

A close-up photograph of a green leaf, showing a dense network of veins. The veins are light green and run diagonally across the frame. The leaf surface is a darker green with a fine, textured pattern. The lighting is even, highlighting the intricate details of the leaf's structure.

Overview of Research with Neotropical Araceae

Thomas B. Croat

Map of Western Hemisphere

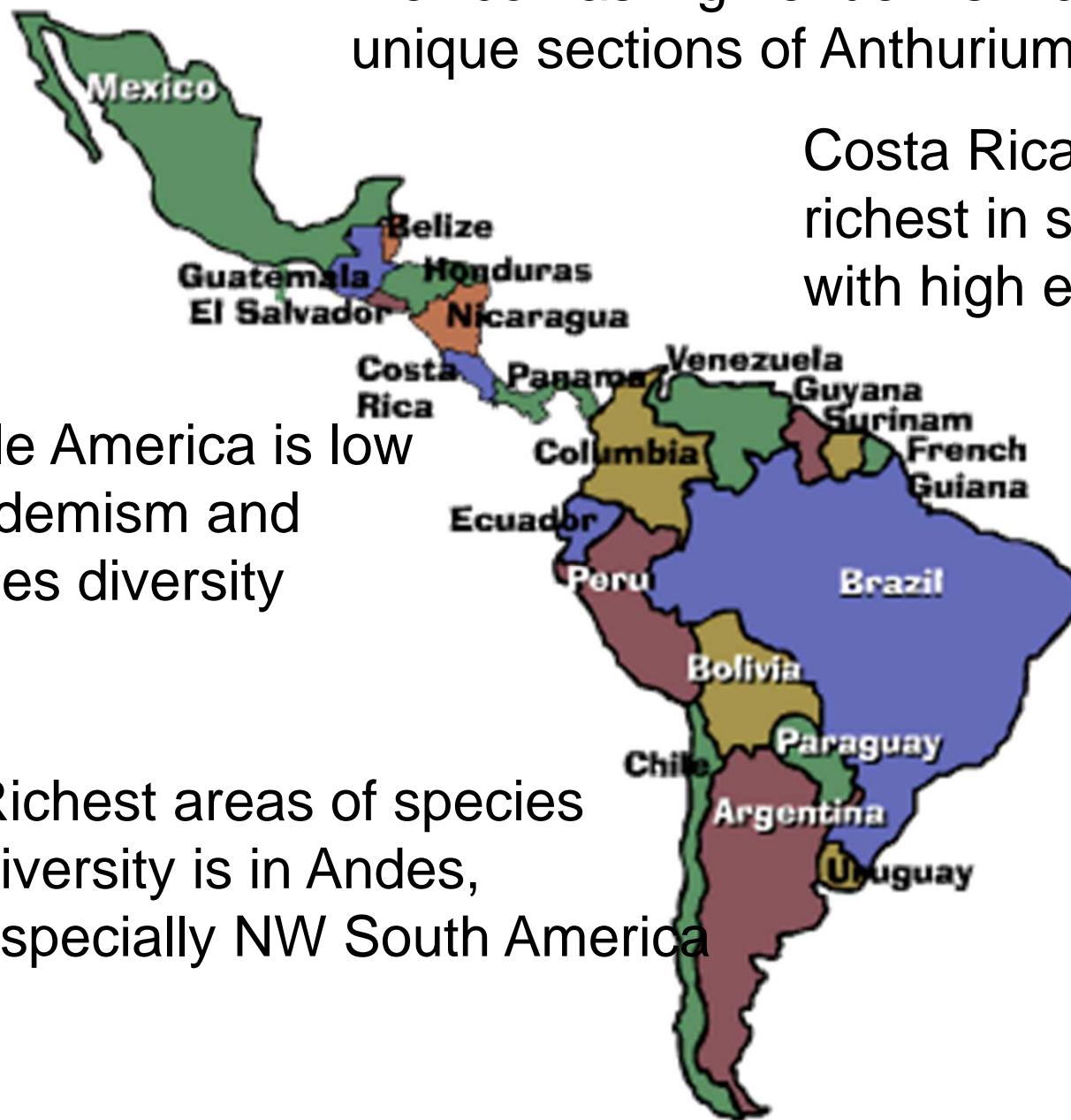
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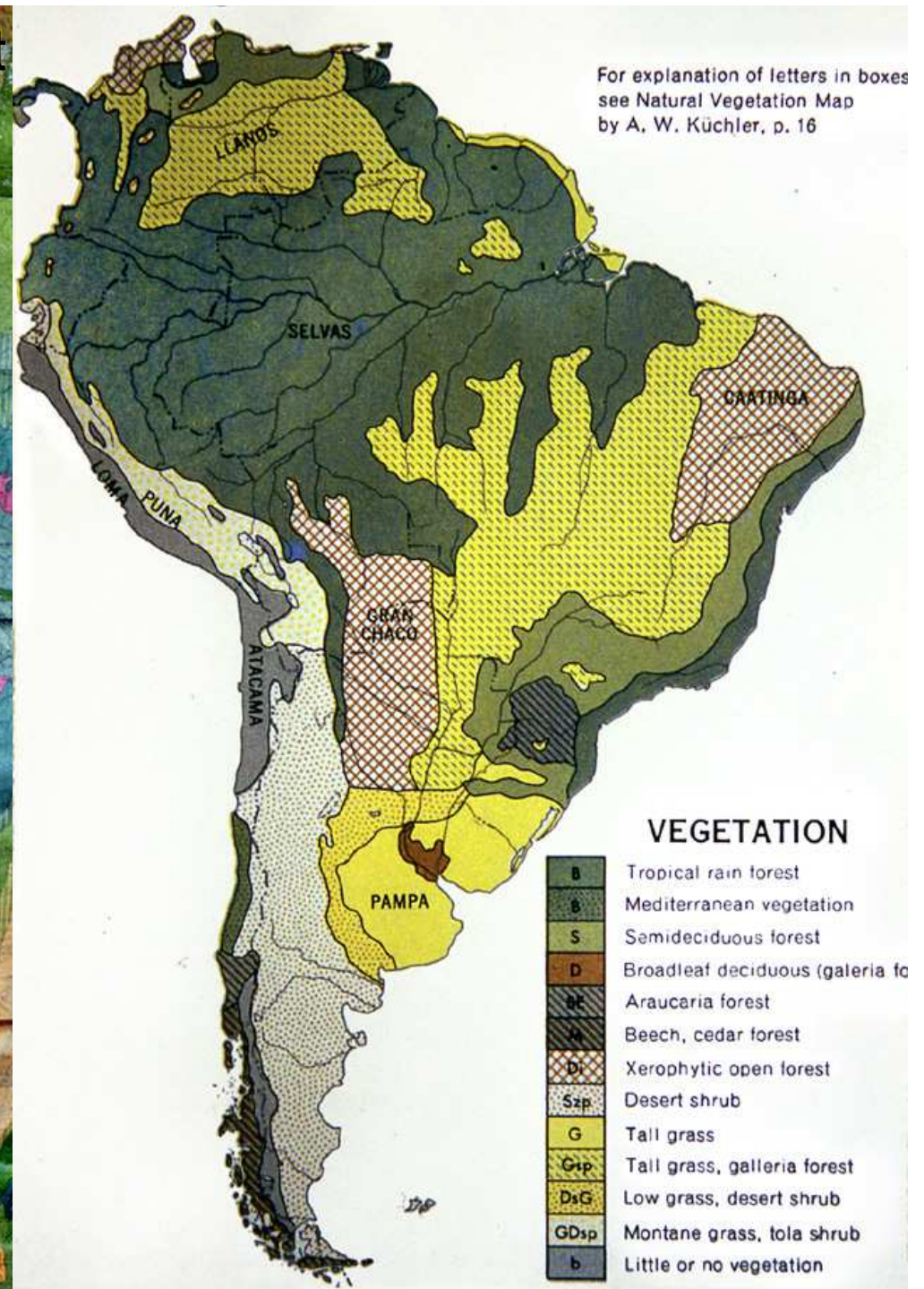
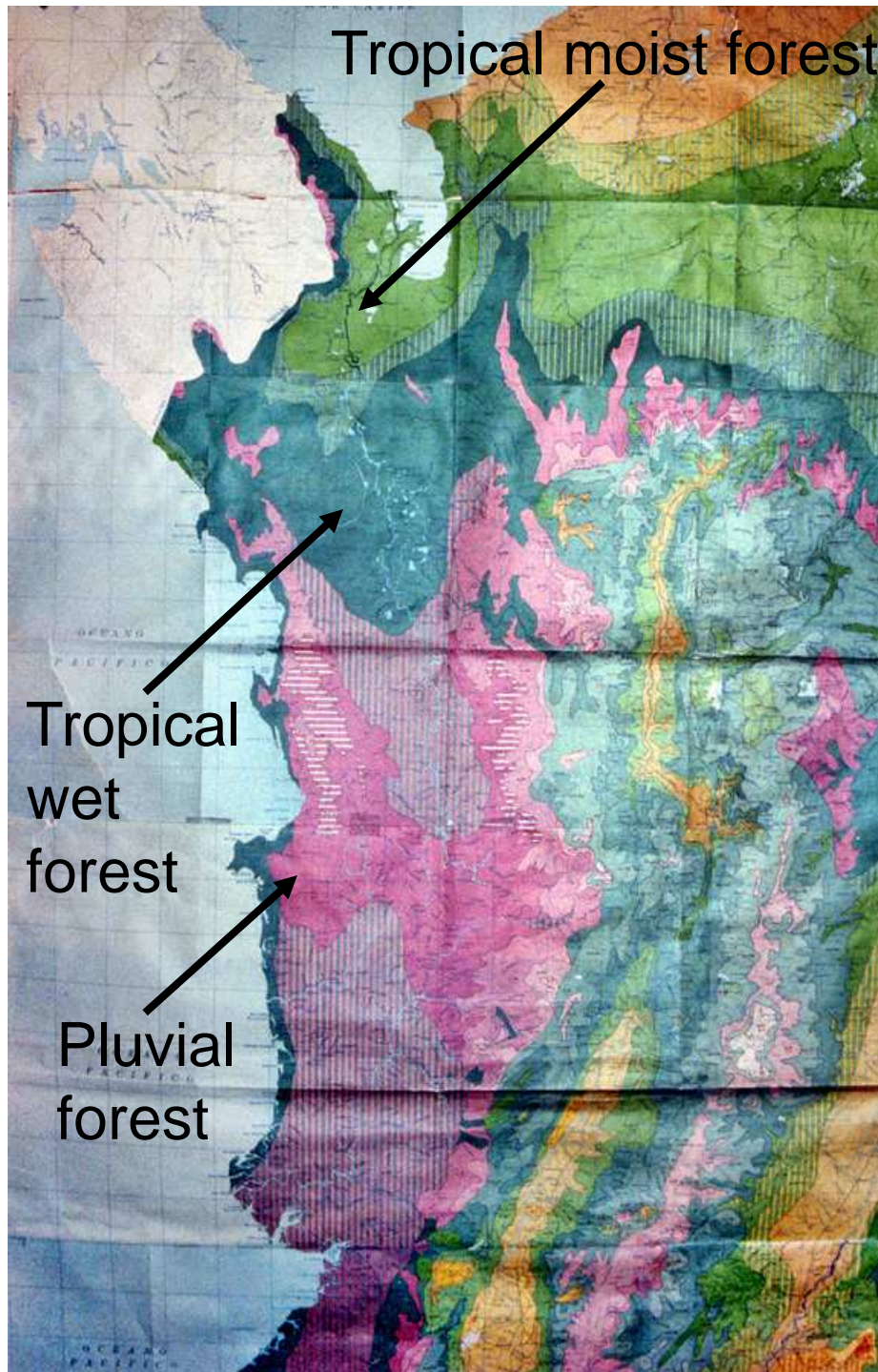
SOUTH AMERICA



Pluvial Forest

Coastal Desert

Mata Atlantic



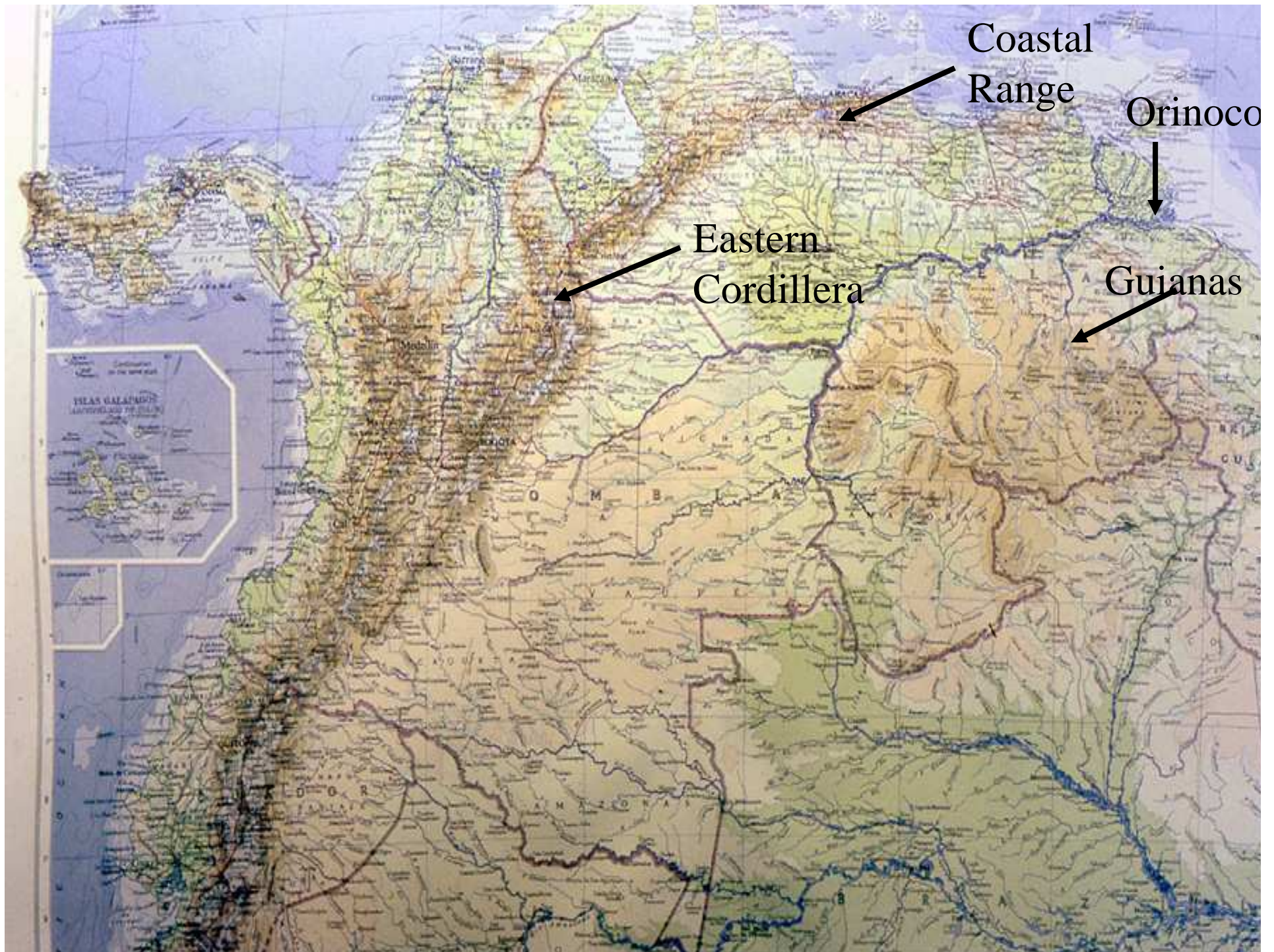
South America

South America
has 44 genera
and 1433
published
species

165 taxa
for all the
Guianas



Species of Araceae by Country





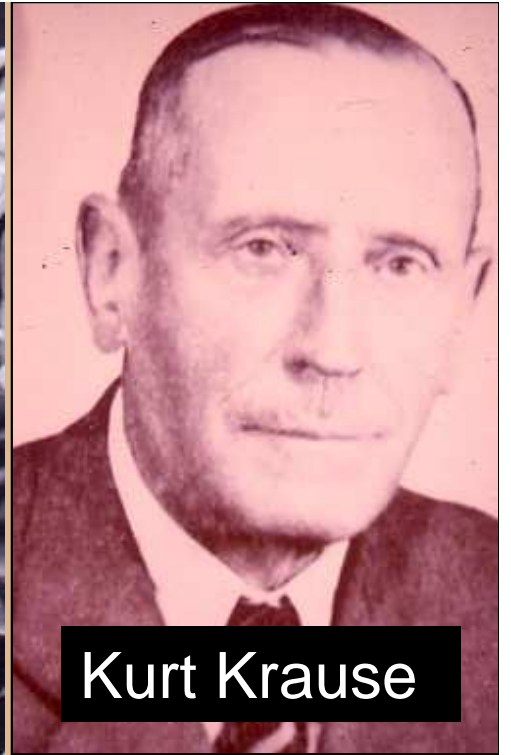
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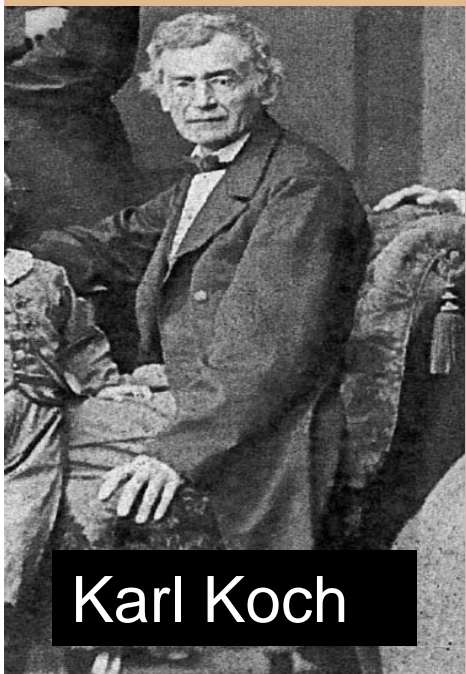
Adolf Engler



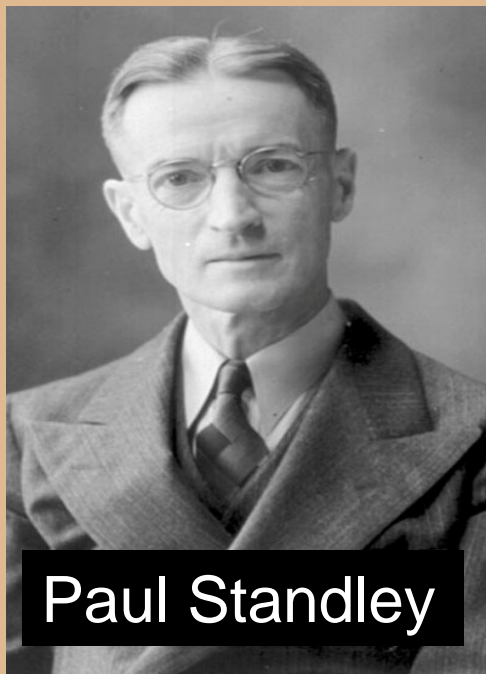
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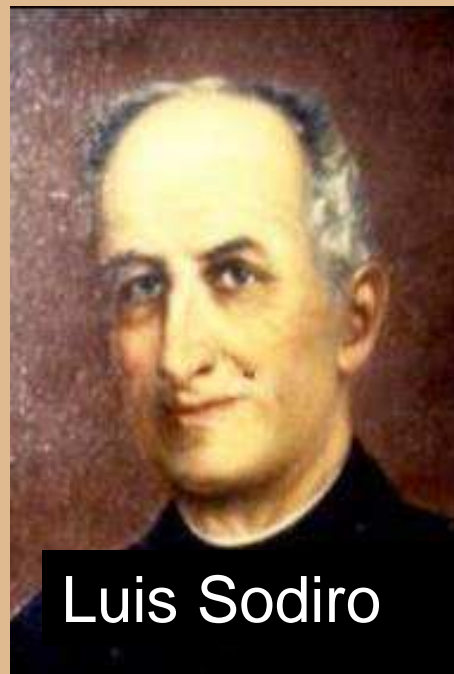
Kurt Krause



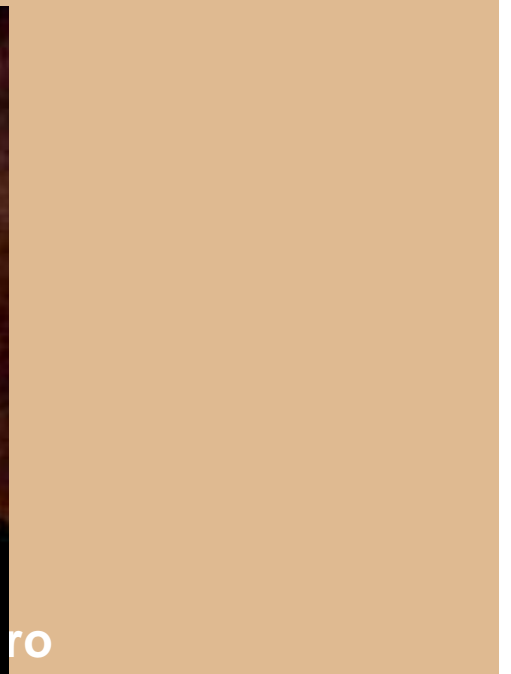
Karl Koch



Paul Standley



Luis Sodiro



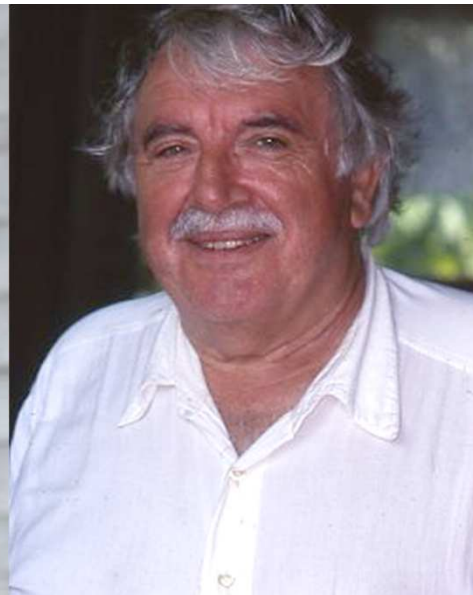
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Simon Mayo

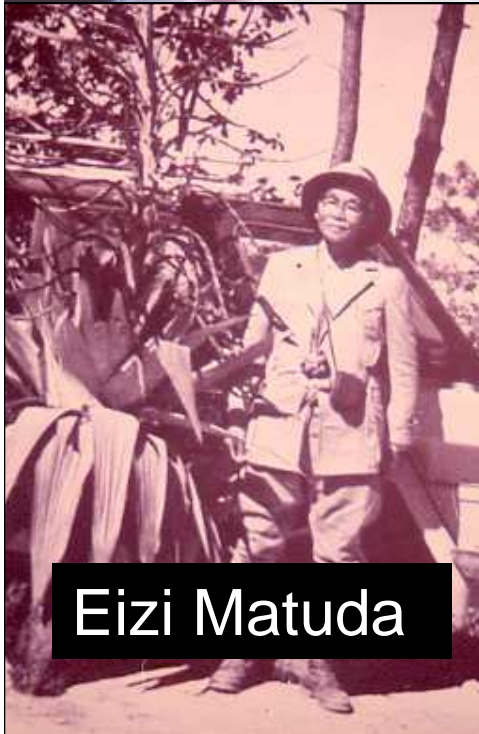
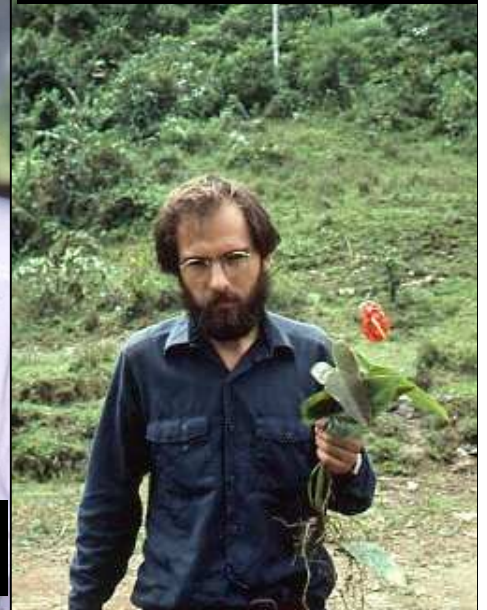


George Bunting



Josef Bogner

Mike Madison



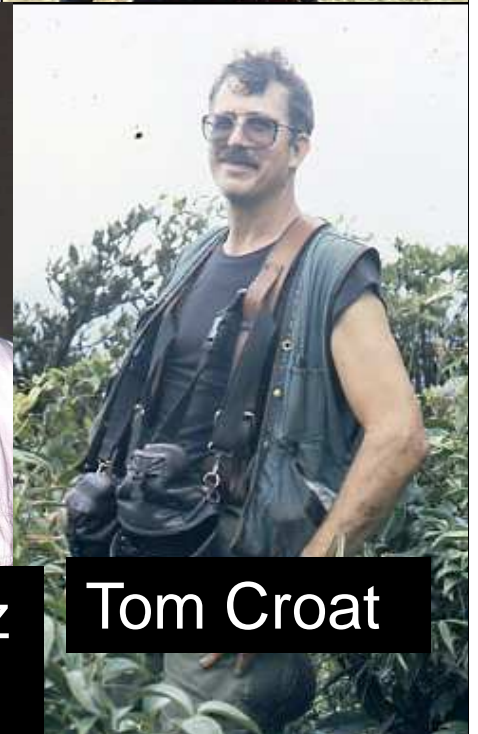
Eizi Matuda



Mike Grayum



Eduardo Gomez
Gonçalves



Tom Croat

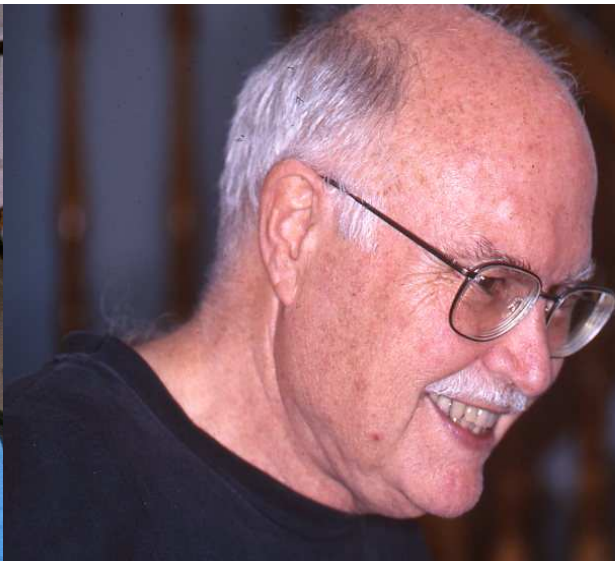
Current Researchers with Araceae in Neotropics

- Principal Researchers still active in research with Neotropical Araceae

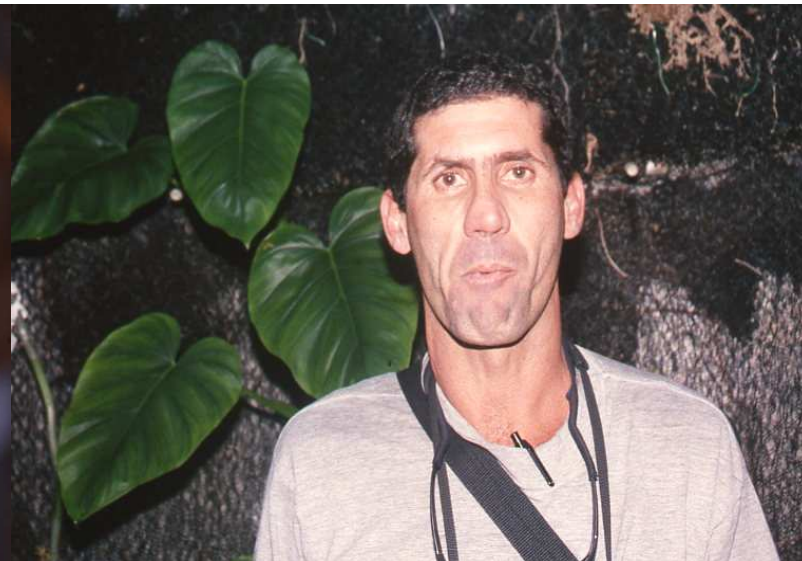
▪ Andrade	▪ Gonçalves	▪ Mora
▪ Bogner	▪ Grayum	▪ Nadruz
▪ Croat	▪ Hetterscheid	▪ Sakuragui
▪ Cardona	▪ Mayo	▪ Soares
		▪ Zuluaga



Lourdes Soares



Dan Nicolson



Marcus Nadruz



Dorothy Bay



Cássia Mónica
Sakuragui



Felipe A. Cardona
Naranjo



Guanghua Zhu



Tom Ray



Jim French



Richard Keating



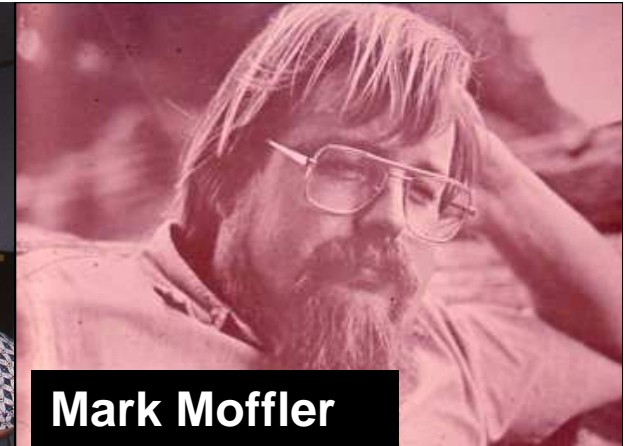
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**Miguel
Pérez-Farrera**



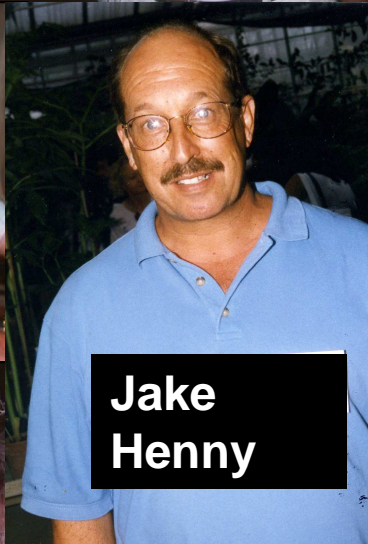
Julius Boos



Mark Moffler



**Jeff
Lake**



**Jake
Henny**



Vic Soukup



John Rawlins



Guanghua Zhu

Aroid Researchers Per Country



Map of South America with number of aroid researchers per country

1-Bunting now retired;
Native M. Carlsen is active

Guianas 1, avid and knowledgeable horticulturist

2, inactive

1, inactive

2 USA working in neotropics

3 Europeans working in neotropics

1, inactive



Brazilian Aroid Researchers

Brazil, owing to its large size and more developed status, has the largest component of researchers.

- Gonçalves - Spathicarpeae; Xanthosoma; Dieffenbachia
- Ivanilza Andrade - Co-organizer of this symposium; works with Monstera; floristics of NE Brazil.
- Marcus Nadruz - Anthurium sect. Urospadix; floristics
- Lourdes Soares - Revision of Heteropsis.
- Livia Temponi - Anthurium sect. Urospadix molecular studies; floristics
- Alba Lins -
- Add some the lesser known individuals-See the 62nd Brazilian Aroid Conference roster. Mention André Cardoso and Joao Batiste Silva. Chromosome person, etc. Student working on Monstera?

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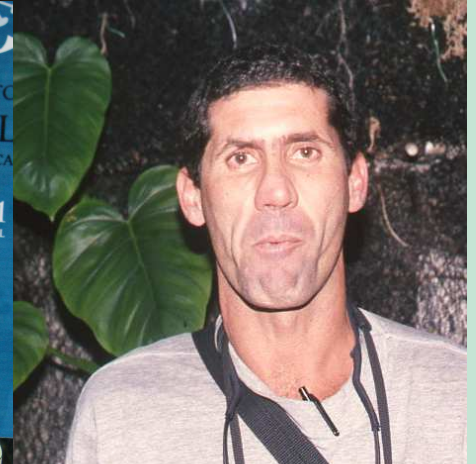
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Cássia Mônica
Sakuragui



Joao Batiste Silva



André Cardoza

Colombian Aroid Researchers

- Felipe Cardona - Spathiphyllum
- Alejandro Zuluaga - Monstera
- Natalia Cardona - Spathiphyllum
- Marta Galeano - Dieffenbachia
- Jorge Jácome - Floristic studies
- German Oyuela - Araceae of Tolima

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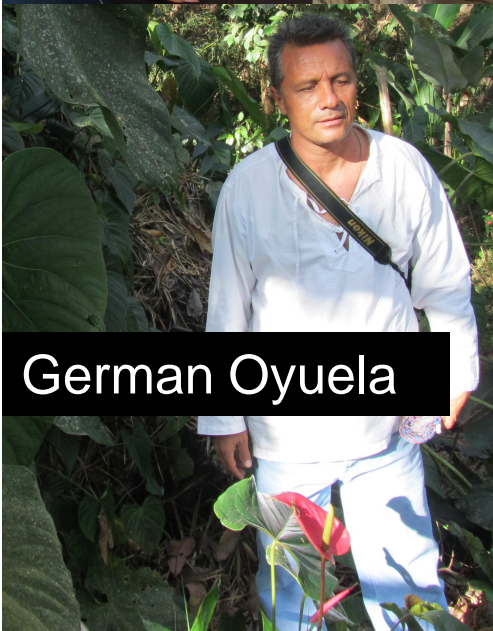
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Full List of Araceae Genera

Adelonema	13	20	Dracontium	24	24	Monstera	38	60	Synandropadix	1	1
Alloschemone	2	2	Filarum	1	1	Montrichardia	2	2	Syngonium	34	36
Anaphyllopsis	3	4	Gearum	1	1	Philodendron	482	700	Taccarum	6	6
Anthurium	905	1500	Gorgonidium	8	8	Philonotion	3	3	Ulearum	2	2
Asterostigma	8	8	Heteropsis	17	20	Pistia	2	2	Urospatha	11	15
Bognera	1	1	Incarum	1	1	Rhodospatha	28	70	Wolffia	11	11
Caladium	12	17	Jasarum	1	1	Scaphispatha	2	2	Wolffiella	10	10
Chlorospatha	28	71	Landoltia	1	1	Spathicarpa	4	7	Xanthosoma	78	90
Croatiella	1	1	Lemna	13	13	Spathiphyllum	49	63	Zantedeschia	8	8
Diffenbachia	57	140	Lorenzia	1	1	Spirodela	3	3	Zomicarpa	3	3
Dracontioides	2	2	Mangonia	2	2	Stenospermation	50	250	Zomicarpella	2	2

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Subset of Araceae Genera

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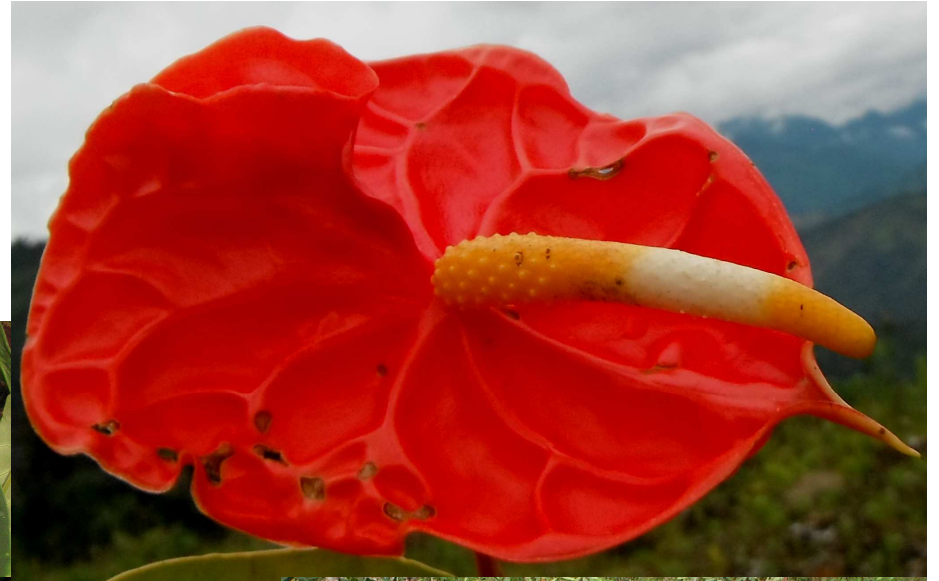
Genera Subset Slide 3

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slide title)

Anthurium

Lucid Key by Anna Haight et al.

905 species
published, at least
1500 species
expected



Researchers with Anthurium

- Madison - Palmately lobed Anthurium
- Croat - Anthurium of Central America
 - Anthurium sect. Pachyneurium
 - Lucid key to Anthurium
 - Ongoing revisions of 6 different sections
- Carlsen - Anthurium sect. Semaephyllum
 - Phylogeny of sectional classification
- Nadruz - Anthurium sect. Urospadix

Philodendron

-more than 700
species, many
undescribed



Research with Philodendron

- Bunting - principle role in discovering and describing Philodendron
- Mayo - subgen. Meconostigma; developed CATE and Lucid
- Croat - subgen. Philodendron for Central America; further development of Lucid key
- Grayum - subgen. Pteromischum of C. Amer., W. Indies & W. South Amer.
- Marcela Mora wrote Lucid key for Philodendron
- Cassia Sakuragui revised Philodendron sect. Macrobelum for Brazil



SPATHIPHYLLUM

Revised by Bunting
in 1960 but needs
more work; 49
species published-
63 expected



MONSTERA

Revised by Madison in
1977 but needs more
work; 38 species known;
60 expected

Medium sized genera that have been revised

Add picture of plant from
Suriname, Bare van der
Djin?

DRACONTIUM



Genera at least partially revised in recent times

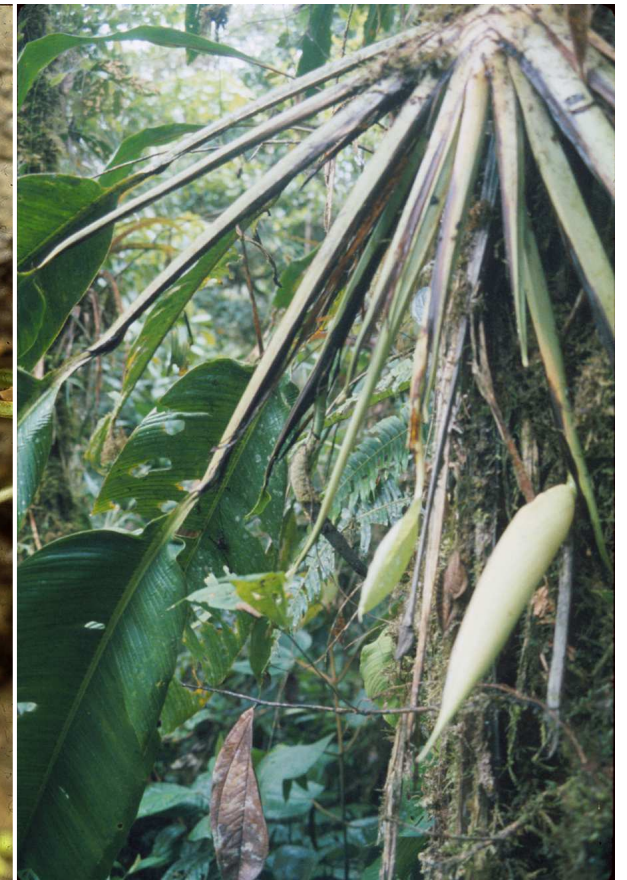
Adelonema - 13
species; all now
described but full
revision not published.



Chlorospatha - 73
species; revision in
press



Rhodospatha - 79
species; partly revised



Genera in greatest need of work

Dieffenbachia - 57
species; estimated
140; C. Amer. Revised;
key to S. Am. species



Stenospermation
- 50 species;
estimated 250



Xanthosoma - 78
species; 90
estimated

