

Lepidium s. str. (Brassicaceae) in the flora of Ukraine

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Abstract: The key to the 14 species of *Lepidium* occurring in the Ukraine, including basionyms and the most important synonyms, and distribution of these species within the floristic regions, especially in Ukraine, are presented.

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1. Introduction

The *Lepidium* L. (Brassicaceae) genus comprises about 150-170 species widely distributed in temperate and subtropical regions, except the Far North and the Tropics, although it occurs in the mountains in the Tropics. The genus contains many taxonomically difficult species and infrageneric groups.

Globally, the *Lepidium* genus was investigated only once, by Thellung (1906) but there were numerous regional studies of the genus. For example, Smirnov (1948) studied species endemic to chalks and limestone areas in Eastern Europe, while Dorofeev (2012) reconsidered this genus for Eastern Europe in general; De Carvalho & Vasconcellos (1964) studied all European species of the genus; Hewson (1982) dealt with Australian *Lepidium*.

K. Latowski (1982) applied anatomical characters of fruits and seeds in the taxonomy of *Lepidium*; P. Wąsowicz and A. Rostański (2009) analyzed quantitative characters of three frequently misdiagnosed annual species (*L. virginicum*, *L. ruderale* L., *L. densiflorum* Schrad.).

The *Lepidium* genus has been the subject of molecular studies for over 20 years. Molecular studies touched upon various taxa and focused on systematics (Mummenhoff *et al.* 2001), allopolyploidization events (Mummenhoff *et al.* 2004), evolution of flower structures (Bowman *et al.* 1999; Lee *et al.* 2002), and development of dehiscent and indehiscent fruits (Mummenhoff *et al.* 2009) etc.

In Ukraine, the cruciferous family, including the *Lepidium* genus, was investigated by Kotov (1953)

who recorded 10 species of *Lepidium* (excl. *Cardaria* Desv.) in "Flora of the URSR" (excluding the Crimea). Kotov made the then most detailed treatment of the *Lepidium* genus (and other cruciferous) in Ukrainian flora. In his later publications, Kotov (1979, 1987) listed 12 species (added two Crimean species, *L. turczanicinowii* Lipsky and *L. graminifolium* L.) giving brief data concerning the distribution of all these species in Ukraine. Protopopova, Mosyakin and Shevera (1994) found in Transcarpathia and the Crimea new for the territory of Ukraine species – *L. virginicum* L. Later, in the LWKS herbarium, we found other specimens of this species, also collected in Transcarpathia: "Zakarpats'ka oblast, district Vynogradivs'ky, Eastern side of Koroleve settlement near railway and 'поблизу' quarry. 14.07.2006. Coll. O. Kagalo, O. Andreyeva, K. Doroshenko" (Ilyinska 2009). We presented *L. pinnatifidum* Ledeb. as another new species for Ukraine based on herbarium specimens (deposited in LE!) which was redefined by K. Latowski (Ilyinska 2005).

Leaf surface structure of four species of *Lepidium* and *Cardaria* were investigated by A. Ilyinska and M. Shevera (2004). Carrying out detailed taxonomic and floristic investigation of *Lepidium* in the flora of Ukraine, we selected lectotypes for two taxa: *L. borysthenicum* Kleopov and *L. syvaschicum* Kleopov (Ilyinska 2002). The results of taxonomic analysis of 13 species describing their morphological, biological and biomorphological characters, showing the current distribution of species in Ukraine (maps for each species applied) and reporting other features of species was presented in the fifth volume of "Ecoflora of Ukraine" (Ilyinska *et al.* 2007).

The *Lepidium* genus is currently represented in Ukraine by 14 species. In this report, we summarize results of floristic investigation of *Lepidium* in the flora of Ukraine and provide the list of all species occurring in the country, including basionyms, the most important synonyms, nomenclatural types, and distribution of species within the floristic regions, especially in Ukraine, with the key to species.

2. Material and methods

The study was based on herbarium material deposited in CWB, DNZ, JALT, KW, LE, LW, LWKS, LWS, MW (abbreviations following Index Herbariorum: <http://sweetgum.nybg.org/ih/>), original research results and literature data.

3. Results

Key to *Lepidium* species in the flora of Ukraine.

1. Subshrubs.....*L. turczaninowii*
– Perennials, biennials or annuals.....2
2. Fruits 4 mm or longer; valves broadly winged and papillate.....*L. campestre*
– Fruits less than 4 mm; valves winged only above or not winged, glabrous or sparsely hirsute.....3
3. Stamens 2 or 44
Stamens 67
4. Stamens 4. Petals shorter than sepals, 0.4-0.6 mm. Fruits not winged.....*L. pinnatifidum*
– Stamens 2. Petals absent or rudimentary. Fruits apically winged.....5
5. Basal leaves 2- or 3-pinnatisect; upper caudine leaves linear, obtuse, entire.....*L. ruderale*
– Basal leaves oblong, spatulate, or obovate, coarsely serrate, irregularly dentate, pinnatifid to lyrate; caudine leaves oblanceolate or linear, margins usually entire or irregularly serrate to dentate, rarely pinnatifid.....6
6. Basal leaves rosulate; Petals absent or rudimentary, 0.3-0.9 mm, shorter than sepals. Fruits obovate to obovate-suborbicular, widest beyond the middle.....*L. densiflorum*
– Basal leaves not rosulate. Petals present (rarely rudimentary) 1.0-2.0 mm, longer than sepals. Fruits orbicular or nearly so, widest in the middle.....*L. virginicum*
7. Basal and lower caudine leaves 1- or 2-pinnatifid or pinnatisect.....8
– Basal and caudine leaves entire, not dissect.....9
8. Caudine leaves pinnatisect or pinnatifid (middle) and linear, entire (upper). Petals white. Cotyledons 3-lobed, frequently.....*L. sativum*
– Caudine leaves (middle and upper) entire, ovate to cordate or suborbicular, base deeply cordate-amplexicaul. Petals pale yellow. Cotyledons entire, not dissect.....*L. perfoliatum*

9. Plants rhizomatous. Basal leaves not rosulate.....10
– Plants with caudex, not rhizomatous. Basal leaves rosulate.....11
10. Inflorescence dense, subcorymbose panicles; racemes slightly elongated or not in fruit.....*L. latifolium*
– Inflorescence lax; racemes elongated in fruit.....*L. graminifolium*
11. Basal leaves narrow, lanceolate.....12
– Basal leaves wide, ovate or suborbicular.....13
12. Plants 10-25 cm. Cauline leaves shortly petiolate or sessile (upper), without auricles. Fruits broadly rhomboid, base abrupt-rounded.....*L. syvaschicum*
– Plants 6-13 cm. Cauline leaves sessile, subamplexicaule, with small acute auricles. Fruits ovate, acute-like, base truncate or subcordate.....*L. pumilum*
13. Fruits 3-4 mm, ovate, acute to base and to apex. Basal leaves ovate; caudine leaves sagittate and amplexicaule*L. crassifolium*
– Fruits 2.5-3.0(3.5) mm, ovate-triangular, base obtuse or truncate. Basal leaves elliptic to orbicular; caudine leaves short-petiolate or sessile (upper), auricles present, somewhat obtuse.....*L. borysthenicum*

Synopsis of the *Lepidium* genus in the flora of Ukraine.

Lepidium L. 1753, Sp. Pl.: 643. Lectotypus: *L. latifolium* L.

1. *L. graminifolium* L. 1759, Syst. Nat. ed. 10, 2: 1127; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. SSSR, 4: 60; Ilyinska et al. 2007, Ecofl. Ukr. 5: 80. – *L. graminifolium* subsp. *graminifolium*: Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 401. – *L. gramineum* Lam. 1778, Fl. Franç. 2: 469. – *Thlaspi graminifolium* (L.) Poiret. 1806, Encycl. Meth. Bot. 7: 546.

Described from Southern Europe: “Habitat in Europe australi [Sp. Pl. 1763, ed. 2, 2: 900]”. Lectotypus: Herb. Linn. No. 824.15 (LINN) [Hedge, 2002, in Cafferty et Jarvis (ed.), Taxon, 51: 534].

Distribution in Ukraine: Crimea (Southern Coast). General distribution: southern part of Europe; Southwest Asia; Northwest Africa.

2. *L. crassifolium* Waldst. et Kit. 1799, Descr. Icon. Pl. Rar. Hung. 1: 4, tab. 4; Ilyinska et al. 2007, Ecofl. Ukr. 5: 80; V. I. Dorofeev, 2012, Konspekt Fl. Vost. Evr. 1: 424. – *L. cartilagineum* (J. Mayer) Thell. subsp. *crassifolium* (Waldst. et Kit.) Thell. 1906, Neue Denkschr. Schweiz. Ges. Naturw. 41, 1: 153; Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1964, Fl. Europ. 1: 332. – *L. cartilagineum* (J. Mayer) Thell. subsp. *cartilagineum*: Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 401, p. p. – *L. cartilagineum* auct. non (J. Mayer) Thell.: Kotov, 1953, Fl. Ukr. SSR, 5: 398; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. SSSR, 4: 59.

Described from the Central Europe (Hungary): “Crescit in locis salsis siccis sterilissimis Comitatus Albensis solo instar lapidis duro in quo praeter novam Camphorosmas speciem fere nullum aliud vegetable crescit.”.

Distribution in Ukraine: Western Forest-steppe. General distribution: Central and East (south) Europe.

3. *L. borysthenicum* Kleopov, 1939, Journ. Inst. Bot. Akad. Nauk URSR, 21-22: 251; Kotov, 1953, Fl. Ukr. SSR, 5: 402; Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 401, p. p. – *L. crassifolium* auct. fl. Ukr. non Waldst. et Kit. p. p.: Schmalh. 1895, Fl. Mit., S. Rus., Crymea, N. Cauc. 1: 98; Kotov, 1979, Fl. europ. czasti USSR, 4: 59, p. p.

Described from the East Europe (Ukraine, Poltava area). Lectotypus: “*Thlaspi rotundifolium* Gaud. Poltavskaja gubernia, Lubny. Na solonczakakh, okolo Beresotoczi. 1849, *Awgustinovicz*” (Полтавская губерния, Лубны. На солончаках, около Березоточи. 1849 г. Августинович) (our italics; the surname was written by M. Kotov) (KW) [Ilyinska 2002, Ukr. Botan. Journ. 59, 2: 261].

Distribution in Ukraine: Forest-steppe, Steppe, Crimea. General distribution: East Europe (south).

4. *L. pumilum* Boiss. et Balansa, 1859, in Boiss. Diagn. Pl. Orient. ser. 2, 6: 21; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. SSSR, 4: 60; Ilyinska et al. 2007, Ecofl. Ukr. 5: 80. – *L. crassifolium* Waldst. et Kit. var. *pumilum* (Boiss. et Balansa) Thell. 1906, Mitt. Bot. Mus. Zurich, 28: 153, 155; N. Busch, 1907, Fl. Cauc. Crit. 3, 4: 111. – *L. cartilagineum* subsp. *pumilum* (Boiss. et Balansa) Hedge, 1968, in Rechinger, Fl. Iran. 57: 67; Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 401, p. p.

Described from M. Asia (Anatolia): “Hab. in salsis ad margines paludum ad occidentem Caesareae sitarum alt. 1100 metr. cl. Balansa qui legit fructiferam Sept. 1856”. Lectotypus: “In salsis ad margines paludum ad occidentem Caesareae, Balansa” (G) [Hedge (1968) in Dorofeev, 2008, Botan. Journ. 93, 12: 1967].

Distribution in Ukraine: Steppe (south, with *Artemisia* L. sp.), coast of the Black and Azov seas. General distribution: Southeast (south of Ukraine, Crimea, Russia: Rostov region) Europe; Southwest (Turkey, Iran) Asia.

5. *L. syvaschicum* Kleopov, 1939, Bot. Journ. Inst. Bot. Akad. Nauk URSR, 21-22: 251; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. USSR, 4: 60; Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 401.

Described from the Syvash Area (Ukraine). Lectotypus: “*Lepidium crassifolium* Waldst. et Kit. Po dnu vysohshoi Syvashskoi satoki na pivden vid s. Sakharivki Novotroitzkogo r-nu. 26.06.1931, O. Svistunova (По дну висохшої Сивашської затоки на південь від с.

Захарівки Новотроїцького р-ну. 26.06.1931 р., О. Свистунова)” (KW) [Iljinska, 2002, Ukr. Botan. Journ. 59, 3: 261].

Distribution in Ukraine: Steppe (south), coast of the Black and Syvash seas. General distribution: Southeast Europe (Syvash Area), endemic.

6. *L. latifolium* L. 1753, Sp. Pl.: 644; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. USSR, 4: 60; Szafer, Kulczyński, Pawłowski, 1986, Rośl. Polsk. 1: 233; Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 401; Ilyinska et al. 2007, Ecofl. Ukr. 5: 80 – *L. latifolium* subsp. *eulatifolium* Thell. 1906, Neue Denkschr. Schweiz. Ges. Naturw. 41: 159. – *Cardaria latifolia* (L.) Spach, 1838, Hist. Nat. Vég. (Spach), 6: 546. – *Lepia latifolia* (L.) Desv. 1814, Journ. Bot. Appl. (Paris), 3: 166.

Described from Europe: “Habitat in Galliae, Angliae umbrosis, succulentis”. Lectotypus: Herb. Linn. No. 824.11a (LINN) [Jafri, 1973, in Nasir et Ali (ed.), Fl. W. Pakistan, 55: 60].

Distribution in Ukraine: rare in Zakarpattja, Carpathians, Roztochchja, Opillja and Polissja; common to Forest-steppe, Steppe and Crimea. General distribution: Europe (adventives into North, Center and West); Asia (adventives into East); Northern Africa; adventives into North America, South America and Australia.

7. *L. turczaninowii* Lipsky, 1894, Zap. Kiev. Obshch. Isteshvoispyt. (Mem. Soc. Nat. Kiev) 13: 412; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. SSSR, 4: 61; – *L. lyratum* L. subsp. *lacerum* auct. non (C. A. Mey.) Thell.: Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 401, p. p. – *L. lyratum* L. subsp. *lacerum* (C.A. Mey.) Thell. var. *turczaninowii* (Lipsky) Thell. 1906, Gatt. Lepid.: 166, 169.

Described from Crimea: “Tauria meridionali ad Theodosiam, in declivibus ad mare prope castellum vetus”. Holotypus: “*Lepidium turczaninowii* sp. n. Крым, Феодосия. 21.07.1891 г., Липский” (LE !, in herb. protypus).

Distribution in Ukraine: East Crimea. General distribution: Europe (Crimea), endemic.

8. *L. campestre* (L.) W. T. Aiton, 1812, Hortus Kew. ed. 2, 4: 88; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. SSSR, 4: 58; Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 399. – *Thlaspi campestre* L. 1753, Sp. Pl.: 646. – *Lepia campestris* (L.) Desv. 1815, J. Bot. Agric. 3: 165. – *Lasioptera campestris* (L.) Andrz. ex DC. 1821, Syst. Nat. 2: 535, nom. nudum. – *Iberis campestris* (L.) Wallr. 1822, Sched. Crit.: 341.

Described from Europe “Habitat in Europee arvis, viis argillosis”. Lectotypus: Herb. Linn. No 825.8 (LINN) [Hedge, 1965, Fl. Turkey, 1: 280].

Distribution in Ukraine: Zakarpattja, Carpathians, Roztochchja, Opillja, Pravoberezhne Polissja (rare), Forest-steppe, Steppe (rare), Mountain of Crimea (common); extends on the north. General distribution: Europe; Southwest (M. Asia, Caucasus) and East. (China) Asia; adventives into North America, South America, South Africa and Australia.

9. *L. sativum* L. 1753, Sp. Pl.: 644; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. SSSR, 4: 58; Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 399; Ilyinska et al. 2007, Ecofl. Ukr. 5: 79. – *Lepia sativa* (L.) Desv. 1814, Journ. Bot. Appl. (Paris), 3: 165.

Described from the cultivated plants of unknown origin: “Habitat - - - -”. Lectotypus: Herb. Linn. No. 824.11 (LINN) [Fawcett et Rendle, 1914, in Fl. Yamaica, 3: 243].

Distribution in Ukraine: all territory; cultivated, as also escaped. General distribution: Europe; Southwest Asia; North America, South America; North Africa; Australia; native to Northeast Africa et Southwest Asia, in other regions cultivated, as also escaped.

10. *L. perfoliatum* L. 1753, Sp. Pl.: 643; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. SSSR, 4: 59; Szafer, Kulczyński, Pawłowski, 1986, Rośl. Polsk. 1: 232; Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 401. – *Nasturtium perfoliatum* (L.) Besser, 1822, Enum.: 26, N. 743. – *Crucifera diversifolia* E.H.L. Krause, 1902, Deutschl. Fl. (Sturm), ed. 2, 6: 156.

Described from Southwest Asia: “Habitat in Persia, Syria”. Lectotypus: Herb. Clifford: 331, “*Lepidium* 3” (BM-000646274) [Jonsell et Jarvis, 2002, Nordic J. Bot. 22: 70].

Distribution in Ukraine: Zakarpattja and Polissja (adventives?), Forest-steppe, Steppe, Crimea. General distribution: Europe (native to South and Southeast, adventives into all regions); Asia (adventives into East); North Africa; adventives into North America, South America and Australia.

11. *L. ruderale* L. 1753, Sp. Pl.: 645; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. SSSR, 4: 59; Szafer, Kulczyński, Pawłowski, 1986, Rośl. Polsk. 1: 233; Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 401. – *L. ambiguum* Lange, 1865, in Vidensk. Meddel. Dansk Naturhist. Foren. Kjobenhavn, 7: 7 (non F. Müller, 1855, in Trans. Philos. Soc. Victoria, 1: 34). – *Nasturtium ruderale* (L.) Scop. 1772, Fl. Carn. 2, 2: 13. – *Iberis ruderalis* (L.) Crantz, 1762, Stirp. Austr. Fasc. 1: 21. – *Thlaspi ruderale* (L.) All. 1785, Fl. Pedem. 1: 250.

Described from Europe: “Habitat in Europee ruderatis et ad vias”. Lectotypus: Herb. Linn. No. 824.17 (LINN) [Jonsell et Jarvis, 2002, Nordic J. Bot. 22: 70].

Distribution in Ukraine: all territory. General distribution: almost all Europe (but adventives into the North); Southwest (M. Asia, Caucasian and Caspian regions, Transcaucasia) Asia; adventives into North America and Australia.

12. *L. pinnatifidum* Ledeb. 1842, Fl. Ross. 1: 206; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. SSSR, 4: 59; Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 401; Ilyinska et al. 2007, Ecofl. Ukr. 5: 80.

Described from the Southeast Europe (Astrakhan area): “In regione astrachanensi! (Blume)”. Lectotypus: “*Inter plantas astrachanensi..., Blume D. 19*” (LE) [Dorofeev, 2008, Botan. Journ. 93, 12: 1969].

Distribution in Ukraine: Steppe (one locality). General distribution: East Europe; Southwest (Afghanistan) and Central Asia; adventives into South America and North America.

Note. A single specimen of this species was collected by S. Korzhinsky in Melitopol (S.E. Ukraine) in 1880, and was determined by Latowski in 1977 (LE!). Today it is the only locality.

13. *L. virginicum* L. 1753, Sp. Pl.: 645; Szafer, Kulczyński, Pawłowski, 1986, Rośl. Polsk. 1: 234; Vasconcellos, 1964, Fl. Europ. 1: 332; Kuusk, 1973, Eesti NSV Fl. 5: 535, tab. 286; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. SSSR, 4: 58; Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 401.

Described from North et Central America: “Habitat in Virginia, Jamaiae glareosis”. Lectotypus: Herb. Linn. No. 824.18 (LINN) [Marais, 1970, in Cogg et al. (ed.), Fl. Southern Africa, 13: 94].

Distribution in Ukraine: adventives into Zakarpattja and Crimea. General distribution: native to North America; adventives into all regions: Europe, Asia, South America, South Africa, Australia.

14. *L. densiflorum* Schrad. 1832, Index Sem. Horti Götting.: 4; Kotov, 1979, Fl. evrop. ch. SSSR, 4: 59; Vasconcellos, Akeroyd, Rich, 1993, Fl. Europ. 1: 401; Ilyinska et al. 2007, Ecofl. Ukr. 5: 79. – *L. apetalum* auct. non Willd.: N. Busch, 1939, Fl. SSSR, 8: 508. – *L. micranthum* Ledeb. 1842, Fl. Ross. 1: 205. – *L. divaricatum* auct. non W.T. Aiton: Kuusk et al. 1993, in Fl. Balt. Republ. 1: 335.

Described from Göttingen Botanical Garden: “Venit in hortis sub *L. praecoci* et *bipinnatifido*, utraque specie a nostra diversissima”. Holotypus: “Germany. Sine locus, 1831, Schrader s.n.” (Z).

Distribution in Ukraine: Zakarpattja, Carpathians, Roztochchja, Opillja, Polissja, Forest-steppe (rare), Steppe (rare). General distribution: native to North America, adventives into Europe, Asia and South America.

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