of some new species (Ruprecht 1845), to form new combinations in the clearly accepted small genera. These combinations are *Arctophila trichoclada* and *A. latiflora* (Tab. IV), *A. remotiflora* and *A. poecilantha* (Tab. V), and *Dupontia psilosantha* (Tab. VI).

The name Atropis taxonomically refers to the genus Puccinellia Parl. which embraces at least 120 species (Tzvelev 1976). Puccinellia is dated 1848 and therefore has no priority over Atropis if the latter was accepted from 1845. The name Puccinellia is currently conserved against Atropis, the action having been appointed by the Sixth International Botanical Congress in 1935. The list of conserved names containing this entry (as Atropis Rupr. 1845 nomen provisorium) was first published separately by Sprague (1940) and later incorporated into the Code (International rules..., 1949). In the next editions of the Code (Stafleu et al. 1974) the remark provisorium was deleted from this entry. As Sprague (1940) expressed doubts concerining validity of Atropis Rupr. 1845, the citation for Atropis in the App. III of the Code was afterwards (cf. Greuter et al. 1994) corrected in favour of Atropis (Trin.) Rupr. ex Griseb. 1852 thus making the conservation unnecessary. With this date and author citation Atropis is mentioned as a synonym in some recent publications (e. g. Tzvelev 1976), although the correct citation had already been accepted in the Flora of the USSR (Kreczetovicz 1934) (recommended by the editors, in contrary to the Kreczetovicz's decision — N.N.Tzvelev, pers. comm.). Here I propose to amend the citation of Atropis in the Code to return the former entry (Art. 14.12).

The name Arctophila is widely accepted now with the citation Arctophila (Rupr.) Anderss. 1852 (Tzvelev 1964a; Tzvelev 1974; Czerepanov 1995), presuming Arctophila Rupr. 1845 to be an unranked taxon within Poa. Nevski (1934) credited this generic name to Ruprecht but referred to its only species as A. fulva (Trin.) Anderss. It is proposed here that the name be cited as A. fulva (Trin.) Rupr. dated from 1845.

Nomenclatural conclusions

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Atropis Rupr., Beitr. Pflanzenk. Russ. Reich 2: 64. 1845, nom. rej. (Art. 14.4).
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≡ Puccinellia Parl., Fl. Ital. 1: 366. 1848, nom. conserv.

Type: A. distans (L.) Rupr. (= Poa distans L.).

Arctophila Rupr., Beitr. Pflanzenk. Russ. Reich 2: 64. 1845.

Type (lectotype, selected by Tzvelev 1974: 292): A. fulva (Trin.) Rupr. (= Poa fulva Trin.).

Arctophila fulva (Trin.) Rupr., Beitr. Flanzenk. Russ. Reich 2: 62. 1845.

5. Validation of the name Ixeris sect. Chinenses

This name was originally introduced by Tzvelev (1964b) as *Ixeridium* ser. *Chinensia* Tzvel., accompanied by a description in Russian. In the most recent revision of *Ixeris* Cass. s. l. (Pak, Kawano, 1992) the *Ixeris chinensis* (Thunb.) Nakai group was returned to *Ixeris* s. str. on the basis of fruit anatomy and chromosome number. The section «*Chinenses* (Tzvel.) Pak et Kawano» was established to accommodate perennial species without stolons, with sole reference to "*Ixeridium* sect. *Chinensia*" as the basionym. Accepting this classification, I formally validly publish this name here, supplying it with short Latin diagnosis.

Ixeris Cass. sect. Chinenses Tzvel ex Sennik. sect. nov.; Pak et Kawano, Mem. Fac. Sci. Kyoto Univ. (Ser. Biol.) 15 (1–2): 31. 1992, nom. inval. (Art. 36.1). — Ixeridium (A.Gray) Tzvel. ser. Chinensia Tzvel., in Fl. URSS 29: 389. 1964, nom. inval. (Art. 36.1).

Plantae perennes stolonibus nullis.

Typus: Ixeris chinensis (Thunb.) Nakai (= Prenanthes chinensis Thunb.).