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Professor P. Saccardo,  
Paudua University,  
Paudua,  
Italy.

Dear Sir:

I am interested in making a study of a family of the water ferns, the Marsiliaceae. I notice in Engler and Prantl that several species of Marsilia and some few species of Pilularia grow in your general region or in the region near you from which you might possibly have obtained specimens. The following species are listed from your region:-

M. Berteri	M. aeuptiaca	M. strigasa
M. diffusa	M. gibba	Pilularia minuta
M. pubescens	M. nubica	Pilularia globulifera

I am attempting to grow as many species of these genera as I can obtain and ask if you can furnish me with any sporocarps of any species. Even a single mature sporocarp of an old herbarium specimen will be gratefully received since I might be able to grow plants from it, as the spores retain their vitality for a very long time. I shall appreciate any material which you may see fit to send me.

Very sincerely,

J. Ben Hill

Associate Professor of Botany

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