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Forest Ecological Studies of the Montane Forest of Mt. Pangrango, West Java

IV. Floristic Composition along the Altitude

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Introduction

Mt. Pangrango was revisited by the author in October 1976, and during that period, the permanent plot diameters were re-measured and the vertical distribution of species was studied by placing 6 plots $(20 \times 50 \text{ m}^2 \times 4, 20 \times 20 \text{ m}^2 \times 2)$ from 1700 m up to 2800 m on the mountain. In this paper, the vertical distributional pattern of species along the gradient will be described from the point view of floristic composition.

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Methods of Survey

The field survey was carried out throughout the month of October 1976. The detailed information about the plots surveyed is shown in Table 1 (details of plots 1, 6 and 9 have already been reported in the 1st and the 2nd paper of this series^{1,2)}). The plots were selected as far as possible at physical aspects where the slope was not so steep and where a primary forest condition had been maintained. The size of plot for trees over 10 cm DBH was 1000 m² from plot 2—plot 5 and 400 m² for plots 7 and 8. Trees between 4.5 to 10 cm DBH and taller than 1.3 m were measured in 25 to 100 m² size plots. All the trees mentioned above were identified and measured for DBH. Total height (H) and the height of the lowest living branch (H_B) of some of the representative trees were measured and the remaining trees were estimated in each stand by comparing

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		P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P- 5	P-6	P-7	P-8	P-9
	ude (m)	1600	1700	1900	2100	2300	2400	2600	2800	3000
Incli	nation	3°	10°	14°	10°	2 0°	20°	12°	3 2°	7 °
Dire	ction	N40°W	W	$N10^{\circ}W$	N5°W	N10°W	Ν	N70°W	N40°E	N55°W
	D≧10	lha.	$1000 \mathrm{m^2}$	$1000 \mathrm{m}^2$	1000m²	$1000 \mathrm{m}^2$	$400m^2$	400m ²	400m ²	400m ²
Plot	4.5≦D<10	1ha.	$1000m^2$	1000m ²	400m²	$100m^2$	400m ²	400m ²	400m ²	$400m^2$
Size	H>1.3, D<4.5	1000m²	$100 \mathrm{m}^2$	$100m^2$	$100m^2$	$25m^2$	100m ²	25m²	$100m^2$	100m ²
	Ground vegetation	$10m^2$	$100m^2$	$100m^2$	$100m^2$	25m²	5m²	$25m^2$	25m²	$5m^2$

Table 1 Outline of the Plots Studied

them with measured trees. Species in the ground vegetation were recorded in 25 to 100 m^2 subplots.

Results

Description of the plots studied

Plot-1 (1600 m)

As the detailed information about this plot has already been reported in the first paper of this series¹), only the important features will be mentioned here.

The plot was situated about 20 minutes walk from Cibodas Mountain Garden. On accurate measurement of altitude, this plot was found to be located at 1600 m above sea level, not 1550 m as indicated in the 1st paper of this series. The slope was very gentle and the aspect N 40° W. The stand could be divided into five layers. In the 1st layer, Schima wallichii, Castanopsis javanica, Persea rimosa, Lithocarpus pseudomoluccus, and Vernonia arborea were dominant. The highest tree reached 41.5 m. In the 2nd layer, besides the above mentioned species, Decaspermum fruticosum, Polyosma ilicifolia, P. integrifolia were dominant between 26–15 m. In the 3rd layer (15–6 m), Saurauia pendula was the most dominant species, followed by Turpinia sphaerocarpa, Symplocos fasciculata and Ficus ribes. In the 4th layer (6 m to ground vegetation), Strobilanthes cernua and Ardisia fuliginosa were overwhelmingly predominant, and then among palms Pinanga coronata, among tree ferns Cyathea raciborskii and among herbs Nicolaia solaris were the main species in each life form.

As for the ground vegetation, many saplings of shrubby species, such as Saurauia pendula, Strobilanthes cernua, Psychotria divergens, Ardisia fuliginosa, Rubus moluccanus, Saurauia reinwardtiana, Talauma candollii were observed. Saplings of woody climbers, such as Tetrastigma sp., Cissus adnata, Ficus lanata, Ficus trichocarpa, Piper baccatum, Piper cilibracteum, Tetrastigma papillosum were reported. Cyathea raciborskii, Theylypteris heterocarpa, and Nephrolepis acuminata among the ferns and Elatostema paludosum, Cyrtandra picta, Zinger inflexum and Arisaema filiforme among the herbs were also observed.

Epiphytic species were quite abundant, for instance, Asplenium nidus, Oleandra musifolia, Nephrolepis acuminata and Elaphoglossum callifolium among the ferns, Appendicula ramosa, Liparis pallida and Malaxis blumei among the orchids, Fagraea ceilanica, Schefflera scandens, Medinilla verrucosa, M. laurifolia, Vaccinium lucidum and Agalmyla parasitica among the treelets, and Ficus lanata, Piper baccatum, Rhaphidophora pinnata, Ficus sagittata and Tetrastigma dichotomum among the woody climbers were recorded.

During the second visit in 1976, measurement of diameter increment was carried out. In the process of measurement, we found nearly 30 fallen and/or killed trees in the plot. But the total physiognomy had not changed. The result of this measurement will be reported in a separate paper.

Plot-2 (1700 m)

This plot was located at 1700 m in altitude and the slope was 10° westward. The most conspicuous species was *Podocarpus imbricatus* which was abundant even in the sur-

Table 2 Floristic Composition of Plot 2 (1700 m) (Not including broken trees)

a) Trees over 10 cm DBH. b) Trees under 10 cm DBH and over 4.5 cm DBH.

c) Trees under 4.5 cm DBH and taller than 1.3 m in height. These notes are the

same as in Table 3-7. N, Number; R.D., Relative Dominance per each plot size.

(a) D≧10

Service		I		II		III		IV	Total	
Species	Ν	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	Ν	R.D. %
Schima Wallichii ssp. noronhae (Reinw. ex Bl.) Bloembergen	4	38.2	3	14.3	1	4.2			8	33.03
Polyosma integrifolia Bl.			3	27.8	3	12.8			6	4.72
Turpinia sphaerocarpa Hassk.		1			4	26.0			4	1.14
Castanopsis javanica (Bl.) DC.			3	21.3	2	6.6			5	3.48
Podocarpus imbricatus Bl.	2	47.3	1	3.6					3	38.58
Engelhardia spicata Lech. ex Bl.	1	4.9	1	10.4	1	7.6			3	5.86
Vernonia arborea BuchHam.	2	9.6							2	7.75
Astronia spectabilis Bl.					1	4.2			1	0.19
Lithocarpus rotundatus (Bl.) A. Camus.			2	10.5					2	1.57
Saurauia pendula B1.		ļ			2	7.2			2	0.32
Acronodia punctata Bl.			1	6.2					1	0.92
Syzygium gracilis (Korth.) Amsh.			1	4.4					1	0.65
Myrsine hasseltii Bl. ex Scheff.)	1	13.1			1	0.58
Macropanax dispermus (Bl.) O.K.					1	7.2			1	0.31
Omalanthus populneus (Geisel) Pax			1	1.5					1	0.23
Hypobathrum frutescens Bl.							1	100.0	1	0.20
Manglietia glauca Bl.					1	4.5			1	0.20
Acronychia laurifolia Bl.					1	3.7			1	0.16
Symplocos fasciculata Zoll.					1	3.0			1	0.13
	9	100.0	16	100.0	19	100.0	1	100.0	45	100.0

(b) $4.5 \le D < 10$

Security		III		IV	Total			
Species	N	R.D . %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %		
Polyosma integrifolia Bl.	6	21.9			6	19.96		
Hypobathrum frutescens Bl.	5	19.7			5	17.97		
Turpinia sphaerocarpa Hassk.	3	9.6	2	49.8	5	13.19		
Persea rimosa (Bl.) Kosterm.	5	15.0			5	13.66		
Acronychia laurifolia Bl.	1	3.0	1	33.8	2	5.74		
Castanopsis javanica (Bl.) DC.	2	7.6			2	6.89		
Flacourtia rukam Z. & M.	2	3.6			2	3.32		
Beilschmiedia madang (Bl.) Bl.	1	5.0			1	4.55		
Litsea diversifolia Bl.	1	3.6			1	3.26		
Lithocarpus pseudomoluccus (Bl.) Rehd.	1	2.8			1	2.59		
Engelhardia spicata Lech. ex Bl.	1	2.6			1	2.34		
Acronodia punctata Bl.	1	2.4			1	2.19		
Symplocos javanica (Bl.) Kurz			1	16.4	1	1.45		
Vernonia arborea BuchHam.	1	1.6			1	1.45		
Viburnum lutescens Bl.	1	1.6			1	1.45		
	31	100.0	4	100.0	35	100.0		

(c)	D<4.5,	H>1.3
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Species	N	R.D. %
Ardisia fuliginosa Bl.	6	16.11
Lasianthus sp.	5	17.37
Litsea diversifolia Bl.	4	18.95
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.	2	12.53
Syzygium gracilis (Korth.) Amsh.	2	8.11
Psychotria montana Bl.	2	2.00
Cyathea junghuhniana (Kunze) Copel	1	10.74
Glochidion macrocarpum Bl.	1	7.89
Litsea resinosa Bl.	1	2.95
Symplocos fasciculata Zoll.	1	2.95
Psychotria divergens Bl.	1	0.42
	26	100.00

roundings of the plot where we were able to find large standing-dead, and all sizes of individuals of the species. Surrounding the larger sized trees, no second layer species could be seen and the penetration of sunshine was very rich at that spot. The total floristic composition was vrey similar to that of plot 1 except for the prominence of *Podocarpus imbricatus*. The woody climbers and moss were more infrequent than in plot 1. *Elatostema* sp. was abundant in the ground vegetation. Table 2 is a list of species in 3

categories, ie, trees larger than 10 cm DBH, trees between 4.5-10 cm DBH and trees higher than 1.3 m in height and less than 4.5 cm DBH. Individual number and relative dominance on the basis of basal area are given. According to this table, the 1st layer species are Schima wallichii, Podocarpus imbricatus, Vernonia arborea and Engelhardia spicata. This composition is very similar to plot 1. In the 2nd layer, Polyosma integrifolia, Castanopsis javanica and Lithocarpus rotundatus were found in addition to above mentioned species. The last two species, which were 1st layer species in plot 1, indicate a change of position in stratification. In the 3rd layer, Turpinia sphaerocarpa and Saurauia pendula were observed, which is very similar to plot 1. Trees between 4.5-10 cm DBH were mainly dominant in the 3rd and 4th layers. The dominant species were Polyosma integrifolia, Hypobathrum frutescens and Persea rimosa. The last one was dominant in the higher strata in plot 1. Trees higher than 1.3 m in height and less than 4.5 cm DBH were rather different from the upper layer species, such as Ardisia fuliginosa, Lasianthus sp. and Litsea diversifolia followed by Polyosma ilicifolia, Psychotria montana and P. divergens. Five Fagraea obovata (woody climber), 5 Cyathea junghuhniana (3 m in height and 6 cm DBH) and one Musa acuminata (3 m in height and 6 cm DBH) were measured and standing-dead or broken trees of Schima wallichii, Acronychia laurifolia, Apodytes cambodiana, Turpinia sphaerocarpa and Astronia spectabilis were observed.

Species observed in the ground vegetation were as follows: Elatostema sp., Hedychium roxburghii, Arisaema filiforme, Lycianthes laevis among the herbs; Freycinitia insignis among the climbing herbs; Tetrastigma dichotomum and Ficus sagittata among the woody climbers; Strobilanthes cernua and Litsea diversifolia were most abundant among the trees and next came Psychotria divergens followed by Ardisia fuliginosa, Hypobathrum frutescens, Lithocarpus pseudomoluccus, Mycetia cauliflora and Rubus moluccanus; Molineria capitulata among the palms; Coniogramme fraxinea, Cyathea spinulosa, Diplazium esculentum, Athyrium japonicum, Diplazium pallidum, Thelypteris callosa, Dryopteris hirtipes, Thelypteris opaca, T. truncata, T. heterocarpa, Cyathea junghuhniana and Polystichum aculeatum among the ferns.

In the epiphytic group, the following species were observed: Smilax zeylanica and Scindaptus sp. among smaller lianas; Freycinitia insignis, Ficus lanata, Tetrastigma dichotomum and Polygonum chinense among the climbers; Medinilla laurifolia, Schefflera scandens and Agalmyla parasitica among treelets the middle species was especially abundant; Asplenium caudatum, A. nidus, Coniogramme fraxinea, Davallia trichomanoides, Elaphoglossum callifolium, Hymenophyllum junghuhnii, Lycopodium piscium, Nephrolepis acuminata and Selliguea heterocarpa among the ferns.

Plot-3 (1900 m)

This plot was setout on the flat point about 1900 m in altitude across a dry river bed in which large conglomerate was abundant. The slope was 14° in a N 10° W direction. *Podocarpus imbricatus* was abundant. Five layers [1st layer (34-20 m), 2nd layer

(20-8 m), 3rd layer (8-4 m), 4th layer (4 m-60 cm) and ground vegetation] were recognized. In the ground vegetation, species of *Molineria*, *Calanthe*, *Zinger* and *Strobilanthes* were conspicuous and *Balanophora* appeared together with many of the epiphytic orchids. The white flower of *Dendrobium montanum* was impressive.

The 1st layer species were still Schima wallichii and Podocarpus imbricatus and in the 2nd layer, we found Acronodia punctata, Neolitsea javanica and Acer laurinum besides Schima wallichii. Castanopsis javanica appeared in the 3rd layer in smaller numbers, mixed with Macropanax undulatus, M. dispermus, Polyosma ilicifolia and Acronodia punctata as well as the smaller individuals of taller species such as Glochidion macrocarpum. Ficus sagittata, Schefflera scandens and Smilax macrocarpa which all belong to the climber group, were also found in this class beside larger climbers like two specimens each of Ficus sagittata and Tetrastigma pergamaceum. Two Cyathea orientalis (10 cm DBH) also appeared.

In the ground vegetation, the following species were observed: Pilea sp. among the herbs was abundant followed by Begonia robusta; Strobilanthes cernua was dominant among the trees followed by Piper sulcatum, Strobilanthes blumei, Rubus moluccanus, Psychotria divergens and Eupatrium riparium; Hoya sp., Smilax macrocarpa, and S. odoratissima among the smaller lianas; Piper abbreviatum, Medinilla laurifolia, Psychotria sarmentosa and Clematis smilacifolia among the larger lianas; Calanthe flava among the orchids; Asplenium caudatum,

		Ι		II	III			Total
Species	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %
Schima wallichii ssp. noronhae (Reinw. ex Bl.) Bloemb.	6	50.1	8	38.1	1	2.3	15	42.55
Acronodia punctata Bl.		ļ	3	15.6	4	14.1	7	4.64
Neolitsea javanica (Bl.) Back.			5	26.3	1	1.5	6	5.44
Macropanax dispermus (Bl.) O.K.			1	3.7	3	9.0	4	1.70
Macropanax undulatus (Wall. ex G. Don) Seem.					4	11.2	4	1.20
Acer laurinum Hassk.			2	2.6	2	3.6	4	0.91
Podocarpus imbricatus Bl.	3	49.9		i			3	34.56
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.					3	16.9	3	1.81
Prunus sp.			1	5.2	1	9.7	2	2.08
Engelhardia spicata Lech. ex Bl.			1	4.9	1	1.8	2	1.17
Symplocos laurina (Retz.) Wall.			1	1.2	1	1.2	2	0.38
Castanopsis javanica (Bl.) DC.					1	26.2	1	2.82
Lindera polyantha (Bl.) Boerl.			1	2.3			1	0.47
Ardisia javanica DC.					1	1.3	1	0.14
Acronychia laurifolia Bl.					1	1.3	1	0.14
	9	100.0	23	100.0	24	100.0	56	100.00

Table 3	Floristic	Composition	of Plot 3	(1900 m)
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(a) D≧10

(b) 4.5≦D<10

C		II	III		IV		Total	
Species	N	R.D. %	Ν	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	Ν	R.D. %
Macropanax dispermus (Bl.) O.K.			9	19.9	4	29.5	13	20.30
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.	1		8	25.1			8	18.60
Schima wallichii spp. noronhae (Reinw. ex Bl.) Bloemb.	1	32.3	4	11.8	1	8.0	6	12.54
Macropanax undulatus (Wall. ex G. Don) Seem.			4	9.9	1	19.3	5	10.94
Acronodia punctata Bl.	-	1	4	11.5		1	4	8.54
Neolitsea javanica (Bl.) Back.	2	67.7			1	7.5	3	6.17
Castanopsis javanica (Bl.) DC.			2	10.0			2	7.40
Glochidion macrocarpum Bl.			2	4.5			2	3.36
Prunus sp.			1	2.9			1	2.15
Meliosma nervosa K. & V.			1	2.6			1	1.93
Brassaiopsis glomerulata (Bl.) Regel	1				1	9.7	1	1.82
Elaeocarpus stipularis Bl.					1	7.3	1	1.37
Myrsine affinis D.C.			1	1.8			1	1.37
Persea rimosa (Bl.) Kosterm.	-				1	7.0	1	1.32
Saurauia micrantha Bl.					1	6.3	1	1.19
Ardisia laevigata Bl.					1	5.4	1	1.02
	3	100.0	36	100.0	12	100.0	51	100.00

(c) H>1.3, D<4.5

Species	Ν	R.D. %
Lasianthus sp.	12	24.06
Macropanax dispermus (Bl.) O.K.	9	25.84
Acronodia punctata Bl.	3	6.63
Ardisia laevigata Bl.	3	2.87
Glochidion rubrum Bl.	2	8.75
Dichroa febrifuga Lour.	2	0.75
Macropanax undulatus (Wall. ex G. Don) Seem.	1	7.38
Ficus sagittata Vahl	1	6.97
Symplocos fasciculata Zoll.	1	6.97
Schefflera scandens (Bl.) Vig.	1	2.87
Castanopsis javanica (Bl.) DC.	: 1 ;	2.39
Brassaiopsis glomerulata (Bl.) Regel	1	2.12
Glochidion macrocarpum Bl.	1	1.37
Daphniphyllum glaucescens Bl.	1	0.62
Neolitsea javanica (Bl.) Back.	1	0.27
Smilax macrocarpa Bl.	1	0.14
	41	100.00

Coniogramme sp., Dryopteris sp. and Pteris excelsa among the ferns.

In the epiphytic species, the following were observed: Vaccinium lucidum, V. laurifolium, Peperomia sp. and Schefflela scandens among the treelets; Ficus sagittata, Psychotria sarmentosa and Pyrus sp. among the climbers; Eria sp., Appendicula ramosa, Dendrobium conspicuum, D. montanum among the orchids; Asplenium caudatum, A. longissimum, Elaphoglossum callifolium, Hymenophyllum sp., Lycopodium phlegmaria, Nephrolepis sp., Polypodium sp. and Polypodium feei among the ferns.

Plot-4 (2100 m)

This plot was located at 2100 m in altitude where two slopes respectively N 20° W and N 10° E in direction, encountered each other and made a 10° degree slope. Compared with plot 3, the physiognomy of this stand was much nicer in the sense of height growth, stratification and floristic composition, and it had maintained a better primary forest condition. The highest tree reached nearly 30 m and the 1st layer species such as *Podocarpus imbricatus, Schima wallichii, Acer laurinum* were dominant up to 23 m. In the 2nd layer, (23–17 m), *Glochidion macrocarpum* as well as the above mentioned species appeared. The 3rd layer (17–8 m) was mainly occupied by *Polyosma ilicifolia*.

One side of the plot was sloped into a steep valley and one gap was found in one

 Table 4
 Floristic Composition of Plot 4 (2100 m)

с. ·		I		II	III		IV		,	Total
Species	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	Ν	R.D. %	N	R.D. %
Schima wallichii ssp. noronhae (Reinw. ex Bl.) Bloemb.	14	59.1	10	26.2	5	15.1			29	46.73
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.			13	52.0	12	47.1			25	16.81
Macropanax undulatus (Wall. cx G. Don) Seem.			1	0.9	4	14.3	2	59.9	7	1.94
Acer laurinum Hassk.	2	15.4	2	8.1					4	12.15
Astronia spectabilis Bl.	1	8.1	1	1.8	2	4.1			4	6.16
Prunus arborea (Bl.) Kalkman	1	4.4	1	3.4					2	3.75
Podocarpus imbricatus Bl.	1	2.2			1	3.7	1	18.6	3	1.93
Lithocarpus elegans (Bl.) Hatus. ex Soepadmo, comb.			2	2.3	1	1.7			3	0.71
Acronodia punctata Bl.	1	3.4			1	13.8			2	3.43
Weinmannia blumei Planch.	1	5.2			1				1	3.41
Glochidion macrocarpum Bl.	1	2.3							1	1.52
Symplocos laurina (Retz.) Wall.		1	1	4.2					1	1.04
Lithocarpus tijsmannii (Bl.) Rehd.			1	1.0					1	0.25
Geniostoma arboreum (Reinw.) O.K.				: 			1	21.6	1	0.17
	22	100.0	32	100.0	26	100.0	4	100.0	84	100.00

$(a) \quad D\!\geqq\!10$

(b) $4.5 \le D < 10$

		II	III		IV		Total	
Species	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.	1	56.7	7	53.4	2	100.0	10	58.18
Schima wallichii ssp. noronhae (Reinw. ex Bl.) Bloemb.	1	43.3	1	5.5			2	11.10
Lithocarpus tijsmannii (Bl.) Rehd.			2	13.8			2	10.35
Macropanax undulatus (Wall. ex G. Don) Seem.			1	9.5			1	7.12
Acer laurinum Hassk.			1	6.8			1	5.09
Platea latifolia Bl.			1	5.9			1	4.40
Astronia spectabilis Bl.			1	5.0			1	3.76
	2	100.0	14	100.0	2	100.0	18	100.00

⁽c) H>1.3, D<4.5

Species	Ν	R.D. %
Lasianthus sp.	13	23.02
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.	11	19.78
Schima wallichii ssp. noronhae (Reinw. ex Bl.) Bloemb.	10	12.89
Ardisia javanica DC.	2	4.96
Eurya obovata (Bl.) Korth.	2	1.93
Lithocarpus elegans (Bl.) Hatus. ex Soepadmo, comb.	2	0.83
Elaeocarpus stipularis Bl.	1	10.48
Geniostoma arboreum (Reinw.) O.K.	1	6.27
Macropanax undulatus (Wall. ex G. Don) Seem.	1	5.93
Engelhardia spicata Lech. ex Bl.	1	2.89
Podocarpus imbricatus Bl.	1	2.41
Astronia spectabilis Bl.	1	1.72
Vernonia arborea BuchHam.	1	1.24
Ardisia laevigata Bl.	1	1.10
Myrsine affinis DC.	1	1.10
Neolitsea javanica (Bl.) Back.	1	0.90
Elaeocarpus oxypyren K. & V.	1	0.76
Glochidion macrocarpum Bl.	1	0.76
Acer laurinum Hassk.	1	0.41
Symplocos sessilifolia (Bl.) Gürke	1	0.34
Glochidion sp.	1	0.28
	55	100.00

of the 10×10 m subplots. The amount of moss was little and the epiphytes were becoming rarer than in the lower plots. The climber species were rich in number but small as individuals and the larger sized ones were scarce. Rather unusual species were present in this plot such as *Acer laurinum*, *Weinmannia blumei*, *Leptospermum flavescens* and

Symplocos laurina. The highest tree fern reached about 7 m in height and three Cyathea orientalis (H=4 m) and one C. latebrosa were found. Leptospermum flavescens grew parallel along the slope and only the crown portion was erect. Broken individuals of Polyosma ilicifolia and Acer laurinum were also found.

The lower layer of this plot was very rich, and the most dominant species was Lasianthus sp. followed by Polyosma ilicifolia and Schima wallichii. Elements of the subalpine zone, such as Ardisia javanica, Eurya obovata and Myrsine affinis began to appear. Many of the saplings of taller species such as Lithocarpus elegans, Podocarpus imbricatus, Vernonia arborea and Glochidion macrocarpum were also found.

In the ground vegetation, the following species were observed: Lasianthus sp., Polyosma ilicifolia, Acer laurinum, Mycetia cauliflora, Astronia spectabilis, Schima wallichii, Rubus alpestris and Acronodia punctata among the trees and shrubs; Cyrtandra picta (75%)of coverage), Pilea sp., Arisaema sp. and Disporum chinense among the herbs; Molineria sp. among the palms in sunny spots; Medinilla laurifolia and Tetrastigma dichotomum in climbers; Asplenium caudatum, Coniogramme sp., Cyathea ratebrosa, C. orientalis, Dryopteris sp., Elaphoglossum callifolium, Lycopodium sp., Plagiogyria glauca and Pteris excelsa among the ferns.

In the epiphytic species, the following were observed; Eria spp., Eria flavescens, and Bulbophyllum sp. among the orchids; Aeschynanthus sp., Medinilla laurifolia, Vaccinium laurifolium and V. lucidum among the treelets; Smilax odoratissima, Kadsura scandens, Piper cilibracteum, Pyrus sp., Psychotria sarmentosa, Rubus lineatus and Tetrastigma dichotomum among the climbers; Asplenium caudatum, A. longissimum, Elaphoglossum sp., Humata sp., Hymenophyllum sp., Polypodium sp., and Polypodium feei among the ferns.

Plot-5 (2300 m)

This plot, situated at 2300 m in altitude, was rather xeric and one large dead tree was found in one of the $10 \text{ m} \times 10 \text{ m}$ subplots whose surroundings had quite a number of saplings of *Podocarpus imbricatus*. At one sunny point in a gap, tree ferns reached 14 m in height. Standing dead individuals of *Podocarpus imbricatus*, *Polyosma ilicifolia* and *Cyathea tomentosa* were conspicuous in the plot. The highest tree was a *Lithocarpus* elegans (H=27 m). Species in the 1st layer were *Lithocarpus elegans*, *Schima wallichii*, and *Astronia spectabilis*. The 2nd layer was dominated mainly by *Polyosma ilicifolia* as a dominant and *Ardisia javanica*. Species in the 3rd layer were *Polyosma ilicifolia* as a dominant and *Ardisia javanica*. Saplings of taller species such as *Podocarpus imbricatus*, *Lithocarpus elegans* and *Schima wallichii* were also present.

As indicated in Table 5, within the species of larger than 10 cm DBH, *Polyosma ilicifolia*, *Myrsine affinis* and *Eurya obovata* increased their individual numbers and reached the same level in basal area as *Lithocarpus elegans* or *Schima wallichii*. These facts show

Table 5 Floristic Composition of Plot 5 (2300 m)

(a) D≧10

		Ι	II		III		Total	
Species	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.	2	4.0	30	32.8	2	53.8	34	16.36
Myrsine affinis DC.	9	10.1	16	16.6			25	12.68
Eurya obovata (Bl.) Korth.	3	9.9	14	24.4			17	15.79
Acronodia punctata Bl.	1	3.2	6	6.7	1	22.0	8	4.84
Lithocarpus elegans (Bl.) Hatus. ex Soepadmo, comb.	8	27.2					8	15.71
Schima wallichii ssp. noronhae (Reinw. ex Bl.) Bloemb.	4	18.4	3	2.8			7	11.75
Astronia spectabilis Bl.	3	21.8	2	15.9			5	19.16
Neolitsea javanica (Bl.) Back.	1	2.4	1	0.4			2	1.58
Syzigium gracilis (Korth.) Amsh.	1	0.9	ĺ		1	24.1	2	0.75
Lithocarpus tijsmannii (Bl.) Rehd.	1	2.0					1	1.18
Meliosma nervosa K. & V.			1	0.5			1	0.19
	33	100.0	73	100.0	4	100.0	110	100.00

(b) 4.5≦D<10

C		II		III	Total	
Species	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %
Myrsine affinis DC.	1	29.1	6	81.9	7	59.24
Acronodia punctata Bl.	2	45.8	1	7.5	3	23.98
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.	1	25.0	1	4.6	2	13.39
Syzigium gracilis (Korth.) Amsh.			1	5.9	1	3.39
	4	100.0	9	100.0	13	100.00

(c) H>1.3, D<4.5

Species	N	R.D. %
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.	10	46.69
Ardisia javanica DC.	8	37.32
Lithocarpus elegans (Bl.) Hatus. ex Soepadmo, comb.	3	4.52
Schima wallichii ssp. noronhae (Reinw. ex Bl.) Bloemb.	1	10.66
Podocarpus imbricatus Bl.	1	0.81
	23	100.00

that this plot was situated at the transition zone between the montane and the subalpine zone. The ground vegetation was poor; *Carex* sp. sporadically appeared at about 30 cm in height and saplings of *Podocarpus imbricatus* and species of ferns such as *Blechnum*

sp., Cyathea latebrosa, Dryopteris sp., Plagiogyria glauca, Polypodium sp. and Polystichum sp. were observed. The epiphytic species became much rarer; only Vaccinium laurifolium, Schefflera sp. and Schefflera scandens were seen among the climbers and treelets, as well as Asplenium caudatum, Elaphoglossum sp. and Hymenophyllum sp. among the ferns could be seen.

Plot-6 (2400 m)

As detailed information about this plot has already been presented in the 2nd paper of this series²⁾, we repeat only the essential points here. The plot was situated at the junction of both the slopes from Mt. Pangrango and Gede. The slope was a 20° incline to the north. The highest tree reached 22 m. Almost all of the trunks were covered by moss but not so heavily as the ones on the summit. The trunks were erect. Ground vegetation was rich and tree ferns were abundant, but epiphytic species were scarce. This stand was divided into 4 layers stratified as follows: 1st layer (22–15 m), 2nd layer (15–5 m), 3rd layer (5–1 m) and 4th layer (below 1 m). The main components of the 1st layer were Schima wallichii, Symplocos sessilifolia, Acronodia punctata and Dephniphyllum glaucescens. Species dominant in both 1st and 2nd layers were Myrsine affinis, Polyosma ilicifolia and Acronodia punctata. Ardisia javanica was extensive in the 3rd layer and saplings of taller species and Cyathea crenulata were also found.

The ground vegetation consisted of saplings of taller species such as Daphniphyllum glaucescens, Schima wallichii, Podocarpus imbricatus, Myrsine affinis and of saplings of shrubby species such as Polyosma ilicifolia, Acronodia punctata, Ardisia javanica and Symplocos sp. Saplings of lianas such as Lonicera javanica, and Nertera granadensis among the creeping herbs were found. Cyperus sp. and Viola pilosa among the herbs and Blechnum patersonii, Lycopodium serratum, Plagiogyria glauca, Polypodium feei, Davallia sp. and Dryopteris sp. among the ferns were also found.

Almost all the number plates which were fitted in 1970 had rotted mainly because of sulfur from the crater of Mt. Gede. The physiognomy of the stand appeared to have become denser in the ground vegetation and the saplings of *Podocarpus imbricatus* and *Usnea* on many of the branches were noteworthy. Of the climbers only 3 individuals were found of which the largest was 6 cm in DBH. Epiphytic ferns grew sporadically. The height of *Cyathea crenulata* reached 6 m. Species among the epiphytes were as follows: *Dendrobium hasseltii* and *Eria* sp. among the orchids; *Schefflera* sp., *Vaccinium laurifolium* and *Lonicera javanica* among the climbers; *Asplenium caudatum, Elaphoglossum callifolium, Hymenophyllum* sp. *Polypodium* sp. and *Polypodium feei* among the ferns.

Plot-7 (2600 m)

This plot was setout at a place where Leptospermum flavescnes and Podocarpus imbricatus were prominent. The slope was 12° in a N 70° W direction. Podocarpus imbricatus was

not included in this plot. Leptospermum fravescens showed long trunks extended parallel to the slope and only the crown part stood erect, just like Acer laurinum at lower altitudes. Moss and epiphytic species were also richer than in plot 6. The saplings of Podocarpus imbricatus were abundant and a large individual of 50 cm DBH and 25 m in height was found near the plot.

As indicated in Table 6, Myrsine affinis and Polyosma ilicifolia were dominants, the former species dominating the 1st layer, the latter the 2nd layer. Symplocos sessilifolia and Acronodia punctata came next of these. Although Leptospermum flavescens was infrequent in terms of individual numbers, this was a very conspicuous species, just like Podocarpus imbricatus found in the 4.5–10 cm class, and showing a high growth rate for its diameter.

Table 6 Floristic Composition of Plot 7 (2600 m)

Ι Π ш Total Species N R.D. % R.D. % R.D. % N Ν Ν R.D. % Myrsine affinis DC. 26 38.0 3 22.8 1 13.4 30 34.67 Polyosma ilicifolia Bl. 13 25.4 12 47.8 5 86.6 30 31.01 Symplocos sessilifolia (Bl.) Gürke 10 15.4 3 7.3 13 13.56 Acronodia punctata Bl. 4 9 9.07 5 7.2 19.8 Daphniphyllum glaucescens Bl. 2 2.4 1 2.4 3 2.32 Leptospermum flavescens J.E. Smith 1 9.1 7.33 1 Eurya obovata (Bl.) Korth. 2 1.8 2 1.46 Schefflera sp. 2.7 1 1 0.59 100.0 6 100.0 60 100.0 23 89 100.00

(b) 4.5≦D<10

(a) D≧10

S	1	Ι	II		III		Total	
Species	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	Ν	R.D. %
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.	2	15.2	14	35.7	8	47.3	24	35.51
Myrsine affinis DC.	2	33.5	10	31.3	2	11.4	14	26.66
Acronodia punctata Bl.	2	31.0	6	15.7	1	3.8	9	15.01
Symplocos sessilifolia (Bl.) Gürke	1	11.0	6	9.8	1	7.5	8	9.44
Geniostoma arboreum (Reinw.) O.K.			1	1.1	2	13.5	3	4.03
Ardisia javanica DC.					3	8.6	3	2.17
Neolitsea cassia (L.) Kosterm.			1	3.4			1	2.03
Photinia notoniana W. & A.			1	2.9			1	1.75
Podocarpus imbricatus Bl.	1	9.4	(1	1.41
Rhododendron retusum (Bl.) Benn.					1	5.2	1	1.30
Eurya obovata (Bl.) Korth.					1	2.8	1	0.70
	8	100.0	39	100.0	19	100.0	66	100.00

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Species	N	R.D. %
Acronodia punctata Bl.	2	19.16
Ilex sp.	2	3.84
Symplocos sessilifolia (Bl.) Gürke	2	51.10
Daphniphyllum glaucescens Bl.	1	6.65
Eurya obovata (Bl.) Korth.	1	3.41
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.	1	10.96
Schefflera sp.	1	4.88
	10	100.00

(c)	H>	1.3,	D<4.5

But there was no meaning in division of the trees at 10 cm DBH since the physiognomy of the subalpine zone had became more remarkable. Among five *Cyathea crenulata*, one individual reached 8 m in height and the average height of three *Cyathea orientalis* was around 3 m. We found three *Schefflera* sp. and one *Vaccinium laurifolium*. The real length of *Leptospermum fravescens* was found to be 24 m with a 70.3 cm DBH, but the natural height reached only 10 m. Two broken *Symplocos sessilifolia* were observed. The lower species were scarce in both individual number and species number. *Acronodia punctata*, *Ilex* sp. and *Symplocos sessilifolia* were notable and *Carex* sp. and *Myriactis javanica* among the herbs, *Diplazium* sp. and *Dryopteris* sp. among the frens were found. Among the epiphytes, *Lonicera javanica*, *Vaccinium laurifolium* and *Schefflera* sp. among the climbers as well as *Elaphoglossum callifolium*, *Humata* sp., *Hymenophyllum* sp. and *Ctenopteris millefolia* among the ferns were enumerated.

Plot-8 (2800 m)

This plot was located on a steep slope $(32^\circ, \text{ aspect N } 40^\circ \text{ E})$ about 2800 m in altitude. We found many gaps in the surroundings and if we took a 20 m \times 20 m plot, at least one gap was included in one of the 10 m \times 10 m subplots. Fallen trees as well as standingdead were quite abundant in this area. Natural height was low. Many of the species trailed along the ground and only the crown part stood erect. As for the total physiognomy, *Myrsine affinis, Viburnum coriaceum, Symplocos sessilifolia, Photinia notoniana* and *Eurya obovata* were found in the 1st layer and *Schefflera* sp. was found only a little below the position of the above mentioned species and *Cyathea speciosa* was found even further below. The differences between this and the next summit plot can be summarized as the existence of smaller trees of *Myrsine affinis* or *Symplocos sessilifolia* in the small middle layer between the upper layer and the ground vegetation.

As indicated in Table 7, Myrsine affinis dominated the 1st layer followed by Schefflera sp. and Eurya obovata. Polyosma ilicifolia was now absent. Ten Cyatea crenulata were

Table 7Floristic Composition of Plot 8 (2800 m)

(a) $\mathbf{D} \leq 10$	(a)	D≧10
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<u>Creation</u>		I		II	Total		
Species	Ν	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	
Myrsine affinis DC.	16	42.5			16	41.61	
Schefflera sp.	10	22.6	3	100.0	13	24.26	
Eurya obovata (Bl.) Korth.	6	20.0			6	19.59	
Symplocos sessilifolia (Bl.) Gürke	4	5.1			4	4.95	
Viburnum coriaceum Bl.	3	7.6			3	7.46	
Symplocos laurina (Retz.) Wall.	1	0.6			1	0.62	
Photinia notoniana W. & A.	1	1.6			1	1.52	
	41	100.0	3	100.0	44	100.00	

(b) 4.5≦D<10

Car along		I		II	Total		
Species	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	
Myrsine affinis DC.	13	46.8	7	46.0	20	46.63	
Symplocos sessilifolia (Bl.) Gürke	5	21.5	3	31.1	8	23.96	
Schefflera sp.	2	11.5	1	15.9	3	12.63	
Eurya obovata (Bl.) Korth.	2	8.7	1	7.0	3	8.28	
Viburnum coriaceum Bl.	1	6.2	1		. 1	4.63	
Symplocos laurina (Retz.) Wall.	1	5.2	-		1	3.86	
	24	100.0	12	100.0	36	100.00	

(c) H>1.3, D<4.5

Species	Ν	R.D. %
Symplocos sessilifolia (Bl.) Gürke	12	33.08
Myrsine affinis DC.	10	44.71
Symplocos laurina (Retz.) Wall.	4	7.55
Lonicera javanica (Bl.) DC.	3	5.14
Vaccinium laurifolium (Bl.) Miq. var. laurifolium	1	9.52
	30	100.00

found of which the largest reached 13.5 cm DBH and 8 m in height. Two Vaccinium laurifolium among the woody climbers and standing dead specimens of each of Eurya obovata, Schefflera sp. and Symplocos sessilifolia were observed. As shown in the Table, species in the class H>1.3, D<4.5 were rather rich compared with plot 7, i.e., together Symplocos sessilifolia and Myrsine affinis occupied nearly 80%, followed by Symplocos laurina.

In the ground vegetation, among the herbs, *Elatostema* sp. was dominant and *Carex* sp., *Ranunculus javanica*, *Sanicula elata* and *Viola pilosa* were found and *Primula prolifera*

was present in sunny places. Rubus alpestris and Myrsine affinis among the trees, and Balanophora elongata also occurred. Concerning ferns, Blechnum patersonii, Plagiogyria glauca and Woodwardia sp. were seen. In the epiphytic species, Dendrobium hasseltii among the orchids, Nertera granadensis among the creeping herbs and Asplenium caudatum, Elaphoglossum sp., Hymenophyllum sp., Polypodium sp. and Polypodium feei among the ferns were observed. No climbers occurred.

Plot-9 (3000 m)

As this plot has already been described in the 2nd paper of this series²), only the outline will be mentioned here. This plot was situated on a flat area attained after climbing up the steep slope to the summit. Almost all of the trees except for *Vaccinium laurifolium* stood erect. Trunks were so densely covered by moss that the visible tree size looked much larger than the real size. Tree density was very high, and the highest trees did not exceed 10 m. This stand could be recognized to have a 2nd layer. The 1st layer was occupied by *Myrsine affinis*, *Photinia notoniana*, *Eurya obovata* and *Vaccinium varingiaefolium*. In 1970, the under part of this layer was poor in small trees, but this time, we found some small sized *Symplocos* sp. in the narrow layer between the tree layer and the ground vegetation.

In the ground vegetation, the following species were recorded: Symplocos sp., Symplocos sessilifolia and Myrsine affinis among the trees; Rubus lineatus and Lonicera javanica among the climbers; Nertera granadensis among the creeping herbs; Carex sp., Ranunculus javanicus, Myriactis javanica, Swertia javanica and Viola pilosa among the herbs; Plagiogyria glauca, Athyrium sp., Dryopteris adnata and Elaphoglossum callifolium among the ferns. Several number plates which were fixed in 1970 were still readable. No special change in the physiognomy was observed.

Discussion

Names of a species occurring in each sample plot are shown in Table 8. Species are arranged in order of number from Plot 1 (1600 m) up to 3000 m.

This table is confined to trees larger than 10 cm DBH. The total number of species counted was 81 and 57 species were found in Plot 1. This is because Plot 1 is far larger in size than the others, which may have resulted in some underestimation the upper plots;

Frequently appearing species (numbers in parenthesis show frequency) are Acronodia punctata (7) and Schima wallichii (6) as well as Polyosma ilicifolia (6) followed by Myrsine affinis (4) and Eurya obovata (4). Besides these species, species which appeared discontinuously in separate plots can also be assumed to be distributed continuously.

From such considerations, 14 species may be regarded as of higher dominancy

	P	-1	P	-2	Р	9-3	I	P-4	F	9 _5	P	9–6	F	P-7	F	P-8	P	-9
Species	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	Ν	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	Ν	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %
Schima wallichii ssp. noronhae (Reinw. ex Bl.) Bloemb.	47	25.12	80	32.31	150		290	43.63	70	11.68	53	5.88						
Saurauia pendula Bl.	46	2.24	20	0.31						-					1			
Castanopsis javanica (Bl.) DC.	37	21.01	50	3.40	10	2.82												
Persea rimosa (Bl.) Kosterm.	30	7.61																
Turpinia sphaerocarpa Hassk.	24	1.23	60	1.57														
Lithocarpus pseudomoluccus (Bl.) Rehd.	22	4.83																
Decaspermum fruticosum var. polymorphum (Bl.) Bakh. f.	20	0.76																
Vernonia arborea Buch.—Ham.	19	4.64	20	7.58														
Symplocos fasciculata Zoll.	16	0.49	10	0.13														
Polyosma integrifolia Bl.	16	1.37	60	4.62						5								
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.	15	1.20			30	1.81	260	16.28	340	16.25	399	18.84	750	26.50				
Ficus ribes Reinw. ex Bl.	10	0.29											1					
Macropanax dispermus (Bl.) O.K.	7	1.23	10	0.31	40	1.70							Ì					
Flacourtia rukam Z. & M.	6	0.37																
Syzygium antisepticum (Bl.) Merry & Perry	6	2.36														ĺ		
Astronia spectabilis Bl.	5	0.21	20	1.61			40	5.75	50	19.04								
Castanopsis argentea (Bl.) DC.	5	0.11																
Lithocarpus rotundatus (Bl.) A. Camus	5	5.75	20	1.54														
Mischocarpus fuscescens Bl.	5	0.36																
Saurauia blumiana Bl.	5	0.25																
Villebrunea rubescens (Bl.) Bl.	5	0.14		1														
Antidesma tetrandrum Bl.	4	0.11										annes - las ter ter						
Lithocarpus indutus (Bl.) Rehd.	4	1.45																
Pygeum parviflorum Teysm. et Benn.	4	1.17																
Syzygium rostratum (Bl.) DC.	4	0.30								1								

Table 8List of species name with their number and relative dominance on the basis of basal area. The order is arranged from the
lower to the upper plot of the mountain. Only trees larger than 10 cm DBH are shown. (Broken trees included) /ha.

Table 8 (Continued)

S	P	-1	Р	-2	Р	-3	Р	-4	F	^ _5	F	-6	P	9 –7	F	9-8	F	- 9
Species	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %
Viburnum sambucinum Bl.	4	0.25								1		1						
Acronychia laurifolia Bl.	3	0.58	10	0.16	10	0.14								-				
Casearia tuberculata Bl.	3	0.50																
Eurya acuminata DC.	3	0.10																
Lithocarpus elegans (Bl.) Hatus. ex Soepadmo, comb.	3	0.81					30	0.67	80	15.60								
Litsea resinosa Bl.	3	0.68														1		
Manglietia glauca Bl.	3	0.16	10	0.19														
Michelia montana Bl.	3	0.70		-											**			
Platea latifolia Bl.	3	3.62																
Acronodia punctata Bl.	2	0.22	10	0.90	70	4.64	20	3.20	80	4.81	345	22.72	225	7.75				
Dysoxylum alliaceum Bl.	2	0.14													1			
Elaeocarpus stipularis Bl.	2	0.05																
Engelhardia spicata Lech. ex Bl.	2	1.96	30	5.73	20	1.17							•					
Hypobathrum frutescens Bl.	2	0.04	10	0.19														
Litsea mappacea (Bl.) Boerl.	2	0.13																
Pithecellobium clypearia (Jack) Bth.	2	0.33																
Pyrenaria serrata Bl.	2	0.03								1								
Saurauia reinwardtiana Bl.	2	0.03														i ;		
Cinnamomum parthenoxylon (Jack) Meissn.	1	1.61																
Cinnamomum sintoc Bl.	1	0.31										1 						
Glochidion macrocarpum Bl.	1	0.26	-				10	1.42									i	
Gordonia excelsa (Bl.) Bl.	1	1.79							1									-
Ilex cymosa Bl.	1	0.07																
Lithocarpus tijsmannii (Bl.) Rehd.	1	0.48					10	0.23	10	1.17								ļ
Macropanax undulatus (Wall. ex G. Don) Seem.	1	0.02			40	1.20	70	1.81				1						
Meliosma ferruginea Bl.	1	0.02	-															
Podocarpus imbricatus Bl.	1	0.38	30	37.74	30	34.56	30	1.80										
Prunus arborea (Bl.) Kalkman	1	0.02					30	6.23										

Table 8 (Continued)

<u> </u>	Р	-1	Р	-2	Ρ	-3	F	P -4	Р	-5	F	9– 6	P	-7	Р	-8	Р	-9
Species	N	R.D. %	Ν	R.D. %	Ν	R.D. %	Ν	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D. %	N	R.D %
Saurauia nudiflora DC.	1	0.03																
Tarenna laxiflora (Bl.) K. & V	1	0.03																
Viburnum coriaceum Bl.	1	0.02													75	7.46		
Viburnum lutescens Bl.	1	0.02																
Turpinia montana (Bl.) Kurz			10	0.29														
Myrsine hasseltii Bl. ex Scheff.			10	0.56														
Syzygium gracilis (Korth.) Amsh.			10	0.64					20	0.74								
Omalanthus populneus (Geisel) Pax			10	0.23														
Neolitsea javanica (Bl.) Back.					60	5.44			20	1.57								
Ardisia javanica DC.					10	0.14												
Acer laurinum Hassk.					40	0.91	50	12.50										
Prunus sp.					20	2.08												
Lindera polyantha (Bl.) Boerl.					10	0.47												1
Symplocos laurina (Retz.) Wall.					20	0.38	10	0.97							25	0.62		
Weimannia blumei Planch.							10	3.18			1							
Geniostoma arboreum (Reinw.) O.K.							10	0.15			50	0.90						
Leptospermum flavescens J.E. Smith	4						10	2.17						20.10				
Myrsine affinis DC.										12.60	399	22.39	775	29.93	400	41.61	1158	20.9
Eurya obovata (Bl.) Korth.									180	16.34	80	4.27	50	1.24	150	19.59	806	22.4
Meliosma nervosa K. & V.									10	0.19								
Daphniphyllum glaucescens Bl.												7.09	75	1.98				
Symplocos sessilifolia (Bl.) Gürke											1			11.99	100	4.95	202	4.5
Schefflera sp.	, I												25	0.50	325	24.26	50	0.7
Photinia notoniana W. & A.											27	1.40				1.52		1.0
Vaccinium laurifolium (Bl.) Miq.											25	1					25	0.3
Schefflera rugosa (Bl.) Harms																	50	1.0
Symplocos sp.																	50	
Vaccinium varingiaefolium (Bl.) Miq.																	1425	47.5

than is apparent from this Table. These species are as follows; (First number in parenthesis is a actual occurrence in a plot, and the second number is an estimated frequency of appearance by adding the number in non-existent plots to those in existent plots.). Polyosma ilicifolia (6-7), Astronia spectabilis (4-5). Lithocarpus elegans (3-5), Glochidion macrocarpum (2-4), Lithocarpus tijsmannii (3-5), Macropanax undulatus (3-4), Viburnum coriaceum (2-8), Syzigium gracilis (2-4), Neolitsea javanica (2-3): Symplocos laurina (3-6), Geniostoma arboreum (2-3), Leptospermum fravescens (2-4), Photinia notoniana (3-4) and Vaccinium laurifolium (2-4).

On the contrary, species which occurred only once throughout the plots amount to 41, i.e. over half the total.

Species which show a high frequency may be thought to have a broad distribution area on this mountain but this does not mean that they are real dominants. It is necessary to check the frequently occurring species to see how dominant they are in each plot in terms of relative dominance.

Acronodia punctata, which is the most frequently occurring species, shows a 0.22% relative dominance at 1600m and again a less than 5% level of relative dominance up to 2300 m; the largest amount can be found at 2400 m as 22.7%, decreasing to 7.8% at 2600 m. So the optimum point of the distribution of the species can be considered as 2400 m. Although this species is distributed widely along the slop, the dominant point is restricted to this 2400 m altitude.

Schima wallichii, whose relative dominance is already 25% at 1600 m, increases this amount as the slope is ascended, and reaches its largest value, 44% at 2100 m thereafter decreasing until 2400 m. From 1600 m up to 2100 m, the relative dominance of this species is always the highest in each plot. So, this species is considered to be dominant in each plot from 1600 to 2100 m on this mountain.

Myrsine affinis, which appeared at 2300 m, increases as the slope is ascended, and reaches its highest peak at 2800 m. The optimum distribution point of this species is considered to be at 2800 m.

Like the preceding species, *Eurya obovata* appears from 2300 m but in very small numbers from 2400 m to 2600 m, increasing from 2800 to 3000 m. The optimum point of this species is regarded as a little higher than *Myrsine affinis*. Although counts of the actual occurrence of *Astronia spectabilis* registered only 4, this species can be regarded as present in the 1900 m plot because of its presence at 1700 m and 2100 m, even though the amount was very small. The largest value was found at 2300 m as 19% and it did not reappear farther up.

Podocarpus imbricatus, which occurred as only one stem at 1600 m, shows a very high relative dominance value, around 35% at 1700 and 1900 m. Although this species is found up to 2100 m as shown in this Table, the actual distribution reached 2600 m.

The optimum point of this species may be considered as 1700-1900 m.

Symplocos sessilifolia appears from 2400 m with a maximum amount of 16% and gradually decreases with increasing altitude.

As mentioned above, frequently occurring species are not always the dominant species and they have their own optimum point of distribution. Fig. 1 shows the altitudinal change of individual number of the species mentioned above, adding also *Castanopsis javanica* and *Engelhardia spicata*, which indicates a increasing trend with al-

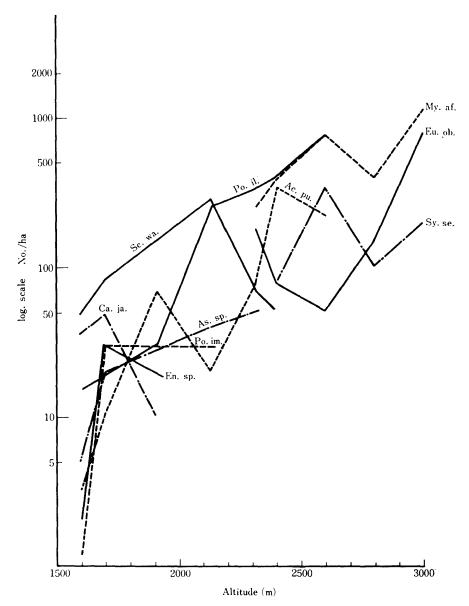


Fig. 1 Altitudinal change of individual number of main species.

Key to symbols; Ac. pu., Acronodia punctata; As. sp., Astronia spectabilis; Ca. ja., Castanopsis javanica; En. sp., Engelhardia spicata; Eu. ob., Eurya obovata; My af., Myrsine affinis; Po. il., Polyosma ilicifolia; Po. im., Podocarpus imbricatus; Sc. wa., Schima wallichii; Sy. se., Symplocos sessilifolia.

titude. On the species unit, however, Castanopsis javanica and Engelhardia spicata show their peak at 1700 m and Podocarpus imbricatus has no clear peak. Schima wallichii has its maximum at around 2100 m. Astronia spectabilis, Acronodia punctata, and Polyosma ilicifolia show increasing trends, especially the last species with a steep increasing tendency. Among the subalpine species, Symplocos sessilifolia has the lowest peak at 2600 m and Myrsine affinis and Eurya obovata show their peak at the summit.

Fig. 2 shows the change of basal area in each species with altitude. Although the total basal area tends to decrease with increasing altitude, each species shows a similar trend to that of Fig. 1, i.e., *Castanopsis javanica* and *Engelhardia spicata* have their peak around the lowest part and *Podocarpus imbricatus* as well as *Schima wallichii* show a larger amount between 1800 and 2200 m. *Polyosama ilicifolia, Acronodia punctata* and *Astronia spectabilis* show a very similar pattern, each with a gradual change of the maximum point between 2300–2600 m. The peaks for the 3 subalpine species are at 2400 m (*Symplocos sessilifolia*), 2600 m (*Myrsine affinis*) and 3000 m (*Eurya obovata*). On a plot basis, *Myrsine affinis* shows the highest value at 2800 m but note that on the species unit, the highest point is 2600 m.

The facts mentioned here are a presence or absence of the species in terms of number and basal area. Further important and essential problem may be how the species grow in the community and how they change their habitat (niche) along the gradient.

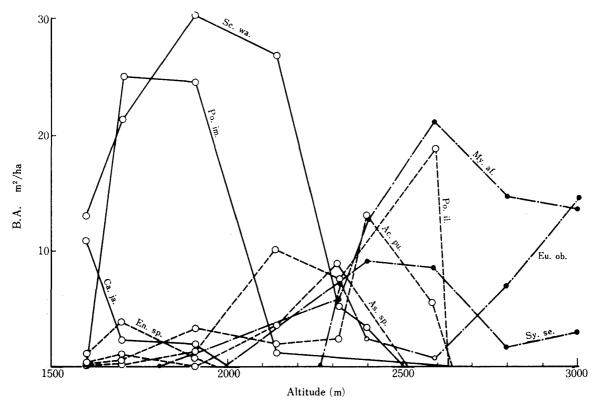


Fig. 2 Altitudinal change of basal area of main species. Symbols are the same as in Fig. 1.

Focussing on this subject, vertical stratification along the gradient will be described in a succeeding paper.

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Appendix

List of all the smaller plants found on the ground (I) and trees (II)

(I)

(a) Small trees, shrubs and palms the ground

Species	P-1 (1600)	P-2 (1700)	P-3 (1900)	P-4 (2100)	P-5 (2300)	P-6 (2400)	P–7 (2600)	P8 (2800)	P–9 (3000)
Acer laurinum Hassk.	1			0					
Acronodia punctata Bl.				0		0			
Ardisia fuliginosa Bl.	0	0			-				
Ardisia javanica DC.						0			
Astronia spectabilis Bl.				0		ļ			
Daphniphyllum glaucescens Bl.					:	0			
Dichroa sylvatica (Reinw. ex Bl.) Merr.						0			
Eupatorium riparium Reg.			0						
Eurya obovata (Bl.) Korth.						0			
Hypobathrum frutescens Bl.		0							
Lasianthus sp.				0					
Lithocarpus pseudomoluccus (Bl.) Rehd.		0					1		
Litsea diversifolia Bl.		0							
Molineria capitulata (Lour.) Herb.		0	0	0					
Mycetia cauliflora Reinw.		0		0					
Myrsine affinis DC.						0		0	0
Piper sulcatum Bl.			0						
Podocarpus imbricatus Bl.					0	0	0		
Polyosma ilicifolia Bl.				0		0			
Polyosma integrifolia Bl.						0			1
Psychotria divergens Bl.	\circ	0	0	i	-				
Rubus alpestris Bl.				0				0	
Rubus moluccanus L.	0	\circ	0	i					
Saurauia pendula Bl.	\circ			1					
Saurauia reinwardtiana Bl.	\circ			1					
Schima wallichii ssp. noronhae (Reinw. ex Bl.) Bloemb.				0	0				1

a) (continued)

Species	P-1 (1600)	P-2 (1700)	P-3 (1900)	P-4 (2100)	P-5 (2300)	P6 (2400)	P-7 (2600)	P-8 (2800)	P–9 (3000)
Strobilanthes blumei Bremek.			0						
Strobilanthes cernua Bl.	0	0	0						
Symplocos sessilifolia (Bl.) Gürke						0			0
Symplocos sp.						0		•	0
Talauma candollii Bl.	0								
Turpinia sphaerocarpa Hassk.		0							
Vaccinium laurifolium var. ellipticum (Bl.) Sleum.					· : · · ·	0			
Vaccinium laurifolium (Bl.) Miq. var. laurifolium						0		r -	
Viburnum coriaceum Bl.			· ·			0			

b) Lianas on the ground

Species	P–1 (1600)	P-2 (1700)	P-3 (1900)	P-4 (2100)	P-5 (2300)	P-6 (2400)	P–7 (2600)	P-8 (2800)	P-9 (3000)
Cissus adnata Roxb.	0			1					
Clematis smilacifolia Wall.			0						
Ficus lanata Bl.	0				- 1				
Ficus sagittata Vahl		\sim							
Ficus trichocarpa Bl.	0	i i							
Freycinitia insignis Bl.		0						diread later	
Hoya sp.			0						
Lonicera javanica (Bl.) DC.					1	0			0
Malaxis sp.	0								
Medinilla laurifolia (Bl.) Bl.			0	0					
Nertera granadensis (Mutis ex L.f.) Druce						0		0	0
Piper abbreviatum Opiz			0						
Piper baccatum Bl.	0								
Piper cilibracteum DC.	\sim								
Piper sulcatum Bl.	0							l	
Piper sp.	0	:						1	
Psychotria sarmentosa Bl.	-		0						
Rubus lineatus Reinw. ex Bl.									0
Scindapsus hederaceus (Z.&M.) Miq.	\circ								
Smilax macrocarpa Bl.			0						-
Smilax odoratissima Bl.			0						-
Smilax sp.	0		i						-
Tetrastigma dichotomum (Bl.) Planch.		\bigcirc		\bigcirc					
Tetrastigma papillosum (Bl.) Planch.	0								
Tetrastigma sp.	0			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					

c) Ferns on the ground

Species	P-1 (1600)	P-2 (1700)	P-3 (1900)	P-4 (2100)	P-5 (2300)	P–6 (2400)	P-7 (2600)	P8 (2800)	P-9 (3000)
Asplenium caudatum Forst.			0	0					
Asplenium sp.	0								
Athyrium japonicum (Thunb.) Copel.		0							
Athyrium sp.									0
Blechnum patersonii (R. Br.) Mett.						0		0	
Blechnum sp.					0				
Coniogramme flaxinea (Don) Diels		0							
Coniogramme sp.			0	0					
Cyathea junghuhniana (Kunze) Copel.		0							
Cyathea latebrosa (Wall. ex Hook.) Copel.				0	0				
Cyathea orientalis (Kunze) Moore				0					
Cyathea raciborskii Copel.	0								
Cyathea spinulosa Wall. ex Hook.		0							
Davallia sp.						0			
Diplazium dilatatum Bl.	0								
Diplazium esculentum (Retz.) Sw.		0		1					
Diplazium pallidum (Bl.) Moore	0	0							
Diplazium sp.	0						0		
Dryopteris adnata (Bl.) v.A.v.R.									0
Dryopteris hirtipes (Bl.) O.K.	0	0							
Dryopteris sp.	0		0	Q	0	0	0		
Egenolfia appendiculata (Willd.) J. Sm.	0								
Elaphoglossum callifolium (Bl.) Moore				0					0
Lycopodium serratum Thunb.						0			
Lycopodium sp.				0					
Nephrolepis acuminata (Houtt.) Kuhn	0							4 4 	
Plagiogyria glauca (Blume) Mett.				0	0	0		0	0
Polypodium feei (Bory) Mett.					_	0			
Polypodium sp.					0				
Polystichum aculeatum Schott		0			_				
Polystichum sp.			_		0				
Pteris excelsa Gaud.		_	0	0					
Thelypteris callosa (Bl.) K. Iwats.		0							
Thelypteris heterocarpa (Bl.) Ching	0	0							
Thelypteris opaca (Don) Reed		0							
Thelypteris truncata (Poir. in Lam.) K. Iwats.		0							
Trichomanes sp.	0								
Woodwardia sp.	-							0	

d) Herbs on the ground

Species	P-1 (1600)	P-2 (1700)	P-3 (1900)	P-4 (2100)	P-5 (2300)	P-6 (2400)	P-7 (2600)	P-8 (2800)	P-9 (3000)
Amomum hochreutineri Val.	0	1		Ľ					
Amomum pseudo-foetens Val.	0	1							
Arisaema filiforme Bl.	0	0							
Arisaema sp.				0					
Balanophora elongata Bl.						1		0	
Balanophora sp.			0						
Begonia robusta Bl.			Ο	1	1			1	
Calanthe flava (Bl.) Hassk.			0						
Carex sp.	i				ĺ	Ì	0	0	0
Coleus galeatus (Poir.) Bth.	0								1
Cyperus sp.						0			
Cyrtandra picta Bl.	\circ	-		0					
Cyrtandra sp.	0				1				
Disporum chinense (Ker-Gawl.) O.K.				0		:			
Elatostema paludosum (Bl.) Hassk.	0			1			1		
Elatostema sp.	0	Q				1		0	
Forrestia marginata (Bl.) Back.	0								
Forrestia sp.	0								
Hedychium roxburghii Bl.		0							
Lycianthes laevis (Dunal) Bitt.	0	0							
Musa acuminata Colla			1						
Myriactis javanica (Bl.) DC.							0		0
Pilea sp.		1	0						
Primula prolifera Wall.						1		0	
Ranunculus javanicus Bl.								0	0
Sanicula elata Ham. ex D. Don								0	
Swertia javanica Bl.									0
Viola pilosa Bl.			:			0		0	Ō
Zinger inflexum Bl.	0					-		_	-

(II)

a) Epiphytic treelets and others on the trees

Species	P-1 (1600)	P-2 (1700)			P-7 (2600)	P-8 (2800)	P-9 (3000)
Aeschynanthus horsfieldii R. Br.	0						
Aeschynanthus sp.			0				
Agalmyla parasitica (Lamk) O.K.	0	0					
Diplycosia heterophylla Bl.	0						
Fagraea ceilanica Thunb.	\circ						
Fagraea sp.	0						

a) (continued)

Species	P-1 (1600)	P-2 (1700)	P-3 (1900)	P-4 (2100)	P-5 (2300)	P6 (2400)	P -7 (2600)	P-8 (2800)	P-9 (3000)
Ficus deltoidea Jack.	0								
Ficus sinnata ssp. cuspidata (Reinw. ex Bl.) Corner	0								
Hedychium roxburghii Bl. var. roxburghii	0								
Ilex spicata Bl.	0								
Medinilla laurifolia (Bl.) Bl.	0	0		0					
Medinilla speciosa (Reinw. ex Bl.) Bl.	0								
Medinilla verrucosa (Bl.) Bl.	0								
Peperomia sp.			0						
Polygonum chinense L.		0							
Procris frutescens Bl.	0								
Rhododendron javanicum (Bl.) Benn.	0								
Schefflera lucescens var. rigida (Bl.) Bakh. f.	0								
Schefflera scandens (Bl.) Vig.	0	0	0						
Schefflera sp.	0				0	0	0		
Usnea sp.	0					0			
Vaccinium laurifolium var. ellipticum (Bl.) Sleum.	0								
Vaccinium laurifolium (Bl.) Miq. var. larifolium	0		0	0	0	0	0		
Vaccinium lucidum (Bl.) Miq.	0		0	0					

b) Epiphytic lianas on the trees

Species	P-1 (1600)	P-2 (1700)	P-3 (1900)	P-4 (2100)	P-5 (2300)	P-6 (2400)	P-7 (2600)	P-8 (2800)	P-9 (3000)
Actinidia callosa Lindl. var. callosa	0								
Alyxia reinwardti Bl.	0								
Cissus adnata Roxb.	0								
Dendrotrophe umbellata (Bl.) Miq.	0								
Dissochaeta leprosa (Bl.) Bl.	0								
Elaeagnus conferta Roxb.	0								
Embelia pergamacea DC.	0								
Embelia ribes Burm. f.	0								
Embelia sp.			0						
Ficus lanata Bl.	0	0							
Ficus sagittata Vahl	0		0						
Ficus trichocarpa Bl.	0					-			
Freycinetia insignis Bl.	0	0							
Kadsura scandens (Bl.) Bl.	0	0	0	0					
Lonicera javanica (Bl.) DC.						0	0		
Mussaenda frondosa L.	0				} 		 		

b) (continued)

Species	P-1 (1600)	P-2 (1700)	P-3 (1900)	P-4 (2100)	P-5 (2300)	P-6 (2400)	P-7 (2600)	P-8 (2800)	P-9 (3000)
Piper baccatum Bl.	0								
Piper cilibracteum DC.	0			0					
Psychotria sarmentosa Bl.	0		0	0					
Pyrus sp.			0	0					
Rhaphidophora pinnata (L.f.) Schott	0								
Rubia cordifolia L.	0								
Rubus lineatus Reinw. ex Bl.				0					
Smilax macrocarpa Bl.	0								
Smilax odoratissima Bl.				0					
Smilax zeylanica L.		0							
Tetrastigma dichotomum (Bl.) Planch.	0	0		0					

c) Epiphytic ferns on the trees

Species	P-1 (1600)	P-2 (1700)	P-3 (1900)	P-4 (2100)	P-5 (2300)	P-6 (2400)	P-7 (2600)	P-8 (2800)	P-9 (3000)
Asplenium caudatum Forst.	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	
Asplenium longissimum Bl.			0	0					- - - -
Asplenium nidus L.	0	0							
Asplenium thunbergii Kunze	0								
Asplenium sp.	0								
Coniogramme fraxinea (Don) Diels		0							
Cryspinus macrochasmus (Bak.) Copel.	0								
Ctenopteris millefolia (Bl.) Copel.							0		
Davallia trichomanoides Bl.	0	0							
Davallia sp.	0								
Elaphoglossum callifolium (Bl.) Moore	0	0	0			0	0		
Elaphoglossum petiolatum (Sw.) Urban	0								
Elaphoglossum sp.	0			0	0	ĺ		0	
Humata sp.				0			0		
Hymenophyllum junghuhnii v.d.B.	0	0							
Hymenophyllum sp.	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	
Lomariopsis spectabilis (Kunze) mett.	0								
Lycopodium phlegmaria L.	0		0						
Lycopodium piscium (Hert.) Tagawa & K. Iwats.		0							
Nephrolepis acuminata (Houtt.) Kuhn	0	0				ſ		1	
Nephrolepis sp.			0					1	
Oleandra musifolia (Bl.) Presl.	0								
Polypodium feei (Bory) Mett.			0	0		0		0	
Polypodium sp.	0		0	0		0		0	
Selliguea heterocarpa Bl.		0							
Trichomanes sp.	0			r					

Species	P-1 (1600)	P-2 (1700)	P-3 (1900)	P-4 (2100)	P-5 (2300)	P-6 (2400)	P-7 (2600)	P-8 (2800)	P-9 (3000)
Agrostophyllum sp.	0						1		
Appendicula ramosa Bl.	0		0						
Bulbophyllum uniflorum (Bl.) Hassk.	0								
Bulbophyllum sp.	0			0					
Cyperorchis rosea (J.J.S.) Schltr	0						1		
Dendrobium conspicuum Bakh. f.			0						
Dendrobium hasseltii (Bl.) Lindl.						0		0	0
Dendrobium montanum J.J.S.	1		0	:					
Dendrobium sp.			0						
Eria fravescens (Bl.) Lindl.			-	0					
Eria sp.			0	0		0			
Liparis pallida (Bl.) Lindl.	0			t					
Liparis sp.	0				-				
Malaxis blumei (Boerl. & J.J.S.) Bakh. f.	0								

d) Epiphytic orchids on the trees