to be used when united with Caesalpiniae nom. cons. and Mimosae nom. cons.

(112) Add a further Note to Art. 18 as follows:

“Note 3. If Fabaceae Lindl. (1836), nom. cons. is united with Caesalpiniae R. Br. (1814), nom. cons. and/or Mimosae R. Br. (1814), nom. cons., Fabaceae is to be used (see App. IIB).”

If Proposal 110 to delete Arts. 18.5 and 18.6 is approved, a concomitant and long extant issue needs a simultaneous solution. This is again to do away with the liberty of using the alternative family and subfamily names Papilionaceae/Fabaceae and Papilionioidae/Faboideae, respectively, based on personal preferences, and to bring universal uniformity in their use. According to Art. 19.4, the name of any subdivision of a family that includes the type of the adopted legitimate name of the family to which it is assigned is to be based on the generic name equivalent to that type.

Article 19.7 states that when the Papilionaceae are included in the family Leguminosae (nom. alt., Fabaceae) as a subfamily, the name Papilionoideae may be used as an alternative to Faboideae. In the context of the present proposal to delete Art. 18.5, we propose to delete Art. 19.7 to disallow further use of Papilionoideae, as neither it, nor Papilionaceae already disallowed if Proposal 110 is accepted, is based on the generic name of the type of the subfamily. A replacement Note is proposed.

(113) Delete Art. 19.7 and insert the following Note at the end of Art. 19:

“Note 3. Use of the designation “Papilionoideae”, earlier approved for application to a subfamily of Fabaceae that included the genus Faba, is not permitted, the correct name being Faboideae.”

With the deletion of the Arts. 18.5, 18.6 and 19.7, and the introduction of explanatory Notes in those Articles, the long-existent incongruity and inconsistency in the use of the family names Leguminosae, Fabaceae and Papilionaceae, and the subfamily names Faboideae and Papilionoideae would be settled and stability of nomenclature attained.

If Proposals 110 and 113 are accepted, a number of changes will be required to other Articles of the Code; these are detailed below.

(114) If Proposals 110 and 113 are accepted, amend the following Articles as indicated:

Art. 10.6. Delete the final sentence.
Art. 11.1. Delete the final clause of the first sentence so that the sentence reads: “Each family or taxon of lower rank with a particular circumscription, position, and rank can bear only one correct name.”
Art. 18.1. Delete the parentheses “(but see Art. 18.5)” in the first sentence.
Art. 19.4. Delete the words “but see Art. 19.7” at the end of the paragraph.
App. IIB. Remove the entries that with the deletion of Art. 18.5 are no longer validly published names.
In addition adjustment to Art. 19 Ex. 3 and adoption of regularly formed family names in Art. 53. Ex. 1, Ex. 10 and Ex. 18 would be required.

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(115–116) Proposals to eliminate the Latin requirement for the valid publication of plant names

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Article 36.1 in the International code of botanical nomenclature requires that, as from 1 January 1935, all names of new plant taxa (algae and fossils excepted) must be accompanied by a Latin description or diagnosis in order to be validly published. In this issue (Figueiredo & al. in Taxon 59: 617–620) it is argued that the Latin requirement must be removed now as it represents a relict that does not serve the purposes for which it was originally intended. We propose that, as from the effective date of the Melbourne Code, a diagnosis or description in any language would suffice to effect valid publication of a plant name, once the other Articles have been complied with.

In order to effect these changes the following two proposals are made:

(115) In Art. 36.1 add the words in bold italics so it reads as follows:

“36.1. On or after 1 January 1935 and until and including 31 December 2012, a name of a new taxon (algae and all fossil taxa excepted) must, in order to be validly published, be accompanied by a Latin description or diagnosis or by a reference to a previously and effectively published Latin description or diagnosis.”

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(116) Delete Recommendation 36A.1.

If accepted, these proposals would have no effect on the language requirements the Code places on diagnoses for non-fossil algae (Latin on or after 1 January 1958 – Art. 36.2) and fossil taxa (English or Latin on or after 1 January 1996 – Art. 36.3). However, if there is consensus among the users of names of algae and/or fossils, similar proposals could be made to Arts. 36.2 and 36.3 that would allow the newly adopted Code to be completely free of any language requirement for diagnoses for newly described taxa. The primary objective of the authors is to eliminate the Latin requirement at Art. 36.1, and we feel that the best way to effect this change is to not require any specific language.

(117–119) Proposals to make the pre-publication deposit of key nomenclatural information in a recognized repository a requirement for valid publication of organisms treated as fungi under the Code

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Mycolologists first proposed the introduction of some form of a mandatory indexing system for newly proposed fungal names in the 1950s (Ainsworth & Ciferri in Taxon 4: 3–6. 1955). Following informal discussions amongst mycologists – particularly during the 7th International Mycological Congress in 2002 – the CBS-Fungal Diversity Centre in Utrecht initiated MycoBank in 2004 (Crous & al. in Mycol. Res. 108: 1236–1238. 2004; Crous & al. in Stud. Mycol. 50: 19–20. 2004). This step was taken in order to test the willingness of mycologists to use a depository system where they could place information on new scientific names they were proposing. MycoBank is a fully online system whereby the proposers of new scientific names of organisms treated as fungi under the Code (i.e., including chytrids, oomycetes, and slime moulds; Pre. 7 of the ICBN; McNeill & al. in Regnum Veg. 146. 2006) can deposit key information that becomes public and freely available on the worldwide web only after effective publication of the work including those names. Each name is assigned a unique number from a range made available by Index Fungorum to MycoBank. (Index Fungorum is a partnership of CAB International, CBS-KNAW Fungal Diversity Centre, and Landcare Research, that offers a freely available nomenclator of fungal names in all ranks online to the public.) As of January 2010, the Index Fungorum database held information on 450,280 names; see http://www.indexfungorum.org/.

MycoBank operates similarly to GenBank, which provides unique identifiers for molecular sequence data. MycoBank does not require any hard-copy material to be lodged at CBS or elsewhere, but serves to disseminate information on newly proposed taxa widely and rapidly at no cost to all users, whether they are depositors or investigators. Since 2007, MycoBank has operated under the auspices of the International Mycological Association (IMA), which has assumed long-term responsibility for its operation. Like IAPT, IMA is a Scientific Member of the International Union of Biological Sciences (IUBS).

Scientific names in all ranks are covered in the existing MycoBank system. The basic information required for deposition of a newly described taxon is the name itself, the validating Latin (or for fossil fungi, English) description or diagnosis, details of the nomenclatural type, and (for species and infraspecific taxa) where the type is permanently preserved. New combinations and replacement names require only the full bibliographic reference to the basionym or replaced name, as already specified by Art. 33.4. MycoBank personnel check the uniqueness of the name, alert the depositor to any earlier homonym, and draw attention to orthographic errors (such as incorrect Latin terminations), but do not express any taxonomic opinions; i.e., there is no censorship. Index Fungorum, as the body issuing unique numbers for fungal names, automatically receives a copy of all nomenclatural information deposited in MycoBank.