SECTIONAL NAME FOR THE GROUP INCLUDING *ERIGERON RADICATUS* (ASTERACEAE: ASTEREEAE)

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ABSTRACT


In a classification of the Conyzinae (Nesom 2008), the combination *Erigeron* sect. *Radicati* (Rydb.) Nesom was formalized, based on *Erigeron* [unranked] *Radicati* Rydberg (1906), as the name for a group including *E. radicatus* Hook. as well as *E. lackschewitzii*, *E. ochroleucus*, *E. parryi*, and *E. rydbergii*. *Erigeron radicatus*, however, does not occur in Colorado, and it was not among the five species of Rydberg’s *Radicati* group in his Flora of Colorado (1906), although Rydberg later (1917) included *E. radicatus* in that group and probably had earlier intended to imply its membership there.

In any case, Rydberg’s “Radicati group” of 1906 cannot stand as the basionym of a name for the 2008 group, because none of the species in the 1906 group were in the 2008 group—all were in different sections.

Rydberg’s Radicati:


Thus, because of the superfluous and rejected type citation, *Erigeron* sect. *Radicati* is valid and legitimate but, without a lectotype species, it lacks a clear taxonomic position.

The situation is clarified and rectified here by described a new section, correctly typified, for the group of 2008 and by providing a lectotype for *Erigeron* sect. *Radicati*


Caudice multicipitali, radice palari, caulis simplicibus capitulis 1(–3), foliis oblongo-later glabris vel glabratis, et acheniis 1.8–2.8 mm in longitudine distinctus.


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