

Taxonomic Clarification WANTED

Lotus pedunculatus Cav. versus L. uliginosus Schkuhr

Dr. O. N. Allen, Department of Bacteriology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, considers that the present use of Lotus pedunculatus Cav. and L. uliginosus Schkuhr is becoming hopelessly confused. He writes "Our concept is that L. uliginosus Schukr. and L. pedunculatus Cav. are two separate and distinct species--as so regarded in Flora Europaea by the Kew Gardens Staff. We believe the tendency of those in nodulation species to change all studies with L. uliginosus over to L. pedunculatus is creating a situation that can not be disentangled."

Would someone like to clarify this situation? Write to the Editor who will publish the information in the next Lotus Newsletter.