A NEW VARIETY OF THE GENUS TRAGOPOGON L. FROM IRAN

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*Tragopogon bornmuelleri* M. Ownbey & Rech. f. var. *latifolius* Safavi is described here as a new variety from Iran. The difference with related variety is also discussed.

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**Introduction**

In a revision of the genus *Tragopogon* L. in Iran the specimens of several Iranian herbaria have been studied. Among the herbarium specimens a new variety to Iran was found in Kordestan Province Herbarium. This variety was seen between *Tragopogon* collection of Research Institute of Forests and Rangelands Herbarium (TARI) too. The two specimens are preserved in TARI.

*Tragopogon bornmuelleri* M. Ownbey & Rech. f. var. *latifolius* Safavi & Maroofi var. nov. (fig. 1).

Folia basalia late lanceolata vel oblonga, 10-50 mm lata, suprema saepe abbreviata et dilatata 5-8 mm lata.

**Typus.** Kordestan: Saghez, Soñateh to Souteh, near Hajimohamad village, 1800–1950 m, Maroofi 1935 (holotypus TARI); Kordestan: 32 km on the road from Marivan to Paveh (Tangeh Dezli), 1700 m, Runemark & Mozaffarian 29375 (paratypus TARI).

**Discussion**

The new variety together with the type variety grow in “Dwarf scrub grassland” with an altitude of 1700 to 2600 m.

**References**


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Fig. 1. *Tragopogon bornmuelleri* var. *latifolius* (×0.63); flower and achene (×2.5).