

This species is closely allied with *Lactuca chinensis* (Thunb.) Makino but is remarkable by the sagittate leaf-bases, smaller heads and dilate base of involucre in fruiting heads.

***Lactuca scandens* Chang, sp. nov.**

(Sect. *Cicerbita* Wallr.). Herba perennis? Caulis semi-scandens, fistulosus, obscure striatus, pallide violaceus, rubri-setosus, circ. 4 mm. diametro. Folia radicalia ignota, caulina inferiora et mediana longe petiolata, suborbicularia vel sub-reniformia, obscure angulo-denticulata, apice acuminata, basi cordata, 4.5-5.5 cm. longa, 4.5-7.5 cm. lata, 5-7-palmatinervia, supra viridia et puberula, subtus rubri-setosa ad venas pilis rubris densis oblecta, petiolo tenuo interdum leviter alato dense rubri-setoso ad 9 cm. longo basi dilatato; folia suprema ovata vel oblongo-ovata, denticulata, sessilia vel breviter petiolata, petiolo late alato basi amplexicauli. Capitula 4-5-flora, pedunculata, 2-3, racemosa, racemis brevibus, axillaribus, pedunculis rubri-setosis 1-1.5 cm. longis. Involucrum cylindricum rubri-setosum, atroviride; squamae paucae, herbaceae, exteriores minutae vel obsoletae, interiores 4-5, uniseriatae, lineares, circ. 12 mm. longae, 1.5 mm. latae, subacutae, obscure uninerviae. Flores flavi, exserti. Corolla circ. 14 mm. longa, tubo 7 mm. longo glabro apice dilatato, ligula 7 mm. longa 1.5 mm. lata apice truncata 5-dentata, dentibus obscuris subintegris. Antherae circ. 4 mm. longae nigrae, apice acutae, basi breviter sagittatae; filamenta, glabra, circ. 1.3 mm. longa. Stylus circ. 17 mm. longus, inferne luteus, glabrus, superne nigrus, papillosus. Germen compressum, circiter 1.5 mm. longum, obscure striatum, glabrum, basi cuneatum, apice contractum. Pappi setae circ. 6.5 mm. longae, sordide albae.

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The nearest ally of this new species is *Lactuca hirsuta* Franch. which is hispid with white indumentum intermixed with glandular hairs and also lyrate leaves and dirty white pappus. It differs from the latter in having red indumentum without glandular hairs, white pappus and undivided leaves.