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Asarum majale (Aristolochiaceae), a New Species from the Suzuka Mountain Range, Kinki District, Japan

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A new species, *Asarum majale* T. Sugaw., is described from north of the Suzuka Mountains, Kinki District, Japan. *Asarum majale* is allied to *A. fauriei* var. *takaoui*, which has a wide distribution from Kinki to Hokuriku and the southwestern part of Chubu District, and also to *A. dilatatum*, which is restricted to Mt. Nonobori to the south of the Suzuka Mountains. *Asarum majale* is distinguished from them by the larger calyx tube, longer anthers, gynoeceum positioned lower than the entrance to the calyx tube, and anthesis from mid to late May. *Asarum majale* occurs at the foot of Mt. Fujiwara-dake, Mt. Fukuo-zan and Mt. Nihon-koba.

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