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Identification keys

Successful use of the keys depends on the correct preparation of specimens, as described in the methods, so that specific characters can be seen.

Key to related genera in the Grimmiaceae

1.	Cells in the leaf base elongate with conjointly thickened and sinuose walls; seta in dry state, seen in surface view, twisted from the right side below to the left side above
1a.	Cells in the leaf base never elongate with conjointly thickened and sinuose walls; seta not as above
2.	Costal cells in transverse section scarcely differentiated; seta in a dry state not twisted, at capsule dehiscence columella remains attached to operculum
2a.	Costal cells in transverse section differentiated; seta in a dry state twisted from the left side below to the right side above, at capsule dehiscence columella not attached to operculum

Key to species of Grimmia, for plants bearing sporophytes

Due to the lack of sporophytes the following species are excluded from this identification key: G. handelii, G. maido, G. nepalensis, G. pulla, G. torquata, G. tortuosa.

Plants examined in a dry state and then in a wet state.

1. 1a.	Seta straight
2. 2a.	Seta elongate, longer than the capsule, capsule smooth
3.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with more than 8 basal cells, most of them being guide cells, costa, seen on dorsal side, indistinct from above leaf base to apex 4
3a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with 8, 6 or 4 basal cells, or 4 basal cells, the 2 outer ones contiguous with the basal cells, all being guide cells; costa, seen on dorsal side, distinct from leaf base to apex

4.	Margin (Fig. 23.7) from insertion to transitional part on one side recurved; leaf, seen in transverse section (Fig. 23.11), in laminal part bistratose with tristratose patches in places; leaf lingulate (Fig. 23.5), apex rounded, rarely acute, hair-point bluntly denticulate. Calyptra cucullate, lobed; operculum conical, beak long, oblique
4a.	Margin plane throughout; lacking above combination of characters
5.	Leaf base short, ≈ 1/5 of leaf length (Fig. 25.5); half-sheathing, in sheathing part cells toward margin transversely rectangular or oval (Fig. 25.10), transverse walls thicker than longitudinal walls; margin (Fig. 25.11) unistratose from leaf base to below apex; in laminal part the 2 guide cells sunken in narrow channel, their adaxial cell walls strongly thickened. Calyptra mitrate, lobed; operculum conical, beak straight, blunt
5a.	Leaf base long, $\approx 1/3$ of leaf length; lacking above combination of characters
6.	Apex muticous, rounded (Fig. 51.5); costa, seen in transverse section, cells uniform (Fig. 51.9), hydroids lacking. Calyptra mitrate, lobed, fugacious; operculum conical, beak short or elongate, straight
6a.	Apices with denticulate hair-points of different lengths (Figs. 38.7, 38); costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 38.14), cells not uniform, a central group of hydroids present. Calyptra cucullate; operculum conical, beak long, oblique
7.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 6.27), at insertion with 8 guide cells; apex muticous (Fig. 6.6), acute, rarely cucullate; costa stout with a median band of substereids; bistratose alar cells (Fig. 6.10) on both sides, on one side only (Fig. 6.13), or without alar cells (Fig. 6.12). Calyptra mitrate-campanulate; operculum conical, rostrate, beak short or long, straight or oblique
7a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with 6 or 4 guide cells, or with 4 guide cells, the 2 outer ones contiguous with basal cells
8.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with 6 guide cells9
8a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with 4 guide cells, or with 4 guide cells, the 2 outer ones contiguous with basal cells
9.	Stem without central strand (Fig. 20.4); cortical cells large, nearly uniform, sharply differentiated from brownish epidermis, constituted by at least 2 rows of stereids with very narrow lumina; cells in the leaf base (Fig. 20.13) short rectangular to isodiametric, walls smooth; occasionally with multicellular clusters (Fig. 20.3) of rounded gemmae at apex. Calyptra cucullate-mitrate; operculum conical, beak long, straight
9a.	Stem with central strand; lacking above combination of characters

10.	Basal paracostal cells rectangular (Fig. 8.15), becoming shorter and nearly quadrate to the margin, walls smooth; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 8.17), in laminal part on dorsal side prominent, rounded. Calyptra cucullate; operculum convex, mammillate
10a.	Basal paracostal cells elongate-rectangular (Fig. 27.31), walls nodulose, transverse cell walls markedly thin; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 27.47), in lower laminal part unevenly rounded or slightly angulate. Calyptra mitrate; operculum conical, rostellate, beak straight or slightly oblique
11.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with 4 guide cells
11a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with 4 guide cells, the 2 outer ones contiguous with basal cells
12.	Lamina, seen in surface view, striate; lamina cells, seen in transverse section (Fig. 4.9), papillose and with joint thickenings; occasionally with multicellular clusters (Fig. 4.1) of rounded gemmae at apex. Calyptra cucullate-mitrate; operculum conical, beak long
12a.	Lamina, seen in surface view, not striate; lacking above combination of characters 13
	Lamina cells, seen in transverse section, bulging or mammillose
13a.	Lamina cells, seen in transverse section, smooth
14.	Lamina cells, seen in transverse section (Fig. 5.14), bulging; margin plane throughout; costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 5.4), of nearly uniform width; hair-points (Fig. 5.7) of different lengths, sharply denticulate. Calyptra not seen; operculum conical, rostrate, beak oblique
14a.	Lamina cells, seen in transverse section, mammillose; lacking above combination of characters
15.	Margin in upper part of leaf inflexed (Fig. 9.13); costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 9.7), small in leaf base, enlarged in apical part; hair-points (Fig. 9.8) short, nearly smooth; secondary costae (Fig. 9.10) present occasionally in lower half of leaf. Calyptra cucullate, small, fugacious; operculum conical, obtuse
15a.	Margin in upper part of leaf (Fig. 35.10) slightly incurved; costa, seen on dorsal side, stout in leaf base, becoming strikingly enlarged (Figs. 35.19, 24, 26) in upper laminal part; hair-points short, denticulate; secondary costae lacking. Calyptra not seen; operculum conical, blunt
16.	Margin plane or incurved
16a.	Margin recurved on both sides or on one side only.

17.	Margin plane; basal paracostal cells elongate-rectangular (Fig. 14.7); toward margin some rows of elongate-retangular, hyaline cells, longitudinal and transversal cell walls evenly thin and smooth, the rows gradually vanishing, the outermost row reaching to above broadest part of leaf, thus forming between the hyaline and thicker walled chlorophyllose cells a delimitation, running obliquely from costa to margin; leaf in lower laminal part keeled (Fig. 14.9), in upper part narrowly so. Calyptra mitrate, lobed; operculum conical, mammillate
17a.	Margin (Figs. 32.15, 18) from leaf base to apex gradually strongly incurved on both sides; basal paracostal cells (Fig. 32.10) rectangular, toward margin cells becoming short-rectangular or quadrate; leaf in lower part concave, in upper part keeled. Calyptra cucullate; operculum conical, rostrate or rostellate, beak straight or oblique
18.	Margin (Fig. 8.14) recurved from insertion to mid-leaf on one side, on the opposite side recurved in mid-leaf only; basal cells (Fig. 8.24) rectangular, becoming shorter toward margin; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 8.17), on dorsal side in leaf base rounded, in laminal part prominent. Calyptra cucullate; operculum convex, mammillate
18a.	Margin recurved on one side only; lacking above combination of characters
19.	Basal paracostal cells (Fig. 27.9) elongate-rectangular, walls nodulose, transverse cell walls markedly thin; marginal cells quadrate to rectangular; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 27.47), in lower laminal part unevenly rounded or slightly angulate. Calyptra mitrate; operculum conical, rostellate, beak straight or slightly oblique
19a.	Basal paracostal cells (Fig. 16.10) elongate-rectangular, walls smooth or weakly nodulose, transverse walls thickened; at margin 3-4 rows of narrowly elongate-rectangular, hyaline, thin-walled cells, gradually vanishing, the outermost row ascending to above broadest part of leaf, the marginal cells gradually becoming short-rectangular to quadrate; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 16.41), in lower laminal part rounded, smooth. Calyptra mitrate-cucullate; operculum conical, blunt
20.	Lamina appearing striate due to variable stratosity; margin plane, erect in upper part of leaf; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 2.11), in laminal part on dorsal side prominent, somewhat angulate, on ventral side recessed in furrow. Calyptra cucullate, fugacious; operculum conical, blunt
20a.	Lamina appearing not striate; margin (Fig. 22.12) at leaf base slightly recurved on one side; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 22.13) of the laminal part of leaf, with exterior cell walls markedly thicker than the interior cell walls, lamina ending as subula (Fig. 22.30), the cells being homogeneous. Calyptra conico-mitrate, lobed; operculum conical, blunt

21.	Margin (Figs. 40.9-10) on one or both sides recurved; leaf, seen in transverse section (Fig. 40.10), in laminal part broadly keeled or keeled, at insertion 6-8 basal cells (Fig. 40.17), 2 of them with enlarged lumina, arranged in leaf axis and reaching apex, no hydroids. Calyptra not seen; operculum conical, rostrate
21a.	Margin plane; lacking above combination of characters
22.	Leaf concave throughout (Fig. 47.7); basal paracostal cells (Fig. 47.8) rectangular, walls smooth, at insertion near margin cells short-rectangular or isodiametric, walls smooth; in laminal part, seen in transverse section (Fig. 47.9), the 2 guide cells only slightly distinct or indistinct from the lamina cells, due to similarity with the contiguous lamina cells. Calyptra mitrate; operculum conical, rostrate or rostellate, beak straight
22a.	Leaf concave in leaf base (Fig. 24.12), above broadest part broadly keeled; basal cells (Fig. 24.20) from costa to margin elongate-rectangular, thick-walled, more or less nodulose; in laminal part, seen in transverse section (Fig. 24.33), the 2 guide cells distinct, different from the contiguous lamina cells. Calyptra not seen; operculum conical, beak long, oblique
23.	Seta arcuate, curved
23a.	Seta inclined or in an S-form, approximately of same length as capsule
24.	Capsule smooth
24a.	Capsule shrivelled or ribbed
25.	Margin (Fig. 28.6) recurved from above leaf base to mid-leaf on one side; revolute from insertion to mid-leaf on opposite side; apex acute, apiculate or with short (Fig. 28.5), hyaline greenish or brownish tinged hair-points, or with elongate hair-points appearing twisted by somewhat obliquely arranged cells, decurrent in apical part as border of 2 rows of elongate-rectangular thick-walled cells, distally bluntly protruding, lumina distinct in all shapes of hair-points; lamina, seen in transverse section (Fig. 28.9), with smooth cells. Calyptra cucullate; operculum conical, beak straight, blunt
	28. G. macrotheca
25a.	Margin recurved on one side from insertion to mid-leaf; lacking above combination of characters

26.	Basal cells (Fig. 18.7) rectangular, walls more or less nodulose; leaf, seen in transverse section, lamina cells smooth (Fig. 18.28) or lamina cells slightly bulging on dorsal and ventral sides (Fig. 18.9), above broadest part of leaf guide cells narrowly elliptical obliquely arranged to leaf axis. Calyptra mitrate, lobed; operculum conical, beak obtuse of different length
26a.	Basal cells (Fig. 39.7) short-rectangular, walls smooth; leaf, seen in transverse section, lamina cells mammillose (Fig. 39.8), lamina irregularly bistratose by doubled longitudinal cell rows, appearing in surface view (Fig. 39.9) as irregular ridges on lamina; guide cells horizontally arranged. Calyptra not seen in mature state; operculum conical, blunt
27.	Capsule shrivelled; leaf markedly narrowed at insertion (Fig. 11.6), widest above mid-leaf, apex rounded, hyaline to variable extent; basal cells (Fig. 11.9) from costa to margin elongate-rectangular, walls smooth; seen in transverse section (Fig. 11.13) leaf at insertion and in leaf base concave, in laminal part keeled, margin unistratose throughout, plane or slightly recurved in upper part of lamina; costa (Fig. 11.25) passing through hyaline apical part excurrent into faintly denticulate hair-point. Calyptra cucullate; operculum conical, beak short, obtuse
27a.	Capsule ribbed; lacking above combination of characters
28.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Figs. 15.10, 19-20, 24), at insertion a variable number of 6-8 basal cells, 2-3 of them are guide cells; dorsally added is a second row of 2-3 cells with large lumina, the other costal cells nearly uniform, neither stereids not hydroids present; lamina bistratose in upper part (Fig. 15.10), cells mostly mammillose rarely smooth. Calyptra mitrate, lobed, conical; operculum conical, beak long, straight 15. <i>G. elation</i>
28a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with 6-8 basal cells, all are guide cells lacking above combination of characters
29.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with 8 guide cells
29a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with 6 guide cells or less than 6 guide cells 32
30.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 45.9), on dorsal side in upper part of lamina strongly winged; costal cells in the winged part uniform, the adaxial walls of costa cells markedly thickened; hydroids lacking throughout. Calyptra not seen; operculum rostrate, beak oblique
30a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, on dorsal side in upper part of lamina not winged lacking above combination of characters

31.	Costa, seen in tranverse section (Fig. 26.29), on dorsal side rounded throughout; basal cells (Fig. 26.34) rectangular to short-rectangular, at margin 1-2 rows of very short rectangular to quadrate cells, walls mostly smooth, occasionally slightly nodulose. Calyptra mitrate; operculum conical, beak long, straight. Propagule development on dorsal side of leaf base
31a.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 12.38), on dorsal side in upper part of lamina slightly angulate or uneven; basal cells (Fig. 12.8) markedly elongate, walls thickened, nodulose, toward margin a sharply contrasting band of several rows of short-rectangular and quadrate cells, walls thickened. Calyptra mitrate; operculum conical, subulate, beak straight. Propagule development lacking
32.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with 6 guide cells
32a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with less than 6 guide cells
33.	Basal cells markedly elongate
	Basal cells not markedly elongate
34.	Basal cell walls (Fig. 12.8) nodulose, thickened, toward margin a sharply contrasting band of several rows of short-retangular and quadrate cells present, walls thickened; margin (Fig. 12.14) on one side revolute from insertion to mid-leaf, on opposite side recurved; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 12.13), on dorsal side in upper part of lamina slightly angulate or uneven. Calyptra mitrate; operculum conical, subulate, beak straight
34a.	Basal cell walls (Fig. 1.6) smooth, not thickened, from costa toward margin uniform; margin (Fig. 1.5) on both sides from insertion to mid-leaf more or less strongly revolute; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 1.8), in upper part of lamina on dorsal side smooth. Calyptra mitrate; operculum conical, beak obtuse
35.	Basal cells (Fig. 26.21) rectangular to short-rectangular, walls smooth or slightly nodulose; costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 26.6), stout, diminishing in apical part, seen in transverse section (Fig. 26.22), on dorsal side smooth throughout; lamina, seen in surface view, not striate. Calyptra mitrate; operculum conical, beak long, straight. Propagule development on dorsal side of leaf base
	Basal cells (Fig. 36.7) from costa to margins short-rectangular to quadrate, walls smooth; costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 36.5), at insertion and in leaf base stout, diminishing in laminal part, seen in transverse section (Fig. 36.8), on dorsal side in leaf base uneven, in laminal part exterior cell walls bulging; lamina, seen in surface view, striate due to variable stratosity. Calyptra cucullate-lobed; operculum conical, beak long, oblique. Propagule development lacking
36.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with 4 guide cells
36a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, at insertion with 4 guide cells, the 2 outer ones contiguous with basal cells

37.	Margin plane; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 44.10), from insertion to mid-leaf the 2 median guide cells of narrow elliptical shape in mid-leaf arranged obliquely to leaf axis; basal paracostal cells (Fig. 44.7) elongate-rectangular, walls nodulose, in transitional part (Figs. 44.9, 21) cells rectangular, small, walls sinuose; stem leaves arranged in tiers. Calyptra mitrate; operculum conical, beak short
37a.	Margin recurved on one side or on both sides; lacking above combination of characters
38.	Margin recurved on one side
38a.	Margin recurved on both sides
39.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 31.9), from insertion to apical part the 2 median guide cells of narrow elliptical shape, from above leaf base to apical part arranged obliquely to leaf axis; basal paracostal cells (Fig. 31.20) elongate-rectangular, walls thickened, nodulose, in transitional part (Fig. 31.8) cells short-rectangular, walls sinuose; stem leaves arranged in tiers. Calyptra mitrate, lobed; operculum conical, rostrate, beak straight. Propagule development on dorsal side of leaf base 31. <i>G. meridionalis</i>
39a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, from insertion to apical part the guide cells of rounded shape, arranged horizontally to leaf axis; lacking above combination of characters 40
40.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 7.11), cells uniform except for guide cells, hydroids lacking; basal cells (Fig. 7.14) elongate-rectangular, thick-walled, nodulose, at margin 2 rows of elongate-rectangular smooth-walled cells; on one side near costa a plica present (Fig. 7.7), vanishing in lower laminal part. Calyptra mitrate, lobed; operculum conical, beak long, straight. Propagule development on basal dorsal side of costa
40a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, cells not uniform, hydroids present; propagules present; lacking above combination of characters
41.	Costa, seen in transverse sections (Figs. 13.9, 19), at insertion and in leaf base somewhat angulate or flat, in leaf base a row of hydroids, from transitional part to above midleaf enlarged to a band of hydroids, the exterior walls of dorsal costal cells markedly thickened; basal paracostal cells (Fig. 13.18) broad rectangular, slightly nodulose, near margin some rows of nearly isodiametric cells, walls smooth. Calyptra mitrate, lobed; operculum conical, beak long, straight. Propagule development on dorsal side of lower part of lamina, destroying cells but preserving costa
41a.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 50.27), at insertion and in leaf base rounded, below the guide cells (dorsally) a layer of 1-3 slightly smaller cells than the guide cells (Figs. 50.10-11) present; basal cells (Fig. 50.7) elongate-rectangular, walls smooth, near margin 2-3 rows of shorter elongate-rectangular cells, they may appear hyaline. Calyptra conico-mitrate, lobed; operculum conical, rostrate, beak oblique, rarely straight. Propagule development on dorsal side of leaf base

42.	Margin recurved from insertion to mid-leaf on one side, slightly recurved from above leaf base to mid-leaf on the opposite side
42a.	Margin recurved from below to above mid-leaf on both sides
43.	Margin recurved on broader, nearly straight side, on rounded side near mid-leaf, conferring an asymmetric shape on the leaf (Figs. 33.26, 29); basal paracostal (Fig. 33.8) cells elongate-rectangular or rectangular, walls nodulose, toward margin short-retangular to quadrate, walls smooth; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 33.12), in leaf base on dorsal side rounded, in upper laminal part angulate (Fig. 33.14) or winged (Fig. 33.28); costal cells in the upper laminal part uniform. Calyptra conico-mitrate, lobed; operculum rostrate, beak straight. Propagule development on both sides of leaf base
43a.	Margin curvature not altering the symmetric shape of the leaf; basal paracostal cells (Fig. 43.21) short-rectangular, at margin some rows of nearly quadrate cells, transverse walls thickened, smooth; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 43.9), dorsally rounded throughout; costal cells in the upper laminal part differentiated. Calyptra mitrate, lobed; operculum conical, rostrate, beak straight, length variable. Propagule development lacking
44.	Basal cells (Fig. 36.7) short-rectangular to quadrate from costa to margin, walls smooth; costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 36.5), at insertion and in leaf base stout, seen in transverse section (Fig. 36.8), on dorsal side in leaf base uneven, in laminal part exterior walls bulging; lamina, seen in surface view, striate due to variable stratosity. Calyptra cucullate, lobed; operculum conical, beak long, oblique
44a.	Basal cells (Fig. 37.18) elongate-rectangular near costa, walls nodulose, cells rectangular
	to quadrate near margin, transverse walls thickened, smooth; costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 37.5), narrowed in leaf base, seen in transverse section (Fig. 37.9), at insertion the dorsal cell walls bulging, from above leaf base to apex costa smooth; lamina, seen in surface view, not striate. Calyptra cucullate; operculum conical, mammillate
45.	to quadrate near margin, transverse walls thickened, smooth; costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 37.5), narrowed in leaf base, seen in transverse section (Fig. 37.9), at insertion the dorsal cell walls bulging, from above leaf base to apex costa smooth; lamina, seen in surface view, not striate. Calyptra cucullate; operculum conical, mammillate

46.	Basal paracostal cells (Fig. 18.7) scarcely nodulose; cells in the transitional part (Fig. 18.8) small, rectangular, walls sinuose; lamina, seen in transverse section (Fig. 18.9), cells slightly bulging on dorsal and ventral sides; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 18.9), above broadest part of leaf guide cells narrowly elliptical, obliquely arranged to leaf axis. Calyptra mitrate, lobed; operculum conical, beak obtuse, of different length
46a.	Basal paracostal cells strongly nodulose; lacking above combination of characters 47
47. 47a.	Marginal cells (Fig. 10.7) in leaf base broad, short-rectangular to quadrate, walls smooth forming a group of 3-4 rows of cells, separated clearly from the paracostal cells; costa, seen on dorsal side (Figs. 10.23, 34), from insertion to broadest part of leaf strikingly small and thin, becoming stout and prominent to apical part, seen in transverse section (Fig. 10.35), in laminal part the 2 guide cells rounded and arranged horizontally; no young shoots observed. Calyptra mitrate, lobed, conical; operculum conical, rostrate, beak straight or slightly oblique; propagule development on dorsal side of lamina in transitional part, destroying cells
-,	smooth; costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 17.30), from insertion to apex percurrent in S-shape, seen in transverse section (Fig. 17.9), in laminal part the 2 guide cells narrowly elliptical, to leaf axis obliquely arranged; from older stem parts grow the characteristic catenulate young shoots (Fig. 17.18). Calyptra mitrate, lobed; operculum conical, beak straight, obtuse. Propagule development lacking
48.	Seta inclined, capsule smooth
48a.	Seta in an S-form, approximately of same length as capsule, capsule smooth
49. 49a.	Basal cells uniform from costa to margin
50.	Basal cells (Fig. 16.10) near costa elongate-rectangular, walls smooth or weakly nodulose, transverse walls thickened, at margin 3-4 rows of narrowly elongate-rectangular, hyaline, thin-walled cells, gradually vanishing, the outermost row ascending to above broadest part of leaf, the marginal cells gradually becoming short-rectangular to quadrate; margin (Fig. 16.8) on one side recurved from insertion to mid-leaf. Calyptra mitrate-cucullate; operculum conical, blunt
50a.	Basal cells (Fig. 14.21) elongate-rectangular from costa to margin, transverse and longitudinal cell walls evenly thin, smooth and hyaline, the rows gradually vanishing, the outermost row reaching to above broadest part of leaf, thus forming between hyaline and thicker walled chlorophyllose cells a delimitation, running obliquely from costa to margin; margin (Fig. 14.6) plane throughout. Calyptra mitrate, lobed; operculum conical, mammillate

51.	Basal cells (Fig. 30.6) rectangular near costa, walls smooth, towards margin cells isodia-
	metric with rounded lumina or corner-thickenings (Fig. 30.17), some rows of trans-
	versely rectangular or oval cells; leaf, seen in transverse section (Fig. 30.7), concave
	throughout, margin plane; costa, seen on dorsal side (Figs. 30.4, 16), at insertion and
	in leaf base broad, above transitional part to apex indistinct, covered by mammillose
	lamina cells. Calyptra cucullate; operculum conical, subulate, beak oblique

- 51a. Basal cells (Fig. 46.9) of lower stem leaves elongate-rectangular from costa to margin besides 2-3 marginal rows of short-rectangular to quadrate cells, transverse walls thickened, all walls smooth; basal cells (Fig. 46.8) of upper stem leaves elongate-rectangular from costa to margin, transverse walls thickened, all walls smooth, leaf, seen in transverse section (Fig. 46.7), at insertion and leaf base concave, in laminal part narrowly keeled, margin plane or occasionally recurved on one side from above insertion to transitional part; costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 46.5), at insertion and in leaf base small, enlarged above transitional part, excurrent, distinct throughout. Calyptra cucullate;
- 52. Leaf broadly concave, seen in transverse section (Fig. 47.29), mostly bistratose in laminal part; costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 47.27), broadest at insertion, becoming smaller to lower laminal part, not clearly distinct in upper part of leaf; seen in transverse section (Fig. 47.9), at insertion 6-8 basal cells, in leaf base 6 guide cells, in transitional part reduced to 3-4, from above transitional part to apical part 2 guide cells, hardly distinct or indistinct from the lamina cells, due to similarity with the contiguous lamina cells. Calyptra mitrate; operculum conical, rostrate or rostellate, beak straight..... 47. G. tergestina
- 52a. Leaf not broadly concave, seen in transverse section, mostly unistratose in laminal part; lacking above combination of characters......53
- 53. Leaf broad, ovate (Fig. 41.5), seen in transverse section (Fig. 41.7), in laminal part broadly keeled, margin plane; basal cells (Fig. 41.8) from costa to margin shortrectangular or quadrate, walls smooth; leaf, seen in transverse section (Fig. 41.9), leaf base and lamina unistratose, or in apical part lamina (Fig. 41.22) partly bistratose, rarely the marginal cell rows bistratose. Calyptra mitrate; operculum conical, mammil-
- 53a. Leaf lanceolate or oblong (Figs. 3.5, 21), seen in transverse section (Fig. 3.7), laminal part keeled, margin plane; basal cells (Fig. 3.22) near costa elongate-rectangular, toward margin cells rectangular to quadrate, walls smooth; leaf, seen in transverse section (Fig. 3.23), leaf base unistratose, lamina unistratose or irregularly bistratose at places, in laminal part one or 2 marginal cell rows bistratose. Calyptra mitrate, lobed, fugacious;

Key to species of Grimmia, for plants without sporophytes

On account of the scanty information available *Grimmia nepalensis* is excluded from this identification key.

Plants examined in a wet state

1. 1a.	Guide cells at insertion of variable number, 8 or more than 8 guide cells
2	Guide cells at insertion arranged in 2 rows (Figs. 15.10, 24); costa dorsally prominent costal cells except guide cells nearly uniform, hydroids and stereids lacking; lamina bistratose in laminal part, lamina cells mostly mammillose (Fig. 15.21), rarely smooth
2a.	Guide cells at insertion arranged in one row
3. 3a.	Leaf, seen in transverse section, concave
4.	Lamina cells on dorsal and ventral sides (Fig. 30.7) strongly mammillose, due to bulging distal cell walls; clearly defined guide cells lacking
4a.	Lamina cells on dorsal and ventral sides smooth; clearly defined guide cells present 5
5.	Basal paracostal cells (Fig. 25.10) rectangular, walls smooth or faintly nodulose, towards margin cells isodiametric, transversely rectangular or oval, transverse walls thicker than longitudinal walls; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 25.11), in laminal part 2 guide cells, sunken into narrow channel, their adaxial cell walls strongly thickened, at insertion a small median band of substereids, interrupted by 3 groups or one large central group of hydroids, vanishing in apical part
5a.	Basal paracostal cells elongate-rectangular, walls smooth, toward margin cells scarcely different from paracostal cells; lacking above combination of characters
6.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 38.11), cells differentiated, with hydroids from insertion to apical part, hair-points rarely lacking
6a.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 51.9), cells uniform, without hydroids from insertion to apical part, hair-points (Fig. 51.5) always lacking
7.	Leaf, seen in surface view, striate lengthwise; at insertion and in leaf base margin plane basal cells (Fig. 29.6) near to broadened costa rectangular, toward margin isodiametric
7a.	Leaf, seen in surface view, not striate; at insertion and in leaf base (Fig. 23.7) margin recurved on one side; basal cells (Fig. 23.20) elongate-rectangular, walls more or less nodulose, at margin some rows of short-rectangular or quadrate cells 23. G. khasiana.

8.	Costa at insertion with 8 guide cells
8a.	Costa at insertion with 6 guide cells or less than 6 guide cells
9.	Leaf concave
9a.	Leaf keeled
10.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 51.9), in laminal part guide cells clearly distinct from laminal cells, the adaxial cell walls thickened, hydroids and stereids lacking throughout; lamina, seen in transverse section, in upper part tri- to multistratose; apex (Fig. 51.5) muticous, broad, rounded, often cucullate
10a.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 47.9), in laminal part the central guide cells only slightly distinct or indistinct from the lamina cells, due to similarity with the contiguous lamina cells, from insertion to apex a central group of hydroids, hydroids occasionally transformed to substereids; apex rounded (Fig. 47.22) or acute (Fig. 47.6), hair-point slightly denticulate
11.	Apex without a hair-point
11a.	Apex with a hair-point
12.	Apex acute, obtuse or cucullate; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 6.27), dorsally rounded throughout; at insertion bistratose alar cells (Fig. 6.10) on both sides or on one side only (Fig. 6.13), or alar cells lacking (Fig. 6.12)
12a.	Apex acute, dentate, cells mostly chlorophyllose, rarely hyaline; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 45.9), above lower laminal part irregularly angulate, in upper third of leaf winged; at insertion without bistratose alar cells
13.	Costa, seen in transverse sections (Figs. 12.14-15) on dorsal side slightly angulate or uneven in upper part of lamina; basal cell walls (Fig. 12.8) nodulose, thickened, toward margin a sharply contrasting band of several rows of short-retangular and quadrate cells, walls thickened; margin (Fig. 12.14) on one side from insertion to mid-leaf revolute, on opposite side recurved
13a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, on dorsal side smooth throughout; lacking above combination of characters
14.	Leaf lanceolate or broad lanceolate from ovate, slightly decurrent leaf base, tapering to acute apex, not forming strongly expressed shoulder; basal cells rectangular, walls slightly nodulose (Fig. 26.44) or smooth (Fig. 26.40); lamina, seen in transverse section (Fig. 26.35), from insertion to apical part unistratose, occasionally bistratose patches at places; propagule development on dorsal side of leaf base
14a.	Leaf (Fig. 40.5) from broad ovate leaf base narrowed to lanceolate laminal part, thus forming strongly expressed shoulder; basal cells (Fig. 40.7) elongate-rectangular, walls thickened, nodulose; lamina, seen in transverse section (Fig. 40.10), bistratose from above leaf base to apical part; propagule development lacking

15.	Costa at insertion with 6 guide cells
15a.	Costa at insertion with 4 guide cells, or with 4 guide cells, the 2 outer ones contiguous with the basal cells
16.	Costa on dorsal side rounded above leaf base
16a.	Costa on dorsal side not rounded above leaf base
17.	Basal paracostal cells with smooth walls
17a.	Basal paracostal cells with nodulose walls
18.	Cells in the transitional part (Fig. 1.7) rectangular, small, becoming shorter to margin, walls sinuose and thickened; leaf in lower lamina (Fig. 1.8) on one side with a plica, margin on one side recurved from insertion or leaf base to mid-leaf, on opposite side revolute from leaf base to mid-leaf
18a.	Cells in the transitional part short-rectangular or quadrate, walls smooth, not thickened; lacking above combination of characters
19.	Costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 29.3), markedly broadened at insertion, in upper part of leaf not clearly distinct; lamina, seen in surface view, striate lengthwise 29. <i>G. maido</i>
19a.	Costa, seen on dorsal side, not markedly broadened, distinct throughout; lamina, seen in surface view, not striate
20.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 50.9), of uniform width throughout; at insertion and in leaf base (Figs. 50.10-11) a dorsally arranged second layer of 1-3 cells is present, these cells slightly smaller than the guide cells; lamina unistratose except for some bistratose patches in the apical part, cells rounded or oval; propagule development on dorsal side of leaf base
20a.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 8.17), in laminal part prominent; at insertion and in leaf base a second layer of cells slightly smaller than the guide cells lacking; lamina in upper part of leaf bistratose or with extended bistratose patches, cells small, rectangular; propagule development lacking
21.	Margin plane; leaf, seen in transverse section (Fig. 38.8), in leaf base broadly concave, in mid-leaf concave, in apical part tubulose; costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 38.7), above transitional part indistinct
21a.	Margin recurved on one side; leaf, seen in transverse section, keeled throughout; lacking above combination of characters

22.	Costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 23.6), above transitional part indistinct; leaf, seen in transverse section (Fig. 23.11), in laminal part bistratose with tristratose patches in places; leaf lingulate (Fig. 23.5), apex rounded, rarely acute, hair-points bluntly denticulate
22a.	Costa, seen on dorsal side, distinct throughout; lacking above combination of characters
23.	Leaf, seen in transverse section (Fig. 26.10), unistratose throughout, occasionally bistratose patches in upper part; costa never ending in subula; propagule development on dorsal side of leaf base
23a.	Leaf, seen in transverse section (Fig. 40.10), in leaf base unistratose, in lamina bistratose at places or completely bistratose; costa often ending as subula; propagule development lacking
24.	Basal paracostal cells (Fig. 20.13) short-rectangular, walls smooth; costa, seen in transverse sections (Figs. 20.14-18), in upper laminal part irregularly shaped, often angulate or winged; stem without central strand (Fig. 20.4), cortical cells large, nearly uniform, sharply differentiated from brownish epidermis, constituted by at least 2 rows of stereids with very narrow lumina; occasionally with multicellular clusters (Fig. 20.3) of rounded gemmae at apex
24a.	Basal paracostal cells elongate-rectangular, walls nodulose; lacking above combination of characters
25.	Costa stout in lower part of leaf (Figs. 12.5-6), seen in transverse sections (Figs. 12.13-18), ventrally broadly channelled; in leaf base margin revolute on one side
25a.	Costa small in lower part of leaf, seen in transverse section, ventrally narrowly channelled; in leaf base margin recurved on one side
26.	Costa, seen in transverse sections, in upper laminal part winged (Figs. 33.12-13) or angulate (Fig. 33.14), seen in surface view distinct throughout; transverse and longitudinal walls of cells in the leaf base of the same thickness; propagule development on both sides of leaf base
26a.	Costa, seen in transverse sections, in lower laminal part unevenly rounded (Figs. 27.14-19), somewhat angulate, seen in surface view in apical part of leaf indistinct; transverse walls of cells in the leaf base markedly smaller than longitudinal walls; propagule development lacking
27.	Costa at insertion with 4 guide cells
	Costa at insertion with 4 guide cells, the 2 outer ones contiguous with the basal cells 53
28. 28a	Basal cells nodulose, marginal cells excluded

29.	Leaf concave in leaf base
29a.	Leaf not concave in leaf base
30.	Leaf, seen in transverse section (Fig. 24.12), broadly keeled above broadest part of leaf; unistratose at insertion and leaf base, in laminal part bistratose in places, apex bistratose, margin with several rows of bistratose cells; costa, seen in transverse section with hydroids (Fig. 24.11) or without hydroids (Fig. 24.30); in transitional part cells smooth (Fig. 24.9) or sinuose (Fig. 24.10)
30a.	Leaf, seen in transverse section, above broadest part of leaf not broadly keeled; lacking above combination of characters
31.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 44.10), at insertion the dorsal cell walls slightly bulging, from insertion to mid-leaf the 2 median placed guide cells of narrow elliptical shape arranged obliquely to leaf axis; margin from above transitional part to apical part, in 1-3 rows bi- or tristratose; in transitional part, lamina cells (Figs. 44.9, 21) elongate-rectangular, walls sinuose
31a.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 37.9), at insertion the dorsal cell walls bulging, from insertion to apical part the guide cells rounded, arranged horizontally; margin unistratose, at most one bistratose cell row on one side in apical part; in transitional part (Fig. 37.8), lamina cells short-rectangular or isodiametric, walls smooth or slightly sinuose
32.	Costa, seen in transverse section, with hydroids
32a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, without hydroids
33.	Costa, seen in transverse sections (Figs. 13.9, 19), at leaf base a row of large hydroids; from transitional part to apical part enlarged to a band of hydroids, in upper part of lamina 2 markedly enlarged guide cells present; exterior walls of dorsal costal cells strongly thickened; propagule development on dorsal side of lower part of lamina, destroying cells but not costa
33a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, hydroids arranged at leaf base in a central group; lacking above combination of characters
34.	At margin (Figs. 16.10, 29, 32) 3-4 rows of narrowly elongate-rectangular, hyaline, thin-walled cells, gradually vanishing, the outermost row ascending to above broadest part of leaf, the marginal cells gradually becoming short-rectangular to quadrate; margin (Fig. 16.8) on one side recurved from insertion to mid-leaf; lamina unistratose, rarely a bistratose patch
34a.	At margin the cell rows arranged differently; lacking above combination of characters

35.	Margin at leaf base revolute or recurved on both sides (Fig. 28.9); leaf (Fig. 28.4) lanceolate to broad lanceolate, tapering to acute, apiculate apex, or to short, hyaline, greenish or brownish tinged hair-points, or to bluntly denticulate hair-points (Fig. 28.5), or to elongate hair-points appearing twisted by somewhat obliquely arranged cells, decurrent at apical part as border of 2 rows of elongate cells, their thick-walled ends bluntly protruding distally
35a.	Margin at leaf base recurved on one side; lacking above combination of characters 36
36.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 31.9), in lower laminal part rounded, from leaf base to apical part the 2 median guide cells of narrow elliptical shape, from above leaf base to apical part arranged obliquely to leaf axis; stem leaves arranged in tiers; propagule development on dorsal side of leaf base
36a.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 27.48), in lower laminal part unevenly rounded or slightly angulate, the median guide cells rounded and arranged horizontally to leaf axis; stem leaves loosely arranged on stem; propagule development lacking
37.	Costa, seen in transverse section, smooth dorsally
37a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, not smooth dorsally
38.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 7.11), cells homogeneous; near costa (Fig. 7.7) a plica present that ends in lower laminal part; hair-point of different length; no young shoots present; propagule development on basal dorsal side of costa 7. <i>G. austrofunalis</i>
38a.	Costa, seen in transverse sections (Figs. 19.12, 15), cells differentiated, with stereids; lamina without plica; apex muticous, acute; characteristic young shoots of bristly aspect present (Fig. 19.1); propagule development lacking
39.	Cells in the leaf base with transverse and longitudinal walls of the same thickness; costa, seen in transverse sections, in upper laminal part winged (Figs. 33.12-13) or angulate (Fig. 33.14); propagule development on both sides of leaf base 33. G. muehlenbeckii
39a.	Cells in the leaf base with transverse walls markedly smaller than longitudinal walls; costa, seen in transverse sections (Figs. 27.14-19), in lower laminal part unevenly rounded, somewhat angulate, in mid-leaf prominent; propagule development lacking
40.	Lamina cells smooth
40a.	Lamina cells not smooth
41.	Cells in the leaf base elongate-rectangular
41a.	Cells in the leaf base short-rectangular
42.	Costa, seen in transverse section, with hydroids
42a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, without hydroids

43. 43a.	Basal cells (Fig. 14.21) elongate-rectangular, from costa to margin hyaline, transverse and longitudinal cell walls evenly thin, these rows gradually vanishing, the outermost row reaching to above broadest part of leaf, thus forming a delimitation between hyaline and thicker walled chlorophyllose cells, running obliquely from costa to margin; margin (Fig. 14.6) plane throughout
	(Fig. 46.26) on one side from above insertion to transitional part 46. G. sessitana
44.	Basal cells (Fig. 50.7) elongate-rectangular, walls smooth, near margin 2-3 rows of shorter elongate-rectangular hyaline cells; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 50.27), at insertion and in leaf base rounded, (Figs. 50.10-11) a dorsally arranged second layer of 1-3 cells slightly smaller than the guide cells present; propagule development on dorsal side of leaf base
44a.	Basal cells (Figs. 49.7-8) elongate-rectangular, walls smooth, from costa to margin hyaline, transverse and longitudinal cell walls evenly thin, the rows gradually vanishing, the outermost row reaching to above broadest part of leaf, thus forming a delimitation between hyaline and thicker walled chlorophyllose cells, running obliquely from costa to margin; costa, seen in transverse sections (Figs. 49.10-11) prominent, without a second layer of slightly smaller cells than the guide cells; propagule development lacking
45.	Leaf (Fig. 32.18) keeled from mid-leaf to apical part; from ovate base abruptly lanceolate, thus forming shoulder (Fig. 32.7); margin (Figs. 32.15 , 18) from leaf base to apex gradually strongly incurved; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 32.15), prominent above leaf base
45a.	Leaf keeled from leaf base to apical part; lacking above combination of characters 46
46.	Leaf with a short, brownish, irregularly serrate and bluntly denticulate leaf apex (Fig. 42.3); seen in transverse section (Fig. 42.6), leaf broadly keeled from insertion to apex
46a.	Leaf without a short, brownish irregularly serrate and knotted leaf apex but with a hyaline hair-point; seen in transverse section, leaf keeled
47.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 43.9), rounded throughout; lamina, seen in transverse section, unistratose from insertion to apex, cells rounded; some marginal cell rows in laminal part bi- or tristratose, in apical part occasionally bi- or tristratose on one side only
47a.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 8.17), in laminal part prominent; lamina, seen in transverse section, in upper part of leaf bistratose or with extended unistratose patches, cells small rectangular; marginal cells same as lamina cells

48.	Costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 4.9), without hydroids; lamina, seen in surface view, striate; lamina cells, seen in transverse section (Fig. 4.18), papillose and with joint thickenings; plants occasionally with multicellular clusters (Fig. 4.1) of rounded gemmae at apex
48a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, with hydroids; lacking above combination of characters 49
49.	Costa, seen in transverse section, recessed in furrow
49a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, not recessed in furrow
50.	Leaf margin inflexed (Fig. 9.26), lamina plicate, exterior cell walls dorsally and ventrally mammillose; costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 9.7), enlarged below apical part; hair-point (Fig. 9.8) short, nearly smooth, cell lumina discernible; secondary costae (Fig. 9.10) in lower half of leaf present in some leaves
50a.	Leaf margin in upper part of leaf slightly incurved (Figs. 35.9-10), lamina not plicate exterior cell walls dorsally and ventrally bulging or mammillose; costa, seen on dorsa side (Figs. 35.19, 24, 26), stout in leaf base, becoming strikingly enlarged in upper laminal part; hair-point short, denticulate, cell lumina not discernible; secondary costae not observed
	Leaf broadly keeled in laminal part; seen in transverse section (Fig. 39.8), lamina cells mammillose, lamina irregularly bistratose by doubled longitudinal cell rows, appearing in surface view (Fig. 39.9) as irregular ridges on the lamina
51a.	Leaf keeled in upper half of lamina; lacking above combination of characters 52
52.	Costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 36.5), at insertion and in leaf base stout, becoming smaller in laminal part, seen in transverse section (Fig. 36.8), in laminal part exterior costal cell walls bulging; lamina, seen in transverse section, exterior cell walls slightly bulging, seen in surface view, lamina striate, due to variable stratosity; hair-points of different lengths, weakly denticulate
52a.	Costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 5.4), of nearly uniform width throughout, seen in transverse section (Fig. 5.14), exterior costal cell walls bulging throughout; lamina, seen in transverse section, exterior cell walls bulging, seen in surface view, lamina not striate hair-points (Fig. 5.7) of different lengths, sharply denticulate
53.	Basal cells smooth, short-rectangular to quadrate
53a.	Basal cells nodulose, elongate-rectangular
54.	Margin erect; costa, seen in transverse section (Fig. 2.11), in laminal part on dorsal side prominent, somewhat angulate, on ventral side recessed in furrow, exterior walls of lamina cells slightly bulging; lamina, in surface view, appearing striate, due to variable stratosity
54a.	Margin not erect; lacking above combination of characters

55.	Costa, seen in transverse section, in laminal part broadly keeled
55a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, in laminal part keeled
56.	Leaf (Fig. 21.5) from scarcely narrowed leaf base tapering to acute or acuminate apex, conferring a triangular shape to the laminal part; seen in transverse section (Fig. 21.8), lamina uni- to bistratose
56a.	Leaf obovate from broad leaf base, broadest at mid-leaf (Fig. 41.6); seen in transverse sections (Figs. 41.9, 23), lamina unistratose, rarely bistratose in apical part
57.	Leaf markedly narrowed at insertion (Fig. 11.6), widest above mid-leaf, apical part variably hyaline, apex rounded, margin plane or rarely slightly recurved in upper part of lamina; seen in transverse section (Fig. 11.13), lamina and margin unistratose throughout; costa (Fig. 11.25), passing through hyaline apical part excurrent into faintly denticulate hair-point
57a.	Leaf lanceolate or oblong (Figs. 3.5, 21), apical part not hyaline, apex obtuse, margin plane; seen in transverse sections (Figs. 3.24-25), lamina unistratose or irregularly bistratose in places, in laminal part 1-2 marginal cell rows bistratose; costa excurrent into weakly denticulate hair-point
58.	Costa, seen in transverse section, guide cells narrowly elliptical obliquely arranged to leaf axis
58a.	Costa, seen in transverse section, guide cells rounded, horizontally arranged to leaf axis
59.	Costa, seen on dorsal side (Fig. 17.30), percurrent in an S-shape; cells in the transitional part (Fig. 17.8) near costa short-rectangular, walls sinuose, towards margins isodiametric, walls smooth; lamina cells, seen in transverse section (Fig. 17.29) smooth; young shoots have characteristic catenulate aspect (Fig. 17.18)
59a.	Costa, seen on dorsal side, not percurrent in an S-shape; cells in the transitional part (Fig. 18.8), from costa to margin small, rectangular, walls sinuose; lamina cells, seen in transverse section (Fig. 18.9), slightly bulging on dorsal and ventral side; young shoots not as above
60.	Lamina cells, seen in transverse section (Fig. 48.7) bulging; the dorsal costal cell walls (Fig. 48.13) mammillose, often hyaline; on dorsal side of costa multicellular propagules on short stalks may be found; young shoots with leaflets spreading 48. G. torquata
60a.	Lamina cells, seen in transverse section, smooth; lacking above combination of characters

- 61. Costa, seen on dorsal side (Figs. 10.23, 34), from insertion to broadest part of leaf strikingly small and thin, becoming stout and prominent towards the apical part; seen in transverse sections (Figs. 10.9, 27), in the upper laminal part, where the costa becomes stout, appears a group of hydroids; leaf auriculate, decurrent; propagule development on dorsal side of lamina in transitional part, destroying cells 10. G. consobrina
- 61a. Costa, seen on dorsal side (Figs. 22.5, 7) of uniform width, slightly weaker at insertion; seen in transverse section (Fig. 22.13), in laminal part the exterior cell walls markedly thicker than the interior cell walls, lamina ending as subula (Fig. 22.30), cells homoge-