

***Pleurothallis chamensis* Lindley var. **tenuis** C. Schweinfurth var. nov.**

Planta et habitu graciliore et folio ad apicem angustato et flore tenuiore a specie differt.

Plant epiphytic, slender, up to 10.5 cm. tall (base of longest stem incomplete). Rhizome abbreviated, plant caespitose. Stem slender, angulate. Leaf ovate to elliptic, distinctly narrowed above to an obtuse minutely tridentate apex, broadly cuneate or rounded at the base, 2.9–4.5 cm. long, 1.4–2.4 cm. wide. Inflorescences abbreviated, arising from the base of the leaf. Flowers very similar to those of the species but of thinner texture, “dark maroon with yellow-tipped petal.”

Considering the great variability of *Pleurothallis chamensis* both vegetatively and florally, it seems advisable to recognize this collection, which appears outwardly so dissimilar, merely as a variety of that species.

HUANUCO: Churubamba District, Hacienda Mercedes, Cotirarda, epiphytic on tree trunks, at 1560 meters altitude, September 21, 1936, *Ynes Mexia 8215a*. (TYPE in Herb. Ames No. 46837).