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The classification of the Compositae: A tribute to Vicki Ann Funk (1947–2019)

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Abstract The classification of the family Compositae (Asteraceae) has been much improved in the last decades by the application of molecular methods culminating in the recompilation published in 2009, *Systematics, evolution, and biogeography of Compositae*. Additional evidence of relationships has come from the use of high-throughput sequencing methods. Our late colleague Vicki Ann Funk (1947–2019) was a pioneer in this line of research. Together with her team, she contributed to the achievement of a mature classification of the family, which she left outlined. In this paper, we contribute this classification including all of the recent advances at the subtribal level and review in depth all contributions to Compositae classification made since the 2009 compilation.

Keywords Asteraceae; Dicomnoideae; family classification; next-generation-sequencing; Tarchonanthoideae

INTRODUCTION

The impact of the work of Vicki Ann Funk on the systematics of the Compositae is enormous. She galvanized synantherologists around the world and, under her remarkable leadership and her enviable talent to bring out the best in people, unified our efforts in a collective work that still remains an indispensable resource ten years later. The publication of the book *Systematics, evolution, and biogeography of Compositae* (Funk & al., 2009) marked a turning point in the study of the family by collecting and updating in a single work the major advances in our understanding of Compositae evolution that had been made since the arrival of molecular methods. An important outcome from this work was identifying the taxa that warranted the greatest future efforts and represented potential goals for synantherology.

By 2010, a new set of molecular tools had emerged, the most potent that systematic botanists have known to date, phylogenomics, based on the novel methods collectively named next-generation sequencing (NGS). A target enrichment procedure applicable to the whole Compositae was soon designed (Mandel & al., 2014). Vicki Funk understood the power of NGS, and it was not long before that a pioneer study was carried out with the help of Jennifer Mandel, one of the promoters of these new approaches. A first preliminary phylogeny was produced, which demonstrated the applicability of these methods throughout the whole phylogenetic spectrum of the Compositae (Mandel & al., 2015); a preliminary phylogenomic study of the family followed (Mandel & al., 2017), and a phylogeny of the backbone of the family without ambiguities was finally obtained (Mandel & al., 2019).

As a result of this effort by Funk, Mandel, and their team, we have now reached a phylogenetic classification of Compositae that, at least at the subfamily and tribal levels, can be considered robust (Mandel & al., 2019). Regarding subtribal classification, the information that backs the classification presented here is dispersed among studies of the various tribes that preceded or followed publication of the family review (Funk & al., 2009). Gathering all the advances in classification of the family in a single compilation is our personal tribute to the memory of Vicki Ann Funk.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

This classification was left outlined by Vicki Funk. We have added the currently accepted subtribes based on Funk & al. (2009), and we have included the revised authorship, place and date of publication of all subfamilies, tribes, and subtribes, using as starting point Reveal's (1997) huge nomenclatural contribution. All of the names and protologues have been revised. Subtribal classification changes that have occurred since 2009 have been noted. The notes by Funk are conserved [as commentaries between brackets]. The tribes that will require nomenclatural changes, new descriptions, or more detailed studies are grey-shadowed.

CLASSIFICATION OF COMPOSITAE

I. Barnadesioideae Bremer & Jansen in Ann. Missouri Bot. Gard. 79: 415. 1992

1. Barnadesieae D.Don in Trans. Linn. Soc. London 16: 273. 1833

II. Famatinanthoideae S.E.Freire, Ariza & Panero in Molec. Phylogen. Evol. 80: 49. 2014

2. Famatinantheae S.E.Freire, Ariza & Panero in Molec. Phylogen. Evol. 80: 50. 2014

III. Stifftioideae Panero in Phytologia 89: 356. 2007 [or put all into Mutisioideae]

3. Hyalideae Panero in Phytologia 89: 358. 2007 p.p. [*Ianthopappus* + *Hyalis*]
4. Hyalideae Panero p.p. *Leucomeris* Clade [*Nouelia* + *Leucomeris*]
5. Stifftieae D.Don in Trans. Linn. Soc. London 16: 291. 1833 *Stifftia* Clade [*Stifftia*]
6. Stifftieae *Hyaloseris* Clade [*Hyaloseris* + *Dinoseris*]
7. Stifftieae *Gongylolepis* Clade [zygomorphic tepui genera]

IV. Mutisioideae Lindl. in Loudon, Encycl. Pl.: 1074. 1829

8. Onoserideae Panero & V.A.Funk in Phytologia 89: 359. 2007
9. Nassauvieae Cass. in J. Phys. Chim. Hist. Nat. Arts 88: 198. 1819
10. Mutisieae Cass. in J. Phys. Chim. Hist. Nat. Arts 88: 199. 1819

V. Gochnatioideae Panero & V.A.Funk in Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 115: 764. 2002

11. Gochnatieae Panero & V.A.Funk in Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 115: 764. 2002 [includes *Cnicothamnus*]
12. *Cyclolepis*? [weakly linked to Wunderlichieae in Mandel & al., 2019 but weakly linked to Gochnatieae in analyses using some chloroplast data by Funk] [*Cyclolepis* Gillies ex D.Don, incertae sedis]

VI. Wunderlichioideae Panero & V.A.Funk in Phytologia 89: 357. 2007

13. Wunderlichieae Panero & V.A.Funk in Phytologia 91: 570. 2009 [*Wunderlichia* + *Stenopadus* Clade (actinomorphic tepui genera)]

VII. Hecastocleidoideae Panero & V.A.Funk in Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 115: 765. 2002

14. Hecastocleideae Panero & V.A.Funk in Phytologia 91: 569. 2009

VIII. Pertyoideae Panero & V.A.Funk in Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 115: 766. 2002

15. Pertyeae Panero & V.A.Funk in Phytologia 91: 569. 2009 [incl. *Catamixis*]

IX. Tarchonanthoideae S.Ortiz [Oldenburgieae and Tarchonantheae firmly linked into the same clade; new family, see below]

16. Oldenburgieae S.Ortiz in Compositae Newslett. 47: 2. 2009
17. Tarchonantheae Kostel., All. Med.-Pharm. Fl. 2: 668. 1833

X. Dicomioideae S.Ortiz [possibly Dicomioideae] (new family, see below)

18. Dicomeae Panero & V.A.Funk in Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 115: 767. 2002 (Ortiz & al., 2013)
Dicominae S.Ortiz in Taxon 62: 532. 2013
Pleiotaxinae S.Ortiz in Taxon 62: 534. 2013

XI. Carduoideae Sweet, Hort. Brit.: 213. 1826

19. Cardueae Cass. in J. Phys. Chim. Hist. Nat. Arts 88: 155. 1819 (Herrando-Moraira & al., 2019)
Arctiinae N.Garcia & Susanna in Molec. Phylogen. Evol. 137: 329. 2019
Berardiinae N.Garcia & Susanna in Molec. Phylogen. Evol. 137: 327. 2019
Cardopatiinae Less., Syn. Gen. Compos.: 14. 1832.
Carduinae Dumort., Fl. Belg.: 73. 1827
Carlininae Dumort., Fl. Belg.: 72. 1827
Centaureinae Dumort., Fl. Belg.: 72. 1827
Dipterocominae N.Garcia & Susanna in Molec. Phylogen. Evol. 137: 326. 2019
Echinopsinae Cass. ex Dumort., Anal. Fam. Pl.: 32. 1829.
Onopordinae N.Garcia & Susanna in Molec. Phylogen. Evol. 137: 328. 2019
Saussureinae N.Garcia & Susanna in Molec. Phylogen. Evol. 137: 329. 2019
Staehelininae N.Garcia & Susanna in Molec. Phylogen. Evol. 137: 327. 2019
Xerantheminae Cass. ex Dumort., Anal. Fam. Pl.: 32. 1829

XII. Gymnarrhenoideae Panero & V.A.Funk in Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 115: 763. 2002

20. Gymnarrheneae Panero & V.A.Funk in Phytologia 91: 569. 2009

XIII. Vernonioideae Lindl. in Loudon, Encycl. Pl.: 1074. 1829

21. Eremothamneae H.Rob. & Brettell in Phytologia 26: 164. 1973
22. Platycarpeae V.A.Funk & H.Rob. in Compositae Newslett. 47: 25. 2009
23. Arctotideae Cass. in J. Phys. Chim. Hist. Nat. Arts 88: 159. 1819
Arctotidinae Dumort., Anal. Fam. Pl.: 32. 1829
Heterolepis Cass., incertae sedis
24. Arctotideae-G subtribe [possible new tribe Gorterieae] (described as Gorterieae Lindl. in Loudon, Encycl. Pl.: 1073(1829)
Gorteriinae Benth. in Bentham & Hooker, Gen. Pl. 2: 167. 1873
25. Liabeae Rydb. in Britton & al., N. Amer. Fl. 34(4): 289. 1927
Liabinae Cass. ex Dumort., Anal. Fam. Pl.: 31. 1829
Munnoziinae H.Rob. in Smithsonian Contr. Bot. 54: 49. 1983

- Paranepheliinae H.Rob. in Smithsonian Contr. Bot. 54: 44. 1983
- Sinclairiinae H.Rob. in Funk, Susanna, Stuessy & Bayer, Syst. Evol. Biogeogr. Compositae: 473. 2009
26. **Distephanus Clade** [Distephaninae S.C.Keeley & H.Rob. in Funk, Susanna, Stuessy & Bayer, Syst. Evol. Biogeogr. Compositae: 448. 2009] (new tribe Distephaneae; cf. V.A.Funk & H.Robinson, in prep.)
27. Moquinieae H.Rob. in Taxon 43: 39. 1994
28. Vernoniinae Cass. in J. Phys. Chim. Hist. Nat. Arts 88: 203. 1819
- Centrapalinae H.Rob. in Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 112: 223. 1999
- Centratherinae H.Rob., R.M.King & F.Bohlmann in Phytologia 46: 425. 1980
- Chrestinae H.Rob. in Smithsonian Contr. Bot. 89: 11. 1999
- Dipterocypselinae S.C.Keeley & H.Rob. in Funk, Susanna, Stuessy & Bayer, Syst. Evol. Biogeogr. Compositae: 448. 2009
- Elephantopinae Less. in Linnaea 5: 135. 1830
- Erlangeinae H.Rob. in Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 112: 222. 1999
- Gymnantheminae H.Rob. in Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 112: 224. 1999
- Hesperomanniinae S.C.Keeley & H.Rob. in Funk, Susanna, Stuessy & Bayer, Syst. Evol. Biogeogr. Compositae: 450. 2009
- Leiboldiinae H.Rob. in Smithsonian Contr. Bot. 89: 8. 1999
- Lepidaploinae S.C.Keeley & H.Rob. in Funk, Susanna, Stuessy & Bayer, Syst. Evol. Biogeogr. Compositae: 450. 2009
- Linziinae S.C.Keeley & H.Rob. in Funk, Susanna, Stuessy & Bayer, Syst. Evol. Biogeogr. Compositae: 451. 2009
- Lychnophorinae Benth. in Bentham & Hooker f., Gen. Pl. 2: 165. 1873
- Mesanthophorinae S.C.Keeley & H.Rob. in Funk, Susanna, Stuessy & Bayer, Syst. Evol. Biogeogr. Compositae: 451. 2009
- Pacourinae H.Rob. in Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 112: 218. 1999
- Piptocarphinae H.Rob., R.M.King & F.Bohlmann in Phytologia 46: 426. 1980
- Rolandrinae Cass. ex Dumort., Anal. Fam. Pl.: 313. 1829
- Sipolisiinae H.Rob. in Smithsonian Contr. Bot. 89: 13. 1999
- Stokesiinae H.Rob. in Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. 112: 216. 1999
- Trichospirinae Less. in Linnaea 6: 690. 1831
- Vernoniinae Cass. ex Dumort., Anal. Fam. Pl.: 313. 1829

XIV. Cichorioideae Chevall., Fl. Gen. Env. Paris 2: 531. 1828

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- Catananchinae K.Bremer in Novon 3: 329. 1993
- Cichoriinae Cass. ex Dumort., Anal. Fam. Pl.: 30. 1829
- Crepidinae Cass. ex Dumort., Fl. Belg.: 60. 1827
- Hieraciinae Cass. ex Dumort., Fl. Belg.: 62. 1827
- Hyoseridinae Less., Syn. Gen. Compos.: 127. 1832
- Hypochaeridinae Less., Syn. Gen. Compos.: 130. 1832
- Lactucinae Cass. ex Dumort., Fl. Belg.: 59. 1827
- Malacothricinae** K.Bremer in Novon 3: 329. 1993
- Microseridinae Stebbins in Madroño 12: 71. 1953
- Scolyminae Less., Syn. Gen. Compos.: 126. 1832
- Scorzonerinae Cass. ex Dumort., Fl. Belg.: 63. 1827
- Sonchinae K.Bremer in Novon 3: 329. 1993
- Stephanomeriinae** Stebbins in Madroño 12: 71. 1953
- Warioniinae Gemeinholzer & N.Kilian in Funk, Susanna, Stuessy & Bayer, Syst. Evol. Biogeogr. Compositae: 380. 2009.

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XVI. Asteroideae Lindl. in Loudon, *Encycl. Pl.*: 1074. 1829

31. Calenduleae Cass. in *J. Phys. Chim. Hist. Nat. Arts* 88: 161. 1819
- 32a. Senecioneae Cass. in *J. Phys. Chim. Hist. Nat. Arts* 88: 195. 1819
Abrotanellinae H. Rob., G.D. Carr, R.M. King & A.M. Powell in *Ann. Missouri Bot. Gard.* 84: 896. 1998
Othoniinae Less. in *Linnaea* 6: 93. 1831
Senecioniinae Dumort., *Fl. Belg.*: 65. 1827
Tussilaginatae Dumort., *Fl. Belg.*: 64. 1827
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33. Anthemideae Cass. in *J. Phys. Chim. Hist. Nat. Arts* 88: 192. 1819
Anthemidinae Dumort., *Fl. Belg.*: 69. 1827
Artemisiinae Less. in *Linnaea* 5: 163. 1830
Athanasiinae Lindl. ex Pfeiff., *Nomencl. Bot.* 1(1): 323. 1873
Cotulinae Kitt., *Taschenb. Fl. Deutschl.*, ed. 3: 684. 1853
Glebionidinae Oberpr. & Vogt in *Willdenowia* 37: 106. 2007
Handeliinae Bremer & Humphries in *Bull. Nat. Hist. Mus. London, Bot.* 23: 108. 1993
Leucantheminae Bremer & Humphries in *Bull. Nat. Hist. Mus. London, Bot.* 23: 136. 1993
Leucanthemopsidinae Oberpr. & Vogt in *Willdenowia* 37: 104. 2007
Matricariinae Willk. in *Willkomm & Lange, Prodr. Fl. Hispan.* 2: 92. 1865
Osmiopsidinae Oberpr. & Himmelr. in *Willdenowia* 37: 94. 2007
Pentziinae Oberpr. & Himmelr. in *Willdenowia* 37: 99. 2007
Phymaspermatae Oberpr. & Himmelr. in *Willdenowia* 37: 99. 2007
Santolininae Willk. in *Willkomm & Lange, Prodr. Fl. Hispan.* 2: 76. 1865
Ursininae Bremer & Humphries in *Bull. Nat. Hist. Mus. London, Bot.* 23: 91. 1993
34. Astereae Cass. in *J. Phys. Chim. Hist. Nat. Arts* 88: 195. 1819
Asterinae Dumort., *Fl. Belg.*: 66. 1827
Astranthiinae G.L. Nesom in *Sida* 19: 265. 2000
Baccharidinae Less. in *Linnaea* 5: 145. 1830
Bellidinae Willk. in *Willkomm & Lange, Prodr. Fl. Hispan.* 2: 30. 1865
Boltoniinae G.L. Nesom in *Sida* 19: 266. 2000
Brachyscominae G.L. Nesom in *Phytologia* 76: 203. 1994
Chaetopappinae G.L. Nesom in *Sida* 19: 264. 2000
Chrysopsidinae G.L. Nesom in *Phytologia* 76: 203. 1994
Conyzinae Horan., *Char. Ess. Fam.*: 93. 1847
Grangeinae Benth. in *Bentham & Hooker., Gen. Pl.* 2: 176. 1873
Hinterhuberinae Cuatrec. in *Webbia* 24: 5. 1969
Homochrominae Benth. in *Bentham & Hooker., Gen. Pl.* 2: 177. 1873
Lagenophorinae G.L. Nesom in *Phytologia* 76: 207. 1994
Machaerantherinae G.L. Nesom in *Phytologia* 76: 208. 1994
Pentachaetinae G.L. Nesom in *Sida* 19: 264. 2000
Podocominae G.L. Nesom in *Phytologia* 76: 209. 1994
Solidagininae O. Hoffm. in *Engler & Prantl, Nat. Pflanzenfam.* 4(5): 145. 1890
Symphiotrichinae G.L. Nesom in *Phytologia* 76: 211. 1994
35. Gnaphalieae Lecoq & Juill., *Dict. Rais. Term. Bot.*: 296. 1831 (Smitsen & al., in press)
Gnaphaliinae Dumort., *Anal. Fam. Pl.*: 31. 1829
Relhaniinae Less. in *Linnaea* 6: 232. 1831
36. Inuleae Cass. in *J. Phys. Chim. Hist. Nat. Arts* 88: 193. 1819 (Nyländer & Anderberg, 2015)
Inulinae Dumort., *Fl. Belg.*: 67. 1827
Pluchinae Cass. ex Dumort., *Anal. Fam. Pl.*: 31. 1829
37. Athroismeae Panero in *Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash.* 115: 768. 2002
Anisopappinae Panero in *Phytologia* 87: 5. 2005

Athroisminae Panero in *Phytologia* 87: 2. 2005
 Centipedinae Panero in *Phytologia* 87: 3. 2005
 Lowryanthinae Pruski & Anderb. in *Taxon* 66: 417. 2017
 Symphylocarpinae Smoljan. in *Bot. Mater. Gerb. Bot. Inst. Komarova Akad. Nauk S.S.S.R.* 20: 288. 1960
Anisochaeta DC., incertae sedis

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39. Helenieae Lindl. in Loudon, *Encycl. Pl.*: 1074. 1829
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 - Marshalliinae H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 41: 42. 1978
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 - Dyscritothamninae Panero in *Phytologia* 87: 10. 2005
 - Espeletiinae Cuatrec. in *Phytologia* 35: 48. 1976
 - Galinsoginae Benth. in Bentham & Hooker, *Gen. Pl.* 2: 198. 1873
 - Guardiolinae H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 41: 41. 1978
 - Jaegeriinae Panero in *Phytologia* 87: 11. 2005
 - Melampodiinae Less. in *Linnaea* 5: 149. 1830
 - Milleriinae Benth. in Bentham & Hooker, *Gen. Pl.* 2: 166. 1873
41. Tageteae Cass. in *J. Phys. Chim. Hist. Nat. Arts* 88: 162. 1819
 - Clappiinae H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 41: 39. 1978
 - Coulterellinae H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 41: 40. 1978
 - Flaveriinae Less., *Syn. Gen. Compos.*: 235. 1832
 - Jaumeinae Benth. in Bentham & Hooker, *Gen. Pl.* 2: 168. 1873
 - Pectidinae Less., *Syn. Gen. Compos.*: 152. 1832
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 - Baeriinae Benth. in Bentham & Hooker, *Gen. Pl.* 2: 200. 1873
 - Hulseinae B.G.Baldwin in *Syst. Bot.* 27: 194. 2002
 - Madiinae Benth. in Bentham & Hooker, *Gen. Pl.* 2: 198. 1873
 - Venegasiinae B.G.Baldwin in *Syst. Bot.* 27: 194. 2002
43. Chaenactideae B.G.Baldwin in *Syst. Bot.* 27: 192. 2002
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 - Galeaninae Panero & B.G.Baldwin in Kubitzki, *Fam. Gen. Vasc. Pl.* 8: 508. 2007
 - Lycapsinae H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 120. 1980
 - Peritylinae Rydb. in Britton & al., *N. Amer. Fl.* 34 (4): 289. 1914
46. Eupatorieae Cass. in *J. Phys. Chim. Hist. Nat. Arts* 88: 202. 1819
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 - Ageratinae Less., *Syn. Gen. Compos.*: 155. 1832
 - Alomiinae Less., *Syn. Gen. Compos.*: 154. 1832
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 - Critoniinae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 447. 1980
 - Disynaphiinae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 39: 133. 1978
 - Eupatoriinae Dumort., *Anal. Fam. Pl.*: 31. 1829

- Fleischmanniinae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 447. 1980
- Gyptidinae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 446. 1980
- Hebecliniinae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 448. 1980
- Hofmeisteriinae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 449. 1980
- Liatrinae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 447. 1980
- Mikaniinae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 448. 1980
- Neomirandeiinae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 448. 1980
- Oaxacaniinae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 449. 1980
- Oxylobinae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 449. 1980
- Piqueriinae Benth. in *Bentham & Hooker, Gen. Pl.* 2: 172. 1873
- Praxelinae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 448. 1980
- Trichocoroninae R.M.King & H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 46: 446. 1980
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48. Coreopsidae Lindl. in *Loudon, Encycl. Pl.*: 1074. 1829.
- Coreopsidinae Cass. ex Dumort., *Anal. Fam. Pl.*: 31. 1829
- Chrysanthellinae Ryding & K.Bremer in *Syst. Bot.* 17: 650. 1992
- Pinillosiinae H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 41: 42. 1978
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- Ambrosiinae Less. in *Linnaea* 5: 151. 1830
- Chromolepidinae Panero in *Phytologia* 87: 5. 2005
- Clibadiinae H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 41: 39. 1978
- Dugesiinae Panero in *Phytologia* 87: 7. 2005
- Ecliptinae Less. in *Linnaea* 6: 153. 183
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- Montanoinae H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 41: 40. 1978
- Rojasianthinae Panero in *Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash.* 115: 771. 2002
- Rudbeckiinae H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 41: 43. 1978
- Spilanthinae Panero in *Phytologia* 87: 9. 2005
- Verbesiniinae Benth. in *Bentham & Hooker, Gen. Pl.* 2: 193. 1873
- Zaluzaniinae H.Rob. in *Phytologia* 41: 44. 1978
- Zinniinae Benth. in *Bentham & Hooker, Gen. Pl.* 2: 193. 1873

DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

Changes in subtribal classification in the outline here presented are minor if compared to the subtribes suggested in Funk & al. (2009). There are, however, some higher-level taxonomic changes that have not yet been formally proposed. One example pertains to subtribe Distephaninae (Vernonieae), which should be recognized as an independent tribe (V.A.Funk & H.Robinson, in prep.). Another example is the need to recognize subfamilies Tarchonanthoideae and Dicomioideae resulting from the break-up of subfamily Carduoideae (Mandel & al., 2019); they are described below.

This new classification recognizes 16 subfamilies instead of 12, and 50 tribes instead of 43 (compared to Funk & al.,

2009). If tribe Doroniceae is finally accepted as independent from Senecioneae, the number of tribes would be 51. Many of the changes in classification are not yet formally proposed. More molecular study and new morphological work focused on these potential new tribes are needed to support their formal recognition. We hope that the publication of this proposal containing the suggestions made by our late friend Vicki Funk in her unpublished manuscript will spur new studies in the family, and the few doubts that still remain on the position of some tribes will be soon resolved.

Regarding the Mandel & al. (2019) demonstration of the grade rather than clade situation represented by recent concepts of Cichorioideae, we should note that morphological justification for this finding is extremely limited. Only the lack of long, liguliform, 5-toothed corollas throughout the capitula in the excluded tribes is consistent. The excluded tribes often have true disc florets, true ray florets, or even long-lobed, zygomorphic, bisexual florets (*Stokesia* L'Hér. and *Elephantopsis* L.). Latex is not restricted to Cichorieae, occurring in many taxa of Liabeae and some of Vernonieae. Lophate pollen occurs in many taxa of Cichorieae, Vernonieae, and Arctoteae. Corolla color varies from blue to yellow in Cichorieae, while it is blue to lavender in most taxa of Vernonieae, yellow in most taxa of Liabeae and *Distephanus*, and yellow to partly red in many taxa of Arctotideae. Any formal subdivision of the recent concepts of Cichorioideae into several tribes at this time would require much more extensive justification.

Finally, there is an unresolved question on the subtribal classification of Cichorieae. If Microseridinae are recognized in a narrow sense to the exclusion of taxa traditionally placed in Malacothricinae and Stephanomeriinae (which are included in this list as accepted subtribes), then other subtribes also need to be recognized for a phylogenetically natural classification (Lee & Baldwin, 2004). Otherwise, Microseridinae must be recognized in a broad sense, including Malacothricinae and Stephanomeriinae, to achieve a monophyletic subtribal classification.

NEW INFRAFAMILIAL TAXA

Tarchonantheroideae S.Ortiz, **subfam. nov.** – Type: *Tarchonanthus* L., Sp. Pl.: 842. 1753

Perennial herbs and shrubs with conspicuously coriaceous leaves and bisexual, large capitula, as well as dioecious shrubs and trees with herbaceous to subcoriaceous leaves and small capitula, distinguished from other early-diverging subfamilies of Compositae by having short style branches with rounded apices, and acute sweeping trichomes from the apex to near the bifurcation, or lacking trichomes completely; cypselae with carpodium, and testa collapsed or with the lateral and basal walls of the testa epidermis strengthened.

Includes the genera *Brachylaena* R.Br., *Oldenburgia* Less. and *Tarchonanthus* L.

Dicomoideae S.Ortiz, **subfam. nov.** – Type: *Dicoma* Cass. in Bull. Sci. Soc. Philom. Paris 1817: 12. 1817

Annual or perennial herbs, shrubs, and small trees distinguished from other early-diverging subfamilies of Compositae by having pluriseriate involucres composed by mostly coriaceous and pungent phyllaries; epidermal cuticle of the corolla cells mostly longitudinally striate; pollen echinate; stylar sweeping trichomes acute, usually arranged in an apical or subapical tuft, never reaching below the shaft bifurcationpoint; cypselae mostly broadly turbinate-cylindrical, lacking carpodium.

Includes the genera *Cloiselia* S.Moore, *Dicoma* Cass., *Dicomopsis* S.Ortiz, *Erythrocephalum* Benth., *Gladiopappus* Humbert, *Macledium* Cass., *Pasaccardoa* Kuntze, and *Pleiotaxis* Steetz.

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FIGURE CAPTIONS

Fig. 1. An unrooted representation of the current Compositae classification. Circle size is indicative of species diversity. Gray background on names indicates taxa that will require nomenclatural changes, new descriptions, or more detailed studies. Dotted lines indicate uncertainty in the phylogenetic position. Species numbers taken from Funk & al. (2009) and Anderberg & al. (2007). Species number for Cichorieae does not include microspecies or apomictic species.

Fig. 2. Vicki Funk in early 2018 conducting fieldwork in the Cotopaxi volcano (Ecuadorian Andes). Photograph by Mauricio Bonifacino.

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