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**Abstract**


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Nineteen new species of *Bucephalandra* Schott are described: *B. akantha* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. aurantiitheca* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. belindae* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. bogneri* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. chimaera* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. chrysokoupa* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. goliath* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. kerangas* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. kishii* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. minotaur* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. oncophora* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. pubes* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. sordidula* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. tetana* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. ultramerica* S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov., *B. yengiae* P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. Furthermore, three pre-existing species names are transferred from *Microcasia* Becc. to *Bucephalandra*: *B. elliptica* (Engl.) S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, comb. nov. (= *Microcasia elliptica* Engl.), *B. muluensis* (M. Hotta) S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, comb. nov. (= *M. muluensis* M. Hotta) and *B. oblanceolata* (M. Hotta) S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, comb. nov. (= *M. oblanceolata* M. Hotta). Together these changes take *Bucephalandra* to 27 species. An updated generic description is provided, and a key to all species is offered. All species dealt with taxonomically and nomenclaturally are illustrated from living plants, and with comparative plates of the spadices. Where possible scientific names are correlated to nomenclature used by commercial suppliers. Remaining taxonomic problems are highlighted, and foci for further study suggested. Notes on the role of the motile interstice staminodes are supplied.

Additional key words: aroids, aquarium plants, Malaysia, Sabah, Sarawak, Indonesia, Kalimantan, Brunei, taxonomy, identification key

**Introduction**

Studies of tribe *Schismatoglottideae* (sensu Wong & al. 2010) have made it evident that a significant proportion of the species are either undescribed or poorly circumscribed. Species-level taxonomy of *Bucephalandra* Schott in particular has been revealed to be much obfuscated by the difficulty of interpreting the abundant but mostly inadequately prepared herbarium specimens, coupled with an almost complete failure to correlate the type material of the few published names to plants encountered in the field. It must be stated that this problem is by no means a new one; indeed it has been at the root of taxonomic confusion and misapplication of names in *Bucephalandra* ever since the genus was established by Schott in 1858. (Bogner 1980; Boyce & Wong 2012).

Over the past five years a significant living collection of *Schismatoglottideae* has been collected and main-
tained by the authors, and currently stands at c. 3000 accessions, of which c. 160 are *Bucephalandra*. All accessions are linked to precise locality and ecological data, and all plants that have flowered (the majority) have been vouchered and photographed. Liquid-preserved material and images are prepared whenever an accession flowers (not only on the first occasion) and by this means significant insight has been gained into inflorescence variation within each taxon. Observations of the more than 500 plants that the *Bucephalandra* accessions comprise have satisfied us that there exists a suite of reliable, although by no means always easy to observe, floral and vegetative morphological characteristics that coupled with precise geographical and ecological data provide a reliable basis for the new taxa we are proposing.

We are anticipating some negative reaction to the significant increase in the number of species proposed here, especially since the current standard revision (Bogner & Hay 2000) takes a conservative view on species delimitation. In justification of our species’ concepts, aside from the morphological distinctions used, as we progressed on this paper and continue to work on the large number of plants that we have yet to identify, it has become clear that a factor in the richness of aroid (and doubtless other) species in Borneo is a high prevalence of geological specialization. In verifying geological occurrences for this paper we have been much assisted by the excellent geological map of Tate (2001).

This is the first of a series of papers working toward a monograph of *Bucephalandra*. We estimate that the genus *Bucephalandra* probably consists of more than fifty species.

**Foci for further study**

Numerous areas of *Bucephalandra* taxonomy remain poorly understood. From the viewpoint of taxonomic stability the most pressing need is the recollection of the generic type, *B. motleyana* Schott, not seen in the wild since James Motley’s original gathering in what is today Kalimantan Selatan. Motley’s type locality remains imprecise, although based on Motley’s known activities it is probably in the S part of the Meratus Mountains, which even then (the 1850s) were within relatively easy travelling of Banjarmasin, the closest large city and port. Commercial names applicable to as yet undetermined species in the *Bucephalandra* Motleyana Complex are: ‘Amanda’, ‘Brownie’, ‘Diana’, ‘Helena’, ‘Neoamanda’, ‘Themis’ and ‘Ulysses’.


**Note on dimensions**

Dimensions used in the descriptions are derived from fertile (i.e. mature) plants. Seedlings will have overall smaller measurements.

**Results and Discussion**


**Description** — Minute to rather large evergreen, obligate (very seldom facultative) rheophytic herbs. *Stem* creeping and rooting, with active apex upright, or erect, or stems rooted at base with remainder pendent and active tips ascending. *Leaves* mostly numerous; *petiole* shorter, equalling, or longer than leaf blade, often with conspicuous longitudinal ridges; *petiolar sheath* with a long marcescent ligule; *blade* elliptic, elliptic-oblong, linear-oblanceolate or obovate, stiffly coriaceous to membranous, often punctate abaxially, rarely so adaxially, apex mostly with a tubular macro; *primary lateral veins* pinnate, adaxially flush with blade to prominently raised, abaxially + flush with blade, running into variously distinct marginal vein; *interprimary veins* parallel-pinnate; *higher order venation* either parallel-pinnate or reticulate, or tesselate, usually very faint. *Inflorescence* solitary, or a few in sequence with each separated by a conspicuous prophyll.
or less often a foliage leaf; peduncle sub-equalling to much-exceeding petiole at anthesis, rarely (Bucephalandra gigantea) much shorter, always elongating later, often longitudinally keeled. Spathe ellipsoid to lanceolate, cuspidate, not constricted; lower spathe broadly funnel-form at and post-anthesis, persistent into fruiting, later subtending and enclosing developing fruits, light green to yellow or reddish, convolute; limb white, pink, or yellow, gaping at pistillate anthesis, variously senescing and then caducous at onset or during staminate anthesis. Spadix sessile or very briefly stipitate, shorter than spathe, usually with a few pistillodes at extreme base; pistillate zone cylindric to obconic, mostly narrower than upper parts, with pistils in 2–8 spirals; pistils mainly depressed globose or depressed trapezoidal, 1-locular; ovules many, orthotropous, attenuate toward micropyyle, funicle distinct, placenta basai; stigma sessile, discoid, unlobate to slightly concave in centre, narrower than ovary; sterile intersticila a few rows (usually 2, sometimes as many as 5 or as few as 1) of flattened, smooth, scale-like motile staminodes, these erect at pistillate anthesis, deflexing prior to stamine anthesis to seek lower spathe, turning green and persisting into fruiting; stamine zone with 2–9 rows of stamens; flowers unistaminate; filament usually distinct but very short, flattened, connective either inconspicuous or most often expanded as an extension of filament into a flattened triangular-cordate or spatulate structure with thecal on ventral surface of distal arms; thecae ellipsoid to globose, extrorse, dehiscing by a pore at tip of a short to long conspicuous apical horn; pollen extruded in a droplet, inaperturate, ellipsoid, medium-sized (range 28–30 μm long; Grayum 1992: 21), exine irregular polygonal to rounded apically papillose, echinate, smooth, or brain-like staminodes, uppermost often ± connate, less often appendix entirely comprised of connate staminodes. Fruit a globose to ellipsoid berry with numerous seeds, protected until maturity by persistent intersticila staminodes; seed narrow-ellipsoid, with long, curved micropylar appendage, testa very slightly longitudinally sulcate and distally winged, bright reddish purple, this colour derived from multitudinous, minute speckles. Spathe broadly ovate, not constricted, c. 2.5 cm long; lower spathe funnel-form, pale green, persistent; limb inflating and gaping distally at pistillate anthesis, caducous during late stamine anthesis, glistering white, apiculate for c. 0.35 mm in diam., c. ½ as wide, glossy white; pistillate zone 2.5–3 mm long × c. 2 mm in diam., with c. 3 spirals of pistils; pistils cylindric-globose, c. 0.5 mm in diam., pale lime-green; stigma sessile, unlobate, c. ¾ diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis, later (post-anthesis) sunken centrally; pistillodes in a single incomplete row at base of pistillate zone, squatt fusiform with a terminal beak, in all c. 0.35 mm in diam., c. ½ as wide, glossy white; intersticila with 1–3 rows of scale-like staminodes, these 1–2 mm long × 0.8–1.5 mm wide, margin slightly thickened, staminodes initially erect (pistillate anthesis), then during stamine anthesis reflexing until perpendicularly with spadix axis, with tips somewhat ascending, initially greenish white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; stamine zone c. 5 mm long × 2–3 mm in diam., consisting of 4 or 5 rows of flowers; stamine flowers pale to medium yellow, or reddish, convolute; subtending and enclosing developing fruits, light green to white, pink, or yellow, gaping at pistillate anthesis, variously senescing and then caducous at onset or during staminate anthesis. 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1. Bucephalandra akantha S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. — Fig. 1, 23A & 25.

Holotype: Malaysian Borneo, Sarawak, Bahagian Ku-ching, Padawan, Annah Rais, Kampung Sadir, Air Terjun Sadir, 01°06’28.3”N, 110°16’47.1”E, 6 Apr 2012, P. C. Boyce & al. AR-3863 (SAR!; isotypes: SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra akantha is distinguished from all other species with papillate appendix staminodes by the stamine flowers with divergent, sharply angled thecae and stout, stiff thecae horns.

Description — Small, rather robust obligate rheophytic herbs to c. 17 cm tall, occurring mainly as individual plants, only occasionally in small patches. Stem creeping, branching repeatedly, branches 0.5–6 cm long × 2–4 mm in diam., rooting with active portions bright reddish purple, sub-erect. Leaves arching, to c. 10 together; petiole c. 4 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., adaxially strongly canaliculate, deep reddish, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 1 cm long; blade elliptic, 8–10 cm long × 2–2.5 cm wide, coriaceous, semi-glossy dark green adaxially, tinged reddish pink abaxially, base cuneate, apex rounded and apiculate for c. 1.5 mm, margin somewhat undulate; midrib adaxially prominent, abaxially prominent and reddish; primary lateral veins 3 or 4 on each side, diverging at 25°–60° and running to a marginal vein; interprimary veins alternating with primaries, almost of equal width; secondary venation adaxially ± obscure. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle sub-equalling to somewhat exceeding petioles, 3–5 cm long, conspicuously longitudinally sulcate and distally winged, bright reddish purple, this colour derived from multitudinous, minute speckles. Spathe broadly ovate, not constricted, c. 2.5 cm long; lower spathe funnel-form, pale green, persistent; limb inflating and gaping distally at pistillate anthesis, caducous during late stamine anthesis, glistering white, apiculate for c. 3 mm, apiculum pale green. Spadix 1–1.5 cm long, very shortly stipitate; stipe less than 0.5 mm long, longitudinally sulcate, glossy white; pistillate zone 2.5–3 mm long × c. 2 mm in diam., with c. 3 spirals of pistils; pistils cylindric-globose, c. 0.5 mm in diam., pale lime-green; stigma sessile, unlobate, c. ¾ diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis, later (post-anthesis) sunken centrally; pistillodes in a single incomplete row at base of pistillate zone, squatt fusiform with a terminal beak, in all c. 0.35 mm in diam., c. ¼ as wide, glossy white; intersticila with 1–3 rows of scale-like staminodes, these 1–2 mm long × 0.8–1.5 mm wide, margin slightly thickened, staminodes initially erect (pistillate anthesis), then during stamine anthesis reflexing until perpendicularly with spadix axis, with tips somewhat ascending, initially greenish white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; stamine zone c. 5 mm long × 2–3 mm in diam., consisting of 4 or 5 rows of flowers; stamine flowers pale to medium yel-

Ecology — Obligate, very seldom facultative, rheophytes on stream and riverside rocks in lowland to lower montane perhumid to moist tropical forest.

Distribution — Bucephalandra is endemic on Borneo, with most species locally so, and seemingly always associated with a specific geology. It is also becoming apparent that at least some species are attitudinally obligate.

Etymology — From Greek, bous (bull or cow), cephalē (head) and anēr, andros (man), in reference to the shape of the individual stamine flowers.
Fig. 1. *Bucephalandra akantha* – A & B: plants in habitat; C & D: inflorescence at early pistillate anthesis; E: inflorescence at staminate anthesis; most of spathe limb has been shed, with remaining portion reflexed; persistent lower spathe is still somewhat narrow; note, too, pollen droplet secreted at tip of staminate flower theca horn; F: inflorescence post-staminate-anthesis; remaining portion of spathe limb has been lost, and persistent lower spathe has expanded laterally; G: spadix at pistillate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note that interstice staminodes are still erect and staminate flower thecae have yet to reflex; H: spadix at staminate anthesis, spathe limb fallen naturally, nearside of lower spathe artificially removed, interstice staminodes have reflexed to seal lower spathe entrance, and thecae of staminate flowers have reflexed and produced pollen droplets from tips of horns; I: inflorescence during staminate anthesis, with reflexed interstice staminodes clearly visible blocking entrance of persistent lower spathe. – Photographs: A, B & F from P. C. Boyce & S. Y. Wong AR-3863; C–E, G–I from K. Nakamoto AR-3884; all by P. C. Boyce.
low; stamen comparatively large, c. 1 mm across, cream; filament short but conspicuous; connective strap-shaped; thecae inserted lateral-ventrally on connective, individually ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.4 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns c. ½ length of associated theca, stiffly setaceous, with bases somewhat swollen, spreading to slightly downward-directed during pistillate anthesis, upward-pointing during staminate anthesis; appendix + globose, c. 4 mm long × c. 3 mm in diam., dark cream to medium yellow; appendix staminodes mostly obpyramidal (although lowermost ones transitioning in appearance to staminate flowers), densely arranged, 0.5–1 mm in diam., tops strongly echinate. Fruiting spathe funnel-form, c. 1 cm in diam., medium green, with green shield-shaped staminodes persistent and spent distal part of spadix falling; berry depressed globose, 1–1.8 mm long × 1–1.5 mm in diam., medium green, with numerous seeds, berries forming a hemispherical cluster protected by persistent staminodes, later pushed off and falling to reveal mature fruits; fruits decomposing at maturity, forming a pulp with seeds held in persistent lower spathe; seeds narrowly ellipsoid, 1–2 mm long × 0.25–0.3 mm in diam., light brown, very slightly longitudinally ribbed, with a curved micropylar appendage to 1 mm long.

Ecology — Bucephalandra akantha occurs on granite and metamorphosed sandstone riverside rocks under humid lowland forest at between 100–200 m above sea level.

Distribution — NW Borneo: Padawan and Siburan districts (Sarawak: Bahagian Kuching) and Kecamatan Entikong (Kalimantan Barat: Kabupaten Sanggau).

Etymology — Greek noun, akantha (thorn), in reference to the thorn-like appearance of the staminate flowers.

Remarks — In the N part of its range (Sarawak) Bucephalandra akantha occurs allopatrically W of the alkaline-geology-obligate B. bogneri.

Commercial names — None.

Additional specimens seen (paratypes) — INDONESIAN BORNEO: KALIMANTAN BARAT: Kabupaten Sanggau, Kecamatan Entikong, SW of Entikong, 10 Apr 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3884 & AR-3889 (BO!, SAR!); Kecamatan Entikong, 10 km W of Sanggau, 10 Apr 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3888 (BO!, SAR!).

2. Bucephalandra aurantiitheca S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. — Fig. 2 & 23B.

Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Kabupaten Sekadau, Kecamatan Nanga Taman, SE of Manterahidup, 00°08’45.2”S, 111°00’47.0”E, 22 May 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3937 (BO!, isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra aurantiitheca is one of two Bucephalandra species with conspicuous orange thecae; the other is the sympatric B. chimaera, from which B. aurantiitheca is distinguished by the stamine flowers arching upward from the spadix and by very short downward-directed thecae horns.

Description — Small obligate rheophytic herbs c. 18 cm tall. Stem erect, occasionally somewhat decumbent and rooting with active portion sub-erect, c. 1 cm in diam. Leaves many together, erect-arching; petiole 6–9 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., weakly carinate, very deep red, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a narrowly triangular ligular portion c. 3 cm long; blade lanceolate-elliptic, sometimes slightly oblique and/or weakly falcate, 7–9 cm long × 1.5–2 cm wide, coriaceous, semi-glossy dark green adaxially, pale yellow green abaxially, base sub-cuneate, apex acumenate and apiculate for c. 3 mm, margin undulate; midrib abaxially prominent, red, adaxially slightly raised; primary lateral veins c. 4 on each side, diverging at c. 30° and running to a rather conspicuous marginal vein; interprimary veins alternating with primaries, very much finer but darker than blade; secondary venation adaxially obscure, abaxially forming a faint reticulate pattern; tertiary venation obscure. Inflorescence solitary, or up to three together separated by prophylls; peduncle exceeding petioles, 5–7 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam. (on average), longitudinally sulcate, pale green with numerous bright reddish speckles, these particularly concentrated in sulcae, giving peduncle a candy-striped appearance. Spathe oblong-ovate, not constricted, 4–5 cm long; lower spathe initially narrowly funnel-form, later (staminate anthesis) flaring, medium semi-glossy green, persistent; limb slightly inflating and gaping distally at pistillate anthesis, opening widely almost to persistent lower spathe during staminate anthesis, caducous during late or post-staminate anthesis, with margins recurving, and limb often retaining a slender connection to lower spathe, ivory, acuminate for c. 4 mm and apiculate for c. 1.5 mm, apiculum dull orange. Spadix 2.5–3 cm long; pistillate zone sessile, c. ½ width of remainder of spadix; 3–5 mm long × c. 3 mm in diam., with 3–5 spirals of pistils; pistils very closely appressed, rhombic-cylindric, c. 0.5 mm in diam., pale creamy yellow; stigma sessile, button-like, c. ½ diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis; pistillodes absent; interstice with 1–3 somewhat incomplete rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 2 mm long × 1.8 mm wide, margin thickened, staminodes initially erect (pistillate anthesis), then during staminate anthesis reflexing until sub-perpendicular with spadix axis, with body of staminode depressed and tips ascending, initially greenish white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; stamine zone 6–8 mm long × c. 6 mm in diam., consisting of 3–5 rows of flowers; stamine flowers cream; stamen comparatively large, c. 1 mm tall, c. 0.7 mm wide; filament very short;
Fig. 2. *Bucephalandra aurantiitheca* – A: plants in habitat; B: inflorescence in habitat; note presence of several chrysomelid beetles, suspected pollinator; C: inflorescence at early pistillate anthesis; D: inflorescence at staminate anthesis; spathe limb is about to fall; E: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, reflexed interstice staminodes are just visible blocking entrance of persistent lower spathe; F: inflorescence at staminate anthesis; spathe artificially removed; G: detail of staminate flower zone at staminate anthesis; note pollen droplet at tips of thecae horns; H: spadix at staminate anthesis, spathe limb fallen naturally, nearside of lower spathe artificially removed; note that interstice staminodes have reflexed to seal lower spathe entrance. – Photographs: from K. Nakamoto AR-3937; A & B by K. Nakamoto; C–H by P. C. Boyce.
connective tetrahedral, with one side facing outward and upward; thecae inserted ventrally almost completely im-
mersed into connective, individually very narrowly el-
lipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.3 mm wide, bright orange; thecae horns very short, barely 0.2 mm long, nipple-like,
downward-directed throughout anthesis; appendix ± ta-
pering-cylindrical, 1.5–2 cm long × c. 5 mm in diam.,
cream to pale yellow; appendix staminodes columnar,
densely arranged, trapezoidal, smooth, lowestmost ones
largest, c. 2 mm in diam., uppermost ones c. ½ this size,
with terminal ones irregularly polygonal, c. 0.5 mm in
diam. Fruiting spathes and infructescences not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra aurantiitheca occurs on ex-
posed granite rocks along large rivers through perhumid
moist lowland forest at between 60–90 m above sea
level.

Distribution — Central W Borneo: restricted to Seka-
dau and Nanga Taman, Kabupaten Sekadau, Kalimantan
Barat.

Etymology — Compound adjective from neo-Latin, au-
rantius (orange) and Latin, theca (from Greek, thēkē,
container), referring to the staminate flower anther sacs.

Remarks — Bucephalandra aurantiitheca occurs at Nanga
Taman with B. chimaera, although on different eco-
ology (along exposed large rivers vs shady forest streams).
Plants of both are similar in appearance, but readily dif-
ferentiated on staminate flower characteristics (compare
Fig. 23B with 23F), and in lacking pistillodes at the base of
the spadix.

Commercial names — ‘Long Spath’.

Additional specimens seen (paratypes) — INDONESIAN
BORNEO: KALIMANTAN BARAT: Kabupaten Sekadau,
Kecamatan Nanga Taman, 2 hours walk W from Sim-
pang Tapang Perodah, c. 23 km S of Kayu Lapis and
c. 19 km along main road W of Sekadau, 00°09’56.6”S,
111°03’28.7”E, 22 May 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3940
(BO!, SAR!, SBC!) & K. Nakamoto AR-3945 (BO!,
SAR!, SBC!).

3. Bucephalandra belindae S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce,
sP. nov. — Fig. 3 & 23C.
Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Ka-
bupaten Melawi, Kecamatan Nanga Pinoh, 33 km S
of Nanga Pinoh and 11 km before Kotabaru junction
of logging road to Kalimantan Tengah, 00°31’46.0”S,
111°48’02.4”E, 3 Feb 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3531
(BO!, isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra belindae most closely re-
sembles B. catherinae (NE Kalimantan) in overall ap-
pearance, but is readily distinguished by the conic spadix
appendix, comprised of very few, large glassy stamin-
odes (vs a globose spadix appendix, comprised of several
small waxy staminodes). The much-elongated peduncle is
shared with parapatric (but attitudinally allopatric) B. sor-
didula, from which B. belindae is immediately identifica-
ble by the narrowly linear, strongly crispulate leaves, mats
of trailing stems, and white (not reddish brown) thecae.

Description — Diminutive obligate rheophytic herbs
of logging road to Kalimantan Tengah, 00°31’46.0”S,
of Nanga Pinoh and 11 km before Kotabaru junction
bupaten Melawi, Kecamatan Nanga Pinoh, 33 km S
– Fig. 3 & 23C.
sp. nov.

Distribution — Central W Borneo: restricted to Seka-
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c. 19 km along main road W of Sekadau, 00°09’56.6”S,
111°03’28.7”E, 22 May 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3940
(BO!, SAR!, SBC!) & K. Nakamoto AR-3945 (BO!,
SAR!, SBC!).
Fig. 3. *Bucephalandra belindae* – A & B: plants in habitat; C & F: inflorescence at early pistillate anthesis; note slit at tip of spathe limb (F); D & E: inflorescence at staminate anthesis; most of spathe limb has been shed, with remaining portion reflexed; G: spadix at pistillate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note that interstice staminodes are still erect, and that staminate flower thecae have yet to reflex. – Photographs: A & B from K. Nakamoto AR-3531; C, F & G from K. Nakamoto AR-3754; D & E from K. Nakamoto AR-3749; all by P. C. Boyce.
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dix staminodes few, comparatively large, c. 1.5 mm in diam., rhomboidal, tops smooth. *Fruiting spathe* broadly funnel-form, c. 6 mm in diam., medium green with dense pinkish red speckles, with green shield-shaped staminodes persistent and spent distal part of spadix falling; fruits and seeds not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra belinda occurs solely on granite cascades with constant flowing water under perhumid lower hill to hill forest, recorded between 260–350 m above sea level.

Distribution — Known only from the type locality, where it is restricted to a single cascade a little more than 100 m long.

Eponymy — Named for Belinda Tan Cho Hiang, wife of Nakamoto Kazuya, in recognition of her long-standing support for and patience with her husband’s extensive fieldwork.

Remarks — Bucephalandra belinda is ecologically and morphologically highly distinct, occurring as extensive mats of densely tangled long slender stems under constant water flow; it is arguable that *B. belinda* is not a true rheophyte sensu van Steenis (1981, 1987). It occurs allopatrically (same geological formation but in different ecology) with *B. sordidula*. Both species have a remarkably elongated peduncle seemingly adapting the plants to flower while otherwise underwater.

Bucephalandra belinda is most similar in overall appearance to *B. catherineae*, a conventionally rheophytic species restricted on basalt c. 450 km to the NE.


Additional specimens seen (paratypes) — INDONESIAN BORNEO: KALIMANTAN BARAT: Kabupaten Melawi, Kecamatan Nanga Pinoh, 33 km S of Nanga Pinoh and Bahagian Kutai Tengah, 0°31’46″S, 111°48’02″E, 3 Feb 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3749 (BO!) & AR-3754 (BO!, SAR!).

4. Bucephalandra bogneri S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. — Fig. 4 & 23D.
Holotype: Malaysian Borneo, Sarawak, Bahagian Kuching, Penrissen Road, 18 miles S of Kuching, on rock along the Sungai Retien, 7 Sep 1978, J. Bogner 1366 (M!; isotypes: K!, US!).

— Bucephalandra motleyana sensu Bogner in Aroideana 3: 134–143, fig. 1–4. 1980, non Schott (1858).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra bogneri is defined by the combination of individually distinct irregularly shaped appendix staminodes with a brain-like surface, and almost globose staminate flowers. The spadix appendix in *B. bogneri* is yellow and reminiscent of that of *B. muluensis* (from Mulu National Park limestones), which latter differs by the appendix staminodes regularly rhombic to trapezoid in outline and by the brilliant green leaf blades.

Description — Small but robust obligate rheophytic herbs 6–14 cm tall, sometimes forming patches up to 50 cm across. *Stem* creeping and rooting with active portions erect, branching repeatedly, branches up to 10 cm long × c. 1.5 cm in diam. *Leaves* many together; *petiole* 6–8 cm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., adaxially canalicate, bright reddish purple, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 3 cm long; *blade* elliptic to lanceolate 6–9 cm long × 2.3–3 cm wide, rather thickly coriaceous, weakly glossy dark blue-green with major veins paler adaxially, paler and reddish abaxially, base cuneate, apex rounded and apiculate for c. 4 mm, margin markedly undulate; *midrib* abaxially and adaxially prominent, strongly reddish abaxially; *primary lateral veins* c. 5 on each side, diverging at 25°–60° and running to a marginal vein; *interprimary veins* much finer; *secondary venation* adaxially ± obscure, abaxially fine. *Inflorescence* solitary, occasionally two together separated by a foliage leaf; *peduncle* exceeding petioles, 4–5 cm long, conspicuously longitudinally sulcate and occasionally distally winged, reddish purple, this colour derived from dense tiny speckles. *Spathe* broadly ovate, not constricted, 2.5–3 cm long; *lower spathe* funnel-form, lime-green, insertion on peduncle reddish purple, persistent; *limb* inflating and gaping distally to form a narrow opening at pistillate anthesis, caducous during staminate anthesis, glistening white, apiculate for c. 3 mm, apiculum green. *Spadix* c. 1.5 cm long, very shortly stipitate; *stipe* less than 0.3 mm long, light green; *pistillate zone* c. 3 mm long × c. 3 mm in diam., with c. 3 spirals of pistils; *pistils* slightly densely arranged, cylindric-globose, c. 2 mm long × c. 0.5 mm in diam., bright lime-green; *stigma* sessile, rather discoid-umbonate, c. ½ diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis; *pistillodes* in a single incomplete row at base of pistillate zone, squat fusiform with a short terminal beak, in all c. 0.2 mm in diam., glossy white; *interstice* with 2 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 2 mm long × c. 1 mm wide, ventrally slightly umbonate, staminodes initially erect (pistillate anthesis), during staminate anthesis reflexing until almost downturned with staminode beyond mid-part ascending, initially white with narrowed base green, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; *staminate zone* 4–6 mm long × 4–5 mm in diam., consisting of 4 or 5 rows of flowers; *staminate flowers* creamy yellow; *stamen* comparatively large, c. 1.5 mm across; *filament* short but clearly defined; *connective* cap-like and dorsally arched, pale yellow; *thecae* inserted ventrally on connective, with appearance of being suspended from it, paler than connective, individually ellipsoid,
Fig. 4. *Bucephalandra bogneri* – A: plant in habitat on basalt; B: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; note slit toward tip of spathe limb; C & D: inflorescence at staminate anthesis; spathe limb is being shed; note (C) reflexed staminate flowers and thecae horns with a pollen droplet at tip; note, too, (D) that interstice staminodes have reflexed to block entrance of lower spathe; E: spadix at pistillate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; interstice staminodes are still erect and staminate flower thecae have yet to reflex; F: spadix at staminate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note that interstice staminodes and staminate flower thecae have reflexed.

c. 1 mm long × c. 0.4 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns c. ¼ length of associated theca, ascending, stiffly setaceous; appendix bullet-shaped to globose, 4–5 mm long × 3–4 mm in diam., bright yellow; appendix staminodes mostly squat cylindrical, 0.5–1 mm in diam., tops brain-like, densely arranged, lowermost ones transitioning to staminate flowers in appearance. Fruiting spathe broadly funnel-form, c. 1 cm in diam., medium green, with green shield-shaped staminodes persistent and spent distal part of spadix falling; berry depressed globose, 1–1.8 mm long × 1–1.5 mm in diam., medium green, with numerous seeds, berries forming a hemispherical cluster protected by persistent staminodes, later pushed off and falling to reveal mature fruits; fruits decomposing at maturity, forming a pulp with seeds held in persistent lower spathe; seed not seen.

**Ecology** — *Bucephalandra bogneri* is restricted to alkaline geologies, on limestone (e.g. at Pichin, Padawan), or on basalt (e.g. at Ranchan, Saroban), under perhumid to moist lowland to lower hill forest between 30–350 m above sea level.

**Distribution** — Penrissen and Serian area, Bahagian Kuching, Sarawak.

**Eponymy** — Named for Dr Josef Bogner (Munich Botanic Garden), who has contributed so much to the knowledge of aroids.

**Remarks** — *Bucephalandra bogneri* has an obligate affinity with alkaline substrates, shared with *Piptospatha viridistigma* P. C. Boyce & al., with which *B. bogneri* frequently co-occurs, as at Ranchan. Their ecology, however, differs somewhat. *P. viridistigma* favours shaded flat expanses of stony riverside, with its roots frequently inundated, whereas *B. bogneri* is restricted to the leeward side of large boulders, in which position it is often subjected to periods of dryness.

Non-flowering plants of *Bucephalandra bogneri* are very reminiscent of those of *B. akantha*, although the species are readily distinguished on spadix characteristics and ecology.

*Bucephalandra bogneri* was figured by Bogner (1980) as *B. motleyana* when clarifying the interpretational issues of *Bucephalandra* arising from mistakes in Schott’s original publication (see also Boyce & Wong 2012).

**Commercial names** — None.


**5. Bucephalandra catherineae** P. C. Boyce, Bogner & Mayo in Bot. Mag. 12: 152. 1995. – Fig. 23E.


**Description** — See Boyce & al. (1995).

**Ecology** — *Bucephalandra catherineae* is known exclusively from basalt riverside boulders under wet upper hill forest at c. 600 m above sea level.

**Distribution** — Known with certainty only from the type locality, but see under Remarks.

**Eponymy** — Dedicated to the botanical artist Eleanor Catherine in recognition of the painstaking illustration work she undertook for The genera of Araceae project (Mayo & al. 1997).

**Remarks** — Morphologically very similar plants are known from shaded riverside granites at Nanga Pinoh (Kabupaten Melawi, Kalimantan Barat), some 450 km to the SW of *Bucephalandra catherineae*. These have yet to flower in cultivation and confirmation of their identity is not yet secure.

**Commercial names** — None.

**6. Bucephalandra chimaera** S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. – Fig. 5 & 23F.

Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Kabupaten Sekadau, Kecamatan Nanga Taman, environs of Nanga Taman, 4 Apr 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3846 (BO!; isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

**Diagnosis** — *Bucephalandra chimaera* most closely resembles *B. aurantiitheca* but may be distinguished by the spreading (not upward-arching) staminate flowers, and by the ascending thecae horns.

**Description** — Small obligate rheophytic herbs c. 17 cm tall. Stem erect, later decumbent and rooting with active portion sub-erect, c. 1.5 cm in diam. Leaves many together, erect-arching; petiole 6–9 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., conspicuously longitudinally sulcate, brownish green, sheathing at extreme base, wings extend-
Fig. 5. *Bucephalandra chimaera* – A: plants in habitat; B: habitat; *B. chimaera* occurs at bases of large granite boulders along river bank; C: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; D: spadix at pistillate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note that interstice staminodes are still erect and that staminate flower thecae have yet to reflex; E: detail of staminate flower zone at pistillate anthesis. – Photographs: from *K. Nakamoto* AR-3846; A & B by K. Nakamoto; C–E by P. C. Boyce.
ed into a narrowly triangular ligular portion c. 4 cm long; blade oblong-elliptic to elliptic, 9–12 cm long × 2–3 cm wide, coriaceous, semi-glossy emerald-green adaxially, yellowish green abaxially, apex acute and apiculate for c. 5 mm, margin weakly undulate; midrib abaxially prominent, dull red, adaxially slightly raised; primary lateral veins c. 6 on each side diverging at c. 30° and running to a rather conspicuous marginal vein; interprimary veins alternating with primaries, weaker than primaries, reddish; secondary venation adaxially obscure, abaxially forming a faint reticulate pattern; tertiary venation obscure. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle exceeding petioles, 5–11 cm long × c. 2.5 mm in diam. (average), longitudinally sulcate, pale green suffused reddish brown with ridges darker red. Spathe oblong-ovate, not constricted, 4–4.5 cm long; lower spathe initially narrowly funnel-form, later (stamine anthesis) flaring, medium semi-glossy green, persistent; limb slightly inflating and gaping distally at pistillate anthesis, opening widely almost to persistent lower spathe during stamine anthesis, caducous during late or post-stamine anthesis, with margins recurving, and limb often retaining a slender connection to lower spathe, greenish ivory, acuminate for c. 6 mm and apiculate for c. 1.5 mm, apiculum medium green. Spadix c. 3.5 cm long; pistillate zone c. ½ width of remainder of spadix, sessile, 3.5–5 mm long × c. 3 mm in diam., with c. 3 rows of pistils; pistils very closely appressed, rhombic-cylindric, c. 0.5 mm in diam., pale green; stigma sessile, button-like, c. ½ diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis; pistillodes few, interspersed between lowermost spiral of pistils at their junction with spathe, spathulate, c. 0.5 mm long, glossy white; interstice with c. 3 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 2 mm long × 1.8 mm wide, margin thickened, staminodes initially erect (pistillate anthesis), reflexing during stamine anthesis until sub-perpendicular with spadix axis, initially greenish white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; stamine zone c. 1 cm long × c. 6 mm in diam., consisting of c. 7 rows of flowers; stamine flowers pale orange; stamen large, c. 1 mm tall × c. 2 mm wide, overall pale orange; filament short, conspicuous; connective tetrahedral, with one side facing outward and upward; thecae inserted ventrally into connective, and almost completely immersed in connective tissues, individually very narrowly ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.3 mm wide, bright orange; thecae horns very short, barely 0.2 mm long, nipple-like, upward directed during pistillate anthesis, later (by reflexion of stamen filament during stamine anthesis), downward-directed; appendix ± tapering cylindrical, 1.5–2 cm long × 6–8 mm in diam.; appendix staminodes trapezoidal-cylindric, densely arranged, truncate, smooth, lowermost ones largest, c. 2 mm in diam., uppermost ones c. ½ this size, with terminal ones irregular and c. 0.5 mm in diam. Fruiting spathe and infructescences not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra chimaera occurs on granite boulders along small streams under perhumid lowland forest at c. 90 m above sea level.

Distribution — Known only from the type locality, where it co-occurs, although in a different ecological niche, with B. aurantiitheca (see Remarks under B. aurantiitheca).

Etymology — From the Chimaera of Greek mythology, the offspring of Typhoeus and Echidna, comprised of parts from a lion, a goat, and a snake. The name is chosen in allusion to this new species resembling one species by its leaves, another by its inflorescences, and a third by its staminate flowers.

Remarks — The occurrence of two Bucephalandra species at the same locality is highly unusual. Bucephalandra chimaera is vegetatively very similar in appearance to B. aurantiitheca (see above), with which it co-occurs although in a discrete ecology, but shows marked and stable differences in spadix morphology (compare Fig. 23F with 23B).

Commercial names — ‘Chimera’.

7. Bucephalandra chrysokoupa S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. – Fig. 6 & 23G. Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Utara, Kabupaten Nunukan, Kecamatan Mentarang Hulu, Long Berang, 03°48'25.2”N, 116°11’24.7”E, 18 Jun 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3977 (BO!; isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra chrysokoupa is uniquely distinguished from all other Bucephalandra species by the combination of the golden yellow to medium bright orange spathe limb, and by the interstice staminodes having minutely serrate tips.

Description — Small tufted obligate rheophytic herbs c. 10 cm tall, occurring as individual plants. Stem erect, all but older portions obscured by sheathing leaf bases. Leaves to c. 15 together; petiole 3–4.5 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., adaxially canaliculate, dull brownish green, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 2.5 cm long; blade narrowly elliptic, 6–7 cm long × 2–2.5 cm wide, rather thinly coriaceous, glossy bright medium green adaxially, paler and matte abaxially and occasionally tinged brownish red, base cuneate, apex acute and apiculate for c. 1.5 mm, margin smooth to somewhat undulate; midrib abaxially and adaxially somewhat prominent, reddish abaxially; primary lateral veins c. 3 on each side, diverging at 25°–60° and running to a marginal vein; interprimary veins alternating with primaries, very much less conspicuous; secondary venation adaxially ± obscure;
Fig. 6. Bucephalandra chrysokoupa – A & B: plants in habitat; C: inflorescence at early pistillate anthesis; note slit at tip of spathe limb; D: inflorescence at onset of staminate anthesis; E: inflorescence at peak of staminate anthesis; note that spathe limb is starting to decay and separate from lower persistent part; F: spadix at pistillate anthesis, spathe limb and nearside part of lower spathe artificially removed; note that interstice staminodes are still erect and that staminate flower thecae have yet to reflex; G: spadix at onset of staminate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note that interstice staminodes are beginning to lower; H & I: spadix at staminate anthesis. Variation in appendix staminodes is clearly seen in F–I. – Photographs: from K. Nakamoto AR-3977; A & B by K. Nakamoto; C–I by P. C. Boyce.
tertiary venation abaxially forming a faint tessellate reticulum. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle exceeding petioles, 3–6 cm long, smooth to very slightly longitudinally sulcate, greenish red. Spathe broadly turbinate to oblong-conic, not constricted, up to 3.5 cm long; lower spathe funnel-form, dull green, persistent; limb inflating, with a distal slit appearing at pistillate anthesis, then semi-deliquescent-caducous, golden yellow to medium orange, somewhat waxy, rostrate for c. 1 cm and then acuplicate for c. 3 mm. Spadix 1.1–1.3 cm long, very shortly stipitate; stipe c. 0.2 mm long, pale green; pistillate zone 3–4.2 mm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., with 4 or 5 spirals of pistils; pistils cylindric, c. 0.5 mm in diam., medium green; stigma sessile, discoid, sub-equalling diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis; pistillodes absent; interstice with c. 2 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 3 mm long × 1.8 mm wide, tips shallowly retuse, serrate, staminodes initially (pistillate anthesis) erect, then reflexing during staminate anthesis, initially white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; staminate zone 2–3 mm long × c. 3.5 mm in diam., consisting of c. 2 rows of flowers; staminate flowers creamy white; stamen c. 1.2 mm across × c. 2 mm long; filament very short, initially erect (pistillate anthesis), reflexing during staminate anthesis; connective strap-shaped; thecae inserted ventrally on connective, narrowly ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.3 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns c. ½ length of associated theca, setaceous, upward-pointing during pistillate anthesis, later spreading; appendix globose to bullet-shaped, 4–5 mm long × 3–4 mm in diam., creamy white to pale yellow; appendix staminodes obpyramidal, c. 1 mm in diam., tops echinate, occasionally coarse so. Fruiting spathe narrowly funnel-form, c. 1 cm in diam., medium glossy green, with shield-shaped staminodes persistent, turning green, spent distal part of spadix falling; fruits and seeds not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra chrysokoupa occurs on granite riverside boulders under lowland moist forest at c. 170 m above sea level.

Distribution — Known only from the type locality and the immediately surrounding area.

Etymology — From Greek adjective, chrysos (golden) and Greek noun, koupa (cup), in reference to the diagnostic golden to orange spathe.

Remarks — Bucephalandra chrysokoupa is a remarkable and also highly attractive species, unique by the combination of the golden to orange spathe limb and the interstice staminodes with serrate tips. The appendix staminodes are also serrate to a variable degree: in extreme clones the appendix resembles a coarse stippling paintbrush.


8. Bucephalandra diabolica S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. – Fig. 7 & 23H.

Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Kabupaten Melawi, Kecamatan Sayan, Bukit Baka-Bukit Raya National Park, Bukit Baka, 00°24'45.2"S, 111°59'43.9"E, 1 Sep 2012, M. Lo AR-4027 (BO!; isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra diabolica is most similar to B. pygmaea and B. sordidula, but differs from both by the thecae horns at least as long as the rest of the staminate flower. Bucephalandra diabolica also differs from B. sordidula by the white (not reddish brown) thecae.

Description — Diminutive obligate rheophytic herbs c. 2 cm tall, occurring in extensive patches. Stem creeping with active portion sub-erect, branching repeatedly, c. 1–2.5 mm in diam. Leaves appressed to ground, scattered along stems and forming small clusters at shoot tips; petiole 0.5–1 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., adaxially canaliculate, greenish brown, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 1 cm long; blade obovate, 3–5 cm long × 1–1.5 cm wide, thinly coriaceous, metallic bluish olive-green adaxially, paler and reddish abaxially, base cuneate to sub-decurrent, apex rounded and acuplicate for c. 1 mm, margin usually weakly undulate; midrib adaxially somewhat prominent, abaxially much finer, although reddish and therefore conspicuous; primary lateral and interprimary veins very fine and not differentiated, c. 10 veins per side; secondary venation abaxially very fine and forming faint reticulum. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle slender, exceeding petioles, c. 3 cm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., conspicuously longitudinally sulcate and distally winged, pale brownish with reddish ridges. Spathe broadly ovate, not constricted, c. 1.5 cm long; lower spathe widely funnel-form, very pale pinkish green, persistent; limb inflating, then gaping, then caducous, white, acuplicate for c. 2 mm. Spadix 5–8 mm long; pistillate zone c. 1 mm long × c. 3 mm in diam., with 1 spiral of pistils; pistils compressed globose, c. 0.5 mm in diam., yellow-green; stigma sessile, umbonate, c. ½ diameter of ovary, papillate and with a conspicuous stigmatic droplet at anthesis; pistillodes absent; interstice with c. 2 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 1.5 mm long × c. 0.8 mm wide, very shallowly concave, very pale pink with darker pink minute speckles; staminate zone 2–3 mm long × c. 2.5 mm in diam., consisting of c. 3 irregular rows of flowers; staminate flowers brownish pink; stamen large, c. 1 mm across, brownish pink; filament very short; connective triangular-prismatic; thecae inserted ventrally, ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.3 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns longer than remainder of stamen, setaceous, upward curving; appendix globose to bluntly cylindrical, 1–2 mm long × 1.5–2 mm in diam., pinkish cream; appendix staminodes very few, fused, truncate, 0.5–1 mm in diam., upper surface smooth and glossy. Fruiting...
Fig. 7. Bucephalandra diabolica – A–C: plants in habitat; C: inflorescence at staminate anthesis; note spathe limb is lost; D & E: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; note slit at tip of spathe limb; F: spadix just before staminate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note that staminodes are beginning to lower. – Photographs: from M. Lo AR-4027; A–C by M. Lo; D–F by P. C. Boyce.
spathe widely and shallowly funnel-form, c. 1 cm in diam.; fruits and seeds not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra diabolica occurs on granite riverside rocks and steep rocky riverbanks under moist lowland forest at approximately 50 m above sea level.

Distribution — Known only from Bukit Baka, the type locality.

Etymology — From Greek, diabolos (the Devil), in fanciful allusion to the form of the staminate flower, with triangular staminate flowers and erect thecae resembling the head and horns of the Devil.

Remarks — Bucephalandra diabolica belongs to the very probably highly speciose Bucephalandra Pygmaea Complex, which aside from B. pygmaea (Becc.) P. C. Boyce & S. Y. Wong includes B. sordidula, described in this paper, and very probably numerous other taxonomic novelties.

Commercial names — None.

9. Bucephalandra elliptica (Engl.) S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, comb. nov. = Microcasia elliptica Engl. in Bull. Reale Soc. Tosc. Ortic. 4: 299. 1879. – Fig. 8 & 23I. Holotype: Malaysian Borneo, Sarawak, Nov 1866, O. Beccari PB 2817 (FI-B!).

Description — Small solitary obligate rheophytic herbs to 20 cm tall. Stem creeping and rooting with active portion sub-erect, c. 1.3 cm in diam. Leaves c. 6 together; petiole 5–6 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., adaxially canaliculate, medium green, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 3 cm long; blade lanceolate, rather oblique, 9–13 cm long × 3–4 cm wide, somewhat coriaceous, semi-glossy medium green adaxially, paler green abaxially with darker green veins, base rounded, apex acuminate, apiculate for c. 2.5 mm, margin undulate, quite strongly so in larger individuals; midrib abaxially and adaxially prominent; primary lateral and interprimary veins not differentiated, together amounting to c. 8 per side, diverging at c. 30° and running to a marginal vein; secondary venation adaxially ± obscure, abaxially fine; tertiary venation adaxially obscure, abaxially forming a faint tessellate reticulum. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle fairly stout, exceeding petioles, 6–10 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., terete, dull medium green. Spathe oblong-ovate, not constricted, c. 6 cm long; lower spathe narrowly funnel-form, bright green, shading to yellow, persistent; limb inflating, producing a slit near tip, then crumbling-caducous, glossy white, rostrate for c. 1.5 cm, and apiculate for c. 2 mm, apiculum green. Spadix 2–3 cm long; pistillate zone c. 7–9 mm long × 3–4 mm wide, with c. 3 spirals of pistils; pistils dense, rhomboidal-cylindric, c. 0.5 mm in diam., lime-green; stigma sessile, umbonate, c. ½ diameter of ovary, impressed with edges of pistil forming a raised rim, papillate and with a conspicuous stigmatic droplet at anthesis; pistillodes lorate-clavate, c. 1.5 mm long, glossy white; interstice with 2 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 2 mm long × c. 2 mm wide, ventrally with median-line swollen and distally somewhat spathulate, pale creamy white with claw green; staminate zone 1–1.5 cm long × 1–1.5 cm in diam., consisting of 5–7 rows of flowers; staminate flowers upward-directed during pistillate anthesis, reflexing to almost perpendicular with spadix axis during staminate anthesis, creamy white; stamen large, c. 2 mm across × c. 1.5 mm tall; filament short; connective triangular-prismatic; thecae inserted ventrally, gibbose-ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.5 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns c. ¼ length of associated theca, setaceous, upward-curved; appendix bluntly cylindrical to fusiform, 2–3 cm × 1–1.7 cm in diam., cream; appendix staminodes irregularly rhomboid-cylindric, lowest in groups of 3, truncate, 0.5–1 mm in diam., top surface papillate. Fruiting spathe widely and shallowly funnel-form, c. 1 cm in diam. × c. 1.5 cm tall; fruits and seeds not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra elliptica occurs on sandstone riversides and stream boulders under open lowland perhumid forest at c. 150 m above sea level.

Distribution — SW Sarawak. Known with certainty only from Sri Aman. See Remarks for other potential locations.

Remarks — Bucephalandra elliptica is highly distinctive, with the non-flowering adult plants resembling a juvenile Ooa S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce. Bucephalandra elliptica is one of a group of species with well-defined rhomboidal appendix staminodes. Among these it is unique by the appendix accounting for only about half the spadix.

Beccari’s type collection makes no mention of the collecting locality, although it is dated as collected in November 1866. From this date it is possible to speculate on a probable area for the type locality. Beccari’s itinerary for November 1866 is entirely in SW Sarawak: “middle of November [1866] starting to the upper waters of the Sarawak River, Tappo Kakas [01°11’30”N, 110°12’30”E], G[unung] Wa [modern name not known with certainty, perhaps Gunung Seraong] (19 Nov), Pan[g]kalan Am[pat] [01°11’00”N, 110°15’00”E], Senna [Senah Sebuang, 01°06’15”N, 110°16’30”E] (23 Nov), G[unung] Braam [Braang, 01°13’30”N, 110°16’00”E], Koom [not located] (26 Nov)” see http://www.nationalherbarium.nl/FMCollectors/B/BeccariO.htm#1866.


Commercial names — None.
Fig. 8. *Bucephalandra elliptica* – A: plant in habitat; B & C: inflorescence at early (B) and mid- (C) pistillate anthesis; note changes in spathe limb shape; D & E inflorescence at staminate anthesis, with spathe limb beginning to deliquesce; F: inflorescence at peak of staminate anthesis; note that spathe limb is mostly now separated from lower persistent part; G: spadix at pistillate anthesis, spathe limb artificially removed; note that interstice staminodes are still erect and that staminate flower thecae have yet to reflex; H: spadix at onset of staminate anthesis, spathe partially artificially removed; note that interstice staminodes have lowered and that thecae of staminate flowers have reflexed. – Photographs: from K. Nakamoto AR-3564; A by M. Lo; B–H by P. C. Boyce.
10. Bucephalandra forcipula S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. – Fig. 9 & 23J.
Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Kabupaten Sekadau, Kecamatan Nanga Taman, SE of Nanga Taman, Gunung Tajam, E slope, 00°27’35.4”S, 111°02’03.2”E, 5 Feb 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3772 (BO!; isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra forcipula is distinctive among known species by the combination of clawed hastate staminate flowers, with the entire stamen (as opposed to the thecae + connective) flexing downward from the base at staminate anthesis, and the connective with a flat dorsal surface, with verrucate margins, the thecae separated by a deep sinus, and the thecae horns stout, spreading, and deep orange-brown. The large (up to 17 × 8 cm) elliptic blue-green leathery leaf blades are also uniquely diagnostic.

Description — Medium sized, robust facultative rheophytic herbs up to 30 cm tall. Stem initially erect, later much-elongating and becoming decumbent and rooting from behind active tip, with active portion erect, oldest stems up to 25 cm long × 2 cm in diam., although usually less, greenish brown. Leaves to c. 10 together; petiole 8–10 cm long × c. 3 mm in diam., scabridulous, adaxially narrowly canaliculate, dull pinkish brown to medium matte red, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 5 cm long; blade elliptic, 10–14 cm long × 5–6 cm wide, rather thickly softly coriaceous, weakly glossy bluish grey to deep green, paler abaxially, base obtuse to rounded-cuneate, apex rounded and apiculate for c. 3 mm, margin usually straight; midrib abaxially and adaxially prominent; primary lateral and interprimary veins not differentiated, c. 8 on each side, diverging at 25°–60° and running to an orange marginal vein; all other venation obscure. Inflorescence solitary, occasionally paired with a conspicuous phylly between; peduncle exceeding petioles, 8–12 cm long × c. 3 mm in diam., weakly longitudinally angular, pale reddish brown. Spathe narrowly ovate, not constricted, 8–10 cm long; lower spathe funnel-form, green, persistent; limb gaping distally at pistillate anthesis, caducous during staminate anthesis, white, rostrate for c. 1.5 cm, apiculate for c. 5 mm, apiculum green. Spadix 4–4.5 cm long; pistillate zone somewhat obliquely inserted on spathe, 4–7 mm long × c. 7 mm in diam., with 3 or 4 spirals of pistils; pistils cylindric-globose in plan view, c. 1.5 mm in diam., green; stigma sessile, discoid with a deep, narrow central pit, slightly wider than ovary, sticky papillate at anthesis; pistillodes 1–3 at base of pistillate zone, squatty fusiform, 0.5 mm in diam., white; interstice with 3 or 4 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 2 mm long × c. 2 mm wide, each somewhat reduplicate with tip spathulate, initially white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; staminate zone 1.5–1.8 cm long × c. 1 cm in diam., consisting of 7–9 rows of flowers; staminate flowers creamy white; stamen c. 2 mm across; filament long, reflexing during staminate anthesis to reveal tops of Y-shaped connective; connective cuneate (Y-shaped in plan view); thecae inserted distally and ventrally, with a deep suture between, individually rhombic, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.5 mm wide, smooth, cream; thecae horns equalling associated theca, stiffly setaceous, downward and laterally spreading, initially pale cream, becoming deep orange during staminate anthesis; appendix bullet-shaped, 1.5–2 cm long × c. 1 cm in diam. (at widest part), cream; appendix staminodes rhomboidal-opyramidal, lowermost ones truncate with a central depression, c. 1 mm in diam., upper surface papillate. Fruiting spathe funnel-form, c. 2 cm in diam., with shield-shaped staminodes persistent, turning green, spent distal part of spadix falling; fruits and seeds not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra forcipula is rheophytic along the edges of exposed granite waterfalls under moist hill forest at approximately 350 m above sea level.

Distribution — Known only from Gunung Tajam, on the extreme NW flanks of the Schwaner Mountains, Kalimantan Barat.

Etymology — From Latin, forceps (pincers) and the diminutive suffix -ula, hence forcipula, little pincers, in allusion to the shape of the individual staminate flowers.

Remarks — Vegetatively and as well by the staminate flower morphology this is one of the most distinctive species in the genus. In habitat Bucephalandra forcipula co-occurs with an undetermined member of the Bucephalandra Pygmaea Complex (known commercially as ‘Theia’) and an undescribed species of Aridarium Ridl.

Commercial names — ‘Gigante’.

11. Bucephalandra gigantea Bogner in Pl. Syst. Evol. 145: 159, fig. 1 & 2. 1984; Bogner & Hay in Telopea 9: 196. 2000. – Fig. 23K.


Ecology — Bucephalandra gigantea is rheophytic on rocks submerged in water and on small waterfalls, reported from c. 700 m above sea level. Endert (in sched.) reported B. gigantea as forming the dominant rheophytic vegetation.
Fig. 9. *Bucephalandra forcipula* – A: plants in habitat; B: habitat; *B. forcipula* occurs along shaded margins of waterfall; C: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; D: spadix at staminate anthesis, spathe limb nearly completely shed and beginning to degrade; a post-anthesis inflorescence is clearly visible; E: inflorescence at onset of staminate anthesis, nearside spathe artificially removed; F: detail of staminate flower zone and reflexed interstice staminodes at staminate anthesis. – Photographs: from K. Nakamoto AR-3772; A & B by K. Nakamoto; C–F by P. C. Boyce.
Distribution — So far known only from the type locality, where it is described as “very common here, forming the vegetation” (Endert in sched., translated from Dutch).

Remarks — Bucephalandra gigantea is presently the largest described Bucephalandra species, remarkable for the size of the leaf blades. The Kew isotype has the most complete field data, and there it is noted “andere bijzonderheden” (other observations) “already a few specimens collected along the rivulets but much smaller there”. Neither of the published descriptions (Bogner 1984; Bogner & Hay 2000) makes mention of any colours, although the label on the Kew isotype records “petioles reddish, leaf upper surface blotched/spotted reddish; … spathe pink; … fruit green” (translated from Dutch).

Commercial names — None.

12. Bucephalandra goliath S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. — Fig. 10 & 23L.

Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Kabupaten Melawi, Kecamatan Nanga Pino, Jalan 28, 8 km E of Kampung Nyangai, Landau Garong, logging road 25 km S of Nanga Pino, Ulu Sungai Reret and Ulu Sungai Sentulang, 00°34’31.9”S, 111°56’30.8”E, 16 Oct 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-4040 (BO!; isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — The leaf blades of Bucephalandra goliath are most similar to those of B. ultramafica, but B. goliath differs from B. ultramafica in its overall habit, having considerably elongated pendent naked stout stems. The spadix of B. goliath is notable by the bluntly cylindrical appendix clothed with large staminodes, and by the different morphology of the staminate flowers as compared with B. ultramafica.

Description — Robust erect to pendulous obligate rheophytic herbs up to 15 cm tall but occurring as pendant masses to over 1 m long. Stem initially erect and obscured by sheathing leaf bases, later (on old plants), mostly naked with tufts of leaves at tips, stems pendulous to 50 cm or more with active tips ascending, older stems branching repeatedly to form curtains hanging for 1 m or more. Leaves in tufts of 10 or more at tips of active shoots; petiole 5–6 cm long × c. 2.5 mm in diam., longitudinally ridged, adaxially canaliculate, reddish brown, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 4 cm long; blade narrowly elliptic, 10–15 cm long × 1–1.5 cm wide, rather thickly coriaceous, semi-glossy medium green adaxially, pale yellow-green abaxially, base cuneate, apex acute to slightly acuminate, apiculate for c. 1.5 mm, margin usually straight and slightly recurved; midrib abaxially and particularly adaxially prominent, red abaxially; primary lateral veins c. 4 on each side, diverging at c. 30° and running to a marginal vein; interprimary veins alternating with primaries and scarcely differentiated; secondary venation adaxially ± obscure, abaxially fine and ± following line of interprimaries; tertiary venation obscure. Inflorescence solitary, very seldom 2 together separated by a prophyll; peduncle exceeding petioles, 4.5–8 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., somewhat compressed, conspicuously longitudinally sulcate, pale red, with distal-most expanded portion below spathe medium green. Spathe ovate, not constricted, 3.5–5.5 cm long; lower spathe funnel-form, green, persistent; limb inflating at pistillate anthesis, gaping to produce a narrow slit-like opening along upper ⅔ of spathe limb, caducous by fragmenting into large semi-coherent pieces at staminate anthesis, white, apiculate for c. 2 mm. Spadix 2–3.5 cm long; pistillate zone 4–5 mm long × c. 3 mm in diam., with c. 4 spirals of pistils; pistil rhombic-globose, c. 0.5 mm in diam., milky green; stigma sessile, capitulate, c. ½ diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis; pistillodid absent; interstice with c. 2 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 2 mm long × c. 2.5 mm wide, distal margin thickened and upward curving, staminodes initially erect, then spreading, white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; staminate zone 5–6 mm long × c. 5 mm in diam., consisting of c. 4 rows of flowers; staminate flowers cream; stamen comparatively large, c. 1 mm across; filament conspicuous; connective gibbose strap-shaped; thecae inserted ventrally, ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.5 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns equalling associated theca, base areole-like, horn very short, spreading; appendix bluntly cylindrical, base abruptly tapering into staminate zone, 1.5–2 cm long × 6–7 mm in diam., cream to medium yellow; appendix staminodes obpyramidal, truncate, 2–3 mm in diam., upper surface smooth and slightly glossy. Fruiting spathe not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra goliath occurs on granite waterfalls under perhumid lower hill forest at c. 250 m above sea level.

Distribution — So far known only from the area of Nanga Pino and Nanga Taman, where it is scattered and highly localized.

Etymology — Derived from Goliath of Gath (one of five city states of the Philistines), the giant Philistine warrior, and used in allusion to the robust and large stature of this species.

Remarks — The long stout pendent stems forming dense curtains of growth are immediately diagnostic. The leaf blade is also highly distinctive, although the leaf blades of Sabah Bucephalandra ultramafica are superficially similar.

Fig. 10. *Bucephalandra goliath* – A & B: plants in habitat; note (B) long, naked stem; C: inflorescence at early pistillate anthesis; D & E: inflorescence at onset of staminate anthesis with spathe limb beginning to shed in separate pieces; F: spadix at staminate anthesis, spathe limb and nearside part of lower spathe artificially removed; note that interstice staminodes are beginning to lower; G & H: spadix at onset of staminate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note that interstice staminodes are beginning to lower. – Photographs: A from *K. Nakamoto* AR-3929; B–E, G & H from *K. Nakamoto* AR-3848; F from *K. Nakamoto* AR-4040; A & B by K. Nakamoto; C–H by P. C. Boyce.
Additional specimens seen (paratypes) — **INDONESIAN BORNEO**: KALIMANTAN BARAT: Kabupaten Sekadau, Kecamatan Nanga Taman, environs of Nanga Taman, 4 Apr 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3848 (BO!, SAR!); ibid., 22 May 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3929 (BO!, SAR!).

13. **Bucephalandra kerangas** S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. – Fig. 11 & 23M.


**Diagnosis** — The spadix of *Bucephalandra kerangas* is somewhat reminiscent of that of *B. elliptica*, although readily differentiated by the abrupt transition into the narrowly cylindrical staminate flower zone, with the base of the appendix truncate, and by the excavated, extended staminodes at the appendix tip. Ecologically *B. kerangas* is unique in the genus (indeed, in the entire Schismatagoglottideae) by being restricted to kerangas.

**Description** — Small solitary obligate rheophytic herbs to c. 13 cm tall, but in exposed situations only c. ½ this height. **Stem** creeping and rooting, c. 1 cm in diam., with active portion sub-erect. **Leaves** c. 10 together, semi-erect; **petiole** 2–4 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., adaxially canaliculate, conspicuously longitudinally ribbed, dark reddish brown, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 4 cm long; **blade** lanceolate, 6–12 cm long × 1–4 cm wide, stiffly to moderately coriaceous, semi-glossy deep green adaxially, paler and yellowish pink to reddish green abaxially, base cuneate, apex acute, apiculate for c. 2.5 mm, straight and somewhat reflexed, especially in plants from exposed situations; **midrib** abaxially and adaxially prominent, abaxially with at least basal ½ ridged; **primary lateral** and **interprimary veins** not differentiated, together totalling c. 4 per side, diverging at c. 30° and running to a marginal vein; **secondary ve-nation** adaxially ± obscure, abaxially fine; **tertiary ve-nation** adaxially obscure, forming a faint tessellate reticulum. **Inflorescence** solitary; **peduncle** exceeding petioles, 5–6 cm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., conspicuously longitudinally sulcate, reddish green with ridges darker red. **Spathe** broadly ellipsoid, not constricted, c. 3.7 cm long; **lower spathe** funnel-form, green, persistent; **limb** gaping, then caducous, white shading to green at junction with lower persistent spathe, limb acuminate for c. 1 cm and apiculate for c. 4 mm, apiculum green. **Spadix** 2–2.5 cm long; ** pistillate zone** c. 5 mm long × c. 3 mm in diam., with c. 3 spirals of pistils; **pistils** rhombic-globose, c. 0.5 mm in diam., bright green; **stigma** sessile, umbonate, c. ½ diameter of ovary, producing a conspicuous meniscus-like droplet at anthesis, later (post-anthesis) sunken centrally; **pistillodes** 2–4 at base of pistillate zone, tongue-shaped, c. 0.5 mm long and wide, waxy white; **interstice** with 2 rows of **scale-like staminodes**, these c. 2 mm long × 1.5 mm wide, ventrally gibbose, margin spatulate, basally green, apically white, erect during pistillate anthesis, reflexing prior to staminate anthesis, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; **staminate zone** c. 5 mm long × c. 4 mm in diam., consisting of c. 4 rows of flowers; **staminate flowers** ascending to display almost entire ventral surface, creamy yellow to pinkish cream; **stamen** comparatively large, c. 2 mm long; **filament** small, stout; **connective** strap-shaped; **thecae** inserted ventrally, ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.5 mm wide, smooth; **thecae horns** c. ¼ length of associated theca, setaceous, outward-pointing; **appendix** bullet-shaped, base abruptly truncate at junction with staminate flower zone, 1–1.5 cm long × c. 5 mm in diam., cream; **appendix staminodes** tending to form groups of 3 or 4, obpyramidal, tops irregularly polygonal, truncate, 0.5–1 mm in diam., smooth and somewhat glossy, cream. **Infructescences** not seen.

**Ecology** — *Bucephalandra kerangas* is rheophytic on whitish sandstone rocks and waterfalls along oligotrophic streams under open lowland to lower hill kerangas (tropical heath-forest) at 25–360 m above sea level.

**Distribution** — N and S flanks of the C part of the Kling-kang Range, Sarawak (Bahagian Sri Aman) & Kaliman-tan Barat (Kabupaten Sanggau).

**Etymology** — Kerangas is derived from the name of the vegetation, tropical heath-forest, to which this new spe-cies is restricted. The word kerangas, translates as “land that cannot grow rice”, and is from the Iban language.

**Remarks** — The only *Bucephalandra* species so far known to occur in kerangas, a habitat not usually favouring rheophytes. Plants in exposed situations tend to be dwarfed, with stiffly coriaceous leaf blades and with the margins noticeably recurved, as compared with plants in shade, which are inclined to be larger, with softer-textured arching leaf blades. When brought into cultivation these exposed-situation plants grow on to resemble the shade-dwelling individuals.

**Commercial names** — None.

Additional specimens seen (paratypes) — **MALAYSIAN BORNEO**: SARAWAK: Bahagian Sri Aman: Tempat Perke-lahan Tapang Rumput, 01°04′13.0″N, 111°17′35.7″E, 23 Aug 2009, P. C. Boyce & S. Y. Wong AR-2595 (SAR!, SBC!, SING!). — **INDONESIAN BORNEO**: KALIMANTAN BARAT: Kabupaten Kapuas Hulu, Kecamatan Badau, Wong Garai, 15 km NW of Badau, 00°58′13.0″N, 111°49′30.3″E, 17 May 2013, K. Nakamoto AR-4145 (BO!, SAR!, SBC!, SING!).
Fig. 11. *Bucephalandra kerangas* – A: plant in habitat; B & C: habitat; D: detail of plant; note creeping rhizome-like stem and longitudinally sulcate petioles; E: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; F: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; G: detail of spadix at pistillate anthesis, note interstice staminodes and staminate flower thecae are erect. – Photographs: from P. C. Boyce & S. Y. Wong AR-2595; all by P. C. Boyce.
Bucephalandra kishii S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. – Fig. 12 & 23N.

Holotype: Indonesia, Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Kabupaten Melawi, Kecamatan Nanga Taman, Kampung Entebah, Gunung Saran, 00°25′24″S, 111°17′42″E, 1500 m, 25 Aug 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-4019 (BO!, SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra kishii is immediately recognizable by the erect stem with regular rosettes of leaves and by the leaf blades adaxially with prominently raised primary lateral veins; in these characters alone B. kishii cannot be confounded with any other Bucephalandra species. Bucephalandra kishii is further exemplified by the conic appendix comprised of lax elongate staminodes with excavate tips.

Description — Small obligate or facultative rheophytic herbs to 12 cm tall. Stem erect, mostly obscured by sheathing leaf bases c. 1 cm in diam. Leaves many together in a dense to rather loose rosette; petiole 1–3.5 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., adaxially canaliculate, green or deep reddish black, or purple, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 3 cm long; blade elliptic to ovate, 2.5–5 cm long × 1.5–2 cm wide, rather thickly coriaceous, semi-glossy medium green to very dark reddish black or purple-green adaxially, paler greenish red or green abaxially, base cuneate, apex rounded and apiculate for c. 1.5 mm, margin undulate to almost crispatulate; midrib abaxially very prominent, adaxially prominent; primary lateral veins 3 or 4 on each side, very prominent adaxially, flush with blade or almost so abaxially, diverging at c. 45° and running to an adaxially strong marginal vein; interprimary veins much less defined adaxially, almost flush with blade abaxially; secondary venation abaxially forming a faint tessellate reticulum. Inflorescences several together alternating with a foliage leaf and/or a conspicuous prophyll; peduncle exceeding petioles, 5–9 cm long, conspicuously longitudinally ribbed, medium to dark green or red, or deep red-black. Spathe broadly ovate, becoming inflated turbinate just prior to anthesis, not constricted, 3.5–5 cm long, with acuminate part c. 1 cm long; lower spathe funnel-form, pale yellow, pale pink, or red-flushed, persistent; limb inflating in middle with a slit appearing on distal acuminate and inflated portion, then caducous, white, or pale to medium pink, apiculate for c. 2 mm. Spadix 2–2.5 cm long; pistillate zone 7–9 mm long × 3 mm in diam., with 4 or 5 spirals of pistils; pistils compressed globose, c. 0.5 mm in diam., lime-green; stigma sessile, capitate, c. ½ diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis; pistillodes 2–4 at base of pistillate zone, clavate with flat top, c. 0.5 mm in diam., white; interstice with c. 2 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 2 mm long × c. 2 mm wide, distally notched, at pistillate anthesis erect then at staminate anthesis reflexing, white; staminate zone weakly conic, 7–9 mm long × c. 6 mm in diam. at base and c. 4 mm in diam. at apex, consisting of 8 or 9 regular rows of flowers; staminate flowers waxy white; stamen comparatively large, c. 2.5 mm long × c. 1 mm across; filament triangular-rostrate, ascending; thecae inserted ventrally, narrowly ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.3 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns equaling associated theca, setaceous, upward curving; appendix bullet-shaped, shortly stipitate, abruptly and widely truncate at junction with staminate flowers, lowermost staminodes of appendix overhanging and partially obscuring uppermost stamens; appendix 1.7–2.3 cm long × c. 12 mm in diam., waxy white; appendix staminodes slender obpyramidal, tops somewhat to deeply excavate, 0.5–1 mm in diam. Fruiting spathe funnel-form, c. 1 cm in diam., with shield-shaped staminodes persistent, turning green, spent distal part of spadix falling; fruits and seeds not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra kishii occurs on riversides under open-canopied upper hill forest over granite, at and above 1500 m above sea level. The species appears to be a facultative rather than obligate rheophyte.

Distribution — Restricted to Gunung Saran.

Eponymy — Named for Hiroyuki Kishi, ardent collector and skilled grower of aquarium plants.

Remarks — In having leaf blades with the primary lateral veins adaxially crispatulate this highly distinctive species is reminiscent of juvenile plants of the Aristarum Burttii Complex, although the inflorescences are quite different.

In wild populations there is considerable variation in leaf blade colour, and plants with deep red or deep red-black leaf blades have pink spathes, whereas plants with green leaf blades have white spathes. The individuals with red-black leaves and pink inflorescences are highly ornamental.


Bucephalandra magnifolia H. Okada & Y. Mori in Acta Phytotax. Geobot. 51: 4, fig. 2 & 4B. 2000. – Fig. 23O.

15. Bucephalandra magnifolia H. Okada & Y. Mori in Acta Phytotax. Geobot. 51: 4, fig. 2 & 4B. 2000. – Fig. 23O.
Fig. 12. *Bucephalandra kishii* – A: plant in habitat; B: habitat; *B. kishii* occurs along shaded margins of waterfall; C & E: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; D & F: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, spathe limb beginning to shed; G: spadix at pistillate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note erect interstice staminodes and staminate flower thecae; H: spadix at onset of staminate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note interstice staminodes and staminate flower thecae are beginning to reflex; I: spadix at staminate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note interstice staminodes and staminate flower thecae are fully reflexed; J: spadix post-anthesis, spathe limb shed naturally, nearside of lower spathe artificially removed; note colour changes to stigmas and thecae horns. – Photographs: A, B & I from K. Nakamoto AR-4055; C, D & H from K. Nakamoto AR-4019; E & F from K. Nakamoto AR-4011; G & J from K. Nakamoto AR-4010; A & B by K. Nakamoto; C–J by P. C. Boyce.

Description — See Okada & Mori (2000: 4–7, fig. 2).

Ecology — Bucephalandra magnifolia occurs as a rheophyte on sedimentary riverside rocks under upper hill to lower montane forest, between 980–1300 m above sea level.

Distribution — Known with certainty from Long Bawan (but see below).

Remarks — Plants very possibly this species from further east (Kabupaten Malinau, Kalimantan Utara) are in cultivation but have yet to flower to confirm determination.

Commercial names — None.

Additional specimens seen — INDONESIAN BORNEO: KALIMANTAN UTARA: Kabupaten Nunukan, Krayan Kecamatan, between Pa Patar & Pa Mani, 29 Sep 1990, H. Okada & J. Murata 25266 (BO!, TI!).

16. Bucephalandra minotaur S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. – Fig. 13 & 23P
Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Sekadau/Melawi regencies boundary, 115 km S of Nanga Pinoh, 00°58′21.8″S, 111°30′54.4″E (estimated from Google Earth), 22 May 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3951 (BO!, isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra minotaur is distinguished from all other species of Bucephalandra by staminate flowers with thecae horns much shorter than the thecae, the sinus between the thecae not or only barely extending to the front of the staminate flower, and the staminodes of the lower ⅓ of the appendix flat and morphologically identical to those of the upper appendix.

Description — Small obligate rheophytic herbs to 20 cm tall. Stem erect, older plants with stem shortly creeping and with active portion sub-erect, c. 1 cm in diam. Leaves many together; petiole 6–8 cm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., weakly longitudinally ridged, adaxially canaliculate, reddish green, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 4 cm long; blade lanceolate, somewhat oblique, 9–11 cm long × 1–1.5 cm wide, coriaceous, matte dark green adaxially, lighter green abaxially, base sub-cuneate, apex acute to acuminate, apiculate for c. 1.5 mm, margin undulate; midrib abaxially and adaxially prominent, tending to be reddish abaxially; primary lateral veins c. 3 on each side, diverging at c. 40° and running to a marginal vein; interprimary veins very faint; secondary venation adaxially ± obscure, abaxially somewhat raised; tertiary venation obscure. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle exceeding pedi- oles, 9–12 cm long, stout, c. 4 mm in diam., somewhat angled and weakly longitudinally sulcate, bright reddish shading to green at lower spathe. Spathe oblong-ovate, not constricted, 5–6 cm long; lower spathe narrowly funnel-form, green, persistent; limb inflating at pistillate anthesis and gaping along most of its length, opening wide at staminate anthesis, then caducous, ivory, apiculate for c. 2 mm, apiculum green. Spadix 4–5 cm long; pistillate zone 5–6 mm long × c. 3 mm in diam., with 2–5 spirals of pistils; pistils rhombic-globose, c. 0.6 mm in diam., pale yellow-green; stigma sessile, unombonate, c. ½ diameter of ovary, slightly depressed, papillate at anthesis, later (post-anthesis) sunken centrally; pistillodes 2–4 at base of pistillate zone, tongue-like with a clavate tip, c. 0.3 mm long, white with tip yellow; interstice with 2 or 3 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 3 mm long × c. 1 mm wide, bases thickened, staminodes initially erect, then spreading, initially white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; staminate zone 8–11 mm long × 4–6 mm in diam., consisting of 5–11 rows of flowers; staminate flowers initially spreading, reflexing at staminate anthesis to present thecae horns, creamy white; stamen large, c. 2 mm across; filament slender; connective semi-terete, dorsally rounded, ventrally flattened; thecae inserted ventrally, ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.5 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns very short, c. 0.2 mm long, upward-turned; appendix bluntly cylindrical to slightly fusiform, 2–3 cm long × c. 6 mm in diam., cream; appendix staminodes obpyramidal, rather regularly polygonal, lowermost staminodes c. 2 mm in in diam., uppermost c. ½ this size, tops truncate, smooth. Fruiting spathe narrowly funnel-form, c. 1 cm in diam.; fruits and seeds not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra minotaur occurs as a rheophyte on the Cretaceous granites of the Schwaner Range, at c. 165 m above sea level.

Distribution — Known only from the type locality.

Etymology — From Latin, Minotaurus (from Greek, Minotavros), the Minotaur of Greek myth, a monster with the head of a bull and the body of a man, the epithet here coined to reflect the staminate flowers reflexing at staminate anthesis each to resemble a bull charging head-down.

Remarks — Bucephalandra minotaur occurs along the flanks of the Schwaner Range, within an area of quite extraordinary biological diversity, where it co-occurs with numerous undescribed species of aroids, and doubtless other undescribed species, too.

Commercial names — ‘Gigant’.
Fig. 13. *Bucephalandra minotaur* – A & B: plants in habitat; C: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, with spathe limb nearly shed; D: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, spathe limb shed; E: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, spathe limb fallen naturally, nearside part of lower spathe removed artificially; note that interstic staminodes have reflexed to close entrance of lower spathe; F: detail of interstice staminodes sealing lower spathe; G: detail of lower spathe and fertile portions of staminate phase spadix, nearside part of spathe artificially removed. – Photographs: from K. Nakamoto AR-3951; A & B by K. Nakamoto; C-G by P. C. Boyce.

Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimanat Selatan (?), J. Motley 404 (K!).

**Description** — Schott’s original description (Schott 1858) is scanty and contains serious errors (see Bogner 1980 for discussion). Subsequent descriptions (Bogner 1980; Bogner & Hay 2000) are compiled from numerous different species, in line with then taxonomic concepts, and are therefore not reliable for envisaging *Bucephalandra motleyana*. Recollection of *B. motleyana* at the type locality is required, but see below.

**Ecology** — Unknown, but very probably rheophytic. It is of interest to mention that the bulk of the Meratus Range, from where *Bucephalandra motleyana* very probably originates, are ultramafic with outcrops of granite.

**Distribution** — Most likely collected from the S part of the Meratus Mountains (modern Kalimantan Selatan), but this requires confirmation on the ground.

**Remarks** — Notwithstanding almost universal application of the name *Bucephalandra motleyana* to *Bucephalandra* plants in herbaria, in literature, in living collections, and on the internet, we have not seen any plants, living, preserved, or depicted, that match Motley’s original collection. While it is not 100% certain where Motley’s collection was made, based on his known collection activities it very probably originated from the Meratus Mountains, in present-day Kalimantan Selatan.

James Motley was from 1854 superintendent of the Julia Hermina coal mine at Kalangan, modern Kalimantan Selatan. During this time, as he had from Labuan, Motley sent plant material, including living aroids, to Europe. Motley, his wife, and three children were murdered at Kalangan on 1 May 1859 during a local uprising at the start of the Bandjarmasin War (Walker 2005).

Bogner (1980) showed conclusively that the plate accompanying Schott’s description (Schott 1858) contains serious inaccuracies. Uncorrected portions of Schott’s plate were reproduced by Engler (1912). See Bogner (1980) and Boyce & Wong (2012) for discussion.

**Commercial names** — None.


Holotype: Malaysian Borneo, Sarawak, Bahagian Miri (‘4th Divn.’), along Sungai Payau from Sungai Melinau Paku to Rubang Payau, foot of Gunung Mulu, 22 Mar 1964, *M. Hotta* 15329 (KYO!).

**Description** — Small obligate rheophytic herbs to 10 cm tall. *Stem* initially erect, later creeping with active portion sub-erect, c. 5 mm in diam. *Leaves* several together; *petiole* 2–3 cm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., adaxially canaliculate, bright green, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 1 cm long; *blade* ovate to broadly elliptic, 2–4 cm long × 1.5–2 cm wide, thinly coriaceous, weakly glossy bright green, slightly paler abaxially, base rounded to rounded-cuneate, apex acute and apiculate for c. 2 mm, margin flat; *midrib* abaxially and adaxially sharply prominent; *primary lateral veins* 3 or 4 on each side, diverging at c. 40° and running to a weak marginal vein; *interprimary veins* very weak; all other venation obscure. *Inflorescence(s)* solitary to up to 3 together interspersed with prophylls; *peduncle* exceeding petioles, c. 4 cm long, sub-terete, pale green. *Spathe* broadly ovate, not constricted, c. 3 cm long; *lower spathe* funnel-form, yellowish green, persistent; *limb* inflating and gaping distally at pistillate anthesis, then deliquescent-caducous during staminate anthesis, glistening white, apiculate for c. 2 mm, apiculum green. *Spadix* 1.3–1.5 cm long; *pistillate zone* c. 3 mm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., with c. 3 spirals of pistils; pistils rhombic-globose, c. 0.4 mm in diam., bright green; stigma sessile, umbonate, c. ½ diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis; *pistillodes* 2–4 at base of pistillate zone, bottle-shaped, c. 0.35 mm long., white, tip green; *interstice* with c. 2 rows of scale-like staminodes, these 1–2 mm long × 0.8–1.5 mm wide, spathulate, initially erect, then spreading, initially matte white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; *staminate zone* c. 3 mm long × c. 2 mm in diam., consisting of c. 4 rows of flowers; *staminate flowers* medium yellow; *stamen* comparatively large, c. 1 mm across; *filament* short, slender; *connective* slender, prismatic; *thecae* inserted ventrally, ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.4 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns sub-equalling associated theca, setaceous, spreading; *appendix* ellipsoid, basally somewhat abruptly transitioning to staminate flower zone, 7–9 mm long × 3–4 mm in diam., medium yellow; *appendix staminodes* individually well-demarcated, obpyramidal, 0.5–1 mm in diam., upper surface brain-like with a central impression. *Fruiting spathe* funnel-form, c. 1 cm in diam., with shield-shaped staminodes persistent, turning green, spent distal part of spadix falling; *berry* depressed globose, 1–1.8 mm long × 1–1.5 mm in diam., with numerous seeds, berries forming a hemispherical cluster protected by persistent staminodes, later pushed off and falling to reveal mature fruits.

**Ecology** — *Bucephalandra muluensis* is rheophytic on exposed to semi-shady karst limestone rocks along streams under perhumid to moist lowland forest, below 100 m above sea level.
Fig. 14. *Bucephalandra muluensis* – A & B: plants in habitat; C: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; D: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, spathe limb shedding; E: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, spathe limb fallen naturally; F: spadix at staminate anthesis; note reflexed interstice staminodes, reflexed thecae, and pollen droplet at tip of thecae horns; G: detail of staminate flowers and interstice staminodes; H: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, spathe limb fallen naturally, nearside part of lower spathe removed artificially; note that interstice staminodes have reflexed to close entrance of lower spathe. – Photographs: A, C, E–H from P. C. Boyce & S. Y. Wong AR-3813; B & D from P. C. Boyce & al. AR-1949; all by P. C. Boyce.
Distribution — Known only on the Mulu National Park limestones, where it is scattered and not common.

Remarks — Bucephalandra muluensis is one of two species present in Mulu National Park, the other is the more widespread B. oblanceolata. Aside from the morphological differences highlighted in the key to species, the Mulu species are also ecologically discrete, with B. oblanceolata restricted to shales and B. muluensis a limestone obligate.

Bucephalandra muluensis is readily identifiable even when not flowering owing to the bright green leaf blades.

Commercial names — None.

Additional specimens seen — MALAYSIAN BORNEO: SARAWAK: Bahagian Miri: Marudi, Long Lama, Mulu National Park, trail to Deer Cave, 04°02'02.0"N, 114°59'06.6"E, 13 Mar 2012, P. C. Boyce & Wong Sin Yeng AR-3813 (SAR).


Holotype: Brunei Darussalam, Temburong Prov., vicinity of Labu, Bukit Peradayan, 25 Jan 1964, M. Hotta 13586 (KOY!; isotypes: L!, SAR!).

Description — Small obligate rheophytic herbs to 60 cm tall. Stem erect, older plants with stem shortly creeping and with active portion sub-erect, c. 1.5 cm in diam. Leaves many together, erect; petiole 4–6 cm long × c. 1.7 mm in diam., weakly longitudinally ridged, adaxially canaliculate, dark reddish brown, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular tubular portion to 4 cm long; blade narrowly lanceolate to narrowly elliptic, 10–14 cm long × 1–2 cm wide, coriaceous, semi-glossy dark green adaxially, lighter green abaxially, base sub-cuneate, apex acute to acuminate, apiculate for c. 1.5 mm, margin undulate; midrib abaxially and adaxially somewhat prominent, reddish abaxially; primary lateral and interprimaries veins very faint; secondary venation adaxially ± obscure; tertiary venation obscure. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle exceeding petioles, 8–10 cm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., conspicuously longitudinally sulcate and reddish with ridges deeper red. Spathe oblong-ovate, not constricted 3.5–4 cm long; lower spathe funnel-form, medium green, persistent; limb inflexed at pistillate anthesis, gaping to produce a longitudinal slit to about edge of lower spathe, limb reflexing at staminate anthesis, then somewhat dilqueuescent along margins, caducous, white, apiculate for c. 2 mm, apiculum brownish; pistillate zone 3–4 mm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., with 3 or 4 spirals of pistils; pistils rhombic-globose, c. 0.5 mm in diam., lime-green; stigma sessile, umbonate, c. 1/2 diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis; pistillodes 1–3 at base of pistillate zone, squat fusiform, sub-equalling pistils, white; interstice with c. 2 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 1.5 mm long × c. 2 mm wide, wedge-shaped, with thicker edge distal, white, initially erect, then spreading, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; staminate zone 3–4 mm long × c. 3.5 mm in diam., consisting of 3 or 4 rows of flowers; staminate flowers creamy white; stamen c. 1.3 mm across; filament strap-shaped, short; connective prismatic; thecae inserted ventrally, ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.5 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns very short, c. 0.3 mm long, setaceous, directed outward; appendix bluntly cylindrical, 5–7 mm long × 3.5–4 mm in diam., cream; appendix staminodes obpyramidal, irregularly polygonal, lowermost c. 1 mm in diam., individually differentiated, with a slight ventral suture, upper staminodes smaller, c. 0.5 mm in diam., often somewhat coalesced, all tops slightly echiuate, with larger staminodes also with a raised echiuate rim. Fruiting spathe funnel-form, c. 1 cm in diam., with shield-shaped staminodes persistent, turning pale green, spent distal part of spadix falling; Fruit and seed not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra oblanceolata is rheophytic on riverside shales under moist to wet lowland forest below 100 m above sea level.

Distribution — Bahagian Miri and Limbang (Sarawak) and in Brunei.

Remarks — Bucephalandra oblanceolata is the only Bucephalandra species recorded for Brunei, where it occasionally co-occurs with Aridarum caulescens M. Hotta (e.g. at Sungai Belalong). In Mulu National Park (Sarawak), B. oblanceolata occurs sympatrically on shales with A. purseglovei (Furtado) M. Hotta, and allopatrically with B. muluensis, the latter restricted to Mulu’s karst limestone.

Commercial names — None.

Fig. 15. *Bucephalandra oblanceolata* – A & B: plants in habitat; C: inflorescence at staminate anthesis; D: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, spathe limb shed to leave a deliquesced collar; E: spadix at staminate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note that interstice staminodes and staminate flower thecae are erect; F: spadix at staminate anthesis, spathe limb fallen naturally, nearside of lower spathe artificially removed; note reflexed interstice staminodes and reflexed thecae; G: detail of staminate flowers and reflexed interstice staminodes; H: infructescence during early development with interstice staminodes sealing entrance to persistent lower spathe. – Photographs: A, D, F & H from *P. C. Boyce & al. AR-2277*; B & C from *P. C. Boyce & al. AR-2247*; E from *P. C. Boyce & al. AR-2310*; G from *P. C. Boyce & al. AR-1989*; all by P. C. Boyce.
20. Bucephalandra oncophora S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. – Fig. 16 & 24D.
Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Kabupaten Sekadau, Kecamatan Nanga Taman, nickel mine, 22 May 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3932 (BO!; isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

**Diagnosis** — *Bucephalandra oncophora* is one of two species (the other is *B. vespula*) in which the staminodes of the lower appendix are rounded and conspicuously larger than the upper staminodes. *B. oncophora* differs from *B. vespula* by the stipitate (not sessile) stigmas, and by the lower appendix staminodes irregularly rounded with a conspicuous ventral suture, with the lower \(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3}\) of the appendix conspicuously wider than the rest of the appendix. *B. oncophora* also differs from *B. vespula* by the much longer (c. 1.5 mm vs c. 3 mm) arcuate cylindrical pistillodes at the base of the pistillate flower zone.

**Description** — Small obligate rheophytic herbs to 14 cm tall. Stem erect, in older plants creeping and rooting with active portion sub-erect. Leaves to c. 8 together, spreading; petiole 3.5–4 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., adaxially canaliculate, scabrid, reddish, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 1.5 cm long; blade elliptic, 9–11 cm long × 2.5–3 cm wide, coriaceous, semi-glossy dark green adaxially, paler yellowish reddish green abaxially, base cuneate, apex rounded and apiculate for c. 5 mm, margin undulate; midrib abaxially and adaxially prominent, strongly reddish abaxially; primary lateral veins 3 or 4 on each side, diverging at c. 35° and running to a marginal vein; interprimary veins finer; secondary venation adaxially ± obscure, abaxially faint; tertiary venation adaxially obscure, forming a faint tessellate reticulum. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle exceeding petioles, 8–12 cm long × 3 mm in diam., longitudinally sulcate, medium green with ridges dark red. Spathe oblong-ovate, not constricted, 6–7.5 cm long; lower spathe narrowly funnel-form, green, persistent; limb gaping, then caducous, creamy white, apiculate for c. 4 mm, apiculum green. Spadix 4–4.5 cm long; pistillate zone 4–7 mm long × 3–4 mm in diam., with 3 or 4 spirals of pistils; pistils polygonal-globose, often radially 3- or 4-sulcate, c. 0.5 mm in diam., lime-green; stigma stipitate, capitate, c. \(\frac{1}{2}\) diameter of ovary, producing a large stigmatic droplet at pistillate anthesis; pistillodes 2–4 at base of pistillate zone, arcuate cylindrical and much-exceeding pistils, c. 3 mm long, cream; interstice with c. 2 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 2 mm long × c. 2.3 mm wide, margins recurved, initially erect, then spreading, initially white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; staminate zone 1–1.5 mm long × 5–7 mm in diam., weakly conic, consisting of 6 or 7 rows of flowers; staminate flowers greenish; stamen comparatively large, c. 1 mm across; filament short, stout; connective inverted spathulate; thecae inserted ventrally, globose-ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.5 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns very short, c. 0.2 mm long, spreading; appendix bluntly cylindrical, somewhat constricted \(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3}\) from base with area below constriction noticeably wider than remainder of appendix, 2–2.5 cm long × 5–7 mm in diam., greenish cream; appendix staminodes dimorphic, those of basal \(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3}\) of spadix rounded and unbotanate, with a ventral suture (resembling inflated staminate flowers), c. 2 mm in diam., those of remainder of spadix irregularly polygonal, truncate or nearly so, lower few with a suture, remainder not, 0.5–1 mm in diam. Infructescence not known.

**Ecology** — *Bucephalandra oncophora* is rheophytic on nickel-bearing Pentlandite along streams under perhumid lowland forest at c. 60 m above sea level.

**Distribution** — Known only from the type locality.

**Etymology** — Latinized from Greek, onkos (bulk, mass or tumour) and phoros (bearing), hence tumour-bearing, in allusion to the diagnostic staminodes on the lower part of the appendix.

**Remarks** — *Bucephalandra oncophora* is closely similar to *B. vespula*, which occurs some 45 km to the NE on sandstone riverside rocks.

**Commercial names** — None.

21. Bucephalandra pubes S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. – Fig. 17 & 24E.
Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Kabupaten Sekadau, Kecamatan Sekadau, 3 Feb 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-3760 (BO!; isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

**Diagnosis** — *Bucephalandra pubes* is uniquely diagnosed in the genus by the pubescent staminate flowers.

**Description** — Small obligate rheophytic herbs to 12 cm tall. Stem erect, in older plants creeping and rooting with active portion sub-erect. Leaves many together, erect;
Fig. 16. *Bucephalandra oncophora* – A & B: plants in habitat; C: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; D: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, spathe limb shedding; E: spadix at pistillate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note different form of distal and proximal appendix staminodes; F: spadix at staminate anthesis, spathe limb fallen naturally, nearside lower spathe artificially removed; note interstice staminodes are beginning to reflex; compare posture of thecae horns with those in E; G: detail of staminate flowers and reflexed interstice staminodes, nearside lower spathe artificially removed. – Photographs: from K. Nakamoto AR-3932; A & B by K. Nakamoto; C–G by P. C. Boyce.
Fig. 17. *Bucephalandra pubes* – A & B: plants in habitat; C & D: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; E & F: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, spathe limb shedding; G: spadix at pistillate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; H: detail of staminate flowers. – Photographs: from K. Nakamoto AR-3760; A & B by K. Nakamoto; C–H by P. C. Boyce.
petiole 4–5 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., adaxially caliculate, scabrid, reddish, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 2 cm long; blade narrowly elliptic, 11–12 cm long × c. 1.5 cm wide, thinly coriaceous, semi-glossy bright green adaxially, paler yellowish whitish green abaxially, base cuneate, apex rounded and apiculate for c. 3 mm, margin somewhat undulate; midrib abaxially and adaxially prominent, strongly reddish abaxially; primary lateral and interprimary veins indistinct; secondary venation adaxially ± obscure, abaxially conspicuously reticulate; tertiary venation obscure. Inflorescence several together alternating with foliage leaves; peduncle equaling petioles, 4–5 cm long, weakly longitudinally sulcate and medium green with copious reddish minute speckles. Spathe broadly ovate, 3.5–4 cm long, fusiform in bud with widest part coinciding with spadix appendix, spathe not constricted but with a weak expansion c. 1/2 way up lower spathe and another weaker at limb junction with lower spathe; lower spathe funnel-form, glossy greenish yellow, persistent; limb gaping to form a wide distal slit at pistillate anthesis, then at stamineate anthesis reflexing with tip and margins recurving, then caducous, white, apiculate for c. 2 mm, apiculum green. Spadix 2–3.5 cm long; pistillate zone 5–6 mm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., with 3 or 4 spirals of pistils; pistils rhombic-globose, c. 0.5 mm in diam., pale cream prior to anthesis, edges of ovary turning pink at pistillate anthesis; stigma sessile, capitulate, c. 1/2 diameter of ovary, producing a large stigmatic droplet at pistillate anthesis; pistillodes 2 or 3 at base of pistillate zone, tongue-shaped, c. 0.3 mm long, glossy white; interstice with 2 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 1.5 mm long × c. 1 mm wide, wedge-shaped, initially erect, then spreading, initially white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruits; staminate zone slender cylindrical, 7–11 mm long × c. 3 mm in diam., consisting of 6–9 rows of flowers; staminate flowers pubescent, cream; stamen comparatively large, c. 1 mm across; filament short, stout; connective very slender strap-shaped, pubescent; thecae inserted ventrally at tip (appearing to hang from filament), cylindrical, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.5 mm wide, pubescent; thecae horns very short, c. 0.25 mm long, upward-turned; appendix ellipsoid, 1–1.5 cm long × 5–7 mm in diam., cream; appendix staminodes fused and individually indistinguishable except for lowermost few, these irregularly polygonal, c. 1 mm in diam., surface of appendix smooth and somewhat glossy. Fruiting spathe funnel-form, c. 1 cm in diam., pale green, with shield-shaped staminodes persistent, turning green, spent distal part of spadix falling; berry depressed globose, 1–1.8 mm long × 1–1.5 mm in diam.

Ecology — Bucephalandra pubes is rheophytic on granite rocks and boulders under lowland moist forest, recorded at least less than 100 m above sea level.

Distribution — Known only from the type locality.

Etymology — Latin, pubes (downy, especially of reproductive parts), used in allusion to the pubescent staminate flowers.

Remarks — Bucephalandra pubes is one of the most readily identifiable species by virtue of the pubescent staminate flowers with very short thecae horns.

Commercial names — None.


Holotype: Malaysian Borneo, Sarawak, Bahagian Sarikie, Julau, Sungai Entabai, 28 Oct 1867 (annotated on F1 sheet), or Sep 1867 (annotated on B sheet, and stated in Beccari 1879), or 26 Oct 1867 (stated in Beccari 1902, 1904), O. Beccari PB 3883 (FI-B!; isotype: B!).

Description — See Boyce & Wong (2012: 142–144).

Ecology — Bucephalandra pygmaea is an obligate rheophyte on shale, or very occasionally sandstone, along streams and waterfalls under moist or perhumid lowland forest at between 10–55 m above sea level.

Distribution — Malaysian Borneo (Sarawak), in Sarikie and Kapit and Indonesian Borneo, in Kapuas Hilir and Kapuas Hulu. Scattered, but often forming significant populations.

Etymology — Latin, pygmaeus (from Greek, pygmæios, dwarf), in allusion to the stature of the whole plant.

Remarks — The taxonomic history of Bucephalandra pygmaea was detailed by Boyce & Wong (2012).

Commercial names — None accurately applied.

23. Bucephalandra sordidula S.Y. Wong & P.C. Boyce, sp. nov. — Fig. 18 & 24G.

Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Kabupaten Melawi, Kecamatan Nanga Pino, 33 km S of Nanga Pino and 11 km before Kotabarua junction of logging road to Kalimantan Tengah, 00°40'21.6"S, 111°44'03.4"E, 16 Oct 2012, K. Nakamoto AR-4042 (BO!, isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra sordidula is overall most similar to B. pygmaea but is readily differentiated by the
Fig. 18. Bucephalandra sordidula – A & B: plants in habitat; C–G: inflorescence at staminate anthesis; note droplets visible on tips of thecae horns; G: spadix, nearside of spathe limb artificially removed; note also droplets on thecae horn tips and reflexed interstice staminodes. – Photographs: from M. Lo AR-4042; A & B by M. Lo; C–G by P. C. Boyce.
proportionately very long peduncle, globose appendix, reddish brown (not white) thecae of the staminate flowers, and by the lower spathe broadly salver-form at anthesis with the exterior stained pinkish brown. Bucephalandra sordidula is reminiscent of B. diabolica, although the latter is readily identified by the thecae horns at least as long as the rest of the staminate flower. The much-elongated peduncle is shared with B. catherineae, from which B. sordidula differs by the broadly spatulate (not linear) undulate (not strongly crispulate) leaf blades.

Description — Diminutive obligate rheophytic herbs c. 2.5 cm tall, occurring in extensive patches. Stem creeping with active portion sub erect, branching repeatedly, stems c. 1–2.5 mm in diam. Leaves appressed to ground, scattered along stems; petiole 0.5–1 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., adaxially canalicate, greenish brown, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 1 cm long; blade obovate, 3–5 cm long × 1–1.5 cm wide, thinly coriaceous, olive-green adaxially, paler and reddish abaxially, base cuneate to sub-decurrent, apex rounded and apiculate for c. 1 mm, margin undulate to crispulate; midrib adaxially somewhat prominent, abaxially much finer, although reddish and therefore conspicuous; primary lateral and interprimary veins very fine and not differentiated, c. 8 veins per side; secondary venation abaxially forming a fine reticulum. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle greatly exceeding petioles, 5.5–7 cm long, conspicuously longitudinally sulcate, dark reddish brown with deeper brown speckles. Spathe broadly ovate, not constricted, c. 1.5 cm long; lower spathe funnel-form, dirty white with reddish brown speckles, especially in lower ½, later turning green with brownish speckles, persistent; limb gaping to form a distinct slit at pistillate anthesis, reflexing at staminate anthesis, then caducous, externally dirty white with variable amounts of brownish red speckles, interior dirty white, apiculate for c. 1 mm, apiculum reddish brown. Spadix 6–7.5 mm long; pistillate zone c. 2 mm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., with c. 2 spirals of pistils; pistils rhombic-globose, c. 0.3 mm in diam., bright green; stigma sessile, umbonate, c. ½ diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis; pistillodes absent; interstice with 2 incomplete rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 0.5 mm long × c. 0.7 mm wide, weakly spatulate, glossy white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; staminate zone c. 1.5 mm long × c. 2 mm in diam., consisting of 2 or 3 rows of flowers; staminate flowers somewhat pinkish; stamen c. 1 mm across; filament short, stout; connective strap-shaped, glossy white; thecae inserted ventrally, ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × 0.3 mm wide, smooth, pinkish, speckled dark pink; thecae horns c. ½ length of associated theca, setaceous, upward-pointing; appendix globose, c. 3 mm long × c. 2 mm in diam., glossy waxy white; appendix staminodes obpyramidal, somewhat regularly polygonal (individual staminodes not easily distinguished), flat-topped, c. 1 mm in diam. Fruiting spathe widely funnel-form, c. 5 mm in diam., with shield-shaped stamnodes persistent, turning green, spent distal part of spadix falling; fruits and seeds not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra sordidula occurs on Upper Cretaceous granite rocks along rivers under perhumid lower hill forest at c. 200 m above sea level.

Distribution — Known only from the type locality.

Etymology — From Latin, sordidus (dirty) and the diminutive suffix -ula, hence sordidula, the little dirty one, in reference to the brownish pink staining on the spathe exterior.

Remarks — Bucephalandra sordidula is one of the most distinctive species of the taxonomically troublesome Bucephalandra Pygmaea Complex by virtue of the remarkably long peduncles and the salver-form lower spathe. Bucephalandra sordidula is also one of the few species (the other is B. belindae) to flower with the plants fully submerged, the long peduncles raising the spathe and spadix above the water.

Commercial names — ‘Titan’.

24. Bucephalandra tetana S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. — Fig. 19 & 24H.

Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Kabupaten Sintang, Kecamatan Serawai, Gunung Alat, N of Nanga Serawai and 120 km E of Nanga Pinoh, 00°04’09.0”S, 112°25’38.6”E, 17 May 2013, K. Nakamoto-AR-4146 (BO!; isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra tetana is immediately recognizable by the very stiff leaf blades, which are adaxially punctate. The slightly brain-like spadix appendix is somewhat reminiscent of that of B. muluensis, but the glossy (not matte) interstice pistillodes are diagnostic.

Description — Diminutive obligate rheophytic herbs c. 3 cm tall, forming patches up to 25 cm across. Stem creeping and rooting with active portion semi-erect, branching repeatedly, branches 0.5–3 cm long × 1.5–2 mm in diam., usually bright reddish. Leaves many together, densely arranged along stems, mostly semi-erect, sometimes appressed to substrate; petiole c. 1 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., adaxially canalicate, reddish, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 1 cm long; blade obovate to elliptic, 4–5 cm long × c. 2 cm wide, very stiffly coriaceous, semi-glossy dark green with minute whitish punctulations adaxially, paler yellow-reddish to reddish, less often green abaxially, and supplied with numerous minute reddish punctuations, base cuneate,
Fig. 19. *Bucephalandra tetana* – A & B: plants in habitat; C: detail of leaf blades; note stiff texture and punctulate adaxial surface; D: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; E: spadix, nearside of spathe limb artificially removed; F: detail of spadix. – Photographs: from K. Nakamoto AR-4146; A–C by K. Nakamoto; D–F by P. C. Boyce.
apex rounded and stiffly apiculate for c. 3 mm, margin somewhat recurved; midrib abaxially and adaxially very prominent, reddish abaxially; primary lateral veins 3 on each side, diverging at c. 60° and running to a marginal vein; interprimary veins alternating with primaries, slightly finer; all other venation obscure. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle exceeding petioles, 2–3 cm long, conspicuously longitudinally sulcate, reddish, colour intensifying along ridges. Spathe broadly ovate, not constricted, c. 2 cm long; lower spathe funnel-form, pale bright green, persistent; limb gaping at pistillate anthesis, opening via a wide slit as far at lower spathe, then caducous, white with a faint pink flush, apiculate for c. 2 mm, apiculum deep reddish brown. Spadix c. 1 cm long; pistillate zone c. 1.5 mm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., with 2 or 3 incomplete spirals of pistils; pistils rhombic-globose, c. 0.5 mm in diam., lime-green; stigma sessile, umbonate, slightly impressed, c. ½ diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis; pistillodes absent; interstice with 1 row of scale-like staminodes, these c. 1 mm long × c. 1.2 mm wide, margin somewhat thickened, glossy white; staminate zone c. 2.5 mm long × c. 2.5 mm in diam., consisting of 2 or 3 rather irregular rows of flowers; staminate flowers ascending, creamy white; stamens c. 1 mm across; filament short, slender; connective strap-shaped; thecae inserted ventrally, ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.5 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns c. ¼ length of associated theca, setaceous, spreading; appendix bluntly ellipsoid, c. 5 mm long × 2.5–3 mm in diam., cream; appendix staminodes well-defined, columnar, regularly polygonal, truncate, c. 1 mm in diam., upper surface somewhat brain-like. Infructescence not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra tetana is rheophytic on exposed but mossy basalt river rocks under perhumid upper hill to lower montane forest at c. 900 m above sea level.

Distribution — Known only from the type locality.

Etymology — From Latin adjective, tetanus (from Greek, tetanos, stiff, rigid), in reference to the leaf blades.

Remarks — Bucephalandra tetana is another member of the diverse Bucephalandra Pygmaea complex. It is easily distinguished by the rigid leaf blades, which are unique for the genus and seem to be an adaptation to the exposed habitat that the species favours.

Commercial names — ‘Penelope’.

25. Bucephalandra ultramafica S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. – Fig. 20 & 24I.
Holotype: Malaysian Borneo, Sabah, Sandakan, Kinabatangan, Telupid, Gunung Tawai, 05°35'45.6"N, 117°04'36.7"E, 18 Dec 2012, M. Lo AR-4094 (SAN!; isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra ultramafica is unique by the combination of deeply ridged petioles, narrow deep green glossy leaves, and a bullet-shaped appendix. The leaf blades are somewhat reminiscent of those of B. goliath, but B. ultramafica never develops the long pendent stems diagnostic of B. goliath, and the spadix appendix and appendix staminodes are of quite different form.

Description — Small obligate rheophytic herbs to c. 16 cm tall, occurring as individuals or small clumps. Stem creeping with active portion semi-erect, c. 1.5 cm in diam. Leaves several together, erect to spreading; petiole 2–4 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., adaxially canaliculate, strongly longitudinally ridged, deep red, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 2.4 cm long; blade oblancoceolate to narrowly elliptic, 8–12 cm long × 1–1.5 cm wide, rather thickly coriaceous, semi-glossy very dark green adaxially, pale olive-green with very numerous minute purple glands abaxially, base cuneate, apex acute and apiculate for c. 1.5 mm, margin slightly recurved, midrib abaxially and adaxially very prominent, reddish abaxially; primary lateral veins 5 on each side, diverging at c. 45° and running to a marginal vein; interprimary veins ± invisible; secondary venation ± obscure. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle exceeding petioles, 4–6 cm long, very conspicuously longitudinally sulcate, distal-most part with scattered minute verrucae, deep red. Spathe broadly ovate, not constricted, 2–3 cm long; lower spathe funnel-form, green with many red speckles and red lines that are extensions of peduncle ridges, persistent; limb inflating at anthesis, gaping distally at pistillate anthesis to create a slit-like aperture, then reflexing at stamine anthesis, finally caducous, externally white with plentiful minute red speckles and a red median line, internally white, apiculate for c. 2 mm, apiculum reddish brown. Spadix 2–2.5 cm long; pistillate zone 3–4 mm long × c. 2.5 mm in diam., with c. 3 spirals of pistils; pistils rhombic to compressed globose, c. 0.5 mm in diam., lime-green; stigma sessile, umbonate, c. ½ diameter of ovary, papillate and secreting a conspicuous stigmatic droplet at pistillate anthesis; pistillodes 2–5 at base of pistillate zone, clavate, c. 0.25 mm tall, glossy white; interstice with 3 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 1.8 mm long × c. 2 mm wide, glossy white; staminate zone 4–5 mm long × 5–6 mm in diam., consisting of 3 or 4 rows of flowers; staminate flowers white; stamen c. 1.5 mm across; filament short, block-like; connective tongue-shaped; thecae inserted ventrally, ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.5 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns c. ½ length of associated theca, setaceous, upward-pointing; appendix conoid to bullet-shaped, 5–8 mm long × 5–7 mm in diam., cream; appendix staminodes columnar, tops polygonal with very rounded angles, somewhat umbonate with a small central depression, c. 0.5–1 mm in diam., cream. Fruiting spathe funnel-form, c. 1 cm in diam., yellow-green on a red peduncle, with shield-shaped staminodes persistent, turning.
Fig. 20. *Bucephalandra ultramafica* – A: plants in habitat; B: habitat; *B. ultramafica* occurs on bare rocks in flow of water; C: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; D & E: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, spathe limb beginning to shed; note shiny brownish discoulouration of spathe limb; F: detail of reflexed interstice staminodes closing entrance to lower spathe; G: spadix at pistillate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note erect interstice staminodes and staminate flower thecae; H: spadix at staminate anthesis, spathe limb shed naturally, nearside of lower spathe artificially removed. – Photographs: from *M. Lo AR-4094*; A & B by M. Lo; C–H by P. C. Boyce.
yellow green, and spent distal part of spadix falling; fruits and seeds not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra ultramafica is restricted to ultramafic (ultrabasic) riverside rocks under lowland moist forest at c. 130 m above sea level.

Distribution — Known only from the type locality.

Etymology — The specific epithet is coined from the obligate geological habitat this species, ultramafic rocks.

Remarks — Bucephalandra ultramafica is one of at least two ultramafic-obligate Bucephalandra species occurring in Sabah. The second author encountered what is certainly a second undescribed ultramafic-obligate Bucephalandra species while undertaking fieldwork at Bidu-Bidu Forest Reserve, Sandakan, Sabah in 2003. A single flowering plant was encountered but circumstances prevented preparation of adequate herbarium material, excepting an immature spadix preserved in alcohol. Re-collection at Bidu-Bidu is necessary.

Commercial names — None.

26. Bucephalandra vespula  S. Y. Wong & P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. — Fig. 21 & 24J.

Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Barat, Kabupaten Sekadau, Kecamatan Sekadau Hilir, Kayu Lapis, S of Kayu Lapis, 00°47’21.3”S, 113°55’15.7”E, 20 Sep 2011, K. Nakamoto AR-3664 (BO!; isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra vespula is one of two species (the other is *B. oncophora*) in which the staminodes of the lower appendix are rounded and conspicuously larger than the upper staminodes. *Bucephalandra vespula* differs from *B. oncophora* by the appendix staminodes being regularly rounded, the zone not conspicuously wider than the rest of the appendix, and each staminode having a conspicuous shallow suture. *Bucephalandra vespula* also differs from *B. oncophora* by the much shorter (1.5 mm vs c. 3 mm) spatulate pistillodes at the base of the pistillate flower zone.

Description — Small obligate rheophytic herbs to 16 cm tall. Stem erect, in older plants creeping and rooting with active portion sub-erect. Leaves to c. 8 together, spreading; petiole 6–8 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., adaxially canaliculate, scabrid, red, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion from 3 cm long; blade elliptic to oblong lanceolate, 9–10.5 cm long × c. 2 cm wide, slightly coriaceous, semi-glossy dark green adaxially, paler yellowish green abaxially, base cuneate, apex rounded and apiculate for c. 5 mm, margin undulate; midrib abaxially and adaxially prominent, strongly reddish abaxially; primary lateral veins c. 4 on each side, diverging at c. 55° and running to a marginal vein; interprimary veins finer; secondary venation adaxially ± obscure, abaxially faint; tertiary venation adaxially obscure, forming a faint tessellate reticulum. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle exceeding pedicels, 7–13 cm long × c. 2 mm in diam., longitudinally sulcate, medium green with ridges dark, often somewhat winged near junction with spathe. Spathe oblong-ovate, not constricted, 4–5 cm long; lower spathe narrowly funnel-form, green, persistent; limb gapeing to form a longitudinal slit at pistillate anthesis, opening almost flat and tearing from persistent lower spathe at stamine anthesis, then tearing into irregular strips and pieces before falling, then caducous, ivory, apiculate for c. 4 mm, apiculum green. Spadix 3–4 cm long; pistillate zone 4–7 mm long × 3–4 mm in diam., with 3 or 4 spirals of pistils; pistils polygonal-globose, c. 0.5 mm in diam., lime-green; stigma stipitate, capitate, c. 1/2 diameter of ovary, producing a large stigmatic droplet at stamine anthesis; pistillodes 2–4 at base of pistillate zone, spatulate, equaling pistils, c. 1.5 mm long, cream; interstice with c. 2 rows of scale-like staminodes, these c. 2 mm long × c. 2.3 mm wide, margins recurved, initially erect, then spreading, green; stamine zone 7–10 mm long × 4–7 mm in diam., weakly conic, consisting of 4 or 5 rows of flowers; stamine flowers rather distant, greenish; stamen comparatively large, c. 1 mm across; filament short, stout; connective arching, strap-like, tip thickened, pale green; thecae inserted ventrally, globose-ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.4 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns very short, c. 0.2 mm, spreading; appendix bluntly cylindrical, somewhat constricted 1/4–1/3 from base, 2–2.5 cm × 5–7 mm in diam., greenish cream; appendix staminodes dimorphic, those of basal 1/4–1/3 of spadix rounded polygonal, 2–2.5 mm in diam., with a central tiny hole, those of remainder of spadix irregularly polygonal, truncate or nearly so, 0.5–1 mm in diam. Fruiting spathe funnel-form, c. 1.5 cm in diam.; fruits and seeds not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra vespula occurs on shaded granite rocks bordering and in swift-flowing streams under moist lowland forest at c. 100 m above sea level.

Distribution — So far only known from the type locality.

Etymology — From Latin, *vespula* (wasp) and the diminutive suffix -ula, hence *vespula*, a small wasp. This is an allusion to the plan-view shape of the individual stamine flowers, which resembles the head of a wasp.

Remarks — Bucephalandra vespula shares with *B. oncophora* having the staminodes of the lower appendix morphologically dissimilar to those of the upper appendix.

Commercial names — None.
Fig. 21. Bucephalandra vespula – A: plants in habitat; B: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; C: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, spathe limb beginning to shed; D: spadix at staminate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note reflexed interstice staminodes and staminate flower thecae; E & F: detail of staminate flowers at staminate (E) and pistillate (F) anthesis. – Photographs: from K. Nakamoto AR-3664; A by K. Nakamoto; B–F by P. C. Boyce.
27. Bucephalandra yengiae P. C. Boyce, sp. nov. – Fig. 22 & 24K.

Holotype: Indonesian Borneo, Kalimantan Timur, Kabupaten Kutai Kartanegara, Kecamatan Tabang, 00°34’33.2"N, 116°01’05.9"E, 17 Oct 2012. K. Nakamoto AR-4050 (BO!; isotypes: SAR!, SBC!, SING!).

Diagnosis — Bucephalandra yengiae is distinguished from all other species of Bucephalandra by having erect thecae horns at staminate anthesis, with the thecae fully exposed, and echinate appendix staminodes.

Description — Small obligate rheophytic herbs to c. 10 cm tall. Stem creeping with active portion sub-erect, c. 4 mm in diam. Leaves up to 13 together; petiole 3–4 cm long × c. 1.5 mm in diam., adaxially narrowly canaliculate, red-brown, sheathing at extreme base, wings extended into a very narrowly triangular ligular portion to 2 cm long; blade ovate to broadly elliptic, 7–9.5 cm long × 3–4.5 cm wide, rather softly coriaceous, glossy medium green adaxially, paler yellowish green red abaxially, base broadly cuneate, apex acute and apiculate for c. 1.5 mm, margin usually straight; midrib abaxially and adaxially prominent, reddish abaxially; primary lateral veins c. 4 on each side, diverging at c. 45° and running to a marginal vein; interprimary veins almost invisible; secondary venation adaxially ± obscure. Inflorescence solitary; peduncle exceeding petioles, 5–9 cm long, conspicuously longitudinally sulcate, reddish stained. Spathe elliptic ovate, not constricted, c. 3 cm long; lower spathe funnel-form, yellow-green, shading to red at peduncle insertion, persistent; limb inflating at pistillate anthesis, then gaping to produce a slit approximately at junction of limb and lower spathe, caducous at staminate anthesis, white, acuminate, and apiculate for c. 4 mm, apiculum green. Spadix c. 1.5 cm long; pistillate zone cylindrical, c. 5 mm long × c. 3 mm in diam., with c. 4 spirals of pistils; pistils rhombic-globose, c. 0.5 mm in diam., pale green; stigma sessile, polygonal umbonate, c. ½ diameter of ovary, papillate at anthesis, pinkish; pistillodes 1 or 2 at base of pistillate zone, squat fusiform, sub-equalling pistil, white; interstice with 1 row of scale-like staminodes, these c. 1.5 mm long × c. 2 mm wide, margins reflexed, initially erect, then spreading, white, later (post-anthesis) becoming green and persisting to cover developing fruit; staminate zone c. 3 mm long × c. 3 mm in diam., consisting of c. 3 rows of flowers; staminate flowers ascending, cream; stamen c. 1 mm across × c. 1.5 mm long; filament short, slender; connective slender strap-shaped; thecae inserted ventrally, completely obscuring filament, ellipsoid, c. 1 mm long × c. 0.5 mm wide, smooth; thecae horns c. ½ length of associated theca, setaceous, upward-directed; appendix cylindrical, c. 6 mm long × c. 4 mm in diam., cream; appendix staminodes columnar, irregularly polygonal or pentagonal, 0.3–0.5 mm in diam., tops echinate, glossy. Fruitting spathe funnel-form, c. 1 cm in diam., with shield-shaped staminodes persistent, turning green, spent distal part of spadix falling; fruits and seeds not seen.

Ecology — Bucephalandra yengiae occurs on vertical water-splashed Jurassic-Cretaceous deepwater sedimentary rocks beneath perhumid to moist lowland forest at c. 50 m above sea level.

Distribution — Known only from the type locality.

Eponymy — Named for the first author, whose phylogenetic work is bringing about much-improved understanding, and consequently considerable taxonomic change, in terrestrial and rheophytic Asian aroids.

Remarks — The echinate spadix appendix makes Bucephalandra yengiae a highly distinctive species not easily mistaken for any other described species of Bucephalandra. Sterile plants, with impressed primary veins of the adaxial surface of the leaf blades, are highly reminiscent of juvenile plants of Ooia.

Commercial names — None.

Key to the species of Bucephalandra

1. Staminodes of appendix mostly individually well-defined, polygonal ................................................................. 2
   – Staminodes of appendix usually individually ill-defined, often coalescent; if individual staminodes discernible then plan view never rhomboidal ........................................ 13
2. Appendix staminodes verrucate or brain-like ........................ 3
   – Appendix staminodes smooth ........................................ 6
3. Stamine flowers hastate with a distinct basal claw (viewed from above), entire stamen flexing downward from base at staminate anthesis; dorsal surface of connective flat, margins verrucate; thecae separated by a deep sinus, thecae horns stout, spreading, deep orange-brown. Kalimantan Barat: Gunung Tajam, granites ........ 10. Bucephalandra forcipula
   – Stamine flowers globose, sessile, thecae flexing outward at anthesis; dorsal surface of connective rounded, smooth; thecae appressed, not separated by a distinct sinus, thecae horns very slender, straight, white ........................................ 4
   – Appendix ellipsoid, accounting for c. ½ of spadix .................................................. 5
5. Leaf blades thinly leathery, bright green, not punctate; interstice staminodes matte white. Sarawak: Mulu National Park, lowland limestone ................................................................. 18. Bucephalandra muluensis
   – Leaf blades very stiff, deep bluish green and adaxially punctate; interstice staminodes glossy white. Kalimantan Barat: Gunung Alat, basalt above 900 m ................ 24. Bucephalandra tetana
6. Stamine flowers arching upward from spadix; thecae dark orange, embedded in connective and presented on exposed ventral surface of stamen at staminate an-
Fig. 22. *Bucephalandra yengiae* – A & B: plants in habitat; C & D: inflorescence at pistillate anthesis; E: inflorescence at onset of staminate anthesis, nearside part of spathe artificially removed; split in spathe limb is natural and marks beginning of shedding process; F: spadix at onset of staminate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note reflexing interstice staminodes and staminate flower thecae; G: detail of staminate flowers and interstice staminodes; H: detail of appendix. – Photographs: from K. Nakamoto AR-4050; A & B by K. Nakamoto; C–H by P. C. Boyce.

2. Bucephalandra aurantiitheca

- Staminate flowers with filament and connective perpendicular to spadix; thecae not embedded in connective, presented on dorsal surface of stamen at staminate anthesis; thecae horns directed upward .

7. Appendix fusiform or bullet-shaped, base wider than staminate flower zone .

- Appendix weakly conoid, weakly clavate, or ellipsoidal, base equalling staminate flower zone; staminate flowers cream .


6. Bucephalandra chimaera

- Appendix bullet-shaped, base truncate; staminate flowers cream, thecae inflated. SW Sarawak/Kalimantan Barat: Klingkang Range, kerangas .

9. Staminate flowers with thecae horns equalling theca in length; interstice staminodes with minutely serrate tips; petiole 15–28 cm long, leaf blade 18–25 cm long × 6–7 cm wide, with 16–20 closely spaced primary lateral veins on each side .

11. Bucephalandra gigantea

- Staminate flowers with thecae horns much shorter than theca in length; interstice staminodes with smooth tips; leaves not as above .

10. Sinus between thecae extending up front of staminate flower; plants with long stout stems mainly rooting at base with remainder free and pendent; leaf blades glossy dark green. Kalimantan Barat: Nanga Taman and Nanga Pinoh, granite .

12. Bucephalandra goliath

- Sinus between thecae not (or only barely) extending to front of staminate flower; plants tufted, stem slender, rooting along its entire length; leaf blades matte olive-green .


16. Bucephalandra minotaur

- Staminodes of lower appendix irregularly rounded, larger than upper appendix staminodes .

12. Stigmas sessile; lower appendix staminodes regularly rounded, not conspicuously wider than rest of appendix, each staminode with a conspicuous shallow suture. Kalimantan Barat: Kayu Lapis, sandstone

26. *Bucephalandra vespula*

- Stigmas stipitate; lower appendix staminodes irregularly rounded, conspicuously wider than rest of appendix, each staminode without a suture. Kalimantan Barat: Nanga Taman, Pentlandite

13. Appendix staminodes smooth

20. *Bucephalandra oncophora*

- Appendix staminodes papillate or brain-like

14. Staminate flowers pubescent; spadix appendix ellipsoidal; staminate flower zone slender cylindrical, narrower than appendix. Kalimantan Barat: Kabupaten Sekadu, granite

21. *Bucephalandra pubes*

- Staminate flowers glabrous; spadix appendix globose or conic or ellipsoid, equalling or narrower than staminate flower zone

15. Leaf blades narrowly linear, usually with strongly crispulate margins

16. Leaf blades various, but never linear, margins flat to undulate but never crispulate

The role of the interstice staminodes of Bucephalandra

As noted above, Bucephalandra species are unique among Araceae by the presence of motile scale- or shield-shaped staminodes situated at the interstice of the pistillate and staminate flower zones. It has been speculated that these staminodes play a role in manipulating pollinators during anthesis by controlling access to the pistillate flower zone (Bogner 1980; Bogner & Hay 2000), but conclusive observations have been wanting.

Field observations of seven different Bucephalandra species (of which one is figured here for illustrative purposes) has established that pistillate anthesis begins 2–3 hours after dawn, with the spathe inflating to create a slit in the upper part of the spathe limb (Fig. 2B), the papillate stigmatic surface becoming sticky, producing a stigmatic droplet at pistillate anthesis, and production of a weak to rather powerful esteric or fruity odour attracting almost exclusively Colocasioymia (Diptera: Drosophilidae), although recently B. aurantiithecaa has been observed to be pollinated by a single species of Chrysomelidae (Coloeostra) (Fig. 2B). Pistil receptivity is c. 6 hours, and during this time the interstice staminodes and thecae are erect (Fig. 2C). The spathe limb remains in this “gaping” phase for c. 24 hours, but the interstice staminodes begin to lower by the evening of the same day (Fig. 2D, E). By midnight of the same day the tips of the lowered staminodes are pressed on the inner wall of the lower spathe, effectively sealing the lower spathe chamber (Fig. 2D, E). By this time the stigmas are dry and no longer receptive and the inflorescence is in the transition phase from pistillate to staminate anthesis. At no time do the interstice staminodes retain insects in the lower (pistillate) part of the spathe, and by the time they are sealing the lower spathe no insects are present in or on the inflorescence.

Staminate anthesis begins 2–3 hours after dawn on the second day. The staminate flower theca reflex (Fig. 2E), and a second floral odour emission attracts a new wave of Colocasioymia flies. Soon after this the spathe limb gape increases, and then very rapidly (less than 5 minutes) the

5. Bucephalandra catherineae

- Thecae horns very long, at least as long as rest of staminate flower. Kalimantan Barat: Bukit Baka, granite

26. Appendix staminodes c. 3 × 2 mm; appendix equaling width of staminate flower zone; leaf blade abaxially without glands

Appendix staminodes white; staminate flowers oblong, in c. 2 rows; petioles c. 10 cm long, leaf blades c. 12 cm long. Kalimantan Utara: Krayan, sedimentaries, above 980 m

19. Appendix staminodes papillate

- Appendix staminodes not papillate

20. Spathe limb deep yellow to medium orange; interstice staminodes with minutely serrate tips. Kalimantan Utara: Long Berang, granite

21. Spadix appendix globose; staminate flowers with thecae divergent, thecae horns stout, straight at staminate anthesis. SW Sarawak and NW Kalimantan, granite and metamorphosed sandstone

1. Bucephalandra akantha

- Spadix appendix ellipsoid or cylindrical; staminate flowers with thecae parallel, and thecae horns either downward-curved or erect at staminate anthesis

22. Thecae horns erect at staminate anthesis, thecae fully exposed; spadix appendix cylindrical, staminode surface papillae echinate. Kalimantan Timur: Tabang, ancient deepwater sedimentaries

27. Bucephalandra yengiae

- Thecae horns downward-curved at staminate anthesis, thecae obscured; spadix appendix ellipsoid, staminode epidermis papillate but never echinate

23. Thecae horns with a ring of verrucae at base. Kalimantan Selatan, (?)ultramafics

17. Bucephalandra motleyana

- Thecae horns without a ring of verrucae at base. NW Sarawak, Brunei, shales

19. Bucephalandra ob lanceolata

24. Appendix staminodes lax, surface often excavated; thecae horns longer than theca, ascending at staminate anthesis; leaf blades with primary veins prominently raised. Kalimantan Barat: Gunung Saran, granites above 1200 m

14. Bucephalandra kishii

- Appendix staminodes densely arranged; thecae horns shorter than theca, ascending at staminate anthesis; leaf blades with primary veins obscure

25. Appendix staminodes c. 1.5 mm in diam.; appendix expanding abruptly at junction with staminate flower zone; leaf blade abaxially with very numerous minute purple glands. Sabah: Gunung Tawai, ultramafics

4. Bucephalandra bogneri
Fig. 25. Functions of interstice staminodes in *Bucephalandra akantha* – A: plants in habitat, inflorescences at various stages of anthesis; B: inflorescence at onset of pistillate anthesis; note inflated spathe with a slit extending from tip to c. 1/3 length of limb; C: spadix at onset of pistillate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note erect interstice staminodes and thecae and papillate stigmas; D: inflorescence at staminate anthesis, spathe limb naturally shed; note staminodes sealing entrance to lower spathe and that thecae have reflexed and produced a pollen droplet from tip of horn; E: spadix at staminate anthesis, spathe artificially removed; note reflexed interstice staminodes and thecae, and pollen droplet secreted from tip of thecae horns; F: infructescence c. 1 day after anthesis, spathe limb completely shed, as too are spent parts of spadix; note umbonate scar in middle of still-white interstice staminodes; G: infructescence c. 4 weeks after anthesis; note that staminodes and lower spathe are now green and thickened; tannin cells are just visible on staminodes; H: infructescence c. 7 weeks after anthesis; developing fruits are beginning to push staminodes upward; I: infructescence c. 8 weeks after anthesis; staminodes have been shed and fruits have decomposed to a mucilaginous pulp containing seeds. – Photographs: from P. C. Boyce & S. Y. Wong AR-3889; all by P. C. Boyce.
limb abscises at its junction with the lower spathe (Fig. 25A), with the limb variously splitting and coiling outward from the margin. These rapid spathe limb movements co-incide with pollen droplet extrusion from the tips of the thecae horns (Fig 25D & E). Staminate anthesis lasts c. 1 hour, at the end of which period all pollen droplets have been taken by the flies, and the spathe limb has fallen to leave the funnel-form lower spathe. Dependent on the species, between a few hours and four days after staminate anthesis the spent parts of the spadix above the interstice staminodes are shed to leave a faintly umbonate scar in the middle of a disk of white staminodes (Fig. 25F).

Within a few days of staminate anthesis, and provided fertilization has been successful, the staminodes sealing the persistent lower spathe change from white to green (apparently become photosynthetic), thicken, and harden (Fig. 25G). Most species also have tannin cells visible on the upper surface of the staminode. The staminodes remain in this condition until the fruits are fully developed, by which time the enlarged berries push the staminodes upward (Fig. 25H). Shortly after this, the staminodes become much paler and are then shed. This coincides with the now exposed fruits changing from green to yellowish green or yellowish white and rapidly decomposing to a mucilaginous pulp, in which are embedded the green seeds (Fig. 25I).

Dispersal is via a splash-cup mechanism, with water drops striking the inside of the erect persistent funnel-form lower spathe and ejecting the seeds. The seeds, with the aid of the micropylar appendage anchor on the mosses or tiny fissures on the surrounding rock.

In summary, by the time that the interstice staminodes begin to lower, the pistillate flowers are already pollinated and/or the stigmas are no longer receptive. In all observations, interstice staminodes have no function in retaining pollinators inside the spathe during the anthesis transition period, as occurs in numerous unisexual-flowered aroid genera. Rather pollinating insects are attracted in two waves by separate floral odour emissions coinciding with the onset of pistillate and staminate anthesis. The appearance and texture of the post-anthesis staminodes, and their persistence until the mature fruit force their loss, is strongly suggestive of a role protecting the developing fruits. In many respects the interstice staminodes of Bucephalandra homeoetically fill the role of the sloughing stylar plates of the monsterocarp of many Monstroidealae (e.g. Epipremnum Schott, Scindapsus Schott, etc.).

The observations offered here are part of a wider and ongoing study of the biology of Bucephalandra. The results from that work are in progress.

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