A proposal to amend Art. 68

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In Art. 68.1, replace "A specific" with "An infrageneric", and add an example:

"Ex. Ibis Dicerma DC. (1825) is an illegitimate name, being a superfluous substitute for Phyllodium Desv. (1813), but the name Dicerma sect. Aphyllodium DC. is legitimate. When the taxon concerned is accepted at genus rank its name is cited as Aphyllodium (DC.) Gagnepain."

The principle outlined by the current Art. 68.1 applies only to combinations at species rank. It should also apply to combinations at ranks between species and genus and be covered by the wording of an Article in the Code, which this rewording aims to do. The reasons why Dicerma is illegitimate are explained in a forthcoming paper by L. Pedley.

Two proposals to amend Art. 72 on avowed substitute names

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Avowed substitute names or nomina nova are referred to in Art. 7.11, 33.2, 33 Note 1, 35.2, 72.1 and 72 Note 1. Interpretation of these Articles has varied greatly, and clarification would be welcome. It is intended to publish the rationale for these elsewhere.

In Art. 72.1(b) delete the phrase "if the illegitimate name is a later homonym,".

Amend the end of Art. 72.2, to read: "under Arts. 21.3, 22.3, 23.4 or 27 or in a illegitimate homonym."

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