero s.n.* (not found in B), Guadeloupe, without locality.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *crassipetiolata* Warb. (1903) 478. — *Ficus laevigata* Vahl var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Urb. subvar. *crassipetiolata* (Warb.) Stehlé, M. Stehlé & L. Quentin (1938) 181. — Type: *Hahn 1466* (lecto B; isolecto G, P), Martinique, Fort Boulet.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *diversifolia* Warb. (1903) 478. — Type: *Broadway 1413* (holo not found in B), Grenada, without locality.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *flavicosta* Warb. (1903) 478. — Type: *Eggers 6697* (lecto US; isolecto P), St. Vincent, St. Andrews.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *longipetiolata* Warb. (1903) 478. — Type: *Rob. Schomburgk 19* (holo not found in B), Barbados, without locality.
- Ficus populnea* Willd. var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Warb. subvar. *subcuspidata* Warb. (1903) 478. — *Ficus lentiginosa* Vahl var. *subcuspidata* (Warb.) Domin (1930) 47. — *Ficus laevigata* Vahl var. *lentiginosa* (Vahl) Urb. subvar. *subcuspidata* (Warb.) Stehlé, M. Stehlé & L. Quentin (1938) 181. — Syntypes: *Duss s.n.* (not found in B), Dominica, without locality; *Duss s.n.* (not found in B), Martinique, without locality; *Ramage s.n.* (not found in B), Dominica, without locality.
- Ficus populooides* Warb. (1903) 479. — Type: *Combs 366* (lecto P), Cuba, Cienfuegos, near Ciene-guita.
- Ficus populooides* Warb. var. *dilatata* Warb. (1903) 480. — Type: *Jaeger 189* (lecto B; isolecto E, H, LE, M), Haiti, Port-au-Prince.
- Ficus populooides* Warb. var. *elongata* Warb. (1903) 480. — Type: *Eggers 5435* (holo B; iso M, P, US), Cuba, Río Purial.
- Ficus populooides* Warb. var. *maculosa* Warb. (1903) 480. — Type: *Wright 1686* (lecto B; isolecto G, GH, P, US), Cuba, without locality.
- Ficus brittonii* Bold. (1914) 20. — Type: *Boldingh 5342* (lecto U; isolecto NY), Curaçao, Hofje Hato.
- Ficus eximia* Schott forma *paraguariensis* Hassl. (1919) 125. — Type: *Hassler 12102* (lecto G; isolecto BAF n.v., NY), Paraguay, Lake Yparacay.
- Ficus guaranitica* Chodat (1920) 254. — Type: *Balansa 1986* (lecto G; isolecto P), Paraguay, near Asuncion.
- Ficus lentiginosa* Vahl var. *imrayana* Domin (1930) 48. — Type: *Imray 290* (not traced), Dominica, without locality.
- Ficus dugandii* Standl. (1932) 20. — Type: *Dugand 27* (holo F; iso COL, G, US), Colombia, Atlántico, near Galapa.
- Ficus turbinata* Pittier (1937) 61, non Willd. (1806), nec (Liebm.) Miq. (1867). — Type: *Pittier 12277* (holo VEN; iso B, F, G, M, MO, US), Venezuela, Distrito Federal, above Antimano, trail to Aguas Negras, 1200 m.
- Ficus expansa* Pittier (1937) 63. — Type: *Pittier 12421* (holo VEN; iso G, M, US), Venezuela, Distrito Federal, road Caracas-La Guiara, Quebrada de El Paují.
- Ficus glandulosa* Pittier (1937) 70. — Type: *Pittier 12186* (holo VEN; iso A, G, US), Venezuela, Aragua, Chuao.
- Ficus guanarensis* Pittier (1937) 71. — Type: *Pittier 12077* (holo VEN; iso A, G, LE, US), Venezuela, Portuguesa, near Guanare.
- Ficus ruiziana* Standl. (1937a) 307. — Type: *Macbride 5795* (holo F; iso US), Peru, Junín, La Merced, 1200 m.
- Ficus foveolata* Pittier (1941) 133, non (Miq.) Miq. (1867). — *Ficus foveata* Pittier (1943) 258. — Type: *Tamayo 968* (holo VEN; iso US), Venezuela, Falcón, Pueblo Nuevo, Paraguaná.
- Ficus caucana* Dugand (1942a) 34. — Type: *Pérez-Arbeláez & Cuatrecasas 6009* (holo COL; iso F, US), Colombia, Cauca, Popayán, near Venta de Cajibío, 1760 m.
- Ficus subandina* Dugand (1942a) 66. — Type: *Dugand & Jaramillo M 2954* (holo COL; iso F, US), Colombia, Cundinamarca, between El Salto and El Colegio, ‘Santibar’ 1650–1700 m.

Ficus manicariarum Standl. (1948) 297. — Type: *Fanshawe* 2434 = FD 5170 (holo F; iso K, NY, US), Guyana, Aruka River, Mabaruma.

Ficus gentlei Lundell (1961) 116. — Type: *Gentle* 4739 (holo LL; iso LL, S), Belize, Toledo, Río Grande.

Distribution — USA (Florida), West Indies, Mexico, and through Central America to northern Argentina; in humid to dry types of forest (or on coral rocks); at altitudes up to 2100 m.

Notes — 1. The species is highly variable. In order to indicate the extremes and the distribution of the variation, informal entities can be applied in accordance with the species names listed above: ‘amazonica-form’, ‘brittonii-form’, etc. The misapplied epithet *eximia* is to be replaced by *guaranitica*: ‘*guaranitica*-form’.

2. *Ficus leucosticta* (Miq.) Miq., *F. manicariarum* Standl., *Urostigma leucostictum* Miq., in some publications (Berg, 1992; Berg & Simonis, 2000) treated as synonyms of *F. paludica* Standl. (1948), have been transferred to *F. citrifolia* (Berg & Villavicencio, 2004).

4. FICUS PERTUSA COMPLEX

Because of the numerous intermediates between the various forms most of the material has been identified just as *F. pertusa*, but in the past other names have also been applied:

- *Ficus padifolia* for material with large figs;
- *Ficus broadwayi* for material with relatively large leaves and firmly coriaceous leaves from north-eastern South America and Trinidad has been identified, but occurrence of rather similar material, e.g., in Amazonian Peru, made distinction as species not maintainable.

Within the broad *F. pertusa* several informal entities can be distinguished (see below).

Other species which have been linked to this complex as *F. lauretana* Vázq. Avila, *F. pallida* Vahl, and *F. schumacheri* (Liebm.) Griseb. (see Berg et al., 1986) can be readily distinguished.

Ficus pertusa L.f.

Ficus pertusa L.f. (1782) 442. — *Urostigma pertusum* (L.f.) Miq. (1847) 548. — Type: *Dahlberg* s.n. (holo LINN.1240.9), Surinam.

Ficus padifolia Kunth (1817) 47. — *Urostigma padifolium* (Kunth) Liebm. (1851) 324. — Type: *Von Humboldt & Bonpland* s.n. (or 3885) (holo P; iso B), Mexico, Guerrero, near Acapulco.

Ficus complicata Kunth (1817) 48. — *Urostigma complicatum* (Kunth) Liebm. (1851) 325. — Type: *Von Humboldt & Bonpland* s.n. (or 3975) (holo P; iso B), Mexico, near Guasintla and Puente de Istla (or Isla?), c. 1000 m.

Ficus myrifolia Link (1822) 450. — Type: Hort. Bot. Berol. s.n. (holo B; iso? U), origin unknown.

Ficus lancifolia Hook. & Arn. (1838) 310. — *Urostigma lancifolium* (Hook. & Arn.) Miq. (1847) 538. — Type: *Beechey* s.n. (holo K), Mexico, Nayarit, near Tepic.

Ficus subtriplinervia Mart. (1841) 67. — *Urostigma subtriplinervium* (Mart.) Miq. (1847) 542. — *Ficus prinooides* Willd. var. *subtriplinervia* (Mart.) Kuntze (1898) 294. — Type: *Von Martius* 584 (holo M; iso B, F, G, K, L, LE, NY, P, U?), Brazil, Mato Grosso, Cuiabá.

Ficus arpazusa Casar. (1842) 10. — Type: *Casaretto* s.n. (holo TO n.v.), Brazil, near Rio de Janeiro.

- ?*Ficus cerasifolia* Kunth & C.D. Bouché (1847) 16. — Type: Hort. Bot. Berol. (holo B; iso U), origin unknown.
- Ficus planicostata* Kunth & C.D. Bouché (1847) 16. — *Ficus populnea* Willd. forma *planicostata* (Kunth & C.D. Bouché) Warb. (1903) 479. — Type: Hort. Bot. Berol. s.n. (holo B; iso U), origin unknown.
- Urostigma populneum* (Willd.) Miq. forma *mexicanum* Miq. (1847) 537. — Type: Beechey s.n. (in herb. Hooker) (holo K), Mexico, Acapulco.
- Urostigma schiedeanum* Miq. (1847) 539. — Type: Schiede & Deppe 1116 (holo U; iso B, K, LE), Mexico, Veracruz, near Papantla, Hda. La Laguna.
- Urostigma erythrostictum* Miq. (1847) 540. — *Ficus erythrosticta* (Miq.) Miq. (1867b) 298. — Type: Parker s.n. (holo K), Guyana, Demerara.
- Urostigma cestrifolium* (Schott) Miq. var. *major* Miq. (1847) 541. — Type: Von Martius s.n. (holo U), Brazil, 'In sylvis arborealibus Paraensibus'.
- Urostigma geminum* Miq. (1847) 547. — *Ficus gemina* (Miq.) Miq. (1867b) 298. — Type: Ruiz s.n. (holo U; iso B, BR, G, P), Peru, without locality (or Pozuzo?).
- Pharmacosycea laurifolia* Miq. (1848) 71. — *Ficus daphniphylla* Miq. (1867b) 300. — Type: Von Martius s.n. (lecto M; isolecto B, U), Brazil, 'Prov. Rio Negro', Rio Japurá.
- Pharmacosycea peruviana* Miq. (1848) 72. — *Ficus peruviana* (Miq.) Rossberg (1937) 61. — Type: Mathews 2061 (holo K; iso E), Peru, without locality.
- Urostigma baccatum* Liebm. (1851) 327. — *Ficus baccata* (Liebm.) Miq. (1867b) 299. — Type: Liebm 14309 (holo C; iso F, P), Mexico, Oaxaca, near Tehuantepec, Hda. Santa Cruz.
- Urostigma sapidum* Liebm. (1851) 327. — *Ficus sapida* (Liebm.) Miq. (1867b) 298. — Type: Oersted 14327 (lecto C), Costa Rica, near Escarú.
- Urostigma turbinatum* Liebm. (1851) 328. — *Ficus turbinata* (Liebm.) Miq. (1867b) 298, non Willd. (1806), nec Pittier (1937). — Type: Liebm 14336 (holo C; iso GH, K, LE, P, U), Mexico, Oaxaca, Guatulco.
- Urostigma rolanderi* Liebm. (1851) 329. — *Ficus rolanderi* (Liebm.) Miq. (1867b) 298. — Type: Rolander s.n. (holo C; iso B), Surinam, without locality.
- Urostigma subtriplinervium* (Mart.) Miq. forma *major* Miq. (1853) 99. — Type: Gardner 4354 (lecto K), Brazil, Goiás, between São Domingos and 'Katte'.
- Ficus suffocans* Griseb. (1859) 150. — Type: March 682 (lecto NY; isolecto GH, K), Jamaica, without locality.
- Ficus ochroleuca* Griseb. (1859) 151. — Type: March 1449 (holo GOET), Jamaica, without locality.
- Urostigma sulcipes* Miq. (1862) 413. — *Ficus sulcipes* (Miq.) Miq. (1867) 298. — Type: Schiede & Deppe 1091 (holo U; iso B), Mexico, near Atlacomulco.
- Ficus sonorae* S. Watson (1889) 78. — Type: Palmer 92 (holo GH; iso K, NY, US), Mexico, Sonora, Guaymas.
- Ficus fasciculata* S. Watson (1889) 78, non Benth. (1873), nec King (1888). — Type: Palmer 646 (holo GH; iso GH, NY, US), Mexico, Sonora, Guaymas.
- Ficus grabhamii* Britton (1914) 51. — Type: Harris & Britton 10547 (lecto NY; isolecto K, P), Jamaica, Silver Hill to Hardware Gap.
- Ficus halliana* Britton (1914) 51. — Type: Harris & Britton 10765 (holo NY; iso B, US), Jamaica, John Crow (Blake) Mountains.
- Ficus morantensis* Britton (1914) 51. — Type: Britton 4115 (holo NY; iso BM, NY), Jamaica, St. Thomas, Morant Point.
- Urostigma subtriplinervium* (Mart.) Miq. forma *ellipticum* Herzog (1915) 75. — *Ficus elliptica* (Herzog) Herter (1940) 151, non Kunth (1817). — Type: Herzog 1398 (holo L; iso G), Bolivia, Santa Cruz, near Santa Cruz de la Sierra.
- Ficus broadwayi* Urb. (1917) 110. — Type: Broadway 4382 (holo B; iso E, F, G, GH, K, L, US), Tobago, near Lambeau.
- Ficus mendelsonii* Britton (1922) 330. — Type: Britton, Hazen & Mendelson 879 (holo NY; iso US), Trinidad, between North Post and Maqueiripe.
- Ficus tapajozensis* Standl. (1933) 11. — Type: Capucho 381 (holo F), Brazil, Pará, Tapajós region, Boa Vista.

- Ficus palmicida* Pittier (1937) 69. — Type: *Pittier 12324* (holo VEN; iso A, M, NY, US), Venezuela, Guárico, La Cruz Rubiera.
- Ficus kanukuensis* Standl. (1939) 174. — Type: *A.C. Smith 3143* (holo F; iso A, B, G, K, LE, MO, NY, P, S, U, US), Guyana, Kanuku Mts.
- Ficus garcesii* Dugand (1942a) 45. — Type: *Garcés O. 4* (holo COL; iso COL, F, US), Colombia, Valle, between Palmira and Cerrito, Hda. El Trejito, 1000 m.
- Ficus trachelosyce* Dugand (1942a) 69. — Type: *Hno. Elias 682* (holo US), Colombia, Atlántico, Piojo.
- Ficus savannarum* Standl. (1948) 298. — Type: *Maguire & Fanshawe 23292* (holo F; iso A, K, MO, NY, P, US), Guyana, Kaieteur Plateau.

Distribution — From southern Mexico through Central America to Jamaica and in South America to western Ecuador, the Guianas, eastern Brazil, and Paraguay; in wet to dry (evergreen to deciduous) forest; at altitudes up to 2000 m.

Note — The following informal entities can be distinguished:

- a. ‘*pertusa*-form’ with figs 0.4–1 cm diam. without protracted apex and laminas mostly up to 10 cm long, occurring in the greater part of the species range;
- b. ‘*subtriplinervia*-form’ with figs (mostly) 0.3–0.4 cm diam. and laminas smaller than on average in the ‘*pertusa*-form’ and the figs shortly pedunculate, occurring in Central Brazil;
- c. ‘*padifolia*-form’ with figs 1–2 cm diam. without protracted apex and the opening to the sunken ostiole narrow, the lamina usually larger than in the ‘*pertusa*-form’, occurring in Mexico and Central America and in South America mainly in the western part of the continent, also in Central Brazil;
- d. ‘*arpazuasa*-form’, largely similar to the ‘*padifolia*-form’ but the opening to the ostiole crateriform and with a ‘glandular’ margin, confined to eastern Brazil (Bahia to Rio Grande do Sul);
- e. ‘*broadwayi*-form’ distinct from the co-occurring ‘*pertusa*-form’ in the larger figs (1–2 cm diam.) on longer peduncles and in larger (10–20 cm long), usually firmly coriaceous laminas, ranging from Trinidad and Tobago through the Guianas to eastern Brazil;
- f. ‘*trachylosyce*-form’ with small to large figs of which the apex protracted up to 1 cm long, from Central America to north-western South America.

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