

Korthalsella japonica subsp. *brassiana* (Blakely ex C.T.White) Barlow

Family:

Santalaceae

Barlow, B.A. (1983) *Brunonia* 6: 47.

Stem

Internodes flattened, about 5-13 x 2-4 mm with a distinct midrib.

Leaves

Leaves absent or very small, about 0.5 mm long.

Flowers

Flowers produced in a whorl at each node, usually no more than 8 flowers per whorl. Flowers small, +/- globular, about 0.5 mm diam. Usually one male flower and 5-6 female flowers in each cluster but not all mature simultaneously. Male flowers: Anthers fused into a globose structure with one central pore. Female flowers: Flowers scarcely opening, perianth lobes very short.

Fruit

Fruits about 1.5-2 x 1 mm. Seeds laterally compressed, about 0.8-1.2 x 1 mm. Seeds immersed in sticky, gelatinous mucilage. Endosperm green. Embryo about 0.2-0.5 mm long.

Seedlings

Features not available.

Distribution and Ecology

Endemic to NEQ. Altitudinal range from 1100-1600 m.

Natural History & Notes

Parasitic on a variety of rain forest mountain-top species.

Synonyms

***Korthalsella brassiana* Blakely** in C.T. White, *Proc. Roy. Soc. Queensland* 47: 78(1936), Type: Queensland, Thorton Peak, 14 March 1932, L.J. Brass 2298; Holo: NSW.

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