

6. **ONCIDIUM WILLIAMSIANUM** Dodson, sp. nov.

Simile *Oncidii camiciferi* Rchb. f. ex Lindl. a quo distinguitur floribus roseis singulis successivis et forma calli.

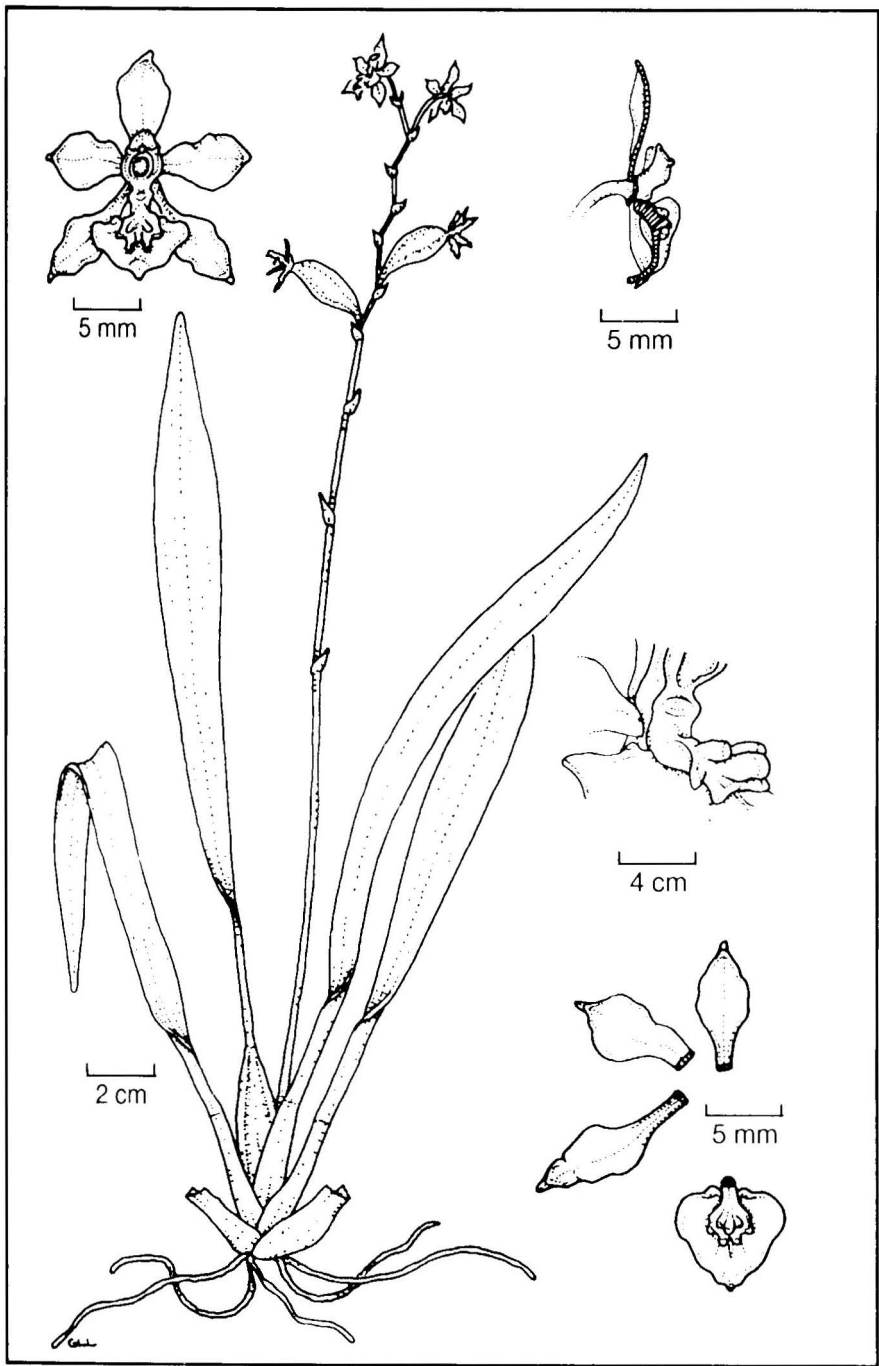
Orig. coll.: Ecuador: Pichincha: Quito to Sto. Domingo via Chiriboga, km 85, 1200 m, 16 February 1991, *C. Dodson, N. Williams, F L Stevenson & M. Whitten 18666* (RPSC holotype).

OTHER SPECIMENS SEEN: Ecuador: Carchi: Tulcan to Maldonado, Maldonado to Chical, km 3, 1410 m, 30 April 1993, *C. Dodson, N. Williams, E. Hagsater, F L Stevenson, A. Embree & M. Whitten 19068* (RPSC).

ETIMOLOGIA: Nombrado en honor del Dr. Norris Williams, director del departamento de historia natural del Museo del Estado de La Florida en Gainesville, quien participó en la recolección del ejemplar tipo.

ETYMOLOGY: Named to honor Dr. Norris Williams, Chairman of the Department of Natural History of the Florida State Museum at Gainesville, Florida, who participated in the collection of the type specimen.

Plant epiphytic. Pseudobulbs approximate, narrowly ovate, compressed, 1-foliolate at the apex, surrounded at the base by distichous, imbricating, conduplicate sheaths, the upper 4 or 5 foliaceous. Leaves oblong-elliptical, acute at the apex, cuneate at the base to a slender petiole, the lamina with 7-9 prominent, parallel nerves, to 25 x 1.5 cm, the petiole to 4 cm long. Inflorescence a few-flowered raceme, to 50 cm long; flowers produced singly in succession over a long period; ovary terete, to 1 cm long in flower, to 5 cm long in fruit. Flowers reddish pink, the callus of the lip yellow. Sepals and petals free; dorsal sepal elliptical, acuminate at the apex, clawed at the base, to 1 x 0.8 cm; lateral sepals obliquely elliptical, acuminate, clawed at the base, to 1.2 x 0.5 cm; petals obovate, acuminate, clawed at the base, to 1 x 0.5 cm; lip ovate, obtuse at the apex, apiculate, fleshy, to 1.5 x 0.8 cm, the callus multituberculate, with 3 diverging protuberances at the



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apex; column short, stout, 4 mm long, without lateral wings but with swollen margins around the stigma.

NOTAS: Esta especie está emparentada con *Oncidium camiciferum* Rchb.f. ex Lindl. pero se distingue por las flores solitarias de color rosado producidas sucesivamente y por la forma del callo del labelo.

NOTES: This species is allied to *Oncidium camiciferum* Rchb. f. ex Lindl. but is distinguished by the pink flowers produced singly and in succession, and the shape of the callus.