## Appendix 1. Annotated list of 48 morphological characters used in the phenetic analyses of Homoranthus

## Characters and their states are in DELTA format (Dallwitz et al. 1993)

\#1. Plants <growth habit>/

1. decumbent/
2. ascending/
3. erect/

Growth habit was usually observed in the field but could sometimes be determined by observing the branching pattern on herbarium specimens.
\#2. Branchlets <density>/ on last 20 cm of primary branch/

Single count only. Only mature branches used for counts.
\#3. Leaves <whether papillate>/

1. papillate/
2. epapillate/
\#4. Leaves <blade shape in side view>/
3. linear/
4. axe-shaped/
5. oblanceolate/
6. elliptic/

Shape was only determined when viewing leaves from side. All leaves were linear when viewing from above.
\#5. Leaves <density>/
per 1.5 cm in middle of closest branchlet 20 cm below primary branch apex/
Single count only
\#6. Leaves <length excluding mucro>/
mm long/
Mean of 5 measurements. Each measurement was rounded to nearest 1 mm . Only adult leaves were measured \#i.e. elongated, juvenile leaves at end of branchlets were avoided.
\#7. Leaves <maximum thickness>/ mm thick/

Mean of 5 measurements. Each measurement rounded to nearest 0.1 mm .
\#8. Leaves <degree of glaucousness of mature leaves>/

1. strongly glaucous when mature/
2. slightly glaucous when mature/
3. never glaucous when mature/
\#9. Leaves <whether shiny or dull>/
4. dull/
5. shiny/

Leaves examined were mature leaves that had not began to discolour with age. Any bloom was wiped off to reveal the surface underneath.
\#10. Flowering branchlets <whether having a modified internode>/

1. with a modified internode that resembles a peduncle/
2. without a modified internode that resembles a peduncle/
\#11. Flowering branchlets <whether with a reduced number of leaves>/
3. with a similar number of leaves to non-flowering branchlets/
4. with significantly fewer leaves than non-flowering branchlets/
\#12. Flowering branchlets <whether aggregrated into a pseudoflorescence>/
5. aggregrated into a pseudoflorescence/
6. not aggregrated into a pseudoflorescence/
\#13. Peduncle <length>/
mm long/
Mean of 5 measurements. Each measurement rounded to nearest 0.1 mm .
\#14. Bracteoles <whether caducous>/
7. caducous/
8. persistent during flowering/

Occasionally bracteoles had broken off herbarium specimens of otherwise 'persistent-bracteoled
species' so at least 5 mature flowers were examined per specimen.
\#15. Bracteoles <whether keeled or rounded on the outer surface>/

1. keeled/
2. not keeled/
\#16. Bracteoles <whether awned on the outer surface>/
3. awned/
4. awnless/
\#17. Bracteole apex <shape>/
5. acute/
6. obtuse/
7. retuse/
\#18. Flowers <orientation>/
8. erect/
9. pendent/
10. divergent/
\#19. Flowers <number per flowering branchlet>/
per flowering branchlet/
Mean of 3 counts. Peduncle scars where a flower has fallen off was counted as a flower.
\#20. Hypanthium <whether distally constricted>/
11. distally constricted/
12. not distally constricted/
\#21. Hypanthium <whether medianly constricted>/
13. medianly constricted/
14. not medianly constricted/
\#22. Hypanthium <length>/
mm long/
Mean of 5 measurements. Each measurement rounded to nearest 0.1 mm .
\#23. Hypanthium <whether thin, unicellular trichomes present between costae>/
15. with thin, unicellular trichomes present between costae/
16. without thin, unicellular trichomes between costae/
\#24. Hypanthium <whether tuberculate, multicellular trichomes present between costae>/
17. with tuberculate, multicellular trichomes between the costae/
18. without tuberculate, multicellular trichomes between the costae/
\#25. Hypanthium costae <whether variable or fixed in number>/
19. variable in number/
20. always five/
\#26. Hypanthium costae <whether longitudinally grooved>/
21. longitudinally grooved/
22. not longitudinally grooved/
\#27. Sepals <length>/
mm long/
Mean of 5 measurements, each on different flowers. Each measurement rounded to nearest 0.1 mm .
\#28. Sepals <colour>/
23. creamy white/
24. yellow/
25. orange/
26. red/

All colours were determined on sepals of mature flowers before they had begun to discolour with age.
\#29. Sepal apex <colour relative to the rest of the sepal>/

1. with a darker coloured fringe/
2. concolourous with the rest of the sepal/
\#30. Sepal apex <shape>/
3. truncate/
4. acute/
5. acuminate/
6. laciniate/
7. obtuse/
\#31. Sepal laciniae <number excluding any secondary divisions>/
per sepal/
Mean of 5 counts, each taken on different flowers.
\#32. Sepal laciniae <presence of secondary divisions>/
8. divided/
9. entire/
\#33. Sepal laciniae midvein <whether conspicuous>/
10. conspicuous/
11. absent or inconspicuous/
\#34. Petals <length excluding any laciniae>/
mm long/
Mean of 5 measurements, each on different flowers. Each measurement rounded to nearest 0.1 mm .
\#35. Petals <colour before any discolouration>/
12. creamy white/
13. yellow/
14. red/
15. dark purple to black/

All colours determined on petals of mature flowers before they discoloured with age.
\#36. Anthers <colour>/

1. red/
2. yellow-brown/
\#37. Staminodes <whether adnate to the adjacent antepetalous stamen>/
3. distinctly adnate to the adjacent antepetalous stamen/
4. not (or obscurely) adnate to the adjacent antepetalous stamen/
\#38. Staminodes <spacing within the androecium>/
5. arranged in groups within the androecium/
6. spaced evenly within the androecium/
\#39. Staminode apex <whether discolorous>/
7. with a red tip/
8. concolorous with the rest of the staminode/
\#40. Style <length>/
mm long/
Mean of five measurements. Each measurement rounded to nearest 0.1 mm .
\#41. Style <whether straight or curved>/
9. distally curved/
10. straight/
\#42. Style <colour before any discolouration>/
11. creamy white to pale yellow/
12. pink/
13. black/

Creamy includes creamy white to pale yellow.
\#43. Simple style hairs <whether present>/

1. present/
2. absent/
\#44. Branched style hairs <whether present>/
3. present/
4. absent/
\#45. Glandular style hairs <whether present>/
5. present/
6. absent/
\#46. Ovary summit <colour>/
7. green/
8. red/
\#47. Ovules <arrangement on placenta>/
9. arranged in vertical rows/
10. arranged in sub-horizontal rows/
\#48. Ovules <number per ovary>/
per ovary/
Mean of five counts
