

# *Neottia maolanensis*, a replacement name for *Neottia bifida* M.N.Wang (Orchidaceae)

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## Abstract

According to Articles 53.1 of the International Code of Nomenclature for Algae, Fungi, and Plants (Shenzhen Code), *Neottia bifida* M.N.Wang (as 'bifidus'; PhytoKeys 229: 222, 2023) is an illegitimate name, and hence a new name *Neottia maolanensis* M. N. Wang is proposed here.

**Key words:** homonym, illegitimate, *Neottia maolanensis*, Orchidaceae, replacement name

A new mycoheterotrophic orchid species was named as *Neottia bifidus* M. N. Wang in our recent work (Wang et al. 2023). However, it was overlooked that the specific epithet spelled as "bifidus" is incorrect. The correct one should be "bifida". Unfortunately, we found "*Neottia bifida*" is a later homonym (Blume 1825). According to Articles 6.11, 53.1 of the International Code of Nomenclature for Algae, Fungi, and Plants (Turland et al. 2018) that is currently in force, a new name is proposed here.



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**Replaced name.** *Neottia bifida* M.N.Wang (as 'bifidus'; in PhytoKeys 229: 222, 2023), *nom. illeg.*, non. *Neottia bifida* Blume (in Bijdr. Fl. Ned. Ind. 8: 408, 1825).

**Type.** CHINA. Guizhou Province, Qiannan Buyi and Miao Autonomous Prefecture, Libo County, the Maolan National Nature Reserve, 825 m elev., 23 Apr 2021, J.B.Chen 00599 (holotype: NOCC!).

**Chinese name.** 茂兰鸟巢兰.

**Etymology.** The species epithet refers to the type locality of the new species.

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### Data availability

All of the data that support the findings of this study are available in the main text.

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