

**52. SESELOPSIS** Schischkin, Bot. Mater. Gerb. Bot. Inst. Komarova Akad. Nauk SSSR 13: 159. 1950.

西归芹属 *xi gui qin shu*

Pu Fading (溥发鼎 *Pu Fa-ting*); Mark F. Watson

Herbs, biennial, glabrous. Roots fusiform, woody. Stem solitary, erect, sparsely branched. Basal leaves petiolate, petioles sheathing; blade ternate-2-pinnate; ultimate segments linear-lanceolate. Umbels compound, terminal; bracts absent; rays unequal; bracteoles several, linear or lanceolate, entire. Calyx teeth obsolete. Petals white or purplish, obcordate, base cuneate, apex notched, with narrow inward curved lobule, outer petals of umbellules slightly larger (radiant). Stylopodium low-conic; styles ca. equal to stylopodium, reflexed. Fruit ovoid, slightly dorsally compressed, glabrous; dorsal and intermediate ribs narrowly winged, lateral wings often broader; vittae solitary in each furrow, 2 on commissure. Seed face plane. Carpophore 2-cleft to base.

Two species: C Asia; one species in China.

**1. *Seselopsis tianschanica*** Schischkin, Bot. Mater. Gerb. Bot. Inst. Komarova Akad. Nauk SSSR 13: 159. 1950.

西归芹 *xi gui qin*

Plants 40–100 cm, glaucescent throughout. Stem purplish below, striate. Lower leaves petiolate, sheaths oblong-lanceolate; primary pinnae 3–4 pairs; ultimate segments linear-lanceolate, 20–90 × 1–5 mm. Upper leaves reduced, 1-pinnate, 3-lobed

or entire, sessile on expanded sheaths. Primary umbels 5–9 cm across, lateral umbels smaller; rays 4–20, 2–7 cm, unequal; bracteoles 4–9, lanceolate, ca. 3 mm, usually equal to or longer than flowers, margins membranous; umbellules many-flowered, 10–12 mm across. Fruit 3–4 × ca. 2 mm. Fl. Jul, fr. Aug.

Among shrubs, grassy slopes; 1500–2500 m. W Xinjiang (Tian Shan) [Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan].

This species has reputed medicinal value.

