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26 Breeding Sites of Neotropical Drosophilidae (Diptera)

27 V. Inflorescences of Calathea cylindrica and Calathea monophylla (Marantaceae)

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38 ABSTRACT

39 In December 2006, a total of 495 drosophilids belonging to 19 species were 40 aspirated from inflorescences of *Calathea monophylla* (Vell.) Körn at a forest reserve in the 41 city of São Paulo, state of São Paulo, and a total of 42 specimens belonging to three species 42 of Drosophila were aspirated from those of Calathea cylindrica (Roscoe) K. Schum. in an 43 urban forest in the city of Rio de Janeiro, state of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Additionally, 20 44 inflorescences of C. monophylla and 14 inflorescences of C. cylindrica were collected and 45 observed for the emergence of flies in the laboratories. A total of 137 drosophilids 46 belonging to Zygothrica dispar (Wiedemann) plus five species of Drosophila (D. 47 griseolineata Duda and four undescribed species) emerged from C. monophylla 48 inflorescences, and a total of 22 specimens, all belonging to two undescribed species of 49 Drosophila, emerged from those of C. cylindrica. Drosophila calatheae sp. nov., 50 ungrouped but related to both the *xanthopallescens* Pipkin and the *bromeliae* Patterson & 51 Stone species groups, is described based on both aspirated and emerged flies from C. 52 monophylla inflorescences from São Paulo city. This new species was also reared in the 53 laboratory with a new medium recipe, thus providing larvae for chromosomal studies.

54 **RESUMO**

55 Em dezembro de 2006, um total de 495 drosofilídeos pertencentes a 19 espécies 56 foram aspirados de inflorescências de *Calathea monophylla* (Vell.) Körn numa reserva 57 florestal na cidade de São Paulo, estado de São Paulo, e 42 espécimes pertencentes a três 58 espécies de *Drosophila* foram aspirados de inflorescências de *Calathea cylindrica* (Roscoe) 59 K. Schum. em uma floresta urbana na cidade do Rio de Janeiro, estado do Rio de Janeiro, 60 Brasil. Adicionalmente, 20 inflorescências de C. monophylla e 14 inflorescências de C. 61 cylindrica foram coletadas e observadas quanto à emergência de moscas adultas em 62 laboratório. Um total de 137 drosofilídeos pertencentes a Zvgothrica dispar (Wiedemann) e 63 a cinco espécies de *Drosophila* (*D. griseolineata* Duda e quatro espécies não descritas) 64 emergiram de inflorescências de C. monophylla, e 22 espécimes, todos pertencentes a duas 65 espécies de Drosophila não descritas, emergiram das inflorescências de C. cylindrica. 66 Drosophila calatheae sp. nov., espécie não agrupada, porém relacionada aos grupos 67 xanthopallescens Pipkin e bromeliae Patterson & Stone, é descrita a partir de espécimes 68 aspirados e emergidos de inflorescências de C. monophylla da cidade de São Paulo. Esta 69 nova espécie também foi criada em laboratório com uma nova receita de meio de cultura, 70 fornecendo larvas para estudos cromossômicos.

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72 KEY WORDS

73 Drosophila spp., flower-breeder, new species, mitotic chromosomes, Brazil

The Neotropical plant genus *Calathea* G.F.W. Meyer, occurring throughout the 75 humid American tropics, comprises about 300 species (Andersson 1998). There is an 76 estimated 70 to 90 species inhabiting Brazil (Braga 2005), where they are vernacularly 77 known as "caeté" or "caetê". According to Andersson (1998: 286), numerous species of 78 *Calathea* occur primarily in swamp forests and riverine inundation forests and, although 79 needing special arrangements for indoor cultivation, are rapidly increasing in importance as 80 an ornamental, especially in tropical and subtropical horticulture. Lorenzi and Souza (2008) 81 display remarkable color photographs of 27 species of *Calathea* being cultivated as an 82 ornamental in Brazil, which represent around 9% of the known species belonging to the 83 genus. The flowers of *Calathea* species have a corolla tube 5 to 25 times longer than wide 84 and are grouped in roughly spiciform to capitate inflorescences (Andersson 1998).

Pipkin (1964) described species of *Drosophila* from Panama that depend on Re *Calathea* spp. flowers to complete their development. Obligatory flower breeding *Torsophila* spp. belonging to several species groups within the subgenus *Drosophila*, such Re as the *bromeliae*, *flavopilosa*, *xanthopallescens*, and *onychophora* groups, as well as to 90 other entire subgenera, such as *Phloridosa* and *Siphlodora*, have been reported from the 90 Neotropical Region (reviewed in Brncic 1983). It seems that the ability to explore such 91 resources has been independently acquired several times in different lineages (Markow and 92 O'Grady 2008). The imagoes of the above cited flies depend on living flowers for 93 displaying sexual behavior, feeding and ovipositing, whereas their larval development and 94 metamorphosis can occur on both living and fallen (decaying) flowers.

95 The purpose of this paper is twofold: (1) to identify drosophilids associated to two 96 species of *Calathea* in southeastern Brazil (by aspirating adult flies directly from 97 inflorescences in the field and by observing imagoes emergence from infested flowers

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98 taken to laboratory), and (2) to describe the most abundant of the four new species of
99 *Drosophila* that were collected. This paper is the fifth of a series (Vilela and Pereira 1992,
100 Vilela and Selivon 2000, Vilela 2001, Santos and Vilela, 2005) aiming to discover the
101 breeding sites of Neotropical drosophilids.

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Materials and Methods

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105 **Collection and Handling of Flies and Floral Resources.** The collections were made in the 106 cities of São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro (hereafter shortly referred to as São Paulo and Rio de 107 Janeiro respectively). During the summer blooming season (December 2006 and January 108 2007), plants of *Calathea monophylla* (Vell.) Körn (non ornamental) from São Paulo 109 (forest reserve [urban] of the Instituto de Biociências da Universidade de São Paulo [IB-110 USP], Cidade Universitária "Armando de Salles Oliveira" [CUASO]) and of *Calathea* 111 *cylindrica* (Roscoe) K. Schum. (ornamental) from Rio de Janeiro (Jardim Botânico district, 112 adjacent to Parque Nacional da Tijuca, an urban reserve) were inspected for the presence of 113 adults. Imagoes swarming around and/or perching on the inflorescences were aspirated, 114 followed by the collection of 20 inflorescences of the former species and 14 of the latter. 115 For the São Paulo collection, the inflorescences were taken to the laboratory in

116 screen-capped plastic boxes, where they were longitudinally cut and each half part kept 117 individually in 250 ml vials containing wet sand and plugged with synthetic foam stoppers. 118 The vials were kept in an incubator with constant temperature $(22 \pm 1^{\circ} \text{ C})$ and photoperiod 119 (13 h: 11 h, L:D) to await emergence of adult drosophilids and other insects. To prevent 120 desiccation, and whenever necessary, water was added to the vials by a plant sprayer. All 121 emerged insects were removed daily, late in the afternoon, by an aspirator until no further 122 emergence took place (ca. 4 weeks later). The emerged specimens were kept on the 123 conventional banana-agar culture media to await hardening of the exoskeleton (ca. 20 days) 124 then preserved in 70% ethanol. Drosophilids were later dried and double-mounted gluing 125 them to cardboard tips on their right side, according to the technique detailed by Bächli et 126 al. (2004: 3, alternative b), sexed and, whenever possible, identified to species. For detailed 127 information regarding the forest reserve of the Instituto de Biociências da Universidade de 128 São Paulo (formerly known as forest reserve of the CUASO [an acronym for Cidade 129 Universitária "Armando de Salles Oliveira"]) refer to Rossi (1994) and Groppo and Pirani 130 (2005). According to the latter paper, two species of *Calathea*, *Calathea lietzeii* E. Morren 131 and Calathea communis Wanderley and S. Vieira, are present in the forest reserve. The first 132 one is an introduced species and the latter species, which is native in the area, was later 133 (Braga 2005) considered to be a junior synonym of Calathea monophylla (Vell.) Körn. No 134 voucher specimens of C. monophylla were collected during this project as three dried 135 specimens (two of them being paratypes [M. Groppo Jr. 70 and M. Groppo Jr. 246] of C. 136 *communis*) from the collection site had been previously deposited (Groppo and Pirani, 137 2005:201) in the herbarium of the Departamento de Botânica do Instituto de Biociências da 138 USP (coded SPF).

For the Rio de Janeiro collection, the inflorescences were treated in much the same 140 way as those sampled in São Paulo, except for the following details: the inflorescences 141 were kept individually in larger vials (1000 ml) in natural summer photoperiod (circa 14 h: 142 10 h, L:D) and there was no daily systematic observation. The emerging flies were 143 collected at three times: 2, 5 and 17 days after the collection of inflorescences. The emerged 144 specimens were kept in ethanol 95%. Formerly, the primary vegetation of Rio de Janeiro 145 was a coastal Atlantic rainforest. However, most of it was supplanted by coffee farms

146 especially in the beginning of the 19th century. Today the main forest remnant in the city is 147 the Parque Nacional da Tijuca, which covers some 30 km². The park originated with a 148 reforestation project in the second half of the 19th century and is now considered the 149 world's largest urban forest. The collection sites (locally known as Jardim Botânico or 150 Horto Florestal at ca. 22°57.95′S, 43°14.31′ W) are adjacent to the Parque Nacional da 151 Tijuca.

At the São Paulo collection site, the non ornamental and native host-plant species *Calathea monophylla* blooms from October to December (Groppo and Pirani, 2005) and to ccurs along the swampy banks of a brooklet, whereas at the Rio de Janeiro collection site, the ornamental and invasive host-plant species *Calathea cylindrica* blooms year-round and for has special affinity for well-lit forest edges (Barreto and Freitas 2007).

157 Identification and Imaging of Fly and Plant Taxa. Plant species were identified using 158 Wanderley and Vieira (2002), Braga (2005), Groppo and Pirani (2005) and Lorenzi and 159 Souza (2008). The collected drosophilid flies, belonging to previously described species, 160 were identified using the papers of Malogolowkin (1953), Burla (1954), Breuer and Rocha 161 (1971), Val (1982), Grimaldi (1987), Vilela and Bächli (1990), and Bächli et al. (2000). In 162 addition to the analyses of their external morphology, male flies were also identified to 163 species by examination of the terminalia, especially the aedeagus, which can be extruded 164 by gently squeezing the abdomen distal end of anesthetized live specimens, as detailed by 165 Spassky (1957: 51). Dissections were performed according to Wheeler and Kambysellis 166 (1966), as modified by Kaneshiro (1969) and Bächli et al. (2004), whenever necessary. 167 Samples of the aspirated and/or emerged flies, including non drosophilids, were pinned and 168 labeled and will be deposited in the Museu de Zoologia, Universidade de São Paulo, São

169 Paulo, SP (MZSP). No attempt was made to identify Diptera species belonging to other170 families.

The photomicrographs of the different terminalia structures were taken with an Olympus BX60 microscope and an Olympus Q-Color 5 digital camera. A 10x objective was used to generate a set of 20-50 pictures by manually focusing a given structure at T4 different depths. This set of photomicrographs was then digitally stacked to create an all-infocus composite (open-source software CombineZP at

176 http://www.hadleyweb.pwp.blueyonder.co.uk/CZP/Installation.htm). This technique works

177 especially well for heavily sclerotized structures in oblique posterior view (e.g Fig. 21)

178 where minor internal details do not show up clearly. Photomicrographs of polytene and

179 metaphase chromosomes were taken under 40x and 100x oil immersion objectives,

180 respectively. Outdoor photographs were taken with either analog (for Calathea

181 monophylla) or digital (for Calathea cylindrica) portable cameras. Close views of flies,

182 eggs, pupae and wing were obtained on a stereomicroscope with integrated digital camera,183 except for types specimens which were photographed with analog equipment.

184 **Rearing Flies in Laboratory.** It is noteworthy that, although being apparently a specialized 185 flower feeding and breeding fly, *Drosophila calatheae* sp. nov. collected in Rio de Janeiro 186 was reared for about 4 years (2007-2011) in laboratory conditions using a new flower 187 enriched recipe medium, as follows: agar (1.9 g), mold inhibitor Methylparaben (0.7 g), 188 Fleischmann® dry yeast (6.6 g), malt extract (7.2 g), banana fruits of the prata cultivar 189 (112.5 g), Karo® corn syrup (11.4 g) and inflorescences of Calathea cylindrica (34 g). The 190 inflorescences were collected especially during the rainy season, from October to March, 191 placed inside zipper storage plastic bags and kept in the freezer at -20 ° C until use. The 192 ingredients are placed directly into a blender jar with 240 ml of deionized tap water and 193 homogenized for 4 minutes, without dissolving the molt inhibitor in etanol. The soft
194 mixture is then heated to boiling, with continuously stirring. After boiling, 0.53 ml of
195 proprionic acid (an additional mold inhibitor) is added to cooled medium (below 70 °C).
196 The medium can then be poured into 300 ml glass bottles. To simulate the oviposition sites
197 a tip of thawed inflorescence is placed on the surface of the medium. The flies were kept at
198 22 °C in a rearing chamber and replicated once a week by transferring them to fresh
199 medium.

200 **Chromosomes.** Preparations of mitotic metaphase and polytene chromosomes were done 201 as follows. Larvae were sexed as proposed by Cooper (1950) and dissected. For each 202 sample, cerebral ganglia, imaginal discs and salivary glands were simultaneously extracted. 203 The first two structures were used for preparation of metaphase chromosomes, whereas the 204 salivary glands were used for preparation of polytene chromosomes. We followed the 205 protocol of Pimpinelli et al. (2000) for preparing mitotic chromosomes using a hypotonic 206 solution of sodium citrate (0.5%) and potassium chloride (0.28%). Orcein (2%) Riedel stain 207 was dissolved in lactic acid (85%) and acetic acid (50%). Polytene chromosomes were 208 prepared using the squash technique followed by staining with lacto-acetic orcein 209 (Ashburner 1989).

210 Description Model. Description of the new species follows Vilela and Bächli (1990, 2000)
211 and Bächli et al. (2004, 2005). Measurements of paired structures were taken from the flies'
212 left side. The right wing of one female paratype was removed and treated with the same
213 procedure used for preparing the terminalia; including staining with diluted Gage's stain.
214 Label data attached to each type specimen are cited in full with slashes indicating a label
215 change; clarifying notes are included in brackets.

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Drosophilids aspirated and emerged from inflorescences of *Calathea monophylla* 220 and *C. cylindrica*, collected in São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro respectively, are listed in 221 Tables 1-4. The 11 most abundant (more than 1 individual) aspirated species of *Drosophila* 222 and all emerged Drosophilids are included in separate identification keys (Supp. Key S1 223 and Supp. Key S2, respectively). As stressed by Carson (1971), although most species of 224 *Drosophila* are attracted and able to feed upon a large variety of substrates, oviposition and 225 larval development are more specialized activities. Examples of adaptation to feeding 226 resources in *Drosophila* are: resistance to plant toxins (Jones 1998), tolerance to ethanol 227 and acetic acid resulting from fermentation of sweet substrates such as fallen fruits (Chakir 228 et al. 1996), and specialized ovipositor structure (Pipkin et al. 1966).

The close association between this most abundant new species of *Drosophila*, 230 described below, and its putative primary host plants (inflorescences of *Calathea* 231 *monophylla* and *C. cylindrica*) is shown in Figs. 1-12.

232 Aspirated Flies

A total of 495 drosophilids belonging to 19 species were aspirated in the field from 234 inflorescences of *C. monophylla* (Table 1) and 42 specimens belonging to three species of 235 *Drosophila* were aspirated from those of *C. cylindrica* (Table 2). As it happens over fleshy 236 fungi, it seems that only a small part of the species feeding and/or resting and/or even 237 displaying sexual courtship on the inflorescences uses them as breeding sites.

It is noteworthy that five undescribed species of *Drosophila*, coded with a capital 239 letter followed by a number, were aspirated from the inflorescences of *Calathea* 240 *monophylla* in an urban secondary rain forest reserve located in the west region of São

241 Paulo city (Table 1). One species, described below as *Drosophila calatheae*, has thus far
242 been successfully reared in lab conditions, allowing for very detailed further analysis.
243 *Drosophila* sp. G4 could also be reared for some generations using this new recipe. This
244 species plus the other three undescribed species are currently being studied and will be the
245 subjects of forthcoming papers.

Females of *Drosophila fuscolineata* and *Drosophila mediopunctata*, for which just one female specimen was aspirated from the inflorescences, were identified using their and offspring.

249 Emerged Flies

A total of 137 drosophilids belonging to one species, *Zygothrica dispar* 251 (Wiedemann 1830), and five species of *Drosophila*, *D. griseolineata* plus four putatively 252 undescribed species, emerged in the laboratory from the inflorescences of *C. monophylla* 253 collected in São Paulo (Table 3), whereas 22 specimens, all belonging to two undescribed 254 species of *Drosophila*, emerged from the inflorescences of *C. cylindrica* collected in Rio de 255 Janeiro (Table 4).

A broad-headed male of *Zygothrica dispar* that emerged from an inflorescence of *Calathea monophylla* was photomicrographed (Fig. 13), dissected, and had its identification confirmed through the analysis of the terminalia (also photomicrographed; Figs. 14 and 15). Unfortunately, part of the anterior region of the aedeagal apodeme was accidentally cut and lost during dissection, thus not showing its complete extension well beyond the anterior margin of hypandrium, as stated by Grimaldi (1998) to be an important However, its extension could be deduced from the remaining part. Like anost if not all of its congeners, *Zygothrica dispar* is often seen in relatively large numbers 264 over several fleshy fungi species. However, after surveying the literature on more than a

265 hundred described species of Neotropical *Zygothrica*, Grimaldi (1987) noted that only 266 about three out of ca. 16 species, for which the breeding sites are known, were found to 267 have fungi species as larval breeding sites. So far, *Zygothrica dispar* has been bred from 268 decaying flowers of *Brunfelsia grandiflora* D.Don (according to Frota-Pessoa 1952) and 269 *Brunfelsia excelsa* (according to Malogolowkin, 1953 and Grimaldi 1987; however this 270 binomial has not been found in the botanical literature), belonging to the Solanaceae family, 271 in the Rio de Janeiro Botanical Garden, Brazil. Yet, according to Frota-Pessoa (1952), it has 272 also been bred from living flowers of two ornamental and exotic species *Hedychium* 273 *coronarium* J.Koenig (Zingiberaceae) and *Thumbergia alata* Bojer ex Sims (Acanthaceae), 274 collected in the same Botanical Garden. Santos and Vilela (2005) bred this species from a 275 fallen flower of *Cestrum amictum* Schltdl. (Solanaceae) and based on this datum and the 276 literature they wrote that *Zygothrica dispar* "seems to be an opportunistic, polyphagous and 277 ground-feeding species that could oviposit in any decaying flower".

The smaller diversity of species that emerged from the inflorescences in the Rio de 279 Janeiro collection, compared to that of the São Paulo collection, may be due to different 280 plant samples, 14 and 20 inflorescences collected, respectively. It could also be due to the 281 host plant species itself, ornamental and invasive in the collection site (*Calathea cylindrica*) 282 versus native (*Calathea monophylla*).

Four out of five putatively undescribed species of *Drosophila* aspirated from 284 inflorescences of *Calathea monophylla*, including the new species described below, also 285 emerged from them. It is most likely that this species of "caeté" is one, or even the main, of 286 many host plants used by those *Drosophila* species during their larval development.

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(Figs. 3-6 [lower], 8-12, 16-41)

302 **Type Locality.** BRAZIL: State of São Paulo, São Paulo, Cidade Universitária "Armando de 303 Salles Oliveira", Forest Reserve of the Instituto de Biociências da Universidade de São 304 Paulo (23°33.96'S; 46°43.72' W, ca. 750 m elevation; urban secondary Atlantic Forest 305 fragment, stream border, aspirating over or emerging from inflorescences of *Calathea* 306 *monophylla*).

307 Diagnosis. Body color dull brownish yellow, covered with brown setae and setulae; orange
308 eyes (in live specimens); frons brownish yellow, medially and laterally light brown
309 pollinose; antennae and palpi brownish yellow, the latter sexually dimorphic; scutum
310 brownish yellow; h index 0.7 - 1.2; mid katepisternal about 33 - 67 % of the anterior one;
311 two large prescutellars; abdomen dull, uniformly yellow; wings light brown, slightly darker
312 anteriorly, conspicuously spotted (Fig. 20); C index 1.1 - 1.4.

313 **Male** (Figs. 16 and 17). Head brownish yellow, relatively large, slightly laterally enlarged 314 somewhat embracing the anterior border of the thorax. Frons brownish yellow, dull, frontal 315 length 0.36 mm (0.32 - 0.39 mm); frontal index = 1.01 (0.93 - 1.14), top to bottom width 316 ratio = 1.50 (1.31 - 1.71). Frontal triangle light brown pollinose, about 100 % of frontal 317 length; ocellar triangle shiny light brown, about 31 - 40 % of frontal length. Or3 to or1 = 67 318 - 120% of that to inner vertical; or1 / or3 ratio = 0.99; or2 / or1 ratio = 0.68; poc 35% -319 54%, oc 67% - 80% of frontal length; vt index = 1.12 (1.00 - 1.22), vibrissal index = 0.44 320 (0.22 - 0.56), facial carina light brown, nose-like, slightly sulcate. Gena light brown, cheek 321 index about 12.54 (9.33 - 15.00). Eye conspicuously large, orange (in live specimens, 322 somewhat similar to the mutant *eosin* of *Drosophila melanogaster*). Eye index = 1.42 (1.32 323 - 1.56). Pedicel brown, laterally lighter, first flagellomere light brown, length to width ratio 324 1.58 (1.20 - 2.00). Arista with 4-5 dorsal, 2-3 ventral and 2-7 tiny inner branches, plus 325 terminal fork. Proboscis brown. Palpus brownish yellow, globose, densely haired, brush-326 like.

Thorax brownish yellow; length 1.25 mm (1.19 - 1.32 mm). Scutum pollinose, 328 brownish-yellow, 8-9 rows of acrostichal setae. h index = 0.92 (0.73 - 1.12). Transverse 329 distance of dorsocentral setae 309 % of longitudinal distance; dc index = 0.64 (0.59 - 0.71); 330 One pair of large prescutellars, ps index = 0.48 (0.38 - 0.56). Scutellum pollinose, laterally 331 light brown, medially darker; distance between apical scutellar setae about 80% of that of 332 apical to basal one, basal setae convergent; apical setae cruciate, scut index = 0.90 (0.84 - 333 1.00). Halters yellow. Pleura brownish yellow, sterno index = 0.74 (0.67 - 0.88), mid 334 katepisternal seta about 31-67 % of the anterior one. Legs brownish yellow.

Wing (Fig. 20) light brown, anteriorly slightly darker, lappet dark brown, bearing336 five conspicuous dark brown spots along distal border, decreasing in size from first through

337 fifth, both crossveins strongly clouded, length 2.38 mm (2.29 – 2.49 mm), length to width 338 ratio = 2.05 (1.98 - 2.11). Indices: C = 1.26 (1.17 - 1.36), ac = 2.94 (2.54 - 3.36), hb = 0.64 339 (0.60 - 0.66), 4C = 1.42 (1.32 - 1.56), 4v = 1.51 (1.39 - 1.62), 5x = 0.84 (0.73 - 1.00), M = 340 0.37 (0.31 - 0.46), prox. x = 0.70 (0.64 - 0.75).

341 Abdomen uniformly yellow, tergites devoid of distal marginal bands. Male sternite 5342 wider (1.7x) than long.

343 Terminalia (Figs. 21-28). Epandrium mostly microtrichose, with 17 lower, and no upper 344 setae; ventral lobe microtrichose ventrally, distally slightly concave, dorsoposteriorly 345 partially fused to surstylus and slightly covering it. Cerci anteriorly and medially fused to 346 epandrium, mostly microtrichose and devoid of ventral lobe. Surstylus dorsally fused to 347 distal one-quarter of epandrium lobe, ventrally microtrichose, bearing ca. 10 dorso-348 positioned, cone-shaped prensisetae, 28 outer and mostly over ventral area, and 2 inner 349 setae. Decasternum as in Fig. 21. Hypandrium (Figs. 22 and 23) U-shaped in ventral view 350 (flattened in lateral view), anterior and posterior margins somewhat concave, shorter than 351 epandrium; posterior hypandrial process and dorsal arch absent; gonopod fused to 352 hypandrium (fusion line apparent), linked to paraphysis by membranous tissue, apparently 353 bearing one tiny seta near the anterior inner margin. Aedeagus (Figs. 24-28) short, 354 anteriorly expanded laterally, somewhat hut-shaped, fused to aedeagal apodeme, dorsally 355 convex, ventrally bearing a pair of short, anteriorly projected spurs, which reach the 356 paraphysis; dorsal cleft reduced to a small opening adjacent to the fusion aedeagus-357 aedeagal apodeme. Aedeagal apodeme shorter than aedeagus, posteriorly expanded, 358 laterally flattened. Ventral rod entirely fused to aedeagal apodeme. Paraphysis square-359 shaped, not microtrichose, distally with 1 tiny seta, connected to distal margin of aedeagal 360 apodeme by membranous tissue.

361 Female (Figs. 18 and 19). Measurements: frontal length 0.38 mm (0.34 - 0.42) mm; frontal 362 index = 0.99 (0.88 - 1.07), top to bottom width ratio = 1.46 (1.07 - 1.67). Frontal triangle 363 about 100 % of frontal length; ocellar about 31%-40% of frontal length. Or3 to or1 = 83 -364 120% of that to inner vertical; or $1/\sigma^3$ ratio = 1.01; or $2/\sigma^2$ ratio = 0.66; poc 35 - 47%, oc $365\ 59 - 80\%$ of frontal length; vt index = $1.10\ (1.00 - 1.22)$; vibrissal index = $0.44\ (0.22 - 1.22)$ $366\ 0.62$). Cheek index about 11.97 (7.50 - 16.00). Eye index = 1.32 (1.27 - 1.39), first 367 flagellomere length to width ratio 1.70 (1.33-2.25). Arista with 4-5 dorsal, 2 ventral and 2-4 368 tiny inner branches, plus terminal fork. Palpus brownish yellow, boomerang-shaped, 369 sparsely haired. Thorax length 1.36 (1.20 - 1.46) mm. 8-9 rows of acrostichal setae. h index 370 = 1.00 (0.90 - 1.22). Transverse distance of dorsocentral setae 307 % of longitudinal 371 distance; dc index = 0.62 (0.50 - 0.71); ps index = 0.47 (0.44 - 0.53). Distance between 372 apical scutellar setae about 79% of that of apical to basal one, scut index = 0.90 (0.84 -373 0.95). Sterno index = 0.78 (0.61 - 0.88), mid katepisternal seta about 33 - 64 % of the 374 anterior one. Wing length 2.55 (2.44 - 2.68), length to width ratio = 2.04 (1.94 - 2.15). 375 Indices: C = 1.28 (1.12 - 1.40), ac = 2.99 (2.80 - 3.08), hb = 0.63 (0.58 - 0.67), 4C = 1.46 376(1.38 - 1.60), 4v = 1.56(1.48 - 1.68), 5x = 0.84(0.75 - 0.92), M = 0.37(0.33 - 0.44), prox.377 x = 0.73 (0.65 - 0.88).

378 Terminalia (Figs. 29 and 30). Tergite VIII dorsoposteriorly microtrichose, strongly
379 scletorized in its upper 2/3, weakly sclerotized in its lower 1/3, ventrally bearing 6 setulae.
380 Oviscapt valve apically rounded with ca. 12 marginal and 6 discal peg-like ovisensilla.
381 Spermathecal capsule spherical, sclerotized, proximally sulcate, distally papilate (Fig. 30);
382 basal introvert ca. 5/6 of capsule length; apical introvert absent.

383 **Eggs**. Whitish, bearing 4 filaments of equal length; posterior ones twice as wide as anterior 384 ones (Figs. 4 and 12).

385 Puparia. Remarkably long (ca. 5.6 mm, without spiracles) relative to body length of
386 imagoes (ca. 4 mm without wings); light brown; long horns (Fig. 6 [lower]); horn index
387 about 3.8; stalk of anterior spiracle conspicuously black, with about 22 light brownish
388 yellow tracheal branches.

389 Etymology. The epithet *calatheae* is a noun in the genitive case, referring to the putative390 main host plants genus (*Calathea* spp.).

391 **Distribution**. So far this species is only known from the cities of São Paulo (type locality) 392 and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. However, it probably also occurs in the states of Minas Gerais, 393 Paraná, Santa Catarina, and Rio Grande do Sul, following the distribution range of 394 Calathea monophylla. This species of "caeté" occurs from the state of Rio de Janeiro 395 [southeastern Brazil] to the state of Rio Grande do Sul [southern Brazil] (Wanderley and 396 Vieira 2002: 117 [cited as Catathea communis] and Braga 2005). The fact that Drosophila 397 *calatheae* sp. nov. has also been aspirated and emerged from inflorescences of *Calathea* 398 cylindrica, a species commonly cultivated as ornamental in Rio de Janeiro but also endemic 399 to the Atlantic Forest biome, is an indication that it has a potential of breeding in species of 400 Calathea other than C. monophylla and accordingly being a more widespread species. 401 According to a personal communication of JMA Braga to Barreto and Freitas (2007: 422), 402 C. cylindrica is endemic to the middle part of the cited biome (from the state of Bahia 403 through the state of São Paulo). Based on their statement, we predict *D. calatheae* sp. nov. 404 might also occur in the eastern parts of the states of Bahia, Minas Gerais and Espírito 405 Santo, in association with flowers of C. cylindrica. Although C. cylindrica is not present in 406 the forest reserve of the IB-USP (Groppo and Pirani 2005: 201), located in the western part 407 of São Paulo, it does occur naturally in a much larger area (527 ha) named "Parque

408 Estadual das Fontes do Ipiranga", a state park of natural Atlantic Forest located in the 409 southern part of the city (Wanderley 1991).

410 **Relationship**. So far this species cannot be adequately included within any known group of 411 Neotropical species of *Drosophila*. It shares features, however, with both the *bromeliae* and 412 the *xanthopallescens* species groups (Table 5). These two poorly known groups need to be 413 revised to clarify their relationships.

414 Chromosomes. Drosophila calatheae sp. nov. has a diploid chromosome number of 2n =415 10 (Fig. 31-38). Female mitotic metaphase consists of four pairs of V-shaped and one pair 416 of rod-shaped chromosomes (Figs. 31-34). Male mitotic metaphase differs from the female 417 in having a J-shaped Y chromosome (Figs. 35-38). The largest V-shaped pair is almost 418 completely heterochromatic and presents a secondary constriction in the less 419 heterochromatic arm. This pair probably corresponds to the dot chromosome of the 420 *Drosophila* spp. supposedly plesiomorphic karyotype (2n= 12 [5 pairs of rod, 1 pair of 421 dots]). Unexpectedly it is not dot like, being about twice as long as the second largest 422 chromosome (the X). A similar condition, although not presenting such a remarkable size 423 difference, has been described for Drosophila dreyfusi Dobzhansky and Pavan (dreyfusi 424 group) by Dobzhansky and Pavan (1943) and for Drosophila arauna Pavan and Nacrur 425 (annulimana group) by Tosi and Pereira (1993). Heterochromatic blocks were also detected 426 adjacent to the centromere of one arm of a medium-sized V-shaped pair (Fig. 36, arrow). 427 Apparently, there is a tendency for the heterochromatic chromosomes (largest V-shaped and 428 Y) to remain close to each other at the mitotic metaphase plates. Fig. 39 summarizes our 429 interpretation of *D. calatheae* sp. nov. karyotype. Only six arms of chromosomes, 430 corresponding to euchromatic regions, were evidenced in the polytene preparations (Figs. 431 40 and 41). A chromocenter (Fig. 40, arrow) strongly unites the two X chromosome arms to

432 the arm of the rod-shaped chromosome, the remaining pairs apparently stand unattached or433 detach frequently during the squashing process. No karyotypic variation was detected434 between the samples from São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro.

435 Ecology. Breeds from inflorescences of *Calathea monophylla*, *C. cylindrica* (Marantaceae)
436 and *Heliconia bihai* (Heliconiaceae). We predict its larvae could be pollen and/or nectar
437 and/or petal feeding, most probably after the pollinator has triggered the explosive
438 pollination mechanism while opening the flowers.

439 Laboratory Rearing. Aiming to establish isofemale lines, we have at first made an 440 additional selective collection of *Drosophila calatheae* sp. nov. at the forest reserve of the 441 IB-USP, São Paulo (SP), on 17 and 19 November 2009 (coded M39). Thirty-one specimens 442 (17 $\Im \Im$: 14 $\Im \Im$) were aspirated from several inflorescences of *Calathea monophylla*, 443 distributed randomly in seven vials (at least a couple per vial) containing usual banana-444 agar medium in addition to two fresh open flowers per vial, and observed under a 445 stereomicroscope. Occasionally some rapid back and forth movements of the proboscis 446 over the wet outer surface of the darker and gravish petals and staminodes were observed 447 for several specimens, mainly females, suggesting they were feeding over there. Soon after, 448 the gut of females usually turned gravish and became somewhat visible through the semi-449 transparent abdominal pleura, reinforcing our suspicion. On 24 November 2009, the flies 450 were transferred to seven new vials containing fresh culture medium plus fresh flowers 451 collected early in the morning. Late in the afternoon, dozens of four-filamented eggs were 452 observed mainly on the basal region of the outer surface of petals and petal-like staminodes 453 of most flowers, especially those that were wetter and darker. Larvae were also seen 454 moving around the pollinated curved stigma and within the corolla tube. Even though it is 455 likely the observed eggs and larvae belong to Drosophila calatheae sp. nov., the most

456 abundant species, other less abundant species of Drosophilidae could also have oviposited 457 before the flowers were collected. During transference of the flies, three larvae were seen 458 on the banana-medium of one of the seven original vials (then kept at uncontrolled room 459 temperature) where they were able to develop and pupariate on different dates. Two 460 puparia, clearly distinct from each other, were detected on 2 December inside the culture 461 medium, with their opercula and extruded horns appearing on the surface. One puparium 462 was more roundish and reddish brown in color, bearing rather conspicuous black branches 463 emerging from reddish brown horns, and the other was more elongate, light brown in color 464 and bore inconspicuous brown-colored branches emerging from their horns. They were 465 washed in distilled water and transferred individually to new vials, aiming to correctly 466 associate each specimen with its respective puparium. Upon emerging from the darker 467 puparium, one male imago proved to belong to Zygothrica dispar; however no imago 468 emerged from the lighter puparium because its pupa had mummified inside it. It clearly 469 does not belong to *Drosophila calatheae* sp. nov. because of its relatively short puparial 470 horn. The remaining larva pupariated on 3 December on the inner surface of the vial, and 471 was then also individualized, and from which one female imago of Zygothrica dispar 472 emerged. Similar to one of the two puparia that was previously observed inside the culture 473 medium, it had the conspicuously black branches emerging from reddish brown horns.

474 Later a modified culture medium enriched with previously frozen inflorescences of 475 *Calathea cylindrica* was successfully used in Rio de Janeiro to maintain an isofemale line 476 of *Drosophila calatheae* sp.n. for about 4 years.

477 Remarks. An additional and preliminary experiment took place in an island named "Ilha
478 Grande" (a forest reserve in Angra dos Reis, state of Rio de Janeiro) to verify if
479 inflorescences of *Heliconia bihai* (L.) L. (Heliconiaceae) are used as breeding sites by

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480 drosophilids. In 6 non-consecutive days between October and November, 2008,

481 drosophilids were aspirated from the bracts of this plant. Nine out of the 23 collected flies 482 belonged to *D. calatheae* sp. nov. On 11 December 2008, 10 inflorescences were collected 483 and kept in plastic vials and observed until 22 December 2008. From a total of 33 emerged 484 drosophilids, 14 belonged to this new species. We have also aspirated *D. calatheae* sp. nov. 485 from *Heliconia bihai* bracts in "Quinta da Boa Vista" (Rio de Janeiro) ~100 km apart from 486 the first cited collection site.

487 Putative Pollinators and/or Robbers

Large Apidae bees were sometimes seen flying around inflorescences while the flies 489 were being aspirated at the São Paulo collection site. On 22 December 2009, three large 490 bees belonging to two different species were net swept while landing on inflorescences of 491 *Calathea monophylla*: two females belonging to *Bombus (Fervidobombus) morio* (Fig. 42), 492 and a male belonging to *Euglossa (Euglossella) mandibularis* (Fig. 43). The bumblebee 493 *Bombus morio* is abundant in southern Brazil where it has been collected on almost one 494 fourth of the plant species in urban and natural biomes (Cortopassi-Laurino et al., 2003), 495 and is most probably a nectar (or pollen) robber of *Calathea* spp. flowers. *Euglossa* is a 496 genus of Apidae bees (tribe Euglossini) that includes pollinators of several species of 497 *Calathea* (Barreto and Freitas 2007; Kennedy 1978). The three collected specimens, 498 labelled "Brasil - SP - São Paulo, Reserva Florestal do IB-USP, Cidade Universitária 499 (M40), 22.XII.2009, C.R. Vilela *coll.*", were kindly identified by Dr. Isabel Alves do Santos 500 and are deposited in Cepann (Coleção Entomológica Paulo Nogueira Neto) at Instituto de 501 Biociências, Universidade de São Paulo.

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Table 1. Drosophilids aspirated from inflorescences of *Calathea monophylla* (Vell.) Körn.
(Marantaceae). Collections made in 5 non-consecutive days in December 2006 at the forest reserve of the Instituto de Biociências da Universidade de São Paulo (23°33.96'S; 46°43.72' W, ca. 750 m elevation), Cidade Universitária "Armando de Salles Oliveira", São Paulo, state of São Paulo, Brazil.

collection date: December 200 $earline{100}$									
species	12	18	22	26	28	total (♂+♀)			
<i>Drosophila bromelioides</i> Pavan and Cunha 1947	1/1	6/2	1/1	3/2	1/-	18			
<i>Drosophila calatheae</i> sp. nov.	1/1	15/5	21/17	38/26	35/18	177			
<i>Drosophila caponei</i> Pavan and Cunha 1947	-	-	-	4/-	-	4			
<i>Drosophila cuaso</i> Bächli, Vilela and Ratcov 2000	-	-	4/1	-	-/1	6			
<i>Drosophila fuscolineata</i> Duda 1925	-	-	-	-	-/1	1			
Drosophila griseolineata Duda 1927	-	2/1	-	-	-	3			
<i>Drosophila mediopunctata</i> Dobzhansky and Pavan 1943	-	-	-/1	-	-	1			
<i>Drosophila ornatifrons</i> Duda 1927	-	-	-	-/2	-	2			
Drosophila paraguayensis Duda 1927	1/-	2/1	3/1	-	1/-	9			
Drosophila trifilum Frota-Pessoa 1954	-	1/-	-	-	-	1			
Drosophila sp. B3	1/-	3/-	1/-	1/1	1/-	8			
Drosophila sp. W3	2/2	-/2	2/2	-	-	10			

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species						(♂+♀		
Drosophila sp. G4	2/1	7/5	23/10	41/29	71/37	226		
Drosophila sp. 14	-	3/4	1/1	3/3	6/3	24		
<i>Drosophila</i> sp. (<i>morelia</i> group)	-	1/-	-	-	-	1		
Drosophila sp. ?	-	-/1	-	-	-	1		
Diathoneura sp. 1	-	-	1/-	-	-	1		
Diathoneura sp. 2	-	-	1/-	-	-	1		
Paramycodrosophila costaricana Duda 1925	1/-	-	-	-	-	1		
total	9/5	40/21	58/34	90/63	115/60	495		

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627 **Table 2.** *Drosophila* species aspirated from inflorescences of *Calathea cylindrica* (Roscoe) 628 K. Schum. (Marantaceae). Collections made in 5 non-consecutive days in December 2006 629 in Rio de Janeiro, state of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (at forest sites adjacent to Parque Nacional 630 da Tijuca; 22°57.95'S; 43°14.31' W, ca. 90 m elevation).

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1	1	2
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637 **Table 3.** Drosophilids emerged in laboratory from twenty inflorescences of *Calathea monophylla* (Vell.) Körn. (Marantaceae). Inflorescences kept 638 under controlled temperature (22 ± 1 °C) after collection on 29-XII-2006 at the forest reserve of the Instituto de Biociências da Universidade de São 639 Paulo ($23^{\circ}33.96'S$; $46^{\circ}43.72'$ W, ca. 750 m elevation), Cidade Universitária "Armando de Salles Oliveira", São Paulo, State of São Paulo, Brazil.

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	29	30	31	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	total
species																					(♂+♀)
Drosophila calatheae sp. nov.	1/2	1/1	7/5	5/5	2/5	1/1	1/1	3/1	-/2	2/4	3/5	2/3	1/-	1/1	-/1	-	-	-	1/-	-	68
Drosophila griseolineata	-	-	-	-	1/-	-	-/1	-	-	1/1	-	1/-	-	-	1/-	-	-	-/1	-	-	7
Drosophila sp. B3 (tripunctata group)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-/1	-	-	1/1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Drosophila sp. G4 (guarani group)	-	1/-	-	-	2/-	1/1	-/1	-/1	1/-	-	1/1	1/1	4/2	1/1	-/2	-	-	-	-	-	22
Drosophila sp. I4 (undetermined group)	-	-/2	2/1	2/2	1/5	2/1	-/1	2/1	1/1	-/1	-	-	-	-/1	-	-/3	-	-	-	-/1	30
Zygothrica dispar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/-	-	-/1	-/1	1/2	1/-	-	-	-	7
total	1/2	2/3	9/6	7/7	6/10	4/3	1/4	5/3	2/3	3/7	4/6	5/4	6/3	2/4	1/4	1/5	1/-	-/1	1/-	-/1	137

641 Table 4. *Drosophila* species emerged in laboratory from fourteen inflorescences of *Calathea*642 *cylindrica* (Roscoe) K. Schum. (Marantaceae). Inflorescences collected on 22-XII-2006 at Horto
643 Florestal, border of Parque Nacional da Tijuca, Rio de Janeiro, state of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
644 (22°57.95'S; 43°14.31' W, ca. 90 m elevation). Emerged flies collected on 24-XII-2006, 27-XII645 2006 and 8-I-2007.

species	8	Ŷ	3, + ै
Drosophila calatheae sp. nov.	9	12	21
Drosophila sp. I4	1	0	1
total	10	12	22
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649 **Table 5.** Comparison among *Drosophila calatheae* sp. nov. and the *bromeliae* and 650 *xanthopallescens* species groups regarding morphology, chromosomes and breeding sites. Data 651 compiled from Sturtevant (1921: 72-73), Pavan and da Cunha (1947: 7-10), Throckmorton 652 (1962: 254), Pipkin (1964: 231-237), and Brncic (1983: 336-339); morphological terminology 653 and botanical taxonomy updated following Bächli et al. (2004) and Lorenzi and Souza (2008), 654 respectively.

	taxon								
characteristics	D. calatheae sp. nov.	<i>bromeliae</i> group	xanthopallescen group						
body color	dull yellow	idem	idem						
prescutellars	yes	yes	no						
wings	spotted;	unspotted;	unspotted;						
	costal index ~ 1.3	costal index > 2	costal index > 2						
male terminalia	hypandrium without dorsal arch; anal plates fued to epandrium	idem	idem						
testes	6-7 coils	3-6 coils	8 – 11 coils						
ventral receptacle	< 30 coils	unknown	> 90 coils						
karyotype	2n = 10	2n = 8	unknown						
host plant families	Marantaceae and Heliconiaceae	> 10	Marantaceae and Heliconiaceae						

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656 **Figs. 1-6.** *Calathea monophylla.* (1) Clumps of *C. monophylla* (São Paulo). (2) Detail of an 657 inflorescence. (3) *Drosophila calatheae* sp. nov. female ovipositing on a *C. monophylla* petal at 658 lab. (4) Egg of *D. calatheae* sp. nov. on *C. monophylla* petal (note its 4 filaments). (5) Larva of 659 *D. calatheae* sp. nov. from lab culture (note its very long posterior spiracles). (6) Puparia of 660 *Drosophila* sp. I4 (upper) and *D. calatheae* sp. nov. (lower): note the long horn and the wide air-661 filled space on the anterior end, probably related to floatation inside bracts phytotelmata. Scale 662 bars = 50 cm and 5 cm in 1 and 2, respectively, and 1 mm in 3-6.

663 Figs. 7-12. *Calathea cylindrica*. (7) Clump of *C. cylindrica* (Rio de Janeiro). (8) Inflorescence of
664 *C. cylindrica* (arrow points to a *D. calatheae* sp. nov. specimen). (9) A couple in copula on a *C*.
665 *cylindrica* petal. (10) Same as anterior figure with a male voyeur. (11) Close view of *D*.
666 *calatheae* sp. nov. specimen from laboratory culture on a tip of inflorescence bract placed over
667 culture medium. (12) Four-filamented egg on culture medium. Scale bars = 15 cm and 1 cm in 7
668 and 8, respectively, and 1 mm in 9-12.

669 Figs. 13-15. *Zygothrica dispar* male. (13) Anesthetized adult emerged from *Calathea*670 *monophylla* inflorescence, dorsal view. (14) Internal terminalia of the same specimen, ventral
671 view (proximal end of aedeagal apodeme missing; arrow points the accidentally cut tip). (15)
672 Idem, left lateral view. Scale bars = 1 mm and 0.1 mm, respectively.

673 Figs. 16-19. *Drosophila calatheae* sp. nov. two type specimens. (16-17) Male holotype in dorsal
674 and left lateral views, respectively. (18-19) Female paratype in dorsal and left lateral views,
675 respectively. Scale bar = 1 mm.

676 **Fig. 20.** Left wing of an ordinary *Drosophila calatheae* sp. nov. female aspirated from *Calathea* 677 *cylindrica* from Rio de Janeiro, ventral view. Scale bar = 1 mm.

678 Figs. 21-30. Drosophila calatheae sp. nov. (21-29) Male holotype and female paratype

679 terminalia. (21) Epandrium, cerci, surstyli and decasternum, oblique posterior view. (22)

680 Hypandrium and gonopods, posterior view. (23) Idem, left lateral view. (24-28)

681 Aedeagus+aedeagal apodeme and paraphyses, several views from dorsal through ventral. (29)

682 Tergite VIII, epiproct, hypoproct and left oviscapt valve, left lateral view. (30) Spermathecae,

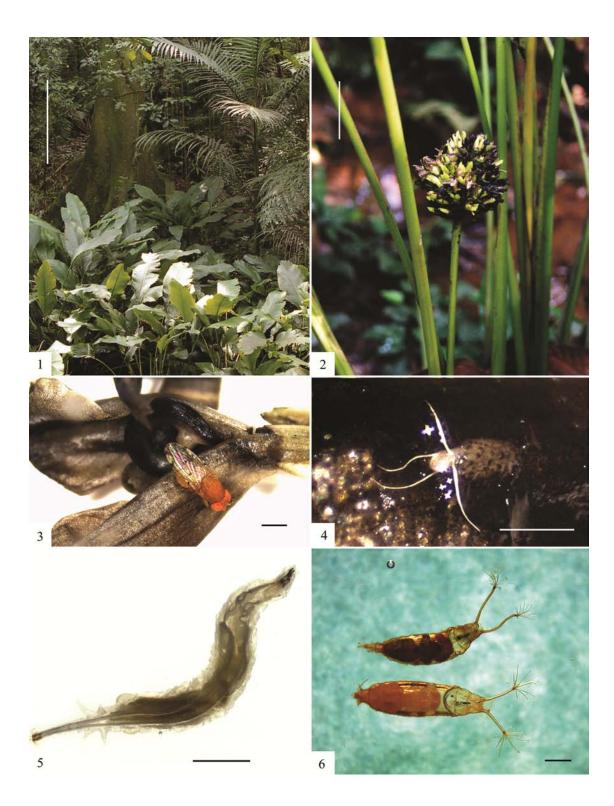
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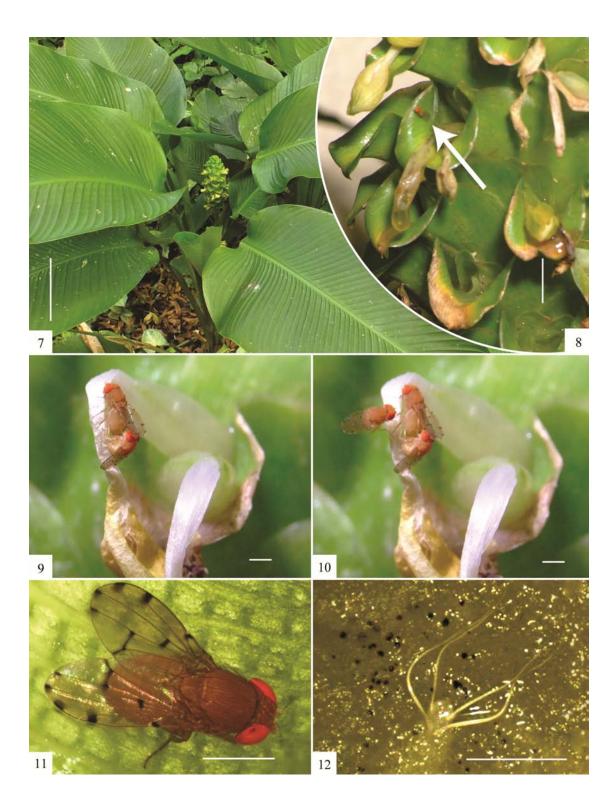
684 **Figs. 31-38.** Metaphasic and prometaphasic neuroblast chromosomes of *Drosophila calatheae* 685 sp. nov. (2n=10), from an isofemale line from Rio de Janeiro. (31-34) Females (XX). (35-38) 686 Males (XY). Note the entirely heterochromatic J-shaped Y-chromosome and the remarkably 687 huge and heterochromatic pair which probably corresponds to typical *Drosophila* spp. dot 688 chromosomes. Arrow in 36 points to the partially heterochromatic V-shaped autosome pair. Scale 689 bar = 5 μ m.

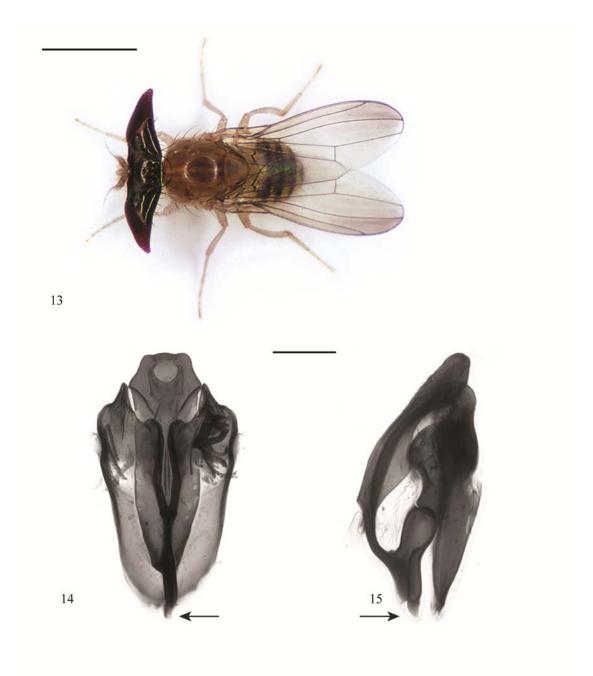
690 **Fig. 39.** Ideogram of *Drosophila calatheae* sp. nov. male karyotype. Black regions = strong 691 heterochromatin, gray = light heterochromatin, white = euchromatin. The first pair represents the 692 sex chromosomes, the second pair are the partially heterochromatic ones, and the fifth pair 693 represent the aberrantly huge heterochromatic *Drosophila* dot. Interpretation was based on a 694 larger set of metaphasic plates than those shown in Figs. 31-38.

695 **Figs. 40-41**. Salivary gland polytene chromosomes of *Drosophila calatheae* sp. nov. third instar 696 larvae. (40) Female. (41) Male. Note the two long X chromosome arms in each sex. Arrow points 697 to chromocenter. Scale bar = $10 \mu m$.

698 Figs. 42-43. Putative pollinator and/or robber bees (Apidae) of *Calathea monophylla*. (42)
699 *Bombus (Fervidobombus) morio* female. (43) *Euglossa (Euglossella) mandibularis* male.
700 Specimens were collected at the forest reserve of the Instituto de Biociências da Universidade de
701 São Paulo, Cidade Universitária "Armando de Salles Oliveira", São Paulo, SP, by net sweeping
702 over inflorescences. Scale bar = 1 cm.

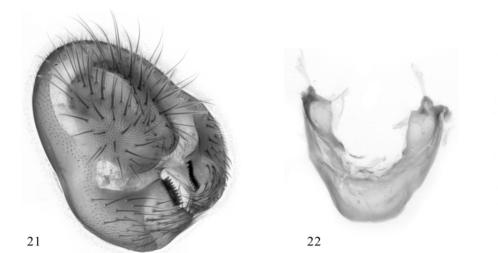








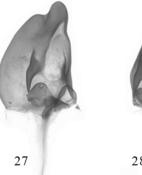






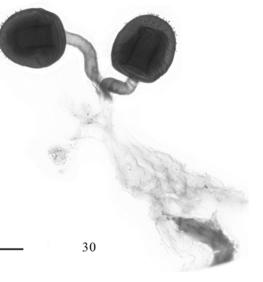


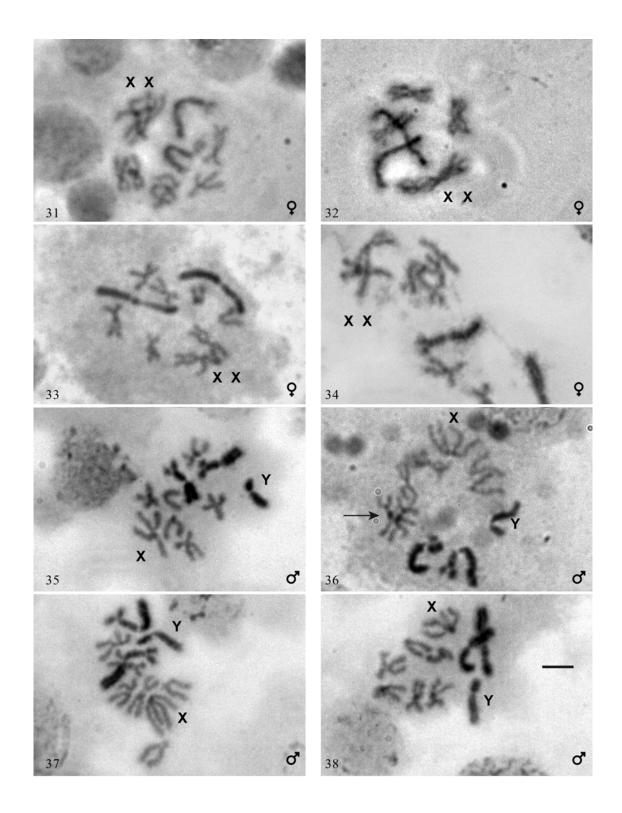


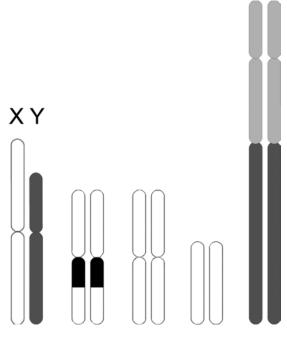


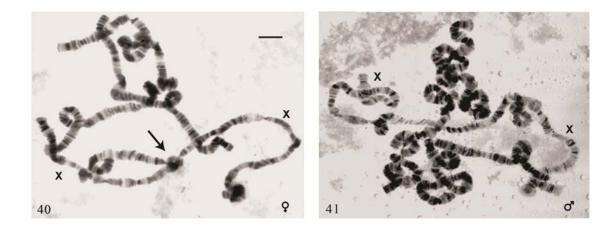


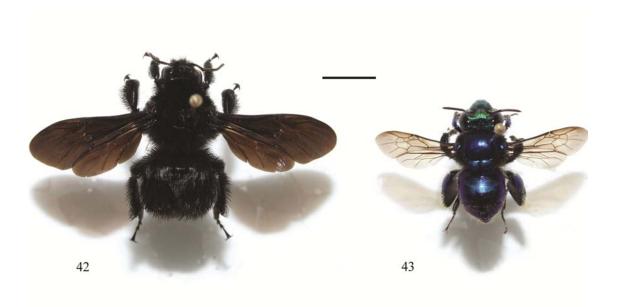














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