

Tulips lemmersii

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Friends,

I have just learned that a newly identified tulip species has been named to honor our Dutch friend, Wim Lemmers.

Tulipa lemmersii Zonn., A. Peterse, J. de Groot is described as erect, yellow with a red hue on the inside, small, single flowered. It was collected by A. Peterse on top of the steep cliffs in the Mashad Pass, Kazakhstan. He accompanied a tulip expedition organized by Wim Lemmers, the eminent connoisseur of the wild middle Asiatic tulip flora.

This was apparently published in a study of DNA in tulips by Ben Zonneveld. Maybe Ben can post a link to the article so everyone can see the photo.

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