

122. **TELIPOGON TUNGURAHUAE** Dodson & R. Escobar, sp. nov.

Similis *Telipogonis jucusbambae* Dodson & R. Escobar, a quo differt floribus minoribus labello concavo sine callo tumido hirsuto in parte centrali, et ovario pedicellato terete.

Orig. Coll: Ecuador: Tungurahua: Mt. Tungurahua, 2200 m, 15 September 1993, *Hirtz 5942* (Holotype RPSC).

ETIMOLOGÍA: Nombrado en referencia al Volcán Tungurahua en donde el ejemplar tipo fue recolectado.

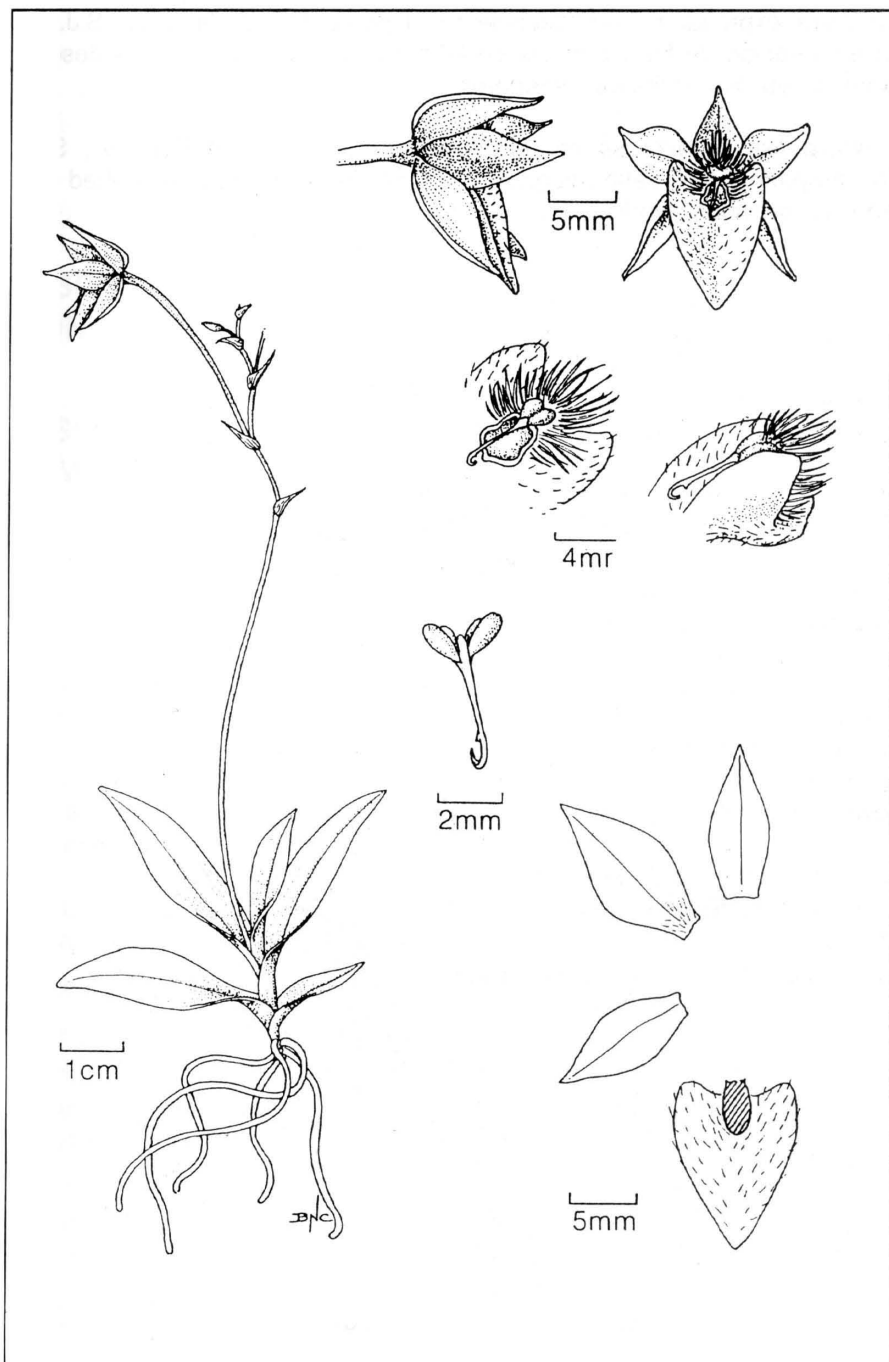
ETYMOLOGY: Named in reference to Mt. Tungurahua from which the plant was collected.

Plant caespitose, epiphytic. Stems short, to 2 cm, completely surrounded by imbricating, distichous leaf-sheaths, branching from the base, with roots at the base. Leaves narrowly oblong-obovate, acute at the apex, tapering toward the base, not articulated with the leaf-sheath, to 3 x 1.5 cm. Inflorescence apical or from the lateral leaves near the apex of the stem, to 10 cm long; peduncle terete, to 6 cm long; floral bracts boat-shaped, ovate, keeled on the back, to 6 x 4 mm; pedicellate ovary terete, to 3 cm long. Sepals green-brown; petals brown; lip brown; spines brown. Dorsal sepal ovate, acute, apiculate, concave, boat-shaped, keeled on the back side, to 1.1 x 0.5 cm; lateral sepals ovate, boat-shaped, keeled on the back side, to 1.2 x 0.5 cm; petals ovate, acute, to 1.5 x 0.5 cm; lip cordiforme, concave, acute, to 1.2 x 1 cm, without obvious veins, short-pubescent throughout, the callus lacking; column short, emersed in the base of the lip, the stigma pandurate-ovate, extending beyond the anther, the margins protruding, the bundles of setose spines very elongate, to 4 mm long; pollinia 4, in unequal pairs, attached to an elongate stipe, attached to a hooked viscidium.

NOTAS: La especie se parece a *Telipogon jucusbambae* Dodson & Escobar, pero se diferencia en que las flores son más pequeñas, el labelo es cóncavo y carece de callo hirsuto e hinchado en su parte central, y el ovario es terete y pedicelado.

NOTES: This species is similar to *Telipogon jucusbambae* Dodson & Escobar but is distinguished by the smaller flowers with a concave lip that does not have a swollen, hirsute callus occupying the central portion of the lip, and the terete pedicellate ovary.

ILLUSTRATION VOUCHER: *Hirtz 5942* (RPSC).



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