Zygopetalum Tatei A. & S. var. angustilabium C. Schweinfurth, var. nov.

Herba variabilis, pseudobulbis brevioribus et nunc latioribus unifoliatis atque labelli epichilio multo angustiore a specie differt.

Plant epiphytic, very variable, closely similar to the species. Pseudobulbs cylindric (as in the species) to ellipsoid or complanate-subglobose, up to 3 cm. long (instead of 3.6-6 cm. long in the species), unifoliate (not bifoliate). Scape about 13.5 cm. or less long (instead of 35 cm. or more long), 1- (rarely) or loosely 2-flowered above. Flowers about as large as those of the species except for the epichile of the lip which is ovate or rhombic-ovate and acuminate (instead of abruptly apiculate) about 1.9 cm. long and only 1.3 cm. wide (instead of 2.3-2.8 cm. wide in the species).

Type in herb. Chi. Nat. Hist. Mus., no. 1203947, isotype in Herb. Ames no. 64861, epiphyte on branch, summit of state of Bolivar, alt. 2470-2500 m., December 7, 1944, Julian A. Steyermark 60909, "sepals and petals pale yellow—or olive green with pale brown transverse bands, lip white with purple above and on crest, column rich yellow with magenta on margin and magenta streaks within"; same locality and date, epiphyte on trunk of Bonnetia Roraimae, "leaves coriaceous, dark green above and dull green beneath, sepals and petals orange-brown, lip white with dull brown at base, column dull orange", Steyermark 60908; same locality and date, "leaves dark green, lip creamy yellow, column pale grass green", Steyermark 60910.