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It is in German and France that there were a group of naturalists from an interesting science family of Schimper in the 19th century. Wilhelm Philippe Schimper (1808--1880) is a French botanist and palaeobotanist. His two cousins, Karl Friedrich Schimper (1803—1867) and Georg Heinrich Wilhelm Schimper (1804--1878) are German naturalists. Wilhelm Philippe Schimper's wife Adèle Besson (c.1825--??) and his son Andreas Franz Wilhelm Schimper (1856--1901) are botanists. Karl Friedrich Schimper, Wilhelm Philippe Schimper and Andreas Franz Wilhelm Schimper were elected to the German Academy of Sciences—Leopoldina in 1835, 1862 and 1892 respectively. Although it seems uncommon that Swiss-born Adèle Besson was made for a woman botanist at that time, both her biographical data and botanical efforts are scarcely procured. I am assuming that Adèle Besson's contribution in her science family should not be overlooked pertaining to profound and historical perspectives in the science family.

♫ 1 Schimper 博物家族

在 19 世纪德国和法国有一个很著名的“Schimper 博物

家族”。Karl Friedrich Schimper (1803—1867) 和 Georg Heinrich Wilhelm Schimper (1804--1878)兄弟俩都是博物学家。他们的堂弟 Wilhelm Philippe Schimper (1808--1880)也是博物学家。Wilhelm Philippe Schimper 的妻子 Adèle Besson (c.1825--??)是植物学家，他的儿子 Andreas Franz Wilhelm Schimper (1856--1901)是植物地理学家。Karl Friedrich Schimper、Wilhelm Philippe Schimper 和 Andreas Franz Wilhelm Schimper 分别于 1835 年、1862 年和 1892 年当选为德国科学院院士(German Academy of Sciences--Leopoldina)。然而，一个多世纪以来，人们一直忽视了女植物学家 Adèle Besson 的存在。

§ 2 被忘却的女植物学家 Adèle Besson (Schimper)

根据已有的公开资料，Adèle Besson 出生于瑞士，1849 年与法国植物学家和古植物学家 Wilhelm Philippe Schimper (1808--1880)结婚。他们养育了两个女儿和一个儿子(Andreas Franz Wilhelm Schimper)。然而，关于 Adèle Besson 的瑞士家庭背景、教育背景不详。Adèle Besson 和 Wilhelm Philippe Schimper 的相识过程？Adèle Besson 对植物学的兴趣是否受到 Wilhelm Philippe Schimper 的影响？Adèle Besson 的科学贡献？这些问题都有待于严谨的考证和研究。

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