

Contributions of Dr. D.D. Awasthi to the world of Lichenology

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ABSTRACT

Dr. Dharni Dhar Awasthi is popularly known as 'Father of Lichenology in India' for laying a strong foundation for lichen research in India. Starting from the year 1948 to till 2010 he produced over 90 important publications, including research articles, chapters, monographs and books. Dr. Awasthi described a total of four new genera, 74 new species and proposed 68 new combinations. Various lichen researchers described two new genera and dedicated a total 21 species in the name of Dr. Awasthi. In this article, we discuss important contributions and list the novel taxa described by Dr. Awasthi and taxa dedicated to him, together with a complete list of his publication.

INTRODUCTION

Dr. Dharni Dhar Awasthi started his career in lichenology under the guidance of Dr. K.P. Biswas, who was then Superintendent of Royal Botanic Garden (RBG), Howrah (now The Acharya Jagadish Chandra Bose Indian Botanic Garden). As Dr. Awasthi studied mycology under the guidance of Professor Dr. S.N. Das Gupta at the University of Lucknow, Dr. Biswas asked him to study the collection of fungi along with the angiosperms at RBG. However, Dr. Awasthi ended up with huge unattended lichen collections and exsiccated from European and other countries. While arranging these specimens according to Zahlbrückner's Catalogues Lichenum Universalis Dr. Awasthi developed an interest in lichens and thereafter devoted himself to the study of lichens. He then also helped to revise a catalog of lichens of India under preparation by Dr. Biswas in 1947. The very first publication of Dr. Awasthi appeared in 1948, mentioning the distribution of lichens in India. After training from RBG, Dr. Awasthi joined National Botanic Garden, Lucknow (now Council of Scientific and Industrial Research – National Botanical Research Institute) and tried establishing the lichen herbarium. Later, Dr. Awasthi joined the University of Lucknow as a Lecturer in the Department of Botany in December 1952 and carried forward his research in Lichenology. Initially, Dr. Awasthi was helped by V. Räsänen, a lichenologist from Finland in the identification of lichens. His acquaintance

with Prof. A.O. Höeg, then Director of Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany, Lucknow (now Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeoscience) helped him contact a well-known lichenologist of that time such as Profs. B. Lyngé, Y. Asahina, H. des Abbayes, Drs. S. Rietz, O. Almborn, G. Degelius, A.H. Magnusson, R. Santesson, M. Choisy, I.M. Lamb, and Thomson who sent valuable lichen literature and exchanged specimens.

It is interesting to note that Dr. Awasthi had two Ph.D. degrees. His first thesis was on 'Studies on lichens from India and Nepal' under the guidance of Dr. Das Gupta in 1961 from the University of Lucknow. Dr. Awasthi was awarded 2nd Ph.D. from Colorado University, Colorado, under the guidance of Dr. W.A. Webber for his thesis 'Contributions to the lichen flora of India with special reference to microlichens'. While Dr. Awasthi was in Colorado, he got an opportunity to meet several American and European lichenologists, consulted herbaria and collected several duplicate specimens from these herbaria as well as valuable lichen literature.

Dr. Awasthi resumed lichen research at University of Lucknow with the profound knowledge acquired from Colorado. He published 'Catalogue of the lichens from India, Nepal, Pakistan and Ceylon' in the year 1965, the first authentic compilation of lichen studies carried out in India till date. The time from the year 1975 onwards considered as a highly productive period in Dr. Awasthi's

career in lichen research. He alone or jointly revised more than 70 genera of lichens. Important among these are *Alectoria*, *Bacidia*, *Badimia*, *Brigantiaeae*, *Bryoria*, *Buellia*, *Catillaria*, *Cetraria*, *Coccocarpia*, *Collema*, *Dermatocarpon*, *Dirinaria*, *Fellhanera*, *Heterodermia*, *Hypogymnia*, *Leptogium*, *Letrouitia*, *Melanoparmelia*, *Menegazzia*, *Mycobilimbia*, *Ochrolechia*, *Parmelia*, *Peltigera*, *Pertusaria*, *Phaeographis*, *Pyxine*, *Rhizocarpon*, *Sulcaria*, and *Xanthoparmelia*. He described a total of four new genera, 74 new species of lichens (Table 1) and proposed 68 new combinations (Table 2). The book 'A key to the microlichens of India, Nepal and Sri Lanka', published by Dr. Awasthi in 1991 is a highly sought after literature for the identification of crustose lichens in the Indian subcontinent till date. Whereas the key for identification of macrolichens was initially published in 1998 and later replaced by him with much updated key 'A compendium of the macrolichens from India' in 2007. He also wrote a book on general biology of lichens 'A handbook on lichens' which is well adopted to Indian readers as it quotes local examples. Further, in the book 'Lichenology in Indian Subcontinent' he provided a checklist of lichens for the subcontinent. A complete list of publications by Dr. Awasthi is given in Table 4.

Dr. Awasthi established herbarium LWU in University of Lucknow and a personal lichen herbarium AWAS. Both the herbaria are now transferred to herbarium LWG of CSIR-NBRI on a permanent loan basis and references to these specimens are cited as LWG-LWU and LWG-AWAS as an acknowledgement of the original herbaria.

His personal library comprised of rare, ancient as well as modern literature. The bulk of this literature are now transferred to library of CSIR-NBRI.

Dr. Awasthi guided eight students for Ph.D., among them few continued lichen research such as Drs. K.P. Singh, L.R. Sharma and D.K. Upadhyay. Interestingly, Dr. Ajay Singh who established lichen research centre at CSIR-NBRI also carried out his Ph.D. work under the supervision of Dr. Awasthi. The lichen researchers all over the world have described two new genera in the name of Dr. Awasthi and dedicated 21 species (Table 3). For his outstanding contribution to lichen research Dr. Awasthi was felicitated with Fellow of Indian Academy of Sciences (1978), Indian National Science Academy (1984), Professor P Maheshwari Lecture Award of INSA (1991) and prestigious Acharius Medal (1992) of International Association for Lichenology. Recently, International Association for Lichenology instituted 'Dharni Awasthi Award' for a prominent young researcher working and living in a low-income country who has completed a Ph.D. within five years prior to the application submission deadline. Similarly, the Indian Lichenological Society instituted 'Dr. D. D. Awasthi Memorial Lifetime Achievement Award' during the year 2017 and it is bestowed to a senior lichenologist for his/her outstanding contribution to lichenology of India.

Dr. Awasthi superannuated in 1982, but he continued working as an Emeritus Scientist at the University of Lucknow; INSA Senior Scientist and INSA Honorary Scientist till the year 2010. His 40-plus years of active lichen research came to an end only at his demise on 21st August 2011.

Table 1: Novel taxa described by Dr. Awasthi

New lichen genera described

- 1 *Cyclographina* D.D. Awasthi in Awasthi & Joshi, *Norweg. J. Bot.* 26(3): 169 (1979) = *Diorygma* Eschw., *Syst. Lich.*: 25 (1824)
- 2 *Flavocetraeella* D.D. Awasthi, *A compendium of the macrolichens from India, Nepal and Sri Lanka*: 161 (2007)
- 3 *Heppsora* D.D. Awasthi & Kr.P. Singh, *Bryologist* 80(3): 537 (1977)
- 4 *Parmelaria* D.D. Awasthi, *J. Hattori Bot. Lab.* 63: 368 (1987) = *Parmotrema* A. Massal., *Atti Inst. Veneto Sci. Lett., ed Arti, Sér. 35*: 248 (1860) [1859-1860]

New species described

- 1 *Alectoria confusa* D.D. Awasthi, *Proc. Indian Acad. Sci., Sect. B* 72(4): 152 (1970) = *Bryoria confusa* (D.D. Awasthi) Brodo & D. Hawksw., *Op. Bot.* 42: 155 (1977)
- 2 *Anaptychia pellucida* D.D. Awasthi, *Proc. Indian Acad. Sci.* 45: 136 (1957) = *Heterodermia pellucida* (D.D. Awasthi) D.D. Awasthi, *Geophytology* 3(1): 114 (1973)
- 3 *Anaptychia pseudoroemerii* D.D. Awasthi & S.R. Singh, *Indian J. Forest.* 1(2): 139 (1978)
- 4 *Brigantiaeae nigra* D.D. Awasthi in Awasthi & Srivastava, *Proc. Indian Acad. Sci., Pl. Sci.* 99(3): 172 (1989) = *Lopadium nigrum* (D.D. Awasthi) Kr.P. Singh & G.P. Sinha, *Indian lichens - An annotated checklist*: 13 (2010)
- 5 *Bryoria levis* D.D. Awasthi in Awasthi & Awasthi, *Candollea* 40(1): 310 (1985)
- 6 *Buellia palniensis* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Biol. Mem.* 6(2): 188 (1981)

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- 7 *Buellia almorensis* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Biol. Mem.* 6(2): 173 (1981)
- 8 *Buellia confusa* D.D. Awasthi, *Biblioth. Lichenol.* 40: 2 (1991)
- 9 *Buellia flavelloides* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Biol. Mem.* 6(2): 177 (1981)
- 10 *Buellia hemispherica* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Biol. Mem.* 6(2): 186 (1981)
- 11 *Buellia indica* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Biol. Mem.* 6(2): 186 (1981)
- 12 *Buellia meghalayensis* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Biol. Mem.* 6(2): 187 (1981)
- 13 *Buellia nilgiriensis* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Biol. Mem.* 6(2): 187 (1981)
- 14 *Buellia pinicola* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Biol. Mem.* 6(2): 181 (1981)
- 15 *Buellia quartziana* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Biol. Mem.* 6(2): 189 (1981)
- 16 *Buellia subglaziouana* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Biol. Mem.* 6(2): 190 (1981)
- 17 *Buellia subsororioides* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Biol. Mem.* 6(2): 191 (1981)
- 18 *Buellia substigmea* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Biol. Mem.* 6(2): 191 (1981)
- 19 *Catillaria versicolor* G. Pant & D.D. Awasthi, *Proc. Indian Acad. Sci., Pl. Sci.* 99(4): 381 (1989)
- 20 *Catillaria nilgiriensis* G. Pant & D.D. Awasthi, *Proc. Indian Acad. Sci., Pl. Sci.* 99(4): 380 (1989)
- 21 *Catillaria obscura* G. Pant & D.D. Awasthi, *Proc. Indian Acad. Sci., Pl. Sci.* 99(4): 380 (1989)
- 22 *Coenogonium himalayense* G. Pant & D.D. Awasthi in Awasthi, *Biblioth. Lichenol.* 40: addendum [2] (1991)
- 23 *Diplotomma himalayense* S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi, *Geophytology* 19(2): 175 (1990) [1989] = *Buellia himalayensis* (S.R. Singh & D.D. Awasthi) A. Nordin, *Symb. Bot. Upsal.* 33(no. 1): 68 (2001)
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- 25 *Dirinaria confusa* D.D. Awasthi, *Biblioth. Lichenol.* 2: 56 (1975)
- 26 *Graphis longispora* D.D. Awasthi & S.R. Singh, *Norweg. J. Bot.* 24(1): 3 (1977)
- 27 *Helminthocarpon radiatum* D.D. Awasthi & S.R. Singh, *Norweg. J. Bot.* 24(1): 7 (1977) = *Diorygma radiatum* (D.D. Awasthi & S.R. Singh) Kr.P. Singh & Swarnal., *Indian J. Forest.* 32(1): 179 (2008)
- 28 *Heppia trichophora* D.D. Awasthi & S.R. Singh, *Norweg. J. Bot.* 26(2): 92 (1979)
- 29 *Heppsora indica* D.D. Awasthi & Kr.P. Singh, *Bryologist* 80(3): 537 (1977)
- 30 *Heterodermia chondroidea* W.A. Weber & D.D. Awasthi, *Bryologist* 74(2): 181 (1971)
- 31 *Hypogymnia alpina* D.D. Awasthi, *Kavaka* 12(2): 91 (1985) [1984]
- 32 *Laurera bispora* D.D. Awasthi, *Lichenology in Indian Subcontinent - A supplement to "A hand book of lichens"*: 15 (2000) = *Astrothelium andamanicum* (Makhija & Patw.) Aptroot & Lücking, *Lichenologist* 48(6): 830 (2016)
- 33 *Laurera andamanica* D.D. Awasthi, *Biblioth. Lichenol.* 40: 3 (1991)
- 34 *Leptogium askotense* D.D. Awasthi in Awasthi & Akliyar, *Norweg. J. Bot.* 24(2): 63 (1977)
- 35 *Leptogium indicum* D.D. Awasthi & Akhatar, *Geophytology* 8(2): 197 (1979)
- 36 *Lopadium austroindicum* D.D. Awasthi & Upreti, *Curr. Sci.* 50(18): 822 (1981) = *Thecaria austroindica* (D.D. Awasthi & Upreti) Kr.P. Singh & G.P. Sinha, *Indian lichens - An annotated checklist*: 13 (2010)
- 37 *Mycoblastus indicus* D.D. Awasthi & M.R. Agarwal [as 'indicum'], *Curr. Sci.* 37: 84 (1968) = *Malmidea indica* (D.D. Awasthi & M.R. Agarwal) Hafellner & T. Sprib. in Kalb, Rivas Plata, Lücking & Lumbsch, *Lichenologist* 46: 463 (2011)
- 38 *Parmelia subthomsonii* D.D. Awasthi, *J. Hattori Bot. Lab.* 63: 370 (1987) = *Parmotrema subthomsonii* (D.D. Awasthi) A. Crespo, Divakar & Elix in Crespo et al., *Taxon* 59(6): 1746 (2010)
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- 44 *Peltigera pindarensis* D.D. Awasthi & M. Joshi, *Kavaka* 10: 58 (1982)
- 45 *Pertusaria colorata* D.D. Awasthi & Preeti Srivast., *Bryologist* 96(2): 210 (1993) = *Lepra colorata* (D.D. Awasthi & Preeti Srivast.) Q. Ren, *Mycosistema* 38(11): 1845 (2019)
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- 47 *Pertusaria amarkantakana* Preeti Srivast. & D.D. Awasthi, *Bryologist* 96(2): 210 (1993)
- 48 *Pertusaria himalayensis* D.D. Awasthi & Preeti Srivast., *Bryologist* 96(2): 212 (1993)
- 49 *Pertusaria idukkiensis* D.D. Awasthi & Preeti Srivast., *Bryologist* 96(2): 212 (1993)
- 50 *Pertusaria indica* Preeti Srivast. & D.D. Awasthi, *Bryologist* 96(2): 212 (1993)
- 51 *Pertusaria nigrescens* Preeti Srivast. & D.D. Awasthi, *Bryologist* 96(2): 214 (1993)
- 52 *Pertusaria rimosa* D.D. Awasthi & Preeti Srivast., *Bryologist* 96(2): 214 (1993)
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- 58 *Physcia melanotricha* D.D. Awasthi, *Proc. Indian Acad. Sci., Pl. Sci.* 45: 133 (1957) = *Awasthia melanotricha* (D.D. Awasthi) Essl., *Bryologist* 81(3): 445 (1978)
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- 60 *Physcia gomukhensis* D.D. Awasthi & S.R. Singh, *Indian J. Forest.* 1(2): 144 (1978)
- 61 *Placopsis himalayensis* D.D. Awasthi, *Canad. J. Bot.* 46: 1028 (1968)
- 62 *Porina nilgiriensis* D.D. Awasthi & Kr.P. Singh, *Nordic J. Bot.* 19: 241 (1972)
- 63 *Porina palniensis* D.D. Awasthi & Kr.P. Singh, *Nordic J. Bot.* 19: 239 (1972)
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- 66 *Pyxine austroindica* D.D. Awasthi, *Phytomorphology* 30(4): 364 (1982) [1980]
- 67 *Pyxine himalayensis* D.D. Awasthi, *Phytomorphology* 30(4): 371 (1982) [1980]
- 68 *Pyxine nilgiriensis* D.D. Awasthi, *Phytomorphology* 30(4): 374 (1982) [1980]
- 69 *Pyxine palniensis* D.D. Awasthi, *Phytomorphology* 30(4): 374 (1982) [1980]
- 70 *Rinodina conradii* var. *megaspora* D.D. Awasthi & M.R. Agarwal, *Can. J. Bot.* 46: 1030 (1968) = *Rinodina megaspora* (D.D. Awasthi & M.R. Agarwal) D.D. Awasthi, *Biblioth. Lichenol.* 40: 4 (1991)
- 71 *Stereocaulon himalayense* D.D. Awasthi & I.M. Lamb, *J. Hattori Bot. Lab.* 43: 269 (1977)
- 72 *Thelocarpon palniense* D.D. Awasthi & Kr.P. Singh [as 'palniensis'], *Geophytology* 5(1): 39 (1975)
- 73 *Thyrea indica* D.D. Awasthi & S.R. Singh, *Norweg. J. Bot.* 26(2): 94 (1979)
- 74 *Zahlbrücknerella indica* D.D. Awasthi & S.R. Singh, *Norweg. J. Bot.* 26(2): 95 (1979)

Table 2: New combinations proposed by Dr. Awasthi

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- 1 *Anthracothecium himalayense* (Räsänen) D.D. Awasthi, *Beih. Nova Hedwigia* 17: 23 (1965)
- 2 *Caloplaca handelii* (Zahlbr.) D.D. Awasthi, *Biblioth. Lichenol.* 40: 2 (1991)
- 3 *Caloplaca orissensis* (Räsänen) D.D. Awasthi, *Biblioth. Lichenol.* 40: 2 (1991)
- 4 *Cyclographina pruinosa* (Eschw.) D.D. Awasthi, *Norweg. J. Bot.* 26: 175 (1979) = *Diorygma pruinosum* (Eschw.) Kalb, Staiger & Elix, *Symb. Bot. Upsal.* 34(no. 1): 166 (2004)
- 5 *Dirinaria africana* (Müll. Arg.) D.D. Awasthi, *Biblioth. Lichenol.* 2: 40 (1975)
- 6 *Dirinaria applanata* (Fée) D.D. Awasthi, *J. Indian Bot. Soc.* 49: 135 (1970)
- 7 *Dirinaria consimilis* (Stirt.) D.D. Awasthi in Awasthi & Agarwal, *J. Indian Bot. Soc.* 49: 135 (1970)
- 8 *Dirinaria leopoldii* (Stein) D.D. Awasthi, *Biblioth. Lichenol.* 2: 89 (1975)
- 9 *Flavocetrariella leucostigma* (Lév.) D.D. Awasthi, *A compendium of the macrolichens from India, Nepal and Sri Lanka*: 162 (2007)
- 10 *Flavocetrariella melaloma* (Nyl.) D.D. Awasthi, *A compendium of the macrolichens from India, Nepal and Sri Lanka*: 163 (2007) = *Nephromopsis melaloma* (Nyl.) A. Thell & Randlane in Thell, Randlane, Saag & Kärnefelt, *Mycol. Progr.* 4(4): 311 (2005)
- 11 *Graphina obtecta* var. *tuberculosa* (Stirt.) D.D. Awasthi & Kr.P. Singh, *Curr. Sci.* 42(18): 656 (1973) = *Diorygma tuberculosum* (Stirt.) Kalb, Staiger & Elix, *Symb. Bot. Upsal.* 34(no. 1): 177 (2004)
- 12 *Graphina subtorquens* (Nyl.) D.D. Awasthi, *Beih. Nova Hedwigia* 17: 54 (1965) = *Anomomorpha subtorquens* (Nyl.) Staiger, *Biblioth. Lichenol.* 85: 94 (2002)
- 13 *Graphina subintricata* (Kremp.) D.D. Awasthi, *Biblioth. Lichenol.* 40: 2 (1991)
- 14 *Heterodermia angustiloba* (Müll. Arg.) D.D. Awasthi, *Geophytology* 3: 113 (1973)
- 15 *Heterodermia diademata* (Taylor) D.D. Awasthi, *Geophytology* 3: 113 (1973)
- 16 *Heterodermia dissecta* (Kurok.) D.D. Awasthi, *Geophytology* 3: 113 (1973)
- 17 *Heterodermia flabellata* (Fée) D.D. Awasthi, *Geophytology* 3: 113 (1973)
- 18 *Heterodermia hypocaesia* (Yasuda ex Räsänen) D.D. Awasthi, *Geophytology* 3: 113 (1973) = *Polyblastidium hypocaeum* (Yasuda ex Räsänen) Kalb in Mongkolsuk, Meesim, Poengsungnoen, Buaruang, Schumm & Kalb, *Phytotaxa* 235(1): 41 (2015)
- 19 *Heterodermia isidiophora* (Nyl.) D.D. Awasthi, *Geophytology* 3: 114 (1973)
- 20 *Heterodermia leucomelos* f. *albociliata* (Hue) D.D. Awasthi, *Geophytology* 3(1): 114 (1973) = *Leucodermia leucomelos* (L.) Kalb in Mongkolsuk, Meesim, Poengsungnoen, Buaruang, Schumm & Kalb, *Phytotaxa* 235(1): 35 (2015)
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- 27 *Heterodermia indica* (H. Magn.) D.D. Awasthi, *Geophytology* 3(1): 114 (1973)
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