

Instructions for authors contributing to the IAPT/IOPB Chromosome Number Data

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The IAPT/IOPB Chromosome Data series publishes both directly counted chromosome numbers (indicated by the abbreviation CHN) and DNA ploidy level estimates, providing that the contributions fulfil some basic quality requirements. Such data are marked with the abbreviation FCM.

Records without voucher specimens cannot be published

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More detailed introduction to this column was published in its first installment (http://www.iapt-taxon.org/files/iopb/IAPT_IOPB_Chr_data1.pdf)

All information should be in alphabetical order: families within contributions, genera within families, countries (if records from more than one country are given for particular species), herbarium acronyms (if vouchers for given record are placed in more than one herbarium)

Format of chromosome numbers: $2n = 16, x = 8$ [*n* and *x* must be in italic, blank space should be before and after =]

Genera assigned to families according to the last version of APG (<http://www.mobot.org/MOBOT/research/APweb/welcome.html>)

Authors of scientific names must be abbreviated according to IPNI (<http://www.ipni.org/ipni/authorsearchpage.do>)

Geographical coordinates: The following formats are accepted: 12°13'14" or 12°13'14.15" or 12°13.1415' or 12.131415°, always followed by N or E or S or W. Note that values for minutes or seconds of 60 or above are not possible. Number of decimal places may vary. Always use the degree symbol (°), do not use subscripted letter "o" or the like. The correct symbols for minutes and seconds are prime and double prime. If these are not available, use English-language single and double closing quotes (' and ").

Figures correspond to the instructions of authors of *Taxon* (http://www.iapt-taxon.org/files/figure_preparation_guide.pdf), figures should be sent in final version when paper is submitted to the IAPT/IOPB Chromosome Data column.

Literature cited list should comprise all and only references that are referred to in the text.

References should follow the correct format given in instructions of authors publishing in *Taxon* (http://www.iapt-taxon.org/files/guidelines_authors.pdf).

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Vaarama, A. & Leikas, R. 1970. [Reports]. In: Löve, Á. (ed.), IOPB chromosome number reports XXVI. *Taxon* 19: 269.

Baltisberger, M. & Voelger, M. 2006. *Sternbergia sicula*. In: Marhold, K. (ed.), IAPT/IOPB chromosome data 1. *Taxon* 55: 444, E2.

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