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*Sigesbeckia*

*Compositae*

[*Asteraceae*]

*Sigesbeckia* commemorates a German-Prussian physician and botanist, Johann Georg Siegesbeck (1686-1755), who is particularly remembered for his strong opposition to the sexual principles on which the Swedish naturalist and physician, Carolus Linnaeus (1707-1778) based his system of plant classification. From 1735 he was Director of the botanical garden in St. Petersburg and Professor of botany at the St. Petersburg Academy of Sciences (now Russian Academy of Sciences in Moscow). The 15 volumes of his herbarium are held in a library north of Hanover.