

## Supplementary Materials

Gudkova P. D., Baiakhmetov E., Nobis M. Evidence of distant hybridization within Central Asian feather grasses (Poaceae: *Stipa*)

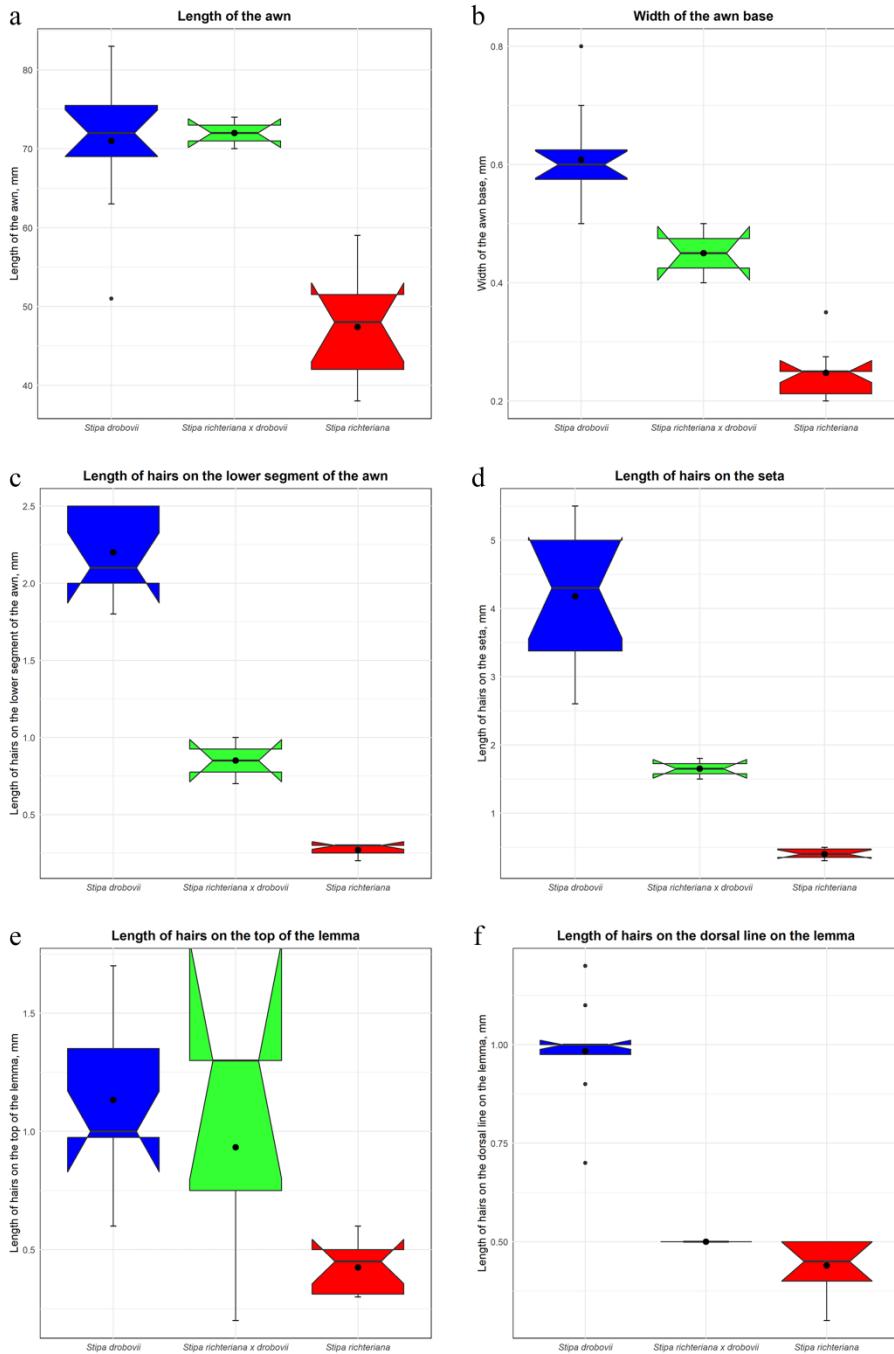
**Table S1:** List of samples used in the study. Samples used in the molecular analysis are in bold type. Vouchers presented by IDs of herbarium sheets and (numbers without acronyms represent a personal collection of P. D. Gudkova)

Taxon	Voucher	Locality	Coordinates	Altitude	Data	Collector
<i>Stipa drobovii</i>	<b>003189</b>	Kazakhstan, Kordai district, 2 km south of the Kenen village	N43°24'0.85" E75°4'7.28"	870 m	18.05.2014	P. D. Gudkova, M. Nobis
<i>Stipa drobovii</i>	<b>TK-002721a</b>	Kazakhstan, Zhambyl region, Moyinkum district, env. Khantau village, Khantau mountains, southern rocky slope	N44°16'04.7" E73°50'06.5"	726 m	14.05.2014	A. Ebel
<i>Stipa drobovii</i>	<b>TK-002721</b>	Kazakhstan, South Kazakhstan region, Suzak district, upstream Turlan river, rocky slope	N43°37'21.2" E 68°55'55.6"	970 m	18.05.2014	A. Ebel
<i>Stipa drobovii</i>	<b>TK-002720</b>	Kazakhstan, Eskeldinsky district, Taldykorgan environs (to the north)	N45°03'53.5" E78°20'09.5"	698 m	25.05.2019	P. D. Gudkova, M. Nobis, E. Baiakhmetov, A. Wróbel
<i>Stipa drobovii</i>	<b>TK-001519</b>	Kazakhstan, Korday district, the vicinity of Kenen	N43°24'26.6" E75°04'55.6"	842 m	29.05.2019	P. D. Gudkova, M. Nobis, E. Baiakhmetov, A. Wróbel
<i>Stipa drobovii</i>	000004					
<i>Stipa drobovii</i>	<b>TK-000233</b>	Kazakhstan, Eskeldinsky district, 10 km east of Taldykorgan	N45°02'28.7" E78°13'28.6"	526 m	25.05.2019	P. D. Gudkova, M. Nobis, E. Baiakhmetov, A. Wróbel
<i>Stipa drobovii</i>	003165	Karaganda region, Shetsky district, between the village Moiynty and Sary-Shagan. Desert. Point 16	N46°30'00.7" E73°35'04.9"	390 m	04.07.2014	A. Ebel
<i>Stipa drobovii</i>	000057	Enbekshikazakh district, north-east of Kokpek	N43°27'09.9" E78°39'38.6"	1094 m	28.05.2019	P. D. Gudkova, M. Nobis, E. Baiakhmetov, A. Wróbel
<i>Stipa drobovii</i>	003160	Kazakhstan, Karlygash, Arkharly pass, destroyed rocks	N44°12'55" E77°42'14"	910 m	25.05.2001	–
<i>Stipa drobovii</i>	<b>TK-001699</b>	Kazakhstan, Zhanaarka region, 25 km southwest of Dzhambul, Wormwood-saline northern desert, rubble shell on clay soil	N47°03'58.1" E70°55'22.7"	607 m	20.06.2019	I. E. Smelansky
<i>Stipa × smelanskyi</i>	<b>TK-001696</b>					
<i>Stipa × smelanskyi</i>	<b>TK-001697</b>					
<i>Stipa × smelanskyi</i>	<b>TK-001695</b>					
<i>Stipa richteriana</i>	<b>TK-001698</b>					
<i>Stipa richteriana</i>	<b>TK-002706a</b>	Kazakhstan, Karaganda region, Aktogay district, Bektauata area, rocky steppe	N47°21'03.9" (approx.) E74°43'21.9" (approx.)	590 m	14.05.2014	A. Ebel
<i>Stipa richteriana</i>	<b>TK-002707</b>					
<i>Stipa richteriana</i>	<b>TK-002708</b>					

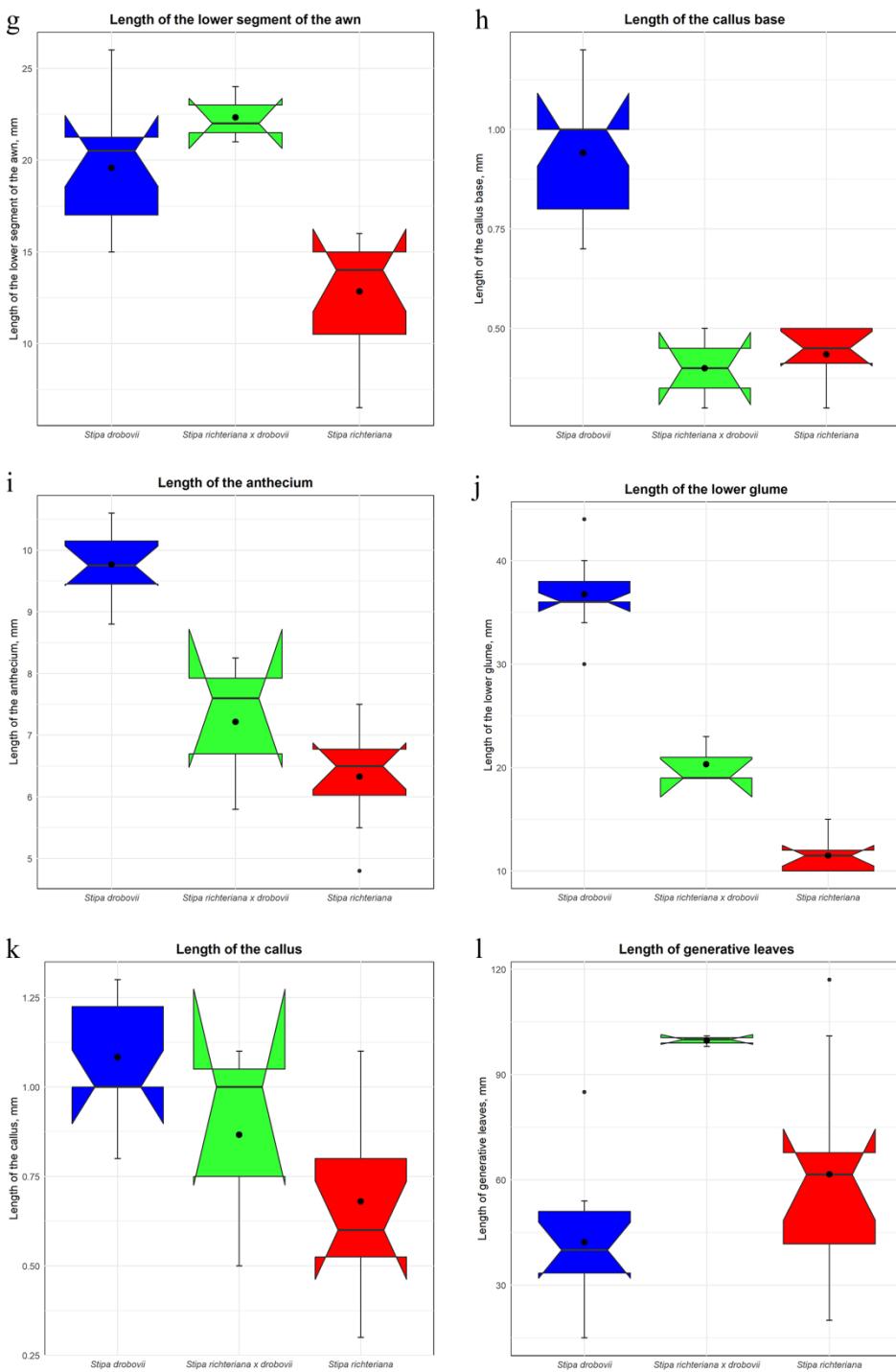
TAXON	VOUCHER	LOCALITY	COORDINATES	ALTITUDE	DATA	COLLECTOR
<i>Stipa richteriana</i>	<b>TK-002711</b>	Kazakhstan, Karaganda region, Ulytau district, env. Tyueoynak, desert steppe	N47°51'19.8" E 69°02'43.1"	320 m	24.05.2014	A. Ebel
<i>Stipa richteriana</i>	<b>0452466 KRA</b>	Kazakhstan, steppe grassland on hills, 2.5 km NNE of Karlygash settlemans (100 km NE of Almaty)	N44°13'41.9" E77°42'30.6"	990 m	22.05.2014	M. Nobis, P. D. Gudkova
<i>Stipa richteriana</i>	<b>0468818 KRA</b>	Kazakhstan, steppe grassland on hills slopes, 3 km S of Keren settlemans (150 km W of Almaty)	N43°23'48" E75°04'02"	885 m	18.05.2014	M. Nobis, P. D. Gudkova
<i>Stipa richteriana</i>	001881	Kazakhstan, Zaysan depression, Northern Prizaysanie, Kara mountains, southeastern slope, hollow	N48°06'59.6" (approx.) E 84°53'15.5" (approx.)	480 m	11.05.2001	Yu. A. Kotukhov
<i>Stipa richteriana</i>	001883	Kazakhstan, Zhlyshchi region, Baylychovo-gray wormwood desert. Point 16	N46°30'00.0" E 55°40'00.0"	190 m	04.06.2019	E. A. Kriuchkova
<i>Stipa richteriana</i>	001691	Kazakhstan, Sarkand district, 20 km north-west of Lepsy towards Lake Balkhash	N46°25'49.4" E79°05'42.3"	379 m	23.05.2019	P. D. Gudkova, M. Nobis, E. Baiakhmetov, A. Wróbel
<i>Stipa richteriana</i>	000265	Kazakhstan, Northern Priaysanye, Karabiryuk mountains, southeastern rubble slope	N48°01'00.0" (approx.) E 84°35'00.0" (approx.)	440 m	12.05.2001	Yu. A. Kotukhov

**Table S2:** Contribution (%) by dimension of each character (abbreviations according to Table 1) in FAMD. The first five characters contributing the most are in bold type. Abbreviations of the qualitative variables and their contributions to the principal axes are underlined.

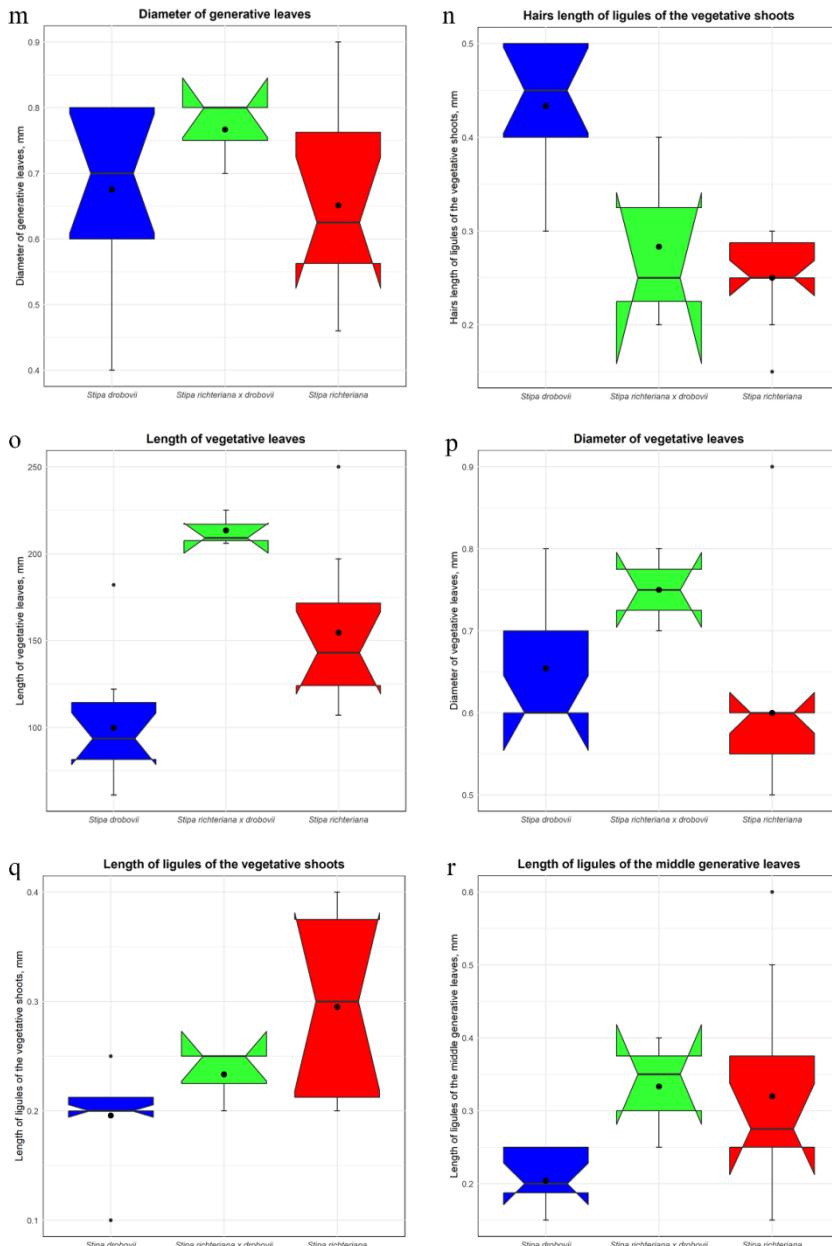
CHARACTER	DIMENSION 1	DIMENSION 2	DIMENSION 3	DIMENSION 4
LAwn	4.070991078	2.818955048	1.245650871	2.292441449
LCol.I	2.884616197	6.236668590	0.004322545	0.027933774
LHCol.I	<b>6.235517914</b>	0.023478047	0.019235299	0.049703785
LHS	5.978936509	0.001786838	0.030718506	0.169461126
WAwn	5.566682620	0.297775976	0.041266130	0.020094397
LAnt	<b>6.116670728</b>	0.046332118	0.026405282	0.652998435
LHCor	4.116067378	1.575737788	1.054676692	0.006204818
LHDor	5.744768263	0.467427431	0.044580438	1.408055124
LCal	3.871965302	0.004080679	0.883531251	0.627219931
LBasCaL	5.422087572	1.422787488	0.000352583	1.120300907
LG	<b>6.415580592</b>	0.008322413	0.066132604	0.059350338
LVL	2.454293306	<b>9.313154770</b>	3.030254480	3.342515712
DVL	0.327913191	<b>9.124001847</b>	<b>7.720970310</b>	1.248609125
LGL	1.201970949	<b>13.589282856</b>	2.245466022	2.078589650
DGL	0.021975152	6.738199571	<b>6.133888523</b>	0.679229478
LigV	2.204133037	0.647176888	<b>10.353840491</b>	0.019277183
LigVH	4.550764958	0.046856029	0.025266471	0.010673955
LigG	2.208008064	3.850252155	0.129040764	<b>12.105743562</b>
LigGH	1.259958817	0.324466657	4.874933857	1.222353570
<u>AbSVL</u>	<u>2.776682496</u>	<u>1.718926302</u>	<u>30.251022989</u>	<u>24.429169255</u>
<u>AdSVL</u>	<b>6.298364270</b>	<b>13.410847123</b>	<u>3.362146247</u>	<u>8.950978309</u>
<u>AbSGL</u>	<u>1.760966682</u>	<u>3.012869137</u>	<b>25.238129324</b>	<b>33.122410467</b>
<u>AdSGL</u>	<b>6.476918134</b>	<b>19.523357089</b>	<u>0.008172447</u>	<u>3.382310493</u>
<u>AG</u>	<u>6.115144071</u>	<u>0.911005546</u>	<u>0.008054297</u>	<u>0.440039811</u>
CharHAnt	5.919022722	4.886251615	3.201941578	2.534335344



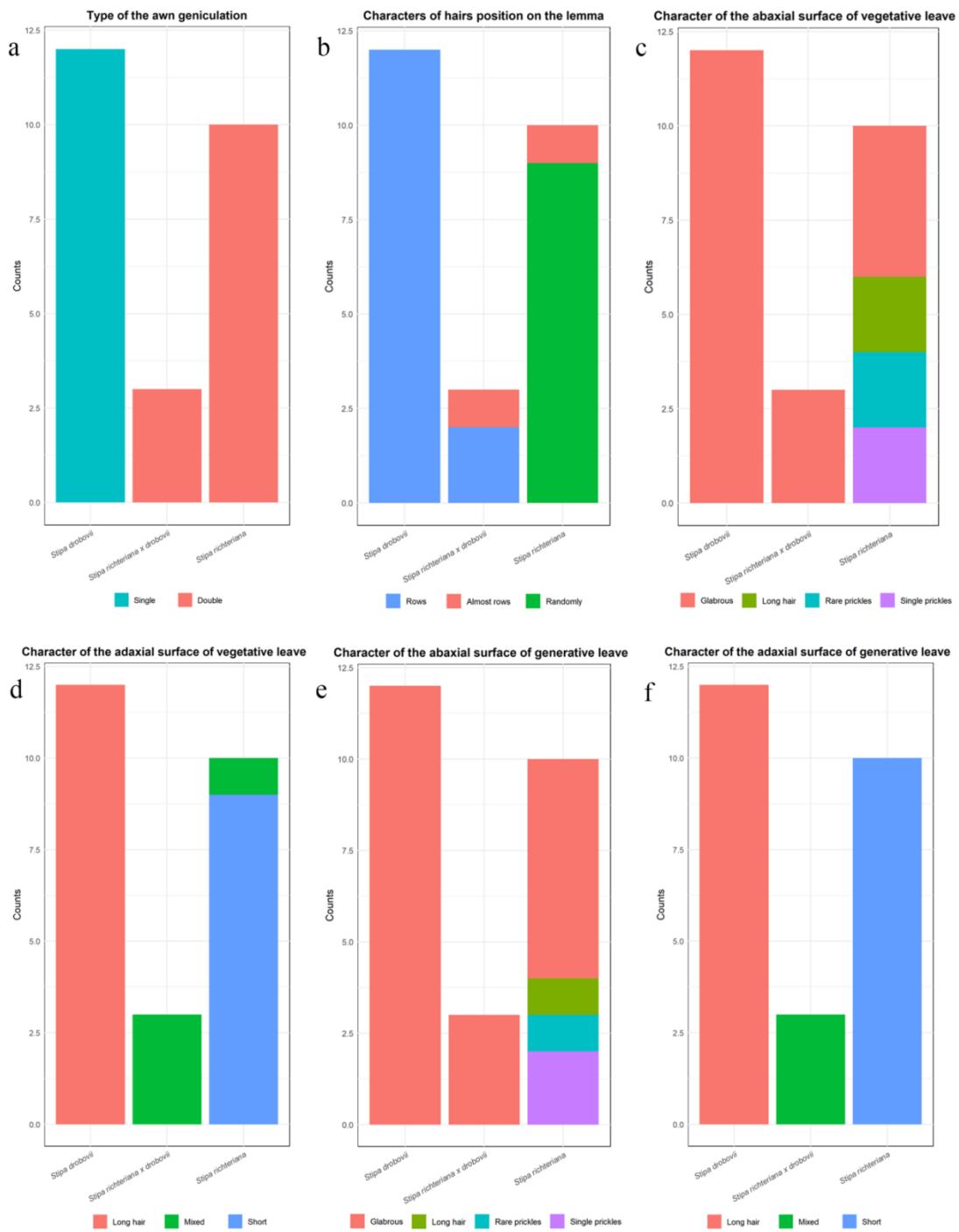
**Figure S1:** Notched boxplot demonstrating the mean (black bold circle), the median (dark black line), 95 % confidence interval around the median (notch), inter-quartile ranges (25 % to 75 %), whiskers (5 % and 95 %) minimum and maximum measurements (crosses) and possible outlier (black circle) of quantitative characters (a–f) for the studied species.



**Figure S2:** Notched boxplot demonstrating the mean (black bold circle), the median (dark black line), 95 % confidence interval around the median (notch), inter-quartile ranges (25 % to 75 %), whiskers (5 % and 95 %) minimum and maximum measurements (crosses) and possible outlier (black circle) of quantitative characters (g–l) for the studied species.



**Figure S3:** Notched boxplot demonstrating the mean (black bold circle), the median (dark black line), 95 % confidence interval around the median (notch), inter-quartile ranges (25 % to 75 %), whiskers (5 % and 95 %) minimum and maximum measurements (crosses) and possible outlier (black circle) of quantitative characters (m–r) for the studied species.



**Figure S4:** Bar charts displaying frequencies of the qualitative characters: a – AG; b – CharHAnt; c – AbSVL; d – AdSVL; e – AbSGL; f – AdSGL.