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Studies on Schismatoglottideae (Araceae) of Borneo LXIX: *Schismatoglottis imbakensis*, a new species of the Patentineria Complex from ultramafic rocks, Sabah

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Abstract. *Schismatoglottis imbakensis* is described as a new species of the *Schismatoglottis* Patentineria Clade from forested ultramafic rocks, and compared with *S. retinervia* Furtado, the only the species for the clade yet described from Sabah.

Keywords: *Schismatoglottis*, Patentineria clade, Sabah, Borneo.

INTRODUCTION

The *Schismatoglottis* Patentineria Clade is entirely Bornean (Wong et al., 2017, 2019), comprising small mesophytic herbs with highly distinctive lanceolate to oblong-elliptic to narrowly obovate leaf blades lacking posterior lobes, and with ladder-like rather closely spaced numerous primary lateral veins diverging from the mid-rib at about 90°. At present the clade comprises 11 described species, 8 of which have been described in the past three years (Boyce 2017; Wong et al. 2017, 2018, 2019). Until now, only one species of the Patentineria Clade has been recorded from Sabah, *Schismatoglottis retinervia* Furtado (1935), restricted to the vicinity of Kinabalu between 1000 and 1600 m asl on granite.

During a Borneo Geographic Scientific Expedition organised by Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) and the Sabah Foundation to the Sungai Kangkawat, Imbak Canyon Conservation Area (ICCA), the first author encountered a small colony of a highly distinctive *Schismatoglottis* with venation suggesting a species of the Patentineria Clade. At the time of discovery the plants were sterile although their distinctive morphology and occurrence on