

Topic: Binomial System of Nomenclature

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Some Important Rules and Recommendations

- All those plants which belong to one genus must be designed by the source generic name (Rule 213).
- All those plants which belong to different genera must be designated by different generic names (Rule 214)
- He who establishes a new genus should give it a name (Rule 218).
- Those generic names are best which show essential characters of plants or its appearance (Rule 240).
- Generic names one and a half foot long or difficult to pronounce or unpleasant are to be avoided (Rule 249).
- The specific name must distinguish a plant from all its relatives (Rule 257).
- Size does not distinguish species (Rule 260).

- The original place of plant does not give specific difference (Rule 264).
- A generic name must be applied to each species (Rule 284).
- The specific name should always follow the generic name (Rule 285).