

## PYROLA SECUNDA (PYROLACEAE), NEW TO IRAN

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*Pyrola secunda* L., collected in the central Alborz at an altitude of 2400 m, is reported as new to the flora of Iran.

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*Pyrola secunda* (Pyrolaceae) گونه جدیدی برای فلور ایران

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گونه با *Pyrola secunda* L. که از منطقه البرز مرکزی در ارتفاع ۲۴۰۰ متر جمع آوری شده بعنوان گونه جدیدی برای فلور ایران ذکر میگردد.



Fig. 1. *Pyrola secunda*.

***Pyrola secunda* L.**

Syn. *Ramischia secunda* (L.) Garcke, *Orthilia secunda* (L.) House

Mazandaran. Alborz Mts., Takht-e Souleiman, Dalir Valley 2400 m, 19.8 1970, flr., W. Frey and W. Probst 1003 (TUB).

The locality is situated in the region of summer pastures in open *Quercus macranthera* scrub, on a steep slope facing NNW. The soil was rather wet because of oozing ground water. The coverage of the herbaceous vegetation was about 60 %.

The species, as well as the genus, is new to the flora of Iran (cf. Křísá 1972). Assadi and

Wendelbo (1977) report simultaneously *Pyrola rotundifolia* L. also from the Alborz mountains. These two boreal species may be rather widespread in the mountains, especially at the upper border of the Caspian mountain forest. This zone is still botanically poorly known. It is likely that more species of *Pyrola* will be found in this region.

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