



Orchid glue for Japanese paperfolding Cekouat León

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Orchids: family Orchidaceae

Group	Species
Angiosperms	≈300, 000
Family Orchidaceae	≈28, 000
Family Asteraceae*	≈25,000
Family Fabaceae ₊	≈ 19,500



Encyclia cordigera



Phalaenopsis
hybrid



Asteraceae*



Fabaceae₊



Laelia speciosa



Vanilla sp.

Distribution



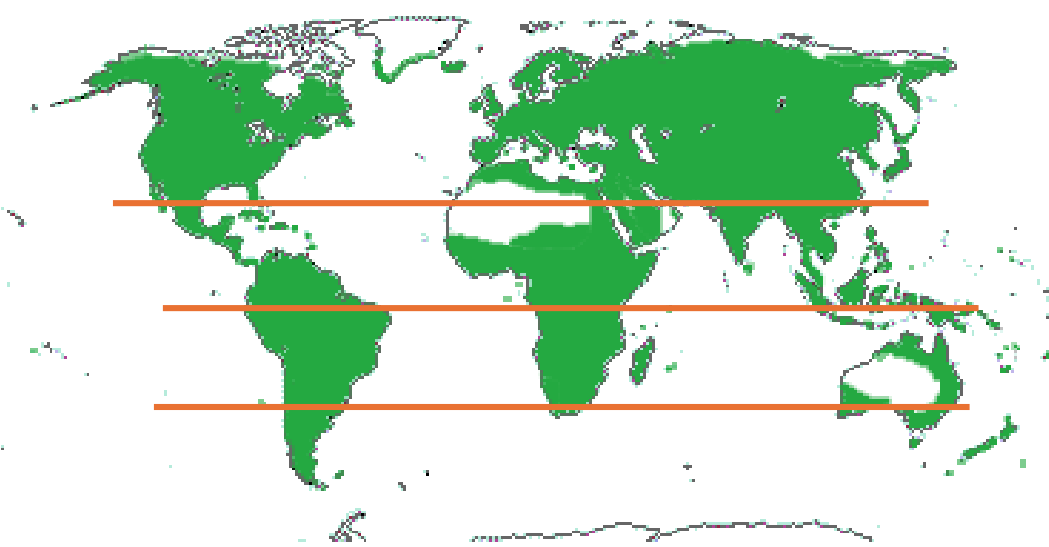
Dendrobium sp.



Encyclia sp.



Myrmecophila sp.



Epidendrum sp.

Orchids in Mexico

1,300 sp.
500 (40%) endemic!



Stanhopea



Laelia



Encyclia



Lycaste



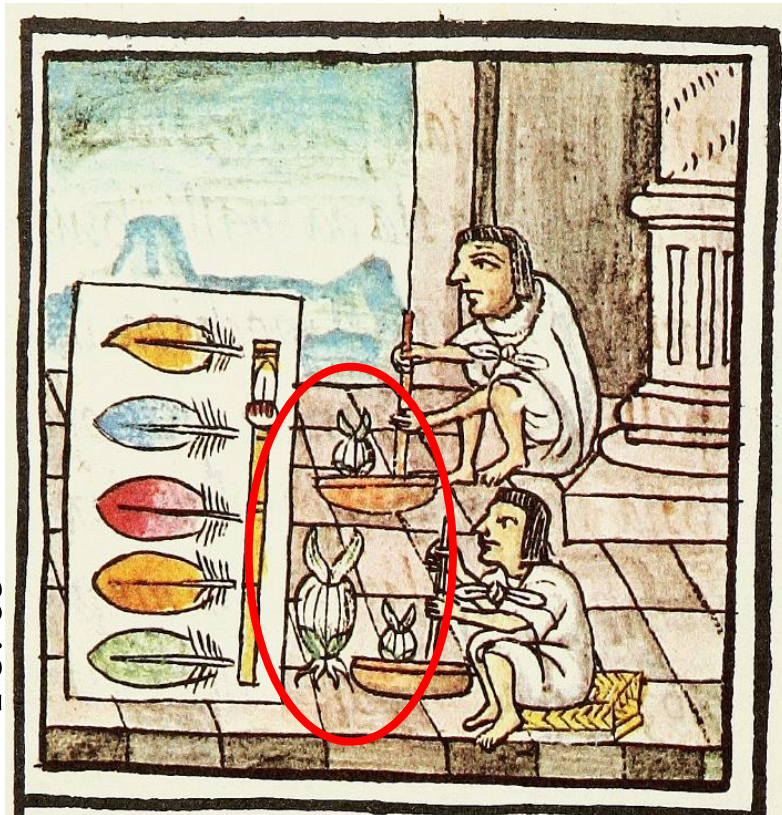
Malaxis

Florentine Codex

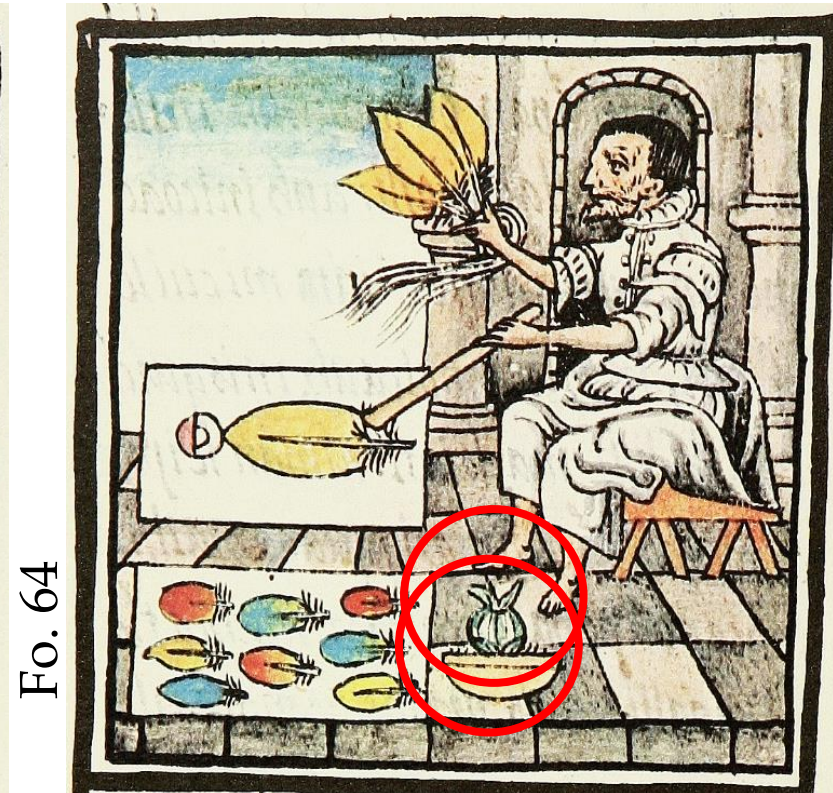
Fray Bernardino de Sahagún, ~1560

“There is a herb called tzacutli, and its root is sticky, and they make paste from it..” - Book XI, Chapter VII.

“The one who sells paste first takes out the roots from which it is made, and once taken out, cleans them and crushes or mashes them, and once crushed, puts them out in the sun, and once they are dry, grinds them well..” - Book X, Chapter XXIV.



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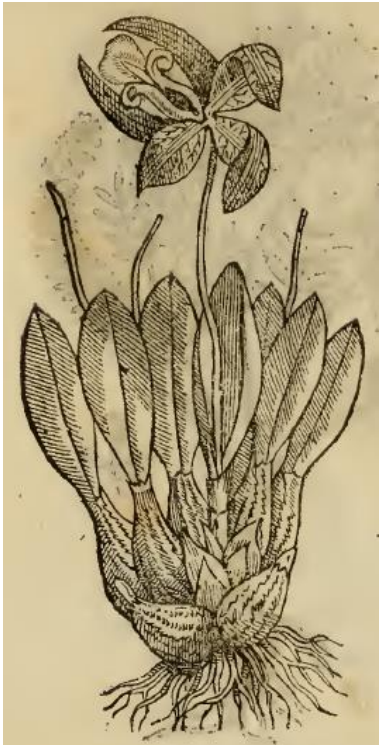


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The Plants of New Spain

Francisco Hernández, 1570-1576

“It is cold and humid and *glutinous*, from it a strong paste is made, which painters use so the colors stick strongly and the images they paint are not erased or undone”



Chichiltictepetzacuzochitl
Laelia speciosa



Tzacuxochitl
Prosthechea vitellina



Tzauctli
Bletia spp.



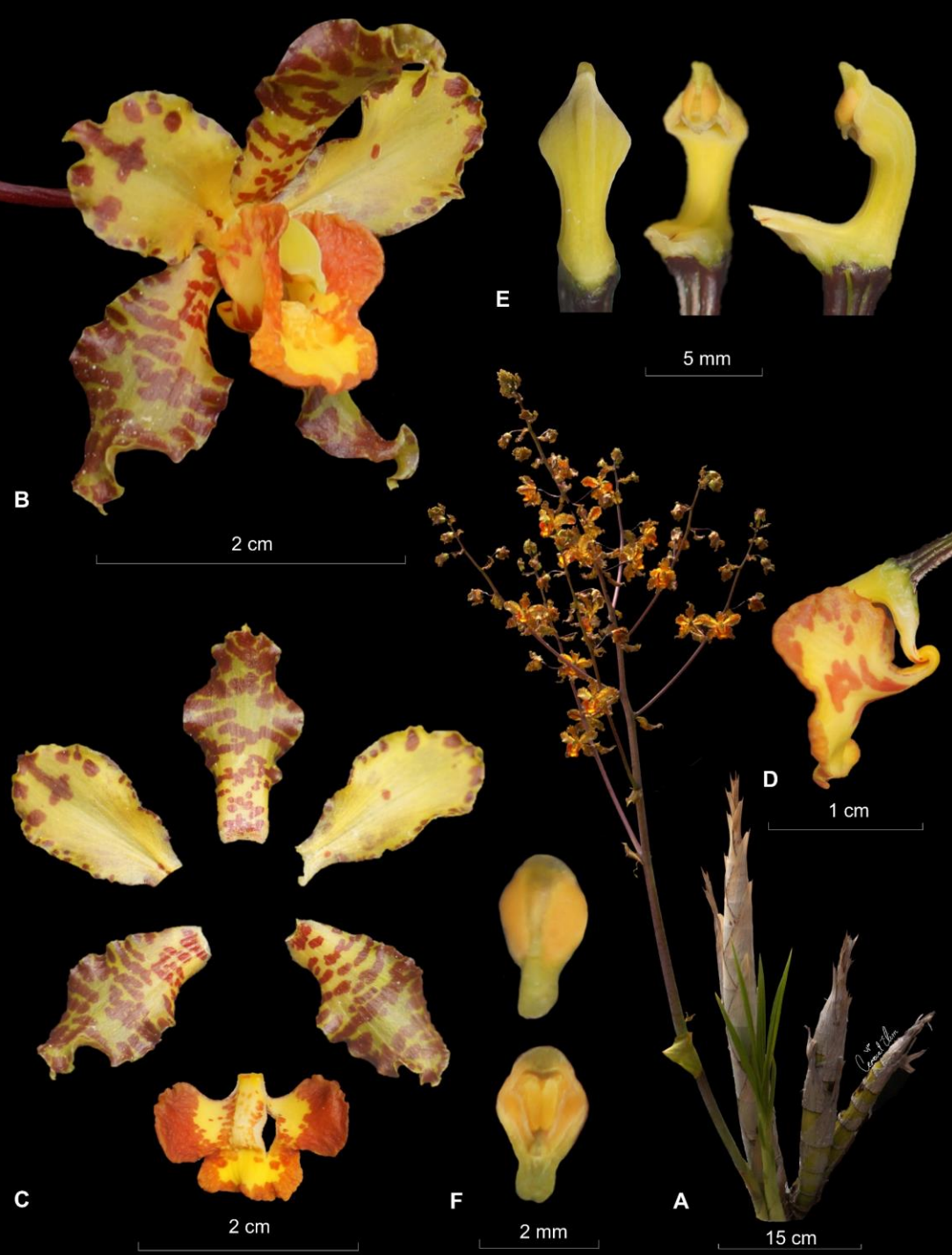


Lutherie. Texquitote, San Luis
Potosí, Mexico

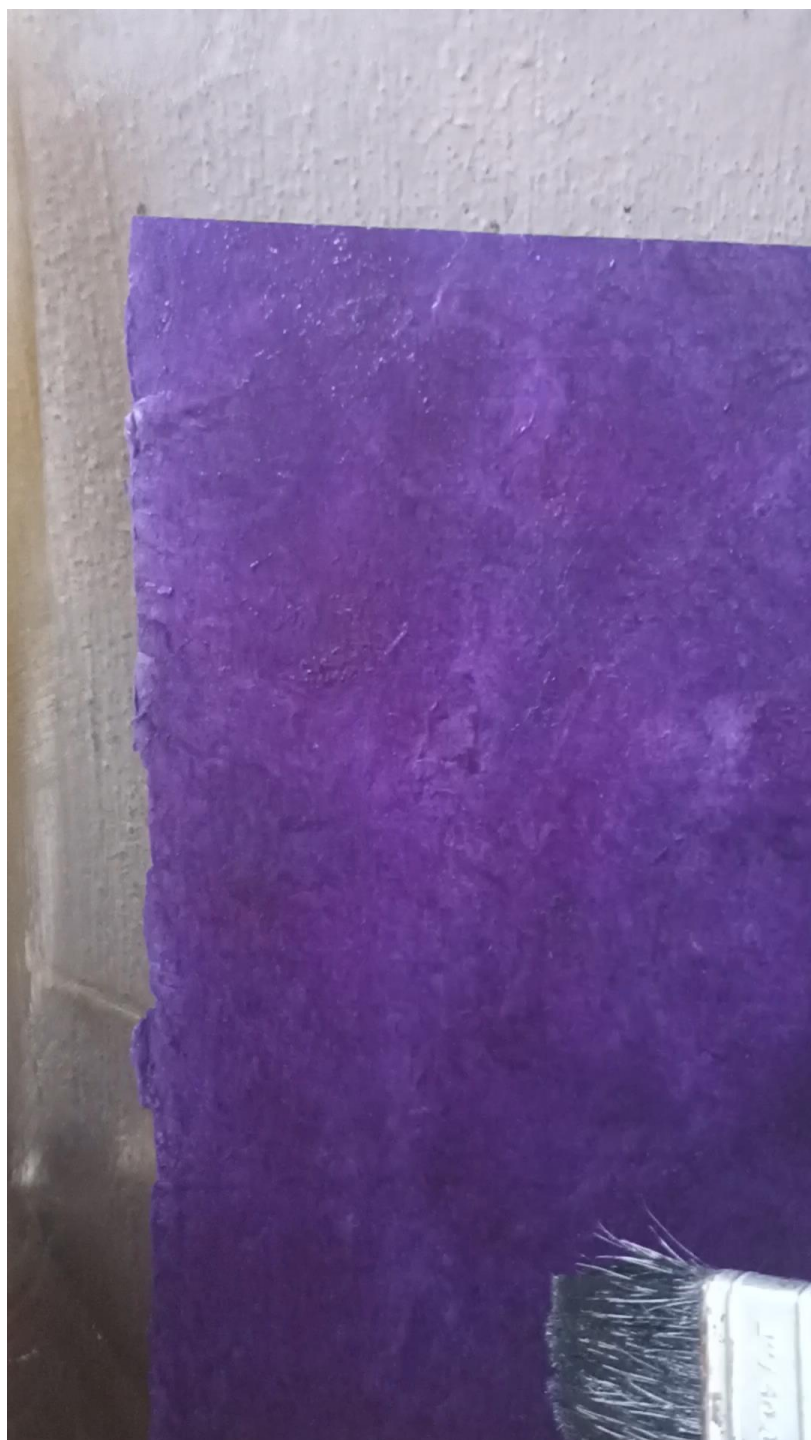


Amate paper repair. San Pablito,
Puebla, Mexico






Cyrtopodium macrobulbon, Kuéeia (nhanhú u otomí)

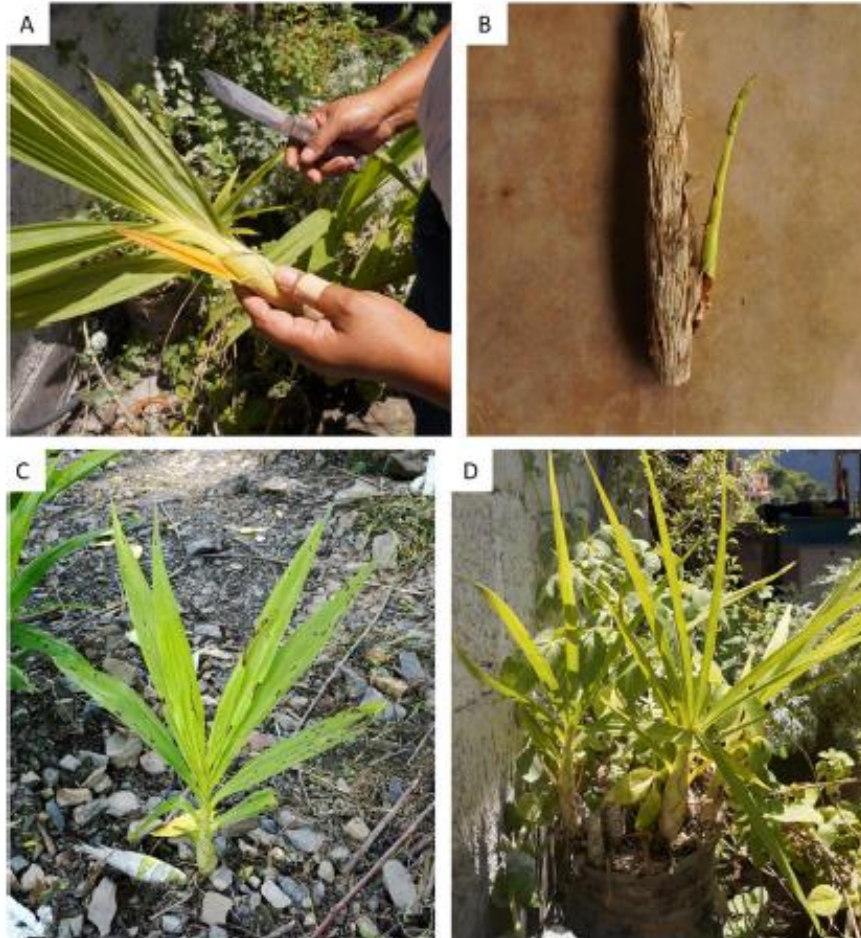




All models designed and folded by Cekouat León usign orchid glue

The Sticky Relationship Between Orchids and Mexican Amate Paper: Present and Possible Past

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Hybrid *Cymbidium* plants

Orchid glue for sizing

Any questions?



Violet-ear hummingbird
Cekouat León, 2024
Mulberry amate
35 x 35 cm