

Project Update: June 2018

First, in the middle of March 2018, I visited the Museu Emilio Goeldi - MPEG, located in the city of Belém, PA. The work at this institution was highly beneficial since I was able to analyse and photograph more than 400 specimens of three species of the genus covered in my doctorate. In April 2018, I went to the collection of herpetology of the Federal University of Minas Gerais - UFMG and also to the Museum of the Catholic University of Minas Gerais - PUCMG both located in the city of Belo Horizonte, MG. Just as in the visit to the museum of Pará the work in these two other institutions were important since more than 500 specimens were analysed, photographed and compiled.

In May and June 2018, I stayed in my laboratory in Manaus organising all of data obtained in worksheets as well as I verified the geographical adequacy of the records of occurrence obtained.

In July 2018, I will continue the work going to the Museum of Zoology of the University of São Paulo - MZUSP. Visiting this collection is extremely important since, together with the National Museum of Rio de Janeiro, this collection has the largest quantity of records for the 10 species of interest for my project. In addition, I will go to the city of Rio Claro, SP to check the specimens deposited in the collection Célio Fernando Baptista Haddad - CFBH pertaining to Universidade Estadual Paulista - UNESP.

In addition to the plans for the Brazilian collections, the process for my going to the University of Kansas - KU in the last quarter of the year is advanced. I applied for the withdrawal of my visa and the construction of collaborations between the researchers of that institution and my group here in Manaus is solid.