

Ethnobotany of the *Schitsu'umsh* (Coeur d'Alene Indians):  
with Comparative Notes on other Interior Salish Languages

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## 1. Introduction<sup>1</sup>

This paper presents a linguistic analysis of the botanical nomenclature of Coeur d'Alene, more properly known as *Snchitsu'umshtsn*, together with a listing of all known names for plants together with their uses and cultural associations (Appendix I). The listing includes names for 112 plants, a few of which have not yet been identified in English. Some information is also included on terms for plant parts and usages. This is a study in folk taxonomy and knowledge about plants and their uses. The information in this study was obtained by means of both linguistic and ethnographic methods. The emphasis in our analysis is on the linguistic structure of plant names. When a plant name has internal morphological structure, this often reflects cultural notions about the plant. Our findings suggest that classification is only part of the motivation for the construction of plant names and that the main motivation is the description of appearances and other sensory qualities that enable plants to be readily identified. Utilitarian concerns are only a minor motivation in plant naming. We find that many terms have undergone processes of grammaticalization so that original meanings and linguistic structure have become only partially discernable or totally obscured. This is the case with 47 of the terms. We also record six names borrowed from English and French and some creative playfulness in this borrowing.

*Snchitsu'umshtsn* (Coeur d'Alene) is one of seven languages of the Interior Salish group. The others are Lillooet, Thompson, *Secwepemc*, Colville-Okanagan, Columbian, and Kalispel. *Snchitsu'umshtsn* shares 55 percent of its vocabulary with its closest Salishan neighbor, Kalispel, which includes Spokane, Kalispel, and Flathead dialects. *Snchitsu'umshtsn* may have branched off eastward from other Interior Salish languages sometime between 2500 B.C. and A.D. 1. It was later flanked on the north and east by the dialects of Kalispel (Elmendorf 1965; Suttles and Elmendorf 1963). In general one finds that the most cognates in plant terms among closest neighbors.

The territory occupied by the *Schitsu'umsh* in late prehistoric and early historic times extended over the drainage and headwaters of the Spokane River, with three clusters of permanent winter villages at Spokane River-Coeur d'Alene lake, the Coeur d'Alene River, and the Saint Joe River, respectively. This territory contained rolling palouse prairie in the west, foothills, mountains and valleys in the east. These features

varied in altitude from sea level to 2000 meters, creating an environment of exceptional diversity. Palmer (1998a:313) has summarized some of the significant features of the botanical environment:

In aboriginal times, the eastern palouse prairie was dominated by Idaho fescue and by blue bunch wheatgrass.... Chokecherry thickets surrounded by thickets of snowberry and wild rose provided cover and forage for white-tailed deer.....The steppe vegetation of the fescue—snowberry zone maintains one-third of its maximum growth throughout the winter. Some of this growth would have occurred in roots and forbs utilized by the Indians in the spring and early summer.

On the edge of the prairie, open stands of ponderosa pine provide patches of grazing land for blacktailed deer. In the foothills, the valleys of the Coeur d'Alene, Saint Joe, Saint Maries, Benewah, and Palouse send tongues of grassy camas meadows up to the foot of the Rockies themselves. These small meadows were favorite camping and root-digging grounds for parties on their way to hunt and fish in the mountains. Along creeks and rivers grow cottonwoods, chokecherries, hawthorns, nodding onions, and cow parsnips.

This is the environment in which the *Schitsu'umsh* foraged for perhaps 100 generations or more, eating the useful roots, berries, seeds, mosses, and cambium, using woods and fibers for building materials and tools, learning to avoid those that were poisonous or thorny, and appreciating those offering beautiful and interesting sensory qualities. They developed a botanical nomenclature that may once have included two or three hundred names.

Owing to a history of language loss that began well over 100 years ago, the 106 traditional terms in this list are surely but a sample of all the plant names that once belonged to the language. This seems likely because larger samples have been obtained from neighboring peoples.<sup>2</sup> For example, in 1971-3, Palmer (1975) recorded over 150 plant names of the *Secwepemc*. At about the same time, Turner recorded over 260 Thompson plant names (Turner et al. 1990). These numbers suggest that the botanical vocabular of the *Schitsu'umsh* (and the *Secwepemc*) was higher in aboriginal times, probably comparable to that of the recorded Thompson lexicon.

The first recorded contact with Europeans occurred in 1806 when three *Schitsu'umsh* were encountered by Lewis and Clark. Trading posts were established nearby in 1809 (Kullyspell House) and 1910 (Spokane House) (Frey 2000). Employees of the Hudson's Bay Company established farms in the Northwest by 1830 and by 1842 Coeur d'Alenes were cultivating a superior strain of potatoes in the fertile soil of the Spokane Valley (Thwaites 1906:365-367, Geyer 1846). The first Catholic mission to the *Schitsu'umsh* was established by Father Nicolas Point in 1842. Some Indian families who resided on the mission grounds allowed their children to be boarded at the mission and trained in practical farming skills by the Catholic Fathers (Palmer 1998a). Time spent living and working at the mission would have deprived the children of opportunities to learn plant terms in the course of traditional hunting and gathering, and it would have introduced them to French and English terms for domesticated plants.

The largest loss of language and botanical terms probably occurred after 1876, when the *Schitsu'umsh* settled on farms in the southern part of their aboriginal territory and their children began, in 1878, to attend the mission boarding school at DeSmet, where speaking *Snchitsu'umshtsn* was prohibited and a massive loss of language ensued (Frey 2000; Palmer, In press). Today, only a small handful of tribal members still speak their native language fluently. Given this long history of contact with the overwhelming forces of Euroamerican society, we are lucky to have this substantial sample of *Snchitsu'umshtsn* plant names and botanical knowledge. The elders of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe of Idaho are to be thanked for their cooperation with the project. Further information on linguistic and cultural consultants is presented in Appendix II.

Readers of this document who are seeking information concerning particular plants will find it most expedient to turn directly to the listing in Appendix I. The following section is for those interested in the linguistic construction of plant terms.

## **2. Linguistic Morphology of *Snchitsu'umshtsn* Plant Names**

We have divided the terms into simple lexemes and complex terms. The latter includes both complex lexemes and terms that are actually phrases. These categories will be defined more precisely below.

## 2.1 Simple Lexemes

The simple lexemes comprise the vast majority of terms. By *simple lexeme* is meant a term that can be analyzed as a linguistic root plus, optionally, one or more substantive prefixes and suffixes. The term excludes compound terms, complex verbal predications (even though they be single lexemes), and terms consisting of multiple words. A morphological analysis of 103 of the 112 known plant terms in *Snchitsu'umshtsn*, plus a few variations can be found in the table of Appendix V. As summarized in Table 1, the vast majority of terms (103) are simple lexemes. The term *simple lexeme* might be a bit misleading, because it includes not only terms such as (8) *etqhwe'* 'camas', which is unanalyzable, but also terms that may have a number of prefixes and suffixes, terms such as (3) *chkw'lkwi'lqw* 'spirea', which has the morphological structure  $\check{c}\text{-}k^w\text{?l}\text{-}\sqrt{k^w\text{?l}}\text{-}alq^w$  (on-AUG.RDP-red-tree~bush).

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### 2.1.1 Linguistic Roots

All the terms that I have called *simple lexemes* must have a linguistic root or stem, but in 25 cases the meaning of the root or stem is unknown or not well substantiated, a fact which is indicated in the root column of Appendix V with a question mark and no other information. Terms found in Teit (1930) are often not analyzable because his transcriptions lacked the necessary precision. For 48 terms, the only meaning of the linguistic root is the referent plant itself. These meanings are presented in normal typeface in Appendix V.

For 31 terms the meaning of the linguistic root is different from the referent itself. These meanings are presented in bold typeface in Appendix V. Terms of this type with roots having meanings such as *rustle*, *barb*, and *medicine* can be termed *descriptive*. Of the descriptive roots, the largest category (10 terms) is that referring to color or light. The senses include *red*, *white*, *blue*, *pink* (2 terms), *glow* (2 terms), *dark*, *dirty*, and *paint*. Other senses include sense of change or motion (*grow*, *revolve*, *rustle*), usage (*medicine*

**Table 1: Types of terms by morphological structure**

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Simple Lexemes		103
meaning of linguistic root is referent itself	47	
meaning of linguistic root is descriptive or attributive	31	
meaning of linguistic root unknown	25	
Complex Terms		9
compound descriptive lexemes	3	
verbal predications	2	
phrases	4	
Total		112

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[2 terms], *good, gather, paint, canoe*), taste, smell, and texture (*sweet, stink, foam*), danger (*barb, thorn, hurt*), plants or plant parts (*grass, leaf*), and death (*ghost, corpse*). The remaining sense include *right, straight*, and *wrap string*. Thus, it appears that the senses of the linguistic roots pertain more to the perceptual qualities of the plant referents than to utilitarian concerns.

### 2.1.2 Prefixes

These terms have two types of prefix: the nominalizer *s-* and the spatial prefixes *ch-* 'on, distributed', *t-* 'on, attached', and *n-* 'in'. Conspicuously missing from the spatial prefixes of the simple lexemes are *ni?*- 'amidst', *cn-* 'under', and *čet-* 'on something broader than itself', all of which occur frequently in place names (Palmer 1993).<sup>3</sup> A total of 34 of the 103 simple terms have the prefix *s-* (Table 2). Other terms whose linguistic roots begin with *s* may have the prefix as well, but there is no way of knowing. Why (67) *słaq* 'service berry' is cited with the *s-*, but a similar term (18) *łaqhwłuqhw* 'chokecherries' is not cited with *s-*, is unknown. Spatial prefixation occurs, but only on eight terms. Thus, spatial constructs can not be rated as highly important in the construction of plant terms. Three terms have the prefix *n-* 'in'. Since the meaning of other elements in these constructions is unknown, it is not possible to clarify the semantic function of the prefix. Only two terms have the prefix *t-* 'on, attached'. Here, at least in term (89), it seems to describe an attachment to a branch. the prefix *ch-* 'on, distributed' is also found in three terms. Two of these (3 and 56) have linguistic roots referring to the color red and to paint.

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Augmentative reduplication might also be regarded as a kind of prefix, since it adds a new copy of the linguistic root (or the first three segments of it), occurring in most instances as a prefix to the root, but sometimes as a suffix.<sup>4</sup> A total of 22 of the simple terms have augmentative reduplication. In five cases, the meaning of the root that is duplicated is the referent plant itself. Descriptive roots that are duplicated include those

**Table 2: Frequency of affixes in simple lexemes**

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**Prefixes**

s NOM	34
č 'on, distributed'	3
n 'in'	3
t 'on, attached'	2

**Suffixes**

aɫp 'plant'	19
alq <sup>w</sup> 'tree, bush'	11
qn, qí 'head'	7
t INH	6
əłš 'arc motion'	2
iye, iye? 'playingly'	3
mn INSTR	3
î ?	2
m MDL	2
p INC	2
ul'mx <sup>w</sup> 'ground, earth'	2
us 'face, eye'	2

The following suffixes occurred once each: á, astq 'wild crop', aɣn 'arm', c'e? 'skin, covering', eč 'seems to', ečt 'arm, hand, branch', elp (?), elps 'throat, mane', enč 'belly, bank', iɫk<sup>w</sup>e? 'in water', i?t 'source of', n NOM, ú, umš 'people'.

**Reduplication**

augmentative	22
intensifying	4

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with meanings of *rustle*, *stink*, *white*, *glow*, *good*, *dark*, *gather*, *thorn*, and *straight*, a group which seems to have nothing much in common, either semantically or phonetically.

The intensive reduplication construction, which copies only the first two segments of the linguistic root, appears in three terms. The only one for which the meaning of the linguistic root is clear is (106), where it means 'wrap string'. It is interesting that this must be a new term, as it refers to the domesticated cantelope.

### 2.1.3 Suffixes

The suffixes of *Snchĩtsu'umshtsn* plant terms have a variety of linguistic functions ranging from nominal classification as plant or tree (~bush), to anatomical topographical description, locative description, and some more abstract senses involving verbal aspect and linguistic voice. The most commonly occurring suffix (19 instances) is \*-aɬp 'plant' (Table 2). It occurs with linguistic roots having both descriptive and referential meanings. This suffix should probably be regarded as a classifier that contrasts with \*-alqʷ 'tree, bush'. There are 11 terms with this suffix. Term (2) *alchaɬpalqʷ* 'wild cranberry bush' (Kinnickinnick) has both suffixes: √ʔá:lč-aɬp-alqʷ (wild.cranberry-plant-tree~bush).

The next most common substantive suffix is -qn (~-qĩ) 'head'. Rather than a classifier, -qn seems to be used to locate a quality at the fruiting body of a plant or the top of a tree. For the three terms that can be fully analyzed, the meanings seem to be 'scratch on head' (term 12, pineapple weed), 'dirty on head', (term 68, Black Tree Lichen), and 'grass on head' (term 92, wheat).

Also occurring with some frequency (6 terms) is the aspectual suffix -t, which has the sense of something inherent. Among the terms whose linguistic roots are known, it is suffixed to *barb*, *stink*, and *poison ivy* (suggesting that the linguistic root p'uɬ may have simply meant 'poison' before it grammaticalized to 'poison ivy').

The remaining suffixes cover a gamut of senses. Two of these appear to refer to motion or action: əɬš 'arc motion' and iye, iyeʔ 'playingly'. Anatomical suffixes in addition to 'head' include -us 'face, eye', aɣn 'arm', c'eʔ 'skin, covering', ečt 'arm, hand,

branch', elps 'throat, mane', and enč 'belly, bank'. None are used with any great frequency. The fact that anatomical suffixes occur only 14 times in 103 simple lexemes shows that anatomical topographical concepts were significant but not primary in plant naming. Locatives include ul'mx<sup>w</sup> 'ground, earth', iłk<sup>w</sup>e? 'in water', and i?t 'source of'.

Hunn (1985) has argued that utilitarian concerns are primary in plant classification. If this were true, one would expect the morphemes of plant names to reflect important uses. One might expect a high frequency of instrumental suffixes and utilitarian looking linguistic roots. In fact, only seven terms have roots with utilitarian meanings. These are 21 and 89 (medicine), 46 (good), 53 (gather), 56 (paint), 97 (sweet), and possibly 107 (canoe). The only clearly utilitarian suffixes are -mn 'used for' and -astq 'wild crop'. This small number of terms and affixes argues that utilitarian concerns are not a primary factor in *Snchitsu'umshtsn* plant naming, or in classification to the extent that it is reflected in naming. However, it is possible that some of the unanalyzable linguistic roots were once utilitarian markers.

Substantive suffixes of *Snchitsu'umshtsn* are often truncated to a single vowel -e, -i, or -u, usually (perhaps always) stressed in final position. When this happens, it is impossible to recover the meaning, as there are always several candidates for the original. There are four instances in this data.

## 2.2 Complex Terms

Among the 112 *Snchitsu'umshtsn* plant terms, only nine have structures that I have termed *complex*. These include the compound descriptive lexemes such as (5) darełdułdułp 'popular' that compound two linguistic roots. The term is analyzable as dar-eł-√dúł-duł-p (containers.stand-CONN- rustle- AUG.RDP-INC). Another example is (78) sqha'wlutqhwe 'raw camas' analyzable as \*s-√xíw-al-?itx<sup>w</sup>a? (NOM-raw-CONN-cooked.camas). A bit more complex are the two verbal predications (10) hnt'apłts'e'entsotn 'what shoots self through inside, pineapple', analyzable as n-√t'ap-ł-c'e?-n-cút-n (in-shoot-CONN-skin~hide-TR-REFL-NOM) AND (28) ni'sharusi'utm 'squash', analyzable as ni?-√sar-us-i?-ut-m (amidst-troublesome-face-?-

be.in.position-MDL). It is probably no coincidence that both of these are terms for domestic plants that were introduced by Europeans (though it is just possible that squash had some other source). The latter term is interesting for another reason, as it appears to be a pun on English *squash* and Cr *shar* 'troublesome, difficult', or even *Shar* 'Charles'. The name may have been suggested by the practice of carving pumpkins at Halloween.

Four of the terms have the structure of a phrase. The simplest of these is (45) qhal sgwarpm 'dandelion' (lie.in.order bloom). A similar term, but more complex, is (44) qhaln'n'nak'wa'a'lqs ha sgwarpm 'daisy' perhaps translatable as 'little blossoms that lie in rows on the ridge'. The phrasal term (73) sngwa'rus khwe e t̥t̥et̥'lmkhw 'descendent of blackberry vine' is the only *Snchitsu'umshtsn* term classified using the principle of kinship.

### 3. Cognate Plant Names in Interior Salish Languages

The distribution of cognate forms in the plant names of the seven IS languages appear to be best described as a cline decreasing in frequency in rough order from *Snchitsu'umshtsn* in the east to Lillooet in the west (Appendix VI). The number of cognates drops off sharply with Lillooet, a phenomenon that has been noticed and discussed by Thompson, Ignace, and Compton (1998). There are 45 known cognate plant terms in Colville-Okanagan and 43 in Kalispel. These are almost identical in their distribution. Columbian follows with 31 cognates. Of those, 29 also have cognates in either Cv-Ok or Ka. Of the northern IS languages, *Secwepemc* has 23 cognates, Thompson 20, and Lillooet 10.

Inspection of exactly which plants are named in the majority of IS languages may help us understand the naming process. Terms which have cognates in all seven languages are (38) Rocky Mountain Juniper, (48) Lodgepole Pine, (49) Hazelnut, (80) Soapberry, (103) Western Larch, and (104) Douglas Fir. Terms which have cognates in six of the seven languages, including *Snchitsu'umshtsn* include (21) Subalpine Fir (and/or Grand Fir), (26) Cottonwood, (51) Onion (*Allium* sp.), (77) Bitterroot, and (105) Blue Elderberries. These two groups of high-frequency cognates (totaling 11 terms) include seven tree names, two berry bushes, one economically important root (corm) and one economically important bulb. The trees have economic importance in providing materials

for buildings and manufactures and as sources of food and medicine. This group of high-frequency cognates suggests size, value in manufacturing dwellings and tools, subsistence value, and medicinal value as features that promote the entrenchment and widespread distribution of names. Food plants such as Hazelnut and probably Bitterroot were also important in trade.

Five terms—(30) Bitter Cherry, (46) Canby's Lovage, (70) Balsamroot, (93) 'grass', and (110) Mock-Orange—have cognates in four of the seven languages, including *Snchitsu'umshtsn*. Notably, these lower frequency terms contain no trees or major food sources, though grass was economically important for the grazing of horses. Canby's Lovage (qhasqhs) was an important medicine. The wood of Mock Orange was used for making a number of small tools.

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#### 4. Summary and Conclusions

The prototypical *Snchitsu'umshtsn* plant name consists of a linguistic root plus a substantive suffix. Typical examples are 'yatqwełp /s-√?etq<sup>w</sup>-ałp/ (Ponderosa Pine) and (96) st'shastq /s-√t'əš-astq/ (Black Huckleberry). As in these examples, there may also be a nominalizing prefix and/or one or more spatial prefixes and/or a stem-forming suffix, such as -t 'inherent'. Reduplications of the linguistic root are common (Table 2). The plant names display a more limited set of spatial prefixes than are found in the domains of place names and anatomical terms.

A variety of substantive suffixes occur. The largest categories, involving 30 of the 103 simple lexemes, establish a two-way botanical classification into terms with the suffixes -ałp 'plant' (19 terms) and -alq<sup>w</sup> 'tree~bush' (11 terms). However, the structure of one term that combines the two suffixes suggests that -ałp 'plant' may be the more general classifier. That is, it may have a core sense of *small green or leafy plant* with an extension to *green or leafy plants* in general. The suffix -alq<sup>w</sup> specifies plants that take the form of a tree or a bush, more often the former. Fourteen of the simple lexemes have anatomical suffixes, including seven instances of -qn (~qî) 'head', which, like English,

has a metaphorical extension to 'top'. Non-taxonomic relations are rare among the *Snchitsu'umshtsn* plant terms, but one instance of a plant as the descendant of blackberry vine occurs in a complex term. Only two terms have locative suffixes other than the anatomical suffixes, which can often be regarded as locative. Notably absent from the classificatory suffixes of *Snchitsu'umshtsn* is *-usa?* 'berry', which can be found in neighboring Salishan languages (Palmer 1998b).

It appears that there is a term that stands for conifers in general, and that is term (112) 'yatqwełp. This term also seems to have the more specific referent Ponderosa Pine. The general term for any tree is syolalqw. The general term for berries is stshastq, which is also the term for (96) Black Huckleberry. The general term for a bush or shrub is eede'l. There seems to be no free lexeme that covers all trees, shrubs, and herbs, only the suffix *-ałp*. We have not explored the extensions of these terms with native speakers in a systematic fashion. Given these facts and our understanding of the suffixes *-ałp* and *-alqʷ*, we can still posit a taxonomy something like that in Figure 1. This taxonomy agrees generally with the classification of plants implied by Okanagan mythology (Turner, Bouchard, and Kennedy 1980). There, the category of "bushes, flowers, and trees" subdivides into categories of "Trees with leaves" and "Trees without leaves". The chief of the latter is *Pinus monticola*.

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Most terms whose derivations are clear are descriptive constructions involving linguistic roots specifying some attribute of color or light (9 terms), taste, smell, shape, danger, motion, texture, or use. Two pertain to death and ghosts. Utilitarian concerns are present, but not primary. In general, the terms bear out Randall's (1976) observation that rather than storing large taxonomic trees directly in memory, people typically store only the perceptual characteristics of classes. However, utilitarian concerns may be primary in the entrenchment and widespread distribution of a few names, that is, those with the greatest number of cognates in neighboring languages.

Seven of the terms involve borrowings, two of these apparently from French and five from English. These include terms for apples, peach, peaches, peas, potato, plum,

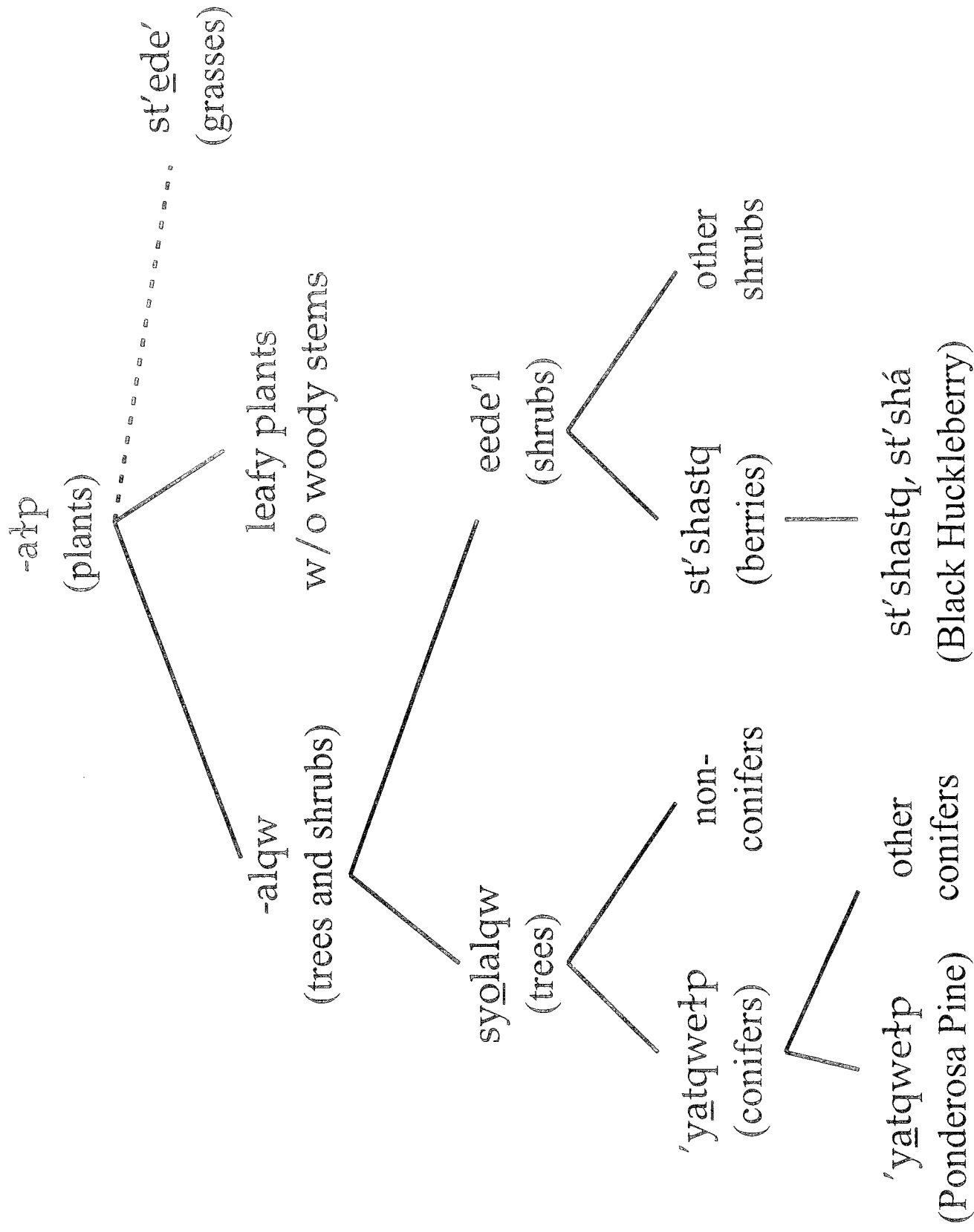


Figure 1: Taxonomy of plant forms in *Snchitsu'umshtsn*

(Fungi and lichens not included. Dotted line indicates hypothetical inclusion.)



and squash. Borrowings from English provided an occasion for some linguistic fun in the form of puns. The term for *squash* borrows the sound of squash as the Coeur d'Alene linguistic root *shar* 'troublesome, difficult' and elaborates it into a construction that seems to mean something like 'troublesome face in position', perhaps referring to carved pumpkins. Another example is the rendering of *peaches* as Cr *p̥ich-us* 'peach face'.

The cognate forms of the plant names of the seven IS languages are distributed along a cline decreasing in rough order from *Snchitsu'umshtsn* in the east to Lillooet in the west. The 11 terms with cognates in at least six of the seven languages include names for seven trees (five of which are evergreen), two berry bushes, one edible root and one edible bulb. At first glance, size, value in manufacturing, and subsistence value appear to be the major factors in their wide distribution, but other factors, such as trade and continuity of distribution on the landscape may be involved as well.

### Endnotes

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<sup>2</sup> It is quite possible that plant names that are known to a few living speakers of *Snchitsu'umshtsn* have not yet been recorded.

<sup>3</sup> The spatial prefix *ni*? 'amidst' occurred in (28), but it is omitted here because (28) is a complex term.

<sup>4</sup> The syllable with no stress or a reduced vowel is taken as the copy.

## Appendix I: Listing of *Snchitsu'umshtsn* Plant Terms

### Data Format

*Data fields:*    *Snchitsu'umshtsn* practical orthography  
                    phonetic representation [\* after term indicates reconstruction]  
                    morphological analysis  
                    morpheme glosses  
                    English name(s) and source(s); scientific name  
                    cultural and historical notes  
                    linguistic proto forms and lists of cognates

In the morphological analysis field, morphemes are separated by hyphens. Morphemes may be formed by reduplications (RDP), which generally operate on the roots, either by complete reduplication, reduplication of consonants with vowel reduction, or partial morpheme reduplications of either initial or final segments. Linguistic roots are prefixed with the  $\sqrt{\hspace{0.1em}}$  symbol. In a reduplication, if the first instance were stressed, it would be labeled as the root and the RDP marker would follow. For an explanation of *Snchitsu'umshtsn* reduplication, see Doak (1997:27-29).

In the morpheme glosses field, the gloss for each morpheme is separated from its predecessor or follower by a hyphen. Alternative glosses of a single morpheme are separated by a tilde (~). The words of phrases are linked by periods. For example, the expression *on-RDP-wind~wrap.string.evenly-skin* has three morpheme glosses, if one does not count the reduplication. The gloss for the second morpheme has two alternatives: *wind* and the phrase *wrap.string.evenly*. The reduplication applies to the second morpheme, as will be evident from inspecting the phonetic form and the morphological analysis, which flags the linguistic root.

Etymologies are often problematic. What may seem obvious analyses for a root or substantive suffix turn out not to be valid as etymological sources when a term is compared to its cognates in other languages. One can only have confidence in an interpretation when it is attested by a native speaker. One can only have confidence in an etymology when its meaning is attested by native speakers and the analysis is also

supported by comparative evidence. Etymological and interpretive guesses are marked with a preceeding question mark. Guesses are generally made only where some known characteristic of the plant fits the interpretation of the root. Where one can have little confidence in an analysis of the root, a question mark appears in the morphological analysis.

### Listing of Plant Terms

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| <p>(1)    <u>achachna</u>łq<sup>w</sup><br/>             ʔačačnáłq<sup>w</sup><br/>             √ʔačačn-áłq<sup>w</sup><br/>             ʔ-plant<br/>             ʔYew (<i>Taxus brevifolia</i> Nutt.)<br/>             This plant is identified as Rocky<br/>             Mountain Juniper, <i>Juniperus</i><br/>             <i>scopulorum</i>, in K&amp;S, but<br/>             Kinkade now questions that<br/>             identification. Reichard<br/>             identified it as juniper (TIC:396).<br/>             Teit (1930:97) wrote:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Most bows were made of a<br/>             wood called<br/>             atse'tcēnalxw<sup>e</sup><br/>             ("bowwood"). This has not<br/>             been identified, but is said<br/>             to be a reddish wood,<br/>             similar to juniper, which<br/>             grows along creeks in the<br/>             mountains. It is not cedar.<br/>             The Thompson Indians call<br/>             yew (<i>Taxus</i>) "bowwood."<br/>             Juniper was rarely used.</p> | <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Teit (166), refers to it as<br/>             'bearberry'. He said that<br/>             "kinnikinnick, consisting of<br/>             bearberry leaves and red willow<br/>             bark, was mixed with tobacco in<br/>             smoking by most people, but not<br/>             by all".</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Compare the linguistic root<br/>             ʔá:lč to cognates Sh ʔelk (AHK)<br/>             and Th ʔéyk (T&amp;T, TTTY),<br/>             which occur without suffixes,<br/>             and both meaning 'kinnikinnick'.</p>  |
| <p>(2)    <u>alcha</u>łpalq<sup>w</sup><br/>             ʔá:lčałpalq<sup>w</sup><br/>             √ʔá:lč-ałp-alq<sup>w</sup><br/>             wild.cranberry-plant-tree~bush<br/>             'n. wild cranberry bush' (N1:24);<br/>             shrub, kinnickinnick berries<br/>             (DS); almost certainly<br/>             Kinnikinnick (<i>Arctostaphylos</i><br/>             <i>uva-ursi</i>).</p>   | <p>(3)    <u>chkw</u>'lkwi'łq<sup>w</sup> (Sp)<br/>             čk<sup>w</sup>i'łk<sup>w</sup>i'łəq<sup>w</sup><br/>             č-k<sup>w</sup>i'l-√k<sup>w</sup>i'l-alq<sup>w</sup><br/>             on-AUG.RDP-red-tree~bush<br/>             'spirea' (MgM); possibly Flat-<br/>             topped Spiraea (<i>Spiraea</i><br/>             <i>betulifolia</i>).</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Cognates: Ok<br/>             tk<sup>w</sup>ək<sup>w</sup>ə'łk<sup>w</sup>i'łlaʔq<sup>w</sup>. There is a<br/>             conflicting note that this is an<br/>             onion-like plant with large white<br/>             umbelliferous blooms and a flat<br/>             root.</p> |
| <p>(4)    <u>ch</u>'awqh*<br/>             č'áwəx*</p>  | <p>--<br/>             --<br/>             Teit (1930:89) has tc'awəx<br/>             "Probably Fritillaria pudica".</p>  |

- (5) daretdutdutp  
daretdutdutp  
dar-et-√dut-dut-p  
containers.stand-CONN- rustle-  
AUG.RDP-INC  
'n. poplar, species of (lit. small,  
round leaves that rustle-white  
bark with spots and stripes)'  
(N1:62); probably Trembling  
Aspen (*Populus tremuloides*);  
see also (6) dutdutp .
- (6) dmdmu'qeyni'  
dmdmu'qeyni'  
dem-√dem-u?-qin-i'  
AUG.RDP-?old-?-head-NOM  
English name not given; possibly  
yarrow (*Achillea millefolium*), a  
herbaceous perennial. This plant  
is good medicine for colds. It has  
white flowers and is about one  
foot high. It is bitter when  
flowers are boiled; the roots are  
not as strong (MM, LN). On a  
field trip, yarrow was identified  
as "Coeur d'Alene tea", taken for  
the kidneys an excema. It is  
gathered on Moses Mountain. It  
has a long root. You milk it and  
put it on a child three times as a  
cure for shingles (WH). It is also  
called "bears ears" (LF).
- (7) dutdutp  
dutdutp  
√dut-dut-p  
rustle-AUG.RDP-INC  
'n. poplar tree' (N1:64);  
Trembling aspen (*Populus  
tremuloides*); see also (4)  
daretdutdutp

- (8) etqhwe'  
?étx<sup>w</sup>e?, ?átx<sup>w</sup>e?  
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'camas' R38: 658; N1: 173; N2:  
88; (local variety, Benewah, Co.,  
Idaho — DS); 'brown camas'  
(MS); Edible Blue Camas  
(*Camassia quamash*);  
x<sup>w</sup>e ?acmárk<sup>w</sup>e ha ?étx<sup>w</sup>e? 'that  
which is seasoned with blood  
(mixed) with camas'; Nicodemus  
has 'etqhwe 'n. camas (baked)'  
and also apt' etkhwe 'n. camas  
(a sweet edible bulb) baked';  
qe'mes 'n. (Nez Perce) baked  
camas'; see also,  
sqha'wlutqhwe,  
p'ekhwpuhkw and markwe'.

See description of earth  
oven and preparation of camas,  
"An Old Time Indian's Story"  
*Coeur d'Alene Teepee*,  
December, 1939, p. 307-8:

She digs and digs the  
camas for several days till  
she gets enough. Two or  
three from her relatives join  
together to bake the camas.

Now its done. A pit is  
dug into the ground about  
three feet deep; about six  
feet in diameter. A fire is  
made. Plenty rocks are  
placed on the fire till they  
get red hot. With a long  
forked pole, the red hot  
rocks are rolled into the pit.  
Wide leaves are place over  
the red hot rocks. Soft wet  
mud is spread over the  
leaves. Then again wide  
leaves spread over the soft  
mud. Then moss from pine  
trees is spread over the top  
leaves. Moss is used

repeated over many times. At top, wide leaves are spread over the camas. Soft wet mud spread on top, as soft wet mud used at bottom and top to prevent camas from burning. Finishing works, fire is built over the top about three times. The immense heat from the bottom and top bakes or steams the camas.

When finished, it forms a large cake about 16 inches thick, about six feet in diameter, its flavor delicious. It makes the Coeur d'Alene smack their lips when eating. The camas—one of the most precious foods. The good Mother Earth gives it to the Coeur d'Alene Indians.

At a place about three miles from DeSmet, at a point of a small hill discernable yet, three little mounds of dirt and little rocks which have been used to bake the camas extending many hundred years ago. The Coeur d'Alenes would remain at Ne logulko [Ni'lokhwalqw 'Cut in the Woods'; see Palmer (In press)] during the summer season, then they journeyed back to Chatcolet, head of canoe navigation; then scatter to their quarter well supplied with camas. Ne logulko camas has good delicious flavor.

The leaves were gathered from around Indian Creek. Rocks

were placed around the bottom. The camas was put on leaves. You can put as many sacks as you want in. A tiny fire burns for three days on top. It must be a slow fire. Camas is dug with piyc'e' [piyc'e?], an iron digging stick (MG). Camas was dug by MG's and LN's families at chetche'mch'm [četčémčm] 'grasping handfulls' around July 4, near Sanders.

MS tells of digging camas on the flat below the DeSmet mission. When preparing to bake camas she picked wide leaves, got pine cones, cleaned the camas, put it in a gunny sack, sprinkled water on it. It was put in a hole three feet deep, or deeper, covered with leaves, then pine cones, then more leaves. A fire was made over it for three days, but no fire was put in the pit first. She made black moss (gathered by climbing trees) the same way, but she did not mix moss and camas. According to MT, camas and masms could be cooked at the same time, but in different sacks. Her grandmother afterward put camas in bags to dry and made patties of masms, which was used like cookies.

Teit (1930) reported that after baking, camas and cous were mashed and kneaded into flat cakes. Camas and black lichen were sometimes cooked to a paste, cooled and cut into cakes which were dried on frames of slats woven with bark or thongs. Such cakes could later be boiled for soup. He also reported that camas was traded (1930:114). "Large cakes of camas, etc., were dried on frames made of slats or

split pieces of wood, similar to those used by the Thompson for drying cakes of berries on. The slats were woven together with bark, or occasionally with thongs, or other kinds of string" (1930:93).

Some information on the distribution of camas in the territory of the *Schitsu'umsh* is given in Palmer (1998: 316):

Roots were available in many meadows, large and small. Perhaps the most productive grounds for camas and wild onions were near the modern town of DeSmet in the prairie called *Ni'lokhwalqw* 'Cut in the Woods' no doubt the same place referred to as Nedl-whuald by Sohon who observed parties of several tribes including Nez Perces and Coeur d'Alenes digging roots there in 1860.... Camas and wild onions were also dug in the neighboring localities of Tekoa, Sawmill, Sheep Creek, Sanders, Emida, Potlatch, and with the Spokanes, on the west side of Water Lily Lake.

RF describes contemporary gathering of camas, but notes that "Most of the good Camas fields have now been taken over by wheat and barley."

Compare PIS \*ʔitxʷaʔ with cognates in Th, Ok-Cv, Cm, Sp-Ka-Fl. The é in Cr is unexpected.

- (9) hnhalaatsɛ'  
hnhala:cé?  
n-√hala:cé?  
in-?  
'raspberry. n.' (N1: 91); Wild Raspberry (*Rubus idaeus*); Teit (1930:89) has nɣalā'tsê "*Rubus* sp. (raspberry)."

Cognates: Sp 'l'ác (BFC) and Fl 'llác (JH), both identified as *Rubus idaeus*.

- (10) hnt'apʔts'e'entsotn  
hnt'apʔc'e'encótn  
n-√t'ap-ʔ-c'e?-n-cút-n  
in-shoot-CONN-skin~hide-TR-REFL-NOM  
'pineapple,' the ordinary domestic pineapple (*Ananas comosa*)  
Reichard (1938:222) analyzed the term as "what shoots self through inside."

- (11) hnt'it''me'łps  
hnt'it'méʔłps\*  
n-t'i-√t'em-elps  
in-INT.RDP-?-throat~mane  
'n. gooseberry' (N1: 106); probably Wild Gooseberry (*Ribes* sp.); Teit (1930:90) has nt'it'emêłps "*Ribes* sp. (red gooseberry)."  
Cognates include PS \*t'amáxʷ, PIS \*t'am- (with reduplication and a new suffix), Ok nt'it'mələps (AM-B, TBK); Sp nt'ét'm'łps (BFC) 'mountain gooseberry' (both identified as *Ribes irriguum*), Fl ntètemêłps (JG) 'currants' or nt'e (SGT) 'gooseberry'. The term is not attested from Cm, Sh, Th, or Li.

- (12) hnts'łtsi'łkhwqi  
 ncl'cil'x<sup>w</sup>qí  
 n-cl'-√cel'x<sup>w</sup>-qín  
 in-AUG.RDP-?-head  
 Probably Pineapple Weed  
 (*Matricaria matricarioides*).  
 This is used for colds. It grows  
 about one hand high from ground  
 on sidehills (LN). It doesn't have  
 much of a flower. The flower is  
 egg-like.

Cognates include Sp  
 nclclx<sup>w</sup>qín 'pineapple weed'  
 (BFC) (*Matricaria*  
*matricarioides*). The form lacking  
 final n may be a borrowing from  
 Fl, where such truncation would  
 be normal.

- (13) ilch  
 ʔi:lč  
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 wild cranberry (N2: 355);  
 kinnickinnick berries (DS);  
 Kinnikinnick (*Arctostaphylos*  
*uva-ursi*); Teit (1930:90) has i'łtc  
 "Arctostaphylus uva-ursi  
 (bearberry)." Compare (2)  
 alchałpalqw and PIS \*ʔálk.

- (14) ka'us  
 káʔus  
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 'cous' (LA); probably Cous, or  
 Biscuitroot (*Lomatium cous*)  
 A cognate is Ok kaws  
 (TBK).

- (15) kwela\*  
 k<sup>w</sup>ela\*  
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 Teit (1930:89) has kwäla  
 "Crataegus sp. (red hawberry)."

- (16) k'wa'ysalqw  
 k<sup>w</sup> áýsalq<sup>w</sup>  
 √k<sup>w</sup> áýs-alq<sup>w</sup>  
 ?-tree  
 'n. cedar tree' (N1: 127; N2: 98);  
 Western Red-Cedar (*Thuja*  
*plicata*)  
 See also, Teit(1930: 47-48, 52,  
 61, 63, 65, 108). It refers to bark  
 used for coarse mats and coarse  
 bags (47-48), to twigs and  
 weaving for creels (52), to the  
 stitching rim of birch bark  
 baskets (52), to sewing threads of  
 split cedar bark for birch bark  
 baskets (52), to bark used for  
 baskets (rough) and bark used for  
 lodges (61). Where it is plentiful,  
 both dry and green cedar bark  
 used. Lodges made from this  
 bark accommodated one to four  
 families. The lodges were  
 generally verticle with overlap or  
 seam covers, with the bark out.  
 Boughs were used for floor  
 covering (63). The bark was dry  
 shredded and teased very fine to  
 use for tinder (65). The bark was  
 also used to make slow matches  
 for carrying fire (65). All canoes  
 were made of cedar bark, and  
 Teit includes a description (108).  
 Split cedar root used for sewing  
 canoes (108). A special kind of  
 cedar basket was made at the  
 time of the year when the sap  
 was rising and the bark was  
 easily peeled (RF). Compare  
 stk'we'ysecht, cedar branch and  
 siy 'cedar bark' (word root).

Strangely, there are no clear  
 cognates in other Salishan  
 languages. There is a  
*Snchitsu'umshtsn* root k<sup>w</sup> éý  
 'quiet, go easy'.

- (17) lipowee  
lipowe:  
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'peas' (MS); Garden Peas (*Pisum sativum*)  
The term is borrowed from the French *les pois*.
- (18) ʔaqhwʔuqhw  
ʔáxʷʔəxʷ\*  
√ʔáxʷ-ʔəxʷ  
?-AUG.RDP  
'n. (pl. form) cherries, wild cherries, chokecherries' (N1: 143; N2: 355); Choke Cherries (*Prunus virginiana*); Teit (1930:89) has ʔa'xʷʔəxʷ "Prunus demissa Walpers (chokecherry or black wild cherry)."  
Cognates: Cv ʔəxʷʔáxʷ or ʔuxʷʔáxʷ (AM); Sp ʔxʷʔóxʷ (BFC), Ka ʔoxʷʔóxʷ (HV), Fl ʔxʷʔó (JH) 'chokecherry'. All these suggest that the root was originally ʔəxʷ. A cognate or loan also appears in Chilliwack Halkomelem. Compare Cr √ʔəxʷ 'move rapidly'.
- (19) ʔaq'mkhw\*  
ʔáq'mxʷ\*  
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Teit (1930:92) has "Claytonia, ʔa'q'ämxʷ, but on p. 89, he defines the term as "root of an unidentified plant said to have a white flower and a small flat root."  
The roots were boiled."
- (20) ʔek'wʔuk'wt  
ʔek'w ʔuk'w t  
√ʔek'w -ʔek'w -t  
AUG.RDP-barb-INH  
'n. thistle, cactus' (N1: 144; N2: 334); probably a generic term for "sharp, spiney" plants, including Wild Thistles (*Cirsium brevistylum* and other spp.) and Cactus (*Opuntia* spp.)  
Cognates include Sh ʔək'wʔúk'w pt (AHK) 'thistle'; Ok lhuʔlháw't 'thistles' (TKB); Th tʔ'áq'tʔ'eq't (thistles, and thorny plants in general) (TTTTY).
- (21) marámʔpalqw  
marámʔpalqʷ  
√marám-aʔp-alqʷ  
medicine-plant-tree  
'n. medicine fir tree' (N1: 148; N2: 259); Subalpine Fir (and/or Grand Fir) (*Abies lasiocarpa*, *A. grandis*); Teit (1930:89) has marē'opa "Probably *Cnicus undulatus* Gray).  
From PIS \*mərín=aʔp, probably some kind of fir, but the Cm cognate means 'spruce', and in Halkomelem it is 'hemlock'. The Li and Ok-Cv are glossed 'balsam fir', the Sh one 'grand fir', and the Sp and Fl ones 'subalpine fir'. Only Th lacks a cognate among IS languages. Ok merílhp (TBK) (*A. lasiocarpa*). Cr has added a second suffix. See also (89) stmarímʔpecht, which probably refers to the branches of this form.



- (22) masawi (Sp)  
 masáwi  
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 'stink root' (MS); Edible  
 Valerian (*Valeriana edulis*)  
 Masawi is a smelly root; but  
 according to one consultant, it  
 was "made from moss to  
 ferment" (TN), perhaps meaning  
 it was mixed with moss. It is  
 probably 'valerian'. Cognates: Th  
 ?mecaí: (TTY); Ok meságý,  
 mesági?, meságwi? (THK)  
 'edible valerian' (*Valeriana  
 edulis*), Cv msáʷi? (TG)  
 'parsnip'; Cm mäsáʷi? (MDK)  
 'Indian limburger cheese'; Sp  
 msáwi? (BFC) 'edible valerian'  
 (*V. edulis*), Fl msáuie (JG)  
 'tobacco root'. See masms (23).

- (23) masms  
 másməs  
 √mäs-məs  
 ?-AUG.RDP  
 'stink root' (MS); 'vile-smelling  
 vegetable much liked by the  
 Coeur d'Alene' (R38: 565);  
 ?Fraseria (*Fraseria montana*); Teit  
 (1930:89) has mô'smən  
 "Probably *Daucus pusillus*."  
 Some say that masms or  
 masawi looked like celery, was  
 black and smelled. On July 19,  
 FA told me that masms had  
 bloomed over a month  
 previously; its flowers are  
 bunched on the end. Because of  
 the smell, you can't hide masms  
 root (MG). According to MS,  
 masms has big roots, like  
 carrots, about one and one-half  
 feet long and three to four inches

in diameter; after baking, they  
 mashed it up. MM says masms  
 was picked by Tyler's Creek; it  
 was put in a jar or put outside  
 because of the smell. The Spokane  
 term is msawie' [mäsáwie?]  
 (MM). Reichard has  
 an-məs-məs-átk<sup>wa</sup>? 'water is  
 full of *masmas*' (R38: 565). It  
 was made in little pans like a loaf  
 of bread, with wapatos  
 [*Sagittaria*] (WH). According to  
 MT, camas and masms could be  
 cooked at the same time, but in  
 different sacks. Her grandmother  
 afterward put camas in bags to  
 dry and made patties of masms,  
 which was used like cookies.

Teit (1930:92) has the  
 following:

Mô'smən roots ... were  
 cooked as follows. Hot  
 rocks were placed in the  
 bottom of the pit and a  
 layer of mud or wet clay  
 spread over the top. The  
 roots were put on top of the  
 mud and covered thickly  
 with grass. The whole was  
 then covered with earth. An  
 upright stick was left in the  
 middle, the lower end being  
 inserted between the rocks  
 at the bottom of the pit,  
 while the upper end  
 protruded above the earth  
 covering. This stick was  
 pulled out, and water  
 poured down the hole to the  
 hot rocks. The hole was  
 then plugged, and the roots  
 allowed to steam until  
 cooked.

Confusion over identity  
 may result from similarity of the

name to English "moss." Some say *m̥asms* was made from moss that grows on trees [probably *Alectoria jubata*; see *sech'əcht* (57)] (LF, CP, BL, TN). One consultant liked moss, but she wouldn't eat *m̥asms* (LvA). Teit (1930:92) reported that "black moss (*Alectoria*), camas, onions, and some other kinds of roots were cooked in the same kind of pit."

Cognates: OK  
*m'es̥m'esáGwi*, *m'es̥m'eságy* (TBK). See also *snch'łm̥asms* (72).

- (24) *mtsm̥tsi'ełp*  
*m̥acm̥aci'ełp*, *micmicí'ełp*  
 AUG.RDP-√*mec-i'ełp*  
 AUG.RDP-?-NOM-plant  
*Ceanothus* (FA); but more probably *Oceanspray* (*Holodiscus discolor*)  
 But Teit (1930: 82), has *metsem̥else'elp*, *Spiraea*, "Slender rods of wood ... were worn in the ears by children". Teit (1930: 117) observed that *Spiraea* sp. was used for armor vest of wooden rods. Teit's observation supports the identification, because *Spiraea* was an early genus synonym for *Holodiscus*.  
 Cognates: Sh  
*mets'mets'áytkwłhp* (GP)  
 'mock-orange, syringa'; Th  
*mec'mec'á:ya:łp* (TTY)  
 (*Oceanspray*); Ok *mec'mec'i'łp* (TBK) (*Oceanspray*); Cm  
*nm̥ac'iyáłp* (MDK) 'unid. plant'.

- (25) *mtsukw*  
*m̥icú:k<sup>w</sup>*

PS & PIS \**m̥acák<sup>w</sup>*

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 'n. wild black caps (berries)' (N1: 150; DS); Blackcap (*Rubus leucodermis*); Teit (1930:90) has *m̥etsu'q* "*Rubus leucodermis* Dougl. (blackberry or black raspberry)."

There are cognates in all IS languages, all Tsamosan, Tillamook, Twana, and Sliammon-Comox, and probably Musqueam. Sh, Sp-Fl, and Cr round the second vowel.  
 Cognates: Ok *mtsakw* (TBK); Th *metskw-áalhp* (TTY); the fruit in Th is *m̥acák<sup>w</sup>*.

- (26) *mulsh*  
*mulš*  
 PIS \**múl<sup>x</sup>*  
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 'cottonwood' (N1: 149); Cottonwood (*Populus balsamifera* ssp. *trichocarpa*)  
 Teit (1930: 45) reported that the rotten wood of the cottonwood was used to smoke hides. Many other uses for cottonwood were known in the Plateau.  
 There are cognates in all IS languages, except Cm. Ok *mulx*. Compare Th *múyx* "any tall bush."  
 (27) *naq'naq'tełp*  
*naq'naq'tełp*  
*naq'-√naq'-t-ełp*  
 AUG.RDP-rotten-INH-plant  
 'stink stink plant' (BL); possibly Canada Mint, or Field Mint (*Mentha arvensis*)  
*Naq'naq'tełp* grows in creeks.  
 Tea is made from it; but it has no

particular medicinal use. It smells like mint (BL).

Cognates: Cm  
 nəq' nəq' táłp (MDK) 'skunk-cabbage' (gloss uncertain). Ok  
 has nek' nek' tilhp (TBK)  
 (Western Sage, *Artemisia ludoviciana*, which grows in damp places, along rivers, but not in creeks; also strongly aromatic).

- (28) ni'sharusi'utm  
 niʔsarusiʔutm  
 niʔ-√sar-us-iʔ-ut-m  
 amidst-troublesome-face-?-  
 be.in.position-MDL  
 'n. squash' (N1: 160)  
 The name appears to be a borrowing from English. The morphology is analyzed here only because is clearly analyzable, and therefore probably represents not only an attempt to approximate the English phonetics, but also a kind of pun on the English term *squash*, and perhaps also on the *Snchitsu'umshtsn* form Shar 'Charles'.

- (29) paataq  
 pa:táq  
 PIS \*paták (though may be a loan word, possibly from Fr. *patate*)  
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 'potato' (N1: 162)  
 Potatoes were one of the first European domesticates adopted by the *Schitsu'umsh*. In 1843, the German botanist Charles Geyer found them not only cultivating, but selecting for the best strains, which they had brought "to a remarkable degree of perfection." He reported:

During my stay with the Skitsoes, in November 1843, the chief used to walk about every morning, two or three hours before daybreak, in the woods, where the Indians had built their lodges, singing out in a loud voice the order for the day, amongst others he repeated every morning: "Eat the small potatoes, save the big ones for planting!" This his people did for a long period. The size of their potatoes (English white) was not so extraordinary, but in quality they surpassed what I before and afterwards tasted in potatoes. In planting they laid the potatoes whole, in rows a little elevated, filling them afterwards up with soil about a foot deep (Geyer 1846).

Cognates: Li pəták (JVE);  
 Th pəték (T&T, TTTY); Sh

- p'ətak (AHK); Cv patáq (TG);  
Cm lapták (MDK); Ok paták  
(TBK); Sp, Fl patáq (BFC, JH,  
SGT).
- (30) pchłen\*  
pəčłén\*  
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Bitter Cherry (*Prunus  
emarginata*); 'bitter cherry'  
*Prunus emarginata* (Teit);  
Teit (1930:98) wrote "Most boys'  
bows were neatly wrapped with  
strips of pa'tčłen bark arranged  
very closely...." Based on the use  
of its cognates in neighboring  
languages, the term probably  
refers specifically to the bark as  
well as more generally to the  
tree. The first vowel should  
probably be [ə], rather than Teit's  
[a].  
Cognates include Th pəkłén  
(T&T, TTTY) 'wild cherry bark',  
Sh pakłen (AHK), Ok pəkłání  
(AM-B), Cm pəkpəkłńáłp  
(MDK). Ok peklhn'ílhp (TBK)  
(wild cherry tree).
- (31) paqpaqahñ  
paqpaqáñ  
paq-paq-áñ  
AUG.RDP-white-arm  
Teit (1930:90) has  
(sen)paqpaqá'xen "*Vaccinium*  
sp. (white huckleberry)."  
The name appears to refer to  
white things hanging on the arm,  
or perhaps on the branch.<sup>1</sup>
- (32) peqai\*  
péqai\*  
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- The term is from Teit (1930:91),  
who has päqai "Growing stalks  
of *Peucedanum* sp. (wild  
celery)."
- (33) pichelusa\*  
pičelúsa\*  
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unidentified root  
Teit (1930:135) wrote "Once  
[about 1860] a party of Coeur  
d'Alene were digging pitčēlū'sa  
roots, which were obtained only  
on the borders of the Nez Perce  
country." It appears to have the  
IS suffix -usa? 'berry', which is  
not a *Snchitsu'umshtsn* suffix.
- (34) pičus  
pičus  
pič-us  
peach-face  
Nicodemus has " pičus, n.  
peaches, peach-face." This is a  
borrowing from English, and  
evidently also a pun. See also  
spechasalqw (74).
- (35) piwye  
piwye, piúweə  
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cous (LN); camas from Nez  
Perce country (N1: 165); possibly  
Biscuitroot (*Lomatium* sp.); Teit  
(1930:89) has pī'wia "Probably  
*Lomatium kaus* Wats.? or  
(*Peucedanum cous* Watson)."  
It has purple flowers, but it is  
now rare due to spraying (FA). It  
is found in the rocks where it is  
dry (LN). It has a round root, like  
peanuts. It was dug back of Nez  
Perce and Old Mission at  
Cataldo. String and dry (MS). It

was obtained from Nez Perce and Colville (MT).

Teit (1930:49) reported that "a kind of winnowing bag made of Indian-hemp twine woven rather open was used for cleaning *píwia* roots. The mouth was tied, and the bag of roots either struck against a smooth rock or beaten with a short stick until the roots were cleaned" (see also, p. 93). He wrote that "Pi'wia was kneaded into flat cakes about an inch thick and of two sizes—a large size, from 1 to 2 feet in length; and a small one, of about the size of the hand" (1930:93). Cognates: Ok p'eliwa (TBK) (Hooker's balsamroot, *Balsamorhiza hookeri*); Sp péwye (BFC) (*Lomatium cous*, probably a loan).

- (36) plamsalq[w]  
plámsalq<sup>w</sup>  
√pláms-alq<sup>w</sup>  
plum-tree  
'n. plum tree' (N1: 281); Plum (*Prunus domestica* and other *Prunus* spp.);  
From *plams* 'plums', a loan word.

- (37) polpolqn  
pólpolqn  
√pul-pul-qn  
?-AUG.RDP-head  
thimbleberry (N2: 166; FA);  
Thimbleberry (*Rubus parviflorus*); Teit (1930:90) has po'lpolqen "*Rubus* sp. (probably thimble berry) (or possible salmon berry)."  
Cognates: Cv pálpəlqn (AM,TG); Cm púpulqn (MDK);  
Ok pelpelknílhl'm'x (TBK); Sp

pólplqn (BFC), Fl púpəlqn, pólpolkan (JH).

- (38) puntp  
puntp  
√pun-tp  
?-plant  
'cedar' (MT); probably Rocky Mountain Juniper (*Juniperus scopulorum*)  
It grows high. You make a tea out of it (MT).

Cognates: PIS \*pún=tp, Li pún-təp (JVE); all other IS languages have púntp, all meaning 'Rocky Mountain Juniper'. See achachna-tqw (1).

- (39) (a) p'ekhwpu<sup>h</sup>kw  
p'ex<sup>w</sup>pux<sup>w</sup>  
(b) p'ukhwpu<sup>h</sup>kw  
p'úx<sup>w</sup>pux<sup>w</sup>  
√p'éx<sup>w</sup>-p'ex<sup>w</sup>  
glow-AUG.RDP  
'n. camas (bulbs)'; 'prairie camas' (N2: 88, 170; R 1938: 658); 'white camas' (LvA); possibly *Lomatium canbyi*. Teit (1930:89) has p'äx<sup>w</sup>p'ex<sup>w</sup> "Root of an unidentified plant said to have a white flower and a small round root."  
Term 'white camas' refers to white bulb. LvA's grandmother threaded each bulb, 10 or 12 to a string, and dried them. Warriors would take them in their pockets. They had small clusters of yellow-orange flowers (LvA, WM). Small, red flowers; no leaves appear until the flowers die (WM). Grows in the Big Bend area (WM, LN). There is a small camas, apparently the same one, because it is also filling, dug

on rocky hillsides that tastes good, but you can't eat much of it because it causes a stuffed feeling; it is mixed with moss and baked, at which time it turns black; it is not the same as *etqhwe* or *piwye*; it is dug between here [Pummer area] and Rosalia. Related to *sp'ekhwench* (LN). See also *etqhwe* (8), *sqha'wlutqhwe* (78), and *sp'ekhwench* (76).

Cognates: *Sp p'ux<sup>w</sup>p'ux<sup>w</sup>* (BFC) *Lomatium canbyi*, *Fl pügpgug* (JG) 'flower var.'. In the Cr form, one might think that second p should probably also be glottalized, but Reichard and Nicodemus wrote the word without glottalization. The root *pux<sup>w</sup>* is 'blow'.

- (40) *p'ułp'ułtümsh*  
*p'ułp'ułtümš*  
*p'uł-√p'uł-t-ümš*  
 AUG.RDP-poison.ivy-INH-people  
 'poison ivy (lit. kind of  
 poisonous plant)' (N1: 172; RJ:  
 22; DS); Poison-ivy  
 (*Toxicodendron radicans*; syn.  
*Rhus radicans*)  
 The name appears to mean  
 'poisonous people'.

- (41) *p'up'u'nełp*  
*p'up'u?nełp*  
*p'u-√p'un<sub>INC. GLOT</sub>-ałp*  
 INT.RDP-? -plant  
 English term not given; probably  
 Northern Wormwood (*Artemisia*  
*frigida*) or Sagebrush (*Artemisia*  
*tridentata*).  
 This plant has small leaves for [at  
 the] head. As a tea it is drunk for  
 headache or it can be put in the

nose (CP). It is the same as  
 Colville *sqel'mis* [*sqəl'mís*].

Cognates: *Th p'əp'u?nłp*  
 (TTY) 'pasture/prairie  
 wormwood' (*Artemisia frigida*  
 and *Chrysothamnus nauseosus*);  
*Sh penp'nánłhp* (GP) 'sage' (*A.*  
*frigida*); *Fl p'up'unéłp* (JH)  
 'big sagebrush' (*A. tridentata*).  
 Therefore, all must be a kind or  
 kinds of sagebrush.

- (42) *qa'lqhełp*  
*qal'xełp*  
*√qal'x-ełp*  
 rose-plant  
 'n. bramble, briar (lit. a rose  
 bush)' (N1: 173); Wild Rose  
 (*Rosa* spp., *Rosa acicularis*, *Rosa*  
*woodsii*);  
 Compare *q'al'x<sup>w</sup>* 'hooked to'.

- (43) *qekhwqekhwłshiye'*  
*qex<sup>w</sup>qex<sup>w</sup>əlšíye?\**  
*qex<sup>w</sup>-√qex<sup>w</sup>-əls-íye?*  
 AUG.RDP-?prevent-arc.motion-  
 playingly  
 'skunk cabbage' (N1: 173);  
 Skunk-cabbage (*Lysichitum*  
*americanum*);  
 Compare *slaq'mn* (65) and  
*sits'sechiye* (61).

- (44) qhaln'n'nak'wa'a'lqs  
 ha sgwarpm  
 /xaln n'nak'w a'al'qs  
 ha sg<sup>w</sup>arpm/  
 xaln (n-√nek'w -alqs)<sub>DIM.GLOT</sub>  
 ha sg<sup>w</sup>arpm  
 lie.in.order (DIM.RDP-one-  
 spur~ridge)<sub>DIM.GLOT</sub> POSS bloom  
 'n. daisy' (N2: 184); possibly  
 Pussytoes, Fleabane, Aster  
 (*Antennaria* spp., *Erigeron* spp.,  
*Aster* spp.)  
 Apparently this term describes a  
 series or profusion of small  
 blossoms on a ridge or spur.  
 Compare qhal nek'we' 'another'  
 (N1: 184) and qhal sgwarpm  
 (45).
- (45) qhal sgwarpm  
 xal sg<sup>w</sup>arpm  
 xal sg<sup>w</sup>arpm  
 lie.in.order bloom  
 'n. dandelion' (N2: 184);  
 possibly Common Dandelion  
 (*Taraxacum officinale*), or  
 Mountain Dandelion (*Agoseris*  
 sp.);  
 Compare  
 qhaln'n'nak'wa'a'lqs ha sgwa  
 rpm (44).
- (46) qhasqhs, tsqhattsqhts  
 xásxəs, cxátcəxc  
 xás-xəs  
 good-AUG.RDP  
 a bitter, long, fuzzy root obtained  
 on the Clearwater and near St.  
 Maries (MT); probably Canby's  
 Lovage (*Ligusticum canbyi*);  
 It is mixed with tobacco to keep  
 tobacco from getting "thick" and  
 used by male healers in curing  
 gallstones. We (GP) have a field  
 note: qhasqhs tsqhattsqhts, i.e.
- 'It is very good, tsqhattsqhts'.  
 Teit (1930: 197) wrote "The  
 scent root called xásxəs was  
 dried and powdered fine, then  
 mixed with animal grease and  
 used as a salve on sores". It is a  
 deep root, hard to dig, good for  
 diarrhoea (WH). It is good for  
 diabetes and the heart (LF). MM  
 used qhasqhs in her cigarettes. It  
 was obtained from a mountain  
 near Newport. According to FA,  
 it is found in high elevations. MT  
 has qhasqhs, like cedar, used as  
 medicine under the tongue. The  
 root was cleaned and dried. It  
 was found at Dismal Lake, Elk  
 River, and near Plummer. It had  
 a big, white flower. It is taken  
 when one is getting a cold to  
 prevent coughing.  
 PIS \*xásxəs. It is not well  
 documented, but may occur  
 widely. Cognates: Th xásxast  
 (TTY) 'Canby's lovage'  
 (*Ligusticum canbyi*); Ok xásxəs  
 (P&L) 'ginseng', xásxəs (TBK);  
 Sp xásxəs (BFC) 'licorice root'  
 (*L. canbyi*), Fl xásxəs (JH)  
 'licorice-root' (*L. verticillatum*).
- (47) qhoqhłp  
 xóxłp  
 √xóx-łp  
 ?-plant  
 Cow Parsnip or "Indian  
 Rhubarb" (*Heracleum lanatum*);  
 Teit (1930:91) identified xó'xłp  
 as the "growing stalks of  
*Heracleum lanatum* Mich. (cow  
 parsnip or wild rhubarb)"  
 Qhoqhłp is a plant that grows  
 in swampy places. It is like  
 rhubarb or celery, only stronger  
 (MM).

Cognates occur in all IS languages except Li and Th. Glosses are various, but presumably just variants for the same plant. We have Sh  $\text{x}^w\text{te}\dot{\text{t}}\text{p}$  (AHK) 'rhubarb'; Ok-Cv  $\text{xux}^w\text{ti}\dot{\text{t}}\text{p}$  (AM-B,TG) 'Indian rhubarb, Indian celery'; Cm  $\text{x}^w\text{ux}^w\text{ta}\dot{\text{t}}\text{p}$  (MDK) 'wild celery'; Sp  $\text{x}^w\text{x}^w\text{te}\dot{\text{t}}\text{p}$  (BFC) 'cow parsnip', Ka  $\text{x}^w\text{te}\dot{\text{t}}\text{p}$  (BFC) 'cow parsnip', Fl  $\text{x}^w\text{te}$  (JH) 'cow parsnip'. This form is unusual in lacking a t.

- (48)  $\text{qoqo}'\text{li}'\text{t}$   
 $\text{q}^w\text{oq}^w\text{o}'\text{li}'\text{t}$   
 $\text{q}^w\text{o}-\sqrt{\text{q}^w\text{o}'\text{li}'\text{t}}$   
 INT.RDP-?-source<sup>2</sup>  
 'black pine' (N1: 174; N2: 58, 175); probably Lodgepole Pine (*Pinus contorta*)  
 Teit (1930:91) reported that the cambium layer of "black pine (*Pinus contorta* or *murrayana*)" was called  $\text{stetsamox}\dot{\text{t}}\text{se}'\text{nem}$ .<sup>3</sup>  
 \*PIS  $\text{*q}^w\text{li}'\text{t}$  'lodgepole pine'; cognates of this term appear in all IS languages: Li  $\text{q}^w\text{li}\text{tez}'$  (JVE) 'jack pine'; Th  $\text{q}^w\text{li}'\text{t}$  (T&T,TTTY) 'lodgepole pine, jack pine'; Sh  $\text{q}^w\text{aq}^w\text{li}'\text{t}$  (AHK) 'lodgepole pine, jack pine';  $\text{kwek}\text{wel}'\text{i}\dot{\text{t}}$  (TTTY) *Pinus contorta* or *Pinus ponderosa*; Cv  $\text{q}^w\text{aq}^w\text{li}'\text{t}$  (AM) 'lodgepole pine, jack pine'; Cm  $\text{kwol}\dot{\text{e}}'\text{k}$  (CV) (though Kinkade never elicited this term for any of the pines); Sp  $\text{k}^w\text{k}^w\text{l}'\text{i}\dot{\text{y}}\text{t}$  (BFC) 'lodgepole pine', Ka  $\text{kokol}\dot{\text{e}}'\text{.t}$  (CV) 'black pine', Fl  $\text{q}^w\text{aq}^w\text{al}'\text{it}$  (JH) 'lodgepole pine'.

- (49)  $\text{q}'\text{ip}'\text{khwe}'$   
 $\text{q}'\text{ip}'\text{x}^w\text{e}'$   
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 'walnut' (R38,39; N2: 181); probably Hazelnut (*Corylus cornuta*); Teit (1930:90) has  $\text{k}'\text{e}'\text{puxwa}$  "Nuts of the hazel tree."  
 Hazelnuts were obtained in trade from the Spokane and usually eaten raw (Teit 1930: 93, 112).  
 PS  $\text{*q}'\text{ap}'\text{ux}^w$ , PIS  $\text{*q}'\text{ap}'\text{x}$  'hazelnut'. Cognates, all glossed as 'hazelnut': Li  $\text{q}'\text{ep}'\text{x}^w$  (JVE); Th  $\text{q}'\text{ap}\dot{\text{u}}\text{x}^w$  (T&T,TTTY); Sh  $\text{qep}\dot{\text{x}}\text{w}$  (AHK); Cv  $\text{q}'\text{ip}\dot{\text{x}}\text{w}\text{a}'$  (AM,TG); Cm  $\text{q}'\text{ap}'\text{x}\text{w}\text{a}'$  (MDK); Sp  $\text{q}'\text{ep}'\text{x}^w\text{e}'$  (BFC), Fl  $\text{q}'\text{ep}'\text{x}^w\text{e}'$  (SGT).

- (50)  $\text{q}'\text{olsalqw}$   
 $\text{q}'\text{ólsalq}^w$   
 $\sqrt{\text{q}'\text{óls}-\text{alq}^w}$   
 willow-tree<sup>4</sup>  
 'n. pussy willow' (N1: 182); Willow (*Salix* sp.)  
 $\text{Q}'\text{olsalqw}$  is used for baskets.  
 PIS  $\text{*q}'\text{w}\text{als-}$  'willow sp.', is based on Th, Sh, Ka, and Cr forms. Th and Sh use the plant suffix, the other three the tall object suffix. Cognates: Th  $\text{q}'\text{wuys}\dot{\text{e}}\dot{\text{t}}\text{p}$  (T&T,TTTY) 'silver willow' (*Elaeagnus commutata*); Sh  $\text{q}'\text{wlse}\dot{\text{t}}\text{p}$  (AHK) (*Salix scouleriana*); Sp  $\text{q}'\text{w} \text{q}'\text{wl}'\text{sálq}^w$  (BFC) (*S. sitchensis*, *S. scouleriana*), Fl  $\text{kolsálko}$  (JG) 'willow'.



- (51) qwliw'ish  
q'wəliwəl's  
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raw (LN)  
'n. onion, bulb' (N1: 179; N2: 356); Onion (*Allium* sp.); Teit (1930:89) has q'wəliw'ic "Allium sp., probably *cernuum*."  
Compare q'wəliw 'gather food (bear)' (RJ: 28).  
PIS \*q'wəliw 'onion sp.'.  
Cognates are found in all IS except Cm, and one is given for Squamish by Boas (where it would presumably be a loan word); Li q'wəléwe? (JVE); Th q'wəléwe(?), qwla:wa:(?) (T&T, TTTY) 'nodding onion' (*Allium cernuum*); Sh kweláwa (GP) (*Allium cernuum*); Ok kweláwi, kweliwa (TBK) (*Allium cernuum*); Sp q'wəléwi (BFC) (*A. geyeri*); Fl q'wəléwe? (SGT). Cr has put a new ending on the form.
- (52) qw'lw'lmni'tp  
q'wə'q'wə'lmni'tp  
q'wə'-√q'wə'-mn-i'tp  
AUG.RDP-dark-used.for-plant  
'n. sagebrush (lit. dark dark plant)' (N1: 179); Big Sagebrush (*Artemisia tridentata*);  
Cognates: Ok kw'lw'kwel'mni'hp (TBK) 'big sagebrush' (*Artemisia tridentata*); Sp q'w'lw'lmné'tp (BFC) 'sagebrush' (*A. tripartita*).
- (53) q'wosq'ws\*  
q'w'osq'wəs\*  
√q'w'és-q'wəs  
AUG.RDP-gather
- Probably Cattail (*Typha latifolia*); term is from Teit (1930: 47, 93).  
The large leaves of this plant were woven into small berry mats; grows near lakes. The "rushes (*Typha latifolia*)" were used for mats and bags (1930: 47).  
Cognates: Ok q'wəsq'wastqín (AM-B, TBK) "cattail fruiting heads"; Cm q'wəsq'wastqín (MDK); Sp sq'wastqín (BFC). It is usually glossed as 'cattail' or 'tule'. This seems to be a Southern Interior form only.
- (54) sampqn\*  
sámpqn\*  
s-?√em-p-qn\*  
NOM-sit-INC-head  
Teit (1930:90) has sa'mpaqen "Lonicera involucrata".<sup>5</sup>
- (55) s'áplsalqw  
s'áplsalq'w  
s-√?ápls-alq'w  
NOM-apples-tree  
apple tree (N1: 252); Apple (*Malus sylvestris*)  
Borrowed from English. Th ?ápls (TTY).
- (56) schne'rmn  
sčné?rmn  
s-č-√nir(GLOT)-mn  
NOM-on-paint(INC)-used.for  
Probably Sagebrush Buttercup (*Ranunculus glaberrimus*); Teit (1930:95) has stcEnä''rEmEn "[month] named from a yellow flower (probably *Ranunculus* sp.)."  
Schne'rmn is the name of the season, April. The term may have

the sense of "used for painting on surface".

In Ok and Ka the cognates are specifically identified as

'sagebrush buttercup'

(*Ranunculus glaberrimus*).

Cognates: Ok skeńírmń (TBK);

Cm s(k)nʒírmń (MDK)

'buttercup'; Sp sčńírmń (BFC),

Ka sčńál'mń (BFC), Fl

sčiniyál'mn (JH). See also,

stch'iiháyus.

(57) sech'echt

sēc'ečt

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Black Tree Lichen (*Bryoria fremontii*); moss on a tree (N1: 197; FA); Teit (1930:91) has sǎ'tc'etct "black tree moss, *Alectoria jubata* l. Much used long ago."

After it is cooked it is called smǎlqn (FA). This term should mean "dirty head" < s-mal-qn, NOM-dirt-head. Teit (1930:92-93) reported the following

Black moss (*Alectoria*), camas, onions, and some other kinds of roots were cooked in the same kind of pit, but without steaming. Hot stones were put in the bottom of the pit, then a layer of grass, the roots, grass again, a layer of bark, and over all, earth. A fire was built on top, and kept going, sometimes for two days.

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*Alectoria*, and sometimes also camas, was cooked

in pits until it became a paste, which, when cooled, was cut into bricks or cakes of various sizes. As among the Thompson, bone knives were used for cutting these cakes. Long ago *Alectoria* was generally cooked by itself; but in later times it became the custom almost invariably to cook and cake it with wild onions.

Cognates: Cm sxk'ákst (MDK).

(58) shaqhshaqhtałp

šaxšaxtałp

šax-√šax-t-ałp

AUG.RDP-?-INH-plant

'n. spruce' (N1: 320; N2: 199);

Engelmann Spruce (*Picea engelmannii*);

Compare Ok c'iq'c'eq't (TBK)

and Th cǎaʔz-á:łp (TTTY).

Reichard had tsaxtsaxtałp

(TIC). There is a Cr root cex

'augment (save)'.

(59) sisch

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'n. species of wild onion' (N1:

203); siich 'little wild onions'

(MT); possibly Onion (*Allium*

sp., *A. douglasii*); Teit (1930:89)

has sistc "Allium sp., possibly

*geyeri*).

All the Southern Interior languages have related forms, but they are etymologically irregular.

Cognates: Ok saxk (AM-B, TBK)

(*A. douglasii* and/or *A. geyeri*);

- Cv sʔəhk (TG); Cm sáhk  
(MDK); Sp séhč (BFC), Fl séhč  
(JH).
- (60) sitsseetsiye  
sicse:ciye  
√sic-sic-iyi  
?-AUG.RDP-playingly  
'n. rock lichen' (N1: 204);  
possibly Lichen (?*Peltigera* sp.);
- (61) sits'sechiye  
sic'sečiya  
√sic'seč-iyə  
?-playingly  
'skunk cabbage', 'yellow root'  
(*Veratrum viride*) (CP, MT);  
Indian Hellebore (*Veratrum  
viride*)  
MT calls this "yellow root". The  
long, flat root is boiled for sores  
and piles (hemorrhoids). To  
shrink piles, one sits on it while  
it is still steaming in the can.  
Compare sits'sits'm 'bedding  
(lit. blankets)' (N1:204). See also  
qekhwqekhwłshiyə' (43) and  
slaq'mn (65).
- (62) (a) skhwaayapa'qn  
sxʷá:yapaʔqn\*  
(b) sqwaayapa'  
sqʷáyapaʔ\*  
(c) sqaypaqn  
sqaypáqn  
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'n. wild rose bush' (N1: 207,  
297; N2: 297, 356); Wild Rose  
(*Rosa acicularis* and other *Rosa*  
spp.); There are several forms in  
Nicodemus's two volume  
dictionary. He has  
sqaypaqn, skhwaayapa'qn

'wild rose bush' and  
sqayapq', sqwaayapa' 'rose  
hip' (N2: 207, 297). Teit  
(1930:90) has  
tSEXwtSEXw-sxwoiyépä 'Rosa  
sp. (roseberry)' [hyphen added -  
GBP].<sup>6</sup>

The practice of burning rose  
bushes to drive out ghosts after  
death is known, but no longer  
practiced by Coeur d'Alenes  
(MM).

Cognates: Ok skwekwíw'  
"hips", skwekwew'ilhp "bush"  
(TBK) (*Rosa* spp.); Cm  
xʷiyápaʔ (MDK) 'rosehip'; Sp  
sxʷáyapałq 'rosehip', Fl xʷáyé  
(SGT) 'rose plant'. There may be  
two separate stems, of which  
only skhwaayapa'qn has close  
cognates.

- (63) sk'ust  
skʷust  
s-√kʷus-t  
NOM-ghost-INH  
'n. cedar' (N1: 206; N2: 98);  
possibly Western Red-cedar  
(*Thuja plicata*);  
sk'ususche', n. ghost,  
apparition, also (R38: 620); see  
also k'wa'ysalqw (16).
- (64) sk'waqhk'waqhełkwa'\*  
skʷaxkʷaxəłkwaʔ\*<sup>7</sup>  
s-?√kʷex-kʷex-ił-kʷe?  
NOM-claw-AUG.RDP-inside-water  
(Teit 1930:95) has  
".skwaxkwaxhełkwa (?)" —  
"name of a flower that grows in  
the water at this season" (about  
May).  
This is also the name of the  
season around May. Compare Th  
n-lhek-lhk-átkwu 'leaves-on-

- top-of-the-water' Yellow Pond-Lily (*Nuphar polysepalum*) and Th np'ak'em-átkwu 'moldy-on-water' Water Knotweed (*Polygonum amphibium*) (TTY).
- (65) slaq'mn  
 slaq'mn  
 s-laq'-mn  
 NOM-?-used for<sup>8</sup>  
 One consultant identified this as 'skunk cabbage' (CP from MT); Indian Hellebore (*Veratrum viride*)  
 Slaq'mn was used for medicinal purposes. It cured a problem with the throat. It was packed on, not drunk (CP from MT) [NOTE: THIS PLANT IS POISONOUS]; same as sits'sechiye (CP) (61). Cognates: Ok skelík'mn (TBK). See also, qekhwqekhwłshiye' (43).
- (66) sleqalqw\*  
 səleqálq<sup>w\*</sup>  
 s-leq-álq<sup>w</sup>  
 NOM-?-tree  
 The term is from Teit (1930:115), who wrote "Handles of spears were of various kinds of wood, particularly an unidentified wood called səleqa'lq<sup>w</sup>." Compare słaq (67). A root of the form leq, if that is what this linguistic root actually is, could have the meanings 'bury' or 'pull out'.
- (67) słaq  
 słaq  
 s-łaq  
 NOM-serviceberry  
 'n. service berry' (N1: 213); Serviceberry, or Saskatoonberry (*Amelanchier alnifolia*); sqatpalqw [sqatpalq<sup>w</sup>], service berry shrub (FA).  
 Formerly they dried them in a small flour sack (like bitterroots, white camas, and dark camas) and took them to Kettle Falls, Yakima, and Celilo falls and traded for dried salmon, blankets, shawls, beadwork, moccasins. Susan Michael would put her shawl down and put stuff on it. A 10 pound bag of camas might be traded for four salmon. The service berries in the Coeur d'Alene area are good. Teit (1930:93) wrote:
- Service berries were generally spread on mats (often tent mats were used for the purpose) and dried in the sun. When cured, they were stored in bags. Often the fresh berries were mashed in baskets with wooden pestles like those of the Thompson, and made into cakes, which were dried on layers of grass spread on frames elevated on scaffolds of poles.
- ...
- Service berries and huckle berries were sometimes boiled, and then eaten; or, like fresh raspberries, strawberries, blackberries, chokecherries, they were sometimes mashed and eaten without boiling.

Teit (1930:99) also reported that Serviceberry wood was the principle wood employed in making arrows. RF reports its use for making digging sticks for roots. Compare sleqalqw (66).

Cognates: Ok słaq (TBK); Cv słaq (AM); Sp, Ka, Fl słaq (BFC,HV,JH).

- (68) smalqn  
smálqn\*  
s-√mál-qn  
NOM-dirty-head  
'cooked moss' (N1: 263); Black Tree Lichen (*Bryoria fremontii*); See also sech'echt (57).

- (69) smi'lkhw  
smi'lx<sup>w</sup>  
s-√mi'l-x<sup>w</sup>  
NOM-distribute-VOL  
tobacco (N2:336).  
The morphological analysis is hypothetical. Teit (1930:113) asserted that tobacco was not grown by the Couer d'Alene, but it was imported, perhaps from the Spokane.

- (70) smukwa'shn\*  
smúk<sup>w</sup>aʔšn\*  
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'sunflower' (LN); probably Balsamroot or Spring Sunflower (*Balsamorhiza sagittata*); Teit (1930:90) reported that the term smo''kwacem referred to the growing stalks of *Balsamorhiza*. The term mūtcto referred to "Seeds of *Balsamorhiza*, one or two sp., possibly also seeds of *Helianthus*

sp." This would be mīchtu in the *Snchitsu'umshtsn* ethnography. He noted that the Thompson cognate is *mi'kto* (prob. [mīktu]). Other possibilities are discussed in RF.

Cognates: CV has .smo'kwasxen. Cognates: Sh smúk<sup>w</sup>eʔxn (AHK) 'spring sunflower'; Ok smúk<sup>w</sup>aʔxn (AM-B) 'balsamroot'; Cm smúk<sup>w</sup>aʔxn (MDK) 'short sunflower, balsamroot'; Sp smúk<sup>w</sup>eʔšn (BFC) (*Balsamorhiza sagittata*), Ka .smuqe'cen (CV) 'balsamorhiza'.

- (71) smqhwnełp\*  
sməx<sup>w</sup>nełp\*  
s-məx<sup>w</sup>-n-ełp\*  
NOM-?snowbound-?NOM-plant  
This unidentified plant is possibly Silverberry (*Elaeagnus commutata*), which has bark used for weaving. Teit (48) has somxone'lp, a bush that grows in the mountains. The bark is used for weaving bags.

- (72) snch'łmasms\*  
snč'łmásməs  
s-nič'-ł-másməs\*  
NOM-cut-CONN-máməs  
English name and botanical identity are unknown.  
It is medicine for diabetes; wash the roots, pour hot water over the clean roots, let sit awhile before drinking; it is too strong if boiled; it has a bitter taste. It has to be cut up and strung after digging because it is hard to cut up after it dries (CP). Compare masms (23).

- (73) sngwa'rus khwe e ti'tte  
 t'lmkhw  
 sng<sup>w</sup>arus x<sup>w</sup>e e ti'tte t'lmx\*  
 sng<sup>w</sup>arus x<sup>w</sup>e e ti't-te t'lmx  
 descendant PROX ART straight-  
 AUG.RDP-on.the.ground  
 'n. boysenberry (lit. descendent  
 of blackberry vine)' (N1: 218);  
 Boysenberry (*Rubus* hybrid);  
 See also, ti'tte t'lmkhw (110).

- (74) spechasalqw  
 spēčasalq<sup>w</sup>  
 s-pēčas-alq<sup>w</sup>  
 NOM-peaches-tree  
 'n. peach tree' (N1: 226); Peach  
 (*Prunus persica*);  
 This is a borrowing from  
 English. See also pičhus (34).

- (75) spichłena  
 spičłena:.\*  
 s-√pičłen-álq<sup>w\*</sup>  
 NOM-?leaf-tree  
 'n. birch' (N1: 227); probably  
 Paper Birch (*Betula papyrifera*);  
 We also have an unattributed  
 note: tqha'yeł[p] 'birch'. This  
 would refer to a large tree or  
 bush. Teit (1930) reports the use  
 of birch for baskets.

Cognate forms are attested  
 only in Ka: Sp pcčłnálq<sup>w</sup> (BFC)  
 'white birch' (*Betula* sp.); Ka  
 pčłńá? (BFC) 'Sitka alder'  
 (*Alnus sinuata*). The Sp form  
 supports the connection with a  
 root meaning 'leaf'. Compare the  
 linguistic root to  
*Snchitsu'umshtsn* pčtschele' "lit.  
 leaf, cabbage" (N1:164) and  
 pchłen (30).

- (76) sp'ekhwench  
 sp'éx<sup>w</sup>enč  
 s-√p'éx<sup>w</sup>-enč  
 nom-light~glow-belly~bank  
 probably Desert Parsley  
 (*Lomatium macrocarpum*);  
 Reichard has "hog fennel root"; a  
 root (N1: 229, MM);  
 Compare  
*Ylmíkhwm* Asp'ukhwenichelt,  
 "Chief Child of the Root" (R38:  
 606). It is a yellow root; when  
 you walk by a pond you can  
 smell it; grows just north of  
 Tilma; to prepare, wash, slice,  
 put in jar, put water in; in a little  
 while it turns yellow; some boil  
 it; it is real strong; mother boiled  
 it and mashed it up, put it on  
 sores before bandaging; it was  
 good for everything; they didn't  
 drink it (MM). There is a myth in  
 which Chief Child of the Root  
 traveled and met Kingfisher.  
 Sp'ukhwenichelt said "Sometime  
 the country will be full of people.  
 If you cook, people will say  
 that's Kingfisher's cooking. Let's  
 go take it from him. So, you will  
 eat it raw". Long ago, when the  
 names of animals were also the  
 names of people,  
 Sp'ukhwenichelt taught every  
 animal how to live (LN).

Cognates: Ok  
 sp'a7xwának (TBK)  
 "goatsbeard (*Tragopogon*  
*pratensis*)". Compare  
 p'ekhwpułhw (39).

- (77) sp'it'em  
 sp'it'em  
 s-√p'it'-em  
 NOM-?smooth, slick-MDL  
 n. bitterroot, rockrose (N1: 229);  
 Bitterroot (*Lewisia rediviva*);  
 Sp'it'em is gathered in May at  
 Big Bend. RF describes  
 contemporary gathering near  
 Spangle "right after Easter." They  
 are dug with the pitse' digging  
 stick, skinned, washed, put in the  
 sun to dry, and stored in a flower  
 sack or can. They are boiled, with  
 drippings, and eaten with sugar.

The PIS form is  
 \*s-p'ál'-m (BFC), with a reflex  
 lacking only in Li, although the  
 Sh form is probably borrowed  
 from Ok. Cognates: Th p'él'm  
 (MDK, T&T, TTY); ESh spił'm  
 (AHK); Ok sp'itl'm (TBK); Cv  
 sp'íl'əm (AM); Cm sp'ál'm  
 (MDK); Sp sp'él'm (BFC), Ka,  
 Fl sp'él'əm (HV, SGT).

- (78) sqhā'wlutqhwe  
 sxá:wlutx<sup>w</sup>e?  
 \*s-√xíw-al-?itx<sup>w</sup>a?  
 NOM-raw-CONN-cooked.camass  
 'n. camas (raw...)' (N2: 88, 208;  
 DS); probably Edible Blue  
 Camas (*Camassia quamash*);  
 Cognates: Ok and Ka have  
 cognate forms: Ok sx<sup>w</sup>al'it'x<sup>w</sup>a?  
 (AM-B), "bulbs when dug,  
 before cooking" (TBK); Sp  
 sx<sup>w</sup>e?litx<sup>w</sup>e?, sx<sup>w</sup>a?litx<sup>w</sup>e?  
 (BFC) (Ka and Fl have similar  
 forms, but truncated at the  
 stressed vowel). In these forms,  
 the rounding of the first x<sup>w</sup> may  
 be secondary. See also, ?étx<sup>w</sup>e?  
 (8) and p'ekhwpu<sup>w</sup>ukhw (39).

- (79) (a) sqhu'nech  
 sx<sup>w</sup>u?neč<sup>\*</sup>  
 s-?√x<sup>w</sup>i?n-ec<sup>\*</sup>  
 NOM-thorn<sub>INC.GLOT</sub>-seems.to  
 (b) sqhu'qhu'nichełp  
 sx<sup>w</sup>u?x<sup>w</sup>u?nečetp<sup>\*</sup>  
 s-x<sup>w</sup>u?-x<sup>w</sup>u?n-eč-ełp<sup>\*</sup>  
 NOM-AUG.RDP-thorn<sub>INC.GLOT</sub>-  
 seems.to -plant  
 'n. thornberry bush' (N2: 210; N  
 2: 334); Black Hawthorn  
 (*Crataegus douglasii*);  
 The term may refer more  
 generally to any thorning plant.  
 Teit has sxo''nate "*Crataegus* sp.  
 (black hawberry)", but also (p.  
 91) "*Opuntia* (sxu'wênätc).  
 Compare esxu?xu'nícep  
 '(some) thornbush' (R38: 660).  
 Johnson (1975:24) has x<sup>w</sup>in  
 'thornberry'. The longer version  
 sqhu'qhu'nichełp intensifies  
 the idea evoked by the linguistic  
 root.

Teit (1930:93) wrote:

Fresh berries of *Crataegus*  
 were boiled in baskets and  
 spread on thick layers of  
 grass. A thin layer of  
 berries was spread first, and  
 then juice poured over it.  
 When partially dry, the  
 process was continued until  
 the desired thickness of  
 cake was obtained or the  
 contents of the basket used  
 up. Sometimes *Crataegus*  
 and chokecherries were  
 mashed with pestles in  
 mortars or on large flat  
 stones, made into cakes,  
 and dried, in the same  
 manner as service berries.  
 Often stone pestles and

stone mauls were used instead of wooden ones, because of the large hard stones in these berries. It seems a number of forms were used. Hand hammers were also used.

<PHOTO OF MORTARS AND PESTLES, HERE>

Cognates: Ok  $sx^w a^? n\acute{u}k$  (berries),  $sx^w a^? x^? a n k \acute{u} p$  (bush) (TBK); Cv  $sx^w a^? n\acute{u}k$  (TG); Cm  $sx^w a^? n\acute{u}k$  (MDK); Sp  $sx e^? n\acute{e} \check{c}$  (BFC), Fl  $sx^w e^? n\acute{e}$  (JH) 'black hawthorn (fruit)' (*Crataegus douglasii*).

- (80)  $s q h u s m$   
 $s x \acute{u} s m$   
 $s - \sqrt{x}^w \acute{u} s - m$   
 NOM-foam-MDL  
 'foam berries', 'Indian ice cream' (MT); Soapberry, or Soopolallie (*Shepherdia canadensis*); Teit (1930:90) has  $s x o' s e m$  "*Shepherdia canadensis* Nutt. (soapberry or buffaloberry)."  
 This is a favorite dessert, picked at Buckhorn. They formerly dried it, but now they usually can it. It is prepared by stirring with a hand or a corn husk, then when it raised, put a little sugar in it (LvA). It is picked in June on Colville, when it is green and less bitter, or in August when huckleberrying. If the berries are kept in jar over 3 years, they lose the bitter taste. To can, just use water and boil for "a little while, that's all". It grows on this side of the bridge near Sand Point (BL). Some get it near Bonner's Ferry and Moye Springs (MT). According to Teit(1930: 112),

soapberry was obtained in trade from the Spokans.

The PIS form is

$*s - \sqrt{x}^w \acute{u} s - m$ . This is the form that occurs in all IS languages (Li lacks the s- prefix), and cognates or borrowings are widespread in Central Salish.

- (81)  $s q i g w t s$   
 $s q \acute{u} g^w c$   
 $s - q \acute{u} g^w c$   
 NOM-wapato  
 'water potatoes', 'wapato'; Wapato, Arrowleaf (*Sagittaria latifolia*); Teit (1930:89) has  $s q e i g e t s$  "Root of an unidentified plant said to have a white flower and a large long root, and just one leaf which grows on top of the water."

Sqigwts are dug with a forked stick at Chatkolet, Heydan Lake, and Harrison Lake, right along the shore in the last week of October and November; they are put in sack and put in the ground (MS). They are also dug with shovels, washed in the lake water, placed in plastic bags and paper sacks, and prepared just like a potato (RF). For the past five years, a powwow has been held to celebrate the water potato harvest (RF).

The PS and PIS form is  $*s - q \acute{a} w c$ , which is attested in all Central Salish languages except Twana and Pentlatch; a cognate also occurs in Tillamook. In the Interior, it is not attested for Th, Sh, or Cm.

Cognates: Li  $s q e w c$ ,  $q e w c$  (JVE) (Mt. Currie dialect only); Ok  $k a w s$ ,  $s k \acute{a} k a w' t s n$  (TBK) 'cous' (*Lomatium cous*) (a probable confusion of words); Sp



- sqáqwcñ (BFC) (*Sagittaria latifolia*), Fl sqáq<sup>w</sup>ocān, qáq<sup>w</sup>ocñ (SGT) 'water potato'.
- (82) sqwētm\*  
sq<sup>w</sup>étm\*  
s-q<sup>w</sup>ét-m  
NOM-?-MDL  
Teit (1930:89) has sqwä'tem  
"Claytonia sp."
- (83) sqweyu'  
sq<sup>w</sup>éyu?  
s-q<sup>w</sup>éy-u?  
NOM-blue.or.green-?  
'pl. n. Oregon grapes, grapes'  
(N2: 211); Oregon-grape  
(*Mahonia aquifolium*; syn.  
*Berberis*); Teit (1930:90) has  
sqwä'yu "Berberis sp. (Oregon  
grape)."  
Teit (1930: 44) noted that  
the roots of the Oregon grape  
(*Berberis* sp.) were boiled to  
make yellow dye.  
There are cognates in Cm  
and Sp: Cm q<sup>w</sup>iyu (MDK); Sp  
sq<sup>w</sup>úyu? (BFC) (*Berberis  
aquifolium*). These are certainly  
derived from 'blue'. The  
common linguistic root for blue  
or green in *Snchitsu'umshtsn* is  
q<sup>w</sup>n. The etymology of the -u?  
suffix is unknown, but might be  
-usa? 'berry'.
- (84) sqwaxt  
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Possibly Vine Maple (*Acer  
circinatum*) or Rocky Mountain  
Maple (*Acer glabrum*);  
This form is from Teit  
(1930:109). Teit identified it as
- maple-wood vine, used as wood  
for snowshoe frames.<sup>9</sup>
- (85) sq'i'ts'u'lmkhw  
sq'i?c'ul'mx<sup>w</sup>  
s-q'i?c'-ul'mx<sup>w</sup>  
NOM-grow-on.the.ground  
'n. crabgrass, grass' (N2: 210;  
N1); possibly Crab Grass  
(*Digitaria* sp.);  
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- (86) stch'iihayus  
stč'i:háyus  
s-t-č'i:háy-us  
NOM-attached-?-face~eye  
'buttercups' (N2:84); *Ranculus*  
sp.
- (87) stichskhwēlp<sup>10</sup>  
stičsx<sup>w</sup>élp, st'i?swełp (MT)  
s-tičsx<sup>w</sup>élp  
NOM-?  
'n. red willow (bitter berries)'  
(N1: 233; MT)  
This is red-osier dogwood  
(*Cornus stolonifera*), but native  
consultants in the Northwest  
always gloss it as 'red willow'.  
There is evidently some  
confusion between snowberries  
and 'red willow' or red-osier  
dogwood; compare stičtskhw  
(88) Reichard gives a Cr form  
without the 'plant' suffix.  
Cognates: Ok stiktsxw,  
stektektxwílhp (TBK) (red-  
osier dogwood berries and bush);  
Cv stíkcx<sup>w</sup> (AM); Cm stákcx<sup>w</sup>  
(MDK); Sp stēc<sup>w</sup>x (BFC), Fl  
stēc<sup>w</sup>cx<sup>w</sup>, sčtx<sup>w</sup>é (JH). The  
*Snchitsu'umshtsn* change of ł to l  
has resulted in the term being  
reanalyzed by LN as  
s-tičs-x<sup>w</sup>el-p (NOM-

- raised.in.ground-live-INC). This shows the difficulty of drawing conclusions about etymology in the absence of comparative data.
- (88) stichtskhw  
stičtsx<sup>w</sup>  
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pl. n. snowberries (N1: 233); possibly Red Willow, or Red-osier Dogwood (*Cornus stolonifera*) because both have white fruits; Teit (1930:89) has stitctsx<sup>w</sup> "*Cornus pubescens* Nutt. (red willow berry)." There is evidently some confusion between snowberries and red willow or red-osier dogwood, probably because all have white fruits; compare stichskhwelp (87) and tmtmni'ełp (102).
- (89) stmarimłpecht  
stmarimłpečt  
s-t-marim-łp-ečt  
NOM-attached-medicine-plant-whole.hand~branch  
"Indian Mentholatum", "Indian perfume" (LA); possibly Grand Fir (*Abies grandis*), or Subalpine Fir (*A. lasiocarpa*); BL's grandmother made her drink an infusion from branches when she didn't feel good. If you catch a bad cold, it will clear your lungs out (FA). Stmarimłp is something like fir, smells good, has a sharp top (MM). Balsam poles and branches used for temporary lodges (Teit 1930: 62). See also, maramłpalqw (21). Stmarimłpecht probably refers
- to the branches of maramłpalqw.
- (90) stsaqwm  
s-cáq<sup>w</sup>-m  
s-cáq<sup>w</sup>-m  
NOM-pink-MDL  
'strawberry' (field notes); Wild Strawberry (*Fragaria virginiana*, *F. vesca*); Teit (1930:90) has stsa'qom "*Fragaria californica* C. and S. (strawberry)." N2(324) has "strawberry (wild...), n. stsaqm."
- (91) sts'erus  
sc'érus\*  
s-c'é-r-us\*  
nom-hurt-face~eye  
'currents' (LN, N1:241); Teit has tsê'rus "*Ribes* sp. (wild currant)."  
Cognates are found in the Southern Interior only: Ok scírus (AM-B) 'golden currant' (*Ribes aureum*); Cm sc'írs (MDK) 'currant, gooseberry'; Sp sc'írus (BFC) 'golden currant' (*R. aureum*).
- (92) st'ada'qn  
st'ada?qn  
s-t'ada?-qn  
NOM-grass-head  
'wheat' (MS); Wheat (*Triticum aestivum*); N1 (242) has st'edde'qn 'n. wheat (lit. hay head)'.<sup>11</sup>  
The name is apparently descriptive of the grassy-looking filaments on a head of wheat. See also st'ede' (93).

- (93) st'ede'  
st'éde?  
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'n. hay, grass, alfalfa, clover'  
(N1: 242); st'ede-de 'a little  
grass, grass was young and  
green' (R38: 238).  
Compare t'ede 'canoe, ship'  
(N1: 280) and t'id'm 'frail,  
fragile' (N1: 280) and see also,  
st'edde'qn (92). The grass  
*Xerophyllum tenax* was used for  
imbricated designs on woven  
bags and coiled baskets; grass  
used for pillows (covered with  
skin) and for floor covering (Teit  
1930: 63-64).

The PIS form may be  
\*s-t'əyá?, but we lack forms for  
Li and Th. It gets identified  
variously, but it may most often  
be a word for tall grass. Cognates  
include Sh sλ'yé? (AHK)  
(*Medicago sativa*, *Trifolium  
pratense*); Ok st'iyí? (TBK)  
(Bunch Grass; Bluebunch Wheat  
Grass, *Agropyron spicatum*); Cv  
st'iyí? (AM) 'bunch grass'; Cm  
st'íya? (MDK) 'tall grass'; Sp  
=st'ye? (BFC) 'grass', Fl  
=st'iyé? (JH) 'grass'. In Ka it is  
apparently only a lexical suffix.

- (94) he st'ede' te t'ukhwen  
he st'ede? te t'ux<sup>w</sup>n  
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POSS grass REM horsetail  
'a grass which was joint grass'  
(R38: 658)  
PIS \*t'ux<sup>w</sup>n 'horsetail';  
Cognates Th λ'ux<sup>w</sup>n  
(T&T, TTTY), Sh λ'ux<sup>w</sup>n (AHK)  
(*Equisetum arvense* or *E.*

*sylvaticum*); Sp t'ux<sup>w</sup>n (BFC) (*E.  
laevigatum*), Fl t'ux<sup>w</sup>ən (JH) (*E.  
arvense*).

- (95) st'eq'tn  
[DALE: PLEASE CHECK THE  
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st'eq'tn  
s-t'eq't-n \*  
NOM-?-NOM  
'n. a species of huckleberries  
(found in the woods)' (N1: 233);  
'dwarf huckleberries' (LN). Teit  
(1930:90) has stä'q'tn  
"*Vaccinium* sp. (small  
blueberry)."

Kinkade reconstructs PS  
\*s-λ'iq'-n (*Vaccinium* sp.) on the  
basis of a very odd distribution of  
attested cognate forms: Bella  
Coola λ'iq'tkn (HFN) 'dwarf  
blueberry'; Nisqually ste-a-k'tl  
(GG) 'swamp huckleberry';  
Twana sλ'iq'təd (NT) 'blueberry  
sp.'; Tillamook lelek'tən (FB-E)  
'blueberry sp.', and this Cr form.

- (96) st'shastq, st'sha  
st'əšá:stq, st'əšá:  
s-t'əš-ástq  
nom-sweet-crop  
'pl. n. huckleberries (lit. sweet  
crop)' (N1: 243; N2: 233);  
blueberry, huckleberries (DS);  
Black Huckleberry (*Vaccinium  
membranaceum*); Teit (1930:90)  
has stäcô'(stk) "*Vaccinium  
membranaceum* (huckleberry or  
whortleberry)." The term is also  
generic for berries.  
Chsep'm [čisép'm] is a term for  
beating a bush of huckleberries  
over an army blanket or wool  
blanket (sip, sip'íy 'leather').  
The branches are broken off first.

The leaves and sticks cling to the wool. According to MG, when gathering huckleberries, the leaves of thimbleberries are placed in the bottom and on top of the basket. When threshing the huckleberries, you have to hold them hanging down and thresh with a huckleberry stick. It must be a wool blanket. The twigs stick on the blanket. Then tip up the blanket and the berries roll off. Huckleberries were gathered at St. Maries Baldy Mt. and Clarkia; small ones were picked in the DeSmet Mountains (MG). Berries were mashed or boiled and made into cakes by being poured over thick layers of grass. By 1909 sugar was being added to fresh mashed berries (Teit 1930). Palmer (1998:316) has the following on gathering places:

Berries were gathered at Mica Peak near Worley, at White Mountain near Clarkie, on the upper Coeur d'Alene River, on Smoke Mountain near DeSmet, on Engels Mountain (formerly Round Top), near Santa, north of the St. Joe River, north of the Clark's Fork River, and in the neighborhood of Spokane. The territory along the North Fork of the St. Joe eight and one-quarter miles above the fork, probably on the slopes of the St. Joe Baldy Mountain, was considered good berrying grounds in the 1960s.

Cognates are found in the Southern Interior only: Ok-Cv st'xałq (AM-B, AM) 'mountain

huckleberry' (*Vaccinium membranaceum*); Sp st'šáłq (BFC) 'huckleberry' (*V. membranaceum*), Ka st'əšá(łq) (HV) 'huckleberry', Fl st'šá (JH) (*V. globulare*).

- (97) st'ṽqom\*  
st'úq<sup>w</sup>m\*  
s-?-m<sup>12</sup>  
NOM-?-MDL  
The term is from Teit (1930:89) who had st'ū'qom "Root of an unidentified plant said to have a tall white flower and a small round root."
- (98) suwístch\*  
suwístč  
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White-bark Pine (*Pinus albicaulis*); the term is from Teit (1930:90), who has sowi'stč "Nutlets of the silver-barked pine (*Pinus albicaulis*)."  
Teit (1930:93) reported that "nutlets of *Pinus albicaulis* were cooked in hot ashes."
- (99) taqhtaqhiłp  
taṭtaṭiłp  
teṭ-√teṭ-iłp  
AUG.RDP-?bitter-plant  
'n. black birch' (N2: 56, 254)<sup>13</sup>  
Cognate: Cm tṭtṭáyłp (MDK) 'cottonwood', poplar'.
- (100) tiłteł'lmkhw  
tiłteł'lx<sup>w</sup>  
√teł-teł-l'lx<sup>w</sup>  
straight-AUG.RDP-on.the.ground  
'blackberry vine' (N1: 218, 259);  
Teit (1930:90) has ti'ltełelumx<sup>w</sup>

- "*Rubus* sp. (trailing or low blackberry or bramble."
- (101) *tímu'*  
*tímu?\**  
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 'n. fern' (N); possibly Skunk-cabbage leaves (*Lysichitum americanum*)  
 This fern is used in roasting camas (MT). Our identification as Skunk-cabbage is based on the fact that the leaves, called by cognate terms, are used in pit-cooking among neighboring groups, especially if bracken fern fronds were not available (TBK: 36).  
 Cognates only in Sh, Ok, and Ka: Sh *tímet* (AHK), *tímat* (GP); Ok, Cv *stámu?qn* (AM-B, TG); Sp, Fl *tímu?* (BFC, SGT).
- (102) *tmtmni'ełp*  
*tmtmni?ełp*  
*√tmtmni?-ełp*  
 corpse-plant  
 'dead man's berries'; Snowberry or Waxberry (*Symphoricarpos albus*); Teit (1930:90) has "st'EMst'EMne''(İXEN) ('dead people's berry' or 'dead head').", which he identifies as "*Symphoricarpos racemosus* Mich. (snowberry)." <sup>14</sup>  
 These are white berries that grow in the flats; this is a low bush one or two feet high; BL's grandmother used this for her eyes. Teit (1930:44) wrote "A green dye was made from the leaves of the snowberry (*Symphocarpus racemosus*)."  
 Cognates: Ok  
*stəmtəmnɪʔáłq* (AM-B)
- 'waxberry'; Cm *təmtəmnayáłp* (MDK) 'snowberry'; Sp *stmtmiʔáłq* (BFC) 'snowberry, waxberry', Ka *stəmtəmnɪʔá(łq)* (HV) 'snowberry', *stəmtəmnýá* (JH) 'snowberry'. See also *stichtskhw* (88).
- (103) *tseqwlsh*  
*céqʷlš*  
*céqʷ-lš*  
 pink-motion in horseshoe curve  
 'larch, n.' (LN); tamarack (N2: 248; R38: 606; R39: 97; N2: 330); Western Larch (*Larix occidentalis*)  
 The suffix refers to the shape of the branches; "tsäqʷ, lightness, pinkish"; "-ilc, motion in horseshoe curve" (R38); also "tsäqʷ be bright pink (color of tamarack wood)" (R39).  
 PIS \*cáqʷ=lx (but the vowel is problematic). Cognates are found in all IS languages except Li: Th *cáqʷəlɣ*, *céqʷelɣ* (T&T, TTTY); ESh *ciqʷltɣʷ* (AHK); Cv *ciqʷlx* (AM); Cm *ciqʷlx* (MDK); Sp *cáqʷlš* (BFC), Fl *cáqʷəlš* (JH).
- (104) *ts'əq'ałp*  
*c'áq'ałp\**, *c'áqéłp* (ST)  
*√cáq'ałp*  
 bunched-clumped-tree  
 'n. fir' (N1: 273); Douglas-fir (*Pseudotsuga menziesii*)  
 Its poles and branches were used for temporary lodges; boughs used as floor covering; "Paddles were made altogether of fir wood" (Teit: 62-63, 108).  
 PS and PIS \*c'əqʷ=áłp.  
 Cognates are found in all the IS

languages plus Bella Coola and Twana. IS reflexes are as expected (i.e., no vowel in c'q', change of \*á is regular). In the Interior, it is generally glossed 'Douglas fir'. Bella Coola has q'łp (HFN) 'balsam fir'.

- (105) ts'ekukw, ts'ek'ukw  
c'ék<sup>w</sup>ək<sup>w</sup>  
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'n. elderberries', 'alder shrub',  
'bearberries' (N2: 196, 45);  
ts'akukwalq<sup>w</sup> 'n. elderberry  
bush' (N2:196); probably Blue  
Elderberries (*S. cerulea*) and/or  
Red Elderberries (*Sambucus  
racemosa*); Teit (1930:89) has  
stsä'qeq "Sambucus sp.  
(elderberry)."  
PS and PIS \*c'ik<sup>w</sup>ik<sup>w</sup> 'blue  
elderberry'. Cognates occur in  
Central Salish from Halkomelem  
south, in all Tsamosan, and in all  
IS languages except Li. For Blue  
Elderberry, Th has c'ik<sup>w</sup>uk<sup>w</sup>, all  
other IS (except Cr) have  
c'k<sup>w</sup>ik<sup>w</sup>.

- (106) t(aqhts'e'  
t'a<sup>ʔ</sup>áx<sup>c</sup>e'  
t-ʔa-√áx<sup>c</sup>-c'e'  
on-INT.RDP-  
wind~wrap.string.evenly-skin  
'n. cantaloupe (lit. a melon  
ribbed around)' (N1: 279;  
N2:90); Cantaloupe (*Cucumis  
melo*).

- (107) t'ada'alq<sup>w</sup>  
t'áda<sup>ʔ</sup>alq<sup>w\*</sup>  
√t'éde<sup>ʔ</sup>-alq<sup>w</sup>  
canoe-tree

'white pine, n.' (N1: 253); White  
Pine (*Pinus monticola*)

Cognates: Ok λ'i<sup>ʔ</sup>álq<sup>w</sup>,  
λ'i<sup>ʔ</sup>łp (AM-B) 'white pine' and  
Sp λ'i<sup>ʔ</sup>álq<sup>w</sup> (BFC) 'white pine'  
(*Pinus monticola*).

- (108) t'eptptełp  
t'eptptełp  
√t'ep-t'ep-t-ełp  
?animate.objects.stop-AUG.RDP-  
INH-plant  
no English name given  
T'eptptełp is a bush, used as a  
physic (MT). Teit (1930:90) has  
tätEptêłp ('black plant') which  
he identifies as "a blackberry  
growing in the high mountains,  
possibly the heath berry."

- (109) t'shilepa\*  
t'əšilépa\*  
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Teit (1930:89) has t'ecile'pə  
"Prunus sp. (red wild cherry)."

- (110) waqhi'łp  
wáxi<sup>ʔ</sup>łp  
wexi<sup>ʔ</sup>-łp  
?-plant  
'n. wild maple, dog-wood' (N1:  
303; N2: 356; DS; FA); probably  
Mock-Orange (*Philadelphus  
lewisii*); Teit (1930:90) has  
wa'xe'êłp "Sorbus  
samburifolia E. and S.  
(mountain ash berry)."  
Compare waqh 'to murmur (e.g.  
a brook)' (N1:265); Teit  
(1930:29) has čatən wáxełpəm,  
place a "short distance below  
Green Acres, and about 20 miles  
above Spokane city" (Teit: 39).  
This translates as 'dogwoods (or

wild maples) on the flat'. The term may apply to *Syringa*, of which Teit (83) had the following: *Syringa* (*Philadelphus lewisii*) (Teit 1930: 83); *Syringa* was used for making fan shaped combs; used for needles, awls, pins or clothes, combs.

PIS \*wáxý=ałp 'syringa'.

Cr has changed the meaning. Cognates are found in all IS languages except Li and Sh: Th wáxz'ełp (T&T, TTTY) Mock Orange; Ok wəxwáxi?łp (AM-B, TBK) 'mock-orange'; Cm wəxwəxi?łp (MDK) 'hardhack'; Sp sáxiłp (BFC) 'syringa', Fl wəxéłp (JH) 'syringa'.

- (111) yarchn\*  
yárcn\*  
√yár-?\*  
revolve-\*  
The term is from Teit (1930:90), who has ya'rtcen "*Ribes* sp. (black gooseberry)."

- (112) 'yatqwełp  
ýátq<sup>w</sup>ełp  
s-étq<sup>w</sup>-ełp  
NOM-?-plant  
'conifer, pine tree' (N1: 314; N2: 279; DS); probably *Ponderosa* Pine, Yellow Pine (*Pinus ponderosa*).  
According to Teit, the cones of yellow pine (*Pinus ponderosa*) were used to smoke hides. The cambium layer was called stsi'xwe, which is cognate with Th stéxwe (Teit 1930:91). In the Nicodemus writing system, this would be stsiqhwe [scíx<sup>w</sup>e].  
There is a *Snchitsu'umshtsn* root

cix<sup>w</sup> 'spark' (Johnson 1975: 18). The nutlets were called stetcê'tcs' (Teit 1930:90), which would perhaps be stchichs' in the Nicodemus writing system and [stčičs'] in Americanist phonetic orthography.

PIS \*s-?átq<sup>w</sup>=ałp

'Ponderosa pine'. Cognates are found in all IS languages except Cm (and not confirmed recently for Li). Cognates: Th s7etq<sup>w</sup>łp, s?é?tq<sup>w</sup>łp (T&T, TTTY); Sh s?etq<sup>w</sup>łp (AHK), s?atq<sup>w</sup>łp (GP); Ok s?atq<sup>w</sup>łp (AM-B); Sp s?átk<sup>w</sup>łp, satk<sup>w</sup> (BFC), Ka .sa'tk.łp (CV/JH) 'yellow pine', Fl s?átq<sup>w</sup>əłp (SGT).

#### Plants for Which No *Snchitsu'umshtsn* Names Are Recorded

- (113) algae (Teit 1930: 43)  
Algae growing in stagnant pools were rubbed on fresh and provided a green paint.
- (114) alder (*Alnus rubra*) (Teit 1930: 44); probably also *Alnus incana*  
Teit wrote "A reddish dye was obtained by boiling Alder bark (*Alnus rubra*)."
- (115) balsam poplar (*Populus balsamifera*) (Teit 1930: 64)  
used for wooden spears
- (116) Common Cattail (*Typha latifolia*) (Teit 1930: 47)  
Teit wrote "All the best mats were made of rushes (probably *Typha latifolia*) and tule (*Scirpus* sp., probably *lacustre*) woven with Indian-hemp twine.
- (117) corn husk (Teit?)

- replaced traditional grass and bark in woven bags
- (118) hemlock (Teit 1930: 63)  
boughs used as floor covering
- (119) Indian hemp (*Apocynum cannabinum*) (Teit 1930: 46)  
used for thread, twine, rope; grew plentifully on St. Joe River; used for woven bags (1930:46, 47), baskets (1930:51), fishnets (1930:55), traded (1930:114) (with extensive description)
- (120) larkspur (*Delphinium* sp.) (Teit 1930: 43)  
used to make light blue paint; fresh flowers crushed and rubbed on
- (121) Sweetgrass (*Hierochloe odorata*) (Teit 1930: 86, 174)  
Sweetgrass was used for perfume in a variety of ways that are described by Teit (1930:86). It was also used to fumigate lodges after death (1930:174). Teit wrote:
- Scents were much used by both sexes, and especially by young people. Sweet grass (*Hierochla odorata*) and other strong-smelling grasses and leaves were used. Small rolls of these were made up and often inclosed [sic] in skin. they were used as pads inclosed in knots or folds of the hair, or simply attached to it. Sometimes tiny bags of these scents were made up for attachment to the hair and clothing, or to be placed in workbags, workbaskets, and clothes bags, to perfume the contents. Sometimes the bags were sewed on to wearing apparel permanently. The fragrant leaves from which the scent was made were often dried, then powdered fine and poured into sacks, which were sewed up like tiny cushions. They were used in the same way as the rolls and small bags with strings attached. Powdered scents were frequently rubbed on necklaces, hair ornaments, clothes, the skin of the body, and the hair. A small skin bag about 4 by 3 centimeters in size, entirely covered on the outside with quill or bead work and provided with strings, was filled with scent and attached to the back of the hair as an ornament. Slender rolls of sweet grass without any covering were often wrapped in the hair (1930:86).
- (122) tule (*Scirpus* sp. prob. *lacustre*) (Teit 1930: 47)  
used for mats (1930:47); tule mats used for conical mat lodge (1930:58); tule rafts were pointed at both ends (1930:108); support hairdo - ends burned away, hair rises to high point, a style used by men when dancing scalp dance (1930:85)
- (123) willow (Teit 1930: 47-48, 52, 62); *Salix* sp., prob. *S. exigua*  
bark used for coarse mats (1930:47); for bags (1930:48); hoop used to strengthen birch bark basket (1930:52); bent



willow framework used to make [DALE, PLEASE CHECK PROTO FORM OF  
dome shaped sweat lodge 128]  
(1930:62)

- (124) wolf moss (*Letharia vulpina*)  
Teit (1930:44) wrote "a common  
yellow or lemon colored dye was  
obtained by boiling wolf moss  
(*Evernia vulpina*). This lichen  
was also used as a paint. It was  
dipped into cold water or applied  
to a damp surface."

#### Parts of Plants and Plant-Related Terms

- (125) aats'áq'  
a:c'áq'  
ac-c'áq'  
CONT-bunched~clumped  
'(lit. a cluster or clump of  
bushes) system, n.' (N2: 330)  
Compare ts'áq'ałp (104).  
  
(126) astq — 'n. crop, harvest' (N1:  
27). See also, -stq, chastq.  
  
(127) chastq, schastq  
častq  
č-astq  
on-crop~harvest  
'vt. to dig roots, she dug roots,  
camas'; 'digging' (N2: 33; N1:  
192); 'v.i. dig (roots, camas)'  
(N2: 178). See also, astq, -stq.  
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- (128) ch'el  
č'el  
√č'el  
bark  
'be bark' (R39: 99)  
Compare č'elx<sup>w</sup> 'be concave'.  
PIS \*kəýl-. Cognates are found  
in all the IS languages except Sh  
and Cm. Cognates: Li kela'tz  
(CV) 'pine bark'; Th k'zéý  
(TTY) 'thin bark'; Ok k'i?lilx<sup>w</sup>  
(AM); Sp, Ka č'i?lélx<sup>w</sup>  
(BFC,HV), Fl č'ilélx<sup>w</sup> (SGT).

- (129) ch'ele'  
č'ele?  
√č'el-e?  
bark-NOM  
'n. bark, cradle board' (N1: 57)

- (130) ch'imul  
č'imul  
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'n. pine needle' (N1: 58, 279)

- (131) eede'l  
e:del'  
ec-√del'  
CONT-lie.down  
plant (lit. bush or shrub) (N2:  
280)

- (132) -stq 'wild crop' (N1: 81)  
Ex.: gwechstq, 'vt. he found or  
saw a wild crop' (See also  
astq, chastq.)

- (133) guł qwesalqw  
guł qwesalq<sup>w</sup>  
guł √qwis-alq<sup>w</sup>  
DEM ascend~high-tree  
'vi. They are tall trees' (N1: 80)
- (134) gupu'lmkhw  
g<sup>w</sup>upúl'mx<sup>w\*</sup>  
√g<sup>w</sup>ep-əl'mx<sup>w</sup>  
hair-ground  
'vt. It (ground) is covered with  
much grass.' (N1: 81)
- (135) gwarpm  
g<sup>w</sup>árpm  
g<sup>w</sup>ár-p-m  
scrape-INC-MDL  
'v. bloom, blossom (lit. it  
bloomed)' (N1: 81)  
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- (136) hñch'ts'jikwe'  
hñč'c'í:k<sup>w</sup>e?  
hñ-č'ec-ík<sup>w</sup>e?  
in-long.thin.object.lays-water  
'grass or weeds in the water,  
aquatic flora' (DS)
- (137) hñk'wde'usshn  
nk<sup>w</sup> de?úsšn  
n-k<sup>w</sup> de?-úsšn  
NOM-in-root-hip  
'root, ancestry' (N2: 297; DS)
- (138) markwe'  
mark<sup>w</sup>e?  
'to season, flavor (as camas with  
blood)' (N2: 148); See also  
'etx<sup>w</sup>e?' (8).
- (139) ni'gwept  
ni?g<sup>w</sup>épt  
ni?-g<sup>w</sup>ép-t  
amidst-hairy~bushy-INH
- 'vi. bushiness (lit. The forest is  
bushy within)' (N1: 159)
- (140) ni'qwalpalqw  
ni?g<sup>w</sup>álpalq<sup>w</sup>  
ni?-√g<sup>w</sup>el-p-alq<sup>w</sup>  
amid-fire~burn-INC-tree  
'v. The forest was burned' (N1:  
159, N2:82)
- (141) ni'syolalqw  
ni?syólalq<sup>w</sup>  
ni?-s-√yel-alq<sup>w</sup>  
amid-NOM-pitch-tree  
'n. forest' (N2: 212). See also  
syolalqw.
- (142) ni'tekw  
ni?ték<sup>w</sup>  
ni?-√ték<sup>w</sup>  
amid-stuffy~choke  
'n. brake, thicket, brushwood (lit.  
a woods whose interior is  
suffocating)' (N1: 160)
- (143) petschle  
pecčle  
'n. leaf' (N2: 249)
- (144) qiqw  
qiq<sup>w</sup>  
'vt. to root (stem)' (N2: 343)
- (145) siy  
siy  
cedar bark (N1: 204; N2: 98)  
The term may relate to √siy  
'exert'; also compare  
k'wa'ysalqw (16) and sk'ust  
(63).

- (146) slip'  
slip'  
s-lip'  
NOM-wood  
'woody' (N2: 213)
- (147) sṭaqwqn  
sṭaq<sup>w</sup>qn  
s-ṭaq<sup>w</sup>-qn  
NOM-peel-head~top  
'bark; that which is peeled' (DS)
- (148) sp'etm  
sp'etm  
sp'et-t-m  
NOM-fall-RDP-MDL  
'ripening (the falling of wheat to the ground of its own weight)' (N2: 295; N1: 229)
- (149) sq'wlalgwastq  
sq'<sup>w</sup> lalg<sup>w</sup>astq  
s-q'<sup>w</sup> el-ál-g<sup>w</sup>-astq  
NOM-ripen-RDP-far-crops  
'n. fruit (lit. ripened crops)' (N1: 212)  
Compare sq'welt 'to be ripe, burn, being cooked' (N1: 212; N2 295).
- (150) stk'we'ysecht  
stk'<sup>w</sup> eýsecht  
s-t-k'<sup>w</sup> eý-s-echt  
NOM-on- still~quiet~go.easy - artificially-whole.hand  
cedar branch (N 2: 98; DS)  
Compare k'wa'ysalqw (145) and sk'ust (63).
- (151) st'ikwsus  
st'ik<sup>w</sup>sus  
s-√t'ik<sup>w</sup>-s-us  
NOM-bleed~water.tight-artificially-eye
- (152) stqhatqinn  
stṭatqinn  
s-t-ṭat-qin-n  
NOM-on-beat-head-NOM  
'straw (lit. what is left after flailing grain)' (N2: 324)
- (153) tsanq'i'ts'shn  
canq'i'c'shn  
cn-q'i'c'-shn  
under-sticks-leg~foot  
'undergrowth' (DS, LN); 'sticks under the foot'
- (154) syolalqw  
syólalq<sup>w</sup>  
s-√yel-alq<sup>w</sup>  
NOM-pitch-tree  
'n. tree' (N2: 340); See also ni'syolalqw.
- (155) tch'e'wecht  
tč'ewēcht  
t-č'ew-ēcht  
on-widening-whole.hand  
'n. bough, limb (lit. a large area (hand))' (LN)
- (156) tikhum e sp'it'em  
tix<sup>w</sup>m e sp'it'em  
tix<sup>w</sup>-m e sp'it'em  
collect-MDL ART bitterroots  
'He went out to gather bitterroots.' (N1: 259)
- (157) tu'xwa — Teit (1930:89) has  
"Root of an unidentified plant said to have a white flower and a small round root."

- (158) t'uk'w  
t'uk'w  
√t'ek'w  
one.lies.down  
'uneven (roots on the ground)'  
(N2: 343)
- (159) tts'el̥ts'licht  
tc'el̥c'ł̥t  
t-√c'el̥-c'el̥-ēct  
on-one.stands-AUG.RDP-  
whole.hand  
'branches' (R1938: 647)
- (160) tts'ts''l̥ts''licht  
tc'c'l̥c'l̥i̥ct  
t-c'-c'el̥-√c'el̥-i̥ct  
on-DIM.RDP-AUG.RDP-  
one.stands-whole.hand  
'twigs' (R38: 647)  
The term gives the sense of lots  
of little projections on a branch.
- (161) tshet'echt  
t̥set'ēct  
t-√set'-ēct  
on-one.stands.upright-  
whole.hand  
'n. branch (lit. projection from a  
tree)' (N2: 72)  
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- (162) 'yelens  
ýelens  
s-√yel-ens  
NOM-pitch-tooth  
'n. wood pitch, asphalt' (N2:  
315); pitch chips (R 1938: 661)

#### Endnotes for Listing of Plant Names

<sup>1</sup> The prefix complex is *s-n-*. The *s-* is NOM. The *n-* is usually translated "in",

but can refer to something hanging in or on something, e.g. a rope hanging on a wall.

<sup>2</sup> LN asserts that the meaning of qoqo'li't 'black pine' could be 'easily burned'. This suggests that the linguistic root is q<sup>w</sup>el 'light fire' and the analysis is q<sup>w</sup>e-√q<sup>w</sup>e?l -i?t (AUG.RDP-light.fire<sub>INC.GLOT</sub>-source). However, this contemporary analysis in *Snchitsu'umshtsn* may not hold true for cognate forms in other languages.

<sup>3</sup> This would be [stcamoxcénm] in contemporary Americanist phonetic orthography, perhaps analyzable as s-t-√cem-əx<sup>w</sup>-cən-m, NOM-attached-small-?-mouth~edge-MDL, or alternatively as s-t-√č'em-əx<sup>w</sup>-cən-m, NOM-attached-surface-?-mouth~edge-mdl, perhaps referring to a surface on an edge, i.e. a peeled layer. Another possible derivation which would make sense if cambrium was envisioned as a kind of skin is s-t-√č'em-áxn, NOM-attached-surface-arm-MDL "surface of the arm".

<sup>4</sup> Turner, et al. (1998:405) has "Secwepemc q<sup>w</sup>əlséłp (GP) (from q<sup>w</sup>él- 'cooked, rupe', possibly from the color of the bark - RI)."

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<sup>5</sup> There are a variety of possible derivations. The root could be *em* 'sit', *san* or *sañ* 'drowsy', or even *šem* 'insert objects' or *šen* 'labor'.

<sup>6</sup> Possible root words for the term that Teit wrote as *tsexwtsexw* are *cix<sup>w</sup>* 'pet, fondle', *ceḵ<sup>w</sup>* 'augment, save', *c'ex<sup>w</sup>* 'promise', and *c'ix<sup>w</sup>* 'spark'.

<sup>7</sup> The fact that all the vowels are lowered suggests that the second consonant in the root is also lowered. The only Coeur d'Alene root that comes close is *k'<sup>w</sup> ex* 'claw'.

<sup>8</sup> Johnson (1975) has *leq'* 'search for'. N1 has *leq'* 'bury' and *laq'* 'pare, peel' and 'to search'. The peeling sense seems more likely.

<sup>9</sup> The low vowel suggests that the fricative is probably postvelar rather than velar, though the latter is not phonologically impossible.

<sup>10</sup> The *-elp* ending is unusual, as *-aɬp* is more common in this context and Ok has the ɬ, but it has been rechecked with LN. See the reanalysis at the end of this entry.

<sup>11</sup> The form *st'edde'qn* reduplicates the second consonant of the root, giving it a noncontrol or resultative sense (Doak 1997:28).

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<sup>12</sup> There are several likely candidates for linguistic root for this term.

<sup>13</sup> On p. 254, N1 spells it *taqhtaqhqiɬp*. The third "q" is probably a typographical error, as it is spelled without the extra q on p. 56 of N1 and a q in this position would have no known linguistic function.

<sup>14</sup> The suffix which shows up only as *-í* in Nicodemus' dictionary is, from Teit (1930:90) *-íxn* 'arm', not *-qn* 'head'. The root might be *tam* 'scorched'.

**Addendum:** This term was discovered late in the production of this manuscript:

esnmsmsíws

esnmusmusíwes

e s-n-mis-mus-íwes

PREP NOM-in-AUG.RDP-?-between

'yew-wood, heart of yew, bow-wood' (R39:105)

There are no known cognates elsewhere in Salish.

## Appendix II: Sources

### Interviewing

Those data that are previously unpublished were collected over the course of dozens of visits to the Coeur d'Alene reservation and Spokane, Washington, during the years from 1978 to 1983. The purpose of the research was to study the ethnohistory of the *Schitsu'umsh* and to produce native language instructional materials. Due to the importance of native plants to historical and contemporary tribal members, ethnobotanical information frequently surfaced in the interviews and casual encounters. All of the consultants, with the exception of one non-Indian person who grew up in a *Schitsu'umsh* household, were native speakers of *Schitsu'umshtsn*, or of Spokane or Kalispel dialects of Kalispel. A total of 15 persons were interviewed. Of these, 14 were knowledgeable tribal elders. Of these elders, ten were ethnically *Schitsu'umsh*, three were Spokane, and one was Kalispel. Several consultants are now deceased.

Some Spokane materials are included in this paper. While the focus of my study was *Schitsu'umsh* ethnohistory, interviews and informal discussions often took place in mixed groups of *Schitsu'umshtsn* and Spokane speakers and some persons are of mixed ancestry. Furthermore, *Schitsu'umsh* and Spokans have probably always had some knowledge of one another's languages and cultures, so it seems best not to try to separate *Schitsu'umsh* and Spokane ethnobotany too rigidly. Consultant citations are abbreviated in the text of the plant name listing, but full names are withheld to protect the privacy of the consultants.

BL	( <i>Schitsu'umsh</i> )†	MM	( <i>Schitsu'umsh</i> )†
CP	(Spokan)†	MS	( <i>Schitsu'umsh</i> )
FA	( <i>Schitsu'umsh</i> )	MT	( <i>Schitsu'umsh</i> )†
LA	( <i>Schitsu'umsh</i> )†	ST	( <i>Schitsu'umsh</i> )
LF	( <i>Schitsu'umsh</i> )	TN	( <i>Schitsu'umsh</i> )†
LN	( <i>Schitsu'umsh</i> )	WH	(non-Indian)
LvA	(Spokan)	WM	(Kalispel)†
MgM	(Spokan)		

## Documentary Sources for *Snchitsu'umshtsn* Terms

Published and unpublished documentary sources of terms are abbreviated in the text of the plant name listing. For example, (RJ: 22) refers to Robert Johnson (1975: 22).

RF	Frey (2000)
RJ	Johnson (1975)
K&S	Kinkade and Sloat (1967)
N1,2	Nicodemus (1975a; 1975b)
R38,39	Reichard (1938, 1939)
DS	Dale Sloat, notes
Teit	Teit (1930)

## Documentary Sources for Terms from Other Languages

AHK	Kuipers (1975; 1983)
AM	Mattina (1987) [Colville]
AM-B	Mattina (1987) [Okanagan]
BFC	Carlson (1989)
FB-E	Boas (1980)
GG	Gibbs (1877)
GP	Palmer (1975)
HFN	Nater (1977, 1990)
HV	Vogt (1940)
JG	Giorda (1879)
JVE	Eijk (1978)
MDK	Kinkade (1964-1990, 1987-91)
NT	Turner (1973)
P&L	Pierre and Louie (1973)
SGT	Thomason (1990)
TIC	Turner, Ignace, and Compton
TBK	Turner, Bouchard, and Kennedy (1980)
TG	George (n.d.) ?
T&T	Thompson and Thompson (1990)
TTY	Turner et al. (1990)



### Appendix III: Orthographies

The *Snchitsu'umshtsn* terms recorded in this study appear in three orthographies: a practical orthography, a contemporary Americanist linguistic orthography (Table) (a modified version of the International Phonetic Alphabet), and the linguistic orthography used by James Teit (1930). The practical orthography is provided for non-linguists and is used in all non-technical discussion. The contemporary linguistic orthography is used for precise phonetic description and for morphological analysis. Teit's orthography is used for terms that he recorded, but these are also presented in the other orthographies. Terms from other Salishan languages are left in their orthographies of citation.

The *Snchitsu'umshtsn* practical orthography used by Nicodemus (1975a,b) is generally consistent, but it omits reduced vowels [ə] or [ɪ]. Consequently, there is some ambiguity in the proper placement of glottals, which are written as apostrophes, but this can usually be resolved by resort to morphological analysis with concomitant reference to the English glosses. Phonetic forms reconstructed from the practical orthography are flagged with a star (\*) *after* the word (The star before the word indicates a reconstructed proto form). The Nicodemus orthography underlines vowels to indicate stress. The “ character is pharyngeal [ʕ] . When writing glottalized consonants and semivowels, apostrophes are placed before sonorants — 'l, 'm, 'n, 'w, 'y, and '( — but apostrophes follow the voiceless stop consonants (*k'*, *p'*, *q'*, *t'*). The phonemes are written p, t, ts, ch, k, kw, q, qw, ', p', t', ts', ch', k'w, q', q'w, b, d, gw, j, s, ɬ, sh, khw, qh, q'hw, h, m, n, l, r, w, y, ʕ, (w, 'm, 'n, 'l, 'r, 'w, 'y, '(, '(w, i, e, a, u, o.

The terms are alphabetized based on the practical orthography, but unlike the Nicodemus dictionary, the *khw*, *kw*, *qh*, *qhw*, and *qw* are not given their own sections following the *k*'s and *q*'s. Instead, they appear in the same order that they would in an English dictionary. Apostrophes are ignored in alphabetizing, except that *k'w* follows *kw*. All terms are cross referenced in an index by scientific genus and species.

In the Americanist orthography the phonemes are written as follows: (voiceless stops and affricates) p, t, c, č, k<sup>w</sup>, q, q<sup>w</sup>, ʔ; (glottalized stops and affricates) p', t', c', č', k'<sup>w</sup>, q', q'<sup>w</sup>; (voiced stops and affricate) b, d, g<sup>w</sup>, j; (voiceless continuants) s, ɬ, š, x<sup>w</sup>, x̥, x̥<sup>w</sup>, h; (resonants) m, n, l, r, w, y, ʕ, ʕ<sup>w</sup>; (glottalized resonants)

ṁ, ṇ, l', r', w, y, ʃ', ʃʷ; (vowels) i, e, a, u, o, ə. In order to facilitate comparisons to other languages and simplify the transcriptions, the *Snchitsu'umshtsn* mid-front vowel that has often been written with epsilon ε is here written with *e*; the open o is here written as *o*.

Teit's (1930) phonetic transcriptions may be unreliable. He seems to have often failed to distinguish glottalizations, labialization of consonants, rounding of vowels, and postvelar from velar consonants. Forms reconstructed from Teit's orthography are flagged with a star (\*) after the word. Teit used a straight apostrophe after the vowel to mark stress. His *ä* is [æ], which is usually written *e* in contemporary Salish orthography. His *ε* is schwa [ə]. The alveolar and palatal affricates which Teit wrote as *ts* and *tc* are written as *ts* and *ch* in practical orthographies and *c* and *č* in the Americanist linguistic orthography. The palatal fricative which he wrote as *c* is *š* in the Americanist orthography.

Okanagan and Thompson forms have been left in their practical orthography which writes [q] as *k*, [x] as *x*, [ʔ] as *ʔ*, and [ə] as *e*. The practical orthography also glottalizes liquid consonants and semivowels with an apostrophe *following* the glottalized segment, unlike the Nicodemus orthography, which glottalizes these segments with a preceding apostrophe, but glottalizes stops with a following apostrophe.

## Appendix IV: Abbreviations

### Language Names

Cm	= Columbian
Cr	= <i>Snchitsu'umshtsn</i> (Coeur d'Alene)
Cv	= Colville
ESh	= Eastern Shuswap
Fl	= Flathead
IS	= Interior Salish
Ka	= Kalispel
Li	= Lillooet
Ok	= Okanagan
PIS	= Proto-Interior Salish
PS	= Proto Salish
Sh	= Shuswap
Sp	= Spokane
Th	= Thompson

### Linguistic Terms

ART	= article
AUG	= augmentative
CONT	= continuative
DEM	= demonstrative
DIM	= diminutive
GLOT	= glottalized
INC	= inchoative
INH	= inherent
INT	= intensive
MDL	= middle
NOM	= nominative
POSS	= possessive
PROX	= proximate deictic
RDP	= reduplication
REM	= remote deictic
TR	= transitive
VB	= verbal
VOL	= volition

# Appendix V. Morphological Analysis of Coeur d'Alene Plant Terms (Simple Lexemes Only)<sup>a</sup>

Prefixes										Root		Suffixes																							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
S	n	t	ch	AUG. ROP	INT. ROP	INC. CLUT																													
																					</														

☞	s	n	t	ch	AUG. rop	INT. resp	INC. clam		ál, ú	ayn	atp	alq	ast q	alš	cn	c'eʔ	ett	elp s	enc	itk "eʔ	iʔl	iye iye ?	m	mn	n	p	qn qí	t	ul' mx a	us	um š
37					X			?																		X					
38								cedar			X																				
39					X			glow																							
40					X			poison ivy																							
41						X		?			X																	X			X
42								rose			X																				
43								?						X								X									
44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	COMPLEX:PHR	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	COMPLEX:PHR	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
46					X			good																							
47								?			X																				
48						X		?													X										
49								walnut																							
50								willow				X																			
51								raw																							
52					X			dark			X																				
53					X			gather																							
54								?																							
55	X							apples (Eng.)				X																			
56	X			X			X	paint																							
57								BI Tree Lichen																							
58				X				?			X																				
59								lit. wild onion																							
60					X			?														X									
61								V. veride														X									
62a								rose														X									
62b								rose														X									
63	X							ghost																							
64	X				X			?													X										
65	X							?																							
66	X							?																							
67	X							serviceberry				X																			
68	X							dirty																							
69	X							?																							
70	X							?																							
71	X							?			X																				
72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	COMPLEX:cmp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	COMPLEX:phr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
74	X							peaches (Eng.)				X																			
75	X							leaf	á																						
76	X							glow																							

77	78	79a	79b	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	
s	n	t	ch	auc rnp	inc clut		ā,i, ū	ayn	atp	alq w	ast q	ālš	cn	c'e <sup>2</sup>	eēt	elp s	enč	ītk "e?"	i?i	iyē iyē ?	m	mn	n	p	qn qi	t	ul' mx w	us	um š								
X						?																															
-	-	-	-	-	-	COMPLEX:CMP																															
X				X		thorn			X																												
X						thorn																															
X						foam															X																
X						wapato																															
X						?																															
X						blue	u																														
						?																															
X						grow																															
X	X	X				?																															
X						red-osier dogwood			X <sup>b</sup>											ay																	
X						snowberries																															
X		X				medicine			X						X																						
X						pink															X																
X	X					hurt																			X												
X	X					grass																															
X						grass																															
-	-	-	-	-	-	COMPLEX:PHR																															
X						?																															
X						sweet					X																										
X						?																															
						Wh.-Bark Pine																															
				X		black birch			X																												
				X		straight																															
						fern																															
				X		corpse/dead			X																												
						pink						X																									
						fir			X																												
						elderberries																															
					X	wrap string								X																							
						canoe				X																											
					X	?			X																												
						?																															
						mock orange			X																												
						revolve							?																								
X						ponderosa			X																												

<sup>a</sup>Complex predications are labeled, but not analyzed, in this table. See discussion for further analysis. CMP=predication; PHR=phrase. Roots in normal typeface have linguistic roots whose only meaning is the referent plant itself. Roots in boldface have descriptive meanings.

Appendix VI: Table of Cognates in Interior Salishan Languages by Listing-Number of Plant Name<sup>a</sup>

NUMBER	PS	PIS	LI	TH	SH	CV-OK	CM	SP-KA-FL
1								
2				X	X			
3								
4								
5								
6								
7								
8		X				X	X	X
9								X
10								
11		X					X	X
12								
13								
14						X		
15								
16								
17								
18	X					X		X
19								
20				X	X	X		
21	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
22				X		X	X	X
23						X		
24				X	X	X	X	
25	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
26		X	X	X	X	X		X
27						X	X	
28								
29								
30				X	X	X	X	
31								
32								
33								
34								
35								
36								
37						X	X	X
38		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
39								X
40								
41								
42								
43								
44								
45								
46					X	X	X	X
47								
48		X	X	X	X	X	X	X

49		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
50		X		X	X			X
51	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
52						X		X
53						X	X	X
54								
55								
56						X		X
57							X	
58				?			?	
59						X	X	X
60								
61						X	X	
62							X	X
63								
64								
65						X		
66								
67						X		X
68								
69								
70					X	X	X	X
71								
72								
73								
74								
75								X
76						X		
77		X		X	X	X	X	X
78						X		X
79						X	X	X
80	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
81			X			X		X
82								
83						X		X
84								
85								
86								
87						X	X	X
88								
89								
90								
91						X	X	X
92								
93					X	X	X	X
94				X	X			X
95	X	X						
96						X		X
97								
98								
99							X	
100								
101					X	X		X



102						X	X	X
103		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
104	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
105	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
106								
107						X		X
108								
109								
110				X		X	X	X
111								
112			X	X	X	X		X

<sup>a</sup>Listing-numbers are those of the table in Appendix I. CM=Columbian, CV-OK=Colville-Okanagan, LI=Lillooet, SH=Secwapmec, SP-KA-FL=Spokane-Kalispel-Flathead, TH=Thompson, PIS=Proto-Interior Salish, PS=Proto-Salish

## Appendix VII: Index of Plant Names in English by Number in Listing

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*Acer glabrum* 84  
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*Agoseris* sp. 45  
 alder shrub 105  
*Alectoria jubata*  
 alfalfa 93  
*Allium douglasii* 59  
*Allium geyeri* 59  
*Allium* sp. 51, 59  
*Amelanchier alnifolia* 67  
*Ananas comosa* 10  
*Antennaria* spp. 44  
 Apple 55  
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*Artemisia frigida* 41  
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 black birch 99  
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 Black Hawthorn 79  
 Black Huckleberry 96  
 black pine 48  
 black raspberry 25  
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 black tree moss 57  
 black wild cherry 18  
 blackberry 25, 100, 108  
 Blackcap 25  
 Blue Elderberries 105  
 blueberry 95, 96  
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 bramble 42  
 briar 42  
 brown camas 8  
*Bryoria fremontii* 57  
*Bryoria fremontii* 68  
 buffaloberry 80  
 buttercups 86  
 Cactus 20  
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 camas 8  
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 Desert Parsley 76  
*Digitaria* sp. 85  
 dog-wood 110  
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 Edible Blue Camas 8, 78  
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 elderberries 105  
 Engelmann Spruce 58  
*Erigeron* spp. 44  
 fern 101  
 Field Mint 27  
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 Flat-topped Spiraea 3  
 Fleabane 44  
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*Fragaria californica* C. and S. 90  
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 Paper Birch 75  
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 peas 17  
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*Peucedanum* sp. 32  
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 Pineapple Weed 12  
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*Pinus contorta* 48  
*Pinus monticola* 107  
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*Pisum sativum* 17  
 Plum 36  
 Poison-ivy 40  
*Polygonum amphibium* 64  
 Ponderosa Pine 112  
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*Populus balsamifera* ssp. *trichocarpa* 26  
*Populus tremuloides* 5, 7  
 potato 29  
 prairie camas 39  
*Prunus demissa* Walpers 18  
*Prunus domestica* 36  
*Prunus emarginata* 30  
*Prunus persica* 74  
*Prunus* sp. (red wild cherry) 109  
*Prunus* sp. 36  
*Prunus virginiana* 18  
*Pseudotsuga menziesii* 104  
 pussy willow 50  
 Pussytoes 44  
*Ranunculus* sp. 86  
*Ranunculus glaberrimus* 56  
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 Red Elderberries 105  
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 Red Willow 87, 88  
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 Rhubarb, Indian 47  
*Rhus radicans* 40  
*Ribes* sp. (black gooseberry) 111  
*Ribes* sp. 11, 91  
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 rockrose 77  
 Rocky Mountain Juniper 1, 38  
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*Rosa acicularis* 42, 62  
*Rosa* spp. 62  
*Rosa woodsii* 42  
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*Rubus* hybrid 73  
*Rubus idaeus* 9  
*Rubus leucodermis* 25  
*Rubus parviflorus* 37  
*Rubus* sp. 37, 100  
 rushes 53  
 Sagebrush 41, 52  
 Sagebrush Buttercup 56  
*Sagittaria latifolia* 81  
*Salix* sp. 50  
 salmon berry 37  
*Sambucus cerulea* 105  
*Sambucus racemosa* 105  
 Saskatoonberry 67  
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*Shepherdia canadensis* 80  
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*Symphoricarpos albus* 102  
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*Taraxacum officinale* 45  
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*Thuja plicata* 16, 63  
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*Toxicodendron radicans* 40  
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*Triticum aestivum* 92  
*Typha latifolia* 53  
*Vaccinium membranaceum* 96  
*Vaccinium* sp. (white huckleberry) 31  
*Vaccinium* sp. 95  
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Waxberry 102  
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Wheat 92  
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white huckleberry 31  
White Pine 107  
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wild cranberry bush 2, 13  
wild currant 91  
Wild Gooseberry 11  
wild maple 110  
wild onion 59  
Wild Raspberry 9  
Wild Rose 42, 62  
Wild Strawberry 90  
Wild Thistles 20  
Willow 50  
*Xerophyllum tenax* 93  
yarrow 6  
Yellow Pine 112  
Yellow Pond-Lily 64  
yellow root 61  
Yew 1

**Table 1: Types of terms by morphological structure**

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Simple Lexemes		103
meaning of linguistic root is referent itself	47	
meaning of linguistic root is descriptive or attributive	31	
meaning of linguistic root unknown	25	
Complex Terms		9
compound descriptive lexemes	3	
verbal predications	2	
phrases	4	
Total		112

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**Table 2: Frequency of affixes in simple lexemes**

**Prefixes**

s NOM	34
č 'on, distributed'	3
n 'in'	3
t 'on, attached'	2

**Suffixes**

aɫp 'plant'	19
alq <sup>w</sup> 'tree, bush'	11
qn, qī 'head'	7
t INH	6
əlš 'arc motion'	2
iye, iye? 'playingly'	3
mn INSTR	3
í ?	2
m MDL	2
p INC	2
ul'mx <sup>w</sup> 'ground, earth'	2
us 'face, eye'	2

The following suffixes occurred once each: á, astq 'wild crop', axn 'arm', c'e? 'skin, covering', eč 'seems to', ečt 'arm, hand, branch', elp (?), elps 'throat, mane', enč 'belly, bank', iɫk<sup>w</sup>e? 'in water', i?t 'source of', n NOM, ú, umš 'people'.

**Reduplication**

augmentative	22
intensifying	4

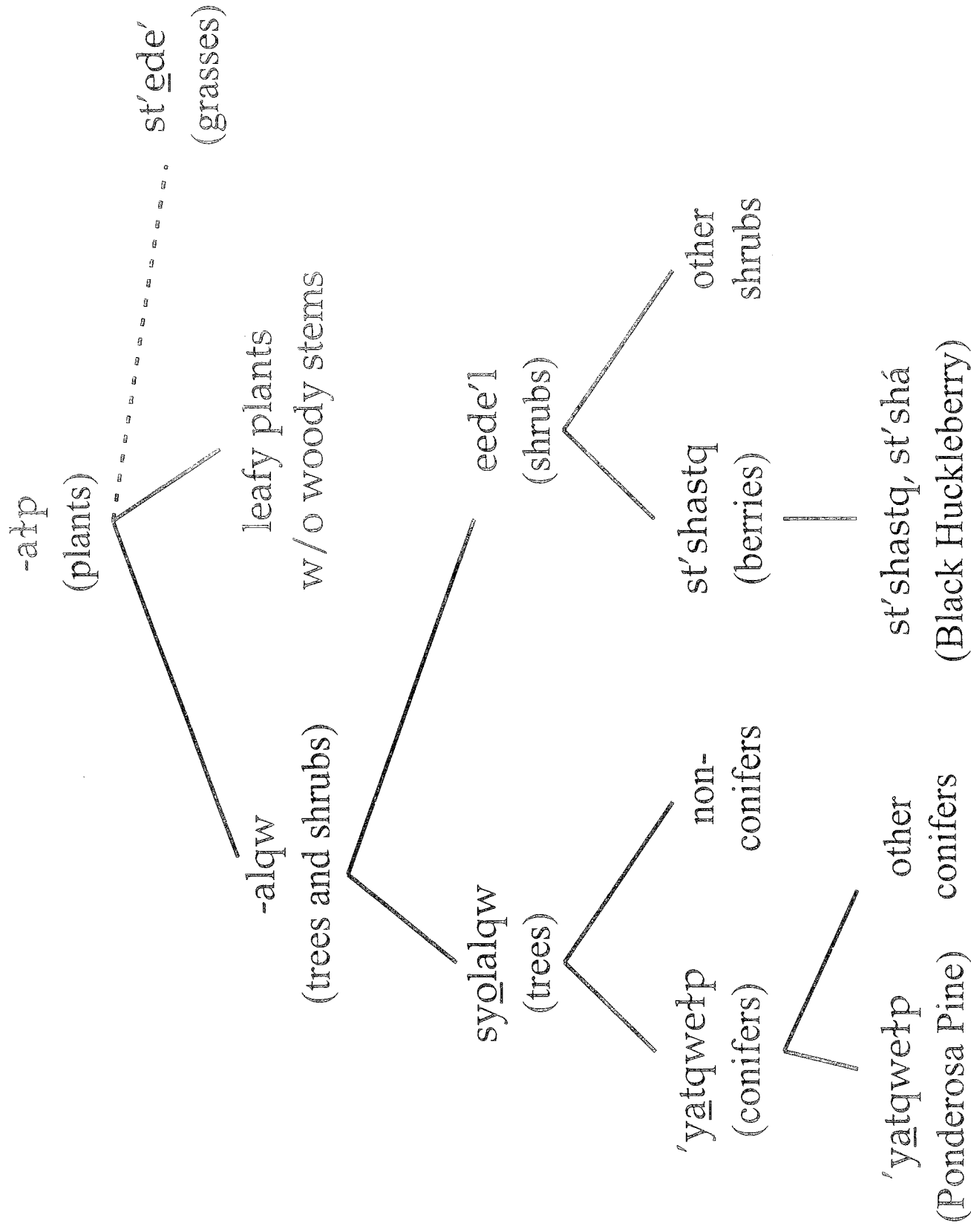


Figure 1: Taxonomy of plant forms in *Snchitsu'umshtsn*

(Fungi and lichens not included. Dotted line indicates hypothetical inclusion.)