

# Typification of *Euphorbia zhiguliensis*, endemic to Zhiguli Upland, European Russia

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A lectotype (herb. PKM) is selected for *Euphorbia zhiguliensis* (Prokh.) Prokh. (Euphorbiaceae), which is endemic to Zhiguli Upland in European Russia.

Zhiguli Upland consists of the Zhiguli and Sokolii Mountains along the Volga River in eastern European Russia. There are several local endemic plants in the stony steppes of the Zhiguli Upland: *Cerastium zhiguliense*, *Euphorbia zhiguliensis*, *Gypsophila juzepczukii*, *Helianthemum zheguliense*, *Poa saksonovii*, *Sisymbrium pinnati-sectum*, and *Thymus zheguliensis* (Plaksina 2001, Saksonov 2006, Vasjukov *et al.* 2015).

The holotype *Euphorbia zhiguliensis* was earlier deposited in The Kuibyshev Botanical Garden, but it has been lost. Prokhanov (1941, 1949) mentioned that there is an isotype in LE, but that was not found by us either. Therefore, we select a lectotype among the five paratypes held in the Sprygina Herbarium of Penza State University (Russia) (PKM).

## *Euphorbia zhiguliensis* (Prokh.) Prokh.

Fl. URSS, 14: 447. 1949. — *Galarhoeus zhiguliensis* Prokh., Trudy Kuibyshevsk. Bot. Sada 1: 64. 1941. — *Tithymalus zhiguliensis* (Prokh.) Prokh., Fl. URSS, 14: 447. 1949, nom. alt. — TYPE: “Samarskaia Luka” (Prokhanov 1941, Geltman 1996; not seen). — LECTOTYPE (here designated): Russia. Samara Region, Syzran distr., Usolye village, among scat-

tered pines in upper part of Belyi Kamen, 24 June 1926 A. Uranov 031456 (PKM!).

Geltman (2011) considers *E. zhiguliensis* to be a nothospecies of *E. caesia* × *E. subtilis*. In our opinion, *E. zhiguliensis* is endemic to the Zhiguli Upland.

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