CICER BIJUGUM RECH. F. (PAPILIONACEAE), A NEW RECORD IN IRAN

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Cicer bijugum collected in Kermanshah province is reported for the first time from Iran. It is easily distinguished from *C. arietinum* by having tuberculate-echinulate seeds.

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گزارش Cicer bijugum به عنوان گونه ای جدید برای ایران نسترن جلیلیان

گونه Cicer bijugum از استان کرمانشاه، منطقه گهواره جمع آوری شده که اولین جمع آوری از ایران می باشد و از آنجاییکه این نمونه بعد از اتمام نگارش فلور ایران، جنس Cicer پیدا شده، علاوه بر اختلافات این گونه با گونه نزدیکش Cicer arietinum ، شرح کامل گونه نیز در این مقاله آورده می شود. 90 Jalilian

Introduction

Cicer bijugum was collected from chickpea fields in Kermanshah province is close to *Cicer arietinum* (chickpea). This collection is after the publication of Flora of Iran (Jalilian 2000), therefore it is reported separately.

Cicer bijugum Rech. f.

Kermanshah: The road of Islam Abad to Gahvareh, 5 km E. of Chengor village, 1880 m, Mirachory & Karami 6430; the same place, 1880 m, Jalilian, Neamati & Qaderi 6431.

Annual, covered by dense long glandular and eglandular hairs, prostrate or seldom erect, branched from the base. Stem 14-30 cm high. Leaves with (3-) 5-7 leaflets, imparipinnate; leaflets oblong-obovate, 5-16 mm long, 2-9 mm wide, at the base cuneate; margin dentate except near the base, rounded at the top; teeth triangular. Stipule in lower part of the plant flabellate, with 3-5 teeth and in the upper part ovate-lanceolate, 2-5 mm long. Flowers in single flowered axillary racemes; peduncle 3-7 mm long, ending in a small arista to 2.5 mm

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long, pedicels 5-8 mm long. Calyx slightly gibbous at the base; tube 1.5-2.5 mm long; teeth 3-5.5 mm long. Corolla veined, pink to violet, tip of keel tube 1.5-2.5 mm long, violet; vexillum broadly obovate or nearly circular, 8-9 mm long and 8.5-10 mm wide, emarginate at the top; wings obovate, 6.5 mm long, 2.5 mm wide, at the base auriculate; carina rhomboid, 6 mm long, 2 mm wide. Ovary ovoid; ovules 2. Pod elliptic, 12-17 mm long, 7-9 mm wide; seed 1, subglobular, 6-7 mm long, 4.5-5.5 mm wide, brown with black spot, densely tuberculate-echinulate; spines 0.5 mm long; viscous.

This species seems to be related to *Cicer* arietinum but deffers from it in having prostrate habitat (not erect), stem up to 30 cm long (not up to 1 m); leaflets up to 7 (not up to 15), seeds densely tuberculate-echinulate (not smooth or wrinkled).

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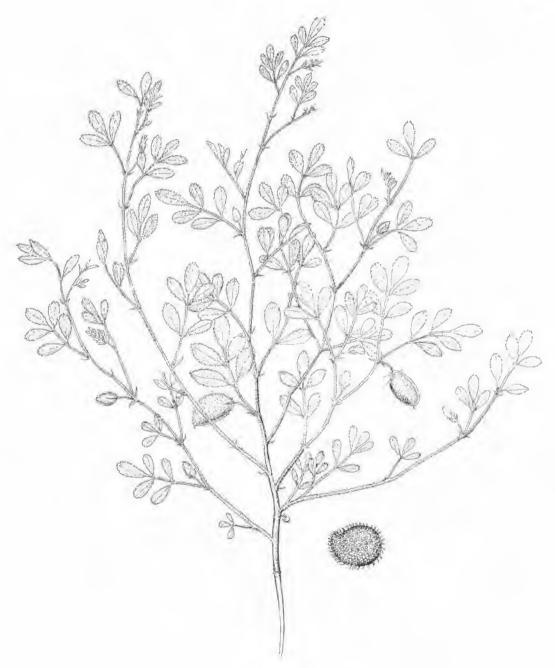


Fig. 1. Cicer bijugum (\times 0.6); seed (\times 1.8).