

## NOVEDADES ZOOGEOGRÁFICAS

NEW RECORDS FOR *AMEIVA*  
*AMEIVA* (L., 1758) (SQUAMATA,  
TEIIDAE) IN ARGENTINA

The lizard *Ameiva ameiva* has a wide range in the cis-Andean Neotropics, from Panamá to northern Argentina (Peters, J. & R. Donoso Barros, 1970. Catalogue of the Neotropical Squamata. Part II. Lizards and amphisbaenians. *Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus.* (297): viii + 293 pp.; Vanzolini, P. E.; A. M. M. Ramos Costa & L. J. Vitt, 1980. *Répteis das Caatingas*. Acad. Brasileira de Ciências, Rio de Janeiro. 161 pp.). It is an euryoecious form, paradigm of a «patternless» distribution lizard (Vanzolini, P. E., 1988. Distributional patterns of South American lizards: 317-342. *In: Heyer, W. R. & P. E. Vanzolini (eds.), Proceedings of a workshop on Neotropical distribution patterns*. Acad. Brasileira de Ciências, Rio de Janeiro.). In the course of a wider research, I revised several specimens that confirm or expand the known range of this macroteiid lizard in Argentina.

Acronyms MACN and MACN (exCENAI) correspond to collections in the Museo Argentino de Ciencias Naturales, Buenos Aires.

**Locality.** Tucumán province. Leales Department, Tacanas (27°08'S; 64°49'W): MACN (ex CENAI) 54.

**Comments.** This record confirms presence of the species in the province of Tucumán (Laurent, R. F. & E. M. Terán, 1981. Lista de los anfibios y reptiles de la provincia de Tucumán. *Fundac. M. Lillo, Miscelánea* (71): 1-15).

**Locality.** Santiago del Estero province. Loreto Department, 5 km S Villa San Martín (28°24'S; 64°12'W): MACN 27836 (entry number 5083).

**Comments.** New Department, it adds to Banda, Figueroa, and Robles Depart-

ments (Gallardo, J. M.; M. Tio Vallejo & M. E. Miranda, 1985. Estudio sobre la distribución de los saurios de Santiago del Estero, República Argentina (Reptilia: Sauria). *Hist. Nat.* 5 (13): 97-103; Lavilla, E. O. & G. J. Scrocchi, 1991. Aportes a la herpetología del Chaco argentino. I. Lista comentada de los taxa colectados por la expedición PRHERP 1985. *Acta zool. lilloana* 40 (1): 21-32).

**Locality.** Entre Ríos province. Uruguay Department, Pronunciamiento (32°21'S; 58°26'W): MACN (ex CENAI) 407; 409/413.

**Comments.** These specimens vouch the mention for this locality made by Gallardo *et al.* (Gallardo, J. M.; M. E. Miranda & M. Tio Vallejo, 1987. Evaluación de la saurofauna de la provincia de Entre Ríos (República Argentina). *Rev. Mus. Argentino Cienc. Nat., Zool.* 14 (5): 87-94). These authors probably seen the same specimens, but no numbers were referred to in their work. Pronunciamiento situates near to the Uruguay-Argentina border. Koslowsky (Koslowsky, J. 1898. Enumeración sistemática y distribución geográfica de los reptiles argentinos. *Rev. Mus. La Plata* 8: 161-200) listed *Ameiva ameiva* for Uruguay, wherefrom is yet to be confirmed (see Achával, F. 2001. Actualización sistemática y mapas de distribución de los reptiles del Uruguay. *Smithsonian Herpetol. Info. Serv.* (129): 1-37).

**Locality.** Jujuy province. Yavi Department, La Quiaca (22°07'S; 65°36'W): MACN (exCENAI) 752.

**Comments.** New Department, it adds to Ledesma Department (Ceja, J. M. 1993. Reptiles del noroeste, nordeste y este de la Argentina. *Mus. Reg. Sci. Nat. Torino, Monogr.* (14): 1-949); this locality, however, seems erroneous and should be taken as provisional, because La Quiaca is ecologically unsuitable for the species (G. Scrocchi, *in litt.*).

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