APPLICATIONS UNDER EXAMINATION

SUTERA

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Proposed denomination: 'Balabpink'
Trade name: Abunda Pink
Application number: 08-6206
Application date: 2008/02/28

Applicant: Ball Horticultural Company, West Chicago, Illinois, United States of America

Agent in Canada: BioFlora Inc., St. Thomas, Ontario

Breeder: Paul Talmadge, Orcutt, California, United States of America

Varieties used for comparison: 'Scopia Dark Pink' and 'Danova912' (Snowstorm Pink)

Summary: The plants of 'Balabpink' are narrower than those of 'Danova912'. 'Balabpink' has longer shoots than 'Scopia Dark Pink'. The colour on the upper side of the corolla lobes of 'Balabpink' differs from that of 'Scopia Dark Pink' and that of 'Danova912'.

Description:

SHOOT: medium to strong anthocyanin colouration

LEAF: very short to short petiole, simple type

LEAF BLADE: broadest part in middle, shallow to medium depth of margin incisions, no variegation, medium green on upper side

FLOWER: single type

COROLLA: one coloured on upper side

COROLLA LOBES: light blue violet (RHS 76B) with red purple (RHS N74B) at transition to throat on upper side, rounded

apex

COROLLA TUBE: yellow at mouth

Origin and Breeding: 'Balabpink' originated from a cross pollination conducted in August 2005, at Guadalupe, California, United States, between the female proprietary breeding selection 5349-4-3 and the male parent variety 'Copia Pink'. The initial selection of 'Balabpink' was made in April 2006, based on uniform perfomance in multiple environments, flower colour and branching growth habit. The new variety has been maintained by vegetative cuttings since its selection.

Tests and Trials: Trials for 'Balabpink' were conducted in a polyhouse during the spring of 2009, in St. Thomas, Ontario. The trial included a total of 15 plants each of the candidate and reference varieties. All plants were grown from rooted cuttings and transplanted into 15 cm pots on April 2, 2009. Observations and measurements were taken from 10 plants of each variety on May 13, 2009. All colour determinations were made using the 2001 Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) Colour Chart.

Comparison table for 'Balabpink'

	'Balabpink'	'Scopia Dark Pink'*	'Danova912'*	
Plant width (cm)				
mean	25.8	25.2	32.8	
std. deviation	1.59	2.94	2.06	
Shoot length (cm)				
mean	2.7	1.6	3.0	
std. deviation	0.30	0.30	0.45	



Colour of corolla lobe (RHS)
upper side 76B with N74B at

76B with N74B at transition to throat 75A with close to 72C at transition to throat

76C with N74D at transition to throat

*reference varieties



Sutera: 'Balabpink' (left) with reference varieties 'Scopia Dark Pink' (center) and 'Danova912' (right)



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Sutera: 'Balabpink' (left) with reference varieties 'Scopia Dark Pink' (center) and 'Danova912' (right)