

PRIMER NOTE

SIMPLE SEQUENCE REPEAT MARKERS FOR KĀNUKA (*KUNZEA* spp.; MYRTACEAE) PRESENT IN NEW ZEALAND¹

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- *Premise of the study:* We developed simple sequence repeat (SSR) markers to facilitate population genetic studies on kānuka (*Kunzea* spp.; Myrtaceae).
- *Methods and Results:* A shotgun sequencing library was constructed from leaf material of *K. robusta* using a Roche 454 Junior sequencer, and a total of 3174 putative SSR regions were identified. Sixteen polymorphic markers were optimized for multiplex PCR on 10 endemic New Zealand *Kunzea* species. Each of these loci cross-amplified in all tested species. The amplified di-, tri-, and pentanucleotide repeats resulted in eight to 24 alleles per locus for a total of 220 specimens. The mean observed and expected heterozygosity per locus ranged from 0.18 to 0.77 and 0.33 to 0.82, respectively.
- *Conclusions:* The SSR markers we produced are valuable for phylogenetic and population studies on all endemic *Kunzea* spp. and may also be useful for studies on closely related *Kunzea* species from Australia.

Key words: kānuka; *Kunzea*; Myrtaceae; New Zealand; simple sequence repeat (SSR) markers.

The genus *Kunzea* Rchb. includes more than 60 shrub or small tree species from the Myrtaceae family endemic to New Zealand and Australia (WCSP, 2017). New Zealand *Kunzea* (kānuka) has recently been revised (de Lange, 2014), resulting in 10 *Kunzea* species endemic to New Zealand's islands: *K. amathicola* de Lange & Toelken, *K. ericoides* (A. Rich.) Joy Thomps., *K. robusta* de Lange & Toelken, and *K. serotina* de Lange & Toelken from both main islands; *K. linearis* (Kirk) de Lange & Toelken, *K. tenuicaulis* de Lange, and *K. toelkenii* de Lange from the North Island; *K. salterae* de Lange from Whale Island and Mayor Island; *K. sinclairii* (Kirk) W. Harris from Great Barrier Island; and *K. triregensis* de Lange from Three Kings Islands. Restricted geographic distribution and commercial use of these species (nectar for honey production and essential oils) have created a strong interest in their population genetics, but low genetic variation between these species makes phylogenetics difficult (de Lange, 2014). We used next-generation sequencing to develop novel simple sequence repeat markers (SSRs) for New Zealand *Kunzea* species. SSRs offer resolution of closely related species and populations while requiring short development time and low costs, and allow sample additions retrospectively. These markers will facilitate the generation of a national-scale

population genetics data set to improve biodiversity and production management of kānuka.

METHODS AND RESULTS

Molecular markers for *Kunzea* species were prepared following the method of Abdelkrim et al. (2009), with modifications. Total genomic DNA was extracted from 100 mg of fresh leaf material of *K. robusta* (CHR641860; Allan Herbarium [CHR], Lincoln, New Zealand) using the DNeasy Plant Mini Kit (QIAGEN, Hilden, Germany) following the manufacturer's instructions. With 410 ng of this DNA, a shotgun sequencing library was constructed for a Roche 454 Junior Genome Sequencer, a large-scale pyrosequencing system (Roche, Basel, Switzerland) at the Landcare Research Molecular Laboratory (Auckland, New Zealand). An average read length of 416 bp was obtained for 197,805 reads and a total yield of 82.3 Mb of sequence. We deposited the data in the Sequence Read Archive (SRA) of the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI; accession no. SRR5342717). Di- to hexanucleotide repeat regions with at least four repeat units were identified with MSATCOMMANDER 0.8.2 (Faircloth, 2008). Primers were designed using Primer3 (Rozen and Skaltsky, 1999), implemented in MSATCOMMANDER, with the following specifications: 80–550 bp amplicon length, repeat units flanked by ≥50 bp, and 57–62°C melting temperature (Faircloth, 2008). From a total of 3174 putative simple sequence repeat regions, 96 primer pairs, providing a range of product sizes and repeat units, were screened. Adding an M13F tag (TGTAACGACGGCCAGT) to the 5' end of the forward primers enabled the use of 6-FAM-labeled M13F probes in the second step of the PCR for economic genotyping (Schuelke, 2000; Abdelkrim et al., 2009).

All primer pairs were tested on *K. robusta* (sample used for library construction: CHR641860) and another four specimens: *K. robusta* (CHR688818), *K. serotina* (CHR641385), *K. ericoides* var. *linearis* (CHR553091), and *K. toelkenii* (CHR550085). DNA was extracted from 20 mg of dried leaf material using the NucleoSpin Plant II kit (PL1 lysis buffer; Macherey-Nagel, Düren, Germany) following manufacturer's instructions, resulting in 200–800 ng of DNA per sample. PCRs were performed in 15-μL reactions, containing 5–50 ng of DNA, and final concentrations of 0.08 μM forward primer, 0.32 μM reverse primer, 0.32 μM 6-FAM-labeled M13F primer, 1× KAPA plant PCR buffer with dNTPs, 0.3 units KAPA3G Plant DNA Polymerase (Kapa Biosystems, Wilmington, Massachusetts, USA), and PCR-grade H₂O. Thermocycling was conducted on

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the Bioer GenePro thermocycler (Bioer Technology, Hangzhou, Zhejiang Province, China) using the following conditions: initial denaturation at 95°C for 5 min; 30 cycles of 95°C for 20 s, 55°C for 15 s, and 72°C for 30 s; followed by 10 cycles of 95°C for 20 s, 51°C for 15 s, and 72°C for 30 s; and final extension at 72°C for 10 min. Five-microliter PCR products were separated on 2.5% agarose gels. Concentration of PCR products was adjusted, and 1 µL added to 10 µL Hi-Di formamide (Applied Biosystems, Carlsbad, California, USA) and 0.2 µL GeneScan 600 LIZ Size Standard (Applied Biosystems). Samples were separated on a 3500xl genetic analyzer (Applied Biosystems) using a DS-33 dye set at the Landcare Research Molecular Laboratory. GeneMarker version 2.6.4

(SoftGenetics, State College, Pennsylvania, USA) was used for fragment sizing and scoring. After assessment of polymorphism and repeatability of each locus, 24 of the 96 loci tested produced diagnostic fragments with a maximum of two alleles per specimen.

PCRs were optimized for the integration of labeled forward primers (6-FAM, NED, VIC, or PET) to allow multiplex genotyping, and the M13F tail was omitted (Table 1). PCR reactions were set up as described above, omitting unlabeled forward primers. Thermocycling conditions were adjusted to: initial denaturation at 95°C for 5 min; followed by 35 cycles at 95°C for 20 s, 55°C for 15 s, and 72°C for 30 s; and a final extension at 72°C for 10 min. All 24 loci

TABLE 1. Characteristics of 24 polymorphic simple sequence repeat loci developed for New Zealand *Kunzea* species.

| Locus ^a | Primer sequences (5'-3') ^b | Repeat motif | Allele size range (bp) | Total A (n = 220) | Fluorescent dye ^{c,d} | Multiplex pool ^e | GenBank accession no. |
|-----------------------|---|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Kanuka63 | F: CACGTCGGAAAGTGTATGGC R: GACAGCCAAACCGCTTC | (CTTTT) ₄ | 119–164 | 9 | PET | 1 | KY352777 |
| Kanuka15 | F: CTGCCGCTGCTAGGATACC R: GCAGGCATAGATTGAGGCG | (AAC) ₉ | 186–209 | 9 | NED | 1 | KY352778 |
| Kanuka29 | F: GTCATGGTTATCCCTTCATCG R: TTCGGTTCCCGAACCTTC | (AG) ₁₁ | 180–261 | 19 | 6-FAM | 1 | KY352779 |
| Kanuka38 | F: TGCACTCCCTCACCTTGAC R: AACCAACCAAACCTTCGGC | (AG) ₁₂ | 285–312 | 11 | VIC | 1 | KY352780 |
| Kanuka67 | F: AGCCTCAGTGACTAGCGATG R: AAGTTCTTCCTGGGC | (AGT) ₈ | 139–153 | 13 | PET | 2 | KY352781 |
| Kanuka94 | F: CCGAGAATGGTIGCGTACC R: CCTGCAGCCCTTAATCAGC | (AC) ₁₂ | 174–207 | 20 | NED | 2 | KY352782 |
| Kanuka42 | F: AAAGTTGGCAGTTGGGCAC R: TCCGTCACTGTGAAAGGG | (ACGGG) ₄ | 243–271 | 24 | 6-FAM | 2 | KY352783 |
| Kanuka71 | F: GACTTTAACAAAGCACGTGGAC R: CCCTGGTCTTCATTCAAGTTG | (AG) ₁₂ | 292–339 | 24 | VIC | 2 | KY352784 |
| Kanuka18 | F: ACGAATGGGAAAGAGCTAC R: GCTGTCAGATAAATGGATTGGC | (AG) ₁₀ | 182–220 | 19 | PET | 3 | KY352785 |
| Kanuka21 | F: TTGTCCACTGCAAGGTTC R: TCTTGGTCACATGCACTAGC | (GT) ₁₃ | 222–257 | 18 | NED | 3 | KY352786 |
| Kanuka3 | F: ACCAGAGCTCCGATTGCTC R: TCCGAAGGCCATCACTTCC | (AG) ₁₁ | 262–288 | 17 | 6-FAM | 3 | KY352787 |
| Kanuka9 | F: CTCACCTAACAAAGTGTCTCG R: CCATCGTGGGCCCTTCTG | (AG) ₁₃ | 338–361 | 18 | VIC | 3 | KY352788 |
| Kanuka11 | F: GGAAGGTACATGGTGC R: CGATGCTGGGGTTATCG | (AAACT) ₄ | 137–182 | 16 | PET | 4 | KY352789 |
| Kanuka4 | F: AAGACATCGCTGGGAAGC R: TCGGGTTGATCTGTGCC | (CT) ₁₀ | 229–252 | 14 | NED | 4 | KY352790 |
| Kanuka78 | F: ACCTCTAACGGACCCGAGG R: TCTCGTTGTTGCGGATGAC | (AATT) ₄ | 246–265 | 8 | 6-FAM | 4 | KY352791 |
| Kanuka1 | F: AGATTGCTCACTTGCCCC R: ACCACCTGAGAATTGGAACC | (GT) ₁₁ | 310–326 | 20 | VIC | 4 | KY352792 |
| Kanuka7 ^e | F: ACGGTCGTCGAATTATGC R: GCAACTGCTGCTTACCTC | (AAG) ₈ | 141–151 | 4 | NA | NA | KY352793 |
| Kanuka8 ^e | F: TTCTGTAAGCTCGCGTTG R: GGTGGAGTCACAGGACAAG | (CT) ₁₀ | 360–371 | 4 | NA | NA | KY352794 |
| Kanuka52 ^e | F: TCTTGAGGAAATAACCGCATGTT R: ACGTCAGACAATCCTATCAACG | (GT) ₁₀ | 314–330 | 3 | NA | NA | KY352795 |
| Kanuka66 ^e | F: TTAATTAGCCCCAGCGATTTAG R: TTGCAGATGGTTGCAAGTC | (AG) ₁₀ | 200–210 | 4 | NA | NA | KY352796 |
| Kanuka72 ^e | F: AGGACCATAAACAGAACGATTGG R: ACGGTGGACATGCAAAG | (ATCCG) ₄ | 159–169 | 3 | NA | NA | KY352797 |
| Kanuka73 ^e | F: GTGGATTCCACCAAGACGGC R: AGGAGCCTTGCATCAAAGG | (CTTTT) ₄ | 286–302 | 3 | NA | NA | KY352798 |
| Kanuka74 ^e | F: ACGTTGTTGCTTCGAACCG R: CCACTCCCTCAGGACTACG | (ATC) ₉ | 260–282 | 3 | NA | NA | KY352799 |
| Kanuka89 ^e | F: ACGAAGTACAAATGCCACCG R: GTGAAGAAGATCGAGCCAAGC | (ATT) ₈ | 219–249 | 3 | NA | NA | KY352800 |

Note: A = number of alleles.

^aAnnealing temperatures as per the Methods and Results section.

^bM13F tag (TGTAAAACGACGGCCAGT) added to the 5' end of each forward primer during initial screening.

^cInitial amplification of test samples was carried out with 6-FAM-labeled M13F-tagged primers. As markers dropped out in multiplex PCR, a reference to fluorescent dye in multiplex and multiplex pool was not applicable; these markers are identified as "NA."

^dFluorescent dye used in multiplex.

^eData only from five initial test samples, as markers dropped out in multiplex PCR.

TABLE 2. Summary statistics for 16 polymorphic simple sequence repeat loci optimized for 10 New Zealand *Kunzea* species.^a

| Locus ^b | <i>K. amathicola</i> (n = 30; NI, SI) | | | | <i>K. ericoides</i> (n = 30; NI, SI) | | | | <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> (n = 25; NI) | | | | <i>K. trinervis</i> (n = 1; Three Kings I) | | | | <i>K. linearis</i> (n = 27; NI) | | | | <i>K. robusta</i> (n = 32; NI, SI) | | | | <i>K. salterae</i> (n = 10; Whale, Mayor I) | | | | <i>K. serotina</i> (n = 28; NI, SI) | | | | <i>K. sinclairii</i> (n = 22; Great Barrier I) | | | | <i>K. toelkenii</i> (n = 15; NI) | | | |
|--------------------|--|----------------|----------------|----|---|----------------|----|----------------|---------------------------------------|---|----------------|----------------|---|----------------|----------------|----|------------------------------------|----------------|----|----------------|---------------------------------------|----|----------------|----------------|--|----------------|----------------|----|--|----------------|---|----------------|---|---|----------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| | A | H _o | H _e | A | H _o | H _e | A | H _o | H _e | A | H _o | H _e | A | H _o | H _e | A | H _o | H _e | A | H _o | H _e | A | H _o | H _e | A | H _o | H _e | A | H _o | H _e | A | H _o | H _e | A | H _o | H _e | | | | |
| 63 | 6 | 0.50 | 0.54 | 6 | 0.57 | 0.55 | 2 | 0.39 | 0.50 | 1 | 0.00 | — | 7 | 0.59 | 0.64 | 4 | 0.47 | 0.54 | 2 | 0.30 | 0.46 | 5 | 0.57 | 0.50 | 4 | 0.33 | 0.40 | 4 | 0.60 | 0.51 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 | 4 | 0.50 | 0.54 | 7 | 0.50 | 0.58 | 4 | 0.48 | 0.52 | 2 | 1.00 | — | 6 | 0.56 | 0.65 | 3 | 0.59 | 0.54 | 3 | 0.50 | 0.60 | 3 | 0.25 | 0.37 | 4 | 0.59 | 0.51 | 3 | 0.20 | 0.24 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 29 | 8 | 0.17 | 0.70 | 9 | 0.29 | 0.81 | 8 | 0.30 | 0.82 | 1 | 0.00 | — | 10 | 0.33 | 0.82 | 13 | 0.45 | 0.81 | 5 | 0.10 | 0.59 | 8 | 0.26 | 0.77 | 8 | 0.35 | 0.80 | 7 | 0.33 | 0.82 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38 | 6 | 0.37 | 0.32 | 4 | 0.24 | 0.32 | 7 | 0.52 | 0.66 | 1 | 0.00 | — | 7 | 0.22 | 0.27 | 6 | 0.19 | 0.24 | 2 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 6 | 0.32 | 0.40 | 5 | 0.36 | 0.47 | 4 | 0.60 | 0.55 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 67 | 5 | 0.59 | 0.60 | 4 | 0.77 | 0.66 | 7 | 0.44 | 0.77 | 1 | 0.00 | — | 5 | 0.44 | 0.64 | 9 | 0.58 | 0.78 | 2 | 0.00 | 0.20 | 9 | 0.71 | 0.76 | 5 | 0.82 | 0.70 | 5 | 0.73 | 0.70 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 94 | 12 | 0.70 | 0.85 | 14 | 0.70 | 0.89 | 11 | 0.48 | 0.87 | 1 | 0.00 | — | 12 | 0.63 | 0.81 | 13 | 0.56 | 0.88 | 5 | 0.20 | 0.73 | 12 | 0.54 | 0.86 | 11 | 0.77 | 0.88 | 9 | 0.67 | 0.84 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 42 | 9 | 0.83 | 0.82 | 15 | 0.77 | 0.86 | 8 | 0.80 | 0.83 | 2 | 1.00 | — | 11 | 0.63 | 0.74 | 15 | 0.69 | 0.86 | 6 | 0.60 | 0.65 | 18 | 0.82 | 0.88 | 11 | 0.73 | 0.85 | 9 | 0.80 | 0.86 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 71 | 13 | 0.80 | 0.86 | 14 | 0.57 | 0.89 | 11 | 0.64 | 0.85 | 2 | 1.00 | — | 10 | 0.63 | 0.85 | 17 | 0.65 | 0.76 | 13 | 0.71 | 0.86 | 16 | 0.62 | 0.90 | 8 | 0.87 | 0.85 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18 | 10 | 0.80 | 0.78 | 14 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 11 | 0.72 | 0.88 | 2 | 1.00 | — | 12 | 0.67 | 0.81 | 11 | 0.66 | 0.85 | 3 | 0.70 | 0.52 | 11 | 0.50 | 0.86 | 11 | 0.68 | 0.87 | 10 | 0.80 | 0.80 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 21 | 10 | 0.60 | 0.76 | 10 | 0.59 | 0.79 | 11 | 0.64 | 0.84 | 2 | 1.00 | — | 11 | 0.56 | 0.77 | 13 | 0.69 | 0.88 | 6 | 0.50 | 0.79 | 12 | 0.57 | 0.82 | 9 | 0.50 | 0.84 | 8 | 0.67 | 0.79 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | 12 | 0.70 | 0.88 | 12 | 0.66 | 0.88 | 11 | 0.52 | 0.76 | 2 | 1.00 | — | 12 | 0.63 | 0.88 | 11 | 0.66 | 0.87 | 3 | 0.40 | 0.34 | 12 | 0.61 | 0.89 | 13 | 0.68 | 0.77 | 10 | 0.80 | 0.84 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | 13 | 0.53 | 0.84 | 12 | 0.50 | 0.81 | 4 | 0.13 | 0.12 | 1 | 0.00 | — | 12 | 0.52 | 0.86 | 9 | 0.44 | 0.83 | 3 | 0.40 | 0.59 | 9 | 0.46 | 0.79 | 6 | 0.38 | 0.75 | 1 | 0.00 | 0.00 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | 7 | 0.70 | 0.74 | 8 | 0.60 | 0.77 | 7 | 0.64 | 0.68 | 1 | 0.00 | — | 8 | 0.37 | 0.75 | 6 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 5 | 0.60 | 0.53 | 6 | 0.54 | 0.68 | 6 | 0.50 | 0.73 | 6 | 0.40 | 0.75 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 7 | 0.73 | 0.69 | 7 | 0.57 | 0.70 | 6 | 0.64 | 0.59 | 1 | 1.00 | — | 7 | 0.74 | 0.69 | 11 | 0.75 | 0.83 | 3 | 0.20 | 0.54 | 9 | 0.86 | 0.72 | 6 | 0.64 | 0.69 | 5 | 0.80 | 0.74 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 78 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.18 | 5 | 0.14 | 0.56 | 3 | 0.12 | 0.63 | 1 | 0.00 | — | 6 | 0.22 | 0.36 | 7 | 0.28 | 0.44 | 2 | 0.20 | 0.32 | 3 | 0.11 | 0.55 | 4 | 0.18 | 0.51 | 4 | 0.47 | 0.47 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 11 | 0.48 | 0.78 | 16 | 0.62 | 0.82 | 9 | 0.28 | 0.59 | 2 | 1.00 | — | 9 | 0.63 | 0.73 | 11 | 0.53 | 0.81 | 3 | 0.30 | 0.47 | 10 | 0.64 | 0.85 | 9 | 0.45 | 0.80 | 4 | 0.40 | 0.35 | | | | | | | | | | |

Note: A = number of alleles; H_o = expected heterozygosity; H_e = observed heterozygosity; I = Island; n = number of individuals sampled; NI = North Island; SI = South Island.

^a Locality and voucher information are provided in Appendix 1.
^b Kanuka locus.

could be amplified, but only 16 were suitable for multiplex genotyping (Table 1), with the other loci showing a tendency to drop out in multiplex PCR. These markers may still have use for other populations or related taxa due to the observed polymorphism for the five test specimens producing three to four alleles per locus (Table 1). Leaf samples for up to 32 representatives for the 10 *Kunzea* species were sourced from the Auckland War Memorial Museum (AK) and CHR (Appendix 1). The collections provided only low numbers of specimens for rare populations of *K. toelkenii* (15), *K. salterae* (10), and *K. triregensis* (1). For the remaining kānuka species, specimens were selected from various populations representing a wide range of locations for each species in relation to the respective distribution across New Zealand. DNA was extracted using a JANUS work station (PerkinElmer, Waltham, Massachusetts, USA) following the manufacturer's instructions for the NucleoSpin Plant II kit (PL1 lysis buffer; Macherey-Nagel), resulting in 100–500 ng DNA per sample.

A total of 220 individuals of *Kunzea* species (Appendix 1) were successfully genotyped using the developed markers, with amplification products for at least 14 of 16 loci. Summary statistics were prepared in GenAIEx 6.501 (Peakall and Smouse, 2006) (Table 2). The developed kānuka SSR markers cross-amplified in all 10 *Kunzea* species and produced polymorphic bands in most species. Monomorphic bands were obtained for allele Kanuka9 for *K. toelkenii*. *Kunzea triregensis*, for which only one sample was available, resulted in two alleles for seven loci. The 10 to 32 individuals of the remaining nine *Kunzea* species produced eight to 24 alleles per locus (Table 1) and the mean observed and expected heterozygosity per locus across the species ranged from 0.18 (Kanuka78) to 0.77 (Kanuka42) and 0.33 (Kanuka38) to 0.82 (Kanuka71), respectively.

CONCLUSIONS

We developed 24 polymorphic SSR markers for New Zealand kānuka species, based on Roche 454 sequencing of total genomic DNA. We optimized 16 markers for multiplex genotyping of 10 *Kunzea* species endemic to New Zealand. The cross-species compatibility of these markers suggests suitability for other closely related species.

Despite low sample numbers per species and varying sample numbers per population, we observed high polymorphism in each species, indicating that the markers are valuable for intra-specific phylogenetic and population structure studies of kānuka.

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APPENDIX 1. Location data and herbarium voucher information for *Kunzea* species included in this study.

| Species | Herbarium accession no. | New Zealand island | Latitude | Longitude | Coordinates estimated ^a |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
| <i>K. amathicola</i> de Lange & Toelken | AK297617 | NI | -36.5783333 | 174.3416667 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289686 | SI | -40.5080556 | 172.7150000 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK293310 | NI | -34.8986111 | 173.0911111 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK276552 | NI | -36.5000000 | 174.6166667 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK284417 | NI | -37.8500000 | 174.7833333 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289231 | NI | -40.6016667 | 175.2066667 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289243 | SI | -40.5525000 | 173.0085850 | Y |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK297615 | NI | -36.2744444 | 174.4355556 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289690 | SI | -40.5525000 | 173.0085850 | Y |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK287967 | NI | -35.1833333 | 173.1166667 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK297613 | NI | -36.4888889 | 174.5005556 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK254924 | NI | -38.0500000 | 174.8666667 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289328 | NI | -40.6000000 | 175.1994444 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289687A | SI | -40.5208333 | 172.7419444 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK282676 | NI | -35.4368970 | 173.4820410 | Y |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289241 | SI | -40.6250000 | 172.6802778 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK252352 | NI | -36.3666667 | 174.0666667 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK297614 | NI | -36.5030556 | 174.6325000 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289331 | NI | -38.0425000 | 174.7972222 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289679 | NI | -40.6000000 | 175.1994444 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289235 | SI | -40.7013889 | 172.3675000 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289683 | SI | -40.5072222 | 172.6972222 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK297616 | NI | -36.3733333 | 174.3841667 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289242 | SI | -40.6772222 | 172.6680556 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK252276 | NI | -36.3330000 | 174.1750000 | Y |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK297612 | NI | -36.5002778 | 174.5119444 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK298389 | NI | -37.9770000 | 174.7890000 | Y |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289230 | NI | -40.6016667 | 175.2066667 | N |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK286080 | SI | -40.5070000 | 172.6690000 | Y |
| <i>K. amathicola</i> | AK289685 | SI | -40.5044444 | 172.7113889 | N |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> (A. Rich.) Joy Thoms. var. <i>linearis</i> (Kirk) W. Harris | AK228837 | NI | -35.4833333 | 174.7333333 | N |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> | AK286235 | SI | -41.4166667 | 174.0166667 | N |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> | AK358074 | SI | -40.5077500 | 172.6602500 | N |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> | AK202538 | NI | -39.0166667 | 175.8000000 | N |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> | CHR275438 | NI | -38.9666667 | 176.2166667 | Y |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> | CHR473166B | NI | -39.1750000 | 175.7633333 | N |
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| <i>K. ericoides</i> | CHR592393 | NI | -35.2666667 | 174.0666667 | Y |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> | CHR416298 | NI | -38.0166667 | 177.6166667 | Y |
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| <i>K. ericoides</i> | CHR245659 | NI | -37.1330000 | 175.5350000 | Y |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> | CHR446816 | NI | -36.7000000 | 174.6166667 | Y |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> | CHR368871 | NI | -39.5166667 | 174.4166667 | Y |
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| <i>K. ericoides</i> var. <i>linearis</i> | CHR468838 | NI | -35.0600000 | 173.7480000 | Y |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> | CHR201642 | SI | -43.4166667 | 172.3166667 | Y |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> | CHR471855 | SI | -42.0700000 | 172.9316667 | N |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> var. <i>linearis</i> ^b | CHR553091 | NI | -36.3670000 | 174.1690000 | Y |
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| <i>K. ericoides</i> | AK289066 | Three Kings I | -34.1644444 | 172.1308333 | N |
| <i>K. ericoides</i> var. <i>linearis</i> | AK24092 | Three Kings I | -34.1555550 | 172.1344780 | Y |
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| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | CHR505949 | NI | -38.4166667 | 176.1833333 | N |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | CHR506319 | NI | -38.6666667 | 176.0333333 | N |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | CHR506236 | NI | -38.4000000 | 176.2166667 | N |

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| Species | Herbarium accession no. | New Zealand island | Latitude | Longitude | Coordinates estimated ^a |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | CHR356386A | NI | -38.050000 | 176.350000 | Y |
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| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK288088 | NI | -38.400000 | 176.2166667 | N |
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| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK286186 | NI | -38.3166667 | 176.3833333 | N |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK300912 | NI | -37.855000 | 176.9719444 | N |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK288085 | NI | -38.0833333 | 176.700000 | N |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK286152 | NI | -38.650000 | 176.0666667 | N |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK288100 | NI | -38.650000 | 176.0666667 | N |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK300909 | NI | -37.857000 | 176.9680000 | Y |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK288083 | NI | -38.6333333 | 176.100000 | N |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK288102 | NI | -38.650000 | 176.0666667 | N |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK286156 | NI | -38.1333333 | 176.2500000 | N |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK288172 | NI | -38.400000 | 176.2166667 | N |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK288099 | NI | -38.400000 | 176.2166667 | N |
| <i>K. tenuicaulis</i> | AK253384 | NI | -38.3666667 | 176.3666667 | N |
| <i>K. triregensis</i> de Lange | AK226797 | Three Kings I | -34.153000 | 172.1330000 | Y |
| <i>K. linearis</i> (Kirk) de Lange & Toelken | AK121371 | | -34.4833333 | 172.8666667 | N |
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| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK287886 | NI | -34.900000 | 173.350000 | N |
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| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK288529 | NI | -35.1833333 | 173.4500000 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK206328 | NI | -35.2333333 | 173.4833333 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK287873 | NI | -34.400000 | 173.0166667 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK287877 | NI | -34.4333333 | 172.6833333 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK176602 | NI | -34.4166667 | 173.0166667 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK211064 | NI | -34.8239480 | 173.1474740 | Y |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK287853 | NI | -34.850000 | 173.4000000 | Y |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK284582 | NI | -34.9666667 | 173.3666667 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK287879 | NI | -34.9940620 | 173.5289180 | Y |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK287958 | NI | -35.2166667 | 173.1333333 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK287947 | NI | -36.8166667 | 174.7000000 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK288490 | NI | -37.450000 | 175.4666667 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK288490 | NI | -37.450000 | 175.4666667 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK288776 | NI | -36.1988889 | 174.0594444 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK283237 | NI | -36.1666667 | 174.6333333 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK286059 | NI | -36.900000 | 174.6500000 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK286054 | NI | -37.3166667 | 175.4166667 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK283236 | NI | -36.1666667 | 174.6333333 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK287025 | NI | -36.4833333 | 174.6500000 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK297497 | NI | -37.9930556 | 176.1741667 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK309446 | NI | -36.3660000 | 174.1680000 | Y |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK283245 | NI | -36.1666667 | 174.6333333 | N |
| <i>K. linearis</i> | AK254234 | NI | -36.7820000 | 174.6520000 | Y |
| <i>K. robusta</i> de Lange & Toelken ^{b,c} | CHR641860 | SI | -43.6400306 | 172.4780500 | Y |
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| <i>K. robusta</i> | CHR551738 | NI | -37.6666667 | 177.8333333 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | CHR546981A | SI | -42.7333333 | 171.2000000 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | CHR551251 | NI (Ponui I) | -36.8844444 | 175.1925000 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | CHR546982A | | -41.7500000 | 171.7166667 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | CHR546688A | NI | -39.3258333 | 174.1050000 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | CHR551683A | NI | -39.3666667 | 175.3333333 | N |
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| <i>K. robusta</i> | CHR546940A | NI | -38.9500000 | 177.3833333 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> ^b | CHR688818 | SI | -42.7666667 | 172.5500000 | Y |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK289967 | SI | -43.0166667 | 173.0833333 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK289984 | SI | -45.8602778 | 170.5233333 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK283916 | NI | -39.3166667 | 174.1000000 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK288048 | NI | -39.9833333 | 176.0000000 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK297491 | NI | -40.0761111 | 175.5988889 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK298622 | NI | -40.6630556 | 176.2355556 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK298791 | NI | -40.6280556 | 176.1641667 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK288592 | SI | -41.3211111 | 174.1697222 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK288569 | SI | -42.1666667 | 173.8833333 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK288444 | SI | -42.4333333 | 171.3500000 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK286126 | NI | -38.7833333 | 175.1333333 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK252130 | SI | -43.7500000 | 172.8333333 | N |

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| Species | Herbarium accession no. | New Zealand island | Latitude | Longitude | Coordinates estimated ^a |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
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| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK288549 | NI | -39.5000000 | 176.5000000 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK285568 | SI | -45.8666667 | 170.5333333 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> | AK285566 | SI | -41.4166667 | 174.0166667 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> 'East Cape' | AK299004 | NI | -37.8141667 | 178.3797222 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> 'East Cape' | AK298982 | NI | -38.3822222 | 178.3322222 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> 'East Cape' | AK288499 | NI | -38.1666667 | 178.2666667 | N |
| <i>K. robusta</i> 'East Cape' | AK269062 | NI | -37.5833333 | 178.0833333 | N |
| <i>K. salterae</i> de Lange | AK289814 | NI (Whale I) | -37.8569444 | 176.9675000 | N |
| <i>K. salterae</i> | AK283253 | NI (Whale I) | -37.8500000 | 176.9666667 | N |
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| <i>K. salterae</i> | AK284105 | NI (Whale I) | -37.8500000 | 176.9666667 | N |
| <i>K. salterae</i> | AK297561 | NI (Whale I) | -37.8500000 | 176.9666667 | N |
| <i>K. salterae</i> | AK289815 | NI (Whale I) | -37.8525000 | 176.9683333 | N |
| <i>K. salterae</i> | AK298088 | NI (Whale I) | -37.8569444 | 176.9675000 | N |
| <i>K. salterae</i> | AK289813 | NI (Whale I) | -37.8552778 | 176.9675000 | N |
| <i>K. salterae</i> | AK300883 | NI (Mayor I) | -37.2869444 | 176.2713889 | N |
| <i>K. salterae</i> | AK289816 | NI (Whale I) | -37.8572222 | 176.9825000 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> de Lange & Toelken ^b | CHR641385 | SI | -42.7666667 | 172.5500000 | Y |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK287554 | SI | -42.1833333 | 172.2166667 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK288292 | SI | -41.8500000 | 172.3333333 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK288543 | SI | -42.8500000 | 172.6833333 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK288098 | NI | -38.4833333 | 176.1333333 | N |
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| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK288135 | NI | -38.9333333 | 175.8666667 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK288239 | NI | -39.4000000 | 176.3333333 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK286070 | NI | -39.2500000 | 175.7666667 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK288134 | NI | -38.9833333 | 175.7666667 | N |
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| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK285572 | NI | -39.1833333 | 175.7500000 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK288133 | NI | -39.2833333 | 175.7333333 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK287551 | SI | -41.8166667 | 172.4000000 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | CHR546949A | NI | -38.6166667 | 175.7166667 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | CHR551729 | NI | -39.0500000 | 175.6000000 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | CHR546979A | NI | -38.9333333 | 175.8666667 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | CHR546945A | SI | -41.6333333 | 173.1166667 | N |
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| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK285556 | SI | -42.3500000 | 172.2333333 | N |
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| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK348741 | SI | -43.3525000 | 171.5558333 | N |
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| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK288108 | NI | -38.8833333 | 175.6000000 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK286136 | SI | -42.5000000 | 172.8333333 | N |
| <i>K. serotina</i> | AK286260 | SI | -41.7166667 | 172.9000000 | N |
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| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK278809 | Great Barrier I | -36.1833333 | 175.4333333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK242628 | Great Barrier I | -36.1833333 | 175.3833333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK288495 | Great Barrier I | -36.1833333 | 175.4000000 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK289075 | Great Barrier I | -36.2000000 | 175.4166667 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK245523 | Great Barrier I | -36.2133333 | 175.3833333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK287195 | Great Barrier I | -36.1680000 | 175.4780000 | Y |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK287857 | Great Barrier I | -36.1833333 | 175.4166667 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK289074 | Great Barrier I | -36.1952778 | 175.4180556 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK246813 | Great Barrier I | -36.2105556 | 175.3833333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK255943 | Great Barrier I | -36.1833333 | 175.4833333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK250789 | Great Barrier I | -36.1833333 | 175.4166667 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK253369 | Great Barrier I | -36.2000000 | 175.3833333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK282635 | Great Barrier I | -36.1833333 | 175.4166667 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK255946 | Great Barrier I | -36.1833333 | 175.4833333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK242634 | Great Barrier I | -36.1833333 | 175.3833333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK242667 | Great Barrier I | -36.1833333 | 175.4833333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK237883 | Great Barrier I | -36.2166667 | 175.3833333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK237880 | Great Barrier I | -36.2166667 | 175.3833333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK242652 | Great Barrier I | -36.1833333 | 175.4833333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK242674 | Great Barrier I | -36.1833333 | 175.4833333 | N |
| <i>K. sinclairii</i> | AK288322 | Great Barrier I | -36.2166667 | 175.3833333 | N |
| <i>K. toelkenii</i> de Lange | CHR550084 | NI | -37.9000000 | 176.8333333 | N |

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| Species | Herbarium accession no. | New Zealand island | Latitude | Longitude | Coordinates estimated ^a |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
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| <i>K. toelkenii</i> | AK287045 | NI | -37.9000000 | 176.8333333 | N |
| <i>K. toelkenii</i> | AK300904 | NI | -38.0085026 | 177.1317053 | Y |
| <i>K. toelkenii</i> | AK287049 | NI | -37.9000000 | 176.8333333 | N |
| <i>K. toelkenii</i> | AK300903 | NI | -37.9411111 | 176.9883333 | N |
| <i>K. toelkenii</i> | AK287047 | NI | -37.9000000 | 176.8333333 | N |
| <i>K. toelkenii</i> | AK301682 | NI | -38.1133333 | 177.3791667 | N |
| <i>K. toelkenii</i> | AK287048 | NI | -37.9000000 | 176.8333333 | N |
| <i>K. toelkenii</i> | AK299633 | NI | -37.9150000 | 176.9025000 | N |
| <i>K. toelkenii</i> | AK255350 | NI | -37.9666667 | 176.8333333 | N |
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| <i>K. toelkenii</i> | AK284553 | NI | -37.9021130 | 176.8333333 | Y |
| <i>K. toelkenii</i> | AK287042 | NI | -37.9000000 | 176.8000000 | N |

Note: AK = Auckland War Memorial Museum; CHR = Allan Herbarium, Lincoln; I = Island; NI = North Island; SI = South Island.

^aCollection records were checked carefully. When coordinates were not documented or did not match the location description, they were determined based on collector's notes.

^bUsed for initial primer screen.

^cUsed for library construction.