P. Siebertiana Hort. Sander, Gardeners’ Chronicle, series 3, 43: 257 and Supplementary Illustration, Apr. 25, 1903 = ?

The description accompanying this name is of a juvenile plant and is so general that not even the genus can be properly ascertained. The name should be rejected from future consideration since there appears to be no further description with detail requisite for generic assignment.

**Rhopaloblaste**

\[ R. arfakiana = Heterospathe arfakiana \]

\[ R. Elmeri = Heterospathe Elmeri \]

\[ R. intermedia = Heterospathe sp. \]

\[ R. Macgregorii = Heterospathe Macgregorii \]

\[ R. micrantha = Heterospathe micrantha \] but see also Rhopaloblaste dyscrita

\[ R. microcarpa = Heterospathe sp. \]


The description, if such it can be called, cannot be applied even at the generic level. The name should be rejected from future consideration.

**Heterospathe**

**Heterospathe arfakiana** (Beccari) H. E. Moore, tr. nov.

*Ptychosperma arfakianum* Beccari, Malesia 1: 57, 101. 1877 (‘arfakiana’).

Rhopaloblaste \[ ? arfakiana \] (Beccari) Beccari ex Martelli, Nuovo Giornale Botanico Italiano, series 2, 42: 76. 81. 1935.

Mature fruit of certain origin is not part of the type (Beccari Hb. No. 11187) but the nature of the inflorescence, the nervature and acute apices of the pinnae, together with the morphology of the staminate flowers in combination are congruent neither with *Ptychosperma* nor with *Rhopaloblaste*. They are congruent with *Heterospathe* as are fruits from a separate packet in the Beccari Herbarium (No. 11163) which were associated with the type by Beccari though not described. These fruits are 13 mm. long, 8 mm. in diameter, with a perianth 3 mm. high. They are within the range of expected size for mature fruit of *Heterospathe pilosa* (Burret) Burret from the Cyclops Mountains of West Irian. Should these taxa ultimately prove identical, the name *Heterospathe arfakiana* will have priority.


**Heterospathe Elmeri** Beccari in Elmer, Leaflets of Philippine Botany 2: 646. 1909.


**Heterospathe Macgregorii** (Beccari) H. E. Moore, tr. nov.


The type of this species, collected by Sir W. MacGregor on the Fly River,