

(029) Proposal to add a new Example after Article 9.1

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From Art. 9 Ex. 2 of the *Shenzhen Code* (Turland & al. in *Regnum Veg.* 159. 2018) it could be wrongly assumed that for a Linnaean name there cannot be a holotype. However, a very few Linnaean names do have holotypes (see Jarvis, *Order out of Chaos*: 16. 2007). One such example is *Calycanthus praecox* L. In the protologue of *C. praecox* (Sp. Pl., ed. 2: 718. 1762), Linnaeus cited an illustration by Kaempfer (Amoen. Exot. Fasc.: 879. 1712) and stated that the plant was unknown to him (“*Ignota mihi*”). There is a specimen in the Linnaean Herbarium at LINN, Herb. Linnaeus No. 660.2, which is annotated by Linnaeus with “*praecox*” at the bottom of the sheet and “*india*” beneath the right-hand plant on the sheet (<http://linnaean-online.org/4901/>), but, according to Nicely (in *Castanea* 30: 74. 1965), “The specimen (No. 660.2) in the Linnaean Herbarium, referred to as *praecox* by Savage (1945), is probably *Calycanthus floridus* [L.] on the basis of my observations of the I.D.C. Microfiche No. 346.” Linnaeus’s annotation of the specimen apparently contradicts his statements in the protologue of *C. praecox*: “*Habitat in Japonia*” and “*Ignota mihi*”. A possible explanation is that the specimen came into Linnaeus’s possession after the publication of *C. praecox*. In any case, the specimen can hardly be considered to be original material for the name.

We also note the comment by Jarvis (*Order out of Chaos*: 17. 2007): “*Calycanthus praecox* L. (1762: 718), however, is arguably an example of a Linnaean name with a holotype because Linnaeus

stated that the plant was unknown to him (“*Ignota mihi*”), and cited as the sole source of information a description and illustration (p. 879) from Engelbert Kaempfer’s *Amoenitatum Exoticarum* (1712). Kaempfer’s illustration is the holotype of this name.”

We therefore feel it would be better if this Example is included in the *Code*.

(029) Add a new Example after Art. 9.1:

“*Ex. n.* In the protologue of *Calycanthus praecox* L. (Sp. Pl., ed. 2: 718. 1762), Linnaeus did not designate a type and cited only one element, an illustration by Kaempfer (Amoen. Exot. Fasc.: 879. 1712); he also stated that the plant was unknown to him (“*Ignota mihi*”). This is evidence establishing that Linnaeus, when preparing the protologue, used only Kaempfer’s illustration, which must therefore be accepted as the holotype.”

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(030–033) Proposals regarding lectotypes, neotypes, and epitypes (amendments to Articles 9 and 10)

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Various lectotype rules appear in numerous places in the *Code* (Turland & al. in *Regnum Veg.* 159. 2018), often without cross-reference. At best, this is inconvenient; at worst, this may result in an ineffective designation by those who are not well-versed in the intricacies of the *Code*.

Briefly, Art. 9.3 defines a lectotype as a specimen designated from the original material, in conformity with Art. 9.11, if one of three conditions is met. Article 9.11 then repeats the same three conditions (and adds that a lectotype can also be designated if a previously designated lectotype is lost or destroyed) and states that, if they are met, a