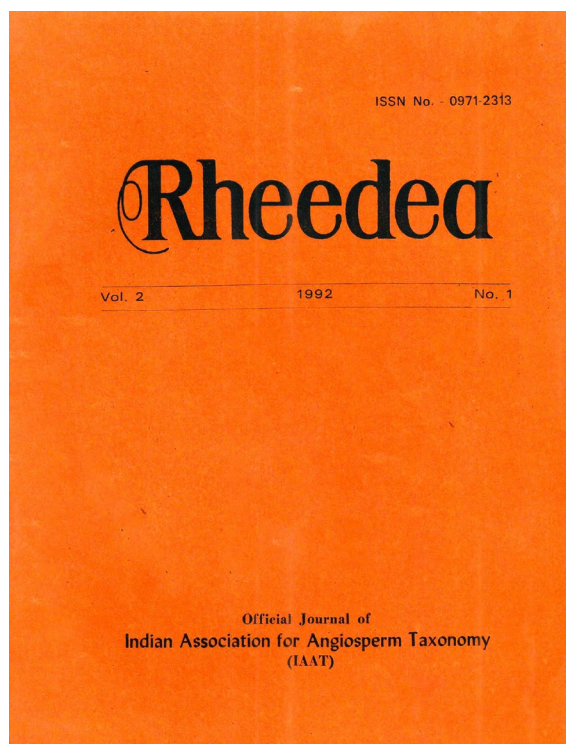




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Recently, Ragupathy et al. (1991) described a new species, *Acacia minutifolia*, from Rajamadam in Thanjavur District in Tamil Nadu. It is closely related to *A. wightii* Baker, but can be easily distinguished by its minute leaflets.

However, this epithet 'minutifolia' has already been attributed to a different species from Australia, described by Mueller (1874) and hence, is not available for the Indian taxon. *A. minutifolia* Ragu. et al., is a later homonym and therefore, the Indian material needs a new name which is proposed here.

Acacia pseudowightii Thothathri, *nom. nov.*

A. minutifolia Ragu. et al., Indian Jour. For. 14: 65. 1991, non F. Mueller, 1874.

Type: Rajamadan, Thanjavur District. Tamil Nadu. 7. 3. 1989. *Ragupathy* 1039 A. (MH).

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