

# EPIPHYTE DIVERSITY IN A TROPICAL ANDEAN FOREST – RESERVA BIOLÓGICA SAN FRANCISCO, ZAMORA-CHINCHIPE, ECUADOR

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**Abstract.** High diversity and abundance of epiphytes are one of the special characteristics of tropical montane cloud forests. Although epiphytes, apart from their important role as structural elements in this ecosystem, play an important role in the hydrological balance, few detailed studies on epiphyte vegetation exist. In the area of Reserva Biológica San Francisco in Southern Ecuador, a detailed inventory of the epiphytes along four altitudinal transects at 1800–3150 m was carried out. The research area holds one of the most species-rich epiphyte floras in the world. So far at least 627 epiphyte species have been recorded. Monocotyledons are most important, with orchids alone accounting for 50% of all species. Species numbers change considerably along the altitudinal gradient. In the lower montane forest between 1850 and 2100 m, 340 epiphyte species were recorded, compared with 283 in the upper montane forest (2100–2450 m), 120 in the subalpine elfin forest (2450–2650 m), and only four species in *Páramo* areas above the timberline. The highest epiphyte diversity can always be found in the uppermost branch area of the tree canopy. This zone is particularly colonized by orchids, and in contrast to other tropical montane forests, bromeliads, ferns and Ericaceae can be found abundantly in this zone too. All other families colonize mainly the lower stem zone. Accepted 16 August 2001.

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## INTRODUCTION

Tropical mountain forests are among the most species-rich ecosystems worldwide. Particularly the eastern Andean region represents one of the most distinct “biodiversity-hotspots” (Myers *et al.* 2000). In striking contrast to tropical lowland rainforests, these tropical montane forests have received only marginal attention in science and society until recently, despite their ecological and economical importance as water catchments and erosion barriers. Due to increased population pressure and resource use (firewood, mineral resources, pastures, agriculture), montane forests are disappearing more and more rapidly. Most studies carried out in tropical ecosystems have focused on lowland rainforests, and most research stations are located there (Leigh 1999). Even there, very little is known about the regeneration processes in the ecosystem (Finegan 1996), and almost nothing about its functioning. In tropical montane ecosystems, studies have concentrated mainly on the alpine zone, whereas the often-inaccessible forest belt with its extreme species richness has hardly been studied (Gentry 1995,

Webster 1995). Although Andean forests host extremely high numbers of species (Barthlott *et al.* 1996, Ibisch 1996), often comparable to or higher than species counts for Amazonian areas (Balslev *et al.* 1998), no comprehensive studies of a tropical mountain forest ecosystem have been undertaken. Even broad-focused projects like “Ecoandes” in Colombia (Hammen *et al.* 1983, 1989a,b; Hammen & Ruiz 1984; Hammen & Dos Santos 1995) included the forest regions only marginally. Moreover, although the majority of the vascular flora in tropical forests belongs to non-woody life forms (Gentry & Dodson 1987, Ibisch 1996, Balslev *et al.* 1998, Galeano *et al.* 1999), most vegetation studies have focused entirely on woody species (Gentry 1988, 1995; Kitayama 1992; Aiba & Kitayama 1999). The few publications concerning the mountain forest vegetation of Ecuador mainly contain species lists, or mention the montane region in a brief comparison with the forests of the Amazon basin (Grubb *et al.* 1963, Grubb & Whitmore 1966, Ek 1997). Initial attempts to bring the existing scattered data together were made only recently (Hamilton *et al.* 1994, Churchill *et al.* 1995).

One of the characteristics of Neotropical mountain forests is the extreme abundance of epiphytes

(Richards 1952, Madison 1977). Although they have fascinated botanists for centuries, they remain poorly known taxonomically and ecologically. Detailed knowledge of the epiphyte flora exists only for few regions in Bolivia (Ibisch 1996) and Venezuela (Engwald 1999). The work presented here was designed to document the vascular epiphyte flora in an Ecuadorian mountain forest.

## STUDY AREA

The border region of Ecuador and Peru is one of the most biologically diverse areas worldwide, and thus a “biodiversity-hotspot” *par excellence*. Low passes in the Andean chain allow an easy exchange between the floras and faunas of the Amazon Basin and the Pacific lowlands. Additionally, the region shows a rapid transition between the humid mountain forests of the northern Andes and the dry, deciduous forests of the northern Peruvian lowlands. Until recently the Podocarpus National Park and the study area have been almost unknown scientifically. A few studies deal with the flora of Loja province (Espinosa 1948a, b; Emperaire & Friedberg 1990; Øllgaard & Madsen 1993; Ulloa & Jørgensen 1993; Jørgensen & Ulloa 1994; Madsen & Øllgaard 1994; Bussmann & Lange 1998; Jørgensen & León-Yanez 1999), or provide short descriptions of the area and its vegetation (Espinosa 1989/92; Madsen 1989, 1991; Jørgensen 1991; Bøgh 1992). The most recent new approach for the classification of the vegetation of Ecuador (Sierra 1999) lists all montane forests between 1800 and 3000 m altitude as “bosque de neblina montano”, without further distinction.

Studies of composition and regeneration of the forest vegetation of Reserva Biológica San Francisco (ECSF) have been carried out since 1997 as part of the German Science Council Project “Functionality in a tropical mountain forest: Diversity, dynamic processes and use-potential.”

Reserva Biológica San Francisco (ECSF) is located between the provincial capitals Loja and Zamora. It covers 1000 ha of the northern slopes of Cordillera de Consuelo, at 03°58'18''S, 079°04'44''W, in Zamora-Chinchipe Province, Ecuador, adjacent to the 146200 ha Podocarpus National Park (Fig. 1), the only protected area in southern Ecuador. Ranging from 1800 to 3150 m, it contains a complete pristine transect of the montane forest of the region, as well as comparable anthropogenically disturbed areas in close vicinity. The topography is extremely steep

with slope inclinations reaching in places 90°, and mainly ranging from 40 to 60°.

In the southern part of Ecuador and the north of Peru a number of lower ridges with deep and dry valleys are found. The highest elevation is 4600 m and for the most part 4000 m is not exceeded (Jørgensen & Ulloa 1994). The area is the lowest part of the Andes near the equator. While the substrates of the northern Andes are of Quaternary volcanic origin, the southern part is composed of pre-Cretaceous to Tertiary material (Hall 1977). The geological substrate consists mainly of sandstones and phyllites, the soils of Dystrudepts, Humaquepts and Petraquepts (Schrumpf 1999).

Emck (in prep.) reports an average annual precipitation of about 2500 mm at lower altitudes, and more than 5000 mm in the uppermost regions of the reserve, with mean annual temperatures of 15–17°C and 11–12°C respectively (Fig. 1). Dense clouds or mist covers particularly the peak regions most times of the year. The main rainfall occurs in March-July, followed by a “dry” (but by no means arid) season, which can lead to a negative water balance especially during the months of October-January.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

Fieldwork has been conducted in an ongoing effort since September 1995, allowing revisits to all plots during all seasons of the year, including a strong El Niño/La Niña cycle in 1997/98. After a detailed floristic inventory based on random samples, fourteen plots 20 x 50 m (1000 m<sup>2</sup>) were established at intervals of 200 m altitude, following two transects, to investigate the stand structure of the area. Height and diameter at breast height (dbh) of all living and dead tree species with a dbh > 10 cm were measured. In each plot five additional sub-plots of 2 x 2 m were established, to obtain data on tree regeneration.

Additionally, non-permanent phytosociological plots (307 in natural forest areas, 76 plots on natural landslides and 40 on anthropogenically-induced landslides) were established, following the method of Braun-Blanquet (1964) as described by Mueller-Dombois & Ellenberg (1974), modified by Hammen *et al.* (1989b). Plot location was chosen in ecologically and physiognomically representative and homogeneous forest areas. The plot size chosen (at least 400 m<sup>2</sup> in forest areas, and 2 m<sup>2</sup> on landslides) was always larger than the minimum areas determined,

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but was small enough to keep environmental factors in the plots uniform. Generally plots were square-shaped, but frequently other shapes had to be chosen, particularly in linear habitats such as ridges, ravines, landslides, or roadsides.

Presence/absence of all species was registered in each plot, where terrestrial and epiphytic species were treated separately. Epiphytic species were collected from fallen trees and branches as well as by climbing randomly selected trees, with 8 m trimming poles, and by observation through binoculars (also outside the plots to allow a more complete survey of the epiphyte

flora). At nine sites at different altitudes, the epiphyte flora of selected trees was completely mapped, and the distribution in the Johansson Zones registered (Johansson 1974).

Vouchers of all species encountered in the research area (but not in every single plot) were collected, and have been deposited at the herbarium of the Estación Científica San Francisco (ECSF), the Herbario Reinaldo Espinosa Loja (LOJA), the National Herbarium of Ecuador (QCNE), and the Herbario de la Pontificia Universidad Católica Quito (OCA). The nomenclature follows Jørgensen & León-Yanez 1999.

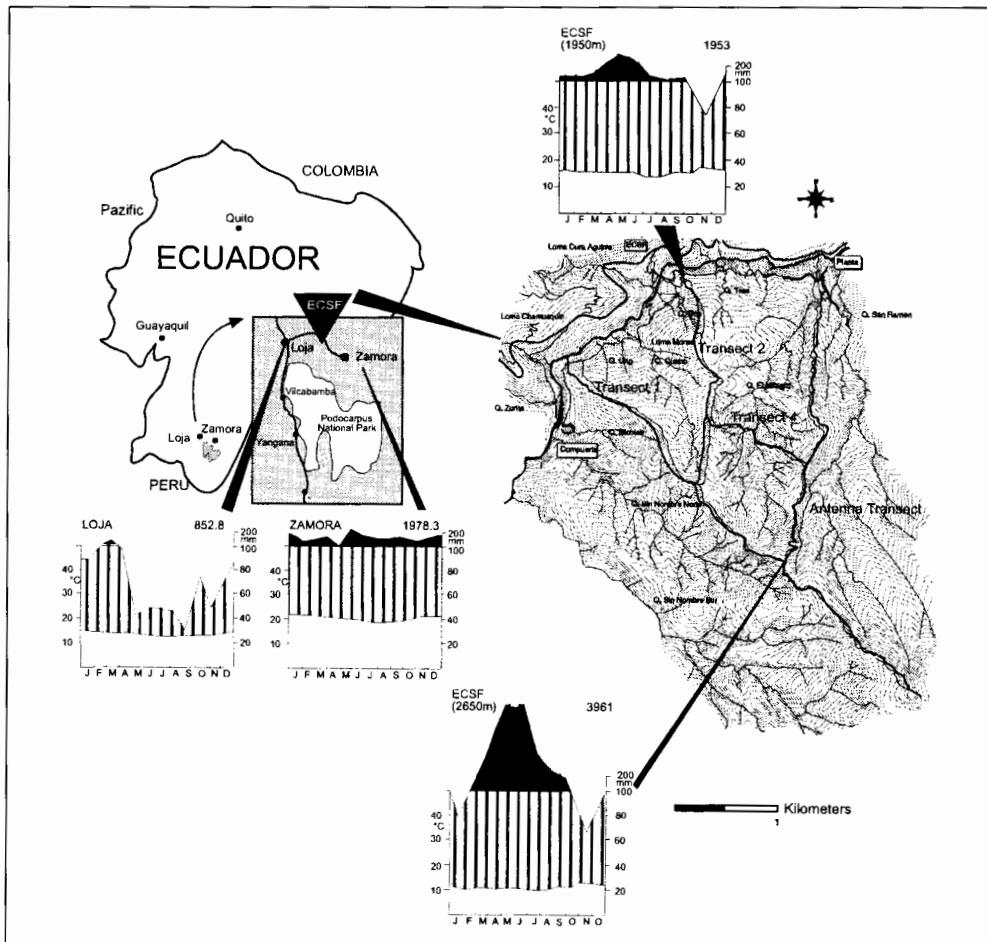


FIG. 1. Study area in Southern Ecuador.

## RESULTS

**Forest formations.** The “montane broad-leaved forest” (*Ocotea – Nectandra* forest, Bussmann 2001), is the prevalent forest formation at altitudes from 1850–2100 m, extending up to 2300 m at the bottom of wind-protected riverine valleys (Bussmann 2001). Characterized by a highly diverse, 2-storied tree stratum, this formation can be encountered mainly on very steep slopes with an inclination of 30–50° or more, as well as in almost inaccessible valleys. The upper tree stratum reaches 25 m, with emergent trees up to 35 m tall in riverine valleys.

At altitudes above 2100 m, up to about 2750 m, the “upper montane forest” (*Purdiaeae nutans – Myrica pubescens – Myrsine andina* forest), a monotypic formation with only one tree stratum, with stems between 5–10 m, sometimes up to 15 m tall, replaces the *Ocotea-Nectandra* forest. Lowland species gradually disappear completely. The canopy is completely dominated by the twisted stems of *Purdiaeae nutans* (Cyrillaceae), which has its main distribution in northern Peru. A very diverse stratum of small treelets and shrubs occurs, formed by Myrsinaceae, Myricaceae, a multitude of small Melastomataceae, Cunoniaceae, Clethraceae, many Clusiaceae and Aquifoliaceae.

The uppermost forest belt of the study area is formed by the “subalpine-elfin forest”, which closely resembles the Bolivian “*Jalca*”. This formation, more

like an impenetrable bushland than a forest, is closely dovetailed with the adjacent *Páramo* region. From an altitude of 2450 m, patches of *Jalca* already occur in the upper montane forest. The crowns of the dominant species, only 1–2 m wide – particularly Cunoniaceae, Clusiaceae, Clethraceae and many small Melastomataceae – form a very dense canopy, allowing little light to reach the ground. The stems of these “trees” thus protrude from a meter-deep carpet of mosses, and in contrast to the rich woody flora almost no herbaceous species are found in the ground layer.

**Epiphyte diversity and distribution.** A total of 627 epiphyte species has been registered in Reserva Biológica San Francisco so far. Orchidaceae (318 species), Bromeliaceae (77), and Polypodiaceae (61 species) were the largest groups of vascular epiphytes. The number of epiphyte species varied considerably between forest types (Appendix 1, Fig. 2), and a typical decrease of species richness with altitude can be observed.

In the lower montane forest, where many lowland species persisted, still 340 epiphyte species were encountered. This was underlined by the high diversity of Bromeliaceae (48 species), Araceae (21), and Piperaceae (15 species). Half of all Araceae genera found at ECSF occurred only in these lower regions. Orchids were still the dominant epiphyte group (153 species), with again almost half the genera restricted to this re-

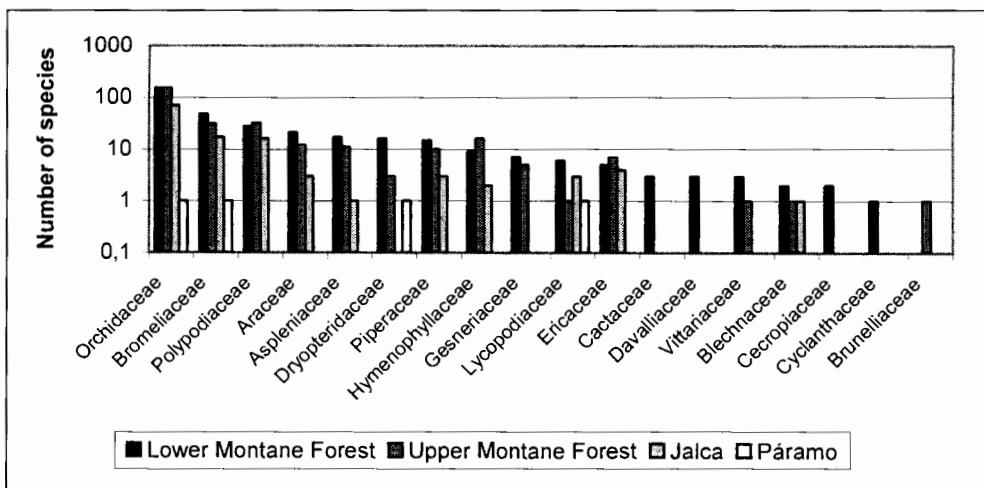


FIG. 2. Epiphyte families at the Reserva Biológica San Francisco (ECSF).

gion. Polypodiaceae (28 species) and Dryopteridaceae (16 species) were other important families.

In the upper montane forest, the species number quickly started to decline. The most important families remained the same, but they decreased in species. Notable exceptions were the orchids. Particularly Pleurothallidiinae (*Lepanthes*, 32 species; *Pleurothallis* 25 species) had their main distribution in these misty forests. Small epiphytic Polypodiaceous genera like *Terpsichore* and *Melpomene* were also most species-rich at mid-altitudes, while Hymenophyllaceae also had their center here, where air humidity was highest.

Only 120 epiphyte species were recorded in the subalpine elfin forest or "Jalca". Lowland families like Araceae and Piperaceae had disappeared, Bromelian and orchid diversity had declined. In the other forest types orchids accounted for 45–54 % of epiphytes. In the Yalca, their importance grew to 58 percent. This came very close to the findings of Bøgh (1992), who found 138 species in one plot in the nearby Cajanuma area. The páramo areas were negligible with regard to epiphyte distribution, only four species reaching these high altitudes.

The highest epiphyte diversity could always be found in the upper and mid-crown areas of the host trees. These zones were particularly colonized by orchids, though bromeliads, ferns and Ericaceae could be found abundantly in this zone too. Most other families colonize mainly the lower stem zone. In the lower montane forest and Jalca a specific host preference was not observed, whereas in the upper montane forest the highest epiphyte diversity was found on specimens of *Purdiaeia nutans*, the dominant canopy species.

## CONCLUSIONS

Orchids and ferns are the most species-rich groups in Andean cloud forests (Atwood 1984), and were also encountered as the most important epiphyte groups in all forest formations at ECSF. Although epiphytes were found in all Johansson Zones the tree base zone and the middle and upper canopy are most heavily colonized by epiphytes. This is in line with other studies (e.g., ter Steege & Cornelissen 1989, Ibisch 1996, Engwald 1999). With 627 epiphyte species found so far (Appendix 2), Reserva Biológica is one of the most epiphyte-rich areas worldwide. Only the Bolivian yungas might match this diversity. Ibisch (1996) estimates 600 species for this region, and found 230 spe-

cies in a small transect from 2100 to 2300 m altitude. Other Neotropical studies documented much lower epiphyte numbers. Engwald (1999) found 120 species in La Carbonara in Venezuela (2300 m), and only 53 species in Surumoni (100 m) in the Orinoco basin. McDade *et al.* (1994) documented 380 species from La Selva in Costa Rica (130 m), Ingram *et. al.* (1995) 332 species from Monteverde Cloud Forest Reserve (1400 m), Catling *et al.* (1989) reported 68 species from Guatemala, ter Steege *et al.* (1989) 86 species from lowland Guyana (100 m), and Gentry & Dodson (1987) reported 238 species from Rio Palenque in Ecuador (200 m). Also in Ecuador, in the montane forests of Otonga (Nowicki 1998) and Guajalito (Rauer 1995), both at altitudes of 2000 m, 196 and 166 vascular epiphytes were found. This clearly shows that tropical lowland forests have a very reduced epiphyte diversity, and that the main level of vascular epiphyte richness can be observed in Andean montane forests at altitudes of 2000–2400 m.

Not much is known about the distribution of epiphytes in other regions, and the ecology of most species is unknown, so much more data from these regions are required for comparison.

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APPENDIX 1: Epiphyte families and species per genus at the Reserva Biológica San Francisco (ECSF) and their altitudinal distribution.

Family / Genus	Lower Montane Forest	Upper Montane Forest	Jalca	Páramo	Total species number
Araceae	21	12	3		30
<i>Anthurium</i>	13	10	3		21
<i>Caladium</i>	1	1			1
<i>Monstera</i>	1				1
<i>Philodendron</i>	2	1			2
<i>Rhodopotha</i>	2				2
<i>Stenospermation</i>	2				3
Aspleniaceae	17	11	1		21
<i>Asplenium</i>	17	11	1		21
Blechnaceae	2	1	1		3
<i>Blechnum</i>	2	1	1		3
Bromeliaceae	48	31	17	1	77
<i>Aechmea</i>	2				2
<i>Guzmania</i>	13	10	2		25
<i>Mezobromelia</i>	1	1	1	1	1
<i>Pitcairnia</i>	6	1			7
<i>Racinaea</i>	12	3	8		17
<i>Tillandsia</i>	11	13	6		20
<i>Vriesea</i>	3	3			5
Brunelliaceae		1			1
<i>Brunellia</i>		1			1
Cactaceae	3				3
<i>Rhipsalis</i>	3				3
Cecropiaceae	2				1
<i>Coussapoa</i>	2				1
Cyclanthaceae	1				1
<i>Cyclanthus</i>	1				1
Davalliaceae	3				3
<i>Nephrolepis</i>	3				3
Dryopteridaceae	16	3		1	20
<i>Bolbitis</i>	1				1
<i>Elaphoglossum</i>	9	3			12
<i>Oleandra</i>	1				1
<i>Peltapteris</i>	1				1
<i>Polybotrya</i>	4				4
<i>Woodsia</i>				1	1
Ericaceae	5	7	4		11
<i>Anthopterus</i>	1				1
<i>Disterigma</i>		3	3		3
<i>Macleania</i>		1			1
<i>Oreanthes</i>	1				1
<i>Orthaea</i>		1			1
<i>Psammisia</i>	1				1
<i>Satyria</i>	1				1
<i>Semiramisia</i>	1	1			1
<i>Sphyrospermum</i>		1	1		1

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Family / Genus	Lower Montane Forest	Upper Montane Forest	<i>Jalca</i>	<i>Páramo</i>	Total species number
Gesneriaceae	7	5			11
<i>Alloplectus</i>	1	1			2
<i>Anetanthus</i>					1
<i>Codonanthe</i>	1	1			1
<i>Columnea</i>	4	2			5
<i>Drymonia</i>		1			1
<i>Pearcea</i>	1				1
Hymenophyllaceae	9	16	2		25
<i>Hymenophyllum</i>	5	13	1		16
<i>Trichomanes</i>	4	3	1		9
Lycopodiaceae	6	1	3	1	11
<i>Huperzia</i>	6	1	3	1	11
Ophioglossaceae	1				1
<i>Cheiroglossa</i>	1				1
Orchidaceae	153	152	70	1	318
<i>Ackermannia</i>	2				2
<i>Ada</i>	3				3
<i>Anguloa</i>	1				1
<i>Barbosella</i>		1			1
<i>Brachionidium</i>	2	4	3		9
<i>Bulbophyllum</i>	1				1
<i>Chaubardia</i>	1				1
<i>Chaubardiella</i>	1				1
<i>Chondrorhyncha</i>	3				3
<i>Chrysocycnis</i>	2				2
<i>Cischweinflia</i>	1				1
<i>Cochlioda</i>	1	1			1
<i>Comparertia</i>	2				2
<i>Cryptocentrum</i>		2			2
<i>Cypholoron</i>		1	1		1
<i>Cyrtidiorchis</i>		1	1		1
<i>Dichaea</i>	1	2			3
<i>Draconanthes</i>			2		2
<i>Dracula</i>	2	1			3
<i>Dresslerella</i>	2				2
<i>Dryadella</i>	1	1			2
<i>Elleanthus</i>	2				3
<i>Epidendrum</i>	20	12	3	1	34
<i>Fernandezia</i>	1	1	2		4
<i>Galeottia</i>	1				1
<i>Hofmeisterella</i>	1				1
<i>Kefersteinia</i>	2				2
<i>Koellensteinia</i>			1		1
<i>Lankesterella</i>			1		1
<i>Lepanthes</i>	28	32	8		48
<i>Lepanthonopsis</i>	5		2		7
<i>Lockhartia</i>	2				2
<i>Lycaste</i>	1				1
<i>Masdevallia</i>	9	12	3		23
<i>Maxillaria</i>	16	20	8		37

Family / Genus	Lower Montane Forest	Upper Montane Forest	<i>Jalca</i>	<i>Páramo</i>	Total species number
<i>Myoxanthus</i>	3	1			4
<i>Octomeria</i>	1	1			2
<i>Odontoglossum</i>		8	8		10
<i>Oliveriana</i>	1				1
<i>Oncidium</i>	1	2			3
<i>Otoglossum</i>		1	1		1
<i>Pachyphyllum</i>		3	3		4
<i>Pityphyllum</i>	1	1	1		2
<i>Platystele</i>	3	1	1		5
<i>Pleurothallis</i>	16	25	13		44
<i>Polystachya</i>	1				1
<i>Ponthievia</i>	1	1			2
<i>Porroglossum</i>	1				1
<i>Restrepia</i>	3	1	1		4
<i>Salpistele</i>		1			1
<i>Sarcoglottis</i>			1		1
<i>Scaphyglottis</i>		1	1		1
<i>Stelis</i>		5	3		5
<i>Trichosalpinx</i>	3	9	2		12
<i>Trisetella</i>	4				5
Piperaceae	15	10	3		28
<i>Peperomia</i>	15	10	3		28
Polypodiaceae	29	32	16		61
<i>Campyloneurum</i>	8	2	1		11
<i>Ceradenia</i>		2	1		3
<i>Cochlidium</i>	1	1			2
<i>Dicranoglossum</i>	1				1
<i>Enterosora</i>		1			1
<i>Grammitis</i>		1			1
<i>Lellingeria</i>	2	2	1		4
<i>Melpomene</i>		6	6		6
<i>Microglossa</i>	1				1
<i>Microgramma</i>	2				2
<i>Niphidium</i>		1			1
<i>Pecluma</i>	3	2			4
<i>Phlebodium</i>	1				1
<i>Pleopeltis</i>	1	1			1
<i>Polypodium</i>	6	4			1
<i>Terpsichore</i>	2	8	7		12
<i>Zygophlebia</i>	1	1			1
Vittariaceae	3	1			3
<i>Antrophyum</i>	1				1
<i>Vittaria</i>	2	1			2
TOTAL	340	283	120	4	627

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APPENDIX 2. Epiphyte species at the Reserva Biológica San Francisco (ECSF).

Araceae

*Anthurium breviscapum* Schott  
*Anthurium coeruleuscens* Engl.  
*Anthurium corrugatum* Sodiro  
*Anthurium dombeyanum* Brogn. ex Schott  
*Anthurium flavolineatum* Sodiro  
*Anthurium grubbii* Croat  
*Anthurium harlingianum* Croat  
*Anthurium incomptum* Madison  
*Anthurium incurvatum* Engl.  
*Anthurium lennardii* Croat  
*Anthurium lingua* Sodiro  
*Anthurium longegeniculatum* Engl.  
*Anthurium myosuroides* (Kunth) Endl.  
*Anthurium obtusum* (Engl.) Grayum  
*Anthurium ovatifolium* Engl.  
*Anthurium penningtonii* Crot  
*Anthurium rugulosum* Sodiro  
*Anthurium scandens* (Aublet.) Engl.  
*Anthurium truncicola* Engl.  
*Anthurium variegatum* Sodiro  
*Anthurium versicolor* Sodiro  
*Caladium bicolor* (Aiton) Vent.  
*Monstera lechleriana* Schott  
*Philodendron herthae* K. Krause  
*Philodendron verrucosum* L. Mathieu ex Schott  
*Rhodopathea ammonifolium* (Poep.) Schott  
*Rhodopathea latifolia* Poep.  
*Stenospermation adsimile* Sodiro  
*Stenospermation angustifolium* Hemsl.  
*Stenospermation longipetiolatum* Engl.  
Aspleniaceae  
*Asplenium aethiopicum* (Burm.f.) Bech.  
*Asplenium auriculatum* Sw.  
*Asplenium auritum* Sw.  
*Asplenium cirrhatum* Rich. Ex Willd.  
*Asplenium ecuadorensis* Stolze  
*Asplenium feei* Kunze ex Fée  
*Asplenium flabellulatum* Krause  
*Asplenium foeniculatum* Kunth.  
*Asplenium harpeodes* Kunze  
*Asplenium hastatum* Klotzsch ex Kunze  
*Asplenium monanthes* L.  
*Asplenium pteropus* Kaulf.  
*Asplenium pululahuense* Sodiro  
*Asplenium repens* Hook.  
*Asplenium riparium* Liebm.  
*Asplenium rutaceum* (Willd.) Mett.  
*Asplenium serra* Langsd. & Fisch.

*Asplenium sessilifolium* Desr.  
*Asplenium stuebelianum* Hieron.  
*Asplenium theciferum* (Kunth.) Mett.  
*Asplenium tricholepis* Rosenst.  
Blechnaceae  
*Blechnum acutum* (Desr.) Mett.  
*Blechnum ensiforme* (Liebm.) C. Chr.  
*Blechnum fragile* (Liebm.) C.V. Morton & Lellinger  
Bromeliaceae  
*Aechmea drakeana* André  
*Aechmea involucrata* André  
*Aechmea vetchii* Baker  
*Guzmania aequatorialis* L.B. Sm.  
*Guzmania asplundii* L.B. Sm.  
*Guzmania besseae* H. Luther  
*Guzmania candelabrum* (André) André ex Mez  
*Guzmania condorensis* H. Luther  
*Guzmania confusa* L.B. Sm.  
*Guzmania conifera* (André) André ex Mez  
*Guzmania diffusa* L.B. Sm.  
*Guzmania foetida* Rauh  
*Guzmania fusispica* Mez & Sodiro  
*Guzmania garciaensis* Rauh  
*Guzmania gloriosa* (André) André ex Mez  
*Guzmania killipiana* L.B. Sm.  
*Guzmania lychnis* L.B. Sm.  
*Guzmania morreniana* (Linden Hortus) Mez  
*Guzmania multiflora* (André) Anfré ex Mez  
*Guzmania osyana* (E. Morren) Mez  
*Guzmania paniculata* Mez  
*Guzmania poortmanii* (André) André  
*Guzmania sanguinea* (André) André ex Mez  
*Guzmania sibundoyorum* L.B. Sm.  
*Guzmania squarrosa* (Mez & Sodiro) L.B. Sm. &  
Pittendr.  
*Guzmania vanvolxemii* (André) André ex Mez  
*Guzmania variegata* L.B. Sm.  
*Mezobromelia bicolor* L.B. Sm.  
*Mezobromelia capituligera* (Grieseb.) J.R. Grant  
*Mezobromelia fulgens* L.B. Smith  
*Pitcairnia alata* L.B. Sm.  
*Pitcairnia andreetae* H. Luther  
*Pitcairnia devansayana* André & Baker  
*Pitcairnia heterophylla* (Lindl.) Beer  
*Pitcairnia hirtzii* H. Luther  
*Pitcairnia maidifolia* (C. Morren) Decne.  
*Pitcairnia riparia* Mez  
*Racinaea blassii* (L.B. Sm.) M.A. Spencer & L.B. Sm.  
*Racinaea dielsii* (Harms) H. Luther

<i>Racinaea euryelytra</i> J.R. Grant	Cactaceae
<i>Racinaea flexuosa</i> (Baker) M.A. Spencer & L.B. Sm.	<i>Rhipsalis baccifera</i> (J.S. Meld.) Stearn
<i>Racinaea gilmartiniae</i> (L.B. Sm.) M.A. Spencer &	<i>Rhipsalis kirbergii</i> Barthlott
L.B. Sm.	<i>Rhipsalis micrantha</i> (Kunth) DC.
<i>Racinaea homostachya</i> (André) M.A. Spencer &	Cecropiaceae
L.B. Sm.	<i>Coussapoa crassivenosa</i> Mildbr.
<i>Racinaea multiflora</i> (Benth.) M.A. Spencer & L.B. Sm.	<i>Coussapoa villosa</i> Poepp. & Endl.
<i>Racinaea pallidoflavens</i> (Mez) M.A. Spencer & L.B. Sm.	Cyclanthaceae
<i>Racinaea pectinata</i> (André) M.A. Spencer & L.B. Sm.	<i>Cyclanthus bipartitus</i> Poir.
<i>Racinaea penlandii</i> (L.B. Sm.) M.A. Spencer & L.B. Sm.	Davalliaceae
<i>Racinaea pugiformis</i> (L.B. Sm.) M.A. Spencer & L.B. Sm.	<i>Nephrolepis cordifolia</i> (L.) C. Presl.
<i>Racinaea schumanniana</i> (Wittm.) J.R. Grant.	<i>Nephrolepis pectinata</i> (Willd.) Schott
<i>Racinaea seemannii</i> (Baker) M.A. Spencer & L.B. Sm.	<i>Nephrolepis pendula</i> (Raddi) J. Sm.
<i>Racinaea tetrantha</i> (Ruiz & Pav.) M.A. Spencer & L.B. Sm.	Dryopteridaceae
<i>Racinaea tripinnata</i> (Baker) M.A. Spencer & L.B. Sm.	<i>Bolbitis lindeggii</i> (Mett.) Ching.
<i>Racinaea undulifolia</i> (Mez) H. Luther	<i>Elaphoglossum andeanum</i> Christ.
<i>Tillandsia aequatorialis</i> L.B. Sm.	<i>Elaphoglossum ciliatum</i> (C. Presl.) T. Moore
<i>Tillandsia asplundii</i> L.B. Sm.	<i>Elaphoglossum crassipes</i> (Hieron) Diels
<i>Tillandsia barbeyana</i> Wittm.	<i>Elaphoglossum cuspidatum</i> (Willd.) T. Moore
<i>Tillandsia barthlottii</i> Rauh	<i>Elaphoglossum decorum</i> (Kunze) T. Moore
<i>Tillandsia biflora</i> Ruiz & Pav.	<i>Elaphoglossum erinoicum</i> (Feé) Moore
<i>Tillandsia buseri</i> Mez	<i>Elaphoglossum isophyllum</i> (Sod.) H. Christ.
<i>Tillandsia clavigera</i> Mez	<i>Elaphoglossum muscosum</i> (Sw.) T. Moore
<i>Tillandsia complanata</i> Benth.	<i>Elaphoglossum ovatum</i> (Hook. & Grev.) T. Moore
<i>Tillandsia confinis</i> L.B. Sm.	<i>Elaphoglossum paleaceum</i> (Hook. & Grev.) Sledge
<i>Tillandsia denudata</i> André	<i>Elaphoglossum platyphyllum</i> Presl.
<i>Tillandsia dichrophylla</i> L.B. Sm.	<i>Elaphoglossum preselianum</i> (Feé) H. Christ
<i>Tillandsia fendleri</i> Grieseb.	<i>Elaphoglossum pseudoboryanum</i> Mickel
<i>Tillandsia floribunda</i> Kunth	<i>Oleandra pilosa</i> Hook.
<i>Tillandsia ionochroma</i> André ex Mez	<i>Peltapteris peltata</i> (Sw.) C.V. Morton
<i>Tillandsia laminata</i> L.B. Sm.	<i>Polybotrya alfredii</i> Brade
<i>Tillandsia latifolia</i> Meyen	<i>Polybotrya altescandens</i> C. Chr.
<i>Tillandsia polyantha</i> Mez & Sodiro	<i>Polybotrya appressa</i> R.C. Moran
<i>Tillandsia pyramidalis</i> André	<i>Polybotrya polybotrioides</i> (Baker) H. Christ.
<i>Tillandsia recurvata</i> (L.) L.	<i>Woodia montevidensis</i> (Spreng.) Hieron.
<i>Tillandsia reversa</i> L.B. Sm.	Ericaceae
<i>Tillandsia stenoura</i> Harms	<i>Anthopterus gentryi</i> Lutteyn
<i>Tillandsia straminea</i> Kunth	<i>Disterigma acuminatum</i> (Kunth.) Nied.
<i>Tillandsia tovarensis</i> Mez	<i>Disterigma codonanthum</i> S.F. Blake
<i>Tillandsia wurdackii</i> L.B. Sm.	<i>Disterigma empetrifolium</i> (Kunth.) Drude
<i>Vriesea appendiculata</i> (L.B. Sm.) L.B. Sm.	<i>Macleania farinosa</i> Mansf.
<i>Vriesea fragans</i> (André) L.B. Smith	<i>Oreanthes buxifolia</i> Benth.
<i>Vriesea tequendamae</i> (André) L.B. Sm.	<i>Pernettya prostrata</i> (Cav.) DC.
Brunelliaceae	<i>Psammisia columbiensis</i> Hoerold
<i>Brunellia inermis</i> Ruiz. & Pav.	<i>Semiramisia speciosa</i> (Benth.) Klotzsch
	<i>Sphyrospermum buxifolium</i> Poepp. & Endl.
	<i>Themistoclea cordifolium</i> Benth.
	Gesneriaceae
	<i>Alloplectus peruvianus</i> (A. Zahlbr.) L.P. Kvist & L.E. Skog.
	<i>Alloplectus tetragonus</i> (Oerst.) Hanst.

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- Codonanthe erubescens* Wiehler  
*Columnea albiflora* L.P. Kvist & L.E. Skog  
*Columnea fuscihirta* L.P. Kvist & L.E. Skog  
*Columnea guttata* Poepp.  
*Columnea nervosa* (Klotzsch ex Oerst.) Hanst.  
*Columnea strigosa* Benth.  
*Drymonia serrulata* (Jacq.) Mart.  
Hymenophyllaceae  
*Hymenophyllum amabile* C.V. Morton  
*Hymenophyllum dependens* C.V. Morton  
*Hymenophyllum fucoides* (Hedw.) C.V. Morton  
*Hymenophyllum hirsutum* (L.) Sw.  
*Hymenophyllum lobatoalatum* Klotzsch  
*Hymenophyllum microcarpum* Desr.  
*Hymenophyllum multialatum* C.V. Morton  
*Hymenophyllum myriocarpum* Hook.  
*Hymenophyllum polyanthes* (Sw.) Sw.  
*Hymenophyllum ruizianum* (Klotzsch) Kuntze.  
*Hymenophyllum superbum* C.V. Morton  
*Hymenophyllum trichomanoides* Bosch  
*Hymenophyllum trichophyllum* Kunth.  
*Hymenophyllum tunbringense* (L.) Sm.  
*Hymenophyllum undulatum* (L.) Sw.  
*Hymenophyllum verecundum* C.V. Morton  
*Trichomanes capillaceum* L.  
*Trichomanes cristatum* Kaulf.  
*Trichomanes elegans* (Rich.) Bosch  
*Trichomanes hymenophylloides* Bosch  
*Trichomanes lucens* Sw.  
*Trichomanes polypodioides* L.  
*Trichomanes pyxidiferum* L.  
*Trichomanes radicans* Sw.  
*Trichomanes reptans* Sw.  
Lentibulariaceae  
*Utricularia jamesoniana* Oliv.  
Lycopodiaceae  
*Huperzia campania* B. Øllg  
*Huperzia capillaris* (Sodiro) Holub  
*Huperzia ericifolia* (C.Presl.) Holub.  
*Huperzia filiformis* (Sw.) Holub.  
*Huperzia heteroclita* (Desr. & Poir.) Holub  
*Huperzia limifolia* (L.) Trevisan  
*Huperzia limifolia* (L.) Trevisan var. *tenuifolia* Nessel & B. Øllg.  
*Huperzia sarmentosa* (Spring) Trevis.  
*Huperzia subulata* (Desr. Ex Poir.) Holub  
*Huperzia tenuis* (Humb. & Bonpl. ex Willd.) Trevis  
*Huperzia wilsonii* (Underw. & F.E. Lloyd) B. Øllg.  
Ophioglossaceae  
*Cheiroglossa palmata* (L.) C. Presl.  
Orchidaceae  
*Ackermannia caudata* (Ackermann) Dodson & Escobar  
*Ackermannia palaorae* (Dodson & Hirtz) Dodson & Escobar  
*Ada brachypus* (Rchb. f.) N.H. Williams  
*Ada glumacea* (Lindl.) N.H. Williams  
*Ada medozae* Dodson  
*Anguloa uniflora* Ruiz & Pav.  
*Barbosella cucullata* (Lindl.) Schltr.  
*Brachionidium andreettae* Luer & Hirtz  
*Brachionidium ballatrix* Luer & Hirtz  
*Brachionidium dalstroemii* Luer  
*Brachionidium elegans* Luer & Hirtz  
*Brachionidium ephemereum* Luer & Hirtz  
*Brachionidium hirtzii* Luer  
*Brachionidium pteroglossum* Luer  
*Brachionidium rugosum* Luer & Hirtz  
*Brachonidium loxense* Luer  
*Bulbophyllum steyermarkii* Foldats  
*Chaubardia heteroclita* (Poepp. & Endl.) Dodson & D.E. Benn  
*Chaubardiella dalessandroi* Dodson & Dalström  
*Chondrorhyncha embreei* Dodson & Neudecker  
*Chondrorhyncha viridisepala* Senghas  
*Chondrorhyncha vollesii* G. Gerlach, Neudecker & Seeger  
*Chrysocycnis lehmannii* Rolfe  
*Chrysocycnis schlimii* Linden & Rchb. f.  
*Cischweinfia suarezii* Dodson  
*Cochleanthes flabelliformis* (Sw.) R.E. Schult & Garay  
*Cochlioda rosea* (Lindl.) benth.  
*Cochlioda vulcanica* (Rchb. f.) Benth. & Hook. f. ex B.D. Jacks.  
*Comparettia falcatata* Poepp. & Endl.  
*Comparettia speciosa* Rchb. f.  
*Crossoglossa dalessandroi* (Dodson) Dodson  
*Crossoglossa dalstroemii* (Dodson) Dodson  
*Crossoglossa hirtzii* Dodson ex Dodson  
*Crossoglossa liparioides* (Finet) Dodson  
*Cryptocentrum lehmannii* (Rchb. f.) Garay  
*Cryptocentrum pergracile* Schltr.  
*Cypholoron frigida* Dodson & Dressler  
*Cyrtidiorchis alata* (Lindl.) Rauschert  
*Dichaeta lagotis* Rchb. f.  
*Dichaeta laxa* (Ruiz & Pav.) Poepp. & Endl.  
*Dichaeta longa* Schltr.  
*Draconanthes aberrans* (Schltr.) Luer  
*Draconanthes bufonis* (Luer & Hirtz) Luer  
*Dracula dalessandroi* Luer  
*Dracula lotax* (Luer) Luer  
*Dracula simia* (Luer) Luer

- Dresslerella caesariata* Luer  
*Dresslerella hirsutissima* (C. Schweinf.) Luer  
*Dryadella perpusilla* (Krzl.) Luer  
*Dryadella simula* (Rchb. f.) Luer  
*Elleanthus conifer* (Rchb. f. & Warcz.) Rchb. f.  
*Elleanthus lateralis* Garay  
*Elleanthus oellgaardii* Dodson  
*Epidendrum acuminatum* Ruiz & Pav.  
*Epidendrum allenii* L.O. Williams  
*Epidendrum alpicolum* Rchb. f.  
*Epidendrum amethystinum* Rchb. f.  
*Epidendrum apaganum* Mansf.  
*Epidendrum arbusculum* Lindl.  
*Epidendrum armeniacum* Lindl.  
*Epidendrum calanthum* Rchb.f & Warsc.  
*Epidendrum catillus* Rchb.f. & Warsz.  
*Epidendrum coryophorum* (Kunth) Rchb. f.  
*Epidendrum cristatum* Ruiz & Pav.  
*Epidendrum cuencanum* Schltr.  
*Epidendrum densifolium* Kraenzl.  
*Epidendrum elleanthoides* Schltr.  
*Epidendrum excisum* Lindl.  
*Epidendrum ferrugineum* Ruiz. & Pav.  
*Epidendrum geminiflorum* Kunth  
*Epidendrum globiflorum* F. Lehmann & Kraenzl.  
*Epidendrum gramineum* Lindl.  
*Epidendrum jajaense* Rchb. f.  
*Epidendrum lacustre* Lindl.  
*Epidendrum lechleri* Rchb. f.  
*Epidendrum macrostachyum* Lindl.  
*Epidendrum mancum* Lindl.  
*Epidendrum odontospathum* Rchb. f.  
*Epidendrum pachychilum* Kraenzl.  
*Epidendrum perigracile* Schltr.  
*Epidendrum polystachyum* Kunth  
*Epidendrum purum* Lindl.  
*Epidendrum ramosum* Jacq.  
*Epidendrum repens* Cogn.  
*Epidendrum rupestre* Lindl.  
*Epidendrum scabrum* Ruiz & Pav.  
*Epidendrum tridens* Poepp. & Endl.  
*Fernandezia ionanthera* (Rchb. f. & Warsz.) Schltr.  
*Fernandezia maculata* Garay & Dunst.  
*Fernandezia sanguinea* (Lindl.) Garay & Dunstery  
*Fernandezia subbiflora* Ruiz & Pav.  
*Galeottia acuminata* (C. Schweinf.) Dressler &  
 Christenson  
*Hofmeisteriella eumicroscopica* (Rchb. f.) Rchb. f.  
*Kefersteinia pellita* Rchb. f. ex Dodson & D.E.  
 Benn.  
*Kefersteinia sanguinolenta* Rchb. f.
- Koellensteinia ionoptera* Linden & Rchb. f.  
*Lankesterella orthantha* (Kraenzl.) Garay  
*Lepanthes acarina* Luer  
*Lepanthes aculeata* Luer  
*Lepanthes adelphe* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes agglutinata* Luer  
*Lepanthes alticola* C. Schweinf.  
*Lepanthes angulata* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes auriculata* Luer  
*Lepanthes aurita* Luer  
*Lepanthes ballatrix* Luer  
*Lepanthes caloura* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes campodostele* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes cassidea* Rchb. f.  
*Lepanthes cauda-avis* Luer  
*Lepanthes contingens* Luer  
*Lepanthes curiosa* Luer  
*Lepanthes dalessandroi* Luer  
*Lepanthes dictyon* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes disjuncta* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes drymocharis* Luer & Hirtz, ined.  
*Lepanthes ejecta* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes eresipes* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes flexuosa* Luer  
*Lepanthes floripecten* (Rchb. f.) Ames  
*Lepanthes focalis* Luer  
*Lepanthes fusiformis* Luer  
*Lepanthes gargantua* Luer  
*Lepanthes hirizii* Luer  
*Lepanthes homotaxis* Luer  
*Lepanthes ictalurus* Luer  
*Lepanthes inamoena* Luer  
*Lepanthes intosa* Luer  
*Lepanthes intricata* Luer  
*Lepanthes micropetala* L.O. Williams  
*Lepanthes monitor* Luer  
*Lepanthes monoptera* Lindl.  
*Lepanthes narcissus* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes necopina* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes nummularia* Rchb. f.  
*Lepanthes papyrophylla* Rchb. f.  
*Lepanthes polytricha* Luer  
*Lepanthes series* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes stalactites* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes tachirensis* Foldats  
*Lepanthes via-incarum* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes wagneri* Rchb. f.  
*Lepanthes xenos* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes yanganae* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthes zamorensis* Luer & Hirtz  
*Lepanthopsis acetabulum* Luer

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*Lepanthes acuminata* Ames  
*Lepanthes apoda* (Garay & Dunst.) Luer  
*Lepanthes culiculosa* Luer  
*Lepanthes floripecten* (Rchb. f.) Ames  
*Lepanthes hirtzii* Luer  
*Lepanthes vinacea* C. Schweinf.  
*Lockhartia biserrata* (Rich.) Christenson & Garay  
*Lockhartia longifolia* (Lindl.) Schltr.  
*Iycaste ciliata* (Ruiz & Pav.) Lindl. ex Rchb. f.  
*Masdevallia amaluzae* Lier & Malo  
*Masdevallia ampullacea* Luer & Andreetta  
*Masdevallia anachaeta* Rchb. f.  
*Masdevallia carruthersiana* F. Lehm. & Kraenzl.  
*Masdevallia citrinella* Luer & Malo  
*Masdevallia corderoana* F. Lehm. & Kraenzl.  
*Masdevallia dalessandroi* Luer  
*Masdevallia fractiflexa* F. Lehm. & Kraenzl.  
*Masdevallia lilacina* Koeninger  
*Masdevallia macropus* F. Lehm. & Kraenzl.  
*Masdevallia mendozae* Luer  
*Masdevallia parvula* Schltr.  
*Masdevallia persicina* Luer  
*Masdevallia picta* Luer  
*Masdevallia picturata* Rchb. f.  
*Masdevallia rosea* Lindl.  
*Masdevallia roseola* Luer  
*Masdevallia sernae* Luer & Escobar  
*Masdevallia setacea* Luer & Malo  
*Masdevallia teaguei* Luer  
*Masdevallia trochilus* Linden & André  
*Masdevallia uncifera* Rchb. f.  
*Masdevallia xanthina* Rchb. f.  
*Maxillaria acuminata* Lindl.  
*Maxillaria acutifolia* Lindl.  
*Maxillaria aggregata* (Kunth) Lindl.  
*Maxillaria alpestris* Lindl.  
*Maxillaria arachnites* Rchb. f.  
*Maxillaria aurea* (Poepp. & Endl.) L.O.Williams  
*Maxillaria breviscapa* Poepp. & Endl.  
*Maxillaria calantha* Schltr.  
*Maxillaria densifolia* (Poepp. & Endl.) Rchb. f.  
*Maxillaria discolor* (Lodd. ex Lindl.) Rchb. f.  
*Maxillaria disticha* (Lindl.) C. Schweinf.  
*Maxillaria ecuadorensis* Schltr.  
*Maxillaria elegantula* Rolfe  
*Maxillaria exaltata* (Kraenzl.) C. Schw.  
*Maxillaria graminifolia* (Kunth) Rchb. f.  
*Maxillaria imbricata* Barb. Rodr.  
*Maxillaria irrorata* Rchb. f.  
*Maxillaria jamesonii* (Rchb. f.) Garay & C. Schweinf.  
*Maxillaria jenischiana* (Rchb. f.) C. Schweinf.

*Maxillaria klugii* C. Schweinf.  
*Maxillaria longipes* Lindl.  
*Maxillaria luteo-rubra* (Lindl.) Rchb. f.  
*Maxillaria mapirensis* (Kraenzl.) L.O. Williams  
*Maxillaria marginata* Fenzl  
*Maxillaria multicaulis* (Poepp. & Endl.) C. Schweinf.  
*Maxillaria nervosa* Rolfe  
*Maxillaria ochroleuca* Lodd. ex Lindl.  
*Maxillaria pastense* Rchb. f.  
*Maxillaria perryae* Dodson  
*Maxillaria poikilothecae* Schltr.  
*Maxillaria polyphylla* Rchb. f.  
*Maxillaria porrecta* Lindl.  
*Maxillaria pulla* Linden & Rchb. f.  
*Maxillaria stenophylla* Rchb. f.  
*Maxillaria striata* Rolfe  
*Maxillaria xantholeuca* Schltr.  
*Maxillaria yanganensis* Dodson  
*Myoxanthes affinis* (Lindl.) Luer  
*Myoxanthes ceratophallis* (Rchb. f.) Luer  
*Myoxanthes monophyllus* Poepp. & Endl.  
*Myoxanthes priapus* Luer  
*Myoxanthes uxorius* (Luer) Luer  
*Ocomeria callosa* Luer  
*Ocomeria grandiflora* Lindl.  
*Odontoglossum angustatum* Lindl.  
*Odontoglossum astranthum* Linden & Rchb. f.  
*Odontoglossum aureum* (Lindl.) Rchb. f.  
*Odontoglossum cristatum* Rchb. f.  
*Odontoglossum cruentum* Rchb. f.  
*Odontoglossum gracile* Lindl.  
*Odontoglossum myanthum* Lindl.  
*Odontoglossum pardinum* (Lindl.) Lindl.  
*Odontoglossum ramosissimum* Lindl.  
*Odontoglossum retusum* Lindl.  
*Oliveriana brevilabia* (C. Schweinf.) Dressler &  
 N.H. Williams  
*Oncidium hartwegii* Lindl.  
*Oncidium heteranthum* Poepp. & Endl.  
*Oncidium macranthum* Lindl.  
*Otoglossum brevifolium* (Lindl.) Garay & Dunst.  
*Pachyphyllum cristallinum* Lindl.  
*Pachyphyllum falcifolium* Rchb. f.  
*Pachyphyllum hartwegii* Rchb. f.  
*Pachyphyllum peperomoides* Kraenzl.  
*Pitiphyllum laricinum* (Kraenzl.) Schltr.  
*Pitiphyllum piniooides* Sweet  
*Platystele acicularis* Luer & Hirtz  
*Platystele aculeata* Luer  
*Platystele dodsonii* Luer  
*Platystele orectoglossa* P. Ortiz

- Platystele oxyglossa* (Schltr.) Garay  
*Pleurothallis adelae* Luer  
*Pleurothallis antennifera* Lindl.  
*Pleurothallis aves-seriales* Luer & R. Escobar  
*Pleurothallis batillacea* Luer  
*Pleurothallis bivalvis* Lindl.  
*Pleurothallis canaligera* Rchb. f.  
*Pleurothallis cernua* Luer  
*Pleurothallis crocodiliceps* Rchb. f.  
*Pleurothallis cylindrica* (Luer) Luer  
*Pleurothallis dalessandroi* Luer  
*Pleurothallis dasypetala* Luer & Hirtz  
*Pleurothallis deflexa* Luer  
*Pleurothallis derengularis* (Barbosa Rodriguez) Luer  
*Pleurothallis diminuata* Luer  
*Pleurothallis divaricans* Schltr.  
*Pleurothallis dunstervillei* Foldats  
*Pleurothallis elegans* Lindl.  
*Pleurothallis erinacea* Rchb. f.  
*Pleurothallis fastidiosa* Luer  
*Pleurothallis floribunda* Poepp. & Endl.  
*Pleurothallis galeata* Lindl.  
*Pleurothallis laevigata* Lindl.  
*Pleurothallis laminata* Luer  
*Pleurothallis ligulata* Lindl.  
*Pleurothallis lilijae* Foldats  
*Pleurothallis linguifera* Lindl.  
*Pleurothallis loranthophylla* Rchb. f.  
*Pleurothallis pachypus* (F. Lehm. & Kraenzl.) Garay  
*Pleurothallis pataeensis* Luer  
*Pleurothallis peroniocephala* Luer  
*Pleurothallis picta* Lindl.  
*Pleurothallis pulchella* Luer  
*Pleurothallis rabei* Foldats  
*Pleurothallis revoluta* (Ruiz & Pav.) Garay  
*Pleurothallis rubens* Lindl.  
*Pleurothallis salpingantha* Luer & Hirtz  
*Pleurothallis sclerophylla* Lindl.  
*Pleurothallis spiralis* (Ruiz & Pav.) Lindley  
*Pleurothallis stelidiopsis* Luer  
*Pleurothallis talpinaria* Rchb. f.  
*Pleurothallis taxis* Luer  
*Pleurothallis tunguraguae* F. Lehm. & Kraenzl.  
*Pleurothallis vegrandis* Luer & Dodson  
*Pleurothallis verbiformis* Luer  
*Polystachya nana* (Poepp. & Endl.) Rchb. f.  
*Ponthievia andicola* Rchb. f.  
*Ponthievia maculata* Lindl.  
*Poroglossum schramii* Luer  
*Restrepiaopsis inaequalis* Luer & R. Escobar  
*Restrepiaopsis monetalis* (Luer) Luer
- Restrepiaopsis pandurata* Luer  
*Restrepiaopsis tubulosa* (Lindl.) Luer  
*Salpistele dielsii* (Mansf.) Luer  
*Scaphosepalum dalstroemii* Luer  
*Scaphyglottis bicornis* (Lindl.) Garay  
*Scaphyglottis stellata* Lodd. ex Lindl.  
*Stelis bicornis* Lindl.  
*Stelis flexuosa* Lindl.  
*Stelis neriopus* Garay  
*Stelis purpurea* (Ruiz & Pav.) Willd.  
*Stelis pusilla* Hook.  
*Trichosalpinx acremona* (Luer) Luer  
*Trichosalpinx arbuscula* (Lindl.) Luer  
*Trichosalpinx berlineri* (Luer) Luer  
*Trichosalpinx chamaelepanthes* (Rchb. f.) Luer  
*Trichosalpinx dependens* (Luer) Luer  
*Trichosalpinx dirhamphis* (Luer) Luer  
*Trichosalpinx dura* (Lindl.) Luer  
*Trichosalpinx intricata* (Lindl.) Luer  
*Trichosalpinx pumila* (Luer) Luer  
*Trichosalpinx robleorum* (Luer) Luer  
*Trichosalpinx systremmata* (Luer) Luer  
*Trichosalpinx tenuis* (C. Schweinf.) Luer  
*Trisetella abbreviata* Luer  
*Trisetella didyma* (Luer) Luer  
*Trisetella pantex* (Luer) Luer  
*Trisetella scobina* Luer  
*Trisetella triglochin* (Rchb. f.) Luer  
*Piperaceae*  
*Peperomia acuminata* Ruiz & Pav.  
*Peperomia angularis* C. DC.  
*Peperomia angustata* Kunth  
*Peperomia blanda* (Jacq.) Kunth  
*Peperomia cluvea* Sodiro  
*Peperomia crotalophora* Trel.  
*Peperomia dolabriformis* Kunth var. *brachyphylla*  
    Rauh.  
*Peperomia eburnea* Sodiroi  
*Peperomia ecuadorensis* C. DC.  
*Peperomia emarginella* (Sw. ex Wikstr.) C. DC.  
*Peperomia emarginulata* C. DC.  
*Peperomia enantiotachya* C. DC.  
*Peperomia spinosae* Yunck.  
*Peperomia fraseri* C. DC.  
*Peperomia glabellata* (Sw.) A. Dietr.  
*Peperomia guttata* Sodiro  
*Peperomia hispidula* (Sw.) A. Dietr.  
*Peperomia jamesoniana* C. DC.  
*Peperomia laxiflora* Kunth  
*Peperomia macrostachya* (Vahl.) A. Dietr.  
*Peperomia obtusifolia* (L.) A. Dietr.

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- Peperomia peltigera* C. DC.  
*Peperomia rotundata* Kunth  
*Peperomia stilifera* Yunck.  
*Peperomia striata* Ruiz & Pav.  
*Peperomia tetraphylla* (G. Forst.) Hook. & Arn.  
*Peperomia tetraquetra* Sodiro  
*Peperomia trichopus* Trelease  
*Polypodiaceae*  
*Campyloneurum angustifolium* (Sw.) Feé  
*Campyloneurum brevifolium* (Lodd. ex Link) Link  
*Campyloneurum coarctatum* (Kuntze) Fée  
*Campyloneurum cochense* (Hieron) Ching.  
*Campyloneurum fasciale* (Humb. & Bonpl. ex Willd.) C. Presl.  
*Campyloneurum magnificum* T. Moore.  
*Campyloneurum ophiocaulon* (Klotzsch) Fée  
*Campyloneurum pascoensis* R.M. Tryon & A.F. Tryon  
*Campyloneurum phyllitidis* (L.) C. Presl.  
*Campyloneurum repens* (Munsel) C. Presl.  
*Campyloneurum sphœodes* (Kunze ex Klotzsch) Fée  
*Ceradenia curvata* (Sw.) L.E. Bishop  
*Ceradenia dendrodoxa* L.E. Bishop  
*Ceradenia melanopus* (Grev. & Hook.) L.E. Bishop  
*Cochlidium pumilum* Massee ex C. Chr.  
*Cochlidium serrulatum* (Sw.) L.E. Bishop  
*Dicranoglossum furcatum* (L.) Sm.  
*Enterosora parietina* (Klotzsch) L.E. Bishop  
*Grammitis bryophila* (Maxon) F. Seym.  
*Lellingeria hirsuta* A.R. Sm. & R.C. Moran  
*Lellingeria major* (Copel.) A.R. Sm. & R.C. Moran  
*Lellingeria myosuroides* (Sw.) A.R. Sm. & R.C. Moran  
*Lellingeria subsessilis* (Baker) A.R. Sm. & R.C. Moran  
*Melpomene anfractuosa* (Kunze ex Klotzsch) A.R. Sm. & R.C. Moran  
*Melpomene assurgens* (Maxon) A.R. Sm. & R.C. Moran  
*Melpomene firma* (J. Sm.) A.R. Sm. & R.C. Moran  
*Melpomene moniliformis* (Lag. ex Sw.) A.R. Sm. & R.C. Moran  
*Melpomene pseudonutans* (H. Christ & Rosenst.) A.R. Sm. & R.C. Moran  
*Melpomene sodiroi* (H. Christ & Rosenst.) A.R. Sm. & R.C. Moran  
*Microglossa lycopodioides* (L.) Copel.  
*Microgramma fuscopunctata* (Hook.) Vareschi  
*Microgramma percussa* (Cav.) de la Sota  
*Micropolyodium truncicola* (Klotzsch) A.R. Sm.  
*Niphidium longifolium* (Cav.) Lellinger  
*Pecluma consimilis* (Mett.) M.G. Price  
*Pecluma curvans* (Mett.) M.G. Price  
*Pecluma divaricata* (E. Fourn.) Michel & Beitel  
*Pecluma eurybasis* (C. Chr.) M.G. Price  
*Pecluma pastazensis* (Hieron.) R.C. Moran  
*Pecluma ptilonodon* (Kze.) Price  
*Pleopeltis macrocarpa* (Bory ex Willd.) Kaulf.  
*Polypodium caceresii* Sodiro  
*Polypodium coriaceum* L.  
*Polypodium fraxinifolium* Jacq.  
*Polypodium latissimum* R.C. Moran & B. Øllg.  
*Polypodium levigatum* Cav.  
*Polypodium remotum* Desr.  
*Polypodium sessilifolium* Desr.  
*Polypodium subandinum* Sod.  
*Polypodium thyrsanolepis* A. Braun ex Klotzsch  
*Polypodium triseriale* Sw.  
*Terpsichore alsopteris* (C.V. Morton) A.R. Sm.  
*Terpsichore asplenifolia* (L.) A.R. Sm.  
*Terpsichore chrysleri* (Proctor ex Copel.) A.R. Sm.  
*Terpsichore culturata* (Bory ex Willd.) A.R. Sm.  
*Terpsichore dependens* (Baker) A.R. Sm.  
*Terpsichore heteromorpha* (Hook. & Grev.) A.R. Sm.  
*Terpsichore jamesonioides* (Fée) A.R. Sm.  
*Terpsichore lanigera* (Desr.) A.R. Sm.  
*Terpsichore semihirsuta* (Klotzsch) A.R. Sm.  
*Terpsichore sensilis* (Fée) A.R. Sm.  
*Terpsichore subtilis* (Kuntze ex Klotzsch) A.R. Sm.  
*Terpsichore variabilis* (Mett. ex Kuhn) A.R. Sm.  
*Zygophlebia mattheusii* (Kunze ex Mett.) L.E. Bishop  
*Vittariaceae*  
*Antrophyum lineatum* (Sw.) Kaulf.  
*Vittaria gardeniana* Fée  
*Vittaria graminifolia* Kaulf.