# **Rosid Eudicots, Part 2**

We study the rosids this semester in three parts due to the large number of taxa we wish to study.

#### I. Rosids Part 2

## A. Families to Know on Sight

1. Fagaceae – p. 597

Diagnostic Summary: Trees (shrubs) with simple, often toothed or lobed lvs with veins extending to margin; Plants monoecious; Fls and infls unisexual, very small with perianth wanting, male fls in catkins; Fr a nut(s, 1-2) subtended by or enveloped by a cupule.

Generalized Flora Formula:

Male:  $P^{4-6}$   $A^{4-20}$ ; In catkins Female:  $P^{4-6}$   $G^{[3-6], 3-6 \text{ styles}}$ ; Infl subtended / enveloped by cupule

2. Juglandaceae - p. 607

Diagnostic Summary: Trees with pinnate lvs; Plants monoecious; Fls and infls unisexual, very small and perianth wanting, male fls in catkins; Fr a drupe (walnut) or modified drupe (Carya, with dehiscent exocarp/mesocarp).

Generalized Flora Formula:

Male:  $P^{\{0\}[3-6]}$   $A^{3-many}$ ; In catkins

Female: P [4] **G** [2-3], 2-3 styles

# B. Genera to Know (you can write your own key to genera)

Hamamelidaceae - p. 487

1. Hamamelis (shrubs)

Fagaceae - p. 597

2. Fagus (trees)

3. Quercus (trees)

Juglandaceae - p. 607

4. Juglans (trees)

5. Carya (trees)

Betulaceae - p. 609

6. Betula (shrubs to trees)

## Altingiaceae - p. 487

7. Liquidambar (trees)

Anacardiaceae - p. 703

8. Rhus (shrubs to trees)

9. Toxicodendron (shrubs or lianas)

Simaroubaceae - p. 703

10. Ailanthus (trees)

Sapindaceae - p. 707

11. Acer (trees)

## C. Economic Botany (FYI)

- 1. Anacardiaceae is the source of cashews (Anacardium), pistachios (Pistacia), mangoes (Manaifera), as well as poison-ivy and poison-sumac (Toxicodendron).
- 2. Betulaceae is the source of birch trees (Betula) of ornamental and essential oil importance, as well hazelnuts (Corylus).
- 3. Hamamelidaceae includes the genus Hamamelis, the source of the ornamental witch-hazel shrub and the medicinal witch hazel extract from its stems.
- 4. Fagaceae includes edible nuts from Castanea (chestnuts), Fagus (beechnuts) and, when prepared properly, Quercus (acorns). Additionally, the oaks in particular are economically important for their wood, and all genera are valued as ornamental trees.
- 5. Juglandaceae includes edible nuts from Jugans (walnuts) and Carya (hickory nuts, pecans). Both genera are valued for their wood and as ornamental trees.
- 6. Sapindaceae is the source of maples (Acer) of horticultural and agricultural (syrup) importance.

Economic Botany Supplement: On the table in the Refugium are products from plants of the Juglandaceae, Anacardiaceae, and Hamamelidaceae. Complete the table below and answer the questions that follow.

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# Questions:

- 1. Name the genera above that serve as the types for their respective families:
- 2. Which edible seed above is actually a type of hickory?
- 3. Which of the economically important species above is native to Pennsylvania and flowers in the fall?