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(222) Amend the beginning of Art. 76.4 by adding “anthes”, so that it reads:

“76.4. Generic names ending in -oides, -odes or -anthes are treated as feminine . . .”

Generic names such as Menyanthes L., Polianthes L., Calyptranthes Swartz and Spiranthes Rich. have always been treated as feminine from their original publication onwards. The addition of -anthes to Art. 76.4 would remove uncertainty regarding the gender of Strobilanthes Blume that some works treat as masculine, among them the original Index kewensis, others as feminine, among them the supplements to Index kewensis. Blume himself (Bijdr.: 781-801. 1826) treated it as feminine, as is evident from his specific epithets (hirta, cernua, crispa, etc.), and there is no reason to do otherwise for any generic names ending in -anthes.

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