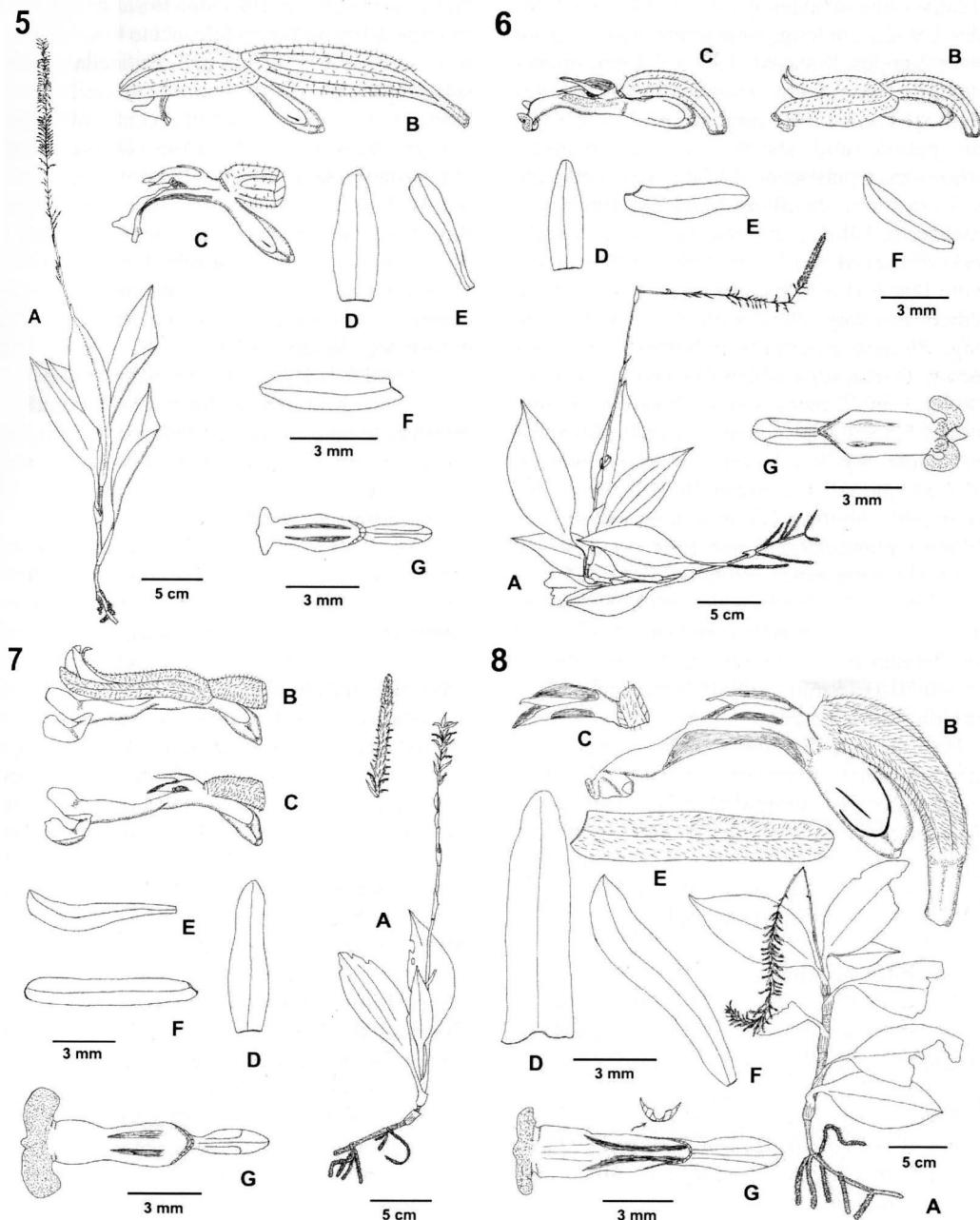


Microchilus astilleroensis Ormerod, *sp. nov.*
TYPE: PERU. Junín: Prov. Jauja, Astilleros, near
Monobamba, 2020 m, 10 September 2001, *M.
Weigend, N. Diane, M. Gottschling, H. H. Hilger
& J. Skrabel* 5682 (Holotype: MSB). Fig. 6.

Species nova subsimilis M. lechleri Ormerod
*sed calcar floribus brevioribus (2.5 vs. 4.0–4.3
mm) et hypochilo labello latioribus (1.90–1.75
vs. 1.25–1.50 mm) differt.*



FIGURES 5–8. 5, *Microchilus aspidogynoides* Ormerod. A, plant; B, flower; C, flower minus tepals; D, dorsal sepal; E, petal; F, lateral sepal; G, labellum and spur. 6, *Microchilus astilleroensis* Ormerod. A, plant; B, flower; C, flower minus tepals; D, dorsal sepal; E, lateral sepal; F, petal; G, labellum and spur. 7, *Microchilus campbellensis* Ormerod. A, inflorescence apex from isotype; B, flower; C, flower minus tepals; D, dorsal sepal; E, petal; F, lateral sepal; G, labellum and spur. 8, *Microchilus canaliculatus* Ormerod. A, plant; B, flower minus tepals; C, column; D, dorsal sepal; E, lateral sepal; F, petal; G, labellum and spur (cross-section of hypochile arrowed). All drawn from holotype.

Erect terrestrial *herb*. *Rhizome* fragment terete, rooting at nodes, $4.1 \times 0.3\text{--}0.4$ cm; internodes $1.9\text{--}2.2$ cm long. *Stem* terete, rooting from lower 2 nodes, 8-leaved, 13.7×0.4 cm; internodes $2.4\text{--}3.0$ cm long. *Leaves* obliquely oblong-elliptic to elliptic, subacuminate, $9\text{--}13 \times 2.9\text{--}4.6$ cm; petiole and sheath $3.0\text{--}3.3$ cm long. *Inflorescence* pubescent, 40.7 cm long; peduncle 29.5 cm long; sheathing bracts 8, upper 3–4 bractiform, 1.0–1.8 cm long; rachis subdensely many-flowered, 11.2 cm long; floral bracts ovate-lanceolate, subacuminate, $7\text{--}8 \times 3$ mm. Pedicellate ovary subcylindric, pubescent, 5 mm long. *Flowers* externally pubescent, color not known. Dorsal sepal oblong-lanceolate, obtuse, 4.8×1.3 mm. Lateral sepals obliquely oblong, obtuse, 5.5×1.5 mm. Petals ligulate-oblanceolate, acute, 4.8×1.1 mm. *Labellum* spurred, trilobed, joined to column for 1.2 mm; spur oblongoid, obtuse, 2.5 mm long; hypochile oblong-rectangular, 3.5 mm long, base ca. 1.9 mm wide, narrowing gradually to ca. 1.75 mm wide, apex 0.8–0.9 mm wide; epichile anchoriform, subtrilobed, papillose-pubescent, 1.2×3.0 mm, lobules oblong to ligulate, falcate, obtuse, $1.5 \times 0.50\text{--}0.75$ mm, midlobule triangular, 0.75 mm long. *Column* 2.9 mm long.

Habitat and distribution: Peru, much disturbed remnant of primary rainforest, 2020 m.

This species is somewhat similar to its Peruvian congener *Microchilus lechleri* Ormerod, but it differs in its flowers having a shorter (2.5 vs. 4.0–4.3 mm) spur and a wider (1.90–1.75 vs. 1.25–1.50 mm) labellum hypochile.