International Registration for Cultivar Names for *Hydrangea* L. 2001–2005

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During the last five years, 15 cultivar names of *Hydrangea* have been registered with the International Cultivar Registration Authority (ICRA) at the National Horticultural Institute, Angers. The aim of this step is to allow a wider circulation of the names, reducing the possibility of the same name being used for different cultivars.

In the following text, the raiser and the breeding date are given after the cultivar name; the selling names are in capitals.

Hydrangea anomala subsp. *petiolaris* 'Firefly', Dan B. Benarcik 1992, registered June 4, 2002 by D.B. Benarcik, Wilmington, Delaware, USA. The original plant is a mutation of a *H. petiolaris*. This cultivar is characterised by leaves with yellow margins. United States Plant Patent PP11,038, August 24,1999. A photograph has been deposited at INH.

Hydrangea arborescens 'Dardom', Robert and Jelena de Belder 1992, registered December 12, 2004 by W.H. Kromhout, Darthuizer Boomkwekerijen, Leersum, Netherlands. It is sold under the trade name WHITE DOM. The original plant is a seed selection. It is a shrub stronger than the other *H. arborescens* with many broad corymbs. European Community Plant Variety Rights Grant 10,977 April 28, 2003. United States Plant Patent PP14,168, September 23, 2003. A description was published by Bertrand *et al.* (2004).

Hydrangea macrophylla subsp. macrophylla 'AB Green Shadow', A.O. van Bergen 1999, registered by New Variety B.V., Aalsmeer, Netherlands. The original plant is a mutation of 'Dr Bernhard Steiniger' with a green spot on the sepals. Commercial name: GREEN SHADOW. European Community Plant Variety Rights Grant 10,601, February 10, 2003. Award: First Prize at Plantarium 2000, Boskoop (NL). A description was published by Bertrand *et al.* (2004) and a photograph has been deposited at INH as a nomenclatural standard.

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Hydrangea macrophylla subsp. macrophylla 'Bailmer', Verdon Glen Black 1987, registered October 28, 2003 by L. Robinson, Bailey Nurseries, St Paul, Minnesota, USA. This plant is sold under the trademark ENDLESS SUMMER®. The original plant was "discovered" in a garden and is remarkable for its re-flowering capacity (Dirr, 1999). It is an old pink mophead hortensia. United States Plant Patent PP15,298, November 9, 2004. Photographs have been deposited at INH.

Hydrangea macrophylla subsp. macrophylla 'Beijing', Florema Young Plants 1995, registered February 20, 2004 by W.A. ter Laak, De Kwakel, Netherlands. This lacecap variety is characterised by slightly twisted pink sterile flowers and a compact plant shape. European Community Plant Variety Rights Grant 16,141, September 12, 2005. A description was published by Bertrand *et al.* (2004).

Hydrangea macrophylla subsp. macrophylla 'Challenge', JWP Kolk Bloemen BV 2000, registered February 12, 2004 by JWP Kolk. This vigorous mophead variety is characterised by light pink sterile flowers. European Community Plant Variety Rights Grant 13,553, June 21, 2004. A description was published by Bertrand *et al.* (2004).

Hydrangea macrophylla subsp. macrophylla 'Hulk', Florema Young Plants 1994, registered April 15, 2002 by W.A. ter Laak, De Kwakel, Netherlands. The original plant is a mophead hortensia with large white dentate flowers turning light pink. The foliage is dark green and the plants are short. European Community Plant Variety Rights Grant 10,602, February 10, 2003. A description was published by Bertrand et al.(2004) and a photograph has been deposited at INH.

Hydrangea macrophylla subsp. macrophylla 'Multi Purple', Florema Young Plants 1995, registered April 15, 2002 by W.A. ter Laak, De Kwakel, Netherlands. The original plant is a little dark lacecap hortensia with a very good branching quality. European Community Plant Variety Rights Grant 11,579, July 28, 2003. A description was published by Bertrand *et al.* (2004) and a photograph has been deposited at INH.

Hydrangea macrophylla subsp. *macrophylla* 'Rambo', Florema Young Plants 1995, registered April 15, 2002 by W.A. ter Laak, De Kwakel, Netherlands. The original plant is a mophead hortensia with

large pink dentate flowers turning light pink. The foliage is dark green and the plants are short. European protection PCOV #11,578, July 28, 2003. A description was published by Bertrand *et al.* (2004) and a photograph has been deposited at INH.

Hydrangea macrophylla subsp. macrophylla 'Red Red', A.O. van Bergen 2000, registered July 28, 2003 by New Variety, Alsmeer, Netherlands. This mophead variety is characterised by red sterile flowers. European Community Plant Variety Rights Grant 11,580 July 28, 2003. A description was published by Bertrand *et al.* (2004) and a photograph has been deposited at INH.

Hydrangea macrophylla subsp. macrophylla 'Yellow Leaf', Takeomi Yamamoto 1999, registered September 20, 2002 by Thomas M. Foley, Hines Horticulture, Irvine, California, USA. The original plant was a mutation with bright golden to yellow foliage throughout the growing season. United States Plant Patent PP2,701, June 11, 2002.

Hydrangea macrophylla subsp. macrophylla 'Zorro', A. van Zoest 2000, registered March 1, 2004 by A. van Zoest, Reeuwijk, Netherlands. The original plant is a black stem mutation of 'Blaumeise'. European Community Plant Variety Rights Grant 13,566, June 21, 2004. A description was published by Bertrand et al. (2004).

Hydrangea macrophylla subsp. serrata 'Fuji Waterfall', Dan Heims 2000, registered December 27, 2001 by Janet Egger, Terra Nova Nurseries, Canby, Oregon, USA. The original plant was selected in Japan in 1997. This clone is characterised by very large flower clusters of white double sterile and fertile flowers. A photograph has been deposited at INH.

Hydrangea paniculata 'Darlido', L.K.J. Ilsink 1986, registered December 12, 2004 by W.H. Kromhout, Darthuizer Boomkwekerijen, Leersum, Netherlands. It is sold under the trade name DART'S LITTLE DOT. This hybrid is a low plant up to a maximum of 0.8m. It is characterised by its large cream sterile flowers turning pink in autumn and its small dark green leaves. European Community Plant Variety Rights Grant 7,364, March 5, 2001. This name was established by Ilsink 1994. A description was published by Bertrand et al. (2004).

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Hydrangea quercifolia 'Little Honey', Briggs Nursery 2002, registered January 7, 2002 by L. Caton, Briggs Nursery, Olympia, Washington, USA. The original plant is a mutation of *H. quercifolia* 'Pee Wee'. This new cultivar is characterised by yellow greenish foliage. United States Plant Patent PP17,477, January 11, 2005. A photograph has been deposited at INH.

Registration of cultivars should be done as soon as possible as it is in the best interest of all parties involved. This would ensure a better accuracy between labels and plants, and better communication between breeders, growers, and customers. Every time that a cultivar is registered through patent or Plant Breeders' Rights, the International Cultivar Registration Authority should also be notified.

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