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- (54) **CHrysanthemum PLANT NAMED 'ZANMUZEST'**
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(57) **ABSTRACT**
A *chrysanthemum* plant named 'Zanmuzest' characterized by its medium sized blooms with bronze ray florets and prolific branching; natural season flowering date September 22; blooming for a period of about 4 to 5 weeks.

3 Drawing Sheets**1**

Botanical designation: *Chrysanthemum×morifolium* Ramat.
Cultivar denomination: 'Zanmuzest'.

RELATED CULTIVARS

This new plant cultivar 'Zanmuzest' is of the botanical classification *Chrysanthemum×morifolium* Ramat.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a new and distinct cultivar of *chrysanthemum* plant, botanically known as *Chrysanthemum×morifolium* Ramat., commercially known as a garden mum, and hereinafter referred to by the cultivar denomination 'Zanmuzest'. 'Zanmuzest' is a product of a breeding and selection program for outdoor pot mums (garden mums) which had the objective of creating new cultivars with a double type inflorescence, a natural season flowering date around September 22, blooming for a period of about 4 to 5 weeks. 'Zanmuzest' is a seedling resulting from a cross of the female parent 24577 with the male parent 17159. Plants of the new cultivar 'Zanmuzest' differ from plants of the female parent in the following characteristics. (1) Ray-floret color. And (2) Natural season flowering date. (1) Ray-florets of the seedling are bronze colored, while those of the female parent are yellow-bronze. (2). Plants of the seedling flower two weeks later in the season than those of the female parent. Plants of the new cultivar 'Zanmuzest' differ from plants of the male parent in ray-floret color; the seedling have bronze colored ray-florets, while the male parent has dark bronze colored ray-florets.

The new and distinct cultivar was discovered and selected as a flowering plant by Henricus Cornelius Maria Jacobs on a cultivated field in Rijenhout, The Netherlands in 2009. The first act of asexual production of 'Zanmuzest' was accomplished when vegetative cuttings from the initial selection in 2009 were propagated further in a controlled environment in

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Rijenhout, The Netherlands. The new cultivar has been found to retain its distinctive characteristics through successive propagations.

5 BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The present invention of a new and distinct variety of *chrysanthemum* (of about 16 weeks) is shown in the accompanying drawings, the color being as nearly true as possible with color photographs of this type.

FIG. 1 shows a plant of the cultivar in full bloom.

FIG. 2 shows the various stages of bloom of the new cultivar.

FIG. 3 shows the various stages of foliage of the new cultivar.

DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The observations and measurements were gathered from 20 plants grown out door in Rijenhout, The Netherlands, under natural day length and temperature and planted in week 25 in 2014, receiving drip irrigation. The natural blooming date of this crop was September 22. The average height of the plants was 30-35 cm. No growth retardants were used. No tests were done on disease or insect resistance or susceptibility. No tests were done on cold or drought tolerance. This new variety produces medium sized blooms with bronze ray florets blooming for a period of about 4 to 5 weeks.

From the cultivars known to inventor the most similar 30 existing cultivar in comparison to 'Zanmuzest' is 'Zanmutomic' (U.S. Plant Pat. No. 21,183). When 'Zanmutomic' and 'Zanmuzest' are being compared the following difference is noticed: natural season flowering date. Plants of 'Zanmutomic' flower earlier in the season than those of 'Zanmuzest'.

35 The following is a description of the plant and characteristics that distinguish 'Zanmuzest' as a new and distinct variety.

The color designations are taken from the plant itself. Accordingly, any discrepancies between the color designations and the colors depicted in the photographs are due to photographic tolerances. The color chart used in this description is: The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart, edition 2001.

TABLE 1
Botanical Description of
Chrysanthemum × morifolium Ramat. 'Zanmuzest'

Bud	
Size:	Small; cross-section 0.7-1 mm, height 5-7 mm
Shape:	Round
Texture:	Pubescent
Outside color:	Greyed-green 191A
Phyllaries	
Number:	24, arranged in 3 rows
Shape:	Elliptic
Apex:	Acute
Base:	Truncate
Margin:	Entire
Color:	Upper side: Green 139B Lower side: Greyed-green 191A
Length and width:	4-5 mm; 1.5 mm
Texture:	Pubescent
Inflorescences	
Type:	Double
Height:	1.8 cm
Diameter:	5 cm
Peduncle length:	4.5-7 cm
Peduncle color:	Greyed-green 191B
Peduncle diameter:	1.5 mm
Peduncle texture:	Pubescent
Number per branch:	About 5-7 inflorescences
Duration of flowering:	about 4 to 5 weeks
Seeds:	Produced in small quantities, ovate, Greyed-brown 199A, length 1.5 mm, diameter 0.5 mm
Fragrance:	Faint chrysanthemum odor
Color inflorescences	
Center of inflorescence (disc florets):	Immature stage: Greyed-orange 172A; Mature stage: Green-yellow 1B
Color of upper side of ray florets:	Yellow 4A at base to Greyed-Orange 171A at apex
Color of lower side of ray florets:	Greyed-Orange 162C at base to Greyed-Orange 173C at tip
Tonality from distance:	A garden mum with bronze blooms
Color of ray florets after aging of the plant:	Greyed-orange 171D
Ray florets	
Texture:	Upper and lower side smooth
Number:	130-140
Shape:	elliptic
Apex:	Pointed to dentate
Base:	Attenuate
Cross-section:	Flat
Longitudinal axis:	Straight
Length of corolla tube:	2-3 mm
Ray floret margin:	Entire
Ray floret length:	1.2-2.5 cm
Ray floret width:	2-6 mm
Ratio length/width:	Medium
Disc florets	
Disc diameter:	1-2 mm
Distribution of disc florets:	Few, only visible in mature stage of inflorescence
Shape:	Funnels shaped
Color:	Yellow-Green 145C at base to Green-Yellow 1B at apex
Length:	3 mm
Diameter:	1 mm

TABLE 1-continued

Botanical Description of <i>Chrysanthemum × morifolium</i> Ramat. 'Zanmuzest'	
5	Receptacle
10	Color: Yellow-green 145D Shape: Domed raised Height: 4 mm Diameter: 2.8 mm
15	Reproductive Organs
20	Androecium: Stamen length: 3 mm Stamen color: Yellow-green 144A Anther color: Yellow 2A Pollen: Pollen color: Scarce Gynoecium: Style color: Yellow 12A Style length: Present on both ray and disc florets Stigma color: Yellow-green 154C Stigma width: 4 mm Ovary: Plant
25	Form: Present on only disc florets Growth habit: Spherical shape Growth rate: Vigorous Height: 30-35 cm Width: 60-65 cm Stem color: Greyed-brown 199A Stem strength: Not strong Stem brittleness: Brittle 30 Stem anthocyanin coloration: absent Internode length: 1-2.5 cm Length of lateral branch: From top to bottom 21-23 cm Lateral branch color: Green 138 A Lateral branch, attachment: Weak Lateral branch diameter: 2 mm 35 Branching (average number of lateral branches): Prolific with 8 breaks after pinching Natural season blooming date: September 22 (week 39)
40	Foliage
45	Leaf color: Upper side: Green 137A Color midvein: Lower side: Green 137B Size: Upper side: Yellow-green 147D Quantity: Lower side: Yellow-green 148D (number per lateral branches): Small; length 3-6.5 cm, width 1.7-3 cm Shape: Elliptic Texture upper side: Sparsely pubescent Texture under side: Pubescent Venation arrangement: Pinnate Shape of margin: Serrated Shape of base of sinus between lateral lobes: Rounded 50 Margin of sinus between lateral lobes: Diverging Shape of base: Truncate to attenuate Apex: Mucronulate Petiole length: 0.8-1.5 cm Petiole diameter: 2 mm Petiole color: Yellow-green 147D
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TABLE 2

60	Differences with the comparison variety, when grown under identical conditions	'Zanmuzest'	'Zanmutomic'
	Natural season flowering date	Week 39	Week 37

I claim:

1. A new and distinct *chrysanthemum* plant named ‘Zan-muzest’ as described and illustrated.

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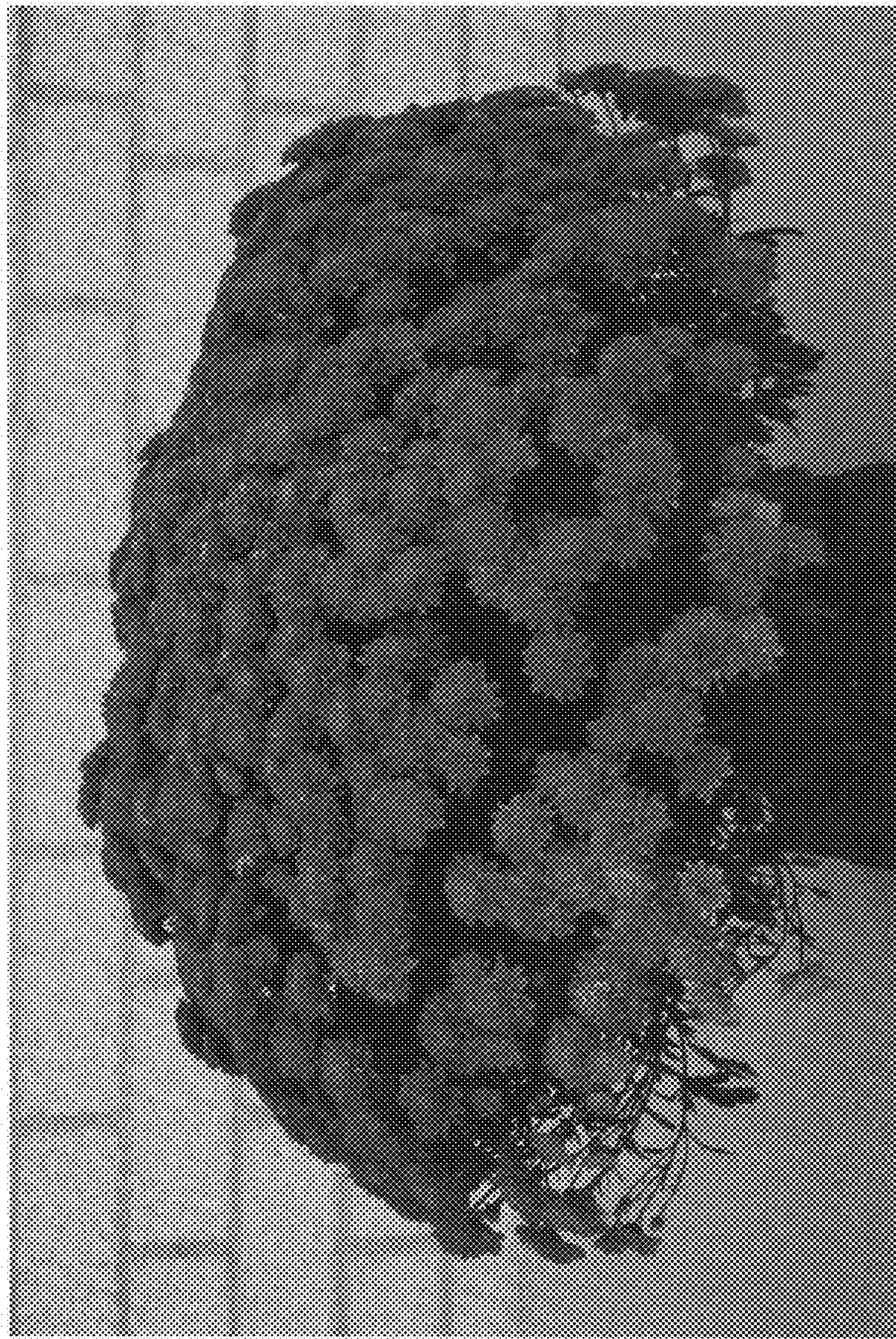


FIG. 1

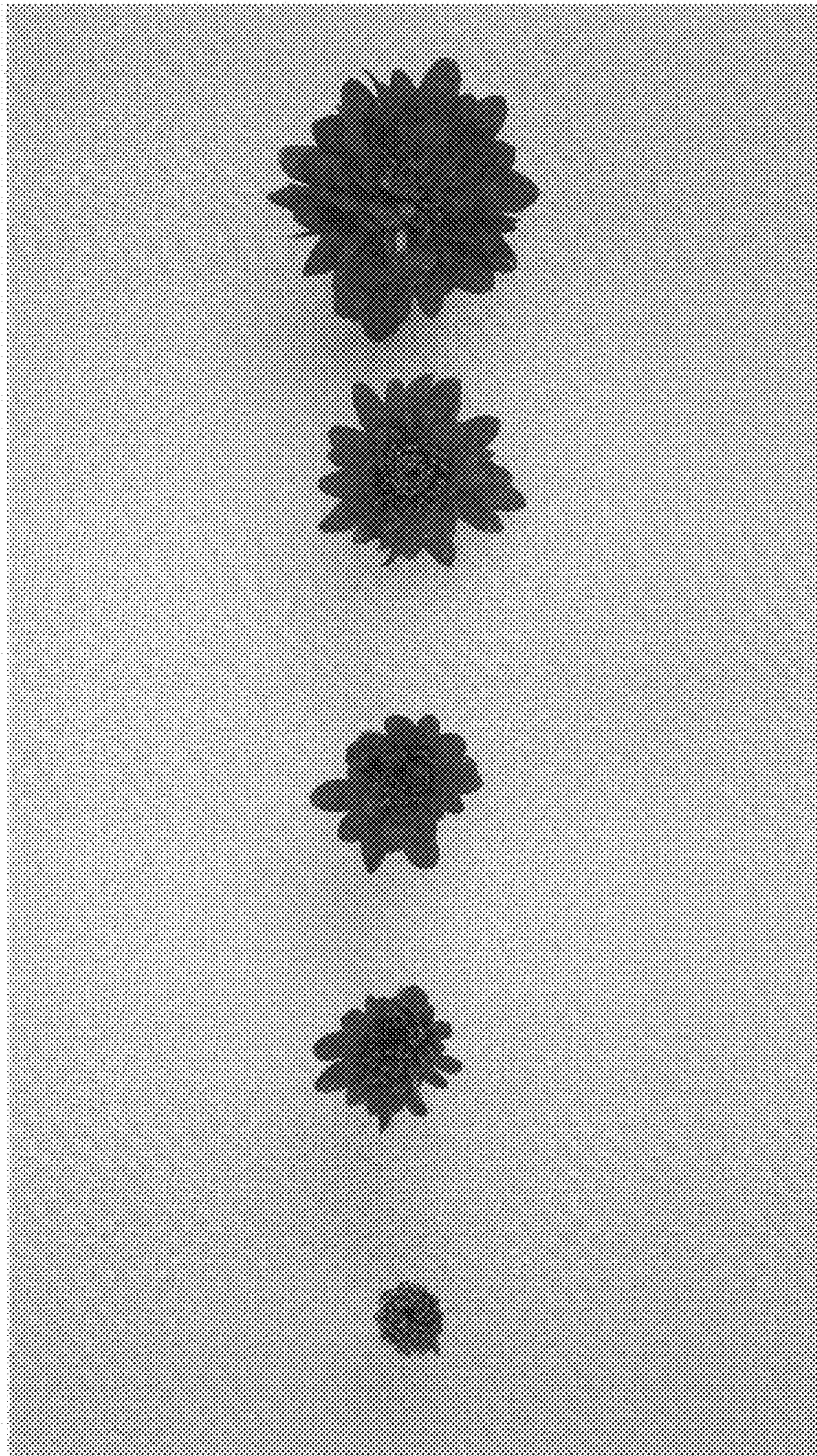


FIG. 2

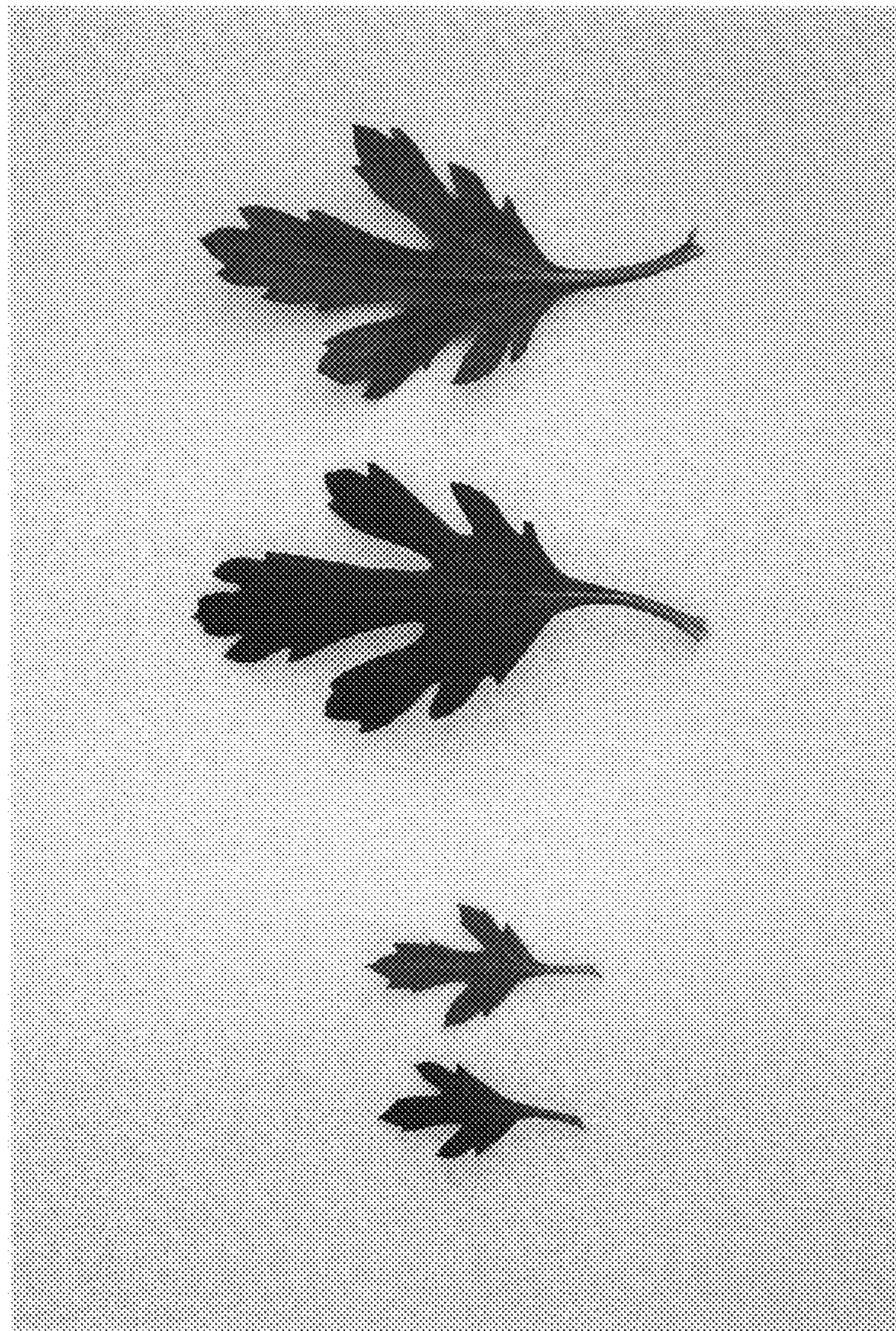


FIG. 3