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*Epidendrum ramirez-santae* Sauleda and Uribe-Velez Range Extension in Colombia.

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#### ABSTRACT

*Epidendrum ramirez-santae* Sauleda and Uribe-Velez is reported from a new locality in Colombia.

*Epidendrum ramirez-santae* Sauleda and Uribe-Velez was first found in Colombia, Valle del Cauca, La Habana. The original plant was collected along the roadside at 2000 m. The species was scarce, only a few plants were found at the type locality.

Recently a large population was discovered at the Reserva Natural Municipal de Rio Bravo belonging to the Calima Darien municipality. Originally, when the first plant was found at La Habana, there was a possibility that it was an aberrant form or mutation of another species of *Epidendrum* L. comon in the area. However, upon returning to the type locality several plants were found and the determination was made that it was a distinct undescribed species.

The large population at the Reserva Natural Municipal de Rio Bravo locality, 44.3 km from the type locality and with extreme elevation changes inbetween, reaffirms that *E. ramirez-santae* is a distinct species and more widely distributed than earlier believed.

*Epidendrum ramirez-santae* is sympatric with *Epidendrum escobarianum* Garay, *Epidendrum carchiense* Hágsater & Dodson, *Epidendrum barbeyanum* Kraenzl., *Erythrodes ovata* (Lindl.) Ames, *Psymorchis cristagalli* (Rchb. f.) Dressler & N. H. Williams and *Maxillaria* sp.



*Epidendrum ramirez-santae* Sauleda and Uribe-Velez in situ. Reserva Natural Municipal de Rio Bravo.



Localities for *Epidendrum ramirez-santae* Sauleda and Uribe-Velez.



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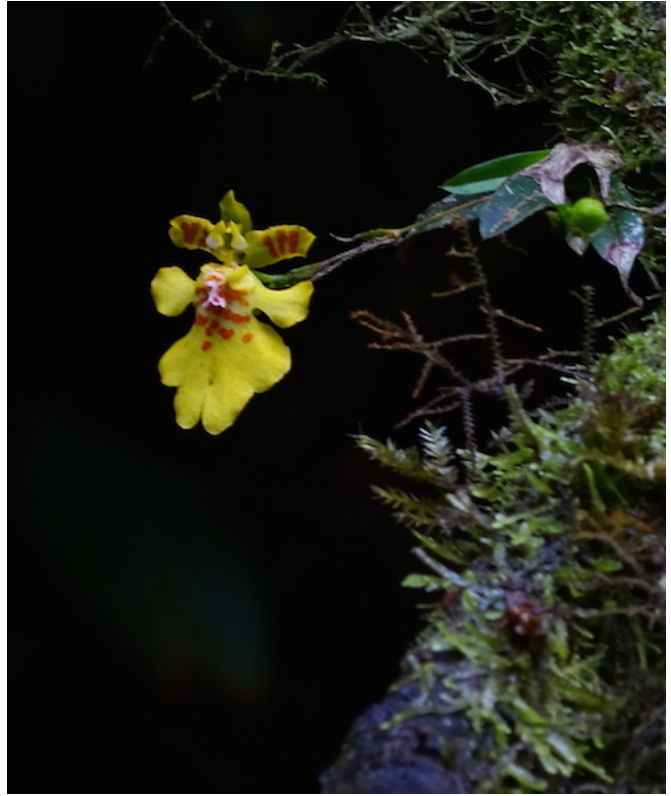
*Epidendrum ramirez-santae* Sauleda and Uribe-Velez in situ. Reserva Natural Municipal de Rio Bravo sympatric with *Maxillaria* sp.



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*Erythrodes ovata* (Lindl.) Ames.



*Psygmorchis cristiagalli* (Rchb. f.) Dressler & N. H. Williams.



*Epidendrum escobarianum* Garay.



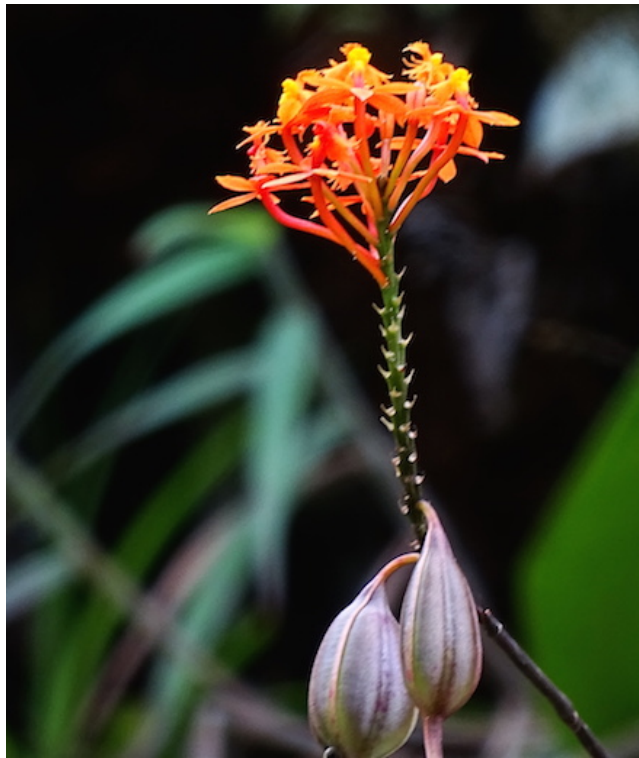
*Epidendrum barbeyanum* Kraenzl.



*Epidendrum carchiense* Hágsater & Dodson.



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