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Identification of Dendrobium (Orchidaceae) in Liwa Botanical Garden **Based on Leaf Morphological Characters**

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Abstract

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Keywords

orchid; morphological leaf; identification; Dendrobium; UPGMA; Liwa Botanical Garden

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Keywords: orchid, morphological leaf, identification, Dendrobium, UPGMA, Liwa Botanical Garden

Orchidaceae (orchids) is one of the biggest plant families that consist of approximately 25,000 species belongs to over 900 genera across the world. Orchids have high variations in the morphology of the flowers, leaves, and stems (pseudobulbs). *Dendrobium* is one of the orchid genera containing a large number of species (approximately 1500 species) widely spread across the world, from Japan, China, India, the Malacca Peninsula, Indonesia, the island of Papua, to Australia. This orchid has a charming flower (<u>Dressler 1993; Kartikaningrum et al. 2004; Kumalawati et al. 2011; Hartati & Darsana 2015</u>).

Dendrobium comes from the words "dendro" (tree) and "bios" (life). Dendrobium means orchids that grow on a living tree. Dendrobium has various shapes, sizes, and colors of flowers. Flowers that have bloomed can last in one day to more than 30 days and each stem can have one to more than 20 flowers. Many *Dendrobium* grows at locations with an altitude less than 400 meters above sea level (<u>Pang et al. 2012</u>; <u>De et al. 2015</u>; <u>Darmawati et al. 2018</u>; <u>Indraloka et al. 2019</u>; <u>Zahara & Win 2019</u>; <u>Yuan et al. 2020</u>).

The Liwa Botanical Garden located in West Lampung Regency (Lampung, Sumatra island) is an institution that performs ex situ conservation of plants including orchids. Orchids have been given high priority in conservation because many orchids are threatened in the wild because of exploitation and overcollection for economic reasons that lead to the population decline and disappearance of many orchid species. Another threatening factor is deforestation causing the loss and damage of orchids, a natural habitat that will lead to the extinction of orchids. Liwa Botanical Garden has an important role in the preservation and conservation of plants including orchids. Many orchid species have been collected from the natural habitats for conservation purposes in the Liwa Botanical Gardens. However, many orchid species have not yet been identified in these gardens (Solihah 2015; Adi et al. 2019; Mahfut et al. 2019).

Identification of orchid species is important in orchid conservation. The present study focussed on the identification of some specimens of *Dendrobium* (one of the largest orchid genera) that will be based on the morphological characters as one of the important tools in the plant's taxonomic and systemic basis. The morphological characters that will be used in the present study are leaf morphology. Given the urgency of identification and the limitations of specimens in the field, especially flower organs, this study is important. This study aims to determine variations in morphological characters and phenetic relationships for the identification of *Dendrobium* in the Liwa Botanical Garden. The results of this study are expected to serve as basic information in the identification of natural orchids to support conservation in the Liwa Botanical Garden.

Sample collection

Sample collections that were identified based on leaf morphological characters included 5 accessions with sample codes CAT140, CAT 144, CAT 271, CAT 274, and IR015 (Table 1). *Dendrobium* samples were chosen based on orchid data that had not yet been identified. Overall, the sample accessions are native orchids to Lampung.

No. Acc.	Species	Origin Location
CAT140	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park
CAT144	Dendrobium sp.	Seminung Forest
CAT271	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park
CAT274	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park
IR015	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park

Table 1. List of accessions of Dendrobium samples in the Liwa Botanical Garden.

The morphological identification

The morphological identification was performed by direct observation to the leaf morphology characters including leaf shape, length (L) and width (W) tip shape, cross section, arrangement, edge shape, surface texture, symmetry, and arrangement (Dressler 1993; Kartikaningrum et al. 2004; Hartati & Darsana 2015).

Based on observations of morphological characters, orchid plants have a high variation. These variations were found in habitus, pseudobulb, leaves, and flowers (<u>Dressler 1993</u>; <u>Kartikaningrum et al. 2004</u>; <u>Hartati & Darsana</u> 2015). In this research characterization of the flower was not performed because limited specimens were obtained in the field and had not flowered yet.

Based on observations, *Dendrobium* leaves are known as the most varied organs (Table 2). Variations in leaf characters included leaf shape (S), length (L), width (W), tip shape, cross section, arrangement, edge shape, surface texture, and symmetry. Overall, the accession of *Dendrobium* samples at the Liwa Botanical Garden showed different morphological characters of the leaves, namely the cross-section. The leaf cross section of samples with accession numbers CAT 274, CAT 140, and IR 015 are semi terete, whereas that of a sample with accession number CAT 144 is terate and CAT 271 is flat. In addition, leaf arrangement was found in all samples are alternate.

Table 2. Leaf Type of Accession of *Dendrobium* samples in the Liwa Botanical Garden. Bar = 1 cm.



The ratio difference between leaf length and width between the five accessions show that the shapes of the leaves of the five accessions are different. The complete identification of the morphology of the leaves of the *Dendrobium* accession sample at the Liwa Botanical Garden is presented in Table 3.

Morphology	САТ 274	САТ 144	CAT 140	IR 015	CAT 271	
Character	C/11 2/4	C/11 144	C/11 140	IK 015	$C_{III} Z_{II}$	
Character						
Leaf Shape	Ovate	Triangular	Oblong	Lanceolate	Llinear	
(S)						
Length (L)	L: 4,5 cm	L: ±1,7 cm	L: 9,5 cm	L: 8 cm	L: 8,5 cm	
and width	W: 1 cm	W: 0,5 cm	W: 1,5 cm	W: 2 cm	W: 1,5 cm	
(W) of leaf						
Leaf Tip	Obtuse	Acuminate	Obtuse	Acute	Acuminate	
Leaf Cross	Semi	Terete	Semi	Semi	Flat	
Section	terete		terete	terete		
Arrangement	Alternate	Alternate	Alternate	Alternate	Alternate	
of Leaves						
Leaf Edge	Frayed	Frayed	Frayed	Frayed	Frayed	
0	(flat)	(flat)	(flat)	(flat)	(flat)	
Leaf Surface	Hairless	Hairless	Hairless	Hairless	Hairless	
Texture	(smooth)	(smooth)	(smooth)	(smooth)	(smooth)	
Leaf	Symmetry	Symmetry	Symmetry	Symmetry	Symmetry	
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Table 3. Variation of morphological characters of the accession of *Dendrobium*samples in the Liwa Botanical Garden.

Based on Table 3, it is known that most of the accessions of *Dendrobium* samples in the Liwa Botanical Garden showed different morphological characters in the leaves.

Phenetic Analysis

The Phenetic analysis is performed through cluster analysis methods and Principal Component Analysis (PCA). Cluster analysis begins with the morphological character scoring, then the Gower (Gower's General Similarity) similarity value is calculated which results in a matrix of similarity between accessions. Data matrix similarity is done by agglomerative hierarchical clustering using the UPGMA method and displayed in the form of a dendrogram.

Phenetic analysis on *Dendrobium* is performed through 2 methods, namely cluster analysis, and PCA. Cluster analysis begins with the morphological character scoring, then the Gower (Gower's General Similarity) similarity value is calculated which results in a matrix of similarities between accessions. Then the similarity matrix data is done by agglomerative hierarchical clustering using the UPGMA method. The results of cluster analysis of 5 *Dendrobium* accessions based on the characters produced by the dendrogram are presented in Figure 1.

Grouping the sample based on the level of similarity between accessions calculated using the gower coefficient formula and UPGMA was chosen for the clustering technique to produce a dendrogram showing 2 main groups formed with a similarity index value of 0.813 marked as group A and group B. Group A consists of CAT 144 which has a distinguishing character that distinguishes from group B, namely the cross section of the double leaf character (Figure CAT 144). Group B consists of CAT 140, CAT 271, IR 015, and CAT 274 which have symmetrical cross-section characters (Figure CAT 140, CAT 271, IR 015, and CAT 274). Group B is divided into 2 sub-groups with a similarity index value of 0.861 marked with B1 and B2



Figure 1. Dendrogram of 5 accessions Dendrobium samples from the Liwa Botanical Garden using UPGMA.

on the dendrogram. Characters that show the difference on ratio of the length and width of the leaf and leaf arrangement are same in all samples. Subgroup B1 consists of CAT 140, while subgroup B2 consists of CAT 271, IR 015, and CAT 274. B2 subgroups are divided into 2 namely B2a and B2b based on differences in leaf length and width ratios. The grouping of IR 015 and CAT 274 in one B2b group with a similarity level of 100% indicates that they are the same type. Based on the PCA values, it can be seen that the characters that have a large influence on grouping are the ratio of leaf length and width (PLD), leaf cross section (PMD), and leaf arrangement (DKD).

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M is the main researcher who conceptualized and collected data. He did data analysis and interpretation and drafted and finalized this manuscript. S is the supervisor at Liwa Botanical Garden, he is with TTH and SW are provided the guidance from conceptualization of the research objectives, methodology, data collection, analysis, and interpretation of the results. All were key in the development, drafting later on and finalizing of this manuscript.

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49	The Liwa Botanical Garden located in West Lampung Regency (Lampung, Sumatra island)
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51	been given high priority in the conservation because many orchids are threatened in the wild
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53	decline and disappearance of many orchid species. Another threatening factor is deforestation
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74 Leaves of *Dendrobium* accessions in the Liwa Botanical Garden that are native to
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76	- February 2020 at the orchid green house in the Liwa Botanical Garden. Dendrobium
77	samples were chosen based on orchid data that had not yet been identified. All samples were
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81	2.2. The morphological identification
82	The morphological identification was performed by direct observation to the leaf
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84	section, arrangement, edge shape, surface texture, symmetry, and arrangement (Dressler,
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Table 14. List of accessions of *Dendrobium* samples in the Liwa Botanical Garden

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CAT144	Dendrobium sp.	Seminung Forest			
CAT271	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park			
CAT274	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park			
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- 105 Based on observations of morphological characters, orchid plants have a high
- 106 variation. These variations were found in habitus, pseudobulb, leaves, and flowers (Dressler,
- 107 1993; Kartikaningrum et al., 2004; Hartati and Darsana, 2015). In this research the
- 108 characterisation of the flower wais not done performed because limited organ specimens
- 109 obtained <u>on in the field and had not flowered yet</u>.
- 110 Variation in habitus is seen in plant height, which ranges from 50 125 cm. Plant height can
- 111 be categorized into 2, namely ≤ 100 cm (short) and > 100 cm (height) (Figure 1).

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130	leaves differed from one sam	ole to another. In CAT 274 sam	ples (P: 4.5 cm and L: 1 cm),
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131 CAT 144 samples (P: ± 1.7 cm and L: 0.5 cm), CAT 140 samples (P: 9.5 cm and L : 1.5 cm),

132 IR 015 samples (P: 8 cm and L: 2 cm), and CAT 271 samples (P: 8.5 cm and L: 1.5 cm).

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- and L: 1.5 cm), IR015 (P: 8 cm and L: 2 cm) and CAT 271 (P: 8.5 cm and L: 1.5 cm) will
- 135 have a higher plant height habitus compared to samples that have shorter leaf morphological

the characters in CAT 274 samples (P: 4.5 cm and L: 1 cm) and CAT 144 (P : \pm 1.7 cm and L:

137 0.5 cm). Furthermore, there is also a striking difference in the morphological character of the

lowest plant leaves, namely in CAT 144 (P: \pm 1.7 cm and L: 0.5 cm). Other character

139 differences also have the lowest plant height habitus and have a thicker leaf thickness than

140 the others. The complete identification of the morphology of the leaves of the *Dendrobium*

141 accession sample at the Liwa Botanical Garden is presented in Table 3.

 Table 3. Variation of leaf character results of morphological identification of accession of Dendrobium samples in the Liwa Botanical Garden

Morphology Character	CAT 274	CAT 144	CAT 140	IR 015	CAT 271
Leaf Shape	Ovate	Triangular	Oblong	Lanceolate	Linear
	L: 4,5 cm	L: ±1,7 cm	L: 9,5 cm	L: 8 cm	L: 8,5 cm
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Leaf Tip	Obtuse	Acuminate	Obtuse	Acute	Acuminate
Leaf Cross Section	Semi terete	Terete	Semi terete	Semi terete	Flat
Arrangement of Leaves	Alternate	Alternate	Alternate	Alternate	Alternate
Leaf Edge	Frayed (flat)	Frayed (flat)	Frayed (flat)	Frayed (flat)	Frayed (flat)
Leaf Surface Texture	Hairless (smooth)	Hairless (smooth)	Hairless (smooth)	Hairless (smooth)	Hairless (smooth)
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46	<u>can have one to more than 20 flowers</u> . <u>Many Dendrobium grow at locations with an altitude</u>
47	less than 400 meters above sea level-(Solihah, 2015; Mahfut et al., 2019).
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49	The Liwa Botanical Garden located in West Lampung Regency (Lampung, Sumatra island)
50	is an institution that perform ex situ conservation of plants including orchids. Orchids have

51	been given high priority in the conservation because many orchids are threatened in the wild
52	because of exploitation and overcollection for economic reasons that lead to the population
53	decline and disappearance of many orchid species. Another threatening factor is deforestation
54	causing the loss and damage of orchids' natural habitat that will have consequences of
55	orchids are becoming extinct. Liwa Botanical Garden have an important role for preservation
56	and conservation of plants including orchids. Many orchid species have been collected from
57	the natural habitats for conservation purposes in the Liwa Botanical Gardens. However,
58	many orchid species have not yet been identified in this gardens (Solihah, 2015; Adi et al.,
59	2019; Mahfut et al., 2019).
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61	Identification of orchid species is important in the orchid conservation. The present
62	study focussed on the identification of some speciemens of Dendrobium (one of the largest
63	orchid genera) that will be based on the morphological characters as one of important tools in
64	the plant's taxonomic and systemic basis. The morphological characters that will be used in
65	the present study are leaf morphology. Given the urgency of identification and the limitations
66	of specimens in the field, especially flower organs, this study is important. This study aims to
67	determine variations in morphological characters and phenetic relationships for identification
68	of <i>Dendrobium</i> in the Liwa Botanical Garden. The results of this study are expected to serve
69	<u>as</u> basic information in the identification of natural orchids to support conservation in the
70	Liwa Botanical Garden.

72 **2. Materials and methods**

73 2.1. Sample collection

Leaves of *Dendrobium* accessions in the Liwa Botanical Garden that are native to
 Lampung were collected as samples. The sample collection was conducted in December 2019

76	- February 2020 at the orchid green house in the Liwa Botanical Garden. Dendrobium
77	samples were chosen based on orchid data that <u>had n</u> ot yet be <u>en</u> identified. All samples were
78	tabulated and documented with photos.
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81	2.2. The morphological identification
82	The morphological identification was performed by direct observation to the leaf
83	morphology characters including leaf shape, length (P) and width (L)-tip shape, cross section,
84	arrangement, edge shape, surface texture, symmetry, and arrangement (Dressler, 1993;
85	Kartikaningrum et al., 2004; Hartati and Darsana, 2015).
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87	2.3. Phenetic analysis
88	Phenetic analysis is done through cluster analysis methods and Principal Component
89	Analysis (PCA). Cluster analysis begins with the morphological character scoring, then the
90	Gower's General Similarity) similarity value is calculated which results in a matrix
91	of similarity between accessions. Data matrix similarity is done by agglomerative hierarchical
92	clustering using the UPGMA method and displayed in the form of dendrogram.
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94	3. Results and Discussion
95	3.1. Sample collection
96	Collection results obtained 5 accessions of Dendrobium samples with sample codes
97	CAT140, CAT 144, CAT 271, CAT 274, and IR015 (Table 1). Overall, the sample
98	accession <u>s</u> are native orchid <u>s to</u> Lampung.
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100	Table 14. List of accessions of <i>Dendrobium</i> samples in the Liwa Botanical Garden

No. Acc.	Species	Origin Location
CAT140	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park
CAT144	Dendrobium sp.	Seminung Forest
CAT271	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park
CAT274	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park
IR015	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park

102 3.2. The morphological identification

103 Based on observations of morphological characters, orchid plants have a high

104 variation. These variations were found in habitus, pseudobulb, leaves, and flowers (Dressler,

105 1993; Kartikaningrum et al., 2004; Hartati and Darsana, 2015). In this research the character

106 of the flower is not done because of limited organ specimens obtained on the field.

107 Variation in habitus is seen in plant height, which ranges from 50 - 125 cm. Plant height can

be categorized into 2, namely ≤ 100 cm (short) and > 100 cm (height) (Figure 1).

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110 111	Figure 14. Habitus accession of Dendrobium samples in the Liwa Botanical Garden: A. CAT	
112	274, B. CAT 144, C. CAT 140, D. IR 015, E. CAT 271.	Comment [A1] the size of the pla
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114	Based on observations, Dendrobium leaves are known as the most varied organs	
115	(Table 2). Variations in leaf <u>characters</u> include <u>d</u> leaf shape (S), length (P), width (L), tip	
116	shape, cross section, arrangement, edge shape, surface texture, and symmetry.	
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118	Overall, the accession of Dendrobium samples at the Liwa Botanical Garden showed	
119	different morphological characters of the leaves, namely the cross-section and leaf sitting.	
120	The leaf cross section of samples with accession number CAT 274, CAT 140, and IR 015 are	

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121 semi terete, whereas that of sample with accession number CAT 144 is terate and CAT 271 is

flat. In addition, leaf arrangement was found in all samples are alternate. 122



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The different of ratio between leaf length and width between the five accession show 124 125 that the shape of the leaves of the five accessions are different. The length and width of the leaves differed from one sample to another. In CAT 274 samples (P: 4.5 cm and L: 1 cm), 126

- 127 CAT 144 samples (P: ± 1.7 cm and L: 0.5 cm), CAT 140 samples (P: 9.5 cm and L : 1.5 cm),
- 128 IR 015 samples (P: 8 cm and L: 2 cm), and CAT 271 samples (P: 8.5 cm and L: 1.5 cm).
- 129 In samples that have a longer leaf length morphological character CAT 140 (P: 9.5 cm
- and L: 1.5 cm), IR015 (P: 8 cm and L: 2 cm) and CAT 271 (P: 8.5 cm and L: 1.5 cm) will
- 131 have a higher plant height habitus compared to samples that have shorter leaf morphological
- 132 characters in CAT 274 samples (P: 4.5 cm and L: 1 cm) and CAT 144 (P : \pm 1.7 cm and L:
- 133 0.5 cm). Furthermore, there is also a striking difference in the morphological character of the
- lowest plant leaves, namely in CAT 144 (P: ± 1.7 cm and L: 0.5 cm). Other character
- 135 differences also have the lowest plant height habitus and have a thicker leaf thickness than
- 136 the others. The complete identification of the morphology of the leaves of the *Dendrobium*
- accession sample at the Liwa Botanical Garden is presented in Table 3.

 Table 3.
 Variation of morphological leaf characters of leaves results of morphological identification of accession of Dendrobium samples accession in the Liwa Botanical Garden

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Morphology Character	CAT 274	CAT 144	CAT 140	IR 015	CAT 271
Leaf Shape	Ovate	Triangular	Oblong	Lanceolate	Linear
Longth (L) and	L: 4,5 cm	L: ±1,7 cm	L: 9,5 cm	L: 8 cm	L: 8,5 cm
width (W) of leaf	W: 1 cm	W: 0,5 cm	W: 1,5 cm	W: 2 cm	W: 1,5 cm
Leaf Tip	Obtuse	Acuminate	Obtuse	Acute	Acuminate
Leaf Cross Section	Semi terete	Terete	Semi terete	Semi terete	Flat
Arrangement of Leaves	Alternate	Alternate	Alternate	Alternate	Alternate
Leaf Edge	Frayed (flat)	Frayed (flat)	Frayed (flat)	Frayed (flat)	Frayed (flat)
Leaf Surface Texture	Hairless (smooth)	Hairless (smooth)	Hairless (smooth)	Hairless (smooth)	Hairless (smooth)
Leaf Symmetry	Symmetry	Symmetry	Symmetry	Symmetry	Symmetry

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139	Based on Table 3, it is known that most of the accessions of <i>Dendrobium</i> samples in
140	the Liwa Botanical Garden showed different morphological variation characters in the leaves.
141	In other characters, namely the form of pseudobulb and the place of growth, it is known that
142	the entire accession of <i>Dendrobium</i> samples did not form pseudobulb and epiphytic types.
143	Character types of habitats in general all Dendrobium orchids have the same type, epiphytes,
144	according to natural conditions where the sample collection of the Liwa Botanical Garden is a
145	natural orchid taken from its natural habitat, such as the Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park
146	and Seminung Forest which has low humidity (dry) at an altitude of 800-900 m above sea
147	level (Solihah, 2015; Adi et al., 2019).
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149	3.3. Phenetic Analysis
150	Phenetic analysis on Dendrobium is performed through 2 methods, namely cluster
151	analysis and PCA. Cluster analysis begins with the morphological character scoring, then the
152	Gower's General Similarity) similarity value is calculated which results in a matrix
153	of similarities between accessions. Then the similarity matrix data is done by agglomerative
154	hierarchial clustering using the UPGMA method. The results of cluster analysis of 5
155	Dendrobium accessions based on the characters produced by dendrogram are presented in
156	Figure 2.



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Garden using UPGMA.

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160 Grouping the sample based on the level of similarity between accessions calculated using the gower coefficient formula and UPGMA was chosen for the clustering technique to 161 162 produce a dendrogram showing 2 main groups formed with a similarity index value of 0.813 marked as group A and group B. Group A consists of CAT 144 which has a distinguishing 163 character that distinguishes from group B, namely the cross section of the double leaf 164 165 character (Figure CAT 144). Group B consists of CAT 140, CAT 271, IR 015, and CAT 274 166 which have symmetrical cross-section characters (Figure CAT 140, CAT 271, IR 015, and 167 CAT 274). Group B is divided into 2 sub-groups with a similarity index value of 0.861 marked with B1 and B2 on the dendogram. Characters that show the difference between the 168 169 two, namely the ratio of the length and width of the leaf and leaf arrangement. Subgroup B1 consists of CAT 140, while subgroup B2 consists of CAT 271, IR 015, and CAT 274. B2 170 171 subgroups are divided into 2 namely B2a and B2b based on differences in leaf length and width ratios. The grouping of IR 015 and CAT 274 in one B2b group with a similarity level 172 of 100% indicates that they are the same type. Based on the Principle Component Analysis 173

(PCA) values, it can be seen that the characters that have a large influence on grouping are
the ratio of leaf length and width (PLD), leaf cross section (PMD), and leaf sitting (DKD).
Variability of orchid leaf characters can be possible due to the hybridization and <u>natural</u>
outcrossing processes.

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179 4. Conclusions

Five accessions of Dendrobium from Liwa Botanical Garden were identified based on 180 morphological characters and phenetic relationships. The observation of 11 morphological 181 182 characters showed that leaf organs had high variations. The phenetic relationship based on the Gower similarity value and the UPGMA method shows that the Dendrobium genus in the 183 Liwa Botanical Garden can be classified into 2 main groups formed with a similarity index 184 185 value of 0.813. Based on Principle Component analysis values, it is known that the characters 186 that have a large influence on grouping are the ratio of leaf length and width, leaf cross section, and leaf arrangement. The resulting phenetic dendrogram topology is supported by 187 188 the <u>classification of</u> morphological characters classification. 189 **Acknowledgements** 190 191 This research was funded by Lembaga Penelitian dan Pengabdian Masyarakat 192 (LPPM), Universitas Lampung through the DIPA BLU 2020 Grant with contract number 193 1492 / UN26.21 / PN / 2020. Thank you to the Liwa Botanical Garden who facilitated the 194 research. This activity is a continuation of the collaboration program with Department of 195 Biology, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Science, Universitas Lampung.

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Short Communication

Identification of *Dendrobium* (Orchidaceae) in Liwa Botanical Garden Based on Leaf Morphological Characters

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ABSTRACT

Orchid is one of the most popular ornamental plants in the world. One of the orchid genera that is collected in a large number and known to have high morphological variations in the Liwa Botanical Garden is Dendrobium. However, to date, many Dendrobium collections have not been identified. Given the urgency of identification and the limitations of specimens in the field, especially flower organs, this study is important. This study aims to determine variations in morphological characters, phenetic relationships, and to identify Dendrobium collections based on leaf morphological characters in the Liwa Botanical Garden. Five accessions of Dendrobium were collected, namely CAT140, CAT 144, CAT 271, CAT 274, and IR015. Observation of 11 morphological characters leaves showed that leaf had high variations. The phenetic relationship based on the Gower similarity value and the UPGMA method shows that the Dendrobium in the Liwa Botanical Garden can be classified into 2 main groups formed with a similarity index value of 0.813. Based on Principle Component analysis values, it is known that the characters that have a large influence on grouping are the ratio of leaf length and width, leaf cross section, and leaf arrangement. The phenetic dendrogram topology is supported by the morphological character classification. The results of this study are expected to be basic information in the identification of natural orchids and conservation efforts in the Liwa Botanical Garden.

Keywords: orchid, morphological leaf, identification, Dendrobium, UPGMA, Liwa Botanical Garden

Orchidaceae (orchids) is one of the biggest plant families that consist of approximately 25,000 species belongs to over 900 genera across the world. Orchids have high variations in the morphology of the flowers, leaves, and stems (pseudobulbs). *Dendrobium* is one of the orchid genera containing a large number of species (approximately 1500 species) widely spread across the world, from Japan, China, India, the Malacca Peninsula, Indonesia, the island of Papua, to Australia. This orchid has a charming flower (<u>Dressler 1993; Kartikaningrum et al. 2004; Kumalawati et al. 2011; Hartati & Darsana 2015</u>).

Dendrobium comes from the words "dendro" (tree) and "bios" (life). Dendrobium means orchids that grow on a living tree. Dendrobium has various shapes, sizes, and colors of flowers. Flowers that have bloomed can last in one day to more than 30 days and each stem can have one to more than 20 flowers. Many *Dendrobium* grows at locations with an altitude less than 400 meters above sea level (<u>Pang et al. 2012</u>; <u>De et al. 2015</u>; <u>Darmawati et al. 2018</u>; <u>Indraloka et al. 2019</u>; <u>Zahara & Win 2019</u>; <u>Yuan et al. 2020</u>).

The Liwa Botanical Garden located in West Lampung Regency (Lampung, Sumatra island) is an institution that performs ex situ conservation of plants including orchids. Orchids have been given high priority in conservation because many orchids are threatened in the wild because of exploitation and overcollection for economic reasons that lead to the population decline and disappearance of many orchid species. Another threatening factor is deforestation causing the loss and damage of orchids, a natural habitat that will lead to the extinction of orchids. Liwa Botanical Garden has an important role in the preservation and conservation of plants including orchids. Many orchid species have been collected from the natural habitats for conservation purposes in the Liwa Botanical Gardens. However, many orchid species have not yet been identified in these gardens (Solihah 2015; Adi et al. 2019; Mahfut et al. 2019).

Identification of orchid species is important in orchid conservation. The present study focussed on the identification of some specimens of *Dendrobium* (one of the largest orchid genera) that will be based on the morphological characters as one of the important tools in the plant's taxonomic and systemic basis. The morphological characters that will be used in the present study are leaf morphology. Given the urgency of identification and the limitations of specimens in the field, especially flower organs, this study is important. This study aims to determine variations in morphological characters and phenetic relationships for the identification of *Dendrobium* in the Liwa Botanical Garden. The results of this study are expected to serve as basic information in the identification of natural orchids to support conservation in the Liwa Botanical Garden.

Sample collection

Sample collections that were identified based on leaf morphological characters included 5 accessions with sample codes CAT140, CAT 144, CAT 271, CAT 274, and IR015 (Table 1). *Dendrobium* samples were chosen based on orchid data that had not yet been identified. Overall, the sample accessions are native orchids to Lampung.

No. Acc.	Species	Origin Location
CAT140	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park
CAT144	Dendrobium sp.	Seminung Forest
CAT271	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park
CAT274	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park
IR015	Dendrobium sp.	Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park

Table 1. List of accessions of Dendrobium samples in the Liwa Botanical Garden.

The morphological identification

The morphological identification was performed by direct observation to the leaf morphology characters including leaf shape, length (L) and width (W) tip shape, cross section, arrangement, edge shape, surface texture, symmetry, and arrangement (Dressler 1993; Kartikaningrum et al. 2004; Hartati & Darsana 2015).

Based on observations of morphological characters, orchid plants have a high variation. These variations were found in habitus, pseudobulb, leaves, and flowers (<u>Dressler 1993</u>; <u>Kartikaningrum et al. 2004</u>; <u>Hartati & Darsana</u> 2015). In this research characterization of the flower was not performed because limited specimens were obtained in the field and had not flowered yet.

Based on observations, *Dendrobium* leaves are known as the most varied organs (Table 2). Variations in leaf characters included leaf shape (S), length (L), width (W), tip shape, cross section, arrangement, edge shape, surface texture, and symmetry. Overall, the accession of *Dendrobium* samples at the Liwa Botanical Garden showed different morphological characters of the leaves, namely the cross-section. The leaf cross section of samples with accession numbers CAT 274, CAT 140, and IR 015 are semi terete, whereas that of a sample with accession number CAT 144 is terate and CAT 271 is flat. In addition, leaf arrangement was found in all samples are alternate.

Table 2. Leaf Type of Accession of *Dendrobium* samples in the Liwa Botanical Garden. Bar = 1 cm.

No. Acc	Leaf Shape
CAT140	
CAT144	
CAT271	
CAT274	
IR015	

The ratio difference between leaf length and width between the five accessions show that the shapes of the leaves of the five accessions are different. The complete identification of the morphology of the leaves of the *Dendrobium* accession sample at the Liwa Botanical Garden is presented in Table 3.

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Morphology	CAT 274	CAT 144	CAT 140	IR 015	CAT 271
Character					
Leaf Shape	Ovate	Triangular	Oblong	Lanceolate	Llinear
(S)		_	_		
Length (L)	L: 4,5 cm	L: ±1,7 cm	L: 9,5 cm	L: 8 cm	L: 8,5 cm
and width	W: 1 cm	W: 0,5 cm	W: 1,5 cm	W: 2 cm	W: 1,5 cm
(W) of leaf					
Leaf Tip	Obtuse	Acuminate	Obtuse	Acute	Acuminate
Leaf Cross	Semi	Terete	Semi	Semi	Flat
Section	terete		terete	terete	
Arrangement	Alternate	Alternate	Alternate	Alternate	Alternate
of Leaves					
Leaf Edge	Frayed	Frayed	Frayed	Frayed	Frayed
-	(flat)	(flat)	(flat)	(flat)	(flat)
Leaf Surface	Hairless	Hairless	Hairless	Hairless	Hairless
Texture	(smooth)	(smooth)	(smooth)	(smooth)	(smooth)
Leaf	Symmetry	Symmetry	Symmetry	Symmetry	Symmetry
Symmetry	· · · ·	· ·			

Table 3. Variation of morphological characters of the accession of *Dendrobium*samples in the Liwa Botanical Garden.

Based on Table 3, it is known that most of the accessions of *Dendrobium* samples in the Liwa Botanical Garden showed different morphological characters in the leaves.

Phenetic Analysis

The Phenetic analysis is performed through cluster analysis methods and Principal Component Analysis (PCA). Cluster analysis begins with the morphological character scoring, then the Gower (Gower's General Similarity) similarity value is calculated which results in a matrix of similarity between accessions. Data matrix similarity is done by agglomerative hierarchical clustering using the UPGMA method and displayed in the form of a dendrogram.

Phenetic analysis on *Dendrobium* is performed through 2 methods, namely cluster analysis, and PCA. Cluster analysis begins with the morphological character scoring, then the Gower (Gower's General Similarity) similarity value is calculated which results in a matrix of similarities between accessions. Then the similarity matrix data is done by agglomerative hierarchical clustering using the UPGMA method. The results of cluster analysis of 5 *Dendrobium* accessions based on the characters produced by the dendrogram are presented in Figure 1.

Grouping the sample based on the level of similarity between accessions calculated using the gower coefficient formula and UPGMA was chosen for the clustering technique to produce a dendrogram showing 2 main groups formed with a similarity index value of 0.813 marked as group A and group B. Group A consists of CAT 144 which has a distinguishing character that distinguishes from group B, namely the cross section of the double leaf character (Figure CAT 144). Group B consists of CAT 140, CAT 271, IR 015, and CAT 274 which have symmetrical cross-section characters (Figure CAT 140, CAT 271, IR 015, and CAT 274). Group B is divided into 2 sub-groups with a similarity index value of 0.861 marked with B1 and B2



Figure 1. Dendrogram of 5 accessions Dendrobium samples from the Liwa Botanical Garden using UPGMA.

on the dendrogram. Characters that show the difference on ratio of the length and width of the leaf and leaf arrangement are same in all samples. Subgroup B1 consists of CAT 140, while subgroup B2 consists of CAT 271, IR 015, and CAT 274. B2 subgroups are divided into 2 namely B2a and B2b based on differences in leaf length and width ratios. The grouping of IR 015 and CAT 274 in one B2b group with a similarity level of 100% indicates that they are the same type. Based on the PCA values, it can be seen that the characters that have a large influence on grouping are the ratio of leaf length and width (PLD), leaf cross section (PMD), and leaf arrangement (DKD).

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M is the main researcher who conceptualized and collected data. He did data analysis and interpretation and drafted and finalized this manuscript. S is the supervisor at Liwa Botanical Garden, he is with TTH and SW are provided the guidance from conceptualization of the research objectives, methodology, data collection, analysis, and interpretation of the results. All were key in the development, drafting later on and finalizing of this manuscript.

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