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# Hypolytrum proliferum Boeckeler

Family:

# Cyperaceae

Boeckeler, J.O. (1871) Linnaea 37: 126.

Stem

Stems slender, 30-60 cm tall; with short rhizomes.

#### Leaves

Leaves herbaceous to subcoriaceous, 6-8 mm wide, with 2 prominent veins on abaxial surface, margins prominently thickened; apex strongly triquetrous.

### **Flowers**

Inflorescence a terminal cluster of spikelets, variable in size, with few spikelets. Spikelets very contracted, glistening white; glumes ovate to suborbicular, with the upper margin conspicuously white-scarious, pellucid, soon lacerate; hypogynous scales two, with ciliated keels.



Herbarium specimen. © DERM

#### Fruit

Nut protruding well beyond the glume. Nut compressed with keeled margins, irregularly rugose in lower half, with beak acute.

# Seedlings

Features not available.

### Distribution and Ecology

Occurs in CYP. Altitudinal range from near sea level to 80 m. Occurs in moist to wet habitats in creeks and on river banks in closed forest, occasionally in moist places in woodland. Also occurs from Vietnam to malesia and New Guinea.

#### Synonyms

Hypolytrum nemorum var. proliferum (Boeckeler) J. Kern, Flora Malesiana Series I 7: 492(1974).

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