

## A NEW SPECIES AND NEW RECORDS IN THE LICHEN FAMILY PARMELIACEAE (ASCOMYCOTINA) FROM THE PHILIPPINES

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**ABSTRACT:** *Parmotrema negrosorientalum* from the Philippines is described as new to science. In addition, 13 species of Parmeliaceae are reported for the first time for the Philippines.

**KEY WORDS:** *Parmotrema negrosorientalum*, *Hypotrachyna*, *Hypogymnia*, *Parmotrema*, *Platismatia*, *Rimelia*

In recent years there has been a significant increase in interest and appreciation of the lichen flora of Philippines, with localised studies of lichen biodiversity (Elix & Bawingan *ined.*), as well as several intensive field investigations by F. Schumm (lichens) & U. Schwarz (bryophytes). We have now undertaken a detailed survey of the recent collections of Parmeliaceae from the Philippine islands of Leyte, Mindanao and Negros culminating in our describing a species new to science and 13 new records for the country. Throughout the present work chemical constituents were identified by thin layer chromatography (Culberson 1972; Culberson & Johnson 1982; Elix & Ernst-Russell 1993), high performance liquid chromatography (Feige *et al.* 1993; Elix *et al.* 1997) and comparison with authentic samples.

***Parmotrema negrosorientalum* Elix & Schumm, sp. nov.**

Fig. 1

Thallus ut in *Parmotrema rampoddense* sed magnus, coriaceus, superfice superiore maculata et sporis majoribus differt.

*Type:* PHILIPPINES, Negros, Negros Oriental Province: Mt Talinis (Cuernos de Negros), Lunga Nature Trail between Camp Vendiola (9°16'N, 123°11'E) and Lake Nailig (9°15'N, 123°10'E), 1170 m, on bark, *F. Schumm & U. Schwarz*, 10 Aug. 2000; holo: herb. Schumm 7521.

*Thallus* corticolous, foliose, loosely adnate, coriaceous, to 8–12 cm wide. *Lobes* imbricate, subirregular, 5–12 mm wide; margins crenate or irregularly incised-dentate, ascending or revolute; cilia moderately dense, 0.2–5.0 mm long; lobules rare along the lobe margins. *Upper surface* pale grey to grey-green, flat, ±maculate, irregularly cracked, ±with black discoloured patches, isidia absent; soralia linear on small incised marginal laciniae or on ascending lobe margins, sometimes spreading submarginally, with marginally sorediate lobes becoming involute; soredia farinose, becoming blackened, with orange patches on older lobes in the thallus centre. *Medulla* white, becoming orange-red in older lobes particularly adjacent to lower cortex. *Lower surface* black, with a white to pale brown erhizinate marginal zone; rhizines unevenly distributed, simple, slender, to 1 mm long. *Apothecia* rare, submarginal, stipitate to substipitate, 3–10 mm wide; disc perforate or imperforate, becoming undulate distorted; thalline exciple strongly rugose and maculate, becoming sorediate, thalline margin crenate. *Ascospores* ellipsoid, 26–30 × 10–17 µm. *Pycnidia* rare, immersed - only immature pycnidia observed.

*Chemistry.* Cortex K+ yellow; medulla K-, C-, KC+ red, P-; pigmented medulla K+ violet; containing atranorin (minor), chloroatranorin (minor), alectoronic acid (major), α-collatolic acid (major), dehydrocollatolic acid (minor), skyrin (minor).

*Parmotrema negrosorientalum* closely resembles *P. rampoddense* (Nyl.) Hale, as these two species have similar loosely adnate thalli with prominent cilia, marginal soralia and contain alectoronic acid, α-collatolic acid and skyrin in the medulla. However, *P. negrosorientalum* can clearly be separated by the larger, coriaceous thallus (membranaceous in *P. rampoddense*), the often maculate upper surface (emaculate in *P. rampoddense*), ultimately perforate apothecial discs (imperforate in *P. rampoddense*), and the much larger spores (26–30 × 10–17 µm cf. 10–12 × 6–7 µm). In overall morphology *P. negrosorientalum* closely resembles *P. lobulascens* (Steiner) Hale, but the latter species lacks the orange-red pigmentation of the lower medulla and soralia. This pigmentation is due to substantial concentrations of the bis-anthraquinone, skyrin. At present, the new species is known from several localities in Negros Oriental Province in the Philippines.

#### *Specimens Examined*

PHILIPPINES, Negros, Negros Oriental Province: type locality, *F. Schumm & U. Schwarz*, 10 Aug. 2000 (CANB, herb. Schumm 7463, 7465, 7466); Mt Talinis (Cuernos de Negros), Lunga Nature Trail near Lake Yagumyum,

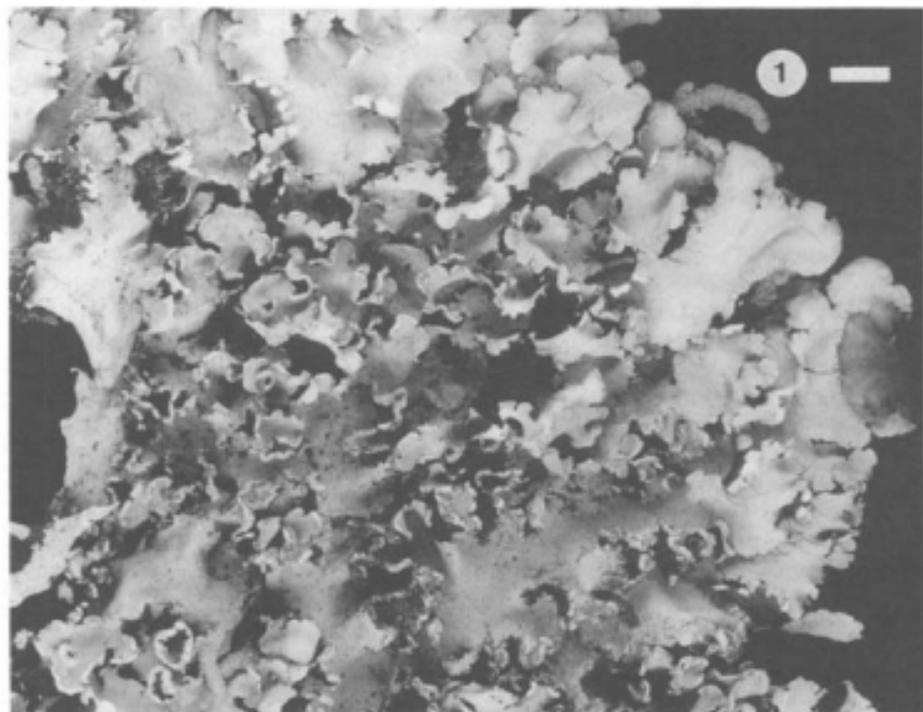


Figure 1. *Parmotrema negrosorientalum* (isotype in CANB). Scale bar = 5 mm.

9°15'N, 123°11'E, 1360 m, on bark, F. Schumm & U. Schwarz, 11 Aug. 2000 (CANB, herb. Schumm 7571).

#### New Records of Parmeliaceae for the Philippines

*Hypotrachyna corneola* Kurok. & Moon, *Bull. Bot. Gard. Toyama* 5: 41 (2000)

Previously this species was only known from Papua New Guinea (Kurokawa & Moon 2000).

#### *Specimen Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Mindanao, Bukidnon Province: Intavas, west of Malabalay at foot of Mt Kitanglad, 8°12'N, 124°57'E, 1270 m, on bark, F. Schumm & U. Schwarz, 18 Aug. 1999 (herb. Schumm 6237). Cotabato Province: Mt Apo,

Marbel River Campsite, 7°00'N, 125°15'E, 1490 m, on bark, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 9 Aug. 1999 (herb. Schumm 8031).

*Hypotrachyna imbricatula* (Zahlbr.) Hale, *Smithsonian Contr. Bot.* 25: 41 (1975)

A widely distributed subtropical-tropical species also known from the Americas, Southeast Asia, Australia, Papua New Guinea and Hawaii (Elix 1994a; Hale 1975).

*Specimen Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Mindanao, Bukidnon Province: Intavas, west of Malabalay at foot of Mt Kitanglad, 8°12'N, 124°57'E, 1270 m, on bark, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 18 Aug. 1999 (CANB, herb. Schumm 6246).

*Hypotrachyna physcioides* (Nyl.) Hale, *Smithsonian Contr. Bot.* 25: 54 (1975)

A common species in tropical America, India, Thailand, Malaysia and Papua New Guinea (Hale 1975; Kurokawa 1979; Pooprang *et al.* 1999).

*Specimens Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Mindanao, Bukidnon Province: west of Malabalay, intermediate camp site, Mt Kitanglad, 8°10'N, 124°56'E, 1870-2800 m, on bark in tropical montane rainforest, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 19 Aug. 1999 (herb. Schumm 6297). Cotabato Province: summit of Mt Apo, 6°59'N, 125°16'E, 2900 m, on rocks, *O. L. Bernabe*, 12 Aug. 1999 (CANB, herb. Schumm 6194, 6202); between Lake Venado and summit of Mt Apo, 6°59'-7°00'N, 125°16'-125°20'E, 2200-2800 m, on bark in tropical montane rainforest, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 11 Aug. 1999 (herb. Schumm 6151, 6181).

*Hypotrachyna reducens* (Nyl.) Hale, *Smithsonian Contr. Bot.* 25: 60 (1975)

A temperate and tropical species also known from Australia, Malaysia (Sabah), New Guinea, Central and South America (Elix 1994a; Hale 1975; Kurokawa 1979).

*Specimen Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Mindanao, Bukidnon Province: west of Malabalay, intermediate camp site, Mt Kitanglad, 8°10'N, 124°56'E, 1870-2800 m, on bark in tropical montane rainforest, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 19 Aug. 1999 (CANB, herb. Schumm 6273).

*Hypogymnia zeylanica* (R. Sant.) Awasthi & Singh

This species was previously known only from Sri Lanka, India (Awasthi & Singh 1971) and Papua New Guinea (Elix & Jenkins 1989).

*Specimen Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Cotabato Province: Mt Apo, swamp region on west bank of Lake Venado, 7°00'N, 125°16'E, 2210 m, on bark in open montane area, *U. Schwartz*, 20 Mar. 1999 (B, herb. Schumm 5479).

*Parmotrema cooperi* (J. Steiner & Zahlbr.) Sérus., *Bryologist* 87: 4 (1984)

This species was previously known from Africa, Madagascar, Asia, India (Hale 1965; Krog & Swinscow 1981) and Australia (Elix 1994b).

*Specimen Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Cotabato Province: near Ilomavis, on the road past Kidapawan, 7°02'N, 125°11'E, 730 m, on Cocos palm, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 7 Aug. 1999 (CANB, herb. Schumm 5885).

*Parmotrema dilatatum* (Vain.) Hale, *Phytologia* 28: 335 (1974)

This species is widespread in Africa, India, Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and South America (Elix 1994b; Hale 1965; Krog & Swinscow 1981; Louwhoff & Elix 2000).

*Specimen Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Mindanao, Bukidnon Province: west of Malabalay, intermediate camp site, Mt Kitanglad, 8°10'N, 124°56'E, 1870-2800 m, on bark in tropical montane rainforest, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 19 Aug. 1999 (CANB, herb. Schumm 6303).

*Parmotrema lobulascens* (Steiner) Hale, *Phytologia* 28: 337 (1974)

Previously this species was known from Africa (Krog & Swinscow 1981) and Asia (Hale 1965).

*Specimens Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Mindanao, Bukidnon Province: west of Malabalay, intermediate camp site, Mt Kitanglad, 8°10'N, 124°56'E, 1870-2800 m, on bark in tropical montane rainforest, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 19 Aug. 1999 (herb. Schumm 6272). Cotabato Province: Mt Apo, near Lake Venado, 7°00'N, 125°16'E, 2200 m, on bark in tropical montane rainforest, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 10 Aug. 1999 (CANB, herb. Schumm 6071, 6084).

*Parmotrema permutatum* (Stirt.) Hale, *Phytologia* 28: 338 (1974)

This species is known from Africa, India, Indonesia, Papua New Guinea, Australia, Central and South America (Elix 1994b; Hale 1965; Krog & Swinscow 1981; Louwhoff & Elix 2000).

*Specimen Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Mindanao, Cotabato Province: near the Lake Agko campsite at foot of Mt Apo, 7°01'N, 125°13'E, 1240 m, on bark, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 7 Aug. 1999 (herb. Schumm 5941).

*Parmotrema rampoddense* (Nyl.) Hale, *Phytologia* 28: 338 (1974)

A widespread species known from West Africa, North, Central and South America, Sri Lanka and India (Hale 1965), Australia (Elix 1994b) and Papua New Guinea (Louwhoff & Elix 2000).

*Specimens Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Leyte, Leyte Province: Lake Kasudsuran near Barangay Liberty (Ormoc City), 11°02'N, 124°45'E, 740 m, on bark, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 23 Aug. 2000 (herb. Schumm 7943, 7948). Mindanao, Cotabato Province: near the Lake Agko campsite at foot of Mt Apo, 7°01'N, 125°13'E, 1240 m, on bark, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 7 Aug. 1999 (herb. Schumm 5916, 5978); Mt Apo, near Lake Venado, 7°00'N, 125°16'E, 2200 m, on bark in tropical montane rainforest, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 10 Aug. 1999 (herb. Schumm 6115). Negros, Negros Oriental Province: Mt Talinis (Cuernos de Negros), Lunga Nature Trail between Barangay Lunga (9°17'N, 123°14'E) and Camp Vendiola (9°16'N, 123°11'E), 1030 m, on bark, *F. Schumm & U. Schwarz*, 10 Aug. 2000 (herb. Schumm 7443); Mt Talinis (Cuernos de Negros), Lunga Nature Trail between Camp Vendiola (9°16'N, 123°11'E) and Lake Nailig (9°15'N, 123°10'E), 1180 m, on bark, *F. Schumm & U. Schwarz*, 10 Aug. 2000 (herb. Schumm 7467, 7533); Mt Talinis (Cuernos de Negros), Lunga Nature Trail, between Lake Yagumyum and Bediao-Dauin, 9°15'N, 123°11'E, 1240 m, on bark, *F. Schumm & U. Schwarz*, 12 Aug. 2000 (herb. Schumm 7613).

*Parmotrema sancti-angelii* (Lyngé) Hale, *Phytologia* 28: 339 (1974)

This pantropical species has been reported previously from Central and South America, eastern and southern Africa, Papua New Guinea and Australia (Elix 1994b; Hale 1965; Krog & Swinscow 1981; Louwhoff & Elix 2000).

*Specimens Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Cotabato Province: near Ilomavis, on the road past Kidapawan, 7°02'N, 125°11'E, 730 m, on bark, *F. Schumm & U. Schwartz*, 7 Aug. 1999 (CANB, herb. Schumm 5869, 5874, 5903, 5908).

*Platismatia regenerans* W. Culb. & C. Culb., *Contr. U.S. Natl Herb.* 34: 547.(1968)

This species has been reported previously from the high mountains of Sabah, Malaysia (Culberson & Culberson 1968).

*Specimen Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Cotabato Province: Mt Apo, swamp region on west bank of Lake Venado, 7°00'N, 125°16'E, 2210 m, on bark in open montane area, U. Schwartz, 20 Mar. 1999 (herb. Schumm 5485).

*Rimelia austrocetrata* (Elix & J. Johnst.) Hale & A. Fletcher, *Bryologist* 93: 26 (1990)

This Australasian species is known from Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Norfolk and Lord Howe Islands (Elix 1994c; Hale & Fletcher 1990; Louwhoff & Elix 1999, 2000).

*Specimens Examined*

PHILIPPINES. Cotabato Province: between Lake Venado and summit of Mt Apo, 6°59'-7°00'N, 125°16'-125°20'E, 2200-2800 m, on bark in tropical montane rainforest, F. Schumm & U. Schwartz, 11 Aug. 1999 (CANB, herb. Schumm 6126); Mt Apo, swamp region on east bank of Lake Venado, 7°00'N, 125°16'E, 2210 m, on mossy rocks, U. Schwartz, 20 Mar. 1999 (B, herb. Schumm 5441).

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