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# Into the Andes: multiple independent colonizations drive montane diversity in the Neotropical clearwing butterflies Godyridina

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#### **Abstract**

Understanding why species richness peaks along the Andes is a fundamental question in the study of Neotropical biodiversity. Several biogeographic and diversification scenarios have been proposed in the literature, but there is confusion about the processes underlying each scenario, and assessing their relative contribution is not straightforward. Here, we propose to refine these scenarios into a framework which evaluates four evolutionary mechanisms: higher speciation rate in the Andes, lower extinction rates in the Andes, older colonization times and higher colonization rates of the Andes from adjacent areas. We apply this framework to a species-rich subtribe of Neotropical butterflies whose diversity peaks in the Andes, the Godyridina (Nymphalidae: Ithomiini). We generated a time-calibrated phylogeny of the Godyridina and fitted timedependent diversification models. Using trait-dependent diversification models and ancestral state reconstruction methods we then compared different biogeographic scenarios. We found strong evidence that the rates of colonization into the Andes were higher than the other way round. Those colonizations and the subsequent local diversification at equal rates in the Andes and in non-Andean regions mechanically increased the species richness of Andean regions compared to that of non-Andean regions ('species-attractor' hypothesis). We also found support for increasing speciation rates associated with Andean lineages. Our work highlights the importance of the Andean slopes in repeatedly attracting non-Andean lineages, most likely as a result of the diversity of habitats and/or host plants. Applying this analytical framework to other clades will bring important insights into the evolutionary mechanisms underlying the most species-rich biodiversity hotspot on the planet.

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#### Introduction

The Neotropical region, which extends from Central America to southern Brazil, is the most species-rich biogeographic region on Earth, and the origins of this rich biodiversity are keenly debated. Within the Neotropics, species diversity often peaks along the tropical Andean slopes across many groups, such as plants (Myers et al. 2000), vertebrates (Duellman 1999) and arthropods (Mullen et al. 2011; Rosser et al. 2012; Chazot et al. 2015). Yet, the tropical Andes represent a small area compared the rest of the Neotropics, and notably the Amazon basin, which covers most of the region. The Andean orogeny followed a south-to-north pattern of uplift, with episodic periods of intense mountain-building (Garzione et al. 2008; Hoorn et al. 2010). Geological evidence shows that the Central Andes rose by 1.5-2.5 km during a period of rapid uplift between 10 and 6 million years ago (Garzione et al. 2008; Hoorn et al. 2010), which was followed by another period of accelerated uplift in the Northern Andes between 5 and 2 million years ago (Bershaw et al. 2010). This rapid uplift is one of the major events in the geological history of the South American continent and was likely involved in the formation of the modern Amazon Basin (Hoorn et al. 2010). Understanding the role of the Andes in generating and shaping the present-day Neotropical biota is a key question that is far from being resolved.

In the literature, two hypotheses are often invoked to explain high species richness in the tropical Andes: the so-called species-pump hypothesis and the 'time-for-speciation' hypothesis, also referred to as the 'museum' hypothesis (e.g. Stebbins 1974; Stephens & Wiens 2003; Smith *et al.* 2007; Kozak & Wiens 2010; Rosser *et al.* 2012; Hutter *et al.* 2013). However, there is confusion in the literature as to the mechanisms underlying each term.

Valentine (1967) coined the term 'species-pump', referring to the hypothesis that during warm periods mollusc species ranges increased (northward) while during colder periods, species went either to extinction or contracted into small, isolated populations in the remaining optimal areas ('pumps'). These populations were free to evolve independently, before expanding again during the following warm period and becoming sympatric 'species'. Later, Stebbins (1974) expanded this hypothesis to rainforest plants and Fjeldså (1994) applied the 'species-pump' concept to distributional

patterns of tropical birds, proposing that climatically buffered Andean regions acted as a 'species-pump' that would 'pump' species generated in the Andes out to the Amazonian region. Fjeldså's (1994) 'species-pump' scenario therefore involves a complex combination of extinction, range contraction, speciation and colonization processes, which makes formal tests difficult to carry out. Importantly, this scenario was originally proposed to explain the species diversity of the Amazonian basin. These terms have later been used by other authors, but often with a different meaning that corresponds to only one or a few aspects of Fjeldså's (1994) scenario. For example, Sedano & Burns (2010) interpreted a high rate of dispersal from the Andes towards adjacent areas as a support for the 'species-pump' hypothesis (see also e.g. Antonelli & Sanmartin 2011). By contrast, Hutter et al. (2013) interpreted this hypothesis as a higher net diversification rate in a study designed to investigate Andean diversity. Hutter et al. (2013) therefore ignore the 'pumping out' mechanism originally proposed (see also e.g. Smith et al. 2007). In fact, the hypothesis of higher speciation rate is also referred to as the 'cradle' hypothesis, often used to explain large patterns of latitudinal gradient of diversity (e.g. Arita & Vázquez-Domínguez 2008; Rolland et al. 2014).

A similar confusion occurs with the so-called timefor-speciation and museum hypotheses. Stebbins (1974) proposed that the angiosperm 'centres of diversity' are the result of low disturbance and therefore low extinction rates that lead to museum-like areas with high species diversity and 'primitive' lineages. Stephens & Wiens (2003) used the term 'time-for-speciation' when referring to a process where a specific region was colonized earlier than other ones by a clade, therefore giving more time for diversification. Confusion arose when some authors used the term 'museum' to describe areas that were colonized early and had more time to accumulate species (e.g. Hutter et al. 2013; Smith et al. 2007), whereas other authors, such as Arita & Vázquez-Domínguez (2008), considered the tropics as a museum if 'origination rate is constant and extinction rate is lower in the tropics' (see also e.g. Chown & Gaston 2000; Condamine et al. 2012).

In this study, we propose a framework of four biogeographic scenarios, which are clarified in terms of mechanisms and expectations. The four scenarios rest on the four main evolutionary processes proposed to explain spatial patterns of biodiversity: speciation, extinction, age of colonization and migration. These four mechanisms are not mutually exclusive but each of them relies on the variation of only one of the following parameters: speciation rate, extinction rate, age of first colonization and colonization rate (Fig. 1). Here, we apply this framework to investigate variation in diversity between Andean and non-Andean regions, but this framework may be used to investigate patterns of diversity among any set of regions. Our hypotheses are as follows:

1 *Cradle*. Andean lineages speciate faster than non-Andean lineages, leading to a rapid accumulation of species over time (Fig. 1a). Indeed, the Andes offer conditions potentially favourable to speciation. The uplift of the different cordilleras generated major barriers to dispersal for many organisms, favouring allopatric divergence. In addition, the slopes of the Andes also display a strong topological heterogeneity, with deep valleys creating further opportunities for geographic divergence (Graham *et al.* 2004; Hughes & Eastwood 2006). Ecological divergence is also

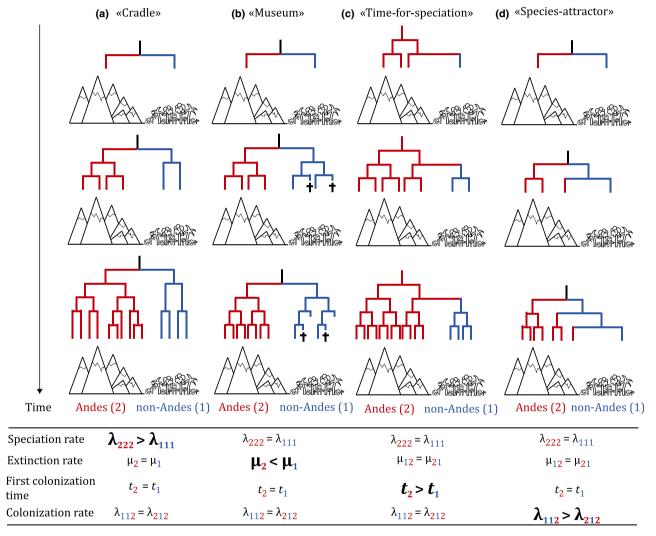


Fig. 1 Schematic representation of the four-hypothesis framework used to investigate the role of the Andes in diversification, and the parameters expected to vary in each hypothesis. Here, we present simple cases were only one parameter varies at a time, but all combinations of varying parameters can also be tested. (a) The 'cradle' hypothesis posits that speciation rate of Andean lineages exceeds that of non-Andean lineages ( $\lambda_{222} > \lambda_{111}$ ). (b) The 'museum' hypothesis posits that extinction rates of the Andean lineages are lower than the non-Andean lineages ( $\mu_2 < \mu_1$ ). (c) The 'time-for-speciation' hypothesis states that the Andes were colonized earlier than non-Andean regions ( $t_2 > t_1$ ), resulting in a longer time for diversification. (d) The 'species-attractor' hypothesis states that the rate of colonization from non-Andean regions to the Andean regions is higher than *vice versa* ( $\lambda_{112} > \lambda_{212}$ ). [Colour figure can be viewed at wileyonlinelibrary.com].

- favoured because high turnover of bioclimatic conditions coupled with stratified vegetation types over small distances creates strong ecological gradients.
- 2 *Museum*. Andean lineages have undergone lower extinction rates than non-Andean lineages (Fig. 1b). Here, we follow Stebbins' original definition of the 'museum' hypothesis (Stebbins 1974).
- 3 *Time-for-speciation*. The timing of colonization events of the Andes might be older than the colonization of other areas and Andean lineages have thus had more time to accumulate species (Fig. 1c). This is the 'time-for-speciation' hypothesis *sensu* Stephens & Wiens (2003).
- 4 Species-attractor. The last hypothesis posits a higher dispersal and colonization rate into the Andes (Fig. 1d). This scenario has received less attention compared to the other hypotheses (but see Beckman & Witt 2015), but with the formation of the tropical Andes, the availability of newly formed ecosystems may have been accompanied by many independent colonization events. Indeed, vacant ecological niches, such as host plants in the case of oligophagous herbivores, could become occupied by multiple independent lineages. Under identical rates of diversification and time for speciation in Andean and non-Andean regions, multiple colonizations of the Andes could increase species richness in this region (Fig. 1d). Under this hypothesis, the Andes play the role of an 'attractor' for species and colonization rates towards the Andes from adjacent areas are predicted to be higher than the other way around.

Vertebrates, especially birds, prevail in most recent studies of patterns of Neotropical diversification (Weir 2006; Brumfield & Edwards 2007; McGuire et al. 2007, 2014; Sedano & Burns 2010; Chaves et al. 2011; Hutter et al. 2013; Castroviejo-Fisher et al. 2014; Fouquet et al. 2014; Beckman & Witt 2015; Lynch Alfaro et al. 2015; Parada et al. 2015; Dantas et al. 2016; Rojas et al. 2016). Despite their megadiversity and abundance, insects are poorly known in the Neotropics compared to vertebrates. Studies of diversification are often restricted to small groups or suffer from low sampling, taxonomic uncertainty or scarce distribution data. Therefore, attempts to generalize the processes explaining high Andean species richness described in the literature remain rare. Yet, insect clades offer the opportunity to add insights into our understanding of the macroevolutionary processes that shaped Andean biodiversity over time.

One of the best-known and most diverse groups of Neotropical insects is the butterfly tribe Ithomiini (Nymphalidae: Danainae). With *ca.* 47 genera and over 390 species (Lamas 2004) restricted to the Neotropical

region, the group has diversified during the last 35 million years (Wahlberg et al. 2009). Ithomiini are known for their striking variety of wing patterns, and many groups include species with partially or entirely transparent wings. They are a major component of forest butterfly communities and interact through Müllerian mimicry among themselves and with other Lepidoptera such as Heliconius butterflies and arctiid moths (Beccaloni 1997). Three of the most diverse ithomiine genera, Ithomia, Napeogenes and Oleria, exhibit high species richness along the Andean slopes (Jiggins et al. 2006; Chazot et al. 2015). Of interest to our study, Elias et al. (2009) showed that the ithomiine genus Napeogenes (25 species), which has a higher diversity in the Andes, probably originated at middle elevations in the Andes and subsequently colonized the lowlands, therefore supporting the 'time-for-speciation' hypothesis. However, there is no indication that this pattern is common to the whole tribe Ithomiini. In this study, we focus on a more speciose Ithomiini clade, the subtribe Godyridina. The Godyridina includes 10 genera and 77 species distributed throughout the Neotropics. They also exhibit particularly high species richness in the Andes (46 species) compared to other Neotropical regions (Fig. 2). Here, we generated and compiled DNA sequences for 206 individuals to infer a time-calibrated molecular phylogeny that contained over 87% of species (67 of 77 species after making taxonomic changes where necessary). Combining historical biogeography, time- and trait-dependent diversification analyses, we applied the above framework to test the four non-mutually exclusive hypotheses proposed to explain Andean species richness: the 'cradle' hypothesis (higher speciation rate in the Andes), the 'museum' hypothesis (lower extinction rate in the Andes), the 'time-for-speciation' hypothesis (older colonization time in the Andes) and the 'species-attractor' hypothesis (higher rates of colonization towards the Andes from adjacent areas) (Fig. 1).

#### Materials and methods

Individual-level phylogenetic tree and redefinition of species boundaries

Defining species boundaries can be challenging, particularly in the case of mimetic butterflies (Elias *et al.* 2007), so we included as many species and subspecies as possible to represent taxonomic and geographic diversity (Appendix S1, Supporting information). We used material from our own collections (Florida Museum of Natural History, Museo de Historia Natural of Lima, Museu de Zoologia da Universidade of São Paulo, University College London, Muséum National d'Histoire Naturel of Paris) and material kindly provided by colleagues.

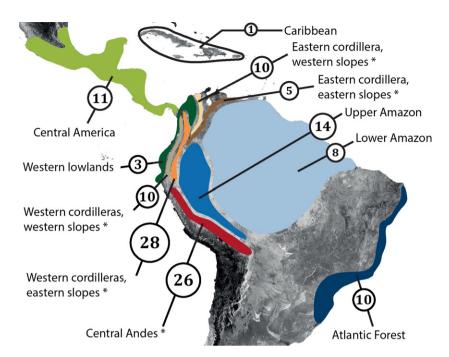


Fig. 2 Map showing the delimitation of biogeographic areas used in the DEC model for ancestral reconstruction and the number of species recorded in each biogeographic region. Stars (\*) indicate the Andean areas. The western and eastern cordilleras (eastern and western slopes) constitute the Northern Andes. [Colour figure can be viewed at wileyonlinelibrary.com].

De novo (75%) and published sequences (25%) for three mitochondrial (cytochrome oxidase I, tRNAL, cytochrome oxidase II, 2356 base pairs (bp)) and two nuclear genes (elongation-factor alpha 1, 1260 bp and tektin, 734 bp) were compiled for 206 specimens (see Appendix S1–S2, Supporting information for PCR conditions and GenBank Accession nos.). We could not obtain sequences for 10 species. We added 44 outgroups representing most genera of the subfamily Danainae (Wahlberg et al. 2009) to our focal group sampling, for a total data set of 250 individuals. We concatenated all sequences, resulting in a total length of 4350 bp. The data set was then partitioned by gene and codon positions, and the best models of substitution for optimized sets of nucleotides were selected over all models implemented in MrBayes, using the 'greedy' algorithm and linked rates implemented in PARTITION-FINDER 1.1.1 (Lanfear et al. 2012). We performed a Bayesian inference of the phylogeny using MRBAYES 3.2.2 (Ronquist et al. 2012), allowing it to run for 10 million generations, with four Markov chain Monte Carlo that sampled every 10 000 generations (resulting in 1000 posterior trees). Although the monophyly of the Ithomiini was well established by previous studies (Freitas & Brown 2004; Brower et al. 2006, 2014; Willmott & Freitas 2006), it was not recovered in preliminary runs. We therefore constrained the tribe to be monophyletic in the MrBayes runs. We extracted the maximum clade

credibility tree using the median of posterior distribution for node ages using TREEANNOTATOR 1.6.2 (Drummond *et al.* 2012) and applied a 20% burn-in. The resulting tree was used to investigate the established taxonomy in the light of our molecular data and to define species to be included in the species-level phylogeny and in subsequent analyses (Appendix 1, Appendix S1–S3, Supporting information).

#### Species-level phylogeny

To generate a species-level phylogeny of the Godyridina, we used the consensus of concatenated sequences of all individuals belonging to the same species, after redefining species boundaries where applicable (e.g. Condamine et al. 2012; Lewis et al. 2015; see Appendix 1). We obtained a data set of 67 species of 77 extant Godyridina species (after our revision of species boundaries), which we combined with the sequences of the 44 outgroups used previously. To select the best partition scheme, we used Partitionfinder (Lanfear et al. 2012) as before, but tested only the models implemented in BEAST (Drummond et al. 2012). First, we generated a maximum likelihood tree using IQ-TREE 1.3.11 (Nguyen et al. 2015). We implemented the best partition scheme previously found and performed 1000 ultra-fast bootstrap iterations to get node support (Minh et al. 2013). The ML tree is available in Appendix S4 (Supporting information). Second, a

time-calibrated phylogeny was generated using BEAST 1.6.2 (Drummond et al. 2012). Following preliminary runs, we implemented a uniform prior for the substitution model of the mitochondrial third position. We selected nine secondary calibration points based on the shared nodes with the phylogeny of Nymphalidae from Wahlberg et al. (2009) (Appendix S5, Supporting information). We used conservative uniform priors for secondary calibrations, with upper and lower bounds corresponding to the 95% credibility intervals inferred in Wahlberg et al. (2009). We tested the effect of calibrating or not the root of the tree, and of using both Yule process and birth-death process as the branching process prior. This resulted in four independent runs of BEAST. Each run was performed for 30 million generations, sampled every 30 000 generations, resulting in 1000 trees. For each run, the maximum clade credibility tree using the median of posterior distribution for node ages was extracted using TREEANNOTATOR (Drummond et al. 2012), applying a 20% burn-in. As differences in node ages between the four independent runs were below two million years, we only used the root-unconstrained and Yule process as the branching process prior in subsequent analyses (Appendix S6–S7, Supporting information).

#### Historical biogeography

To infer the ancestral colonization events of the Andes, we performed an ancestral reconstruction of biogeographic regions on the maximum clade credibility tree. We used the Dispersion–Extinction–Cladogenesis (DEC) model (Ree & Smith 2008) implemented in the R package BIOGEOBEARS 0.2.1 (Matzke 2014). We did not test the effect of founder-event speciation because this method applies to island-dwelling clades. We defined ten biogeographic regions (Fig. 2) based on the main geological events that occurred in the Cenozoic (Hoorn et al. 2010) and previous publications (Elias et al. 2009; Condamine et al. 2012; Lewis et al. 2015). We first ran a model constraining only the connectivity among adjacent areas (see Appendix S8, Supporting information). Secondly, we specified unequal rates of dispersal between areas and time stratification of dispersal rate in BioGeoBEARS: we defined four time bins (0-5, 5-8, 8-14, 14–20 million years ago) and for each of them we specified dispersal multipliers. The time bins and dispersal multipliers were designed to account for the arguably major geological events such as the closure of the Panama Isthmus, the south-to-north uplift of the Andes, the closure of the Western Andean Portal, the retreat of the Pebas System and the creation of terra firme forest in the upper Amazon (Appendix S8, Supporting information). Distributional data for Godyridina species were obtained from fieldwork, literature and

museum collections. Each species was assigned to biogeographic areas based on their current known distribution combined with data on their altitudinal distribution. We allowed for up to 6 areas to form an ancestral geographic range.

#### Trait-dependent diversification

Using trait-dependent models of diversification, we tested whether (i) increased speciation rates in the Andes ('cradle'), (ii) lower extinction rate in the Andes ('museum'), (iii) longer colonization rate ('time-for-speciation') or (iv) higher rates of colonization of the Andes ('species-attractor') explain the pattern of higher species richness in the Andes (Fig. 1). We classified species into either Andean or non-Andean regions, based on their current known distributions. We fitted Cladogenetic State-dependent Speciation and Extinction models (ClaSSE, Goldberg & Igic 2012) implemented in the DI-VERSITREE 0.9-7 R package (FitzJohn 2012), which estimates speciation rates, extinction rates and transition rates of multiple states of a trait (here, the Andean or non-Andean distribution). Specifically, this model allows both cladogenetic (at nodes) and anagenetic (along branches) character changes. For a two-state character, the model accounts for up to six speciation rates, two extinction rates  $(\mu_2, \mu_1)$  and two anagenetic transition rates  $(q_{12}, q_{21})$ . Two speciation rates account for speciation events without character state change  $(\lambda_{222}, \lambda_{111})$ . Two other rates account for speciation accompanied by character state change of one of two descendant species ( $\lambda_{112}$ ,  $\lambda_{212}$ ) and the last two speciation rates account for cases where speciation involved character state change of the two descendant species  $(\lambda_{122}, \lambda_{211})$  (cladogenetic character changes in the two latter cases (Goldberg & Igic 2012; Rolland et al. 2014). We used the ClaSSE rather than the Geographic State change Speciation and Extinction model (GeoSSE, Goldberg et al. 2011) because Andean species are typically not present outside of the Andes (and reciprocally). To avoid overparametrization of the models, we imposed several constraints on the models by excluding parameters that are not meaningful in terms of biogeographic events. Similarly to Rolland et al. (2014), we constrained to zero speciation rates involving simultaneous character state change in the two descendant species. We also constrained to zero the anagenetic transition rates because we considered that transition from one region to another was accompanied by a speciation event. Transitions between regions were therefore modelled by the parameters  $\lambda_{112}$  and  $\lambda_{212}$ . We tested for all possible combinations of models, constraining or not speciation, extinction and transition rates to be equal among states. Therefore, we ended up with 10 models, which were fitted on 300 trees randomly sampled from the posterior distribution, accounting for incomplete sampling in each region (Andean: 88%, non-Andean: 90%). Models were compared using corrected Akaike information criterion scores (AICc). The strength of the ClaSSE model is that it allows simultaneously testing of the nonmutually exclusive 'cradle', 'museum' and 'species-attractor' hypotheses.

To test the 'time-for-speciation' hypothesis, we needed to infer ancestral state for each node, which is not currently implemented in ClaSSE models. Therefore, we fitted the Binary State Speciation and Extinction model (BiSSE, FitzJohn 2012) equivalent to the best-fitting ClaSSE model on the maximum clade credibility tree, which fits anagenetic instead of cladogenetic changes, and confirmed that parameter values inferred from BiSSE were consistent with those inferred from ClaSSE. This allowed us to estimate the probabilities of ancestral states at each node. Finally, we used this ancestral state reconstruction to represent the accumulation (speciation and colonization events through time) of Andean and non-Andean lineages.

#### Time-dependent diversification

Following the results of the ClaSSE analysis (see Results), we further explored heterogeneity in diversification rates through time and across clades. We tested whether the three richest subclades within the Godyridina had significantly different time-dependent diversification dynamics than the rest of the subtribe following the method presented in Morlon et al. (2011). The genus Hypomenitis (see Results) contains 23 species, accounting for 30% of the subtribe; the genus Godyris, with 11 species, accounts for 14%; and the clade including the polyphyletic or paraphyletic genera Hypoleria, Brevioleria, Pachacutia and Mcclungia (hereafter, Brevioleria clade) with 15 species accounts for 20% of the diversity. In total, these three subclades alone account for 64% of the subtribe's diversity. Preliminary tests and ancestral state reconstructions also dictated the choice of these subclades. We investigated shifts of diversification rates at the root of these three clades by comparing fits of models without shifts (null model), with fits of models with one, two and three shifts (all possible combinations) using AICc scores.

### Results

#### Phylogenetic tree and taxonomical revisions

The individual-level phylogeny of Godyridina was generally well supported, except for the positions of *Greta clavijoi* and for relationships within the clade containing

the genera *Brevioleria*, *Mcclungia*, *Pachacutia* and some *Hypoleria* species (Appendix S3, S4, S7, Supporting information). Based on the relationships between individuals in this phylogeny, reassessment of morphological characters in some cases and distributional data, we re-evaluated the current species and genera status and propose a number of formal and informal taxonomic changes (Appendix 1, Appendix S1–S3, Supporting information).

# Estimates of divergence times and historical biogeography

Based on the secondary calibrations from Wahlberg et al. (2009), the subtribe Godyridina was inferred to be 17.08 million years old (95% highest posterior density: 14.99-19.16 million years) (Appendix S6, Supporting information). Based on our biogeographic reconstructions, the most likely ancestral areas were the Central Andes for the Velamysta/Veladyris clade and the upper Amazon for the remaining ingroup (Fig. 3). The inference at the root was not well resolved. Then diversification occurred in three main areas: Central Andes where the Veladyris, Velamysta and Godyris diversified, the western cordillera of Northern Andes where the Hypomenitis diversified, and the upper Amazon in which the Brevioleria, Hypoleria, Mcclungia, Pachacutia and Heterosais diversified (Fig. 3). The genera Velamysta and Veladyris originated in the Central Andes and have slowly accumulated species in this region. From 15 to 10 million years ago, four speciation events occurred in the upper Amazon, a region partly covered during this period by the Pebas System, a complex semi-aquatic ecosystem, which even occasionally transformed into marine environment (Hoorn et al. 2010; Wesselingh et al. 2010; Blandin & Purser 2013; Boonstra et al. 2015). As there were probably emergent lowlands, especially along the eastern side of the Andes, we did not forbid dispersal into this region and instead allowed a low dispersal probability. One of these early lowland lineages started diversifying intensively in the upper Amazon from around 8 million years ago, after the drainage of the Pebas, leading to the clade currently grouping Hypoleria and the Brevioleria clade. A major colonization event of the Northern Andes occurred around 10 million years ago, subsequently giving birth to the entire Hypomenitis clade (largely distributed in the Western cordillera). Around 4-5 million years ago, another colonization of the Andes occurred in the genus Godyris, followed by local diversification. We also recovered several independent colonizations of the Andes on terminal or subterminal branches, mainly in the Northern Andes. The clade formed by Pseudoscada and Genus2 had a much more complex spatial diversification history.

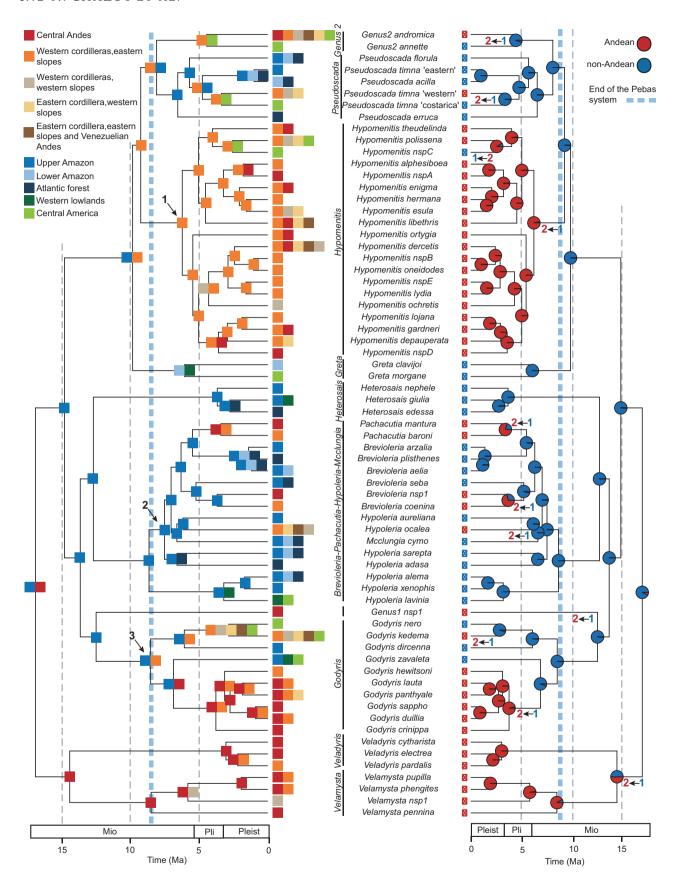


Fig. 3 Time-calibrated tree of the Godyridina. On the left, the most likely ancestral areas inferred using the DEC model implemented in BioGeoBEARS are represented. On the right, the probabilities for each node of being Andean (red) or non-Andean (blue) are represented. This ancestral reconstruction was obtained from the best-fitting model of character state-dependent diversification (ClaSSE analysis, see text). Numbers on the left panel indicate the three subclades for which we tested a shift in diversification rate: 1-Hypomenitis, 2-Brevioleria clade: Brevioleria, Hypoleria, Mcclungia, Pachacutia, 3-Godyris. On the right panel, colonization events are represented ( $2\leftarrow1$ : non-Andean towards Andean area,  $1\leftarrow2$ : Andean towards non-Andean region). Pleist = Pleistocene, Pli = Pliocene, Mio = Miocene.

Secondary colonizations of lowlands were inferred in the western part of the Andes for some species and in the eastern part for others. This group now occurs from Central America to the Brazilian Atlantic forest region. Generally, Central America and Brazilian Atlantic forest faunas were the result of several independent colonizations, with very few within-region diversification events.

#### Trait-dependent diversification

Two models of trait-dependent diversification were found within an interval of 2 AICc scores. The model with the lowest AICc score had three parameters: a unique speciation rate for Andean and non-Andean lineages ( $\lambda = 0.158$ ), and two significantly different cladogenetic transition rates (Table 1). Transitions from non-Andean to Andean areas ( $\lambda_{112} = 0.060$ ) were 10-fold more frequent than from the Andes to non-Andean areas ( $\lambda_{212} = 0.005$ ), as expected under the 'speciesattractor' hypothesis (Table 1). The second best-fitting model involved two different transition rates (values similar to those of the best model, Table 1) and also two different speciation rates among the two regions. Speciation rate in the Andes ( $\lambda_{222} = 0.176$ ) was slightly higher than in non-Andean regions ( $\lambda_{111} = 0.140$ ). The latter result is expected under the 'cradle' hypothesis. For these two best models, we fitted the equivalent BiSSE model on the MCC tree and estimated the probabilities of character states at each node. Both reconstructions gave identical results and we only represent the reconstruction based on the best model (Fig. 3). The root was inferred to be non-Andean (Fig. 3), rejecting the 'time-for-speciation' hypothesis. Major colonizations of the Andes followed by diversification occurred three times, leading to the Veladyris/Velamysta clade, part of the genus Godyris, and the genus Hypomenitis. In addition, six colonization events on terminal branches were recovered, totalling nine independent colonizations of the Andes. Conversely, we only found one colonization event from the Andes towards a non-Andean region (Hypomenitis nspC in Central America, Fig. 3). The ancestral state reconstruction based on a trait-dependent model of diversification was very congruent with the reconstruction based on the biogeographic model. Finally, lineage accumulation through time showed that

speciation of non-Andean lineages slowed down around 6 million years ago (Fig. 4). Almost half of non-Andean speciation events (12 of 27) occurred in a time frame of 3 million years (between 9 and 6 million years ago). By contrast, Andean lineages intensively accumulated in the last 7 million years (Fig. 4) through either speciation or colonization.

#### Time-dependent diversification

The model with four distinct diversification dynamics (*Brevioleria* clade, *Hypomenitis*, *Godyris* and the remaining backbone) was significantly better supported than the others (Table 2). The mainly non-Andean *Brevioleria* clade followed a model of decreasing speciation rate through time with an initial rate of speciation higher than that of the backbone at the same period followed by an inflexion starting about 6 million years ago (Fig. 4a). The mainly Andean *Godyris* and *Hypomenitis* genera followed a constant speciation rate model, with a speciation rate higher than that of the backbone (*Godyris*: 0.190, *Hypomenitis*: 0.226, backbone: 0.128). Models with extinction had a significantly worse fit than models without extinction (Table 2).

#### Discussion

In this study, we propose a revision of the systematics of the ithomiine subtribe Godyridina, using a comprehensive sampling of individuals that includes new undescribed species. Based on this revision, we infer the first time-calibrated species-level phylogeny of this subtribe. Our time calibrations are secondary calibrations based on the time-calibrated tree of Nymphalid genera (Wahlberg et al. 2009). Apart from Veladyris and Velamysta, which feed on Solanum (Greeney et al. 2009) and Cuatresia (Willmott, unpublished data), respectively, all Godyridina species feed almost exclusively on Cestrum species (Solanaceae) (Willmott & Freitas 2006), which they do not share with any other ithomiine groups. In a recent phylogenetic study of the entire family Solanaceae, Cestrum is inferred to have diversified in the last 7 million years (Särkinen et al. 2013), which is younger than our estimates for Godyridina diversification (14.9  $\pm$  2 million years ago excluding Veladyris and Velamysta). Thus, we cannot exclude the

Table 1 Models and results of the ClaSSE analysis run over 300 trees randomly sampled from the posterior distribution (mean values are given), ordered by increasing AICc. Constraints of each model are indicated in the four-first columns. 1 = non-Andean, 2 = Andean,  $λ_{111}/λ_{111}$  = within-region speciation rates,  $λ_{112}/λ_{212}$  = cladogenetic transition rates, μ = extinction rates, d.f. = degree of freedom (number of parameters), logL = log-likelihood, AICc = Akaike information criterion score corrected for sample size, ΔAICc = difference between the model and the best-fitting model. Anagenetic transition rates and cladogenetic transition rates involving a character state change in both descendent lineages were constrained to 0 and are therefore not included in the table. The two first models are retained (models with ΔAICc < 2)

$\lambda_{111}/\lambda_{222}$		$\lambda_{112}/\lambda_{212}$	μ	d.f.	logL	AICc	ΔΑΙC	$\lambda_{111}$	$\Lambda_{222}$	$\Lambda_{112}$	$\lambda_{212}$	$\mu_1$	$\mu_2$
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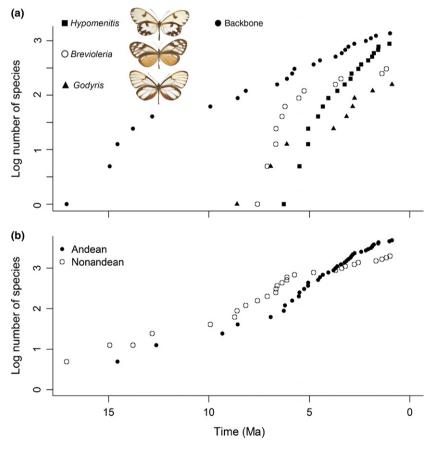


Fig. 4 (a) Lineage-through-time plots of the three subclades with diversification rate shifts (*Hypomenitis*, *Godyris* and *Brevioleria* clade) and for the remaining backbone. (b) Lineage-through-time plots of non-Andean and Andean lineages based on the ancestral reconstruction of trait-dependent diversification model. [Colour figure can be viewed at wileyonlinelibrary.com].

**Table 2** Results of time-dependent diversification model comparisons (Morlon *et al.* 2011). We tested models with 0, 1, 2 and 3 shifts. We tested six models of diversification for each subclade and for the remaining backbone: constant speciation, varying speciation, constant speciation/constant extinction, varying speciation/varying extinction. Here, we only report the best-fitting models for each subclade. The model with three shifts was significantly better supported than the others, which was confirmed using likelihood ratio tests. BCST = constant speciation, BVAR = time variable speciation,  $\log L = \log$ -likelihood, p(LRT) = p-value of the likelihood ratio test (best model against the others),  $\lambda$  is the speciation rate parameter, and  $\alpha$  is the rate of variation of  $\lambda$  through time

Shifts	Subtree	Model	Parameter	log L	p(LRT)	λ	α
Best model:	Backbone	BCST	1	-46.307		0.128	
Brevioleria clade + Hypomenitis + Godyris	Brevioleria clade	BVAR	2	-28.135		0.044	0.350
	Hypomenitis	BCST	1	-72.027		0.226	
	Godyris	BCST	1	-21.945		0.190	
	Total		5	-168.415			
Brevioleria clade + Hypomenitis	Backbone	BCST	1	-70.484		0.150	
	Brevioleria clade	BVAR	2	-28.135		0.044	0.350
	Hypomenitis	BCST	1	-72.027		0.226	
	Total		4	-170.647	0.0346		
Brevioleria clade + Godyris	Backbone	BCST	1	-120.654		0.187	
	Brevioleria clade	BVAR	2	-28.135		0.044	0.350
	Godyris	BCST	1	-21.945		0.190	
	Total		4	-170.734	0.0313		
Brevioleria clade	Backbone	BCST	1	-144.247		0.190	
	Brevioleria clade	BVAR	2	-28.135		0.044	0.350
	Total		3	-172.382	0.0189		
Whole tree		BCST	1	-175.429	0.0072	0.188	
Hypomenitis + Godyris	Backbone	BCST	1	-79.473		0.151	
	Hypomenitis	BCST	1	-72.027		0.226	
	Godyris	BCST	1	-21.945		0.190	
	Total		3	-173.445	0.0065		
Hypomenitis	Backbone	BCST	1	-103.383		0.162	
	Hypomenitis	BCST	1	-72.027		0.226	
	Total		2	-175.411	0.0029		
Godyris	Backbone	BCST	1	-153.325		0.188	
- -	Godyris	BCST	1	-21.945		0.190	
	Total		2	-175.270	0.0033		

hypothesis that Godyridina are younger than inferred here using secondary calibration points (Garzón-Orduña *et al.* 2015). However, the dating of the Solanaceae phylogeny was limited by the quality of available fossils, forcing the authors to downgrade taxonomic assignment of the fossils. This limitation, in combination with a strong prior on fossil ages, incurred a bias towards younger ages, as acknowledged by the authors of the study (Särkinen *et al.* 2013). The actual age of *Cestrum* is therefore likely older than the estimate of Särkinen *et al.* (2013), in better agreement with Wahlberg *et al.* (2009)'s and our ages for the subtribe Godyridina.

The time-calibrated phylogeny was used to infer the geographic and temporal patterns of diversification of the butterfly subtribe Godyridina, which exhibits a higher species diversity in the Andes, a common ecological pattern in the Neotropics (Luebert & Weigend 2014). To evaluate historical explanations for this pattern of diversity, we explicitly tested four nonmutually

exclusive hypotheses: the 'cradle' hypothesis, the 'time-for-speciation' hypothesis, the 'museum' hypothesis and the 'species-attractor' hypothesis (Fig. 1). We found a strong support for the 'species-attractor' hypothesis in the Godyridina, suggesting an important role of multiple colonization events of the Andes. We also found moderate support for a slightly higher speciation rate within the Andes, which is confirmed by the detection of a shift towards higher speciation rates in two Andean genera, in agreement with the 'cradle' hypothesis.

The four hypotheses jointly tested in our study have received mixed support in the literature. Very few studies explicitly tested for higher speciation rate in the Andes (here referred to as the 'cradle' hypothesis). Hutter *et al.* (2013) used trait-dependent diversification models to understand mid-altitude species richness patterns in Andean glassfrogs. Because they divided the Andes into altitudinal bands, interpretations may be

oriented towards altitude-dependent diversification processes instead of Andean vs. non-Andean processes, but they found no support for a higher speciation rate in the Andes. Conversely, Beckman & Witt (2015), who applied an approach similar to ours in a study of New World goldfinches and siskins, found a higher speciation rate in the Andes. Plant groups have shown more evidence of increased rates of speciation associated with the colonization of the Andes, such as, Lupinus (Hughes & Eastwood 2006), Astragalus (Scherson et al. 2008), Bromeliaceae (Givnish et al. 2014), Hedyosmum (Antonelli & Sanmartin 2011). However, the diversification of highland flora may differ from that of the fauna, with, for example, an important role for long-distance dispersal and dispersal of pre-adapted temperate plant lineages from the Nearctic region.

Our results showed evidence, although moderate, for increased speciation rates in the Andes, consistent with the 'cradle' hypothesis. One of the two best-fitting models of trait-dependent diversification inferred a slightly, but significantly higher speciation rate in the Andes than in non-Andean regions. As an illustration of this, we also detected two shifts towards a higher diversification rate at the root of two Andean subclades (Hypomenitis and Godyris) with the time-dependent diversification models. Host plants are known to be strong drivers of diversification in phytophagous insects (Ehrlich & Raven 1964; Janz et al. 2006). Most of the Godyridina species have specialized on different plant species belonging to the highly diverse genus Cestrum (Willmott & Freitas 2006). In some cases, the diversity of host plants found in the Andes may have triggered ecological speciation driven by host-plant shifts for Andean lineages, which may be one of the reasons for the high Andean speciation rates. However, we also found a diversification rate shift in the Brevioleria clade, which is mainly a non-Andean clade, suggesting that not only the Andes can drive high diversification. This may explain why although it is significant, the difference in speciation rates among regions is only about 20%. The Brevioleria clade is inferred to have occupied the upper Amazon region since its origin, about 8 million years ago. The diversification of the Brevioleria clade may have followed the retreat of the semi-aquatic Pebas system, when forest ecosystems formed in the upper Amazon, presumably providing opportunities for speciation.

As far as we know, the role of extinction in scenarios of Andean biogeography has been poorly discussed in the literature. We defined the 'museum' hypothesis as lower extinction rates in the Andes than in non-Andean regions (Stebbins 1974). In the Godyridina, all extinction rates were close to zero and models with different extinction rates were therefore not supported, as in

glassfrogs (Hutter et al. 2013). Antonelli & Sanmartin (2011) reported a lower extinction rate (combined with a higher speciation rate) in the species-rich Andean Tafalla subgenus compared to the remaining non-Andean Chloranthaceae, therefore supporting the 'museum' hypothesis, but Beckman & Witt (2015) found a higher extinction rate in the Andes for goldfinches and siskins. It is difficult to predict what might cause variations in extinction rates and in which direction. For example, landscape fragmentation due to Pleistocene climatic fluctuations might have led to extinction events in the Amazonian ecosystems, therefore increasing extinction rates. Conversely mountain species are generally considered as being more prone to extinction during climate variations, as a result of narrow distribution ranges and difficulties to track habitats during climatic fluctuations (e.g. McCain & Colwell 2011; Fjeldså et al. 2012). So far the role of extinction has been poorly considered compared to other scenarios, but it will likely provide new insights in our comprehension of the Neotropical biogeography.

The 'time-for-speciation' hypothesis, defined as a longer presence in the Andes (Stephens & Wiens 2003), has been supported in several studies (e.g. Santos et al. 2009). For instance, Hutter et al. (2013) showed that glassfrogs first originated at mid-altitudes and subsequently diversified at both higher and lower altitudes. An Andean origin followed by subsequent colonization of the lowlands was also reported in other Ithomiini lineages, such as the genera Napeogenes and Ithomia (Elias et al. 2009) and the subtribe Oleriina (De-Silva et al. 2016). In the Godyridina, the ancestral range inferred using two independent methods does not support an Andean origin. From our results, the subtribe likely originated in a non-Andean region, probably at the lowland interface between the Andes and the future upper Amazon. In addition, the oldest Andean clade, formed by the two sister genera Veladyris and Velamysta, underwent only moderate diversification (eight species when accounting for a new species of Veladyris from Peru not included in the phylogeny) despite the longer time available for speciation.

The 'species-attractor' hypothesis, which posits that the Andes offer opportunities for multiple independent colonization events, has rarely been tested explicitly but has been discussed in the literature. Rates of biotic exchange between regions have been estimated in some studies (e.g. Brumfield & Edwards 2007; Elias et al. 2009; Sedano & Burns 2010; Castroviejo-Fisher et al. 2014; Beckman & Witt 2015). In Ithomiini, Elias et al. (2009) and De-Silva et al. (2016) found higher rates of dispersal towards low altitudes, as did Beckman & Witt (2015) for goldfinches and siskins. In contrast, other studies found that dispersal towards the Andes is

generally more frequent, with a limited number of reversals. For instance, in the butterfly genus Ithomiola (Riodinidae: Mesosemiini), a small clade of 11 species, Hall (2005) showed that diversification within the group consisted of repeated speciation events across different altitudes, including several colonization events of the Andes from other areas. Hutter et al. (2013) also reported that the inferred number of colonization events of each altitudinal band by glassfrogs tends to correlate with species richness. Therefore, higher rates of colonization from lowlands may also have contributed to higher species richness in the Andes, but Hutter et al. (2013) did not explicitly test this hypothesis. In plants, Moonlight et al. (2015) found that the Andean diversity of Begonia arose from multiple dispersal events into the Andes, while Givnish et al. (2014) reported an important number of independent colonization events of high elevations areas in Bromeliaceae.

In the Godyridina, the inferred higher colonization rate of the Andes from non-Andean regions (a pattern that we refer to as 'species-attractor') was almost 10fold higher than in the other direction. We identified up to ten independent events of colonization of the Andes, but only one for non-Andean colonization (Fig. 3). From our ancestral state reconstruction, we found that the accumulation of species in the Andean region accelerated during the very late Miocene, and mostly occurred during Pliocene and early Pleistocene periods through either colonization or speciation events, a time frame that corresponds to the most intense orogeny phase of the Andes (Hoorn et al. 2010). By contrast, most of the diversification of non-Andean lineages appears to have occurred by the end of the Miocene. The Andes could drive colonization and speciation in many ways, involving biotic factors, such as the availability of new habitats, new predator communities, host-plant diversity, and abiotic factors such as temperature, precipitation, environment heterogeneity and topography. It is also worth noting that the Andes, extending all along the western side of South America, provide ample opportunity for colonization on both sides of the cordilleras. Besides, from 20 to 10 million years ago, the semi-aquatic Pebas System covered most of the upper Amazon region, with even occasional marine incursions (Hoorn et al. 2010; Wesselingh et al. 2010; Blandin & Purser 2013). During this period, the Northern and Central Andes started to slowly increase in elevation (Hoorn et al. 2010). Sediment deposits from the Andes towards the east accompanied this uplift (Roddaz et al. 2010), and around 10 million years ago terra firme forest probably started to form. The Acre System and then the Amazon River were formed, and by 8 million years ago, the Amazon region was mostly emerged. This semi-aquatic Pebas system probably prevented

important faunal and floral exchange between the Andes and Amazonia. The retreat of this system may thus have produced a broad connection between these regions, thereby allowing colonizations both into (e.g. the Godyridina, this study) and out of the Andes (e.g. *Napeogenes*, Elias *et al.* 2009).

Many Ithomiini species possess transparent wings although we observe a large variation in the degree of wing transparency among species. Transparency appears to dominate Ithomiini communities at high altitudes, which may indicate that transparency is a potential adaptive response to the biotic and abiotic conditions found in those habitats (e.g. light, Papageorgis 1975). Multiple colonizations into the Andes may have been facilitated by wing transparency because the Godyridina are among the most transparent Ithomiini, reaching some extreme cases of almost complete transparency over the entire wing.

The role of the Andes in the diversification of the biota of the Neotropical region has long been debated in the literature, and several biogeographic scenarios have been tested. In this study we propose a framework to evaluate the support for four evolutionary scenarios which may contribute to high Andean biodiversity, by analysing variation in speciation rates, extinction rates, colonization times and colonization rates. Models testing the joint contribution of two or more mechanisms can also be estimated and compared. Here, we applied this framework to a species-rich group of Neotropical butterflies and found a strong support for multiple independent colonization events, which led us to formulate the 'species-attractor' hypothesis, but we also found moderate support for the 'cradle' hypothesis (higher speciation rate within the Andes). Using this framework to analyse the diversification of many different groups of organisms will clarify the causes of the exceptional richness of the Andean region and will provide insights into the role played by the Andes in the biogeography of the Neotropical region.

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#### Data accessibility

All sequences used this study are accessible on Genbank, and accession numbers can be found in Supporting Information.

Appendix 1 Cases where the taxonomy adopted in this study differ from the previous published taxonomic arrangement, particularly Lamas (2004). Some changes were made because they seem best supported by current evidence but still require further research, whereas other formal changes were made where additional morphological and/or biogeographic data were consistent with a revised classification.

Classification in this study	Lamas (2004) classification	Resulting formal classification	Explanation
Brevioleria plisthenes	Brevioleria aelia plisthenes	Brevioleria aelia plisthenes (d'Almeida, 1958)	We treat <i>Brevioleria plisthenes</i> as a distinct species in this study, based on its quite isolated distribution from other <i>B. aelia</i> (Hewitson, 1852) taxa (where it was placed by Lamas 2004) and its stable and distinctive wing pattern. Nevertheless, <i>Brevioleria</i> remains taxonomically highly complex and a thorough revision of the genus is required, so we do not make any formal changes here
Godyris hewitsoni	Godyris nepos hewitsoni	Godyris hewitsoni (Haensch, 1903) rev. stat	We treat <i>Godyris hewitsoni</i> as a species distinct from <i>Godyris nepos</i> (Weymer, 1875), as it differs in wing venation, having the base of vein M3 nearer the wing base than the

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Classification in this study	Lamas (2004) classification	Resulting formal classification	Explanation
			base of vein M1 on both wings (the opposite is true in nepos). As similar differences in venation separate three sympatric Godyris species in Ecuador (G. duillia (Hewitson, 1854), G. hewitsoni and G. panthyale (C. & R. Felder, 1862)), we regard such differences as likely to be significant at the species level. In addition, G. nepos has a distinctive wing pattern, with reddish HW markings that are more similar to those of G. duillia than other Godyris. Finally, no slightly intermediate forms or subspecies are known between G. hewitsoni and G. nepos, and we have not found any characters that suggest that these are sister taxa
Genus1 nsp1	Greta n. sp.	Greta n. sp.	An undescribed species from Peru included by Lamas (2004) in the genus <i>Greta</i> , here is hypothesized to be sister to <i>Godyris</i> . Its generic status requires confirmation with detailed morphological study, but there is no reason to suspect that the current DNA-based topology is incorrect
Genus2 andromica	Greta andromica	Greta andromica (Hewitson, 1855)	The molecular data place andromica+annette as a clade sister to Pseudoscada, a topology consistent with morphological data (Willmott & Freitas 2006), and they are here treated as a distinct genus, given the differences in size and habitat elevation in comparison with Pseudoscada. However, detailed morphological study is needed to determine whether this clade has any morphological synapomorphies and what its relationships are to other Greta not included in this study, to decide on the most appropriate taxonomic treatment
Genus2 annette	Greta annette	<i>Greta annette</i> (Guérin- Ménéville, 1844)	See above under <i>Greta andromica</i>
Greta is restricted to G. clavijoi, G. morgane		Greta clavijoi (Neild, 2008), Greta morgane (Geyer, 1837)	Based on morphology (Willmott & Freitas 2006), the type species of <i>Greta</i> Hemming (1934), <i>G. diaphanus</i> (Drury, 1773), is sister to <i>G. morgane</i> ( <i>G. clavijoi</i> was not included in Willmott & Freitas 2006). We thus apply the name <i>Greta</i> in this study to the clade <i>G. morgane+G. clavijoi</i>
Heterosais nephele	Heterosais giulia nephele	Heterosais nephele (Bates, 1862) rev. stat., H. nephele gedera (Hewitson, 1869) rev. stat.	Molecular data show that transandean and Amazonian <i>Heterosais</i> are strongly distinct and possibly not even sister taxa, consistent with differences in male androconial scales between taxa from the two regions. Transandean taxa ( <i>H. g. giulia</i> (Hewitson, 1855), <i>H. g. pallidula</i> Haensch, 1903, <i>H. g. cadra</i> (Godman & Salvin, 1878)) have a much smaller distal patch of hair-like androconial scales on the dorsal hindwing, not extending basally past the base of vein Cu1, whereas in Amazonian taxa ( <i>H. n. nephele</i> , <i>H. n. gedera</i> ) the scale patch extends about halfway between the bases of veins Cu2 and Cu1
Hypoleria alema	Hypoleria lavinia ssp. (east of Andes)	Hypoleria lavinia (Hewitson, 1855) is restricted to taxa occurring west of the Andes, and Hypoleria alema (Hewitson, 1857) becomes the oldest name for the Amazonian taxa formerly included in H. alema and H. lavinia. In addition to Hypoleria	Molecular data indicate that the taxa east and west of the Andes that were included within <i>Hypoleria lavinia</i> in Lamas (2004) are strongly divergent. In addition, the east Ecuadorian Andes foothill taxon <i>ina</i> , hitherto regarded as conspecific with Colombian <i>H. alema</i> , was not differentiated from Amazonian <i>H. lavinia chrysodonia</i> . The data suggest that <i>H. lavinia</i> should be split into distinct species east and west of the Andes, and that <i>ina</i> (and presumably <i>alema</i> ) should be regarded as subspecies of the eastern species. Morphological data are consistent with this hypothesis. The male genitalic valva is more

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Classification in this study	Lamas (2004) classification	Resulting formal classification	Explanation			
		alema ina (Hewitson, 1859), Hypoleria alema thus includes the following as subspecies, all n. stat.: H. alema asellia (Hopffer, 1874), H. a. cajona Haensch, 1905, H. a. chrysodonia (Bates, 1862), H. a. consimilis (Talbot, 1928), H. a. garleppi (Haensch, 1905), H. a. indecora (Haensch, 1905), H. a. indecora (Haensch, 1905), H. a. meridana (Fox, 1948), H. a. oreas (Weymer, 1899), H. a. proxima (Weymer, 1899)	elongated with a less strongly produced dorso-posterior projection in <i>H. lavinia</i> specimens dissected from Ecuador and southeastern Peru and in <i>H. alema ina</i> and <i>H. alema alema</i> , in comparison with examined <i>H. lavinia</i> specimens from western Ecuador, Panama and Mexico. A long series of highly variable specimens phenotypically intermediate between <i>H. lavinia chrysodonia</i> and east Ecuadorian <i>H. alema</i> , collected by P. Boyer (personal communication) at an elevational contact zone, supports the conspecificity of these taxa			
Hypoleria lavinia	Hypoleria lavinia ssp. (west of Andes)	H. lavinia lavinia, H. l. cassotis (Bates, 1864), H. l. libera (Godman & Salvin, 1879), H. l. rhene (Godman & Salvin, 1878), H. l. riffarthi (Haensch, 1905), H. l. vanilia (Herrich-Schäffer, 1865), H. l. vaniliana (Kaye, 1919)	See Discussion above			
Hypoleria mulviana	Hypoleria lavinia mulviana	Hypoleria mulviana (d'Almeida, 1958) rev. stat.	Hypoleria mulviana was treated as a subspecies of <i>H. lavinia</i> by Lamas (2004). However, there is limited evidence (potentially unreliably labelled specimens) to suggest sympatry in the central Amazon, and the male genitalia are quite distinct from other <i>H. lavinia</i> and <i>H. alema</i> (see above); the ventral posterior projection on the valva is narrow and posteriorly (rather than inwardly) directed, the aedeagus is approximately twice as long and the tegumen is raised up higher above the valvae			
Pseudoscada timna 'costarica'	Pseudoscada timna	Pseudoscada timna pusio (Godman & Salvin, 1877)	The molecular data showed that divergence between <i>P. timna</i> from Costa Rica, western Ecuador and the Amazon is similar to that between other species in this genus, and that Amazonian <i>P. timna</i> are sister to Brazilian <i>P. acilla</i> . We treat these three clades of <i>P. timna</i> as three species in the analysis here, but further molecular and morphological research is required. In particular, the relationships of northwest South American <i>P. timna</i> taxa ( <i>P. t. saturata</i> (Staudinger, 1885) and <i>P. t. troetschi</i> (Staudinger, 1884)) to Costa Rican <i>P. t. pusio</i> and the undescribed west Ecuadorian taxon need to be determined before the classification can be revised			
Pseudoscada timna 'eastern' Pseudoscada timna 'western'	Pseudoscada timna Pseudoscada timna	Pseudoscada timna timna (Hewitson, 1855) Pseudoscada timna (Hewitson, 1855) n. ssp.	See above See above			

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Veladyris cytharista	Veladyris pardalis cytharista	<i>Veladyris cytharista</i> (Salvin, 1869) rev. stat.	The Ecuadorian to north Peruvian taxa <i>Veladyris pardalis aurea</i> Lamas, 1980, <i>V. p. pardalis</i> (Hewitson, 1855) and <i>V. p. totumbra</i> (Kaye, 1919) formed a clade distinct from the Peruvian <i>V. p. cytharista</i> , which clustered with <i>Veladyris electrea</i> (Brabant, 2004). In addition, <i>V. p. christina</i> Lamas, 1980, seems to be sympatric in north Peru (Amazonas) with an undescribed taxon which we regard as conspecific with <i>V. p. cytharista</i> ; <i>V. p. christina</i> shares a distinctive white spot on the ventral hindwing in cell Sc+R1-Rs with the Ecuadorian <i>Veladyris pardalis</i> taxa, and we thus retain all four of these taxa in <i>V. pardalis</i> , and treat <i>V. cytharista</i> rev. stat. as a distinct species. A revision of the genus is in preparation by KRW, GL and others			
Velamysta nsp1			This is an undescribed species recently discovered in western Ecuador by T. Kell (Kell, Willmott & Lamas, unpublished data)			
Hypomenitis spp.	Greta spp.	We reinstate Hypomenitis to include the following species (and their subspecies and synonyms as listed in Lamas 2004), all rev. stat.: H. alphesiboea (Hewitson, 1869), H. depauperata (Boisduval, 1870), H. dercetis (Doubleday, 1847), H. enigma (Haensch, 1905), H. esula (Hewitson, 1855), H. gardneri (Weeks, 1901), H. hermana (Haensch, 1903), H. libethris (C. & R. Felder, 1865), H. lojana (Vitale & Bollino, 2001), H. lydia (Weymer, 1899), H. ochretis (Haensch, 1903), H. oneidodes (Kaye, 1918), H. ortygia (Weymer, 1890), H. polissena (Hewitson, 1863), H. theudelinda (Hewitson, 1861)	The majority of the montane species treated in <i>Greta</i> by Lamas (2004) form a well-supported clade, including <i>Ithomia theudelinda</i> Hewitson, the type species for <i>Hypomenitis</i> (Fox, 1945), that is significantly separated from that containing <i>G. morgane</i> (and presumably the type species of <i>Greta</i> , <i>G. diaphanus</i> , see Discussion above). Although Willmott & Freitas (2006) found no morphological synapomorphy for the two representative species of <i>Hypomenitis</i> , <i>H. ortygia+H. theudelinda</i> , support for the topology of this part of the tree was very weak, and the shared mid- to high elevation cloud forest habitats of all species included here in <i>Hypomenitis</i> is consistent with the monophyly indicated by the molecular data			

#### Supporting information

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**Appendix S1** List of specimens used with Genbank accession codes.

Appendix S2 Primers used for PCR.

**Appendix S3** Phylogenetic tree of 206 individuals based on the concatenation of COI-tRNA-COII-EFI-Tektin gene fragments inferred with MrBayes.

**Appendix S4** Maximum Likelihood tree inferred using IQ-tree software. We performed 1000 ultra-fast bootstrap iterations to get node supports (Minh *et al.* 2013).

**Appendix S5** Secondary calibration points used with uniform distribution between the lower and upper bound, corresponding to the 95% credibility interval reported in Wahlberg *et al.* (2009).

**Appendix S6** Time-calibrated maximum clade credibility tree. Median of node ages are shown at the nodes. Bars show the 95% credibility interval of node ages.

**Appendix S7** Time-calibrated maximum clade credibility tree. Bayesian posterior probabilities are shown at the nodes.

**Appendix S8** Matrices of dispersal probabilities for four time slices as used in the Dispersal-Extinction-Cladogenesis model of BiogeoBears.