

# Reassessment of the advertisement call of topotypic *Scinax squalirostris* (Anura: Hylidae), with an acoustic evaluation of its occurrence in the Serra da Mantiqueira, southeastern Brazil

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## Abstract

**Reassessment of the advertisement call of topotypic *Scinax squalirostris* (Anura: Hylidae), with an acoustic evaluation of its occurrence in the Serra da Mantiqueira, southeastern Brazil.** *Scinax squalirostris* (Lutz, 1925) is thought to occur along a broad range in South America. The values reported for calls of topotypes differ substantially among studies. Because vocalizations often play a key role in uncovering cryptic diversity, the call of *S. squalirostris* is herein redescribed based on a new sample of topotypes. The call of a population from Poços de Caldas, Minas Gerais state, is also described. Topotypic advertisement calls have a dominant frequency between 3970 and 4125 Hz; 13–15 notes emitted at a rate of 24–27/s; call rate of 67/min and duration of 0.52–0.61 s; mid-call notes having 6 or 7 well-defined pulses, and an intra-note pulse rate of 223–266/s. Calls of the Poços de Caldas population have dominant frequency between 4083 and 4358 Hz; 15–18 notes emitted at a rate of 32–34/s; call rate of 64/min and duration of 0.46–0.56 s; mid-call notes having 6 or 8 well-defined pulses, and an intra-note pulse rate of 252–312/s. The advertisement calls of these populations have some differences with each other, and are promptly distinguished from calls of morphologically similar species. Our data to topotypes are inconsistent with some previously reported. A more detailed study of the population from Poços de Caldas is required, and more marked differences may be found in populations more distant from type locality of *S. squalirostris*.

**Keywords:** Amphibia, Atlantic Forest, bioacoustics, taxonomy, vocalization.

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## Resumo

**Reavaliação do canto de anúncio de *Scinax squalirostris* (Anura: Hylidae) topotípica, com uma avaliação acústica de sua ocorrência na Serra da Mantiqueira, sudeste do Brasil.** *Scinax squalirostris* (Lutz, 1925) é tida como de ampla ocorrência na América do Sul. Os valores relatados para cantos de topótipos diferem substancialmente entre estudos. Como as vocalizações geralmente desempenham um papel fundamental na descoberta da diversidade críptica, o canto de topótipos de *S. squalirostris* é aqui redescrito com base em uma nova amostra. O canto de uma população de Poços de Caldas, estado de Minas Gerais, também é descrito. Os cantos topotípicos têm frequência dominante entre 3970 e 4125 Hz; 13–15 notas emitidas a uma taxa de 24–27/s; taxa de canto de 67/min e duração de 0,52–0,61 s; notas do meio do canto possuindo 6 ou 7 pulsos bem definidos, e uma taxa de pulsos intra-nota de 223 a 266/s. Os cantos da população de Poços de Caldas têm frequência dominante entre 4083 e 4358 Hz; 15 a 18 notas emitidas a uma taxa de 32 a 34/s; taxa de canto de 64/min e duração de 0,46–0,56 s; notas do meio do canto possuindo 6 ou 8 pulsos bem definidos, e uma taxa de pulsos intra-nota de 252–312/s. Os cantos de anúncio dessas populações tem algumas diferenças entre si, e são prontamente distinguidos dos cantos de espécies morfológicamente semelhantes. Nossos dados para topótipos são inconsistentes com alguns relatados anteriormente. É necessário um estudo mais detalhado da população de Poços de Caldas, e diferenças mais acentuadas devem ser encontradas em populações mais distantes da localidade-tipo de *S. squalirostris*.

**Palavras-chave:** Amphibia, bioacústica, Mata Atlântica, taxonomia, vocalização.

## Introduction

*Scinax squalirostris* (Lutz, 1925) was described from the Serra da Bocaina highlands (Bokermann 1966, Lutz 1973), near the boundary between the Brazilian states of São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro. The species is thought to be distributed in the Atlantic Forest (Lutz 1973, Kwet 2001, Trevine *et al.* 2014), Cerrado (Eterovick and Sazima 2004, Pombal *et al.* 2011, São-Pedro and Feio 2011), and Pantanal (Uetanabaro *et al.* 2008) biomes in Brazil, to Uruguay, Paraguay, Argentina (Straneck *et al.* 1993), and Bolivia (De la Riva *et al.* 2000).

Barrio (1963), Haddad *et al.* (1988), Pombal *et al.* (1995, 2011), Faria *et al.* (2013), and Garey *et al.* (2018) presented data on calls of different populations of *Scinax squalirostris*, with the two latter studies also reporting on the call of the topotypic population. However, reported values for call variables of topotypes differ substantially among these studies. Given these inconsistencies and the need to elucidate the acoustic parameters of *S. squalirostris*, we redescrbe its advertisement call based on a new sample of topotypes. It is

likely that *S. squalirostris* may comprise a species complex across its presumptive range (Pombal *et al.* 2011, Faria *et al.* 2013); thus, it is important to redescrbe and authenticate its advertisement call, because vocalizations can be a key to the identification of cryptic diversity among frogs (e.g., Nunes *et al.* 2012, Caminer and Ron 2014, Ron *et al.* 2018, Carvalho *et al.* 2019). To determine if there is inter-populational variation in advertisement calls, we report call data of a population from the Poços de Caldas Plateau in the Mantiqueira Range in the state of Minas Gerais (MG). The call data from these two populations are compared to those reported in literature for other populations of *S. squalirostris*, as well to those reported for morphologically similar congeners.

## Materials and Methods

On 11 January 2012, calls of *Scinax squalirostris* ( $N = 3$  males) were recorded at a site (22°43'35.16" S, 44°37'18.80" W; ca. 1500 m a.s.l.) 7 km from the type locality of the species (Fazenda do Bonito, RPPN Caburé,

around 22°44'22.99" S, 44°33'8.87" W), São José do Barreiro, São Paulo state (SP), Brazil. On 30 January 2009, calls ( $N = 3$  males) were recorded in Poços de Caldas (MG), Brazil (21°56'57.97" S, 46°33'29.35" W; ca. 1300 m a.s.l.). The frogs were identified as *S. squalirostris* based on the descriptions of Lutz (1925) and Lutz (1973), as follow: (1) relatively small body size (males ca. 25 mm SVL); (2) elongated snout; (3) dorsolateral silvery stripe enclosed by two dark longitudinal stripes; (4) dark canthal line bordered by a white line; and (5) no transverse stripes on limbs.

Only one type of vocalization was heard and recorded. We assume this was the advertisement call because it was emitted repeatedly by males (Toledo *et al.* 2015, Köhler *et al.* 2017); it also corresponds in general to the structure of the advertisement call reported by Pombal *et al.* (1995) for another population. Recordings were made with a Sennheiser ME67/K6 directional microphone, connected to a Marantz PMD 671 or a M-Audio MicroTrack II digital recorder set to a sampling rate of 44.1 kHz and 16-bits resolution. Ten calls of each frog were analyzed. Call features were measured in Raven Pro 1.5 software (Bioacoustics Research Program 2014) with the following settings: 50% brightness and contrast; Hann window function at FFT width of 256 samples; 3 dB filter bandwidth of 270 Hz; overlap (locked) at 85%; and DFT size at 1024 samples. We followed the note-centered approach of Köhler *et al.* (2017) to define call units, therefore considering the main sound unit as a call, which is composed of subunits we treated as notes, which are in turn composed of pulses. Calls were measured from parts of the recording in which the vocalizations had higher and stable amplitudes. The acoustic terminology and definitions adopted are summarized in Table 1. Dominant frequency was obtained using the "Peak Frequency" function of Raven Pro 1.5. Sound figures were made using the Seewave package v. 1.5.9 (Sueur *et al.* 2008) in the R platform v. 2.12.1 (R Development Core Team

2014), using Hann window function, 85% overlap, and 256 points resolution (FFT). Call vouchers (AAG-UFU 0834–5; 1129–35) and recordings are housed in the Coleção de Anuros do Museu de Biodiversidade do Cerrado (AAG-UFU), Universidade Federal de Uberlândia, Uberlândia, Minas Gerais state, Brazil. The recordings analyzed are listed in Appendix I; a recording analyzed in Garey *et al.* (2018) was directly compared with our samples.

We sought for acoustic discrimination between topotypes and specimens from Poços de Caldas by applying the "DAPC" (Discriminant Analysis on Principal Components) function (adeigenet v. 2.0.1 R package; Jombart 2008, Jombart *et al.* 2010). We searched for statistical differences between both populations based on call features that showed higher DAPC loadings (e.g., dominant frequency) through the "Exact Wilcoxon Mann Whitney Rank Sum Test" in the coin R package (Hothorn *et al.* 2008).

The morphologically similar species we considered for acoustic comparisons, are those small-sized *Scinax* with an immaculate color pattern on the hidden surfaces of thigh and groin, and with longitudinal stripes on the dorsum.

## Results

At both sites, males (Figure 1) started calling after sunset and call recordings were made between 19:22 and 20:30 h. We found no evidence of rain the day before recordings. Individuals called hidden, perched on dense, short (< 50 cm height) grassy bushes in open area marshes. Topotypes are 24.9 mm SVL (SD = 1.2; Range 22.1–26.8 mm;  $N = 10$ ), and frogs from Poços de Caldas are 23.3 mm SVL (SD = 0.4; Range 23.0–23.6).

The advertisement call of topotypes (Table 2, Figure 2) is a stereotyped short, sharp, and pulsed buzz; the call increases in energy to its mid-portion and then decreases. Calls are emitted at a rate of 67/min, last 0.52–0.61 s and are spaced by inter-call intervals of 0.56–0.66 s.

**Table 1.** Acoustic terminology adopted in the present study. Definition of most acoustic traits follows that of Köhler *et al.* (2017) and Raven manual (Charif *et al.* 2010).

Acoustic traits	Definition
Call duration (s)	Time from beginning to end of one call
Call interval (s)	Time from end of one call to beginning of the consecutive call
Call rate (calls/min)	Number of calls/time from beginning of first call to beginning of last call; the result is then multiplied by 60 to be given in calls/min
Notes/call	Number of notes present in one call
Note rate (notes/s)	Number of notes in one call/call duration
First-note duration (s)	Time from beginning to end of a note in the initial portion of the call
Mid-notes duration (s)	Time from beginning to end of a note in the middle portion of the call
Last-note duration (s)	Time from beginning to end of a note in the final portion of the call
First-note interval (s)	Time from end of a note to beginning of the consecutive note (in the initial portion of the call)
Mid-notes interval (s)	Time from end of a note to beginning of the consecutive note (in the middle portion of the call)
Last-note interval (s)	Time from end of a note to beginning of the consecutive note (in the final portion of the call)
First-notes pulse number	Number of pulses in notes from the initial portion of the call
Mid-notes pulse number	Number of pulses in notes from the middle portion of the call
Last-notes pulse number	Number of pulses in notes from the final portion of the call
Intra-note pulse rate (pulses/s)	Number of pulses in a mid-call note/note duration
Amplitude peak time (%)	Time from the beginning of the call to its point of maximum amplitude; the value is given as a percentage in relation to the total call duration
Dominant frequency (Hz)	Frequency containing the greatest sound energy of the call
5% frequency (Hz)	Frequency that divides the call into one part above and another below itself, which contain respectively 95% and 5% of the total sound energy of the call
95% frequency (Hz)	Frequency that divides the call into one part above and another below itself, which contain respectively 5% and 95% of the total sound energy of the call

Calls contain 13–15 notes emitted at a rate of 24–27/s. Notes from the mid portion of the call are slightly shorter (0.027–0.028 s) than those at the end (0.020–0.038 s). Mid-call notes have 6 or 7 well-defined pulses with an intra-note pulse rate of 223–266/s. Notes at the end of calls have pulses less clearly defined (values in Table 2 are estimates). The dominant frequency is between 3970 and 4125 Hz, with an average of 370 Hz upward frequency modulation from beginning until the end of the call; the 90% bandwidth is 1149 Hz.

Calls of frogs from Poços de Caldas (Table 2, Figure 2) have the same structural pattern as those of the topotypes. Calls are emitted at a rate of 64/min, have durations of 0.46–0.56 s and are spaced by inter-call intervals of 0.50–0.67 s. Calls contain 15–18 notes emitted at a rate of 32–34/s. Mid-call notes are slightly longer (0.020–0.025 s) than those at the end (0.019–0.022 s). Notes from mid-call have 6 or 7 well-defined pulses with an intra-note pulse rate of 252–312/s. Notes at the end of call have 6–8 well-defined pulses. The dominant frequency is between 4083 and 4358 Hz; two males had an average of 370 Hz upward frequency modulation from beginning to the end of call, whereas one had inconsistent variation from -500 to 500 Hz in relation to the beginning; the 90% bandwidth is 1476 Hz.

The DAPC completely discriminated (100% probability of correct membership) calls of one population from another. The number of notes per call, note rate, and mid-note duration distinguish them. Differences in dominant frequency (wilcox\_test  $Z = -1.53$ ,  $p = 0.2$ ), call duration ( $Z = 1.09$ ,  $p = 0.4$ ) and intra-note pulse rate ( $Z = -1.53$ ,  $p = 0.2$ ) are not significant (Figure 3).

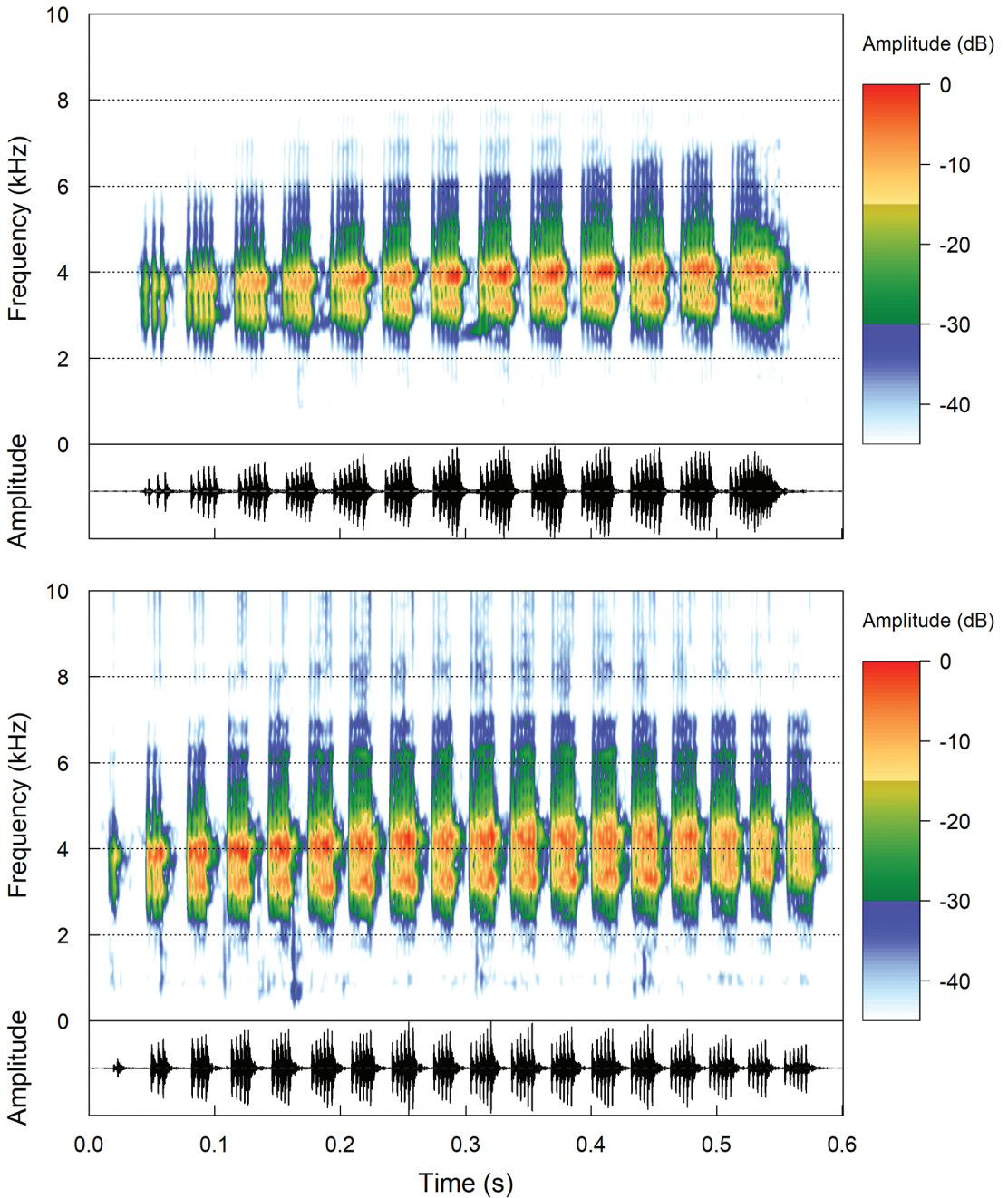
A comparison of the advertisement calls of both populations with those available in literature for other populations of *Scinax squalirostris* is provided in Table 2. A brief comparison between the advertisement call of our topotypes with those of morphologically similar *Scinax* species is in Table 3.



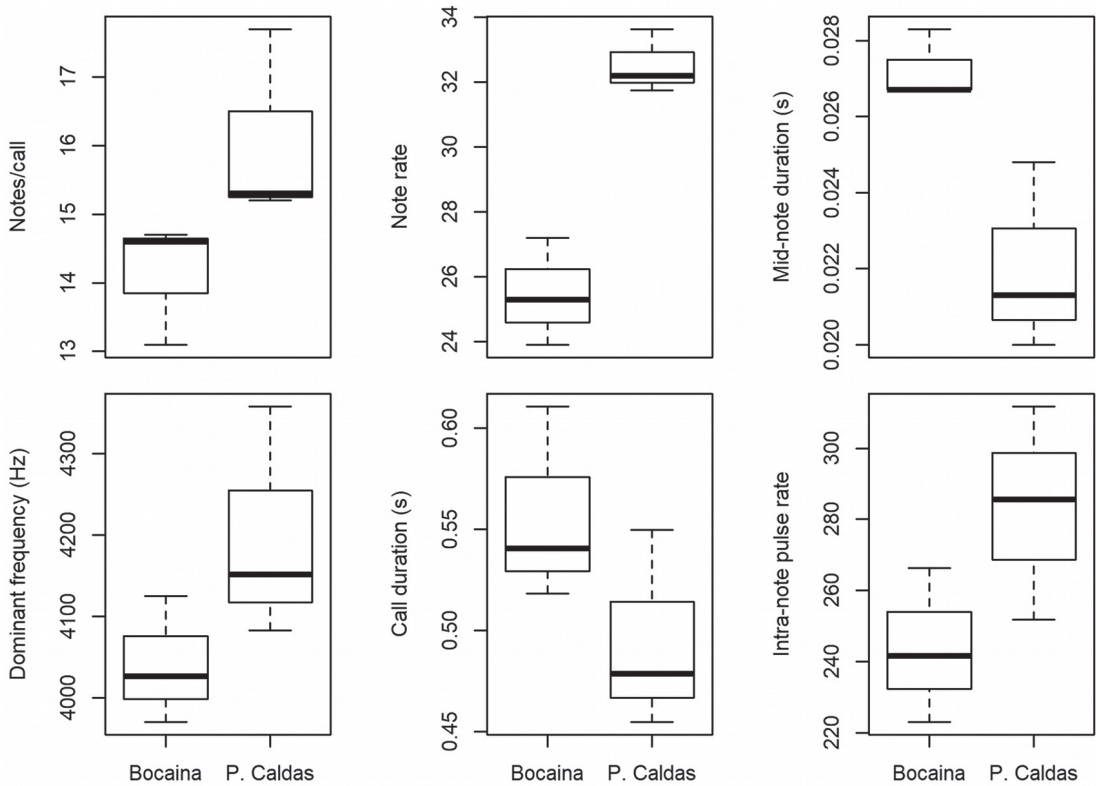
**Figure 1.** Adult male from each population studied. Above: a topotype of *Scinax squalirostris* (Serra da Bocaina); AAG-UFU 835. Below: Poços de Caldas, Minas Gerais state; AAG-UFU 4378. Both are call vouchers.

## Discussion

Our call values of topotypic *Scinax squalirostris* differ from those reported by Faria *et al.* (2013) (Table 2). Their mean values are consistently lower than their standard deviations, suggesting that the numbers represent minimum and maximum values instead. Considering these inconsistencies, their Table 1 (p. 331; reproduced in Table 7 of Köhler *et al.* 2017, p. 54) seems to be erroneous. Further, their values for “calls/min” are unrealistic and contrast with those that we found; they are more similar to our values for note rate when expressed in minutes (Table 2 herein). Garey *et al.* (2018) also provided call data for topotypic *S. squalirostris* and their values for spectral traits differed somewhat from ours (Table 2); they reported a substantial high value for the



**Figure 2.** Audiospectrograms and corresponding oscillograms of the advertisement calls of a topotypic *Scinax squalirostris* (above) and of a male from Poços de Caldas, Minas Gerais state (below). Notice the higher number of notes and shorter note duration of the Poços de Caldas population. Figured recordings: *Scinax\_squalirostris*BocainaSP1cAAGm671; *Scinax\_sp*PocosCaldasMG1aAAGmt.



**Figure 3.** Comparative quantitative call features of the two populations studied. Bocaina represents the type locality of *Scinax squalirostris*. Notice that the three features above are diagnostic for each. The differences in median values for dominant frequency, call duration, and intra-note pulse rate are not significant ( $p > 0.05$ ). See Table 2 for descriptive statistics.

SD of dominant frequency, but did not discuss it. Based on the re-analysis of the recording of Garey *et al.* (2018), we noticed that this high SD value results from the alternation of the dominant frequency between emphasized bands along call emissions. Thus, calls in the initial portion of a call series (weak/low amplitude) had their dominant frequencies concentrated in the lower band, whereas calls of middle and last portions of the series (higher and stable amplitude) had more energy in the upper frequency band. Similar between-bands shifts in dominant frequency is known for calls of other species of *Scinax* (e.g., Magrini *et al.* 2011, Carvalho *et al.* 2015, Novaes

and Zina 2016, Bang *et al.* 2017, Lopes *et al.* 2019). Also, the mean value of notes per call reported by Garey *et al.* (2018) should be read 10, not 1 (M. V. Garey, pers. com.).

In southeastern Brazil, other populations of frogs identified as *Scinax squalirostris* are as follow: Alto and Médio Paranapanema (Maffei *et al.* 2011, Oliveira *et al.* 2013, Maffei and Ubaid 2014), Paranapiacaba (Trevine *et al.* 2014), Ribeirão Branco (Pombal *et al.* 1995), Serra da Canastra (Pombal *et al.* 1995), Serra do Cipó (Eterovick and Sazima 2004), Serra do Ouro Branco (São-Pedro and Feio 2011), and Triângulo Mineiro (Neves *et al.* 2019).

**Table 2.** Advertisement call trait values of different populations attributed to *Scimax squillostris*. Values are given as Mean  $\pm$  SD (SD/Mean, in %); if Mean was not available, Range is given. <sup>a</sup> Pulses in Haddad et al. (1988) and in Pombal et al. (2011) herein correspond to notes, and notes in Haddad et al. (1988) herein correspond to call. <sup>b</sup> See Discussion. <sup>c</sup> Call of this population is a single multipulsed note, and therefore this value refers to the total number of pulses. \* Unspecified from which portion of the call measurements were taken. \*\* In minutes, values to our topotypes are 1530  $\pm$  99 (see Discussion). Legend to Brazilian states: SP, São Paulo; MG, Minas Gerais; GO, Goiás.

	Topotypes (present study)	Topotypes (Faria et al. 2013)	Topotypes (Carey et al. 2018)	Ribeirão Branco, SP (Pombal et al. 1995)	Poços de Caldas, MG (present study)	Serra da Canastra, MG (Haddad et al. 1988) <sup>a</sup>	Cristalina, GO (Pombal et al. 2011)	La Paz, Bolívia (Pombal et al. 2011) <sup>a</sup>
Individuals recorded	3	2	6	-	3	1?	1	1
Call duration (s)	0.556 $\pm$ 0.048 (9)	0.420 $\pm$ 0.550 (131)	0.5 $\pm$ 0.1 (20)	0.6 $\pm$ 0.04 (7)	0.494 $\pm$ 0.049 (10)	0.4	0.664 $\pm$ 0.020 (3)	0.391 $\pm$ 0.008 (2)
Call interval (s)	0.599 $\pm$ 0.052 (9)	-	-	-	0.631 $\pm$ 0.113 (18)	0.4	-	-
Call rate (/min)	67 $\pm$ 1.9 (3)	1584 $\pm$ 1640 (104)	-	-	64 $\pm$ 6.4 (10)	80	62	-
Notes/call	14.1 $\pm$ 0.90 (6)	11.6 $\pm$ 14.5 (125)	10 $\pm$ 0 (0) <sup>b</sup>	12.3 $\pm$ 0.67 (5)	16.1 $\pm$ 1.41 (9)	16–17	1	10
Note rate (/s)	25.5 $\pm$ 1.65 (6)**	-	-	-	32.5 $\pm$ 0.98 (3)	-	-	-
First-note duration (s)	0.023 $\pm$ 0.003 (13)	-	-	-	0.010 $\pm$ 0.006 (60)	-	-	-
Mid-note duration (s)	0.027 $\pm$ 0.001 (4)	0.030 $\pm$ 0.032 (107)*	-	0.024 $\pm$ 0.003 (13)*	0.022 $\pm$ 0.002 (9)	-	-	-
Last-note duration (s)	0.029 $\pm$ 0.009 (31)	-	-	-	0.020 $\pm$ 0.002 (10)	-	-	-
First-note interval (s)	0.017 $\pm$ 0.004 (24)	-	-	-	0.019 $\pm$ 0.007 (37)	-	-	-
Mid-note interval (s)	0.014 $\pm$ 0.001 (7)	-	-	0.026 $\pm$ 0.001 (4)*	0.011 $\pm$ 0.003 (27)	-	-	-
Last-note interval (s)	0.014 $\pm$ 0.001 (7)	-	-	-	0.012 $\pm$ 0.002 (17)	-	-	-
First-note pulse number	4.7 $\pm$ 0.95 (20)	-	-	-	2.1 $\pm$ 0.91 (43)	-	-	-
Mid-note pulse number	6.6 $\pm$ 0.44 (7)	7.97 $\pm$ 9.0 (113)*	12.9 $\pm$ 1.6 (12)	6.2 $\pm$ 0.97 (15.64)*	6.2 $\pm$ 0.45 (7)	-	46 $\pm$ 1 (2) <sup>c</sup>	-
Last-note pulse number	8.1 $\pm$ 3.52 (43)	-	-	-	6.6 $\pm$ 0.87 (13)	-	-	-
Intra-note pulse rate (/s)	244 $\pm$ 22 (9)	-	-	-	283 $\pm$ 30 (11)	-	-	-



Table 2. Continued.

	Topotypes (present study)	Topotypes (Faria <i>et al.</i> 2013)	Topotypes (Garey <i>et al.</i> 2018)	Ribeirão Branco, SP (Pombal <i>et al.</i> 1995)	Poços de Caldas, MG (present study)	Serra da Canastra, MG (Haddad <i>et al.</i> 1988) <sup>a</sup>	Cristalina, GO (Pombal <i>et al.</i> 2011)	La Paz, Bolivia (Pombal <i>et al.</i> 2011) <sup>a</sup>
Amplitude peak time (%)	54 ± 9.7 (18)	-	-	-	53 ± 4.0 (8)	-	-	-
Dominant frequency (Hz)	4041 ± 78 (2)	3709 ± 4257 (115)	3540 ± 738.3 (21)	3900–4600	4197 ± 143 (3)	-	4273 ± 74 (2)	4366 ± 42 (1)
5% frequency (Hz)	3187 ± 179 (6)	-	2375.6 ± 148 (6)	3000?	3208 ± 112 (4)	3500?	2932 ± 19 (1)	3040 ± 42 (1)
95% frequency (Hz)	4336 ± 54 (1)	-	4982.5 ± 114 (2)	6000?	4684 ± 123 (3)	5500?	5085 ± 19 (0.5)	4995 ± 57 (1)
SVL (mm)	22.1–26.8	-	-	-	23.0–23.6	-	-	-
Temperature (°C)	air 15–16	-	-	air 14	air 18	air 20, water 19	air 18	air 18
Recording time	19:22–20:15 h	-	-	21:00h	20:00–20:15 h	21:00 h	-	-

Some of these sites have elevations above 1000 m and seem to be disjunct from the topotypic population. We think that the substantial interpopulational call differences reported here (Table 2), indicate that a more detailed assessment of the population from Poços de Caldas is needed to clarify whether these differences are within the bounds of natural variation or are diagnostic features of an undescribed taxon. One might expect even more marked differences in populations that are farther from type locality, such as those from Brazilian Cerrado (Haddad *et al.* 1988, Pombal *et al.* 2011, Santoro and Brandão 2014), Bolivia, southern Brazil, and Uruguay (Faria *et al.* 2013). The greater number of notes per call of the populations from Poços de Caldas and Serra da Canastra is noteworthy, as is the longer inter-note interval of the population from Ribeirão Branco (Table 2). In addition, the call of the frogs from the Cristalina population, Goiás state (GO), differs from those of other populations, since it is composed of a single multi-pulsed note. Examination of different classes of data (e.g., morphometric, acoustic, and molecular) may inform species delimitation within the nominal species *S. squalirostris* and other populations currently assigned this name, such as the one from Poços de Caldas. If a population of frogs at the southernmost part of the range of *S. squalirostris* is found to be distinct, there are available names for them from southern Uruguay, as well as northeastern and northern Argentina (Klappenbach and Langone 1992, Pinheiro *et al.* 2014).

Morphologically, *Scinax squalirostris* is distinguished from its congeners by the combination of its elongated snout and its dorsolateral silvery stripes (Pinheiro *et al.* 2014). In addition, it differs from morphologically similar congeners by its multi-note advertisement call in contrast to the single-note calls of these species (Table 3).


The Poços de Caldas Plateau is rich in endemic frog species (Giaretta and Sazima 1993, Vasconcelos and Giaretta 2003, Caramaschi and

**Table 3.** Advertisement call traits of topotypic *Scinax squalirostris* (our sample) and morphologically similar congeners. Values are given as Mean  $\pm$  SD (Minimum–Maximum). <sup>a</sup>Emphasized frequency bands. Recording localities: *S. squalirostris* (type locality); *S. fuscumarginatus* (Itirapina, SP, Brazil); *S. madeirae* (type locality and additional localities in Bolivia); *S. exiguus* (type locality); *S. wandae* (type locality); *S. stauferi* (probably southern Mexico and/or Central America); *S. altae* (probably Panama).

	<i>Scinax squalirostris</i>	<i>Scinax fuscumarginatus</i>	<i>Scinax madeirae</i>	<i>Scinax exiguus</i>	<i>Scinax wandae</i>	<i>Scinax stauferi</i>	<i>Scinax altae</i>
Reference	Present study	Toledo and Haddad 2005	Jansen et al. 2016	Carvalho et al. 2017	Pyburn and Fouquette 1971	León 1969	León 1969
Call duration (s)	0.556 $\pm$ 0.048 (0.520–0.610)	0.540 $\pm$ 0.062 (0.334–0.628)	0.825 $\pm$ 0.126 (0.558–1.277)	1.148 $\pm$ 0.334 (0.632–1.638)	0.673 (0.653–0.696)	0.180	0.150
Call interval (s)	0.599 $\pm$ 0.052 (0.560–0.660)	3.11 $\pm$ 2.85 (0.580–19.59)	-	-	0.5	-	-
Notes/call	13–15	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dominant frequency (Hz)	4041 $\pm$ 78 (3970–4125)	3820 $\pm$ 220 (3070–4200)	4085 $\pm$ 552 (3100–5672)	4522 $\pm$ 290 (4078–5016)	4893 (4800–5050)	1743 (1582–1872); 3056 (1962–3744) <sup>a</sup>	2008 (1853–2106); 3775 (3379–4056) <sup>a</sup>
Individuals recorded	3	23	61	3	3	18?	7?
SVL (mm)	22.1–26.8	-	19.3–26.8	18.0–20.8	23.4–26.9	20.7–29.0	21.7–26.0
Temperature (°C)	air 15–16, water 18–19	air 19–22	air 19–29	air 16	air 22	-	-
Recording time	19:22–20:15 h	-	19:00–24:00 h	-	-	-	-

Cruz 2004, Martins *et al.* 2016), suggesting that the area may have been isolated long enough to result in speciation. Finer taxonomic resolution will improve our understanding of the biogeographic patterns of frog diversification along the vegetation formations of the Atlantic Forest, as exemplified by Vasconcelos *et al.* (2014), who also verified the presence of *Scinax squalirostris* in the Mantiqueira Range of Minas Gerais.

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**Appendix I.** List of analyzed sound files (\*.wav format); all housed at the collection of frogs of the Universidade Federal de Uberlândia. m671 = marantz/Sennheiser Me67; mt = microtrack/Sennheiser Me67.

Scinax\_squalirostrisBocainaSP1aAAGm671; Scinax\_squalirostrisBocainaSP1bAAGm671;  
Scinax\_squalirostrisBocainaSP1cAAGm671; Scinax\_squalirostrisBocainaSP2aAAGm671;  
Scinax\_squalirostrisBocainaSP2bAAGm671; Scinax\_squalirostrisBocainaSP2cAAGm671;  
Scinax\_squalirostrisBocainaSP3aAAGm671; Scinax\_squalirostrisPocosCaldasMG1aAAGmt;  
Scinax\_squalirostrisPocosCaldasMG1bAAGmt; Scinax\_squalirostrisPocosCaldasMG2aAAGmt;  
Scinax\_squalirostrisPocosCaldasMG2bAAGmt; Scinax\_squalirostrisPocosCaldasMG3aAAGmt;  
Scinax\_squalirostrisBocainaSP1aMVG\_CFBH.