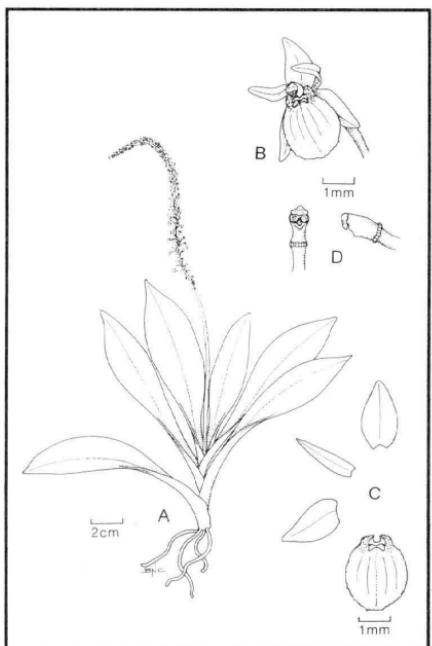


CROSSOGLOSSA ELLIPTICA Dressler, sp. nov.

Herba epiphytica; foliis ellipticis, subpetiolatis, anguste obtusis; inflorescentia dense multiflora; sepalis elliptico-ovatis, obtusis; petalis lanceolato-oblongis, obtusis; labelo quadrato-obovato, denticulato.



Crossoglossa elliptica (Folsom s.n.) — A. Habit. — B. Flower. — C. Perianth parts, spread out. — D. Column, ventral and lateral views.

Epiphytic, leafy stem 3.5-4 cm; leaves several, elliptic, subpetiolate, narrowly obtuse or abruptly acute, margins slightly undulate, 7-10 x 2.1-3.3 cm; inflorescence 20-30 cm, densely many-flowered; floral bracts ovate, acuminate, fimbriate-dentate, 3-6 x 1.5-2 mm; flowers resupinate; sepals elliptic-ovate, obtuse, 1.8-2.2 x 1.2-1.3 mm; petals lance-oblong, obtuse, 2 x 0.6-0.7 mm; lip quadrate-obovate, rounded, denticulate, 2.2-2.3 x 1.8-2.1 mm, callus subquadrate, of 2 small comma-like thickenings; column ca. 0.8 mm.

HOLOTYPE: Panamá; Prov. Coclé, near Aserradero El Copé, ca. 8 km. No. of El Copé; Jan. 1978; epiphyte, flowers green, J. P. Folsom s.n. (MO, Isotype FLAS). **PARATYPE:** Prov. Veraguas; trail on ridge to summit of Cerro Tute [= C. Arizona], 1 km. past Escuela Agrícola Alto de Piedra, W.

of Santa Fé; 8°36'N, 81°06'W; 950-1250 m; terrestrial; flowers green, lip white; 15 Dec. 1881; S. Knapp & K. Sytsma 2553 (MO).

This species is quite distinct in the wide leaves, densely flowered inflorescence, markedly fimbriate-dentate bracts and small flowers.

Esta especie es bastante diferente por las hojas anchas, la inflorescencia densa de flores pequeñas, y las brácteas marcadamente fimbriado-denticuladas.