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(57) ABSTRACT

A new *Sutera* plant particularly distinguished by having a white flower color, large flowers and more branching, is disclosed.

1 Drawing Sheet

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Genus and species: *Sutera grandiflora*. Variety denomination: 'KLESG13255'.

BACKGROUND OF THE NEW PLANT

The present invention comprises a new and distinct variety of *Sutera*, botanically known as *Sutera grandiflora*, and hereinafter referred to by the variety name 'KLESG13255'. 'KLESG13255' originated from an open-pollination between ¹⁰ the proprietary female *Sutera* variety 'G Lavender' (unpatented) and an unknown male *Sutera* variety.

In August of 2009, seed was collected from the open-pollination cross of two *Sutera* parental lines, 'G Lavender' 15 and an unknown *Sutera* in Stuttgart, Germany. The seeds were sown and plants were grown for evaluation. A plant line was selected in May 2010, which had a white flower color and subsequently named 'KLESG13255'. In May 2010, 20 'KLESG13255' was first vegetatively propagated by in-vitro cultivation in Stuttgart, Germany. 'KLESG13255' was found to reproduce true to type in successive generations of asexual propagation via in-vitro cultivation in Stuttgart, Germany.

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Plant Breeder's Rights for 'KLESG13255' were applied for in Canada on Feb. 8, 2013, Application No. 13-7928. 'KLESG13255' has not been made publicly available or sold more than one year prior to the filing date of this application.

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SUMMARY

The following are the most outstanding and distinguishing characteristics of this new variety when grown under normal horticultural practices in Stuttgart, Germany.

- 1. White flower color;
- 2. Large flowers; and
- 3. More branching.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PHOTOGRAPH

This new *Sutera* plant is illustrated by the accompanying photograph which shows a close-up of the flowers.

The photograph is of a 10-week-old plant grown in a controlled greenhouse environment in Stuttgart, Germany in May 2012. The colors shown are as true as can be reasonably obtained by conventional photographic procedures.

DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW VARIETY

The following detailed descriptions set forth the distinctive characteristics of 'KLESG13255'. The data which define these characteristics were collected from asexual reproductions by in-vitro cultivation carried out in Stuttgart, Germany.

Data was collected on 11-week-old plants grown in a controlled greenhouse environment in Stuttgart, Germany in May 2013. Color references are to The R.H.S. Colour Chart of The Royal Horticultural Society of London (R.H.S.), (2005).

30 Classification:

Family.—Scrophulariaceae.

Botanical.—Sutera grandiflora.

Common.—Sutera.

Designation.—'KLESG13255'.

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Parentage:		Bud:
Female parent.—Proprietary Sutera line 'G Lavender'		Shape.—Tubular.
(unpatented).		Diameter.—About 0.3 cm.
Male parent.—An unknown Sutera line.		Length.—About 0.5 cm.
Plant:	5	
<i>Habit.</i> —Trailing.		Color (at tight bud).—RHS 155A.
Height.—About 9.0 cm.		Corolla (flower):
<i>Spread.</i> —37.0 cm.		Type and shape.—Single-type, nearly round, lower part
Life cycle.—Blooms from April until September.	10	tube and funnel shaped formed by 5 fused petals,
Form.—Round.	10	upper part is salver shaped formed by the partly free
Time to produce a rooted cutting.—4 weeks.		petal lobes.
Time to bloom from propagation.—5 weeks.		Corolla, horizontal diameter.—About 2.2 cm.
Lastingness of inflorescence on the plant.—About 7		Corolla, norizoniai arameter. 1100at 2.2 cm. Color of throat:
days.	15	
Rooting habit and color.—Fine, fibrous roots; color is		Inner surface: RHS 23A. Outer surface: RHS 15B.
white to cream-white.		Diameter: 0.4 cm. Texture: Inner and outer surfaces:
Stems:		Smooth.
Number of stems per plant.—9.		Corolla tube length.—0.7 cm.
Length.—About 23.0 cm.	20	Corolla tube width.—0.5 cm.
Diameter.—0.8 cm.		Petal (lobes):
Internode length.—About 1.5 cm.		Apex.—Rounded tips.
Color.—RHS 144A.		Base.—Fused.
Texture.—Smooth.	2.5	
Anthocyanin.—Absent.	25	Margin.—Entire.
Leaves:		Color.—Inner surface: RHS N999D. Outer surface:
Arrangement.—Single, opposite.		RHS N999D.
Average number of leaves per branch.—About 20, and		Texture.—Upper and lower surfaces: Smooth.
dependent on the age of the plant.	30	Length.—About 1.0 cm.
Leaf type.—Simple.		Width.—About 1.2 cm.
Leaf variegation.—Absent.		Calyx:
Shape.—Ovate, acute angle to the stem.		Arrangement and appearance.—Whorl of 5 sepals sur-
Apex.—Acute. Base.—Cordate.		rounding the base of the flower tube, sepals are fused
Margin.—Serrate.	35	
Length.—Between 1.6 cm to 2.5 cm.		at the base.
Width.—Between 1.8 cm and 3.0 cm.		Sepals.—Color: Upper and lower surfaces: RHS 139C.
Color.—Immature and mature leaves: Upper surface:		Length: 1.2 cm. Width: 0.1 cm. Apex: Acute. Base:
RHS 137A. Lower surface: RHS 137C.	40	Fused. Margin: Entire. Texture: Upper and lower sur-
Texture.—Both upper and lower surfaces: Leathery.	40	faces: Densely pubescent. Shape: Lanceolate, acumi-
Venation type.—Pinnate.		nate.
Venation color.—Upper and lower surfaces: RHS 144A.		Reproductive organs:
Fragrance.—Present.		Stamens.—Quantity: 4. Filament: Color: RHS 155B.
Petiole.—Length: 0.7 cm. Diameter: 0.1 cm. Texture:	45	Length: 1.1 cm. Diameter: 0.1 cm. Anther color: RHS
Pubescence. Color: RHS 138B.		15D. Pollen amount: Abundant. Pollen color: RHS
Inflorescence:		
Blooming habit.—Freely flowering.		22A.
Natural flowering season.—Flowers 4 weeks after pot-		Pistil.—Quantity per flower: 1. Length: 1.3 cm. Stigma
ting; flowers all year round in moderate climates; if in	50	color: RHS 145C. Style color: RHS 155B. Style
full sun and heat flowering stops.		length: 0.7 cm to 1.2 cm. Ovary color: RHS 138B.
Persistent or self-cleaning.—Flowers are not really self-		Fruit and seed set:
cleaning but because of the quantity of flowers, old		Capsulates/fruit.—Color: RHS 137C. Size: 0.5 cm×0.4
flowers will not be noticeable.	55	cm. Shape: Ovate.
Peduncle.—Absent.	55	Seeds.—Color: RHS 20A. Size: About 0.1 cm. Shape:
Quantity of inflorescence per stem.—About 10.		Round.
Type of inflorescence.—Flowers are often solitary, most		Disease and pest/insect resistance: None observed.
often 2 flowers per node are developed.		<u>-</u>
Fragrance.—Present.	60	COMPARISON WITH PARENTAL LINE AND
Pedicel:		KNOWN VARIETY
Color.—RHS 144A. Length.—1.0 cm to 1.5 cm.		

Diameter.—About 0.1 cm.

Strength.—Moderate to strong.

Texture.—Pubescent.

'KLESG13255' is a distinct variety of *Sutera* having a white flower color; 'KLESG13255' is distinguished from its female parent as described in Table 1:

TABLE 1

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Comparison with Parental Line

Variety Female parent 'G Lavender' Trait 'KLESG13255' Color of flower White Lavender

'KLESG13255' is most similar to the Sutera plant named

'Summer White Falls' (unpatented). Differences between the two varieties are described in Table 2:

TABLE 2

Comparison with Similar Variety			
Trait	Variety 'KLESG13255'	Commercial line 'Summer White Falls' (unpatented)	
Flower size	Bigger flowers than 'Summer White Falls'	Smaller flowers than 'KLESG13255'	
Branching	More branching than 'Summer White Falls'	Less branching than 'KLESG13255'	

We claim:

1. A new and distinct variety of *Sutera* plant named 'KLESG13255' as illustrated and described herein.

