

Contested Identities

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BISH/BPBM same-sheet determination conflicts

A CLEAN record. Unlike Kīpuka Puʻaʻulu (8 same-sheet BISH/BPBM double-entry conflicts, 3 real), the 'Iliau Loop record shows NO same-sheet determination conflicts. The reason is the collecting history (see Herbaria & Collectors): 'Iliau's record is modern and dispersed across mainland herbaria (US, CAS, NY), not the Bishop double-entry system that generates phantom taxa. Fewer institutions double-submitting one physical sheet means fewer contradictions to resolve. What this means for the visit: determinations here can be taken more at face value — the caution shifts from 'which name is right?' to 'is this taxon correctly identified at all?', best answered by photographs and a specialist (many are the endangered endemics on the Observe page).