***Vachellia oerfota*** (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr. *Bot. J. Linn. Soc.* 172:515 (2013)

**Name Status:** Accepted Name

**Notes:** Varieties are not recognized for Acacia (Vachellia) oerfota in ILDIS (The International Legume Database & Information Service, Roskov et al. 2005) but they are recognized under Vachellia by Kyalangalilwa et al. (2013: 515). Originally published as 'oeforta'.

**Distribution:** AFRICA [N]: Socotra, Somalia. ARABIAN PENINSULA [N]: North Yemen, Oman, Saudi Arabia, South Yemen

**Classification:** This species contains 2 infraspecific taxa (var.brevifolia, var.oerfota)

**Based On:** *Mimosa oerfota* Forssk.

**Synonymy**

- *Mimosa oerfota* Forssk. (1775)

- *Acacia oerfota* (Forssk.) Schweinf. (1896)

- *Acacia orfota* (Forssk.) Schweinf. (1896)

- *Acacia pterygocarpa* Hochst. ex Benth. (1846)

- *Acacia nubica* var. *erythraea* Schweinf. (1867-8)

- *Acacia oerfota* var. *erythraea* (Schweinf.) Fiori (1911)

- *Acacia gorinii* Chiov. (1932)

- *Vachellia nubica* (Benth.) Kyal. & Boatwr. (2013)

- *Acacia nubica* Benth. (1842)

- *Acacia nubica* var. *nubica* Benth. (1867-8)

- *Acacia nubica* var. *aethiopica* Schweinf. (1867-8)

- *Acacia oerfota* var. *nubica* (Benth.) Fiori (1911)

- *Acacia aucheri* Benth. (1842)

- *Acacia papyracea* Hochst.

- *Acacia virchowiana* Vatke & Hildebr. (1880)

- *Acacia merkeri* Harms (1902)

- *Acacia merkeri* Harms (1905)

- *Acacia orfota* sens. auct. mult.

***Mimosa oerfota*** Forssk. *Fl. Aegypt.-Arab.* :177 (1775)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Basionym Source. Kyalangalilwa et al. (2013: 515)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Type Designation:** Yemen, Dahi, Forsskal s.n. (missing from C, comment based on Ross 1979) **Source:** Kyalangalilwa et al. (2013: 515)

**Notes:** The orginal spelling of the epithet used a diacritic sign, which is to be transcribed as oe (following Article 60.6 of the International Code of Nomenclature).

***Acacia oerfota*** (Forssk.) Schweinf. *Bull. Herb. Boissier* 4, app. 2:213 (1896)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Homotypic synonym Source. Kyalangalilwa et al. (2013: 515)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Notes:** Schweinfurth spelled the name as Acacia orfota but this a a correctable error according to Art. 60.6 of the International Code of Nomenclature.

**Based On:** *Mimosa oerfota* Forssk.

***Acacia orfota*** (Forssk.) Schweinf. *Bull. Herb. Boissier* 4, app. 2:213 (1896)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Orthographic variant Source. WorldWideWattle

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Notes:** Schweinfurth spelled the epithet as orfota when he made the combination in Acacia, but the correct spelling is oerfota.

***Acacia pterygocarpa*** Hochst. ex Benth. *London J. Bot.* 5:96 (1846)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Heterotypic synonym Source. Thulin (1993: 382)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Type Designation:** Holotype: Ethiopia, without locality, Schimper 1036 (K); isotypes: BM, FI, OXF, P, Z **Source:** Ross (1979: 137)

**Notes:** Ross (1979: 137) treated Acacia pterygocarpa as a synonym of Acacia nubica.

***Acacia nubica* var. *erythraea*** Schweinf. *Linnaea* 35:338 (1867-8)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Homotypic synonym Source. Ross (1979: 137)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota*  (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Notes:** According to Ross (1979: 137): Schweinfurth did not cite any specimens in the protologue of var. erythraea or of var. aethiopica, but the descriptions leave no doubt of what he intended by these two varieties. Consequently, Schimper 1036, the type of A. pterygocarpa is selected as the lectotype of var. erythraea, and Kotschy 407, the type of A. nubica, is selected as the lectotype of var. aethiopica.

**Based On:** *Acacia pterygocarpa* Hochst. ex Benth.

***Acacia oerfota* var. *erythraea*** (Schweinf.) Fiori *Agric. Colon.* 5:87 (1911)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Homotypic synonym Source. Ross (1979: 137)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota*  (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Notes:** Spelled as Acacia orfota in the protologue, but this a a correctable error according to Art. 60.6 of the International Code of Nomenclature.

**Based On:** *Acacia pterygocarpa* Hochst. ex Benth.

***Acacia gorinii*** Chiov. *Fl. Somala* 2:194 (1932)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Heterotypic synonym Source. Thulin (1993: 382)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Type Designation:** Syntypes : (1) Somalia, Oltregiuba, a Jonti sui Giuba, Gorini 221 (FI). (2) Lac Badana, Senni 435 (FI). (3) Obe, Senni 449 (FI) **Source:** Ross (1979: 137)

**Notes:** Ross (1979: 137) treated Acacia gorinii as a synonym of Acacia nubica.

***Vachellia nubica*** (Benth.) Kyal. & Boatwr. *Bot. J. Linn. Soc.* 172:515 (2013)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Heterotypic synonym Source. WorldWideWattle (following Boulos 1998 under Acacia)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Based On:** *Acacia nubica* Benth.

***Acacia nubica*** Benth. *London J. Bot.* 1:498 (1842)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Basionym Source. Kyalangalilwa et al. (2013: 515)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Type Designation:** Holotype: Sudan, Kordofan, Kotschy 407 (K); isotypes:FI, OXF, P, Z **Source:** Ross (1979: 137)

***Acacia nubica* var. *nubica*** Benth. *Linnaea* 35:338 (1867-8)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Autonym Source. WorldWideWattle

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota*  (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Notes:** Autonym established by publication of Acacia nubica var. aethiopica & var. erythraea Schweinfurth in Linnaea 35: 338 (1867-8).

***Acacia nubica* var. *aethiopica*** Schweinf. *Linnaea* 35:338 (1867-8)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** nom. illeg. (superfluous) Source. Ross (1979: 137)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota*  (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Notes:** According to Ross (1979: 137): Schweinfurth did not cite any specimens in the protologue of var. erythraea or of var. aethiopica, but the descriptions leave no doubt of what he intended by these two varieties. Consequently, Schimper 1036, the type of A. pterygocarpa is selected as the lectotype of var. erythraea, and Kotschy 407, the type of A. nubica, is selected as the lectotype of var. aethiopica.

**Based On:** *Acacia nubica* Benth.

***Acacia oerfota* var. *nubica*** (Benth.) Fiori *Agric. Colon.* 5:87 (1911)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Homotypic synonym Source. Ross (1979: 137)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota*  (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Notes:** Spelled as Acacia orfota in the protologue, but this a a correctable error according to Art. 60.6 of the International Code of Nomenclature.

**Based On:** *Acacia nubica* Benth.

***Acacia aucheri*** Benth. *London J. Bot.* 1:499 (1842)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Heterotypic synonym Source. Ross (1979: 137)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Type Designation:** Holotype: Orient, Aucher-Eloy 4372 (K); isotpes: BM!, P **Source:** Ross (1979: 137)

***Acacia papyracea*** Hochst. : ()

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Nom. nudum Source. Ross (1979: 137)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Notes:** Nom. nud. Synonymy following Ross (1979: 137).

***Acacia virchowiana*** Vatke & Hildebr. *Oesterr. Bot. Z.* 30:275 (1880)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Heterotypic synonym Source. Ross (1979: 137)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Type Designation:** Holotype: Kenya, Teita Distr., Voi River and elsewhere, Hildebrandt 2486 (?B); isotype: K **Source:** Ross (1979: 137)

**Notes:** Quoad legumina tantum (Ross 1979: 137).

***Acacia merkeri*** Harms *Notizbl. Königl. Bot. Gart. Berlin* 3:195 (1902)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Nom. nudum Source. Ross (1979: 137)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

***Acacia merkeri*** Harms *Bot. Jahrb. Syst.* 36:208 (1905)

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Heterotypic synonym Source. Ross (1979: 137)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Type Designation:** Holotype: ?Tanzania "Masai Steppe", Merker (B, BM - drawing) **Source:** Ross (1979: 137)

***Acacia orfota*** sens. auct. mult. : ()

**Name Status:** Non-Current Name

**Name Type** Misapplied name Source. Ross (1979: 137)

**Accepted Name:** *Vachellia oerfota* (Forssk.) Kyal. & Boatwr.

**Notes:** Often spelled as Acacia orfota, but this is a correctable error according to Art. 60.6 of the International Code of Nomenclature, and should be Acacia oerfota.