

Lepanthes pendens Garay, sp. nov. Fig. 10 D

Epiphytica, pendulosa, usque ad 50 cm. longa; radicibus axillaribus, longefiliformibus, leviter flexuosis, glabris; caulis primariis longe repentibus, vaginis amplis, costatis, muriculato-hispidulis imbricatisque omnino obtectis; caulis secundariis distichis, valde abbreviatis, omnino in vagina unica inclusis, 1 mm. longis; foliis oblongis ellipticisve, obtusis, pergameneis, usque ad 1 cm. longis, 5 mm. latis; inflorescentiis uni- seu bifloris, brevissime pedunculatis, 2 mm. longis; floribus minimis, purpurascensibus; bracteis obliquis, tubulosis, supra dilatatis, glabris; sepalis inter se simillimis, triangulato-ovatis, acutis, apice reflexis, glabris; sepalo postico 3-nervio, 2.5 mm. longo, 1.75 mm. lato; sepalis lateralibus binerviis, 2.5 mm. longis, 1.25 mm. latis; petalis transversis, bilobis, lobis aequalibus, oblongis, obtusis, 0.25 mm. longis, 1 mm. latis; labello breviter lateque unguiculato, deinde cordato-reniformi, antice retuso, glabro, disco 3-nervio, nervo mediano apicem versus incrassato donato, 1 mm. longo, 1.25 mm. lato; columna gracili, apice leviter incrassata; clinandrio integerrimo; ovariis pedicellatis bracteis duplo longioribus.

Colombia: Dept. Cundinamarca; Cordillera Oriental; Alto de Tunque, 11 km. east of Guitierrez, 50 km. south of Bogota. Temperate forest. Alt. 2515 meters. Epiphyte, pendent; perianth red with green margins. July 31, 1944. Coll. Martin L. Grant No. 9770. Type in the herbarium of the United States National Museum No. 2106923. Isotype in the author's herbarium No. 3264.

Lepanthes pendens belongs to the section "*Caulescentes*", all species of which are very similar in habit. Our new species is distinct in its floral structure.