



EPIDENDRUM CAMPYLOGLOSSUM P. Ortiz & Hágster  
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**EPIDENDRUM CAMPYLOGLOSSUM** P. Ortiz et Hágster, sp. nov.

Holotype: COLOMBIA: Valle del Cauca; Buenaventura, Bajo Calima, Plantación de caucho, ca. 50 m, 1996, E. Rozo & H. Calderón 53 TOL! (illustration voucher).

*Epidendro nocturno* Jacq. simile sed lobulis lateralibus labelli obovatis, rotundatis sive truncatis, lobulo medio aciculari conspicue recurvo in statu naturali.

**Hierba epífita**, cespitosa, ca. 30 cm de alto. **Tallos** erectos, ancítipos, dilatados hacia el ápice, rectos, morado. **Hojas** 7, distribuidas en la mitad apical del tallo; vaina tubular, ancítipita; lámina elíptica, aguda, verde en el haz, morada en el envés, 10-11.5 x 2-2.3 cm. **Espata** ausente. **Inflorescencia** apical, pluriracemos, florece durante varios años. **Brácteas florales** mucho más cortas que el ovario. **Flores** una a la vez, sucesivas, sépalos y pétalos amarillo-crema, labelo blanco, callos blancos, columna blanca, fragancia no registrada. **Ovario** terete, no inflado, 5 cm de largo. **Sépalos** entreabiertos, angostamente elípticos, acuminados, margen entero, revolutos, 35 x 4 mm; los **laterales** ligeramente oblicuos. **Pétalos** entreabiertos, angostamente elípticos, acuminados, estrechos cerca de la base, margen entero, revolutos, 34 x 4 mm. **Labelo** unido a la columna, trilobado, 33-36 x 9-14 mm; bicaloso, los callos lateralmente aplandados; lóbulos laterales obovados, oblicuos, redondeados a truncados, 17 x 6 mm; lóbulo medio acicular, claramente recurvado en posición natural, 24 x 1.5 mm. **Columna** recta, fuertemente dilatada en los dos tercios apicales, con una giba ventral, 14 mm de largo. **Clinandrio** corto, margen aserrado.

**Caespitose epiphytic herb.** Stems erect, ancipitose, dilated towards the apex, straight. Leaves 7, distributed towards the apical half of the stem; sheath tubular, ancipitose; blade elliptic, acute, green above, purple below. Inflorescence apical, pluriracemos, flowering during several years. Flowers one at a time, successive, sepals and petals creamy-yellow, lip, callus and column white. Ovary terete, not inflated. Sepals narrowly elliptic, acuminate. Petals narrowly elliptic, acuminate, narrowed near the base. Lip 3-lobed; lateral lobes obovate, oblique, rounded to truncate; midlobe acicular, recurved in natural position. Column straight, strongly dilated above the basal third. Clinandrium short, margin serrate.

**OTHER RECORDS:** COLOMBIA: Valle del Cauca: Bajo Calima, Rozo & Calderón 53 AMO! (slide of live flower), HPUJ! Without data, Orquídeas Nativas de Colombia 5: 770, pl. 904. 1994.

**RECOGNITION:** *Epidendrum campyloglossum*, a member of the *E. nocturnum* group, is recognized by the obovate, rounded to truncate lateral lobes of the lip, the acicular, recurved midlobe, the 5 cm long, terete ovary, and the 10-11.5 x 2-2.3 cm long, acute leaves. It is closely related to *E. buenaventurae* Kraenzl., which has the lateral lobes of the lip elongate, semiovate, acute, and narrower leaves, 7-15 x 1-1.2 cm. *Epidendrum rocalderianum* P. Ortiz & Hágster, also found along the Pacific coast of Colombia, has very reduced, short, round, lateral lobes of the lip and a prominently inflated nectary on the underside of the apical half of the ovary.

**DISTRIBUTION AND ECOLOGY:** Known only from the Pacific coastal plain of Colombia near Buenaventura, at around 50 m altitude. Flowering in March, probably throughout the year.

**CONSERVATION STATUS:** DD (data deficient).

**ETYMOLOGY:** From the Greek "kampylos", curved, in reference to the recurved midlobe which distinguishes this species from others of the *E. nocturnum* group.

**NOTE:** The illustration is based on a sketch by Pedro Ortiz Valdivieso and the slide of live flower.

