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*Riccardia pusilla* (Steph.) E.A.Br., was treated as a synonym of *Riccardia crassa* by Söderström et al. (2016) overlooking that Brown and Braggins (1989) accepted the species. The name is illegitimate being a later homonym of *Riccardia pusilla* Grolle, and a new name is needed in *Riccardia*.

Blocking name: *Riccardia pusilla* Grolle, J. Jap. Bot. 41(8): 231 (Grolle 1966).

The epithet honours our late friend and colleague Elizabeth Brown who was an expert on the genus *Riccardia* in Australasia.

## *Riccardia browniae* A.Hagborg et L. Söderstr. nom. nov.

≡ *Aneura pusilla* Steph., J. & Proc. R. Soc. New South Wales 48(1/2): 96, 1914 (Stephani and Watts 1914). Lectotype (Brown and Braggins 1989: 82): New South Wales, Blackheath, Watts 1051, Stephani herb. no. 11049 (G barcode G00113162).

≡ *Riccardia pusilla* (Steph.) E.A.Br., J. Hattori Bot. Lab. 669: 82 (Brown and Braggins 1989), nom. illeg. (ICN Art. 53.1, hom. illeg.).

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