

DRACOCEPHALUM OLIGADENIUM (LABIATAE), A DISTINCT SPECIES

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Due to the finding of a type specimen of *Dracocephalum oligadenium* in the herbarium of Faculty of Agriculture at Karaj, distinctness of this species from *D. kotschy* is considered. Differences of the two species are shown in a table.

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گونه *Dracocephalum oligadenium* (Labiatae) ، جدا از سایر گونه‌ها
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بر اساس مشاهده نمونه تیپ *Dracocephalum oligadenium* در هر
باریوم دانشکده کشاورزی کرخ و مطالعه و مقایسه آن با نمونه‌های گونه *D. kotschy*
دو گونه فوق بعنوان گونه‌های مجزا از یکدیگر مورد توجه قرار میگیرند. اختلاف
دو گونه در جدولی تنظیم و نشان داده شده است.

***Dracocephalum oligadenium* Bornm. & Gauba**

the Faculty of Agriculture at Karaj, a specimen was found which is labeled: Mazandaran, Tchalous valley, Pol-e Zangouleh, 2800 m and collected on 28.6.1941 by Gauba. This specimen should be the type of the species.

Rechinger (1982 p. 225) in *Flora Iranica* gives a short notice for this species under *D. kotschy* Boiss. He in fact had not seen the type of the species and therefore the differences given by Bornmüller (1940 p. 268) after original description have been mentioned in the notice.

Close examination of the type, comparing it with many specimens of *D. kotschy* reveals true differences between the two species which are presented in table 1.

Revising the herbarium specimens in

Table 1. Differential characters of *D. oligadenium*

| <i>D. oligadenium</i> | <i>D. kotschy</i> |
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| Leaves 25 mm wide. | Leaves 6—10 mm wide. |
| Teeth of the leaves very deep. | Teeth of the leaves not very deep. |
| Stem 30 cm long, unbranched and with few leaves. | Stem 10—20 cm long, branched and with many leaves. |
| Bristle of bract 7—10 mm long. | Bristle of bract 6 mm long. |

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