

## NEW COMBINATIONS IN *CAREX* (CYPERACEAE)

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### ABSTRACT

Two new combinations are proposed for North American nothotaxa of *Carex* (Cyperaceae): ***Carex* ×*flavicans*** nothovar. ***substans*** (Lepage) Danylyk et Olshanskyi, **comb. et stat. nov.**, and ***Carex* ×*halophila*** nothovar. ***stansalina*** (Lepage) Danylyk et Olshanskyi, **comb. et stat. nov.**

The genus *Carex* L. (Cyperaceae) contains about 2000 species (Reznicek 1990; Global *Carex* Group 2015). Hybridization occurs relatively often in this genus (e.g., Cayouette & Catling 1992; Więclaw & Wilhelm 2014; Elven et al. 2017; Nowak et al. 2020; Řepka & Taraška 2022; Danylyk & Koopman 2023; Olshanskyi 2023) and some of the names in current use for nothotaxa are not correct. Different views have been expressed on the taxonomy of this group and the status of some species (Benítez-Benítez et al. 2021).

According to Art. H.5.1. the *International Code of Nomenclature for algae, fungi, and plants*, (ICN, Turland et al. 2018), “If the postulated or known parent taxa are at unequal ranks, the appropriate rank of the nothotaxon is the lowest of these ranks.” At present *Carex stans* Drejer is considered a synonym of *C. aquatilis* var. *minor* Boott (Koopman 2022; POWO 2024). Therefore, hybrids with its participation must be considered at the rank of variety. We propose two new nomenclatural combinations.

Acronyms of herbaria are given according to *Index Herbariorum* (Thiers 2024). We also give the hybrid formula for hybrids. (According to Art. H.2.1. of the ICN “A hybrid between named taxa may be indicated by placing the multiplication sign × between the names of the taxa; the whole expression is then called a hybrid formula”).

### Two new combinations in *Carex*

**CAREX** ×**FLAVICANS** nothovar. **SUBSTANS** (Lepage) Danylyk et Olshanskyi, **comb. et stat. nov.**  
*Carex* ×*substans* Lepage, Naturaliste Canad. 83: 152. 1956. **TYPE: CANADA.** Devon Island. Dundas Harbour, 7 Sep 1936, *N. Polunin* 2492 (holotype: CAN10089623). [<https://www.gbif.org/tools/zoom/simple.html?src=/api.gbif.org/v1/image/cache/occurrence/1804577086/media/7f5e29df94f5b54b8549c507622a9fea>].

**Hybrid formula.** *Carex aquatilis* var. *minor* Boott (syn.: *C. stans* Drejer) × *Carex subspathacea* Wormsk. ex Hornem. (Lepage 1956).

**Distribution.** Northern regions of Eurasia and North America (Lepage 1956; Cayouette & Catling 1992).

**CAREX** × **HALOPHILA** nothovar. **STANSALINA** (Lepage) Danylyk et Olshanskyi, **comb. et stat. nov.** *Carex* × *stansalina* Lepage, *Naturaliste Canad.* 83: 150. 1956. **TYPE: CANADA.** Southampton Island, H.B. Co. Post, South Bay, 25 Aug 1934, *N. Polunin s.n.* (holotype: CAN25083).

**Hybrid formula.** *Carex aquatilis* var. *minor* Boott (syn.: *C. stans* Drejer) × *Carex salina* Wahlenb. (Lepage 1956).

**Distribution.** Northern North America (Canada) (Lepage 1956; Cayouette & Catling 1992).

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