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(54) CHRYSANTHEMUM PLANT NAMED 'CIFZ0021'

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(57) ABSTRACT

A new *Chrysanthemum* plant named 'CIFZ0021' particularly distinguished by the small red-purple decorative inflorescences with medium green foliage, compact and mounded plant habit with a mid to late September natural flowering season.

1 Drawing Sheet

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Latin name of the genus and species of the plant claimed: *Chrysanthemum*×*morifolium*.

Varietal denomination: 'CIFZ0021'.

BACKGROUND OF THE NEW PLANT

The present invention comprises a new *Chrysanthemum*, botanically known as *Chrysanthemum*×*morifolium*, and hereinafter referred to by the variety name 'CIFZ0021'.

'CIFZ0021' is a product of a planned breeding program. ¹⁰ The new cultivar has small red-purple decorative inflorescences with medium green foliage, compact and mounded plant habit with a mid to late September natural flowering season.

'CIFZ0021' originates as a natural whole plant mutation of 'Yogigi Pink', U.S. Plant Pat. No. 19,666. 'CIFZ0021' was discovered and selected by the inventor as a single flowering plant within a large population of the parent cultivar grown massed in pots outdoors in a controlled breeding program in Alva, Fla. in November 2008. The parent cultivar 'Yogigi Pink' has pink and white two-toned colored inflorescences, the inflorescence color more fades with maturity, and has a slower natural season flowering response than that of 'CIFZ0021'.

The first act of asexual reproduction of 'CIFZ0021' was accomplished when vegetative cuttings were propagated from the initial selection in January 2009 in Alva, Fla.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF INVENTION

Horticultural examination of plants grown from cuttings of the plant initiated in 'CIFZ0021', and continuing thereafter, has demonstrated that the combination of characteristics as herein disclosed for 'CIFZ0021' are firmly fixed and are 35 retained through successive generations of asexual reproduction.

'CIFZ0021' has not been observed under all possible environmental conditions. The phenotype may vary significantly with variations in environment such as temperature, light $_{40}$ intensity, and day length.

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Plant Breeder's Rights for this cultivar were applied for in Canada on Feb. 24, 2011, #11-7183; at the Community Plant Variety Office on Feb. 30, 2011, #2011-0794; and in the Republic of Korea on Jan. 31, 2012, #2012-79. 'CIFZ0021' has not been made publicly available more than one year prior to the filing of this application.

The following traits have been repeatedly observed and are determined to be basic characteristics of the new variety. The combination of these characteristics distinguishes this *Chrysanthemum* as a new and distinct variety.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS

The accompanying photographic drawing shows typical flower and foliage characteristics of 'CIFZ0021' with colors being as true as possible with an illustration of this type.

The photographic drawing shows a flowering potted plant of the new variety and a close-up of the inflorescences.

DETAILED BOTANICAL DESCRIPTION

The plant descriptions, measurements and aforementioned photographs were taken outdoors in Gilroy, Calif. in early August 2011. The plants were growing in an outdoor potted plant trial in one gallon pots in full sun. These plants were approximately 9-10 weeks of age.

Color references are made to The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart (R.H.S.) 2001.

TABLE 1

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DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE NEW VARIETY 'CIFZ0021' AND A MOST SIMILAR VARIETY

5		'CIFZ0021'	'PPP Belg 07' (U.S. Plant Pat. No. 20,430)
	Bract quantity within the inflorescence head:	Less	More
)	Inflorescence color fading: Plant overall size:	Fades less Smaller	Fades more Larger

TABLE 1-continued				Lastingness of individual blooms on the plant.—About of weeks from first color.
DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE NEW VARIETY 'CIFZ0021'				
AND A MOST SIMILAR VARIETY AND A MOST SIMILAR VARIETY				Fragrance.—Slightly spicy.
	'CIFZ0021'	'PPP Belg 07' (U.S. Plant Pat. No. 20,430)	5	Bud (just when opening/showing color): Color.—Between RHS 187C and RHS 187D but a little
	C11 20 02 1	140.10.20,150)		more grey.
Black cloth flowering	Faster	Slower		Length.—0.8-1.0 cm.
response:				Width.—1.1-1.3 cm.
			10	Shape.—Oblate. Immature inflorescence:
Plant:				
_		Herbaceous garden-type. vardly spreading, freely		Diameter.—2.9-3.2 cm. Color of ray florets, upper surface.—Closest to RHS 70B with RHS 71A at the apex.
Plant height.—	-10.0-11.0 cm.		15	Lower surface.—RHS 70B with slight spot of RHS 71 A
		cluded).—13.0-15.0 cm.	15	at the apex.
Plant width.—3	·	- 15.0 15.0 - 111.		Mature inflorescence:
Roots:	50.0 55.0 c m.			Diameter.—3.9-4.2 cm.
	s to initiate root	ts.—About 4 days at about		Depth.—1.5 cm.
22 degrees (is. Moodi + days at about	20	Total diameter of disc.—Indistinct at this time.
		a rooted cutting.—About		Receptacle height.—0.3 cm.
	at 22 degrees C	_		Receptacle diameter.—0.5 cm.
•	•			Ray florets:
Type.—Fine, fil	•	•		Average quantity of florets.—About 150-160 in numer
Color.—RHS N	NISSB but Wmi	ter.	25	ous whorls.
Foliage:	A 14 4 -			Color of florets, upper surface.—Closest to RHS 72A
Arrangement.				with RHS 71A at the margins and apex.
_		surface.—Between RHS		Lower surface.—A light shade of RHS 70B with sligh
137A and R		. 11 1		and affile 71 A at the areas
		it lighter than RHS 137C.		Length.—1.5-1.8 cm.
		ice.—Between RHS 137A		Width.—0.6-0.65 cm.
and RHS 13				Shape.—Oblong to slightly obovate.
č		it lighter than RHS 137C.		Apex shape.—Irregularly emarginate to praemorse.
Length.—2.2-2				
Width.—2.0-2.2			35	Margin.—Entire.
Shape.—Ovate				Texture, upper surface.—Papillose.
Base shape.—A				Lower surface.—Papillose.
Apex shape.—I		magniants in sized and son		Disc florets:
	iatery lobed, in	regularly incised and ser-		Average quantity of florets.—5-7.
rate.	marface Diffe	1 T abond hoirs	4 0	Color of florets.—RHS 1C basally with RHS 15B apex
Lower surface.	•	l T-shaped hairs.		<i>Length.</i> —0.25-0.3 cm. <i>Width.</i> —0.1 cm.
Color of veins,	-			Shape.—Tubular, elongated.
Color of veins, Color of veins,	11			Apex shape.—Acute, 5 pointed.
Petiole color.—	•	KIID ITTD.	4.5	Phyllaries:
Length.—0.7-1			45	Quantity.—20-25.
Diameter.—0.2				Color, upper surface.—RHS 138A but a little darker.
Texture.—Bifid		S.		Lower surface.—RHS 138A.
Stem:				Length.—0.35-0.5 cm.
Quantity of ma	in branches ne	r plant.—6-7.	50	Width.—0.1-0.15 cm.
~ ,		ut a little lighter.	50	Shape.—Lanceolate.
Length of stem.				Apex shape.—Acute.
Diameter.—0.3				Base.—Fused.
Length of inter		9 cm.		Margins.—Entire, papery.
Texture.—Bifid			55	Texture, upper surface.—Bifid T-shaped hairs.
	-	to but lighter than RHS		Lower surface.—Bifid T-shaped hairs.
146A.		<u></u>		Reproductive organs:
Length of pedu	ncle.—4.5-5.5	cm.		Pistil.—1, found on both types of florets.
Peduncle diam				Length.—0.45 cm.
Texture.—Bifid		S.	60	Style color.—RHS 1C.
Inflorescence:	T		υU	Style length _0 35 cm

Inflorescence:

Type.—Compositae type, solitary, decorative-type, inflorescences borne terminally above foliage, ray florets arranged acropetally on a capitulum.

Quantity of inflorescences per plant.—About 60, and 65 about 200 buds.

Style length.—0.35 cm.

Stigma color.—RHS 13B.

Stigma shape.—Bi-parted.

Ovary color.—RHS 155C.

Ovary length.—0.075 cm.

Ovary width.—0.1 cm.

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Stamens.—4, found on only on the disc florets.

Color of filaments.—RHS 1C.

Length filaments.—0.2 cm.

Anther color.—RHS 15A.

Anther length.—0.1 cm.

Anther shape.—Oblong.

Color of pollen.—RHS 16A.

Pollen amount.—Normal/abundant.
What is claimed is:

1. A new and distinct variety of *Chrysanthemum* plant named 'CIFZ0021' substantially as illustrated and described

herein.

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