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A NEW NAME FOR GALIUM SCABRIUSCULUM (RUBIACEAE) OF UTAH

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Abstract.—A new name, Galium emeryense, is proposed to substitute for the preempted name G. scabriusculum. The name Galium scabriusculum (Ehrend.) Demp. & Ehrend., used in 1965 for a Utah species of the G. multiflorum complex, was discovered by us to have been preempted, and therefore invalid. The name was published first as a subspecies of G. hypotrichium by Ehrendorfer, later as a variety of G. coloradoense by Dempster, and eventually as a species in our joint publication. We have since become aware that a Galium scabriusculum was published in 1912: Galium scabriusculum (H. Braun) Dalla Torre & Sarth., Fl. Tirol 6(3): 378 (1912) = G. nitidulum H. Braun ap. Oborny, Fl. Mähren Schlesien 1: 737 (1885!). This is now a synonym of G. pumilum Murr., but was validly published as a species. It is therefore necessary to give a new name to the Utah species. The name we propose refers to Emery Co., Utah, which contains the type locality. Full synonymy follows:


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