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My Dear Sir;-

I am working on a monograph of the genus <u>Tryblidiella</u> especially of <u>T</u>. <u>rufula</u> (Spreng.)Sacc. and ita allies. Members of the group are common in tropical and semitropical America and I have material from ten of the southern United States, besides several of the West Indian islands, Central America, and South American countries, Cape of Good Hope and Singapore. I find in the literature that you have described species from several other countries, and I am writing this to learn whether it will be possible for me to obtain from you material sufficient for a microscopical examination of the following species:

7 Rhytidhysterium javanicum Sacc. & Penzig (Java)
/ Rhytidhysterium Scortechinii Sacc. & Berl. (Australia)
3 Rhytidopeziza nigro-cinnabarina(L.v.S.)Sacc.(Abyssinia)
Tryblidiella brachyasca Pass. (Italy)

If you have material sufficient so that you can spare as much as a single cup for examination I shall be very grateful. Any other forms then those mentioned would be of very great value to me. I shall be very glad to send you in exchange any American specimens which you may especially desire at any time if it be in my power to do so. Thanking you in advance for the favor I am

Yours very sincerely,

Elias J. Durand