## Systematics and historical biogeography of Neotropical foam-nesting frogs of the *Adenomera heyeri* clade (Leptodactylidae), with the description of six new Amazonian species

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A large proportion of the biodiversity of Amazonia, one of the most diverse rainforest areas in the world, is yet to be formally described. One such case is the Neotropical frog genus *Adenomera*. We here evaluate the species richness and historical biogeography of the *Adenomera heyeri* clade by integrating molecular phylogenetic and species delimitation analyses with morphological and acoustic data. Our results uncovered ten new candidate species with interfluveassociated distributions across Amazonia. In this study, six of these are formally named and described. The new species partly correspond to previously identified candidate lineages 'sp. F' and 'sp. G' and also to previously unreported lineages. Because of their rarity and unequal sampling effort of the *A. heyeri* clade across Amazonia, conservation assessments for the six newly described species are still premature. Regarding the biogeography of the *A. heyeri* clade, our data support a northern Amazonian origin with two independent dispersals into the South American Dry Diagonal. Although riverine barriers have a relevant role as environmental filters by isolating lineages in interfluves, dispersal rather than vicariance must have played a central role in the diversification of this frog clade.

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## INTRODUCTION

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The number of species found in the Neotropics exceeds that of other tropical regions (Qian & Ricklefs, 2007) and the origins of this astonishing diversity have puzzled biologists for over two centuries (e.g. von Humboldt, 1825; Wallace, 1852). Intricate geomorphological and climatic events of the Neogene have been proposed as important causes of the South American megadiversity (Smith et al., 2014; Silva et al., 2019), most notably as a consequence of the uplift of the Andes cordillera during the Miocene-Pliocene [reviewed by Hoorn et al. (2010) for Amazonia]. Another striking feature of South American biota is the north-east-south-west belt of open formations (Prado & Gibbs, 1993), the 'Dry Diagonal' (DD: Chaco, Cerrado and Caatinga), which acts as a barrier for biotic exchange between Amazonia and the Atlantic Forest (Costa, 2003; Batalha-Filho et al., 2013).

Amazonia has certainly played a central role in Neotropical diversification, providing more lineages than receiving from other biogeographic regions (Antonelli et al., 2018). Nevertheless, the timing and intensity of these exchanges remain poorly documented between Amazonia and the DD, especially for amphibians [see de Sá et al. (2019) for an example]. Moreover, the evolutionary processes of diversification within Amazonia remain poorly understood. The historical and contemporary configuration of riverine networks in Amazonia has been widely associated with distribution patterns of many vertebrate groups (Haffer, 1978; Cracraft, 1985; Azevedo-Ramos & Galatti, 2002; Silva et al., 2012; Naka & Brumfield, 2018). However, the river-barrier hypothesis does not apply universally, and other historical geological events and environmental factors, such as marine incursions, ancient structural arches, climatic conditions and geographic distance, also have important contributions for current species distributions throughout Amazonia (Leite & Rogers, 2013; Smith et al., 2014; Dagosta & de Pinna, 2017; Fluck et al., 2020).

## PHYLOGENY AND SPECIES RICHNESS IN ADENOMERA FROGS

Species richness in the terrestrial foam-nesting frogs of the genus *Adenomera* Steindachner, 1867 is certainly highly underestimated throughout South America (e.g. Angulo *et al.*, 2003; Kwet, 2007; Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013a, b). Fouquet *et al.* (2014) published a comprehensive phylogenetic study of *Adenomera* frogs based on molecular data and showed that the number of species is underestimated in more than 50% relative to its currently recognized species content. In the same study, members of the genus were classified into eight major clades. One of these, the *A. heyeri* clade, was recovered as being comprised of one nominal species distributed in the Guiana Shield [A. heyeri (Boistel et al., 2006)] and unnamed genetic lineages (i.e. confirmed candidate species) distributed across most of Amazonia and the central north-eastern portion of the DD. The A. heveri clade constitutes a group of species that have diversified at the interface between major biogeographic regions of forest and open-formation environments in South America and therefore it is well-suited for further investigation of its systematics, species richness and biogeographic history. The A. *heveri* clade comprises the nominal species and five additional new candidate species [i.e. the lineages 'sp. F', 'sp. G', 'sp. H', 'sp. I' and 'sp. Q'; sensu Fouquet et al. (2014)]. However, the available phenotypic data for this clade are still exiguous. Recently, a new species of the A. heyeri clade was described and assigned to the Amazonian lineage sp. F: Adenomera phonotriccus Carvalho, Giaretta, Angulo, Haddad & Peloso, 2019. That taxonomic study confirmed that even major lineages previously indicated as confirmed candidate species by Fouquet et al. (2014) harbour additional cryptic species complexes, given that A. phonotriccus (=clade F3) is conspecific only with one of three clades within sp. F (clades F1-F3).

In this review, we evaluate the species richness of the A. heyeri clade based on the congruence of reciprocal monophyly across mitochondrial and nuclear gene datasets and molecular-based species delimitation analysis with divergence in phenotypic characters (i.e. morphology, coloration and calls). The main results of this integrative study are: (1) the discovery of ten new candidate species, of which six are described herein as new; (2) the first association of Adenomera cotuba Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013 and Adenomera juikitam Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013 to two of the previously recognized confirmed candidate species of Fouquet et al. (2014) based on new DNA sequence data from their type series; and (3) updated diagnoses for A. cotuba, A. heyeri and A. juikitam. Our phylogenetic and species delimitation analyses provide a suitable framework for the investigation of the historical biogeography of the A. heyeri clade using comprehensive geographical sampling across Amazonia and the DD. From this perspective, we sought to elucidate the relative role of riverine barriers in the diversification of this frog clade in a scenario of allopatric and sympatric distributions associated with interfluves across the southern Amazon Basin and north of the main course of the Amazon River.

## MATERIAL AND METHODS

## COLLECTION DATA AND INSTITUTIONAL ACRONYMS

Field data were collected by us during the last decade from several expeditions to distinct Amazonian regions (see Figs 1–2). Detailed information on localities can be found in the taxonomic accounts. Institutional acronyms follow Sabaj (2019), except the museums and collections that are not included there, abbreviations are CZPB-AA (Coleção Zoológica Paulo Bührnheim, Universidade Federal do Amazonas, in Manaus, Amazonas), LHUFCG (Herpetological collection of the Universidade Federal de Campina Grande, in Patos, Paraíba) and AF (Antoine Fouquet's field series). A list of morphologically examined specimens of *Adenomera* can be found in Supporting Information (Appendix S1).

#### ACQUISITION AND ANALYSIS OF DNA SEQUENCE DATA

We compiled a molecular dataset for the genus Adenomera based on new sequences produced for this study and sequences from the GenBank online repository (Clark et al., 2016), which integrated the most recent phylogeny of the genus (Fouquet et al., 2014) and those published by Carvalho et al. (2019c). Taxon sampling included nominal A. heyeri and all available genetic data of lineages in the A. heveri clade, in addition to each operational taxonomic unit (OTU) of nominal species from the other seven Adenomera clades delimited by Fouquet et al. (2014). This dataset with 178 individuals comprises four mitochondrial genes (coverage in the completed dataset): the 12S (21%) and 16S (23%) RNAs, and the coding genes cytochrome oxidase I—COI (100%) and cytochrome b—Cytb (72%), plus four nuclear genes: recombination activating gene exon 1-Rag1 (72%), pro-opiomelanocortin C—POMC (72%), tyrosinase—TYR (21%) and rhodopsin—Rhod (21%). Genomic DNA of new samples was extracted from tissue samples stored in 100% ethanol following the protocols of the Wizard® Extraction Kit (Promega, Madison, WI) or using standard ammonium precipitation method (Lyra et al., 2017). The sister group of Adenomera, Lithodytes lineatus (Schneider, 1799) and species from related genera (Hydrolaetare Gallardo, 1963 and Leptodactylus Fitzinger, 1826) were selected as outgroups for the analysis. We amplified COI fragments using primers dgLCO1490/ dgHCO2198 (Meyer, 2003) and T3-AnF1/T7-AnR1 (Lyra et al., 2017), as well as 16S fragments for some specimens using primers 16Sar/16Sbr (Palumbi et al., 1991). DNA amplification and purification follow the methods of Lyra et al. (2017). Products of PCR were sequenced at Macrogen, Inc. (Seoul, South Korea) with a BigDye Terminator Cycle Sequencing Kit (v.3.0; Applied Biosystems, Waltham, USA) in an ABI 3730 automated DNA sequencer (Applied Biosystems, Waltham, USA). Accession numbers and associated information for GenBank and new sequences can be found in Supporting Information (Appendix S2).

We edited new sequences using Geneious v.8 (Kearse et al., 2012). Each gene was independently aligned using the MAFFT v.7 online (Katoh & Standley, 2013) under default parameters, except by the use of the E-INS-i strategy for the RNAs, due to multiple conserved domains and long gaps, and the G-INS-i strategy for remaining genes, because of sequences with global homology (Katoh & Standley, 2013). All genes were posteriorly concatenated using Geneious, leading to a final 6423 bp alignment. We used the concatenated dataset for downstream phylogenetic analyses, as preliminary analyses of individual gene trees showed low resolution for the deepest nodes. We inferred the phylogeny through a Bayesian phylogenetic framework using this complete dataset (all genes, 178 individuals + 3 outgroups) in MrBayes v.3.2.6 (Ronquist et al., 2012), using four independent runs of 10<sup>7</sup> generations. The GTR+I+G was the best-fitting substitution model to all four partitions (RNAs + each codon of remaining genes), according to a BIC (Bayesian Information Criterion) estimate with PartitionFinder v.2.1.1 (Lanfear et al., 2017). We assessed convergence of parameters (Estimated Sample Size, ESS > 200) using Tracer v.1.7 (Rambaut et al., 2018) and discarded a 10% burn-in of samples.

Within the A. heyeri clade, we focused on the COI gene (sampled for all individuals) to calculate the uncorrected pairwise genetic distances (Table 1), removing gaps through pairwise deletion with MEGA v.7 (Kumar et al., 2016). The intra- vs. interspecific threshold of genetic distances was defined as 5% based on our results for the diversification of this Adenomera clade (Table 1), supported by the previous inferences published for the entire genus (Fouquet et al., 2014). We conducted a species delimitation analysis through the Approximate Barcode Gap Discovery method (ABGD; Puillandre et al., 2012) at the web interface (https://bioinfo.mnhn.fr/abi/public/ abgd/abgdweb.html; version '6 March 2020') using a prior of intraspecific divergence (P) between 0.001 and 0.1, a proxy for minimum relative gap width (X)of 1, and a number of bins (N) of 30. The intraspecific divergence was defined as 1%, a threshold recognized in vertebrate species delimitation analyses, and the end of a plateau for number of groups (named OTU), as the 11<sup>th</sup> partition to delimit OTUs (Puillandre et al., 2012).

After delimiting the OTUs in the *A. heyeri* clade based on the combined analysis of DNA sequence, acoustic and morphological data, we selected one terminal per species for the reconstruction of a Bayesian time-calibrated phylogenetic tree. With a dataset containing 43 samples of *Adenomera*, three outgroups and all available genes, we reconstructed the tree using BEAST v.2.4 (Bouckaert *et al.*, 2014). We used a birth-death model of diversification (Gernhard,



**Figure 1.** Distribution of lineages of the *A. heyeri* clade associated with (A) northern Amazonia (*A. heyeri* and sp. Q) and (B) the Dry Diagonal and the Cerrado-Amazonia ecotone (*A. cotuba* and *A. juikitam*). Solid-filled symbols represent type localities and black-dotted symbols indicate localities with associated genetic data. Brazilian state abbreviations are as follows: BA (Bahia), CE (Ceará), GO (Goiás), MA (Maranhão), PA (Pará), PI (Piauí) and TO (Tocantins).



**Figure 2.** Distribution of lineages of the *A. heyeri* clade associated with the major southern tributaries of the Amazon River (interfluves) and Tocantins River: Madeira-Tapajós (*A. gridipappi*, *A. tapajonica*, *A. cf. gridipappi* and *Adenomera* sp.), Tapajós-Xingu (*A. amicorum*, *A. aurantiaca*, *A. inopinata* and *A. cf. amicorum*), Xingu-Tocantins (*A. phonotriccus* and *A. kayapo*) and Araguaia-Tocantins (*A. kayapo*). Solid-filled symbols represent type localities and black-dotted symbols indicate localities with associated genetic data. Brazilian state abbreviations are as follows: AM (Amazonas), MT (Mato Grosso), PA (Pará), RO (Rondônia) and TO (Tocantins).

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1. Adenomera kayapo	0.03													
<b>2.</b> Adenomera phonotriccus	0.07	0.00												
3. Adenomera amicorum	0.08	0.07	0.00											
4. Adenomera cf. amicorum	0.08	0.07	0.05	_										
<b>5.</b> Adenomera tapajonica	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.11	0.04									
6. Adenomera gridipappi	0.13	0.12	0.11	0.12	0.07	0.00								
7. Adenomera cf. gridipappi	0.13	0.12	0.11	0.12	0.08	0.05	0.01							
8. Adenomera sp.	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.03						
9. Adenomera aurantiaca	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.10	0.12	0.10	_					
<b>10.</b> Adenomera inopinata	0.13	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.10	0.08	_				
11. Adenomera cotuba	0.12	0.11	0.10	0.12	0.13	0.12	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.02			
<b>12.</b> Adenomera heyeri	0.15	0.15	0.16	0.16	0.17	0.16	0.15	0.16	0.16	0.15	0.16	0.02		
<b>13.</b> Adenomera sp. Q	0.16	0.17	0.19	0.17	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.19	0.20	0.18	0.19	_	
<b>14.</b> Adenomera juikitam	0.16	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.17	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.17	0.15	0.15	0.17	<b>0.0</b> 4

**Table 1.** Mean interspecific (diagonal matrix) and intraspecific (in bold) uncorrected genetic p-distances in COI between the 14 Operational Taxonomic Units of the A. heyeri clade

2008), an uncorrelated relaxed clock lognormal among branches (Drummond *et al.*, 2006) and calibrated the tree with known ages of two nodes (mean  $\pm$  standard deviation in Myr): (1) diversification of *Leptodactylus* vs. *Lithodytes* at 36.2  $\pm$  3.2 Mya (Feng *et al.*, 2017); and (2) crown age of *Adenomera* at 25.0  $\pm$  3.0 Mya (Fouquet *et al.*, 2014). Time calibration priors were constrained with a normal distribution. After four parallel runs of MCMC chains with 10<sup>7</sup> iterations, 10<sup>4</sup> of thinning and 10% of burn-in, we combined the log files and assessed the convergence of parameters (ESS > 200) using Tracer, and extracted the maximum clade credibility tree after a burn-in of 25%.

With phylogenetic, spatial and temporal information, we used the package 'BioGeoBears' (Matzke, 2014), implemented in R v.3.5.0 (R Core Team, 2018), to conduct a biogeographic analysis of ancestral area reconstruction of the A. heveri clade. We ran the analysis considering six diversification models: DEC. DIVALIKE, BAYAREALIKE and those including founder-event speciation (+J). Best-fitted models were assessed under the comparison of Akaike Information Criterion corrected for sample size (AICc). Spatial subdivisions followed shared histories, abiotic and biotic affinities of subunits (Cracraft, 1985; Werneck et al., 2012): Amazonia, subdivided by the Amazon River and its largest southern tributaries: the Madeira, Tapajós, Xingu and Tocantins rivers (areas A, B, C and D, respectively), and the South American DD (area E) containing the Cerrado and Caatinga formations. Amazonian subdivisions were based mainly on the historical assessment of biogeographic patterns and processes with respect to shared evolutionary histories of the biota currently delimited by the major rivers in the Amazon Basin (Cracraft, 1985; Ribas et al., 2012; Silva et al., 2019). Although smaller rivers

can also be relevant to diversification patterns in Amazonia (Fernandes *et al.*, 2014), our limited spatial sampling within micro-interfluves prevents us from incorporating them into the biogeographic analysis. Using these biogeographic units for the delimitation analysis, we aimed to identify the origin of the *A. heyeri* clade (Amazonia vs. DD), and the main events of vicariance and dispersal in the diversification of this clade. Considering that OTUs within the *A. heyeri* clade were mostly restricted to one of the spatial subdivisions in Amazonia, non-adjacent ancestral distributions were excluded from analysis, and the maximum number of ancestral areas was limited to two.

#### MORPHOLOGY AND COLOURATION

Adult specimens were examined for morphological and chromatic characteristics. Sexual maturity of examined specimens was determined by the presence of vocal slits and a fleshy ridge at the snout tip in the case of males (besides those collected while calling) and by the presence of eggs visible through the ventral body wall in the case of females. Also, gravid females are markedly more robust than males in Adenomera, thus providing indirect evidence that a female can be assessed as an adult individual through body shape. Eleven body measurements were taken from specimens using a stereomicroscope (except for SVL which was measured with callipers) fitted with a micrometric ocular piece (10 mm scale) and are listed as follows: snout-vent length (SVL), thigh length (THL), tibia length (SL), foot length (FL), hand length (HAL), head length (HL), head width (HW), eye diameter (ED), tympanum diameter (TD), eye-nostril distance (EN) and internarial distance (IND). Measurements

mostly follow the definitions of Watters *et al.* (2016). Three measurements (HL, HW and HAL) follow those of Carvalho *et al.* (2019a). Colour patterns were described on the basis of field notes and photographs of individuals in life. Snout shapes were assessed according to Heyer *et al.* (1990). Toe tip development (character states A–D) was assessed according to Heyer (1973), modified by Carvalho *et al.* (2019d).

Unless otherwise stated, comparisons of morphological and chromatic characters among species of Adenomera throughout the taxonomic accounts were based primarily on specimens examined and measured for this study (Table 2; Supporting Information, Appendix S1) and the following studies [when applicable, taxonomic authorities in square brackets]: Adenomera ajurauna [Berneck, Costa & Garcia, 2008] (Berneck et al., 2008), Adenomera andreae [Müller, 1923] (Carvalho et al., 2019d), Adenomera araucaria Kwet & Angulo, 2002 (Carvalho et al., 2019b), Adenomera bokermanni [Heyer, 1973] (Carvalho et al., 2019b), Adenomera chicomendesi Carvalho, Angulo, Kokubum, Barrera, Souza, Haddad & Giaretta, 2019 (Carvalho et al., 2019a), Adenomera coca [Angulo & Reichle, 2008] (Angulo & Reichle, 2008), Adenomera cotuba (Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013a), Adenomera diptyx [Boettger, 1885] (Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013b), Adenomera engelsi Kwet, Steiner & Zillikens, 2009 (Carvalho et al., 2019a, c), A. heyeri (Boistel et al., 2006), Adenomera hylaedactyla [Cope, 1868] (Carvalho et al., 2019d), Adenomera juikitam (Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013a), Adenomera kweti Carvalho, Cassini, Taucce & Haddad, 2019 (Carvalho et al., 2019b), Adenomera lutzi Heyer, 1975 (Kok et al., 2007), Adenomera marmorata Steindachner, 1867 (Cassini et al., 2020), Adenomera martinezi [Bokermann, 1956] (Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013b), Adenomera nana [Müller, 1922] (Carvalho et al., 2019b), Adenomera phonotriccus (Carvalho et al., 2019c), Adenomera saci Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013 (Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013b), Adenomera simonstuarti [Angulo & Icochea, 2010] (Angulo & Icochea, 2010) and Adenomera thomei [Almeida & Angulo, 2006] (Almeida & Angulo, 2006).

#### SOUND RECORDINGS AND ACOUSTIC ANALYSIS

Calls were recorded in the field at 44.1 or 48.0 kHz sampling rates and 16 bit depth, and stored as uncompressed wave files, except for two recordings from Porto Velho (Madeira River), originally stored as MP3 files and converted into wave format for acoustic analysis—this was necessary due to a low sample size of calls from the Madeira River Basin. Comparisons between the acoustic traits quantified between converted files and those originally stored as wave files were self-consistent, thus we decided to keep converted files in the dataset. Additional calls

were obtained from the sound guide to frogs of French Guiana (Marty & Gaucher, 1999), the Macaulay Library collection at the Cornell Lab of Ornithology (ML) and the Fonoteca Neotropical Jacques Vielliard (FNJV). Calls were analysed using an interface built between an expanded version (0.9.6.1) of Soundruler (Gridi-Papp, 2007) and Matlab v.6.5.2 (Matlab, 2004). Acoustic traits were quantified through automated analysis. Data are presented in acoustic descriptions as range (mean ± standard deviation). Ranges include the span of values from the raw dataset. In the case of pulse duration and pulse interval, given that acoustic signals analysed had more than one pulse, we first averaged the duration of each pulse of a given note (call mean) and then obtained the averaged mean for each male analysed from the mean duration of call pulses (individual mean), and lastly we obtained the grand means and associated standard deviations by averaging individual means. Overall spectrogram parameters were set as follows: fast Fourier transform (FFT) size = 1024 points, FFT overlap = 90%, window type = Hanning and window contrast = 70%. Acoustic definitions and terminology followed those of Carvalho et al. (2019c). Settings for the automated analysis are given along with information on sound recordings in Supporting Information (Appendix S3). Note rate (per minute) was quantified manually in Audacity v.2.1.1 (Audacity Team, 2017). A high-pass band filter of 500 Hz was applied to sound files in Soundruler prior to conducting the acoustic analysis to reduce background noise caused by wind and/or rain. Sound figures were produced using seewave v.2.1.0 (Sueur et al., 2008) and tuneR v.1.3.2 (Ligges et al., 2017), implemented in R v.3.5.0, with the following parameters: FFT size = 256 points, FFT overlap = 90%, window type = Hanning; the intensity of frequency components was indicated by its darkness in a relative 36 dB scale. If not otherwise stated, acoustic comparisons among species of Adenomera throughout the taxonomic accounts follow the quantified traits and associated references of Table 3. Call features attributed hereinafter to A. *diptyx* are based on the description published by Márquez et al. (1995). The species was referred therein as A. hylaedactyla [see Carvalho et al. (2019c) for a discussion concerning species identity of Bolivian populations of Adenomera].

#### INTEGRATIVE TAXONOMY AND SPECIES DELIMITATION

We adopted the unified species concept of de Queiroz (2007). Species delimitation was based mostly on the combination of biological (reproductive isolation), phylogenetic (reciprocal monophyly and diagnosis in qualitative traits) and phenetic (diagnosis in quantitative traits) properties [see Table 1 of de Queiroz

**Table 2.** Measurements (mm) of the type series (adult specimens only) of the six new species of the *A. heyeri* clade. Morphometric traits are defined in *Material and Methods*. Values are presented as  $X \pm SD$  (range). N = sample sizes (M = male, F = female). Measurements of the males of *A. aurantiaca* and *A. inopinata* correspond to their holotypes

	A. kayapo		A. amicorur	n	A. auranti	aca	A. inopinata	A. tapajonio	ea	A. gridipappi
	N = 10 (M)	N = 2 (F)	N = 25 (M)	N = 1 (F)	$\overline{N=1}$ (M)	N = 1 (F)	$\overline{N=1}$ (M)	N = 2 (M)	N = 1 (F)	N = 7 (M)
SVL	$18.6 \pm 1.0$ (17.5-21.0)	$20.9 \pm 1.2$ (20.0-21.7)	$22.3 \pm 0.8$ (20.9-24.0)	22.3	20.9	20.9	23.5	$24.6 \pm 1.4$ (23.6-25.6)	24.0	$26.5 \pm 0.9$ (25.4-27.7)
HL	$6.0 \pm 0.4$ (5.6-6.4)	$6.4 \pm 0.3$ (6.1-6.6)	$7.0 \pm 0.2$ (6.6-7.4)	6.9	6.9	6.5	7.6	$8.0 \pm 0.1$ (7.9-8.1)	7.6	$8.0 \pm 0.4$ (7.7-8.5)
HW	$7.0 \pm 0.4$ (6.6-7.9)	$7.7 \pm 0.3$ (7.4-7.9)	$8.1 \pm 0.3$ (7.6-8.7)	8.1	7.6	7.6	9.4	$8.9 \pm 0.7$ (8.4-9.4)	8.9	$9.5 \pm 0.4$ (9.0-10.0)
ED	$1.6 \pm 0.1$ (1.5-1.8)	$1.9 \pm 0.1$ (1.8–1.9)	$1.8 \pm 0.1$ (1.6-2.1)	1.6	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.1	2.1	$2.1 \pm 0.2$ (1.9-2.3)
TD	$1.2 \pm 0.1$ (1.1–1.5)	$1.5 \pm 0.2$ (1.3-1.6)	$1.3 \pm 0.2$ (0.8–1.5)	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.5	$1.5 \pm 0.1$ (1.3–1.6)
EN	$1.5 \pm 0.2$ (1.1–1.8)	$1.5 \pm 0.1$ (1.5-1.6)	$1.6 \pm 0.1$ (1.3-1.9)	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.1	$1.9 \pm 0.1$ (1.8–1.9)	2.1	$1.9 \pm 0.2$ (1.8-2.3)
IND	$1.6 \pm 0.1$ (1.5-1.8)	1.9	$1.9 \pm 0.2$ (1.6-2.1)	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	$2.2 \pm 0.1$ (2.1-2.3)	2.4	$2.4 \pm 0.1$ (2.3-2.6)
HAL	$4.1 \pm 0.3$ (3.7-4.7)	$4.7 \pm 0.7$ (4.2-5.2)	$4.5 \pm 0.4$ (3.7–5.0)	4.2	4.0	4.4	5.2	$5.1 \pm 0.3$ (4.8-5.3)	5.6	$5.4 \pm 0.2$ (5.0-5.6)
TL	$8.2 \pm 0.6$ (7.7-9.5)	$8.7 \pm 0.2$ (8.5-8.9)	$9.2 \pm 0.3$ (8.7-9.7)	10.2	8.9	10.0	10.5	$10.2 \pm 0.6$ (9.8–10.6)	11.3	$12.0 \pm 0.5$ (11.3-12.6)
THL	$7.9 \pm 0.6$ (7.3-8.9)	$8.0 \pm 0.1$ (7.9-8.1)	$9.1 \pm 0.4$ (8.4-10.3)	9.5	8.2	9.7	9.4	$10.2 \pm 0.2$ (10.0-10.3)	9.7	$11.4 \pm 0.9$ (9.8–12.3)
FL	$8.3 \pm 0.9$ (6.9–9.8)	$9.2 \pm 0.7$ (8.7–9.7)	9.7 ± 0.5 (8.9–10.6)	10.3	10.0	10.2	11.0	$10.6 \pm 0.3$ (10.3-10.8)	11.0	$11.9 \pm 1.0$ (10.5–12.9)

(2007)]. By adopting this rationale as operational criteria to assessing the existence of separately evolving lineages, we consider as species any monophyletic lineage recovered by the phylogenetic analysis that is diagnosable by at least one fixed phenotypic character (i.e. call or morphology), with the assumption that fixed phenotypic differences are evidence for reduced gene flow among populations (e.g. Frost & Hillis, 1990; Frost *et al.*, 1998; Padial *et al.*, 2012).

#### RESULTS

#### PHYLOGENETIC RELATIONSHIPS AND DIVERGENCE TIME ESTIMATES

A monophyletic Adenomera is supported by a high nodal value in our analysis (Supporting Information, Fig. S1), diverging from the sister group Lithodytes lineatus at 37.8 (31-44) Mya, during the Eocene (Supporting Information, Fig. S2). The major groups within Adenomera (A. andreae, A. heyeri, A. hylaedactyla, A. lutzi, A. marmorata, A. martinezi and A. thomei clades), as defined by Fouquet et al. (2014), were also recovered as monophyletic (Supporting Information, Fig. S1). An early diverging group in the early Miocene

[21.2 (19-24) Mya] is the A. andreae clade, sister to all remaining Adenomera, followed by a divergence between clades (hylaedactyla + martinezi + thomei + marmorata) and (heyeri + lutzi), at 19.7 (17-22) Mya. This divergence has a lower nodal support due to the unstable position of the A. lutzi clade, which switches between this position and as the sister group of the other five clades. The sister clades recovered are A. hylaedactyla + A. martinezi with a crown age of 14.9 (12–17) Myr, A. marmorata + A. thomei with a crown age of 14.4 (12–17) Myr and A. lutzi + A. heyeri with a crown age of 18.1 (15-21) Myr. Diversification of most Adenomera clades began in the Miocene, with most recent divergences detected within the A. heyeri and A. marmorata clades during the Plio-Pleistocene transitional period (Supporting Information, Fig. S2).

The crown age of the A. heyeri clade was inferred at 15.8 (13–18) Mya (Supporting Information, Fig. S2). Within the A. heyeri clade, A. juikitam was recovered as sister of the remaining 13 lineages, which include A. heyeri and several additional unnamed lineages indicated by Fouquet et al. (2014) and in the present study (Fig. 3). A. juikitam and A. cotuba were originally described without genetic data associated (Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013a). We assessed their

Species	TO	ND	ЪР	ΡT	H1	H2	Reference
A. ajurauna	SN	130 - 190	Z	N	3.72 - 5.43		Berneck et al. (2008)
A. amicorum	MN	133 - 197	4 - 10	IP	1.96 - 2.11	3.90 - 4.22	Present study
A. andreae	SN	41 - 76	3 - 10	IP	2.22 - 2.59	4.24 - 5.23	Carvalho et al. (2019d)
A. araucaria	SN	102 - 277	4-18	IP	2.10 - 2.48	4.11 - 4.93	Carvalho et al. (2019b)
A. aurantiaca	MN	112 - 137	5-7	CP	2.07 - 2.25	4.10 - 4.52	Present study
A. bokermanni <sup>*</sup>	SN	99 - 152	N	Z	1.79 - 1.83	3.40 - 3.57	Kwet $(2007)$
A. chicomendesi	SN	154-247	22 - 35	II	2.01 - 2.52	3.94 - 5.06	Carvalho <i>et al.</i> (2019a)
A. coca	SN	110 - 145	10 - 15	IP	1.69 - 1.91	3.45 - 3.75	Angulo & Reichle (2008)
A. cotuba	MN	68 - 148	7-22	IP	1.49 - 1.84	3.02 - 3.91	Present study
A. $diptyx^{\dagger}$	SN	44–69	Pulsed	IP	2.08 - 2.46	4.20 - 4.79	Márquez <i>et al.</i> (1995)
A. engelsi	SN	96 - 163	N	Z	$\sim 2.00$	3.46 - 4.29	Kwet $et al.$ (2009)
A. gridipappi	MN	50 - 75	2-4	IP	1.82 - 1.97	3.55 - 4.03	Present study
A. heyeri	SN	95 - 156	4 - 12	IP	1.79-2.03	3.87 - 4.36	Present study
A. hylaedactyla	SN	41 - 89	4 - 10	IP	1.85 - 2.21	3.68 - 4.46	Carvalho et al. (2019d)
A. inopinata	MN	70 - 91	4-5	CP	2.11 - 2.20	3.98 - 4.08	Present study
A. juikitam	SN	130 - 243	11 - 30	IP	1.77 - 2.31	3.54 - 4.85	Present study
A. kayapo	SN	116 - 156	12 - 16	IP	2.23 - 2.41	4.57 - 4.99	Present study
A. kweti	SN	60 - 84	N	Z	2.36 - 2.71	4.76 - 5.41	Carvalho et al. (2019b)
A. lutzi	SN	41 - 61	N	Z	1.64 - 1.81	3.27 - 3.62	Kok et al. (2007)
A. marmorata	SN	21 - 114	N	Z	4.03 - 5.47	1	Cassini $et al.$ (2020)
A. martinezi	SN	63 - 151	15-21	IP	1.88 - 2.06	3.38 - 4.13	Carvalho & Giaretta (2013b)
A. nana	SN	67 - 122	N	Z	2.30 - 2.70	4.62 - 5.44	Kwet $(2007)$
A. phonotriccus	SN	213 - 433	14 - 26	CP	1.86 - 2.00	3.64 - 4.11	Carvalho et al. (2019c)
A. saci	SN	90 - 241	N	N	1.69 - 2.25	3.38 - 4.41	Carvalho & Giaretta (2013b)
A. simonstuarti	MN	57 - 71	3-4	IP	1.81 - 2.03	3.71 - 4.05	Angulo & Icochea (2010)
A. tapajonica	SN	66–89	3–5	IP	1.87 - 2.00	4.05 - 4.43	Present study
A. thomei	SN	120 - 210	10-21	Ц	9 15-9 81	$457_{-556}$	Almaida & Anmila (2006)

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Table 3. Summary of major advertisement call traits (presented as value ranges) used in the acoustic diagnosis among species of Adenomera: temporal

\*Reported as *Adenomera* sp. 2 from Joinville. 'feported as *A. hylaedactyla* [see discussion in Carvalho *et al.* (2019d)].



**Figure 3.** Bayesian phylogenetic tree of *Adenomera* (fully expanded) based on molecular data, focusing on the *A. heyeri* clade and its sister group (A. *lutzi* clade). Numbers near the nodes indicate posterior probabilities (pp) and asterisks indicate full support (pp = 1.0). Branch scale is indicated in number of substitutions per site. See Supporting Information (Fig. S1) for the relationships among *Adenomera* clades.

phylogenetic positions based on type specimens (holotypes and paratypes of both species; see Fig. 3) and non-topotypical specimens. Sequenced individuals of A. juikitam and A. cotuba were recovered nested, respectively, within the lineages sp. I and sp. H of Fouquet et al. (2014). Morphological and acoustic data (detailed in the taxonomy section) support both species as members of the A. heyeri clade. The phylogenetic position of A. cotuba switches between (i) sister of sp. F or (ii) sister of the sp. F + sp. G clade, and that of sp. Q switches between (i) sister of all taxa except A. juikitam and (ii) sister of A. heyeri. Such variation had already been noted in previous phylogenetic inferences with essentially the same molecular sampling effort (Fouquet et al., 2014) and might reflect biases on methods, marker origin or extension of missing data, but does not have a relevant effect on the posterior definition of biogeographic units or inferences.

The A. heveri clade as herein defined is composed of four nominal species and several unnamed species. The four named taxa are: A. heyeri distributed in the eastern Guiana Shield, A. juikitam in the Cerrado, Cerrado-Amazonia ecotone and Caatinga formations (associated, in most cases, with rocky outcrops), A. cotuba in the Cerrado savannas and dry forests of north-central Brazil, and A. phonotriccus in eastern Amazonia. The remaining unnamed genetic lineages were clustered by Fouquet et al. (2014) as sp. F, sp. G and sp. Q. Although sp. F and sp. G are distributed across the major southern tributaries of the Amazon River in Brazilian Amazonia, sp. Q is only known from a single locality, based on a genetic voucher from northwestern Amazonia in south-eastern Colombia. Within sp. F and sp. G, the highly structured genetic patterns combined with widespread distribution ranges were found to contain additional cryptic species. The sp. F lineage, subdivided into three subclades [F1, F2, F3 (Fouquet et al., 2014)], was previously studied by Carvalho et al. (2019c), leading to the description of A. phonotriccus (=F3) and insights into the identity of the other two clades as additional unnamed species. Our analyses recover the same relationship of sp. F and sp. G as sister clades, diverging 8.8 (7–10) Mya. With a broader geographic sampling in our study, we also reveal the existence of three other unnamed lineages from the southern Amazon Basin with affinities to clades within sp. G, which had not been sampled in the previous phylogeny of the genus (Fouquet et al., 2014).

#### SPECIES DELIMITATION

The molecular-based delimitation analysis indicated 18 OTUs within the *A. heyeri* clade, with four nominal species: *A. juikitam* divided into three subgroups, *A. heyeri* divided into two subgroups, and *A. phonotriccus* and *A. cotuba* as single evolutionary units. The lineage sp. Q of Fouquet *et al.* (2014) and three newly sampled lineages from the Tapajós River region were also recovered as single evolutionary units. Among unnamed lineages, sp. F and sp. G of Fouquet *et al.* (2014) were divided into three and four subgroups, respectively.

Based on the integration of genetic and phenotypic data, we delimited 14 OTUs within the A. heveri clade (Fig. 3). Mean genetic distances between these OTUs range from 5 to 20% (mean 13%) in COI, whereas maximum mean distances within OTUs reach 4% (Table 1). Because of the lack of any phenotypic evidence that can support subdivisions within A. juikitam and A. heyeri, as well as mean COI distances below the 5% threshold (Table 1), genetic divergence is regarded as substructuration of single evolutionary units. Five unnamed lineages of Fouquet et al. (2014): sp. F2 in part, sp. G1, sp. G2, sp. G4 and sp. Q are treated as unconfirmed candidate species pending the acquisition of acoustic data to address the taxonomic status of these lineages. Two of these (sp. G1 and sp. G4) are regarded as a single evolutionary unit because of the mean COI distance below the 5% threshold and geographic co-occurrence. The three remaining lineages (sp. F1, sp. F2 in part and sp. G3) and three newly sampled unnamed lineages were also examined for phenotypic variation, which is consistent with the genetic evidence, and thus warrants their recognition as distinct species.

#### BIOGEOGRAPHIC HISTORY

Here we treat as new species the six lineages that are named in the next section of this study 'sp. nov.' of Fig. 4) and as candidate new species those of less certain taxonomic status within the A. heyeri clade. Our analysis of reconstruction of ancestral areas recovered the best-fitting model of DIVALIKE+J with log-likelihood = -18.44 (-18.54 for DEC+J, -18.74 for BAYAREALIKE+J, -29.61 for DIVALIKE, -32.50 for DEC and -38.09 for BAYAREALIKE). The origin of the A. heyeri clade corresponds most likely to northern Amazonia with the first lineage splitting originating A. juikitam via dispersal to the DD during the middle Miocene (Fig. 4). A. heyeri and Adenomera sp. Q also diverged in northern Amazonia during the middle Miocene. Later in the same geological period a southward dispersal took place from northern Amazonia to the Tapajós-Xingu interfluve. One main clade diversified in this interfluvial region, originating one subclade composed of two new species, and a second subclade that occupied an adjacent interfluvial region (Madeira-Tapajós) during the early Pliocene, composed of two other new species plus two related new candidate species (Fig. 4). The diversification of the second main clade south of the Amazon River includes a second dispersal event to the DD, originating A. cotuba, and



**Figure 4.** Reconstruction of ancestral areas and diversification of the *A. heyeri* clade and its sister group (A. *lutzi* clade) in Amazonia and the Dry Diagonal (DD), estimated by the DIVALIKE+J model. Letters denote biogeographic units (inset map) as follows: A (northern Amazonia), B (Madeira-Tapajós interfluve), C (Tapajós-Xingu interfluve), D (Xingu-Tocantins interfluve) and E (DD).

the occupation of another interfluvial region (Xingu-Tocantins) and contact zone of Cerrado-Amazonia. This lineage splitting originated a subclade formed by *A. phonotriccus* + one new species, and also an *in situ* origin in the Tapajós-Xingu interfluve of a second subclade formed by another new species + one new candidate species during the late Pliocene (Fig. 4). The overall pattern of diversification within the *A. heyeri* clade likely reflects a series of dispersal events rather than vicariance and can be evidenced as an expansion of diversity in a north-south axis from northern Amazonia to the DD and interfluvial regions south of the Amazon River.

#### TAXONOMY AND SPECIES DESCRIPTIONS

In this section, we reassess relevant phenotypic data on three species of the *A. heyeri* clade (*A. heyeri*, *A. cotuba* and *A. juikitam*), including updated diagnoses, and describe six of ten candidate species as new based on the congruence of reciprocal monophyly (in both mitochondrial and nuclear DNA) and species delimitation analysis with morphological and acoustic data.

## Advertisement call and emended diagnosis of A. heyeri

The call is redescribed based on a larger sample of recordings from French Guiana and Suriname in comparison with the original description (Boistel *et al.*, 2006) and under standardized analytical procedures as a way to enable direct interspecific acoustic comparisons in the next sections. Moreover, the original diagnosis is updated by listing diagnostic traits and highlighting those that are not informative in the current state of *Adenomera* systematics.

The following description is based on calls of five males (N = 42 notes and 327 pulses quantified;)Table 3). The advertisement call of A. heyeri (Figs 5A, 6A, 7A) consists of a single-note signal given at a low rate of 22-27 ( $24 \pm 2$ ) per minute. Notes are formed by 4-12 (8 ± 2) partly fused pulses given at a rate of 68-89 ( $80 \pm 6$ ) per second, and varying in duration from 5–65 (15  $\pm$  2) ms. Note duration varies from 95-156 (122 ± 22) ms, and note rise time from 18-67  $(43 \pm 13)\%$  of note duration. The note frequencies are harmonically structured and the dominant frequency may coincide either with the fundamental harmonic  $(1787-2003 \text{ Hz}, 1817 \pm 57; N = 1 \text{ male})$  or second harmonic (3867–4359 Hz, 4107 ± 232; N = 4 males). Frequency modulation is upward, slight or pronounced, rising to 215–1219 (753 ± 295) Hz.

A. heyeri was originally characterized by the following morphological and colour features and call traits (*sensu* Boistel *et al.*, 2006): (1) two pairs of dorsolateral folds; (2) smooth skin on the sole of foot or with a few small white tubercles; (3) throat and belly yellow in males; and (4) tarsal fold present and slightly marked. Acoustic traits used in the comparisons were: (1) presence of linear and sinusoidal frequency



**Figure 5.** Oscillograms of the temporal organization (single-note vs. multi-note) of advertisement calls in the *A. heyeri* clade. Call sections are equally scaled (40–50 s along the *x*-axis, except in H, for which we produced the figure based on the only available 13-s long sound recording). A, A. *heyeri* from French Guiana, northeastern Amazonia. B, A. *cotuba* from the central Brazilian Cerrado. C, A. *juikitam* from the central Brazilian Cerrado. D, A. *kayapo* from the left bank of the lower Araguaia River, southeastern Amazonia. E, A. *amicorum* from the right bank of the lower Tapajós River, southeastern Amazonia. F, A. *phonotriccus* from the left bank of the lower Araguaia River, southeastern Amazonia. G, A. *aurantiaca* from the right bank of the middle Tapajós River, southeastern Amazonia. H, A. *inopinata* from the right bank of the middle Tapajós River, southeastern Amazonia. J, A. *gridipappi* from the right bank of the upper Madeira River, southwestern Amazonia. Single-note calls given continuously in A, C–D, F and I; two multi-note calls in B, E, G–H and J. See Appendix S3 for detailed information.

modulations; (2) absence of amplitude modulation and pulses; and (3) dominant frequency coinciding with the second harmonic. Morphological characters #1-2 and #4 are highly variable among members of the genus and as such should preferably not be used as diagnostic eatures. On the other hand, the colour character #3 (ventral surfaces golden yellow in life) is informative for species discrimination within *Adenomera*, given that most species have ventral coloration varying from off-white to cream-coloured.

In addition to a yellow ventral coloration [diagnostic feature #3 of Boistel *et al.* (2006)], the following combination of character states is useful for the diagnosis of *A. heyeri* in the genus *Adenomera*: (1)

antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm absent; (2) nearly solid dark-coloured stripe on underside of forearm absent; (3) toe tips fully expanded into small discs (character state D); (4) single-note advertisement call; (5) call note formed by partly fused pulses; and (6) notes given at a low repetition rate of 22–27 per minute. It is noteworthy that, based solely on yellow ventral coloration (Fig. 8B), A. heyeri can be distinguished from most congeners, except the Amazonian A. chicomendesi and A. lutzi, and the allopatric Atlantic Forest species (A. araucaria, A. bokermanni, A. kweti and A. nana). A. heyeri differs from A. lutzi, A. cotuba and A. phonotriccus by lacking an antebrachial tubercle on the underside of the forearm. A. heyeri



**Figure 6.** Oscillograms showing the amplitude envelope (incomplete vs. complete pulsing) of advertisement call notes in the *A. heyeri* clade. A, A. *heyeri* from French Guiana, northeastern Amazonia. B, A. *cotuba* from the central Brazilian Cerrado. C, A. *juikitam* from the central Brazilian Cerrado. D, A. *kayapo* from the left bank of the lower Araguaia River, southeastern Amazonia. E, A. *amicorum* from the right bank of the lower Tapajós River, southeastern Amazonia. F, A. *phonotriccus* from the left bank of the lower Araguaia River, southeastern Amazonia. G, A. *aurantiaca* from the right bank of the middle Tapajós River, southeastern Amazonia. H, A. *inopinata* from the right bank of the middle Tapajós River, southeastern Amazonia. I, A. *spidipappi* from the right bank of the upper Madeira River, southwestern Amazonia. Call sections are equally scaled (c. 250 ms along the *x*-axis, except in F, produced on a 450-ms time scale). Incomplete pulses in A–E and I–J; complete pulses in F–H. See Appendix S3 for detailed information.

has fully expanded toe tips (Fig. 8A–B), differing from most congeners, except A. ajurauna, A. andreae, A. chicomendesi, A. lutzi, A. marmorata, A. nana and A. simonstuarti. Regarding call features, the pulsed call of A. heyeri differs from the non-pulsed calls of A. lutzi and most Atlantic Forest species (Table 3). The singlenote call of A. heyeri (Fig. 5A) differs from the multi-note call of A. cotuba (Fig. 5B) and A. simonstuarti (T.R. de Carvalho, pers. obs.); the call note of A. heyeri is formed by partly fused pulses (Figs 6A, 7A), whereas that of A. phonotriccus is formed by complete pulses (Figs 6F, 7F). The low note repetition rate of A. heyeri (22–27 notes/min) differs clearly from the fast-rated notes of the open-habitat species A. diptyx, A. hylaedactyla, A. martinezi and A. saci [combined repetition rate of 90-242 notes/min (Márquez et al., 1995; Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013b; Carvalho et al., 2019d)]. The note duration of A. heyeri (95–156 ms) differs from those of A. andreae [41–76 ms (Carvalho et al., 2019d)] and A. chicomendesi [154–247 ms (Carvalho et al., 2019a)].

# Distribution and variation in A. cotuba and A. juikitam

These species were reported in the literature only three times since their original description



**Figure 7.** Spectrograms showing the frequency components (sound energy distributed across the first three harmonics) of advertisement call notes in the *A. heyeri* clade. A, A. *heyeri* from French Guiana, northeastern Amazonia. B, A. *cotuba* from the central Brazilian Cerrado. C, A. *juikitam* from the central Brazilian Cerrado. D, A. *kayapo* from the left bank of the lower Araguaia River, southeastern Amazonia. E, A. *amicorum* from the right bank of the lower Tapajós River, southeastern Amazonia. F, A. *phonotriccus* from the left bank of the lower Araguaia River, southeastern Amazonia. E, A. *amicorum* from the right bank of the middle Tapajós River, southeastern Amazonia. H, A. *inopinata* from the right bank of the middle Tapajós River, southeastern Amazonia. I, A. *tapajonica* from the left bank of the middle Tapajós River, southeastern Amazonia. J, A. *gridipappi* from the right bank of the upper Madeira River, southwestern Amazonia. Call sections are equally scaled (c. 250 ms along the *x*-axis, except in F, produced on a 450-ms time scale; and at an 8-kHz frequency scale along the *y*-axis). See Appendix S3 for detailed information.



**Figure 8.** Life colours (adult males) of three species of the *A. heyeri* clade. A–B, *A. heyeri* (AF 2683: SVL not assessed) from Aikéné, in French Guiana. C–D, *A. cotuba* (ZUFMS-AMP 12961: SVL = 21.3 mm) from the District of Taquaruçu (in Palmas), in the Brazilian state of Tocantins. E–F, *A. juikitam* (AAG-UFU 6238: SVL = 18.9 mm) from Aragominas, in the Brazilian state of Tocantins. Photographs of *A. cotuba* by Leandro A. da Silva.

(Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013a). The distribution of A. cotuba was extended to São Desidério in western Bahia, north-eastern Brazil (Oliveira et al., 2018), a region without genetic sampling for the species. We recorded and collected three specimens from the same locality (Supporting Information, Appendices S1, S3). Morphological and acoustic data confirm the taxonomic identity of that population as pertaining to A. cotuba. With regard to A. juikitam, the only report in the Brazilian state of Ceará, north-eastern Brazil (Roberto & Loebmann, 2016), is within the distribution range of the species (reported as sp. I by Fouquet et al., 2014). The most recent report indicates the occurrence of both A. cotuba and A. juikitam in a few localities in the Brazilian state of Tocantins (Silva et al., 2020). The occurrence areas in Tocantins are consistent with the distribution range of both species based on molecular sampling (Supporting Information, Appendix S2) and examination of specimens and call analysis (Supporting Information, Appendices S1, S3).

Morphological features of additional populations assigned to A. cotuba and A. juikitam largely agree with the original description (Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013a; Fig. 8C–F). Exceptions are: (1) SVL range of adult males: specimens of other populations attain larger sizes (SVL = 20.6-22.8 mm in A. cotuba; SVL = 18.9-23.7 mm in A. juikitam) in comparison with type specimens (SVL = 18.6-20.5 mm in A. cotuba; SVL = 19.1-19.5 mm in A. juikitam); (2) dorsal skin texture: extremely glandular at the type locality, but specimens collected from other localities may have smoother dorsal surfaces; (3) dorsal coloration: the type series of A. cotuba was described as nearly solid dark-coloured, but some specimens collected outside the type locality had lighter shades (e.g. marbled pattern) on the dorsum (Fig. 8C). A. juikitam was described as having a reddish, marble-like dorsal colouration, which varies to relatively more homogeneous and paler tints in other localities (Fig. 8E). These three features should be used with caution in the identification of specimens of both species, preferably combined with other traits listed in their original diagnoses (Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013a). Calls (Figs 5B-C, 6B–C, 7B–C) recorded from other regions (thirteen males of each of the two species; A. cotuba: N = 731notes and 8363 pulses quantified; A. juikitam: N =400 notes and 7296 pulses quantified; see Appendix S3) also revealed higher intraspecific variation in quantitative acoustic data than previously reported in their original descriptions [Table 3 (Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013a: tables 2, 3)].

New data on females of both species were obtained for the first time. Females are relatively larger compared to males: SVL = 22.1-23.4 mm in *A. cotuba* (*N* = 2); SVL = 22.0-25.4 mm in *A. juikitam* (*N* = 3). Other phenotypic traits in females generally agree with those described for male specimens, except snout shape, which is more rounded both in dorsal and lateral views (males generally have snout subovoid and acuminate in dorsal and lateral views, respectively). Phenotypic traits used in the diagnosis and interspecific comparisons of *A. cotuba* and *A. juikitam* in the next sections take into consideration the new intraspecific variation (morphology and calls) mentioned earlier.

#### SPECIES DESCRIPTIONS

#### ADENOMERA KAYAPO, SP. NOV.

KAYAPÓ TERRESTRIAL NEST-BUILDING FROG

### (FIGS 2B, 3–4, 5D, 6D, 7D, 9A–B, 11A–B; TABLES 1-3)

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*Holotype:* CFBH 43885 (formerly AAG-UFU 6243; field #TRC 124), adult male, BRAZIL, Pará, Palestina do Pará, 5.701950°S, 48.235240°W, 121 m, 8-i-2018, T.R. de Carvalho, A.A. Giaretta and P. Marinho (Collectors).

Paratypes: CFBH 43886 (formerly AAG-UFU 6244; field #TRC 125) and AAG-UFU 6245-6246 (field #TRC 126-127, respectively), adult males; all with the same collection data as the holotype. MPEG 41619 (field #LOD 1042), adult male, BRAZIL, Pará. Parauapebas, Floresta Nacional (FLONA) de Carajás, 6.076241°S, 50.074451°W, 661 m, 19-i-2018, L.O. Drummond and F.M. Borges (Collectors). MPEG 41620 (field #LOD 1428), adult female, BRAZIL, Pará, Parauapebas, FLONA de Carajás, 6.049913°S, 50.265324°W, 701 m, 23-i-2018, L.O. Drummond and F.M. Borges (Collectors). MPEG 41692 (field #LOD 799), adult male, BRAZIL, Pará, São Félix do Xingu, Serra do Jaguar, Bacia Carapanãzinho, 6.480099°S, 51.249726°W, 236 m, 29-x-2011, L.O. Drummond (Collector). MPEG 41694 (field #LOD 828), adult male, BRAZIL, Pará, São Félix do Xingu, Serra do Jaguar, Bacia Carapanãzinho, 6.456122°S, 51.197732°W, 255 m, 3-xi-2011, L.O. Drummond (Collector). INPA-H 40523-40524, 40526 (field #APL 22299-300, 22302, respectively), adult males, and INPA-H 40525 (field #APL 22301). adult female. BRAZIL. Tocantins. Araguaína, 7.103700°S, 48.197800°W, 227 m, 18-xi-2018, A.P. Lima (Collector).

*Referred specimens: Adenomera* sp. F, in part (Fouquet *et al.*, 2014: specimens assigned to the lineage F1 in appendices S1a, S3a): MCP 11384 (genetic voucher TG3259), subadult specimen, BRAZIL, Pará, FLONA dos Carajás; MZUSP 140174 (genetic voucher T314),

adult male, BRAZIL, Pará, Reserva Biológica (REBIO) Tapirapé.

Additional material: MZUSP 92765, 92784 (adult males) and MZUSP 92774, 92778 (adult females): BRAZIL, Mato Grosso, Vila Rica; MZUSP 140172–73 (adult males; genetic vouchers T220 and T265, respectively): BRAZIL, Pará, REBIO Tapirapé.

*Etymology:* The name *kayapo* is given as homage to the Kayapó people (sometimes also spelled as Caiapó). The Kayapó is a large group of Jê speaking people living in the south-eastern portion of Brazilian Amazonia. It is thought that the Kayapó, who name themselves *mebêngôkre*, once inhabited a vast region between the Araguaia and Tocantins rivers, but were pushed westward by the early colonizers in the 19<sup>th</sup> century (Turner, 1998). The Kayapó are known to be fierce protectors of their rights and lands.

Diagnosis: A. kayapo is characterized by the following combination of character states: (1) small size (adult male SVL = 17.5–21.0 mm); (2) robust body shape; (3) toe tips unexpanded or slightly expanded (character states B–C); (4) distal antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm; (5) two possible chromotypes (presence/absence) of dorsolateral stripe; (6) singlenote advertisement call; (7) call note formed by 12–16 partly fused pulses; (8) note duration varying from 116–156 ms; and (9) note dominant frequency coinciding either with the fundamental harmonic (2304 Hz; N = 1 male) or the second harmonic (4570– 4992 Hz; N = 3 males).

Comparisons with congeners: A. kayapo has adult males (SVL = 17.5–21.0 mm; Table 2) that are smaller than those (if not otherwise stated, specimens measured are listed in Supporting Information, Appendix S1) of A. bokermanni (21.3–22.8 mm), A. coca [23.6–25.6 mm (Angulo & Reichle, 2008)], A. heyeri [22.5-25.8 mm (Boistel et al., 2006)], A. hylaedactyla (21.5-26.5 mm), A. lutzi [25.7–33.5 mm (Kok et al., 2007)], A. martinezi [21.9-24.2 mm (Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013b)] and A. simonstuarti [25.9-26.2 mm (Angulo & Icochea, 2010)]. A. kayapo has a robust body shape (Fig. 11A-B), whereas A. diptyx, A. martinezi and A. saci have a slender body (Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013b). A. kayapo has unexpanded or slightly expanded to e tips (character states B–C), differing from congeners having toe tips fully expanded into small discs, character state D (A. ajurauna, A. andreae, A. chicomendesi, A. heyeri, A. marmorata, A. lutzi, A. nana and A. simonstuarti). A. kayapo is distinguished from all congeners (except A. cotuba, A. lutzi, and A. phonotriccus) by having an antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm. A. kayapo differs from A. cotuba, which does not

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have a dorsolateral stripe, by the occurrence of two possible chromotypes (presence/absence) of the stripe. A. kayapo and the closest related A. phonotriccus are morphologically cryptic species with sympatric distribution (syntopic occurrence at their type locality; Fig. 2B). In contrast, these sister species markedly differ in their advertisement calls.

The advertisement call of A. kayapo (Figs 5D, 6D, 7D; Table 3) consists of single notes formed by partly fused pulses. These acoustic characteristics distinguish the new species from the two congeners with multi-note calls, A. cotuba (Fig. 5B) and A. simonstuarti (T.R. de Carvalho, pers. obs.), and from eight congeners with non-pulsed calls (Table 3). From congeners also having single-note, pulsed calls, A. kayapo is distinguished from A. andreae, A. coca, A. diptyx, A. heyeri, A. hylaedactyla and A. martinezi by a longer note duration and/or higher fundamental frequency (Table 3). The call of A. kayapo is formed by partly fused pulses (Figs 6D, 7D), whereas that of A. phonotriccus is formed by complete pulses (Figs 6F, 7F). The call of A. kayapo most closely resembles those of A. juikitam (Figs 5C, 6C, 7C), A. araucaria and A. thomei (Almeida & Angulo, 2006; Carvalho et al., 2019b). The calls of the four species cannot be distinguished from each other in any of the call traits analysed (Table 3). Both Atlantic Forest species (A. araucaria and A. thomei) are distantly related and allopatric in relation to the Amazonian A. kayapo (Supporting Information, Fig. S1). In contrast, A. juikitam and A. kayapo have sympatric populations in the Cerrado-Amazonia ecotone (Figs 1B, 2B), but they occupy distinct habitats (preferentially open formations and forests, respectively). Even so, A. kayapo differs from the other three species by the presence of antebrachial tubercles (see morphological comparisons in the previous paragraph).

Description of holotype (Fig. 11A-B): Body robust. Snout subovoid in dorsal view, acuminate in lateral view. Nostril closer to the snout tip than to the eve; fleshy ridge on snout tip; canthus rostralis not marked; loreal region slightly concave; supratympanic fold from the posterior corner of the eye to the base of the arm; postcommissural gland ovoid; vocal sac subgular with a fold from jaw extending to forearm, vocal slit present; vomerine teeth in two straight rows medial and posterior to choanae and oblique to sagittal plane. Tongue elongated, free from the posterior half. Relative finger lengths  $IV < I \simeq II < III$ ; fingers without ridges or fringes; finger tips rounded, unexpanded; inner metacarpal tubercle ovoid; outer metacarpal tubercle rounded. Subarticular tubercles nearly rounded; supernumerary tubercles rounded. Antebrachial tubercles on underside of forearm rounded. Anterior dorsum and forelimbs smooth; posterior dorsum and

flank warty; tubercles on posterior dorsum, dorsal surface of hindlimb, and posterior surface of tarsus. Dorsolateral fold absent. Paracloacal gland poorly defined. Ventral surface of body and limbs mostly smooth; underside of thigh granular. Relative toe lengths I < II < V < III < IV; lateral fringing and webbing absent; tips of toes II-III slightly expanded (character states B-C), tip of toe I unexpanded, tips of toes IV-V desiccated. Inner metatarsal tubercle nearly rounded, outer metatarsal tubercle ovoid, inner tubercle twice in maximum diameter than outer tubercle. Tarsal fold extending 2/3 of tarsus length. from the inner metatarsal tubercle towards the heel. Subarticular and supernumerary tubercles nearly rounded or subconical. Measurements (in mm): SVL 17.6, HL 5.6, HW 6.6, ED 1.6, TD 1.3, EN 1.1, IND 1.5, HAL 3.7, TL 7.7, THL 7.3, FL 6.9.

Snout tip with a faded white coloration (coincident with the fleshy ridge). Dots and flecks on the upper lip off-white. Postcommissural gland off-white medially and surrounded by dark brown coloration. Tympanum light brown. Dorsal surfaces mostly dark brown intermingled with lighter shades of brown. Flecks on dorsal surface of forelimb and foot off-white, hand partially off-white. Mid-dorsal longitudinal stripe and dorsolateral stripe absent. Flank mottled. Posterior surface of thigh finely mottled in shades of brown and yellow. Ventral surface of belly and thigh partially translucent, light cream. Blotches on lower jaw offwhite. Throat and anterior chest finely dark-mottled, especially following the lateral expansion of the vocal sac. Belly brown-dotted, more densely coloured laterally. Underside of forearm dark brown. Ventral surface of hand, foot and digits brown, subarticular and supernumerary tubercles and tips of fingers and toes cream-coloured. Thigh brown-dotted.

Colour of holotype in life (Fig. 9A-B): Dorsum nearly solid dark brown intermingled with lighter shades of brown. Base of arm, postcommissural gland and glands on dorsum and flank in varying shades of orange. Snout tip with a faded white coloration. Flecks on upper and lower lips light grey, extending posteriorly to the base of arm. Mid-dorsal longitudinal stripe absent, even though there is an indication as a row of orange-coloured spots arranged longitudinally. Iris deep copper. Tympanum greyish brown. Ventral surfaces mottled dark brown and off-white varying in colour prevalence. Throat finely brown-mottled; belly sparsely brown-dotted medially on a white and cream background, white and brown mottled laterally. Groin with yellow tints. Ventral surface of forelimb and hindlimb partially translucent, violet.

*Variation in type specimens:* Snout shape in dorsal view subovoid tending to subelliptical (MPEG 41692) or rounded (MPEG 41619). In the female (MPEG 41620), nearly rounded from above, rounded in profile; snout tip lacks a fleshy ridge or a faded white coloration; postcommissural gland nearly rounded and canthus rostralis rounded; more evident than in male specimens. MPEG 41620 and 41694 have a single, rounded antebrachial tubercle on underside (distal edge) of forearm (at least two tubercles in other specimens). In life, ventral coloration of specimens from São Félix do Xingu (photographs not directly associated with preserved specimens) vary from white-and-grey mottled to bright yellow, especially in one female. In preserved specimens, dorsolateral stripe and mid-dorsal longitudinal stripe, pale brown or grey, in CFBH 43886, MPEG 41620 and MPEG 41692. Indication of mid-dorsal longitudinal stripe in AAG-UFU 6245-6246 and MPEG 41619. Paratypes have the dorsal surface of limbs dark brown crossbanded on a lighter brown background colour. Paracloacal gland absent in MPEG 41620 and 41694, well developed in MPEG 41619, yellowish cream bordered by dark coloration of posterior surface of thigh. AAG-UFU 6245 and MPEG 41619 have lighter belly coloration, with brown dots sparsely distributed, rather than the speckled pattern (densely distributed laterally).

Advertisement call: Description based on calls of four males (N = 50 notes and 712 pulses quantified; Table 3). The call (Figs 5D, 6D, 7D) consists of a single-note, pulsed signal given at a low rate of 23-33  $(28 \pm 4; N = 4)$  notes per minute. Notes are formed by  $12-16(14 \pm 1.0)$  partly fused pulses given at a rate of  $89-131 (108 \pm 16)$  per second and varying in duration from 3-25 (10 ± 1) ms. Note duration varies from  $116-156 (139 \pm 15)$  ms and note rise time from 37-74 $(54 \pm 8)\%$  of note duration. The note frequencies are harmonically structured and the dominant frequency may coincide either with the fundamental harmonic (2304 Hz; N = 1 male) or the second harmonic  $(4570-4992, 4789 \pm 137 \text{ Hz}; N = 3 \text{ males})$ . Frequency modulation, when present, is upward, ranging from 0-938 (553 ± 162) Hz.

Habitat and natural history: A. kayapo is usually associated with non-flooded forest habitats (terra firme forests) in eastern Brazilian Amazonia, although calling males have also been heard at the egde of forest clearings. Males call exposed or under the leaf litter and have calling activity concentrated during the daytime, especially in late afternoon. A. kayapo is sympatric with two other species of Adenomera at its type locality: A. phonotriccus is partly syntopic with A. kayapo at the type locality (Palestina do Pará), although they have been heard, in almost all cases, in two distinct forest fragments split by a strip of pasture land; *A. hylaedactyla*, different from *A. kayapo* and *A. phonotriccus*, occupies open areas (e.g. pastures and open vegetational types alongside with dirt roads). *A. andreae* has never been sampled at the type locality of *A. kayapo*, but they are syntopic species at Serra do Jaguar (São Félix do Xingu).

Distribution: The occurrence of A. kayapo is associated with the Xingu-Tocantins interfluve, comprising the type locality and some other localities on the west bank of the middle-lower Araguaia River in eastern Pará and north-eastern Mato Grosso, and single localities on the opposite bank of the river in northern Tocantins and on the east bank of the lower Xingu River (Fig. 2B). Given that the closely related A. kayapo and A. phonotriccus are morphologically cryptic species, we based their distribution ranges on acoustic and molecular data; A. kayapo is more widely distributed in the interfluvial region, whereas A. phonotriccus is restricted to two nearby localities on the west bank of the lower Araguaia River in eastern Pará (Carvalho et al., 2019c).

*Remarks:* We had access to calls of one individual from Altamira (FNJV 11208) that are similar to the call of *A. kayapo*. However, there is a issue related to the municipal limits of Altamira, which encompass both margins of the Xingu River. Due to the lack of a specific location or coordinates, it is impossible to ascertain whether *A. kayapo* was recorded within the Xingu-Tocantins interfluve or on its opposite margin, on the west bank of the Xingu River. A field expedition to the lower Xingu River should focus on a systematic sampling on both west and east banks of the river in order to confirm the westernmost distribution range of *A. kayapo* and the potential occurrence of other species of the *A. heyeri* clade.

#### ADENOMERA AMICORUM, SP. NOV.

SANTARÉM TERRESTRIAL NEST-BUILDING FROG

(FIGS 2B, 3–4, 5E, 6E, 7E, 9C–D, 11C–D; TABLES 1-3)

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*Holotype:* INPA-H 40506 (field #APL 122325), adult male, BRAZIL, Pará, Belterra, Fazenda Treviso, 3.149111°S, 54.840278°W, 104 m, 12-ii-2007, A.P. Lima (Collector).

*Paratypes:* CFBH 44465–44469 (field #APL 122328– 31, 122333, respectively), INPA-H 40490–40499, 40501–40505, 40507–40508 (field #19A–22A, APL 122305, 122311, 122313–16, 122319–21, 122323–24, 122326–27, respectively), adult males, and INPA-H 40500 (field #APL 122317), adult female, collected at the type locality between 2004–2007, A.P. Lima (Collector). INPA-H 40509–40510 (field #APL 22086, 22171, respectively), adult males, BRAZIL, Pará, Belterra, Área de Preservação Ambiental (APA) Alter do Chão, 3.516944°S, 55.073056°W, 155 m, 19-iii-2017, A.P. Lima (Collector).

*Referred specimens:* The genetic voucher MTR 11092: BRAZIL, Pará, Belterra, FLONA do Tapajós.

*Etymology:* The epithet is derived from Latin *amica*, friend, as a plural noun in apposition. The name is a reference to the members of the '*Allobates femoralis* project' led by one of us (A.P.L.) throughout Brazilian Amazonia. The research team was out in the field at the type locality of the species when it was first discovered in the early 2000s.

*Diagnosis:* A. *amicorum* is characterized by the following combination of character states: (1) medium size (adult male SVL = 20.9-24.0 mm); (2) robust body shape; (3) toe tips moderately to fully expanded (character states C–D); (4) distal antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm; (5) two possible chromotypes (presence/absence) of dorsolateral stripe; (6) multinote advertisement call; (7) call notes formed by 4–10 partly fused pulses; (8) note duration varying from 133–197 ms; (9) note dominant frequency coinciding with the second harmonic (3898–4221 Hz); and (10) note fundamental frequency ranging from 1958–2110 Hz.

Comparisons with congeners: A. amicorum has adult males (SVL = 20.9–24.0 mm; Table 2) smaller than those of A. lutzi [25.7–33.5 mm (Kok et al., 2007)] and A. simonstuarti [25.9–26.2 mm (Angulo & Icochea, 2010)]. A. amicorum has a robust body shape (Fig. 11C-D), whereas A. diptyx, A. martinezi and A. saci have a slender body (Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013b). A. amicorum has toe tips moderately (character state C) or fully expanded into small discs (character state D), whereas the toe tips are unexpanded (character states A-B) in A. bokermanni, A. coca, A. diptyx, A. hylaedactyla, A. martinezi, A. saci and A. thomei. A. amicorum is distinguished from most congeners (except A. cotuba, A. kayapo, A. lutzi and A. phonotriccus) by having an antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm. A. amicorum is distinguished from A. cotuba, which does not have a dorsolateral stripe, by the occurrence of two possible chromotypes (presence/absence) of the stripe. A. amicorum can be distinguished from the closely related A. kavapo and A. phonotriccus by having toe tips moderately to fully expanded (unexpanded or slightly expanded in the other two species). However, these three species are more easily distinguished from each other based on their calls. The advertisement call of *A. amicorum* (Figs 5E, 6E, 7E; Table 3) is given as multinote calls. Such a call pattern distinguishes the new species from congeners having single-note calls, either pulsed or non-pulsed (Table 3). The other two species of *Adenomera* with multi-note calls are *A. cotuba* (Fig. 5B) and *A. simonstuarti* (T.R. de Carvalho, pers. obs.), from which the new species is distinguished by having call notes with higher frequencies in the first two harmonics and with longer duration, respectively (Table 3).

Description of holotype (Fig. 11C-D): Body robust. Snout subovoid to rounded in dorsal view, acuminate in lateral view. Nostril closer to the snout tip than to the eye; fleshy ridge on snout tip; canthus rostralis rounded; loreal region slightly concave; supratympanic fold from the posterior corner of the eye to the base of the arm; postcommissural gland elongated; vocal sac subgular with a fold from jaw extending to forearm, vocal slit present; vomerine teeth in two straight rows medial and posterior to choanae and oblique to sagittal plane. Tongue elongated, free from the posterior half. Relative finger lengths  $IV \simeq I < II < III$ ; fingers without ridges or fringes; finger tips rounded, slightly expanded; inner metacarpal tubercle ovoid; outer metacarpal tubercle nearly rounded. Subarticular tubercles rounded or nearly rounded; supernumerary tubercles rounded. Antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm, single, rounded. Anterior dorsum and forelimb smooth; posterior dorsum and flank warty; tubercles sparsely distributed on posterior dorsum, dorsal surface of hindlimb and posterior surface of tarsus. Dorsolateral fold absent. Paracloacal gland indistinct; lumbar gland rounded. Ventral surface of body and limb mostly smooth; underside of thigh granular. Relative toe lengths I < II < V < III < IV; lateral fringing and webbing absent; tips of toes II-IV moderately expanded (character state C), tips of toes I and V unexpanded. Inner metatarsal tubercle ovoid, outer metatarsal tubercle nearly rounded, inner tubercle twice the maximum diameter of the outer tubercle. Tarsal fold extending 1/2 of tarsus length, from the inner metatarsal tubercle towards the heel, with a short gap close to the tubercle. Subarticular tubercles nearly rounded or subconical; supernumerary tubercles nearly rounded. Measurements (in mm): SVL 21.7, HL 6.8, HW 8.1, ED 1.9, TD 1.3, EN 1.6, IND 1.9, HAL 4.4, TL 9.5, THL 8.9, FL 10.0.

Snout tip with a faded white coloration (coincident with the fleshy ridge). Blotches on the upper lip faded white. Postcommissural gland cream-coloured. Tympanum light brown. Dorsum and dorsal surface of hindlimb brown on a light brown background. Flank speckled in light brown on a light grey background.



**Figure 9.** Life colours (adult males) of three new species of the *A. heyeri* clade from their type localities in Brazilian Amazonia. A–B, holotype of *A. kayapo* (CFBH 43885: SVL = 17.6 mm). C–D, paratype of *A. amicorum* (INPA-H 40497: SVL = 22.7 mm). E–F, holotype of *A. aurantiaca* (INPA-H 40520: SVL = 20.9 mm). Photographs of *A. aurantiaca* by José Cassimiro.

Posterior surface of thigh finely mottled in shades of brown and yellow. Mid-dorsal longitudinal stripe and dorsolateral stripes absent. Paracloacal gland pale yellow, covered with melanophores. Ventral surface of belly and thigh partially translucent, yellowish cream. Blotches on lower jaw white. Throat and anterior chest brown-dotted and white-spotted. Fine mottling (brown) faded. Underside of forearm brown. Ventral surface of hand, foot and digits have brown, subarticular and supernumerary tubercles, and tips of fingers and toes are cream-coloured and light grey. Brown spotting sparsely distributed on thigh. Variation in type specimens: Overall coloration is faded in the specimens INPA-H 40490–93. Their throat varies in brown mottling intensity. INPA-H 40494 has snout subovoid to subelliptical in dorsal view; throat coloration faded; paracloacal gland absent. The female INPA-H 40500 has snout nearly rounded from above, rounded in profile; dorsolateral fold pale yellow, indication of mid-dorsal longitudinal stripe, paracloacal gland absent; hindlimbs mostly smooth. Dorsolateral folds and/or stripes are present in INPA-H 40497, 40500, 40502–04, 40507, 40509. Tips of toes II–IV vary between moderately to fully expanded (character states C–D) in CFBH 44468–69, INPA-H 40490–98, 40500 and 40502, and are fully expanded (state D) in INPA-H 40499, 40501 and 40505. Paracloacal and lumbar glands, and antebrachial tubercles may be low or flattened, and have the same colour of background dorsal/ventral coloration, which make them difficult to observe even under magnification. The holotype was not photographed in life; however, life colours of a paratype are shown in Fig. 9C–D.

Advertisement call: Description based on calls of three males (N = 134 notes and 980 pulses quantified; Table 3). The call (Figs 5E, 6E, 7E) consists of a multinote signal given a few times (2–7) per minute. Calls are composed of 3-9 (5 ± 2; N = 3) notes given at a rate of  $1-2(2 \pm 1; N = 3)$  per second. Notes are formed by  $4-10(7 \pm 1)$  partly fused pulses given at a rate of 43-67 (51 ± 4) per second and varying in duration from 3-62 (22 ± 1) ms. Note duration varies from 133–197 (162  $\pm$  6) ms and note rise time from 38–74  $(55 \pm 4)\%$  of note duration. The note frequencies are harmonically structured and the dominant frequency coincides with the second harmonic (3898-4221,  $4047 \pm 38$  Hz). The note fundamental frequency ranges from 1958–2110 (2029 ± 42) Hz. Frequency modulation is upward in most cases, with a few calls modulating slightly downward, varying from -129 to 1206 (330 ± 367) Hz.

Habitat and natural history: Several males of *A. amicorum* were heard calling hidden under the leaf litter in an old-growth non-flooded forest during daytime throughout most of rainy season (November to March). *A. andreae* and *A. hylaedactyla* are sympatric with the new species at the type locality.

*Distribution: A. amicorum* is known from the type locality and FLONA Tapajós, both within the municipal limits of Belterra (Fig. 2B). The species was also acoustically registered from other localities on the east bank of the lower Tapajós River (Rurópolis, Placas and Uruará); however, recordings and tissue samples are not available for the confirmation of these occurrence points for the species.

*Remarks:* There is a single specimen from the west bank of the Xingu River associated with the lineage sp. F2 (=*A. amicorum*), the genetic voucher BM 23 from UHE Belo Monte, in Vitória do Xingu (Supporting Information, Appendix S2). The genetic divergence between this specimen and type specimens of *A. amicorum* matches exactly the 5% threshold of interspecific divergence in our species delimitation analysis (Table 1). Further information, especially sound recordings, will be required for an accurate assessment of the taxonomic identity of the Xingu population. For the moment, the voucher BM 23 is pending a definite species assignment, referred herein to as *A*. cf. *amicorum*.

#### ADENOMERA AURANTIACA, SP. NOV.

ORANGE-LEGGEDTERRESTRIALNEST-BUILDINGFROG

## (FIGS 2B, 3–4, 5G, 6G, 7G, 9E–F, 11E–F; TABLES 1-3)

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*Holotype:* INPA-H 40520 (field #DT 4327), adult male, BRAZIL, Pará, Trairão, 4.756617°S, 56.394333°W, 91 m, 30-x-2013, D. Pavan (Collector).

*Paratypes:* INPA-H 40518 (field #DT 3486), adult female, INPA-H 40519 (field #DT 4272), subadult, and INPA-H 40521 (field #DT 4117), juvenile, BRAZIL, Pará, Trairão, 4.883550–5.073200°S, 56.437950– 56.440050°W, 78–102 m, between 2012–2013, D. Pavan and L.J.C.L. Moraes (Collectors).

*Etymology:* The epithet is derived from the Latin *aurantiacus*, the colour orange, referring to the brightly orange-coloured limbs of this species. Such a colour appears to be unique in the genus *Adenomera*.

*Diagnosis:* A. *aurantiaca* is characterized by the following combination of character states: (1) medium size (both adult specimens, one male and one female, with SVL = 20.9 mm); (2) robust body shape; (3) toe tips slightly to moderately expanded (character states B–C); (4) distal antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm; (5) belly white and grey mottled, especially in life; (6) thigh surfaces brightly orange-coloured, especially in life; (7) multi-note advertisement call; (8) call notes formed by 5–7 complete pulses; (9) note duration varying from 112–137 ms; (10) note dominant frequency coinciding with the second harmonic (4102–4523 Hz); and (11) note fundamental frequency ranging from 2074–2246 Hz.

Comparisons with congeners: A. aurantiaca has adult specimens (SVL = 20.9 mm; Table 2) smaller than those of A. coca [23.6–25.6 mm (Angulo & Reichle, 2008)], A. lutzi [25.7–33.5 mm (Kok et al., 2007)] and A. simonstuarti [25.9–26.2 mm (Angulo & Icochea, 2010)]. A. aurantiaca has a robust body shape (Fig. 11E–F), whereas A. diptyx, A. martinezi and A. saci have a slender body. A. aurantiaca has slightly to moderately expanded toe tips (character states B–C), but not fully expanded into small discs (character state D) as in A. ajurauna, A. andreae, A. chicomendesi, A. heyeri, A. marmorata, A. lutzi, A. nana and A. simonstuarti. A. aurantiaca is distinguished from congeners (except A. amicorum,

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A. cotuba, A. kayapo, A. lutzi and A. phonotriccus) by having an antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm. A. aurantiaca differs from A. araucaria, A. bokermanni, A. heyeri, A. kweti, A. lutzi and A. nana by having ventral surfaces mottled white and grey (Fig. 9F)—these are yellow or sometimes with yellowish tints in the other species. A. aurantiaca is further distinguished from congeners by having orange-coloured limbs, particularly bright orange on the thigh and groin in life (Figs 9E–F). Other Adenomera species might have tints of orange and yellow on groin and hindlimbs; however, A. aurantiaca is the only species in the genus exhibiting a bright orange colouration, extending also over the shank and tarsus. The advertisement call of A. aurantiaca (Figs 5G, 6G, 7G; Table 3) is given as multi-note calls. Such a call pattern distinguishes the new species from congeners having single-note calls, either pulsed or non-pulsed (Table 3). The only three species of Adenomera with multi-note

A. simonstuarti (T.R. de Carvalho, pers. obs.), from which the new species is distinguished by having notes with complete pulses (call notes with partly fused pulses in the other three species). Description of holotype (Fig. 11E–F): Body robust. Snout rounded in dorsal view acuminate in lateral view Nostril

calls are A. amicorum (Fig. 5E), A. cotuba (Fig. 5B) and

rounded in dorsal view, acuminate in lateral view. Nostril closer to the snout tip than to the eye; fleshy ridge on snout tip; canthus rostralis rounded; loreal region slightly concave; supratympanic fold from the posterior corner of the eye to the base of the arm; postcommissural gland ovoid; vocal sac subgular with a fold from jaw extending to forearm, vocal slit present; vomerine teeth in two straight rows medial and posterior to choanae and oblique to sagittal plane. Tongue elongated, free from the posterior third. Relative finger lengths  $IV < I \simeq II < III$ ; fingers without ridges or fringes; finger tips rounded, slightly expanded in fingers I and IV; inner metacarpal tubercle ovoid; outer metacarpal tubercle nearly rounded. Subarticular tubercles nearly rounded; supernumerary tubercles rounded. Antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm, single, nearly rounded. Dorsum mostly smooth, flank warty. Tubercles on posterior surface of tarsus. Ventral surface of body smooth; underside of thigh granular. Paracloacal gland nearly rounded. Relative toe lengths I < II < V < III < IV; lateral fringing and webbing absent; tips of toes II-IV moderately expanded (character state C), tip of toe I unexpanded, tip of toe V slightly expanded. Inner metatarsal tubercle ovoid, outer metatarsal tubercle nearly rounded, inner tubercle twice the maximum diameter of the outer tubercle. Tarsal fold extending 1/2 of tarsus length, from the inner metatarsal tubercle ending in a tubercle separated from the fold by a short gap. Subarticular tubercles nearly rounded or subconical; supernumerary tubercles rounded. Measurements are given in Table 2.

Snout tip with a faded white coloration (coincident with the fleshy ridge). Blotches on the upper lip white. Postcommissural gland mostly covered with melanophores light grey and dark brown. Tympanum light brown. Dorsal surface of body and limbs varying from light to dark brown; forelimbs brown and creamcoloured. Body with darker, large blotches and offwhite smaller blotches in the last third of body length; limbs with dark brown transverse bars. Posterior surface of thigh pale yellow with scattered brown stains; paracloacal gland off-white. Dorsolateral stripe absent: an indication of a mid-dorsal longitudinal line. fragmented and mostly indistinct, light brown. Throat, chest, belly and underside of limbs partly translucent, cream-coloured. Spots on throat and chest white on a fine brown mottling; belly brown-mottled. Underside of forearm (outer margin), palm of hand, sole of foot, digits and subarticular tubercles mostly brown and light grey; tips of fingers and toes non-pigmented.

Colour of holotype in life (Fig. 9E–F): Dorsum covered with black speckles and spots irregularly distributed on a grey and brown background. Iris copper. Tympanum dark brown. Dorsal surface of arms, legs and groin bright orange and brown. Mid-dorsal longitudinal stripe light grey, postcommissural gland yellow, white and dark grey. Flank white and dark grey mottled. Throat and chest with white speckles on a dark brown background, belly white and grey, intensely mottled laterally. Ventral surface of legs bright orange, violet and light grey.

*Variation in type specimens:* Variation is restricted to colour patterns, which are related to mottling on belly (extensive or sparse) and throat (colour intensity, spotted/mottled). The female INPA-H 40518 has the snout shape nearly rounded from above and rounded in profile, fleshy ridge and paracloacal gland absent.

Advertisement call: Description based on calls of two males (N = 23 notes and 135 pulses quantified; Table 3). The call (Figs 5G, 6G, 7G) consists of a multi-note signal given once or twice per minute. Calls are composed of 8–12 (9 ± 2; N = 2) notes given at a rate of 2–3 (2 ± 1; N = 2) per second. Notes are formed by 5–7 (6 ± 1) complete pulses given at a rate of 40–69 (51 ± 3) per second and varying in duration from 5–36 (13 ± 1) ms. Note duration varies from 112–137 (122 ± 4) ms and note rise time from 38–78 (50 ± 8)% of note duration. The note frequencies are harmonically structured and the dominant frequency coincides with the second harmonic (4102–4523, 4337 ± 86 Hz). The note fundamental frequency ranges from 2074–2246 (2120 ± 42) Hz. Frequency



**Figure 10.** Life colours (adult males) of three new species of the *A. heyeri* clade from their type localities in Brazilian Amazonia. A–B, holotype of *A. inopinata* (INPA-H 40517: SVL = 23.5 mm). C–D, holotype of *A. tapajonica* (INPA-H 40516: SVL = 23.6 mm). E–F, paratype of *A. gridipappi* (CFBH 44470: SVL = 27.6 mm). Photographs of *A. tapajonica* by José Cassimiro.

modulation is upward in most cases, with a single call modulating slightly downward, varying from -47 to 609 (408  $\pm$  96) Hz.

Habitat and natural history: A. aurantiaca inhabits non-flooded primary forests, even though the species appears to occupy clearing sites with some sunlight



**Figure 11.** Dorsal and ventral body of three new species of the *A. heyeri* clade (holotypes). A–B, *A. kayapo* (CFBH 43885). C-D, *A. amicorum* (INPA-H 40506). E–F, *A. aurantiaca* (INPA-H 40520). Scale = 5 mm.

as a preferred calling habitat. The breeding season is concentrated at the onset of the rainy season (October-November), when several males can be heard during the daytime, calling hidden amidst clumps of fallen branches on the forest floor or next to the base of terrestrial palm trees. *A. andreae* is the only congener found syntopically with the new species.



**Figure 12.** Dorsal and ventral body of three new species of the *A. heyeri* clade (holotypes). A–B, *A. inopinata* (INPA-H 40517). C–D, *A. tapajonica* (INPA-H 40516). E–F, *A. gridipappi* (INPA-H 40512). Scale = 5 mm.

*Distribution: A. aurantiaca* is associated with lowland forests on the east bank of the middle Tapajós River in eastern Brazilian Amazonia. The distribution range appears to be limited to the east bank of the Jamanxim River (Fig. 2B).

## ADENOMERA INOPINATA, SP. NOV.

UNFORESEEN TERRESTRIAL NEST-BUILDING FROG

(FIGS 2B, 3–4, 5H, 6H, 7H, 10A–B, 12A–B; TABLES 1-3)

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*Holotype:* INPA-H 40517 (field #DT 3923), adult male, BRAZIL, Pará, Itaituba, 5.240183°S, 56.915383°W, 143 m, 13-xii-2012, J. Gomes (Collector).

*Etymology:* The epithet is derived from the Latin *inopinatus*, unexpected, referring to the unexpected discovery of this species in the region of the middle Tapajós River, where two other unnamed *Adenomera* species described in the present study had already been collected when *A. inopinata* was discovered (see Fig. 2).

*Diagnosis:* A. *inopinata* is characterized by the following combination of character states: (1) medium size (adult male SVL = 23.5 mm); (2) robust body shape; (3) toe tips moderately expanded (character state C); (4) distal antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm; (5) multi-note advertisement call; (6) call notes formed by 4–5 complete pulses; (7) note duration varying from 70–91 ms; and (8) note dominant frequency coinciding with the fundamental harmonic (2109–2203 Hz).

Comparisons with congeners: A. inopinata (adult male SVL = 23.5 mm; Table 2) is smaller than A. lutzi [25.7-33.5 mm (Kok et al., 2007)] and A. simonstuarti [25.9-26.2 mm (Angulo & Icochea, 2010)] and larger than A. ajurauna [17.2-20.0 mm (Berneck et al., 2008)], A. araucaria [17.4–19.3 mm (Carvalho et al., 2019b)], A. aurantiaca (20.9 mm), A. kweti [15.4-19.3 mm (Carvalho et al., 2019b)], A. kayapo (17.5-21.0 mm), A. nana [16.3-19.4 mm (Kwet, 2007)] and A. phonotriccus [19.8–21.6 mm (Carvalho et al., 2019c)]. A. inopinata has a robust body shape (Fig. 12A–B), whereas A. diptyx, A. martinezi and A. saci have a slender body. A. inopinata has moderately expanded toe tips (character state C), but not fully expanded into small discs (character state D) as in A. ajurauna, A. amicorum, A. andreae, A. chicomendesi, A. heyeri, A. marmorata, A. lutzi, A. nana and A. simonstuarti, or unexpanded (character states A-B) as in A. bokermanni, A. coca, A. diptyx, A. hylaedactyla, A. martinezi, A. saci and A. thomei. A. inopinata is distinguished from congeners (except A. amicorum. A. aurantiaca, A. cotuba, A. kayapo, A. lutzi and A. phonotriccus) by having an antebrachial tubercle on the underside of the forearm.

The advertisement call of *A. inopinata* (Figs 5H, 6H, 7H; Table 3) is given as multi-note calls. Such a call pattern distinguishes the new species from congeners having single-note calls, either pulsed or non-pulsed

(Table 3). The other four Adenomera species with multi-note calls are A. aurantiaca (Fig. 5G), A. cotuba (Fig. 5B), A. amicorum (Fig. 5E) and A. simonstuarti (T.R. de Carvalho, pers. obs.), from which the new species is distinguished by having call notes with complete pulses (Figs 6H, 7H) compared to partly fused pulses in the call notes of A. amicorum (Figs 6E, 7E), A. cotuba (Figs 6B, 7B) and A. simonstuarti (Table 3). From the closely related A. aurantiaca, A. inopinata is mainly distinguished by having call notes with fewer pulses per note, shorter duration and the dominant frequency coinciding with the fundamental harmonic (Fig. 6G-H; Table 3). Call notes of these species also differ markedly in rise time, always coinciding with the first call note in A. inopinata (A. inopinata: 1-3% of note duration; A. aurantiaca: 38-78% of note duration).

Description of holotype (Fig. 12A-B): Body robust. Snout rounded in dorsal view, acuminate in lateral view. Nostril closer to the snout tip than to the eye, fleshy ridge on snout tip, canthus rostralis not marked, loreal region slightly concave, supratympanic fold from the posterior corner of the eye to the base of the arm, postcommissural gland ovoid, vocal slit present, vomerine teeth in two straight rows medial and posterior to choanae and oblique to sagittal plane. Tongue elongated, free from the posterior half. Relative finger lengths  $I < II \simeq IV < III$ , fingers without ridges or fringes, finger tips rounded, slightly expanded, especially fingers III and IV, inner metacarpal tubercle elongated, outer metacarpal tubercle rounded. Subarticular tubercles nearly rounded or rounded, supernumerary tubercles rounded. Antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm, single, rounded. Dorsum mostly smooth, flank and inguinal region glandular. Posterior surface of thigh granular contiguous with the ventral surface. Paracloacal gland divided, nearly rounded to ovoid. Ventral surface of body and limb smooth. Relative toe lengths I < II < V < III < IV, lateral fringing and webbing absent, tips of toes II-IV moderately expanded (character state C), tips of toes I and V unexpanded. Inner and outer metatarsal tubercles ovoid, inner tubercle twice the maximum diameter of the outer tubercle. Tarsal fold low, extending 2/3 of tarsus length, from the inner metatarsal tubercle towards the heel, ending in a tubercle separated from the fold by a short gap. Subarticular tubercles nearly rounded or subconical, supernumerary tubercles rounded. Measurements are given in Table 2.

Snout tip with a faded white coloration (coincident with the fleshy ridge). Blotches on the upper lip white. Postcommissural gland cream-coloured medially and surrounded by brown coloration. Tympanum light brown. Dorsal surface of body and limbs light brown with dark brown blotches, spots and stains. Interorbital bar dark brown. Dorsal surface of limbs with interrupted transverse bars and blotches dark brown. Posterior surface of thigh pale yellow laterally, dark brown in the cloacal region, paracloacal gland pale yellow and dark brown. Mid-dorsal longitudinal stripe and dorsolateral stripes absent. Ventral surface of belly and thigh partially translucent, yellowish cream. Throat and chest brown-mottled. Belly mostly immaculate, with brown mottling laterally. Underside of forearm (outer margin), palm of hand, sole of foot and digits brown interspersed with lighter sections in grey and cream, subarticular tubercles partly pigmented, tips of fingers and toes non-pigmented.

Colour of holotype in life (Fig. 10A-B): Dorsum covered with dark brown stains and spots irregularly distributed on a light brown background. Iris copper. Tympanum brown. Groin yellow. Postcommissural gland orange. Arms and legs with dark brown transverse stripes and stains on a reddish brown background. Information on life colours in ventral view was not assessed.

Advertisement call: Description based on calls of one male (N = 13 notes and 57 pulses quantified; Table 3). The call (Figs 5H, 6H, 7H) consists of a multi-note signal given twice per minute (based on a brief sound recording). Calls are composed of 5–10 (8 ± 4) notes given at a rate of four per second. Notes are formed by 4–5 (4 ± 1) complete pulses given at a rate of 58–63 (60 ± 1) per second and varying in duration from 5–30 (14 ± 1) ms. Note duration varies from 70–91 (79 ± 7) ms and note rise time from 1–3 (2 ± 1)% of duration. The note frequencies are harmonically structured and the dominant frequency coincides with the fundamental harmonic (2109–2203, 2189 ± 35 Hz). Frequency modulation is upward, rising 188–656 (526 ± 151) Hz.

Habitat and natural history: Due to the rarity of A. inopinata at the type locality, we do not have enough data to describe general aspects of the natural history and preferred calling habitat of the species. The single individual that has been recorded to date was found calling on the leaf litter of a primary non-flooded forest during the rainy season (December). The exact type locality is a location of difficult access because of the irregular terrain of rocky outcrops. It is located about 2.5 km away from the east margin of the Tapajós River. A. andreae is the only syntopic congener of A. inopinata at the type locality, much more abundant than the new species in the region.

Distribution: A. inopinata is known only from the type locality in the Tapajós-Jamanxim interfluve. A. inopinata occurs west of the Jamanxim River, whereas the closest related (and presumably allopatric) *A. aurantiaca* occurs on the opposite river bank (Fig. 2B).

*Remarks:* It is relevant to highlight the rarity of *A. inopinata* at the single location where the species is known to occur. Regardless of extensive sampling effort at the type locality of *A. inopinata* at the middle Tapajós River during two years [see detailed information in Moraes *et al.* (2016)], only a single male was ever recorded and collected.

#### ADENOMERA TAPAJONICA, SP. NOV.

TAPAJÓS TERRESTRIAL NEST-BUILDING FROG

## (FIGS 2A, 3–4, 5I, 6I, 7I, 10C–D, 12C–D; TABLES 1-3)

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*Holotype:* INPA-H 40516 (field #DT 3886), adult male, BRAZIL, Pará, Itaituba, 5.052133°S, 56.876833°W, 78 m, 8-xii-2012, D. Pavan (Collector).

Paratypes: INPA-H 40515 (field #DT 3180), adult female, BRAZIL, Pará, Itaituba, 4.673833°S, 56.446717°W, 87 m, 4-vii-2012, D. Pavan (Collector). CZPB-AA 2118 (field #J153), adult male, BRAZIL, Pará, Juruti, Igarapé do Mutum, 2.611931°S, 56.185492°W, 118 m, 24-iii-2011, M. Gordo (Collector).

*Etymology:* The epithet is derived from the Tapajós River. The distribution range of *A. tapajonica* comprises a swathe of land entailing the west bank of the middle-lower Tapajós River, limited to the south of the Amazon River (Fig. 2A).

Diagnosis: A. tapajonica is characterized by the following combination of character states: (1) relatively large size (adult male SVL = 23.6-25.6 mm); (2) robust body shape; (3) toe tips moderately to fully expanded into small discs (character states C-D); (4) distal antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm; (5) belly immaculate, cream-coloured; (6) thigh surfaces brightly orange-coloured, especially in life; (7) singlenote advertisement call; (8) call note formed by 3-5 partly fused pulses; (9) note duration varying from 66-89 ms; and (10) note dominant frequency coinciding with the fundamental harmonic (1873–2003 Hz; N = 1 male) and second harmonic (4055–4430 Hz; N = 1 male).

Comparisons with congeners: A. tapajonica has adult males (SVL = 23.6–25.6 mm; Table 2) smaller than

those of A. lutzi [25.7-33.5 mm (Kok et al., 2007)] and A. simonstuarti [25.9–26.2 mm (Angulo & Icochea, 2010)] and larger than A. ajurauna [17.2-20.0 mm (Berneck et al., 2008)], A. araucaria [17.4–19.3 mm (Carvalho et al., 2019b)], A. aurantiaca (20.9 mm), A. kweti [15.4–19.3 mm (Carvalho et al., 2019b)], A. kayapo (17.5–21.0 mm), A. nana [16.3–19.4 mm (Kwet, 2007)] and A. phonotriccus [19.8-21.6 mm (Carvalho et al., 2019c)]. A. tapajonica has a robust body shape (Fig. 12C–D), whereas A. diptyx, A. martinezi and A. saci have a slender body. A. tapajonica has toe tips that are moderately to fully expanded into small discs (character states C-D), differing from species having unexpanded or slightly expanded toe tips (character states A-B) as in A. bokermanni, A. coca, A. cotuba, A. diptyx, A. hylaedactyla, A. juikitam, A. martinezi, A. saci and A. thomei. A. tapajonica is distinguished from congeners (except A. amicorum, A. aurantiaca, A. cotuba, A. inopinata, A. kayapo, A. lutzi and A. phonotriccus) by having an antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm. A. tapajonica differs from A. araucaria, A. bokermanni, A. heyeri, A. kweti, A. lutzi and A. nana by having belly cream-coloured (Fig. 10D), this is yellow or sometimes has yellowish tints in the other species. A. tapajonica can be further distinguished from some members of the A. heyeri clade (A. amicorum A. kayapo and A. phonotriccus) by lacking a dorsolateral stripe; such a colour feature is present in some specimens of the other three species. A. tapajonica is also distinguished from congeners (except A. aurantiaca and A. inopinata; Figs 9E-F, 10B) by having thighs and groin orange-coloured (Fig. 10D). From A. aurantiaca, A. tapajonica differs in thigh colour patterns in life: both species share the orange coloration; however, the major pattern in A. aurantiaca is brighter and more extensively distributed over the groin, hindlimbs and forelimbs (Fig. 9E–F), whereas the pattern in A. tapajonica is relatively duller, orange-brown, and does not extend over the dorsal surface of hindlimbs and forelimbs (Fig. 10C–D). The three new Adenomera species with distinctively orange-coloured thighs (A. aurantiaca, A. inopinata and A. tapajonica) can be distinguished from each other by their distinct calls.

The advertisement call of A. tapajonica (Figs 5I, 6I, 7I; Table 3) is given as single notes. Such a call pattern distinguishes the new species from congeners having multi-note calls (A. amicorum, A. aurantiaca, A. cotuba, A. inopinata and A. simonstuarti; Fig. 5; Table 3). A. tapajonica is distinguished from eight congeners with non-pulsed calls by having a pulsed call (see Table 3). From the ten congeners also having single-note, pulsed calls, A. tapajonica is distinguished from A. andreae by having a call note with a lower fundamental frequency (Table 3), from A. coca, A. juikitam, A. martinezi and A. thomei by having SYSTEMATICS IN ADENOMERA FROGS 29

fewer pulses per note (Table 3), from A. araucaria and A. heyeri by a shorter note duration (Table 3), and from A. diptyx and A. hylaedactyla [combined repetition rate of 107–242 notes/min (Márquez et al., 1995; Carvalho et al., 2019d)] by a lower note repetition rate (87–98 ms). The call of A. tapajonica is formed by partly fused pulses (Figs 6I, 7I), whereas that of A. phonotriccus is formed by complete pulses (Figs 6F, 7F).

Description of holotype (Fig. 12C-D): Body robust. Snout subovoid to rounded in dorsal view, acuminate in lateral view. Nostril closer to the snout tip than to the eve. fleshy ridge on snout tip, canthus rostralis not marked, loreal region slightly concave, supratympanic fold from the posterior corner of the eye to the base of the arm, postcommissural gland ovoid, vocal sac subgular with a fold from jaw extending to forearm, vocal slit present, vomerine teeth in two straight rows medial and posterior to choanae and oblique to sagittal plane. Tongue elongated, free from the posterior half. Relative finger lengths  $IV < I \simeq II < III$ , fingers without ridges or fringes, finger tips rounded, unexpanded, inner metacarpal tubercle ovoid, outer metacarpal tubercle nearly rounded. Subarticular tubercles nearly rounded, supernumerary tubercles rounded. Antebrachial tubercle single, rounded. Anterior dorsum smooth, posterior dorsum glandular, flank warty. Dorsolateral fold extending posteriorly from scapular region to the groin, dorsal fold lies behind the upper evelid and extends posteriorly until 2/3 body length. Dorsal surface of shank and posterior surface of tarsus covered with white-tipped tubercles. Paracloacal gland indistinct. Ventral surface of body and limb mostly smooth, underside of thigh areolate/ granular in contact with ventral surface. Relative toe lengths I < II < V < III < IV, lateral fringing and webbing absent, tips of toes II-IV moderately expanded (character state C), tip of toe I unexpanded, toe V desiccated. Inner metatarsal tubercle elongated, outer metatarsal tubercle ovoid. Tarsal fold extending 1/3 of tarsus length, from the inner metatarsal tubercle towards the heel. Subarticular tubercles nearly rounded or subconical, supernumerary tubercles nearly rounded. Measurements (in mm): SVL 23.6, HL 7.9, HW 8.4, ED 2.1, TD 1.5, EN 1.8, IND 2.1, HAL 4.8, TL 9.8, THL 10.0, FL 10.8.

Snout tip with a faded white coloration (coincident with the fleshy ridge). Blotches on the upper lip offwhite. Postcommissural gland pale yellow. Tympanum light brown. Dorsal surfaces of body and limbs brown, lighter on forelimbs and heel region, digits of hand off-white. Anastomotic blotches on dorsum blackish brown; transverse bars and blotches on limbs blackish brown. Posterior surface of thigh finely mottled in shades of brown and yellow, paracloacal gland pale yellow. Dorsolateral stripe absent, an indication of mid-dorsal, longitudinal line light grey, fragmented and restricted to the pelvic region. Ventral surface of belly and thigh partially translucent, yellowish cream. Off-white blotches on lower jaw and chest. Throat finely mottled, belly immaculate. Underside of forearm dark brown. Tubercles partly pigmented, grey, tips of fingers and toes non-pigmented.

Colour of holotype in life (Fig. 10C-D): Dorsum covered with anastomotic blotches blackish brown on a brown background. Iris golden. Tympanum brown, an orange coloration partly surrounding the tympanic annulus. Arms and legs with transverse stripes and blotches dark brown. Mid-dorsal longitudinal stripe and postcommissural gland pale yellow and dark brown. Flank finely mottled, grevish brown; glands yellow. Throat and chest brown-spotted on a partly translucent violet background, lower jaw covered with white spots, belly cream-coloured, immaculate. Underside of limbs partly translucent; outer surface of forearm dark brown with a medial, poorly delimited stripe, off-white, hindlimbs translucent, bright orange on anterior and posterior surfaces, and groin, underside of thigh granular, pale yellow.

*Variation in type specimens:* The female INPA-H 40515 has snout shape rounded in dorsal and lateral views and paracloacal gland absent. The male CZPB-AA 2118 has tip of toe IV fully expanded (character state D). Dorsal surfaces of body and limbs lighter brown in both paratypes.

Advertisement call: Description based on calls of two males (N = 18 notes and 70 pulses quantified; Table 3). The call (Figs 51, 6I, 7I) consists of a single-note signal given at a rate of 52–59 (55 ± 5; N = 2) per minute. Notes are formed by 3–5 (4 ± 1) partly fused pulses given at a rate of 39–89 (68 ± 16) per second and varying in duration from 7–51 (21 ± 2) ms. Note duration varies from 66–89 (82 ± 7) ms and note rise time from 5–63 (35 ± 29)% of note duration. The note frequencies are harmonically structured and the dominant frequency may coincide either with the fundamental harmonic (1873–2003, 1926 ± 61 Hz, N = 1 male) or with the second harmonic (4055–4430, 4223 ± 171 Hz, N = 1 male). Frequency modulation is upward, rising to 43–375 (206 ± 67) Hz.

Habitat and natural history: A. tapajonica is rarely recorded in the field. The species inhabits non-flooded primary forests on the west bank of the middle-lower Tapajós River. At the type locality, a single male (holotype) was collected during the rainy season (December), while calling on the leaf litter next to the base of a terrestrial palm tree. The female was collected from a pitfall trap. At Juruti, a few males of *A. tapajonica* were observed calling sparsely on the leaf litter in plateau areas of an old-growth nonflooded forest around sunset time. *A. tapajonica* was found sympatrically with two other *Adenomera* species (*A. andreae* and *A. hylaedactyla*) at the Juruti site.

*Distribution: A. tapajonica* is known from the type locality and a second nearby locality on the west bank of the middle Tapajós River, and from the Juruti site (near Igarapé Mutum) located in the intervening swathe of land between the Amazon River and the lower Tapajós River (Fig. 2A).

## ADENOMERA GRIDIPAPPI, SP. NOV.

GRIDI-PAPP'S TERRESTRIAL NEST-BUILDING FROG

## (FIGS 2A, 3–4, 5J, 6J, 7J, 10E–F, 12E–F; TABLES 1-3)

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Holotype: INPA-H 40512 (field #APL 19992), adult male, BRAZIL, Rondônia, Porto Velho, 9.414418°S, 64.429558°W, 121 m, 9-xi-2013, A.P. Lima (Collector).

*Paratypes:* INPA-H 40511, 40513–40514 (field #APL 19984, 19993, 21136, respectively), CFBH 44470–44472 (field #APL 21175, 21797, 21799, respectively), adult males, collected at the type locality between 2013–2016, A.P. Lima (Collector).

*Referred specimens:* Genetic vouchers assigned to the clade G3 of the lineage *Adenomera* sp. G of Fouquet *et al.* (2014) from the north-west portion of the Brazilian state of Mato Grosso (PMJ08, PMJ154, #968179).

Additional material: MZUSP 80593, 80595–96, 87830 (adult males), and MZUSP 80592, 80594 (adult females): BRAZIL, Mato Grosso, Aripuanã, MZUSP 151906 (adult female): BRAZIL, Mato Grosso, Juína.

*Etymology:* The specific epithet is a patronymic name for Marcos Gridi-Papp for his invaluable research efforts to advance the knowledge on the anuran vocal system from a functional evolutionary perspective. The honoured scientist trained the leading author of this study in acoustics and vocal anatomy during his Ph.D. program and as part of his current project dedicated to understanding the diversity and patterns of evolution of the acoustic mating signals in leptodactylid frogs. The acoustic characterization of *Adenomera* frogs has been

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instrumental to elucidate the species diversity of the genus.

Diagnosis: A. gridipappi is characterized by the following combination of character states: (1) large size (adult male SVL = 25.4-27.7 mm); (2) robust body shape; (3) toe tips fully expanded into small discs (character state D); (4) distal antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm; (5) belly immaculate; (6) two possible chromotypes (presence/absence) of dorsolateral stripe; (7) multi-note advertisement call composed of two- to four-note calls; (8) call notes formed by 2–4 partly fused pulses; (9) note duration varying from 50–75 ms; (10) note dominant frequency coinciding with the second harmonic (3553-4027 Hz); and (11) fundamental frequency ranging from 1820–1970 Hz.

Comparisons with congeners: A. gridipappi (SVL = 25.4-27.7 mm; Table 2) has adult males larger than those of A. ajurauna, A. amicorum, A. araucaria, A. aurantiaca, A. engelsi, A. inopinata, A. kayapo, A. kweti, A. nana and A. phonotriccus [combined SVL 15.4-24.0 mm (Kwet, 2007; Berneck et al., 2008; Kwet et al., 2009; Carvalho et al., 2019b, c)]. A. gridipappi has a robust body shape (Fig. 12E-F), whereas A. diptyx, A. martinezi and A. saci have a slender body. A. gridipappi has toe tips that are fully expanded into small discs (character state D), differing from congeners with unexpanded, slightly or moderately expanded toe tips (character states A-C) as in A. bokermanni, A. coca, A. diptyx, A. hylaedactyla, A. martinezi, A. saci and A. thomei. A. gridipappi is distinguished from congeners (except A. amicorum, A. aurantiaca, A. cotuba, A. inopinata, A. kayapo, A. lutzi, A. phonotriccus and A. tapajonica) by having an antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm. A. gridipappi differs from A. araucaria, A. bokermanni, A. heyeri, A. kweti, A. lutzi and A. nana by having belly cream-coloured (Fig. 10F), this is yellow or sometimes has yellowish tints in the other species. A. gridipappi is larger than its nearest relative A. tapajonica (Table 2) and can have a dorsolateral stripe (never present in A. tapajonica); however, they are more easily distinguished by their calls.

A. gridipappi can be distinguished from all congeners, either with multi-note and single-note calls (Table 3), by its unique calling emission pattern: multi-note calls are made up of two- to four-note calls (Fig. 5J)—multi-note calls of all other Adenomera species are composed of individual notes (Fig. 5). The other five Adenomera species with multi-note calls are A. amicorum (Fig. 5E), A. aurantiaca (Fig. 5G), A. cotuba (Fig. 5B), A. inopinata (Fig. 5H) and A. simonstuarti (T.R. de Carvalho, pers. obs.).

A. gridipappi is also distinguished from A. aurantiaca (Figs 6G, 7G) and A. inopinata (Figs 6H, 7H), which have call notes formed by complete pulses, by having call notes formed by partly fused pulses (Figs 6J, 7J). A. gridipappi is distinguished from A. amicorum and A. cotuba by the shorter note duration and/or fewer pulses per note (Table 3). A. gridipappi can only be acoustically distinguished from A. simonstuarti by its unique emission pattern of multi-note calls composed of two- to four-note calls (multi-note calls of A. simonstuarti are composed of individual notes; T.R. de Carvalho, pers. obs.).

Description of holotype (Fig. 12E-F): Body robust. Snout subovoid to rounded in dorsal view, acuminate in lateral view. Nostril closer to the snout tip than to the eye, fleshy ridge on snout tip, canthus rostralis not marked, loreal region slightly concave, supratympanic fold from the posterior corner of the eye to the base of the arm, postcommissural gland ovoid, vocal sac subgular with a fold from jaw extending to forearm, vocal slit present, vomerine teeth in two straight rows medial and posterior to choanae and oblique to sagittal plane. Tongue elongated, free from the posterior half. Relative finger lengths IV < I < II < III, fingers without ridges or fringes, finger tips rounded, slightly expanded, especially in fingers I and V, inner metacarpal tubercle ovoid, outer metacarpal tubercle nearly rounded. Subarticular tubercles nearly rounded to subconical, supernumerary tubercles rounded. Antebrachial tubercle on underside of forearm rounded. single. Dorsum glandular, flank warty. Dorsal surface of shank and posterior surface of tarsus with whitetipped tubercles. Ventral surface of body and limb mostly smooth, underside of thigh areolate/granular. Posterior surface of thigh with ovoid paracloacal gland. Relative toe lengths I < II < V < III < IV, lateral fringing and webbing absent, tips of toes II–IV fully expanded (character state D), tip of toe I unexpanded, tip of toe V slightly expanded. Inner and outer metatarsal tubercles ovoid. Tarsal fold extending 2/3 of tarsus length, from the inner metatarsal tubercle towards the heel. Subarticular tubercles nearly rounded, supernumerary tubercles nearly rounded. Measurements (in mm): SVL 26.7, HL 8.1, HW 9.7, ED 1.9, TD 1.5, EN 1.9, IND 2.4, HAL 5.6, TL 12.4, THL 11.6, FL 12.9.

Snout tip with a faded white coloration (coincident with the fleshy ridge). Blotches on the upper lip offwhite. Postcommissural gland pale yellow. Tympanum light brown. Dorsum freckled brown, lighter on limbs. Interorbital bar dark brown, outlined by a light greyish brown line, dark brown blotches and stains on dorsum, blackish brown spot coinciding with the lumbar gland. Transverse bars and blotches on limbs dark brown. Flank finely light-brown mottled on a light grey background. Posterior surface of thigh finely mottled in shades of brown and yellow. Mid-dorsal longitudinal line and dorsolateral stripe absent. Posterior surface of thigh cream-coloured and covered with brown spots and dots. Paracloacal gland pale yellow. Ventral surface of belly and limbs partially translucent, cream-coloured. Throat browndotted, more densely coloured laterally, chest and belly immaculate. Underside of forearm (outer margin) brown-speckled, ventral surface of hand, foot and digits mostly brown interspersed with lighter sections, subarticular tubercles partly pigmented, light grey, and tips of fingers and toes non-pigmented.

Variation in type specimens: Dorsal coloration varies from light brown to dark solid blackish brown. Dorsolateral stripe (light grey) present in CFBH 44470. Mid-dorsal longitudinal stripe, restricted to pelvic region, present in CFBH 44470-71. Shape and size of antebrachial tubercles are variable among type specimens, sometimes low and flattened (hardly detected even under magnification). Variation in toe tip development of toes II–IV varies from modestly expanded to fully expanded (character states C and D, respectively). The holotype was not photographed in life, but colours in life of a paratype are shown in Fig. 10E–F.

Advertisement call: Description based on calls of four males (N = 73 notes and 250 pulses quantified; Table 3). The call (Figs 5J, 6J, 7J) consists of pulsed notes grouped into two levels of temporal organization: two-note (c. 75% of calls), three-note (c. 25%) and fournote (a single case) calls that are given in bouts (4–8,  $5 \pm 1$  calls per bout; N = 13). The only exception was the emission of single-note calls at the beginning of a call bout (= multi-note call) given by one male. Multinote calls are composed of 9–16 ( $12 \pm 3$ ; N = 13) notes given at a rate of 2-3 ( $3 \pm 1$ ; N = 4) per second. Notes are formed by 2-4 (3 ± 1) partly fused pulses given at a rate of 35-98 (68 ± 11) per second and varying in duration from  $8-40(21 \pm 4)$  ms. Note duration varies from 50–75 (64  $\pm$  8) ms and note rise time from 7–74  $(42 \pm 4)\%$  of note duration. The note frequencies are harmonically structured and the dominant frequency coincides with the second harmonic (3553-4027,  $3856 \pm 105$  Hz). The note fundamental frequency ranges from 1820–1970 (1887 ± 13) Hz. Frequency modulation is upward, when present, ranging from 0-732 (342 ± 52) Hz.

Habitat and natural history: Males were heard calling hidden under the leaf litter of an old-growth nonflooded forest during the daytime at the onset of rainy season (November and December). No individual was recorded in calling activity in the rainy season later than early January. *A. andreae* and *A. hylaedactyla* are sympatric congeners with *A. gridipappi* at the type locality.

*Distribution: A. gridipappi* is distributed in the interfluvial region delimited by the upper Madeira and Aripuanã rivers, in southern Brazilian Amazonia (Fig. 2A).

*Remarks:* Genetic vouchers associated with lineage sp. G from the lower Madeira and Tapajós rivers still require acoustic data for a precise taxonomic assessment. Specimens from Borba [genetic vouchers] MTR 12832 (MZUSP 158074) and MTR 12900 (without an associated museum number)] formed a clade with the type series of A. gridipappi; however, we do not have associated calls that could confirm that they are conspecific to each other. Besides, these populations are separated geographically by almost 800 km and genetic divergence in COI coincides with the 5% threshold of interspecific variation defined in our species delimitation analysis (Table 1). Until additional data are obtained, we provisionally assign both genetic vouchers from Borba to A. cf. gridipappi. All four genetic vouchers from Nova Olinda do Norte [MTR 12711 (MZUSP 158073) and MTR 13034, 13067, SMS 639 (without associated museum numbers)] form a clade sister of A. gridipappi + A. tapajonica with full support in our analyses (Fig. 3; Supporting Information, Fig. S2). These two new sister species are categorically distinguished from each other based on their calls, whereas minor differences in morphology and coloration did not help much to their discrimination. We only had access to one genetic voucher of the 'Nova Olinda do Norte lineage', an adult female that shares phenotypic traits with both A. gridipappi and A. tapajonica, and calls from this lineage remain unknown. Therefore, we refrain from naming the Nova Olinda do Norte lineage as a new species while acoustic data can be acquired. For that reason, we provisionally assign it to Adenomera sp. of the A. heyeri clade. It is noteworthy that one of the genetic vouchers of Adenomera sp. and one of A. cf. gridipappi were collected from opposite margins of the Abacaxis River, and the collection points are separated one from the other by less than 5 km. Based on the interfluve-associated species distributions in the A. heyeri clade, this could be a piece of evidence pointing to the existence of two unnamed species on opposite river banks (A. cf. gridipappi and Adenomera sp.) associated with the Abacaxis River, a tributary of the Amazon River in the Madeira-Tapajós interfluve. If true, this would be a case similar to that of the nearest relatives and assumedly allopatric A. aurantiaca and A. inopinata, distributed on opposite banks of another

smaller river (Jamanxim River) in the Amazon Basin taxonomic de

#### DISCUSSION

(Fig. 2B).

The use of multiple lines of evidence, mainly the combination of morphological, acoustic and molecular data, has been increasingly and successfully used to define the taxonomic status of various groups of frogs, notably in Adenomera (e.g. Carvalho et al., 2019a, b; Cassini et al., 2020). Advertisement call patterns in the A. heyeri clade were found to be much more diverse than previously known, which endorse the high taxonomic value of acoustic data for the assessment of species diversity of Adenomera frogs. Two (sp. F and sp. G) of the four candidate new species within the A. heveri clade of Fouquet et al. (2014) were split into six new species in the present study, besides a seventh species recently described as A. phonotriccus (Carvalho et al., 2019c) and an eighth possibly unnamed species (Adenomera sp.; Table 1; Fig. 3). Some of these were in fact assumed in Fouquet et al. (2014), who found concordance between additional mitochondrial DNA subdivision and nuclear DNA. Our results confirm the assumption that their species delimitation was overconservative in many instances.

The morphology (e.g. antebrachial tubercle and SVL), colouration (e.g. dorsolateral stripe, belly and thigh colour patterns) and calls (e.g. pulsed vs. non-pulsed and single-note vs. multi-note calls) resulted in unique combinations of phenotypic traits among closely related species across the A. heyeri clade. Of these there are three species for which intraspecific variation could not be appropriately assessed in our study given their rarity and lack of integrated information for the accurate taxonomic assessment of specimens morphologically examined (i.e. direct association of specimens with calls and DNA sequences; Supporting Information, Appendix S1): A. aurantiaca, A. inopinata and A. tapajonica. There are three main reasons by which we decided to describe these three lineages as new species. First, the recognition and description of the species are supported by multiple lines of evidence, i.e. acoustic (call emission patterns, pulsing type and call rise time), molecular (phylogenetic relationships and COI distances  $\geq 8\%$ ) and morphological (SVL and thigh colour patterns) data, when compared to each other and to other members of the A. heyeri clade (Tables 1, 2, 3; Figs 3, 5-7, 9-12). Second, major patterns of advertisement call within Adenomera have shown to be diverse across species but generally stereotyped within species (e.g. Angulo et al., 2003; Kwet, 2007; Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013 a, b; Carvalho et al., 2019c, b), therefore are a reliable source of information for

taxonomic decision making in this frog genus. Third, according to the recommendation of Carvalho *et al.* (2019d), the potential extinction risk of rare and/or patchily distributed species of Amazonian *Adenomera* far outweighs that of eventual synonymization of any of them, which currently appears unlikely to happen based on the given evidence.

The lineage of 'sp. F' was previously indicated as comprising three major clades [F1-F3 (Fouquet et al., 2014)]. All three clades in sp. F are now associated with species names: A. kayapo (= F1), A. amicorum (= F2) and A. phonotriccus [= F3 (Carvalho et al., 2019c)]. The morphologically cryptic and closest related A. phonotriccus and A. kayapo have sympatric occurrence at a single location in the Xingu-Tocantins interfluve, whereas the allopatric A. amicorum is distributed in the Tapajós-Xingu interfluve (Fig. 2B). The lineage of 'sp. G' was previously indicated as comprising four major clades [G1–G4 (Fouquet et al., 2014)]. Based on phylogenetic relationships (Fig. 3) and high divergence in COI (Table 1), the clades G1 and G4 probably correspond to additional undescribed species assigned here as Adenomera sp. due to lack of morphological or acoustic evidence. Clade G2 was assigned to A. cf. gridipappi, given the lack of any other evidence to confirm its taxonomic identity, and clade G3 corresponds to one of the species described herein as new (A. gridipappi). In addition to these, three other lineages with affinities to sp. G were named in the present study (A. aurantiaca, A. inopinata and A. tapajonica). Lineages previously assigned to sp. G were found to be distributed in two Amazonian interfluves (Madeira-Tapajós and Tapajós-Xingu; Fig. 2). In contrast to species within sp. F (A. phonotriccus and A. kayapo) and A. cotuba-A. juikitam, species allied to sp. G lineages were never found in sympatry with each other.

To our knowledge, the distributions of A. cotuba and A. juikitam are limited by the Araguaia River. Both species have westernmost occurrence points precisely on the east margin of the Araguaia River (Fig. 1B). The opposite(west)marginoftheAraguaiaRivercorresponds to easternmost occurrence points of A. phonotriccus (Fig. 2B), whereas A. kayapo is distributed on both sides of the Araguaia River. Adenomera cotuba and A. *juikitam* are mostly associated with the DD, but also occur in the Cerrado-Amazonia ecotone (Fig. 1B), occupying savanna and dry forest habitats, whereas A. kayapo and A. phonotriccus occupy Amazonian nonflooded forests although A. kayapo is also distributed to the south in the Cerrado-Amazonia ecotone (Fig. 2B). According to the phylogenetic relationships and historical biogeography of the A. heyeri clade, cases of sympatry among these species should reflect distinct scenarios. Adenomera juikitam is distantly related to A. cotuba, representing the most ancient cladogenesis in the clade and the first dispersal from northern Amazonia (Guiana Shield) to the DD (Fig. 4; Supporting Information, Fig. S2), whereas the lineage of A. cotuba separated more recently, coinciding with the second dispersal event from Amazonia (Tapajós-Xingu interfluve in the southern Amazon Basin) to the DD (Fig. 4; Supporting Information, Fig. S2). The subsequent expansion of the geographic ranges of these species may have generated secondary contact of these morphologically and acoustically divergent species (Figs 1B, 4). A. kayapo and A. phonotriccus, on the other hand, are sister taxa with cryptic morphology, but have markedly divergent advertisement calls, and their syntopic occurrence might be explained either by sympatric/parapatric speciation or by secondary contact (Figs 2B, 4). The sympatric occurrence of A. kayapo and A. juikitam in the Cerrado-Amazonia ecotone should also reflect geographic range expansion of these distantly related lineages of the A. heveri clade between the DD and the Xingu-Tocantins interfluve leading to secondary contact (Figs 1B, 2B, 4).

Our study revealed many candidate new species across Brazilian Amazonia, six of them formally named and described. Data on distribution and local abundances of these species are scanty, preventing us from accurately assessing the potential extinction risks associated with each of the six newly described Adenomera species. Species distributions appear in almost all cases to be delimited by interfluves, but we are unaware whether they are widely distributed throughout an interfluvial area or might be narrow endemics to the river banks within these areas (Fig. 2). A major limitation is the lack of information on distribution range and potential rarity of some species (e.g. A. inopinata). Therefore, it is important to highlight that the current state of knowledge on species of the A. heyeri clade is likely biased by insufficient sampling in central interfluvial areas, which are, in many instances, hard-to-access and isolated locations (see Oliveira et al., 2016). Adenomera cotuba and A. juikitam, on the other hand, are widely distributed and relatively abundant across the north-central portion of the DD and the Cerrado-Amazonia ecotone (Fig. 1B), and thus they could be classified in the Least Concern category (sensu IUCN, 2012).

Members across the major clades of Adenomera share a recurrent pattern of cryptic morphology; however, closely related species in the genus generally differ markedly in their calls (e.g. Angulo *et al.*, 2003; Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013b; Carvalho *et al.*, 2019b). This is a general rule in the A. heyeri clade: the three closest related species previously subsumed within Adenomera sp. F (A. kayapo, A. amicorum and A. phonotriccus) have highly divergent calls (Figs 5–7) by their distinct pulsing (incomplete vs. complete) and temporal organization (single-note vs. multi-note), rendering them categorically distinct to each other from an acoustic perspective. Pronounced acoustic divergence can also be observed among newly described species previously subsumed within Adenomera sp. G or with affinities to this lineage (e.g. A. tapajonica and A. gridipappi). Both species distributed in the DD (A. cotuba and A. juikitam), distantly related and partly sympatric with each other, also acquired distinct call patterns (multi-note and single-note calls, respectively, Fig. 5B–C). Additional cases of acoustic differentiation in pulsing and/or temporal organization have also been reported between closely related species of other Adenomera clades (Angulo & Icochea, 2010; Carvalho & Giaretta, 2013b; Carvalho et al., 2019d). The repeated acquisition of certain call patterns within Adenomera is a major evolutionary trend in this Neotropical frog genus, which will be well suited for future research investigating the evolutionary processes promoting the convergent evolution of acoustic mating signals.

Dispersal events from Amazonia to the DD occurred three times independently in the diversification of Adenomera, twice in the A. heyeri clade (Fig. 4) and a third time in the lineage splitting of the 'open-formation clade', i.e. A. hylaedactyla+A. martinezi clades (see Fouquet et al., 2014). Historical connections between the Guiana Shield and the Brazilian Shield (including the DD) and biotic diversification associated with these possible routes are known for other vertebrates (Silva & Bates, 2002; Quijada-Mascareñas et al., 2007; Leite et al., 2015). Two connection routes (sensu Silva & Bates, 2002; Quijada-Mascareñas et al., 2007) appear to have been used as dispersal routes in the A. heveri clade: a central route between the Guiana Shield and the Brazilian Shield through the 'low precipitation belt' (Silva, 1995) may have accounted for the most recent origin of the lineages distributed south of the Amazon River and A. cotuba in the DD. Another route between the eastern Guiana Shield and northeast portion of the DD might have been used by the early-splitting A. juikitam. However, we cannot rule out biased results generated by the putative extinction of ancestral taxa when we look at the old divergence time (15.8 Mya) between A. juikitam and the remaining lineages of the A. heyeri clade (Supporting Information, Fig. S2).

Overall, our results indicate that lineage diversification within the *A. heyeri* clade across the southern tributaries of the Amazon River (Fig. 4; Supporting Information, Fig. S2) is more recent than the period of establishment of the transcontinental Amazon River system [c. 10 Mya (Hoorn *et al.*, 2010)]. Diversification within this frog clade must have resulted from dispersal events from northern Amazonia to the DD and interfluvial regions south of the Amazon River. However, our results do not rule out the possibility that the major southern tributaries of the Amazon River act (or have acted) as geographic barriers limiting dispersal (see Pirani et al., 2019). Interfluves in the southern Amazon Basin can contribute as secondary diversification agents or geographic filters for dispersal and establishment of taxa rather than a primary role causing vicariant speciation (Moraes et al., 2016; Maia et al., 2017). The currently known distribution ranges of the newly described species and related candidate new species of the A. heyeri clade are likely maintained by the major southern tributaries of the Amazon River (Fig. 2), whereas the two members from northern Amazonia (A. heyeri and sp. Q) are seemingly restricted in the south by the main course of the Amazon River (Fig. 1A). This pattern could indicate a relevant role of these well-known historical barriers to biotic dispersal and drivers of vicariant speciation (Dias-Terceiro et al., 2015; Moraes et al., 2016; Silva et al., 2019) in the diversification of this frog clade. Because some members of the genus Adenomera appear to be strongly associated with distinct vegetation types or ecoregions, the A. heyeri clade may also have been especially susceptible to climate instability in eastern Amazonia during more recent periods, when changes in the composition and extent of forest and dry habitats have occurred in the region (Cheng et al., 2013; Wang et al., 2017). The historical biogeography of this clade of South American frogs constitutes an additional piece of evidence supporting that the river-barrier hypothesis is not universally applied to the dynamic picture of diversification processes shaping the evolutionary history of the extant biota of Amazonia.

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### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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Appendix S1. List of specimens morphologically examined (Adenomera spp.) in this study.

**Appendix S2**. GenBank accession numbers and locality data on voucher specimens included in the molecular analyses. New sequences are indicated in bold.

**Appendix S3**. Soundruler settings for the automated acoustic analysis and information on sound recordings (original file names) analysed in this study. See Supporting Information (Appendices S1–S2) for locality data of voucher specimens.

**Figure S1**. Phylogenetic relationships among lineages of the seven major clades of *Adenomera* based on molecular data. Within-lineage relationships collapsed. Numbers near the nodes indicate posterior probabilities (pp) and asterisks indicate full support (pp = 1.0). Branch scale is indicated in number of substitutions per site. Members of the A. *heyeri* clade are indicated by bold.

**Figure S2.** Time-calibrated phylogeny of *Adenomera* based on molecular data. Numbers above the nodes indicate posterior probabilities (pp) and asterisks indicate full support (pp = 1.0). Numbers below the nodes indicate mean divergence times (in Mya). Grey bars on the nodes indicate confidence intervals of divergence times. Branch scale is indicated in number of substitutions per site.