

SCHLECHTER'S ASIAN COLLECTIONS OF ORCHIDACEAE
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ABSTRACT. The herbarium at s has 284 Schlechter collections (with duplicates) of Orchidaceae from the Celebes (Sulawesi), New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Sarawak, and Sumatra that include 107 isotypes and 46 isosyntypes. The herbarium at PR has 32 Schlechter collections of Orchidaceae from New Caledonia that include eight isotypes and five isosyntypes. Lists of these collections are presented.

There are inherent problems interpreting very old taxonomic work because the methodology of systematists working prior to the International Code of Botanical Nomenclature varied. A lack of authentic herbarium material can cause problems interpreting early authors' intended taxonomic limits. Some botanists apparently either did not make herbarium specimens or if specimens were made, their whereabouts remain unknown and they must now be presumed lost. Other early botanists were selective and only preserved material of selected taxa (e.g., Loureiro, fide Merrill, 1935). Determining whether or not herbarium material was preserved and if such material is still extant consumes an inordinate amount of effort on the part of any taxonomist who must cope with older literature and collections.

Irrespective of the state of collections older taxa must be typified, lectotypified or neotypified if some measure of nomenclatural stability is to be achieved. The need to designate lecto- or neotype specimens all too often leads to further complications, both taxonomic and nomenclatural. Lectotypification has caused difficulties in *Dendrobium* Sw. (Brieger, 1975), *Oncidium* Sw. (Pfeiffer, 1874; Britton & Millspaugh, 1920; Garay, 1970; Garay & Sweet, 1972a, 1972b; Williams & Dressler, 1973; Garay & Stacy, 1974; Brieger, 1975; Dressler, 1975; Dressler & Williams, 1975; Brummit, 1978), and *Stelis* Sw. (Garay, 1980; Brummitt, 1983). Lectotypification of orchid taxa has occurred sporadically in floras (Garay & Sweet, 1974; Garay, 1978; Geerinck, 1984), monographs (Cribb, 1983; Reeve, 1983; Chase, 1986), and occasional papers (Reeve & Woods, 1981). With the exception of Barringer (1986), however, there has been little systematic work to typify orchid taxa.

The difficulties of taxonomic interpretation are not restricted to the distant, pre-Code past, however. The contributions of several 20th century

workers have been rendered difficult to interpret by incidents beyond their control. Events that markedly affect our ability to understand Asian Orchidaceae were the destruction of two herbaria during World War II, The Herbarium of the Bureau of Science at Manila and the Botanisches Museum Berlin-Dahlem (B) at Berlin (Ames, 1944). The Philippine orchid taxa represented at Manila before the war were largely duplicated at the Orchid Herbarium of Oakes Ames (AMES) and most of the critical orchid types were removed to AMES where they are conserved.

The destruction of the herbarium at B was a serious loss to botanists because of the size and worldwide scope of the institution. The simultaneous loss of the orchid herbarium and particularly Rudolf Schlechter's orchid herbarium was a devastating blow to orchid taxonomists. During his relatively short life, Schlechter published extensively on the orchids of nearly every portion of the world. The loss of his herbarium with its numerous authoritatively annotated specimens was a tragedy. The loss of thousands of orchid types in his herbarium is an ongoing problem facing taxonomists attempting to fully comprehend Schlechter's taxa.

Schlechter's neotropical taxa were based on material gathered by a number of collectors other than Schlechter. His African taxa were based both on the collections of others as well as his own. A recent inventory by van der Laan (1987) identified the whereabouts of a number of critical African specimens described by Schlechter from Stolz's collections (Schlechter, 1915). Schlechter's Asian orchid taxa were based almost entirely on his own collections made during two trips in 1901-1902 and 1906-1909. The impact from the loss of his first set of specimens (including holotypes) becomes apparent when one considers Schlechter's many publications concerning the orchids of the region (Schlechter, 1907, 1910, 1911, 1911-1912, 1911-1914).

TABLE 1. Rudolf Schlechter's Asiatic collections of Orchidaceae conserved at the Naturhistoriska riksmuseet, Stockholm (s).

Taxon	Schlechter's number	Country of origin	Type status
<i>Acanthephippium</i>			
<i>papuanum</i>	16864	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>papuanum</i>	19143	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>papuanum</i>	19272	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>Adenoncos</i>			
<i>celebensis</i>	20693	Celebes	Isotype
<i>nasonioides</i>	20697	Celebes	Isotype
<i>Agrostophyllum</i>			
<i>trifidum</i>	16029	Sumatra	Isosyntype
<i>Appendicula</i>			
<i>pseudopendula</i>	16330	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>reflexa</i> var. <i>neopommeranica</i>	16325	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>Bulbophyllum</i>			
<i>corticicola</i>	15844	Sarawak	Isotype
<i>finetianum</i>	15416	New Caledonia	Isotype
<i>longerepens</i>	20423	Celebes	Isotype
<i>masarangicum</i>	20424	Celebes	Isotype
<i>mutabile</i> var. <i>ceratostyloides</i>	20414	Celebes	Isotype
<i>myrianthum</i>	20605	Celebes	Isotype
<i>neo-caledonicum</i>	15492	New Caledonia	Isotype
<i>ngoyense</i>	15278	New Caledonia	Isosyntype
<i>odoardii</i>	15843	Sarawak	—
<i>pachyneuron</i>	20596	Celebes	Isotype
<i>pallidiflavum</i>	16475	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>perpendicularare</i>	20470	Celebes	Isotype
<i>polypodioides</i>	15422	New Caledonia	Isotype
<i>smithianum</i>	15934	Sumatra	Isotype
<i>xanthanthum</i>	16017	Sumatra	Isotype
<i>Cadetia</i>			
<i>bigibba</i>	19204	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>collina</i>	19256	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>dischorensis</i>	19666	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>obliqua</i>	19970	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>takadui</i>	19344	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>trigonocarpa</i>	16159	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>wariana</i>	19342	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>wariana</i>	19951	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>Calanthe</i>			
<i>aceras</i>	19079	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>celebica</i>	20413	Celebes	—
<i>cruciata</i>	17120	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>engleriana</i>	16207	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>engleriana</i>	18440	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>finisterrae</i>	18195	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>inflata</i>	19071	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>kaniensis</i>	17026	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>orthocentron</i>	19325	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>Ceratostylis</i>			
<i>micrantha</i>	15392	New Caledonia	Isotype
<i>vagans</i>	20483	Celebes	Isosyntype
<i>Coelogyne</i>			
<i>rhizopratos</i>	20430	Celebes	—
<i>Cystorchis</i>			
<i>celebica</i>	20658	Celebes	Isotype
<i>Dendrobium</i>			
<i>abbreviatum</i>	16598	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>aberrans</i>	19550	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>araneola</i>	20245	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>cadetioides</i>	19505	Papua New Guinea	Isotype

TABLE 1. Continued.

Taxon	Schlechter's number	Country of origin	Type status
<i>capituliflorum</i>	19924	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>carinosum</i>	15860	Sumatra	—
<i>chloroleucum</i>	19096	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>chrysotainium</i>	20407	Celebes	Isotype
<i>clavipes</i>	20730	Sumatra	—
<i>collinum</i>	16962	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>collinum</i>	19186	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>confusum</i>	20403	Celebes	Isotype
<i>cuneilabium</i>	20409	Celebes	—
<i>cuthbertsonii</i>	19664	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>cyanocentrum</i>	16898	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>cyanocentrum</i>	19882	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>cyanocentrum</i>	20129	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>cyclobulbon</i>	19957	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>decumbens</i>	17296	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>disoides</i>	17118	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>djamuense</i>	16822	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>eitapense</i>	19976	Papua New Guinea	(see Schlechter, 1982)
<i>eleutherglossum</i>	15593	New Caledonia	Isosyntype
<i>eximium</i>	20114	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>extraaxillare</i>	16491	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>fariniferum</i>	16526	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>finetianum</i>	15505	New Caledonia	Isotype
<i>fornicatum</i>	19539	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>fornicatum</i>	19722	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>furcatum</i>	20463	Celebes	—
<i>globiflorum</i>	17141	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>grossum</i>	19073	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>guttulatum</i>	16528	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>hamadryas</i>	17336	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>hymenocentrum</i>	20000	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>inaequale</i>	19925	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>insigne</i>	19943	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>isomerum</i>	15980	Sumatra	Isotype
<i>jadunae</i>	19332	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>johnsoniae</i>	19646	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>lawesii</i>	19692	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>linearifolium</i>	15869	Sumatra	—
<i>litorale</i>	19958	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>lockhartioides</i>	20447	Celebes	—
<i>longissimum</i>	19878	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>lucidum</i>	19712	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>macfarlanei</i>	18949	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>mischobulbum</i>	19121	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>navicula</i>	20471	Celebes	—
<i>obliquum</i>	18882	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>odoratum</i>	20454	Celebes	—
<i>pachystele</i>	19182	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>pachystele</i> var. <i>homoeoglossum</i>	17255	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>pectinatum</i>	15237	New Caledonia	—
<i>pemae</i>	19908	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>pentapterum</i>	16531	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>phlox</i>	19094	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>piestocaulon</i> var. <i>kauloense</i>	16831	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>pleianthium</i>	16303	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>pleianthium</i>	16719	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>pleurodes</i>	19580	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>pluricostatum</i>	20239	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>prosthecioglossum</i>	19813	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>regale</i>	19068	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype

TABLE 1. Continued.

Taxon	Schlechter's number	Country of origin	Type status
<i>rhpidolobum</i>	18860	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>rhpidolobum</i>	19898	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>rhytidothece</i>	19518	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>roseo-flavidum</i>	19475	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>rubropictum</i>	19981	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>scopula</i>	19146	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>setosum</i>	17249	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>smithianum</i>	20681	Celebes	Isosyntype
<i>spectabile</i>	19254	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>spectabile</i>	19315	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>speculigerum</i>	20567	Celebes	Isotype
<i>subsessile</i>	16735	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>toricellense</i>	20060	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>xanthocaulon</i>	19282	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>Dendrochilum</i>			
<i>bartonii</i>	16500	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>Earina</i>			
<i>deplanchii</i>	14942	New Caledonia	—
<i>Eria</i>			
<i>bracteata</i>	19285	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>chrysocardium</i>	15981	Sumatra	Isotype
<i>collina</i>	19294	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>cordifera</i>	17687	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>cycloglossa</i>	19912	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>diphylla</i>	16582	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>imitans</i>	16134	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>iodantha</i>	17682	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>lasiorhiza</i>	15938	Sumatra	Isotype
<i>micholitzii</i>	16571	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>micholitzii</i>	20016	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>oligotricha</i>	13462	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>oligotricha</i>	19158	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>oreogena</i>	20170	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>padangensis</i>	15877	Sumatra	Isotype
<i>ramuana</i>	18951	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>ramuana</i> var. <i>wariana</i>	19817	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>rhodoleuca</i>	16210	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>rufa</i>	20219	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>subclausa</i>	18143	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>truncicola</i>	18946	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>truncicola</i>	19033	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>Eriaxis</i>			
<i>rigida</i>	15112	New Caledonia	—
<i>Eulophia</i>			
<i>venosa</i> var. <i>papuana</i>	18309	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>Galeola</i>			
"pterosperma"	20700	Sumatra	(nomen)
<i>Geodorum</i>			
<i>pictum</i>	18900	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>Gonatostylis</i>			
<i>vieillardii</i>	15121	New Caledonia	—
<i>Hetaeria</i>			
<i>erimae</i>	16343	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>Hippeophyllum</i>			
<i>celebicum</i>	20628	Celebes	Isosyntype
<i>micranthum</i>	16978	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>micranthum</i>	19561	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>Liparis</i>			
<i>altigena</i>	18706	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>anemophila</i>	18592	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype

TABLE 1. Continued.

Taxon	Schlechter's number	Country of origin	Type status
<i>apiculata</i>	16552	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>caespitosa</i>	15866	Sumatra	—
<i>calcaria</i>	18027	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>caricifolia</i>	18590	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>celebica</i>	20668	Celebes	Isotype
<i>chlorantha</i>	17147	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>confusa</i>	16361	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>cyclostele</i>	19301	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>dolichobulbon</i>	17224	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>dolichobulbon</i>	19054	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>gibbosa</i>	s.n.	Sumatra	—
<i>graciliscapa</i>	s.n.	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>graciliscapa</i>	16807	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>graciliscapa</i>	19417	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>graciliscapa</i>	19753	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>imperatifolia</i>	20336	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>lamproglossa</i>	18625	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>laxa</i>	15368	New Caledonia	Isosyntype
<i>lepanthes</i>	15976	Sumatra	Isotype
<i>leptopus</i>	19629	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>mapanifolia</i>	19322	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>melanoglossa</i>	17425	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>melanoglossa</i>	19526	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>microblepharon</i>	19413	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>nebuligena</i>	16961	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>neo-guineensis</i>	16803	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>neo-guineensis</i>	18889	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>ochrantha</i>	16308	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>ochrantha</i>	18260	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>oligantha</i>	19486	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>ovalis</i>	18056	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>persimilis</i>	18999	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>persimilis</i>	19476	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>schistochila</i>	17044	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>schistochila</i>	18998	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>schistochila</i>	19109	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>spectabilis</i>	17060	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>stenostachya</i>	17423	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>stenostachya</i>	19390	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>sympodialis</i>	19425	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>trachyglossa</i>	20338	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>truncicola</i>	16674	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>truncicola</i> var. <i>oblanceolata</i>	18627	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>truncicola</i> var. <i>oblanceolata</i>	19066	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>Lyperanthus</i>			
<i>gigas</i>	15109	New Caledonia	—
<i>gigas</i>	15681	New Caledonia	—
<i>latilabris</i>	15161	New Caledonia	Isotype
<i>Malleola</i>			
<i>witteana</i>	20736	Sumatra	—
<i>Microstylis</i>			
<i>chamaeorchis</i>	15942	Sumatra	Isotype
<i>taurina</i>	14879	New Caledonia	—
<i>taurina</i>	15499	New Caledonia	—
<i>Microtis</i>			
<i>aemula</i>	14724	New Caledonia	Isotype
<i>Oberonia</i>			
<i>cardiochila</i>	16393	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>masarangica</i>	20419	Celebes	Isotype
<i>merapiensis</i>	15977	Sumatra	Isotype

TABLE 1. Continued.

Taxon	Schlechter's number	Country of origin	Type status
<i>pleistophylla</i>	20421	Celebes	Isotype
<i>potamophila</i>	13255	Sumatra	Isotype
<i>Oxyanthera micrantha</i>	15895	Sumatra	—
<i>Phaius montanus</i>	19135	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>Phreatia hypsorrhynchos</i>	15427	New Caledonia	Isotype
<i>koordersii</i>	20489	Celebes	—
<i>macrophylla</i>	15465	New Caledonia	Isotype
<i>neo-caledonica</i>	15228	New Caledonia	Isosyntype
<i>oubatchensis</i>	15393	New Caledonia	Isotype
<i>secunda</i>	15893	Sumatra	—
<i>Plocoglottis glaucescens</i>	19192	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>kaniensis</i>	17636	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>maculata</i>	19316	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>papuana</i>	16425	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>papuana</i>	17006	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>pseudo-moluccana</i>	18522	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>sakiensis</i>	18258	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>Podochilus anceps</i>	20056	Celebes	—
<i>bimaculatus</i>	16497	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>curviunguis</i>	20542	Celebes	Isotype
<i>panduratus</i>	15912	Sumatra	Isotype
<i>pendulus</i>	16009	Sumatra	—
<i>reflexus</i> var. <i>cycloglossus</i>	20615	Celebes	Isosyntype
<i>rubens</i>	16006	Sumatra	Isotype
<i>similis</i>	13349	Borneo	—
<i>viellardii</i>	15655	New Caledonia	—
<i>Saccolabium celebicum</i>	20475	Celebes	Isosyntype
<i>Sarcostoma celebicum</i>	20432	Celebes	Isotype
<i>Spathoglottis bulbosa</i>	19354	Papua New Guinea	Isotype
<i>grandiflora</i>	18050	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>papuana</i> var. <i>puberula</i>	20130	Papua New Guinea	Isosyntype
<i>parviflora</i>	18006	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>parviflora</i>	19159	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>portus-finschii</i>	16216	Papua New Guinea	—
<i>Taeniophyllum rubrum</i>	20733	Sumatra	—
<i>Thelymitra longifolia</i>	15587	New Caledonia	—
<i>Thrixspermum album</i>	20727	Sumatra	—
“ <i>krauseanum</i> ”	20740	Sumatra	(nomen)
<i>tylophorum</i>	20450	Celebes	Isotype
<i>Trichoglottis koordersii</i>	20440	Celebes	—
<i>Vrydagzynea celebica</i>	20659	Celebes	Isotype
<i>Zeuxine vieillardii</i>	14769	New Caledonia	—

TABLE 2. Rudolf Schlechter's New Caledonian collections of Orchidaceae conserved at the National Museum in Prague (PR).

Taxon	Schlechter's number	Type status
<i>Bulbophyllum</i>		
<i>finetianum</i>	15416	Isotype
<i>neo-caledonicum</i>	15492	Isotype
<i>ngoyense</i>	15278	Isosyntype
<i>polypodioides</i>	15422	Isotype
<i>Caladenia</i>		
<i>alba</i>	14931	—
<i>Dendrobium</i>		
<i>camaridiorum</i>	15277	—
<i>cymatolegum</i>	15141	Isotype
<i>eletheroglossum</i>	15593	Isosyntype
<i>finetianum</i>	15505	Isotype
<i>pectinatum</i>	15237	—
<i>silvanum</i>	14728	—
<i>Dipodium</i>		
<i>squamatum</i>	14725	—
<i>Earina</i>		
<i>deplanchei</i>	14942	—
<i>Eria</i>		
<i>karikouyensis</i>	14963	Isosyntype
<i>Eriaxis</i>		
<i>rigida</i>	15112	—
<i>Gonatostylis</i>		
<i>viellardii</i>	15121	—
<i>viellardii</i>	15667	—
<i>Goodyera</i>		
<i>discoidea</i>	14967	—
<i>Liparis</i>		
<i>disticha</i>	15858	—
<i>Lyperanthus</i>		
<i>gigas</i>	15681	—
<i>Microstylis</i>		
<i>taurina</i>	15499	—
<i>Microtatorchis</i>		
<i>fasciola</i>	15300	Isosyntype
<i>Microtis</i>		
<i>aemula</i>	14724	Isotype
<i>Phreatia</i>		
<i>hyporrhynchus</i>	15427	Isotype
<i>macrophylla</i>	15465	Isotype
<i>neo-caledonica</i>	15228	Isosyntype
<i>Podochilus</i>		
<i>viellardii</i>	14778	—
<i>viellardii</i>	15655	—
<i>Thelymitra</i>		
<i>longifolia</i>	14727	—
<i>longifolia</i>	15013	—
<i>longifolia</i>	15587	—
<i>Zeuxine</i>		
<i>viellardii</i>	14769	—

Slowly, the whereabouts of Schlechter's Asian duplicates are being established through international efforts. A general indication of herbaria with Schlechter's New Guinea orchid material was provided by Woods (1966). This publication has been supplemented by individual herbarium

inventories of the Jardin Botaniques, Geneva (G) (Blaxell, 1978), Missouri Botanical Garden (MO) (Lewis, 1966; Christenson, 1987), the National Herbarium of New South Wales (NSW) (Rupp, 1950; Blaxell, 1973, 1975) and a general survey of some European herbaria (Cribb & Wood, unpubl.). Although not specific to orchids, the list given by Vegter (1986) is the most complete and meticulous guide of herbaria known to have Schlechter material.

Listed here are the 284 Schlechter Asian specimens conserved at the Swedish Museum of Natural History in Stockholm (TABLE 1) and the 32 Schlechter New Caledonian specimens conserved at the National Museum in Prague (TABLE 2). Following the precedent set by Blaxell (1973, et seq.) only the status of these specimens as either isotypes or isosyntypes is given. Lectotypification is postponed pending detailed study of the taxa and careful examination of all specimens. It is hoped that inventories such as the one presented here will aid monographers in locating the most appropriate material for lectotypification.

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