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## Two new species of *Amazophrynella* (Amphibia: Anura: Bufonidae) from Loreto, Peru

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### Abstract

*Amazophrynella* is a taxonomically poorly known bufonid genus with a pan-Amazonian distribution. A large part of this ambiguity comes from taxonomic uncertainties regarding the type species *A. minuta*. In this study we compare morphological and molecular data of topotypic specimens of *A. minuta* with all other nominal congeneric species. Based on these comparisons, we describe two new species. The first species, *A. amazonicola* **sp. nov.**, differs from other recognized congeners by having a tip of snout with a small triangular protrusion (in dorsal and lateral view), spiculated body and basal webbing on fingers I and II. The second species, *A. matses* **sp. nov.**, differs from congeners by the smallest snout to vent length of the genus, edges of nasal protrusion dilated and elliptical shape palmar tubercles. The two species are allopatric, where the first species is known to be associated with white sand forests (=campinaranas), while the second inhabits upland (=terra firme) forests. Both species are diagnosable by a series of substitutions in the 16S rDNA, and both species are highly divergent from their sister taxa (*p*-distances range from 7–14%)

**Key words:** Amazon basin, Riverine barriers, Biodiversity, Speciation

### Resumo

*Amazophrynella* é um gênero da família Bufonidae taxonomicamente pouco conhecido com uma distribuição pan-amazônica. Uma grande parte dessa ambigüidade vem de incertezas taxonômicas em relação com a espécie tipo *A. minuta*. Neste estudo, comparamos os dados morfológicos e moleculares de amostras topotípicas de *A. minuta* com todas as outras espécies nominais. Com base nessas comparações, descrevemos duas novas espécies. A primeira espécie, *A. amazonicola* **sp. nov.**, difere dos outros congêneres reconhecidos por ter a ponta do focinho com uma pequena saliência triangular (vista dorsal e lateral), o corpo espiculado e membranas basais nos dedos I e II. A segunda espécie, *A. matses* **sp. nov.**, difere de seus congêneres por apresentar o menor tamanho focinho-cloaca do gênero, bordas nasais com protuberâncias e tubérculos palmares de formas elípticas. As duas espécies são alopátricas, a primeira espécie é conhecida por estar associada com florestas de areia branca (= Campinaranas), enquanto que a segunda habita florestas de terras altas (= terra firme). Ambas as espécies são diagnosticáveis por uma série de substituições na região 16S do DNAr, e são altamente divergentes da sua espécie irmã (*p*-distâncias não corrigidos 7–14%).

### Resumen

*Amazophrynella* es un género de la familia Bufonidae taxonómicamente poco conocido con una distribución pan-amazónica. Una gran parte de esta ambigüedad proviene de incertidumbres taxonómicas en relación con la especie tipo

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