



***Rubus tetsunii*, a replacement name for the Chinese *R. lobatus* T. T. Yu & L. T. Lu (Rosaceae)**

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Rubus Linnaeus (1753: 492), consisting of approximately 700 species, is one of the largest genera in the Rosaceae and is found in all continents except Antarctica (Lu & Boufford 2003). The genus *Rubus* is a taxonomically notoriously complex one, and species circumscription is complicated by hybridization, polyploidy, agamospermy, and lack of a universal species concept (Weber 1996).

In 1982, Yu & Lu (1982: 464) proposed the name *Rubus lobatus* for a species endemic to the southern China, and placed it in sect. *Dalibardastrum* (Focke 1910: 39) T. T. Yu & L. T. Lu (1982: 463). However, the name *R. lobatus* had been previously used by Kupcsok (1907: 256) for a different European species, and was indexed by *Supplement IV* of *Index Kewensis* (Prain 1913). Thus *R. lobatus* T. T. Yu & L. T. Lu is a later homonym of *R. lobatus* Kupcsok and is therefore illegitimate. A new name, *R. tetsunii* Huan C. Wang & H. Sun, is proposed here.

Rubus tetsunii* Huan C. Wang & H. Sun, *nom. nov.

Replaced name: *Rubus lobatus* Yu & Lu (1982: 464), *nom. illeg.*, non *Rubus lobatus* Kupcsok (1907: 256).

Type:—CHINA. Guangxi: Rong County, on the way from Tonghe village to Tiantanshan, 23 June 1956, S. Q. Chen 9494 (holotype PE!; isotypes IBK!, KUN!, LBG!).

Paratypes:—CHINA. Guangxi: Cangwu County, Tongluoshan, 22 July 1956, S. Q. Chen 10004 (IBK, IBSC, KUN, LBG, PE); Longsheng County, 26 August 1957, H. F. Tan & Z. T. Li 71085 (IBK, ISBC); Dingyi County, Shierbu village, 9 August 1958, Y. K. Li 400953 (IBK, ISBC); *ibid.*, 18 September 1958, Y. K. Li 401632 (IBK). Guangdong: Liannan County, on the way from Futang village to Panshi village, 2 July 1958, P. X. Tan 58507 (IBSC, KUN, NAS, PE); Yangshan County, Goulongping, 22 July 1936, L. Deng 133 (ISBC).

Etymology:—The epithet honors the Chinese botanist Tetsun Yu for his outstanding contributions to the research of Chinese Rosaceae.

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