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RESUMEN GENERAL

Para tener un mejor entendimiento y estimación de la biodiversidad es necesario estudiar los mecanismos que han moldeado dicha variación. Actualmente, estos estudios son el principal objetivo de la biología evolutiva. La diversidad de muchos grupos biológicos aún está subestimada, y se pretende que esto cambie con la incorporación de diferentes tipos de caracteres que faciliten la descripción y clasificación de dicha diversidad. Uno de los grupos de interés en el campo de la ornitología, es el de la familia Trochilidae, ya que comprende una gran diversidad de especies con características únicas. En la presente tesis tuvimos como principales objetivos el proponer una hipótesis evolutiva para el clado de las "Gemas de las Montañas", pertenecientes a la familia Trochilidae, así como dilucidar los patrones de variación genética de dos complejos pertenecientes a dicho clado: Eugenes fulgens y Lamprolaima rhami. Esto se consiguió mediante el empleo de información múltiple (e.g. caracteres morfológicos, caracteres moleculares, áreas biogeográficas), y con la incorporación de diversos análisis, los cuales incluyeron reconstrucciones filogenéticas, reconstrucciones de áreas ancestrales, estimaciones de tiempos de divergencia, análisis de demografía histórica, proyecciones de distribuciones potenciales, entre otros. Este estudio se ha dividido en cuatro capítulos, los cuales abordan objetivos particulares y en los cuales se discuten los resultados obtenidos.

ABSTRACT

To have a better understanding and estimation of biodiversity is necessary to study the mechanisms that have shaped this variation. Nowadays, these studies are the focus of evolutionary biology. Biological diversity of many groups is still underestimated, and it is intended that this will change with the addition of different types of characters to facilitate the description and classification of biodiversity. One of the groups of interest in ornithology, is the Trochilidae family, and it comprises a great diversity of species with unique characteristics. The main goals of the present study were to propose an evolutionary hypothesis for the clade of "the Mountain Gems", belonging to the Trochilidae family, and elucidate the patterns of genetic variation in two complexes belonging to this clade: the magnificent hummingbird Eugenes fulgens and the garnet-throated hummingbird Lamprolaima rhami. This was achieved by using multiple information (e.g. morphological characters, molecular markers, biogeographic areas), and with the addition of multiple analyzes, which included phylogenetic reconstructions, reconstructions of ancestral areas, estimates of divergence times, analysis of historical demography, projections of potential distributions, among others. This study is divided into four chapters, which address particular objectives and in which the results are discussed.

INTRODUCCIÓN

Mesoamérica y variación geográfica.

La región geográfica de transición entre la zona Neártica y la zona Neotropical ha sido definida en un contexto biogeográfico con el nombre de Mesoamérica ("Mesoamérica biótica"; Ríos-Muñoz, 2013). Mientras que otros autores reconocen que esta zona está comprendida dentro de una región geográfica de mayor amplitud, entre el sur de Estados Unidos y el Istmo de Darién en Panamá, la cual ha sido acuñada con el término de América Media ("Middle America"; Winker, 2011). Esta región geográfica está asociada en sus tierras altas a diferentes tipos de vegetación como son los bosques de coníferas, bosques de encinos, bosques mesófilos de montaña y matorrales, y en sus tierras bajas se pueden encontrar bosques tropicales caducifolios, subcaducifolios, perenifolios y pastizales (Rzedowski, 1981; Rzedowski, 2001). Se han reconocido cinco provincias biogeográficas para la zona de transición en México (Sierra Madre Occidental, Sierra Madre Oriental, Faja Volcánica Transmexicana, depresión del Balsas y Sierra Madre del Sur) y cuatro provincias para el dominio Mesoamericano (costa del Pacífico Mexicano, costa del Golfo de México, Chiapas, costa este de Centroamérica y oeste del Istmo de Panamá), con base en patrones compartidos de componentes bióticos en cada región (Morrone, 2006; Figura 1).

A pesar de las discrepancias en el nombramiento y delimitación de la zona central del continente americano, no cabe duda que esta región es bien conocida por su historia biogeográfica y por sus altos niveles de biodiversidad. Se ha establecido que Mesoamérica contiene aproximadamente 24,000 especies de plantas y alrededor de 2,859 especies de vertebrados, situándola como una de las regiones con un mayor índice de biodiversidad a nivel mundial y una zona prioritaria para la conservación (Myers et al., 2000). Por consiguiente, Mesoamérica representa una región biogeográfica de gran interés en el estudio de los patrones y los procesos que han moldeado dicha diversidad.

La historia evolutiva en Mesoamérica ha sido descrita en términos de un conjunto de procesos a diferentes escalas espacio-temporales. Estos procesos están relacionados con los principales eventos geológicos que promovieron la formación de las cadenas montañosas iniciando en el Oligoceno (38~25 millones de años; Ferrari et al., 1999), al conjunto de fluctuaciones climáticas ocurridas durante el Pleistoceno (~2 mill. años, Avise et al., 1998), y a los eventos de intercambio faunístico, como el ocurrido durante el cierre del Istmo de Panamá (Great American Biotic Interchange "GABI", 3 mill. años; Coates y Obando, 1996; Smith y Klicka, 2010). El resultado de

estos procesos a diferentes niveles (macro y microevolutivos), ha dado lugar a especies mesoamericanas con altos niveles de variación geográfica.



Figura 1. Provincias biogeográficas propuestas para la zona central de América (Morrone, 2006). 1) Sierra Madre Occidental, 2) Sierra Madre Oriental, 3) Faja Volcánica Transmexicana, 4) depresión del Balsas, 5) Sierra Madre del Sur, 6) costa del Pacífico Mexicano, 7) costa del Golfo de México, 8) Chiapas, 9) costa este de Centroamérica, y 10) oeste del Istmo de Panamá. Imagen tomada y modificada de Ríos-Muñoz, 2013).

La variación geográfica se manifiesta en la diferenciación fenotípica y genotípica entre las poblaciones con relación a su distribución geográfica (Futuyma, 1998; Hillis et al., 1996; Weir, 1996). La estructuración geográfica de una especie puede ser moderada, por ejemplo cuando hay altos niveles de flujo genético entre las poblaciones o debido a un proceso de especiación reciente, o puede ser muy elevada, por ejemplo cuando las poblaciones de una especie han permanecido aisladas durante periodos largos favoreciendo la diferenciación intraespecífica. Los estudios enfocados a nivel poblacional (e.g. estudios filogeográficos) son de gran utilidad para detectar y describir los eventos históricos que han dado lugar a dicha variación (Domínguez-Domínguez y Vázquez-Domínguez, 2009). Los objetivos principales de estos estudios se han centrado en analizar los principios y los procesos que gobiernan la distribución geográfica de los linajes genealógicos, y muchos de ellos se han enfocado en el estudio

de diferentes vertebrados en Mesoamérica. Algunos de estos trabajos han tenido como propósitos el reconocimiento y el establecimiento de los límites entre las especies con implicaciones taxonómicas, aplicaciones en la biología de la conservación y en el manejo de especies (Avise, 2000; Avise et al., 1987; Bryson et al., 2011; Nyári, 2007).

Estudios realizados específicamente en las tierras altas de Mesoamérica muestran que un patrón recurrente en el grupo de las aves es la especiación alopátrica (Arbeláez-Cortés et al., 2010; Barrera-Guzmán et al., 2012). En general, se han detectado barreras geográficas que han sido claves en moldear la variación a nivel intraespecífico, siendo el Istmo de Tehuantepec un ejemplo clásico en estudios filogeográficos de aves en México (Barber y Klicka, 2010). Sin embargo, aún existen algunas interrogantes por esclarecer en éstos estudios, en los cuales no se ha enfatizado la evaluación de los mecanismos promotores de la diferenciación genética y fenotípica, ni se ha analizado el papel que han tenido la deriva génica o la selección natural en el proceso evolutivo. Por otra parte, actualmente en el mundo se están realizando estudios que conjuntan los fundamentos de genética de poblaciones, filogeografía y ecología del paisaje, con el fin de establecer los procesos evolutivos actuales y pasados a una escala fina, en donde se detallan los efectos que tienen las características de cierto hábitat sobre la estructuración poblacional de las especies (Manel et al., 2003).

Gemas de las Montañas.

Los colibríes (familia Trochilidae) es uno de los grupos de aves con mayor número de especies en el continente americano, antecedido sólo por la familia Tyrannidae. Debido a su alto número de especies y sus particulares características morfológicas, fisiológicas y de comportamiento representa un grupo atractivo para estudios de biología evolutiva y comparativa (Altshuler et al., 2004). Los colibríes son uno de los grupos de aves que cuenta con uno de los mayores índices de especialización presentando un gran polimorfismo en ciertas características fenotípicas, especialmente en la forma y tamaño de su pico, y en el color y patrón del plumaje. Habitan ambientes que van desde selvas húmedas a bosques templados, zonas costeras y desiertos, aunque algunas especies se encuentran sólo en áreas geográficas muy específicas y limitadas (Torres-Chávez y Navarro-Sigüenza, 2000).

Estas aves forman un grupo monofilético, con aproximadamente 349 especies descritas en aproximadamente 104 géneros (Bleiweiss et al., 1997; Dickinson, 2003; Gerwin y Zink, 1998; Gill y Gerwin, 1989; Johnsgard, 1984). Gran parte de la clasificación actual de los colibríes está basada en las descripciones originales de sus

caracteres morfológicos, como el pico y el plumaje (Boucard, 1895; Elliot, 1879; Gould, 1861; Hartert, 1900; Peters, 1945; Ridgwary, 1911; Simon, 1921). En algunos estudios, además de los caracteres morfológicos se han incluido caracteres conductuales, sobre todo de forrajeo (Feinsinger y Colwell, 1978).

En un primer estudio empleando técnicas de hibridización de ADN (Bleiweiss et al., 1997), se intentaron resolver las relaciones filogenéticas en 26 especies de colibríes. Se determinaron los principales linajes dentro de la familia, que corresponden a dos grandes subgrupos: Ermitaños (*Hermits*) y los No-ermitaños (*Nonhermits*), y en los que se definieron a su vez 7 clados mayores: 1. Ermitaños, 2. Mangos, 3. Coquetas, 4. Brillantes, 5. Esmeraldas, 6. Gemas de las Montañas, y 7. Abejas. Estos autores propusieron como representantes del clado de las Gemas de las Montañas a las especies *Eugenes fulgens* y *Lampornis clemenciae*.

Un estudio posterior analizó la topología reconstruida anteriormente y estableció una escala de tiempo para la radiación de la familia Trochilidae a partir de las distancias genéticas y datos del registro fósil (Bleiweiss, 1998), estableciendo los principales eventos históricos y fechas aproximadas de sus tiempos de divergencia. Encontró que la separación entre los dos grupos principales (Ermitaños y No-ermitaños) sucedió durante el Mioceno (~17 Millones de años, Ma), mientras que la divergencia de las Gemas de las Montañas y su clado hermano (Abejas) fue mucho más reciente, hace unos 6 Ma. Bleiweiss (1998) también propone algunas hipótesis acerca de la historia evolutiva de la familia y los procesos que favorecieron la diversificación dentro del grupo.

Posteriormente, Schuchmann (1999) define arreglos taxonómicos basados en comparaciones de comportamiento, formas de los nidos y características morfológicas. Sin embargo, señala que estos grupos propuestos deben tomarse como provisionales. Los géneros considerados dentro del grupo de las Gemas de las Montañas son: *Microchera, Anthocephala, Lampornis, Basilinna (Hylocharis)* y *Lamprolaima*.

Altshuler et al. (2004) estudió la morfología y los mecanismos de vuelo de la familia Trochilidae en un análisis filogenético multilocus con 43 especies de colibríes. Se encontraron los mismos clados descritos por Bleiweiss et al. (1997). En este estudio se identificaron otras especies dentro del grupo de las Gemas de las Montañas: *Heliomaster longirostris y Panterpe insignis*, cercanamente relacionadas con *Eugenes fulgens*.

Renner y Schuchmann (2004) realizaron un estudio sobre la taxonomía del género *Eugenes* y su relación con los géneros monotípicos *Hylonympha* y *Sternoclyta*, ambos con distribuciones restringidas endémicas en Venezuela. Con base en datos

morfológicos y biogeográficos proponen el cambio de los géneros *Hylonympha* y *Sternoclyta* al género *Eugenes*, éste último con prioridad taxonómica por cronología. Con respecto a patrones etológicos, de plumaje y tamaño corporal, se argumenta que el género *Eugenes* mantiene una relación cercana con el género *Heliodoxa*, particularmente con *Heliodoxa schreibersii*. Sin embargo, mencionan la necesidad de investigación adicional con el fin de dilucidar con mayor claridad las relaciones filogenéticas entre los géneros *Eugenes* y *Heliodoxa*.

En una revisión taxonómica del género *Lampornis* (García-Moreno et al., 2006), se hizo una reconstrucción filogenética de 100 especies de colibríes utilizando un gen nuclear (subunidad 5 de Adenilato Quinasa, AK5) y un gen mitocondrial (subunidad 2 de NADH deshidrogenasa, ND2) y se encontró una relación filogenética cercana entre el género *Lampornis* y *Eugenes fulgens*, y este último resultó cercano a *Lamprolaima rhami*.

Uno de los estudios recientes más importantes referentes a las relaciones filogenéticas dentro de la familia Trochilidae fue el realizado por McGuire y colaboradores (2007), en el cual presentan una filogenia más robusta incluyendo 151 especies de colibríes y 12 taxa como grupo externo, empleando dos marcadores nucleares (AK1; Beta Fibrinogeno, Bfib), RNAs de transferencia (tRNAs) y dos genes mitocondriales (ND2 y ND4). En este estudio se identificaron dos clados mayores adicionales a los 7 clados nombrados con anterioridad (Topazas y *Patagona*). El grupo de las Gemas de las Montañas estuvo representado por las especies: Eugenes fulgens, Heliomaster longirostris, Panterpe insignis, Lampornis hemileucus, Lampornis calolaemus y Lampornis castaneoventris. Con respecto a la relación entre los géneros Eugenes y Heliodoxa, se presenta evidencia molecular que refuta la hipótesis de Renner y Schuchmann (2004), en la cual se había propuesto una relación cercana entre el género Eugenes y el género Heliodoxa, en específico con Heliodoxa shreibersii, la cual de acuerdo al estudio de McGuire et al. (2007) se aclara al ubicar al género Heliodoxa en un grupo por separado (grupo "Brillantes") del grupo donde se ubica al género Eugenes (grupo "Gemas de las Montañas").

Y finalmente, el estudio más reciente y completo que explica las relaciones filogenéticas para la familia Trochilidae en un contexto de tasas de especiación, fue el realizado por McGuire et al. (2014). En éste estudio se incluyen las 15 especies reconocidas hasta el momento para el grupo de las Gemas de las Montañas, comprendidas en cinco géneros (Figura 2; *Eugenes, Heliomaster, Lampornis, Lamprolaima y Panterpe*). A pesar de la inclusión de todas las especies reconocidas

para es este grupo, las relaciones entre algunas de las especies del género *Lampornis* no fueron esclarecidas en su totalidad, obteniendo bajos valores de soporte entre las especies *L. hemileucus* y *L. sybillae*. Se propone una hipótesis biogeográfica, en la que se reconoce que el ancestro de las Abejas y Gemas de Montañas se estableció en Centroamérica a partir de un evento de dispersión desde Sudamérica. Sin embargo, no se presentan resultados sobre la historia biogeográfica dentro del grupo de las Gemas de las Montañas a detalle.



Figura 2. "Gemas de las Montañas". 15 especies reconocidas (Schuchmann, 1999). Ilustraciones tomadas de <u>www.hbw.com</u>.

Eugenes fulgens.

El colibrí magnífico, *Eugenes fulgens* (Swainson, 1827), es una especie que presenta un marcado dimorfismo sexual (Figura 4). Los machos tienen un pico negro, largo y recto, corona violeta iridiscente, una pequeña mancha blanca detrás del ojo, dorso de color verde obscuro, garganta verde iridiscente, mientras que el resto de su cuerpo es negruzco y la cola es de color bronce. En contraste, las hembras carecen de color iridiscente en la garganta, presentan un color bronce en alas y cola, y un color grisáceo en el vientre (Schuchmann, 1999). Esta especie se distribuye por lo general entre los 1500 y los 2500 msnm, asociada a bosques de pino-encino, bosques mesófilos de montaña, áreas riparias, a menudo presente en áreas abiertas con flores (Johnsgard,

1983; Schuchmann, 1999). Su dieta se basa principalmente en el néctar floral y algunos artrópodos. Esta especie es considerada como generalista, y diversas especies de plantas proporcionan el néctar a éste colibrí, como lo son: *Cirsium sp., Penstemon roseus, P. gentianoides, Salvia elegans, S. mocinoi, Castilleja tenuiflora, C. scorzonerifolia, Bouvardia ternifolia, Prunella vulgaris, Agave americana, A. parryi, Bomarea costaricensis, Centropogon talamanensis, Erythrina corallodendrum, Fushsia splendens y Lobelia laxifolia* (Johnsgard, 1983; Lara, 2006; Schuchmann, 1999).

El colibrí magnífico se distribuye desde el sur de los Estados Unidos (sureste de Arizona, suroeste de Nuevo México y oeste de Texas), a través de las montañas de México, Guatemala, oeste de El Salvador, Honduras, norte de Nicaragua, hasta las montañas centrales de Costa Rica y Panamá (oeste de Chriquí), tiene una distribución típicamente Mesoamericana (AOU, 1998; Howell y Webb, 1995; Schuchmann, 1999, Figura 3). Las poblaciones al norte y posiblemente las del centro de México presentan movimientos migratorios a inicios de la primavera, hacia el límite norte de su distribución (norte de México y suroeste de USA), mientras que las poblaciones al sur de México y Centroamérica son sedentarias, presentando sólo movimientos altitudinales con base en la disponibilidad de recursos (Schuchmann, 1999).

E. fulgens presenta una distribución geográfica discontinua identificándose variaciones en su morfología (diferencias en sus patrones de coloración y tamaño, Figura 4), para lo cual se han propuesto diversas hipótesis taxonómicas (ver Tabla 1).

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Ridgway, 1911.	E. fulgens y E. spectabilis.
Peters, 1945.	E. f. fulgens, E. f. viridiceps y E. f.
	spectabilis.
Johnsgard, 1983.	E. f. fulgens y E. f. viridiceps.
American Ornithologists Union (AOU, 1998).	E. fulgens.
Schuchmann, 1999.	E. f. fulgens y E. f. spectabilis.
Navarro-Sigüenza y Peterson, 2004.	E. fulgens y E. viridiceps.
Renner y Schuchmann. 2004.	E. fulgens y E. spectabilis.

Tabla 1. Subespecies y especies propuestas para el género Eugenes.



Figura 3. Distribución geográfica de *Eugenes fulgens* (tomado y modificado de NatureServe, www.natureserve.org).



Figura 4. *Eugenes fulgens*: dimorfismo sexual y variación morfológica (Ilustraciones, Del Hoyo et al., 1999).

La descripción de las tres diferentes subespecies que conforman al complejo *Eugenes fulgens* presentan las siguientes correspondencias geográficas:

- *E. f. fulgens* (Swainson, 1827): montañas del sureste de Arizona y suroeste de Nuevo México, hacia el sur a través de las montañas de México hasta el Istmo de Tehuantepec.
- *E. f. viridiceps* (Boucard, 1878): montañas de Chiapas, Guatemala, Honduras, oeste de El Salvador y Nicaragua.
- *E. f. spectabilis* (Lawrence, 1867): bosques de alta montaña (arriba de los 1800m) en Costa Rica y oeste de Panamá.

Lamprolaima rhami.

Conocido como colibrí alicastaño, *Lamprolaima rhami* (Lesson, 1838), presenta un marcado dimorfismo sexual. Los machos tienen pico corto, recto y negro, una mancha postocular blanca, garganta rosa brillante, pecho violeta-azul brillante, dorso verde iridiscente, vientre negruzco, flancos verde moteado, remeras rojizas ("rufous") con puntas de color café obscuro, cola de color morado obscuro y la punta de las rectrices externas de color gris. Las hembras presentan dorso verde iridiscente, puntos rosas en garganta y la punta de las rectrices externas de color blanco (Schuchmann, 1999; Figura 5).

Es una especie sedentaria, presentando únicamente movimientos a mayores altitudes durante el periodo reproductivo, por arriba de los 1500 msnm. Se alimenta del néctar floral de plantas de matorral, además de las flores presentes en árboles de *Inga* y *Erythrina* (Schuchmann, 1999). Se ha reportado la presencia de ésta especie en la

localidad de El Triunfo, en el Estado de Chiapas, alimentándose de las flores de *Cavendishia bracteata* (Ericaceae), *Clusia sp.* (Guttiferae) y *Clethra mexicana* (Gómez de Silva et al., 1999). En otro estudio llevado a cabo en la Reserva Ecológica Huitepec, en el Estado de Chiapas, se reportó la presencia de *L. rhami* junto con otras tres especies de colibríes (*Basilinna leucotis, Lampornis amethystinus y Eugenes fulgens*), alimentándose del néctar de las especies *Chirantodendron pentadactylon y Passiflora membranacea* (Partida-Lara et al., 2012). En éste estudio, *L. rhami* resultó ser una especie poco abundante en la zona muestreada, y estuvo asociada principalmente al bosque mesófilo de montaña.

L. rhami habita entre los 1200 y 3000 msnm, asociada a bosques tropicales altos, bosques mesófilos de montaña, pino-encino y matorrales, con distribución restringida a las tierras altas de Puebla, el oeste de Veracruz, Guerrero, Oaxaca, Chiapas, Guatemala, El Salvador y Honduras (Figura 6), presentando una distribución geográfica disjunta con poblaciones aisladas y restringidas (Schuchmann, 1999). Debido a las características en su distribución geográfica se han propuesto algunas hipótesis taxonómicas para la especie (ver Tabla 2).



Figura 5. Lamprolaima rhami: dimorfismo sexual (Ilustraciones, Del Hoyo et al., 1999).

Tabla 2	Subespecies	v especies	propuestas para el	género I	amprolaima
	Subespectes	y copecies	propuestus pura er	genero L	24

Autor (referencias)	Hipótesis taxonómicas
Ridgway, 1911.	L. rhami.
Peters, 1945.	L. r. rhami y L. r. saturatior.
AOU, 1998.	L. rhami.
Shuchmann, 1999.	Razas: occidentalis y saturatior.

La descripción de las dos subespecies que conforman al complejo *Lamprolaima rhami* presentan las siguientes correspondencias geográficas:

- L. r. rhami (Lesson, 1838): montañas del sur de México: Puebla, Veracruz, Guerrero (raza occidentalis; Schuchmann, 1999), Oaxaca y Chiapas, y tierras altas de Guatemala.
- L. r. saturatior (Griscom, 1932): montañas de Honduras y del norte de El Salvador.

La propuesta de Schuchmann (1999) se basa en variaciones de coloración y tamaño, sin embargo, menciona que ambos patrones son dependientes de la edad, por lo que su propuesta es categorizar estos morfotipos como "razas", en lugar de ser consideradas bajo el rango taxonómico de subespecie.



Figura 6. Distribución geográfica de *Lamprolaima rhami* (tomado de NatureServe, www.natureserve.org).

OBJETIVOS DE LA TESIS

- Proponer una hipótesis filogenética para el grupo de las "Gemas de las Montañas" empleando caracteres moleculares.
- Analizar y describir los patrones geográficos de variación genética entre las distintas poblaciones de la especie *Eugenes fulgens*, con base en el análisis de marcadores moleculares mitocondriales (ND2, Región Control) y nucleares (microsatélites) para inferir los posibles escenarios evolutivos para la distribución de los linajes presentes en las tierras altas de Mesoamérica.
- Analizar y describir los patrones geográficos de variación genética entre las distintas poblaciones de la especie *Lamprolaima rhami*, con base en el análisis de marcadores moleculares mitocondriales (ATPasa 6 y 8, Región Control, ND2, ND4) y nucleares (AK1, ODC, MUSK), para inferir los posibles escenarios evolutivos en la distribución de los linajes presentes en las tierras altas de Mesoamérica.

ARTÍCULO 1. HISTORIA EVOLUTIVA Y FILOGENIA DEL CLADO DE LAS GEMAS DE LAS MONTAÑAS (Aves: Trochilidae).

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Resumen.- Las Gemas de las Montañas (Aves: Trochilidae) conforman un grupo monofilético que comprende 15 especies de colibríes, en cinco géneros (Eugenes, Heliomaster, Lampornis, Lamprolaima y Panterpe), que comparten características en común como diferencias morfológicas marcadas en sus patrones de coloración y tamaño, distribuciones geográficas heterogéneas y por estar presentes en hábitats con diferencias altitudinales. Este grupo habita desde el sur de los Estados Unidos hasta Sudamérica, siendo Mesoamérica una región de sobrelapamiento entre varias de estas especies. Para elucidar los patrones de evolución dentro de este grupo se llevaron a cabo análisis filogenéticos con seis marcadores moleculares (ADN mitocondrial: subunidad 2 de NADH deshidrogenasa ND2, subunidad 4 de NADH deshidrogenasa ND4; ADN nuclear: Beta Fibrinogeno BFib, Ornitina Descarboxilasa ODC, Receptor Tirosina Quinasa de Músculo Esquelético MUSK, y Adenilato Quinasa AK1). De igual forma, se realizaron estimaciones de tiempos de divergencia y se reconstruyeron las áreas ancestrales. Con esto se propone una hipótesis evolutiva en la que se sugiere que el grupo de las Gemas de las Montañas se originó en la región que comprende el sur de Norteamérica y Centroamérica, durante mediados del Mioceno (~16.15 Ma), seguido de eventos de dispersión hacia Norte y Suramérica. También se encontró evidencia de estructura dentro de algunas especies. Estos eventos de diferenciación ocurrieron durante los periodos Plioceno-Pleistoceno (~5-0.01 Ma). Se sugiere realizar trabajos futuros para esclarecer las relaciones a nivel intraespecífico, y detectar si dicha estructura genética está relacionada con eventos geológicos a gran escala o con fluctuaciones climáticas más recientes (p. e., durante Plio-Pleistoceno).

Palabras clave: Gemas de las Montañas, Trochilidae, Neotrópico, Mesoamérica, Filogenia, Colibríes.

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24 ABSTRACT

25 Mountain Gems (Aves: Trochilidae) comprise a small monophyletic group of 26 hummingbird species, characterized by marked morphological differences 27 such as in coloration and size patterns, heterogeneous geographical 28 distributions, and different altitudinal habitats. This group includes 15 species 29 from 5 genera (Eugenes, Heliomaster, Lampornis, Lamprolaima and 30 Panterpe), distributed from the southern USA to South America, with a 31 significant overlap of species ranges in Mesoamerica. To elucidate patterns of 32 evolution within this group, we performed phylogenetic analysis with six 33 molecular markers (mitochondrial DNA: NADH dehydrogenase subunit 2 34 ND2, NADH dehydrogenase subunit 4 ND4; nuclear DNA: Adenylate Kinase 35 AK1, Beta Fibrinogen BFib, Muscle Sekeletal Receptor Tyrosine Kinase 36 *MUSK*, and Ornithine Decarboxylase *ODC*). We also estimated divergence 37 times between clades and species, and reconstructed ancestral 38 biogeographic areas. Based on our results, we propose a hypothesis for the 39 evolution of this clade where the Mountain Gems group originated in the 40 region between southern North America and Central America, during the 41 middle Miocene (~16.15 Mya), followed by various dispersal events to North 42 and South America. We also found of significant evidence of within-species 43 genetic structure dating back to the Pliocene-Pleistocene (~5-0.01 Mya). 44 Further studies will be needed to clarify such intraspecific differentiations and 45 to detect if this genetic structure is more correlated with major geological 46 events or with more recent climatic fluctuations (e.g., during Plio-Pleistocene). 47

48 Keywords: Mountain Gems, Trochilidae, Neotropics, Mesoamerica,

49 Phylogeny, Hummingbirds.

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51 **1. Introduction**

An increasing number of bird studies have explored the principal drivers of
speciation in the Neotropics (Smith et al., 2014; Weir and Hey, 2006). Besides
increasing our knowledge of evolutionary biology and biodiversity, studies on
patterns of diversification and geographical structure play a key role in
conservation efforts (Batalha-Filho et al., 2014; Beckman and Witt, 2015;
Pérez-Emán, 2005; Slager et al., 2014).
Several phylogenetic studies of diverse avian families suggest that

59 major geological events and drastic environmental changes were crucial to

60 explain species diversity (Ohlson et al., 2008). Trochilidae, the second

61 species-richest avian family in the Americas is a well studied group,

62 comprising 349 species distributed in 3 subfamilies: Topazinae,

63 Phaethornithinae, and Trochilinae (Gill and Donsker, 2015;

64 http://checklist.aou.org/). Within Trochilidae nine monophyletic clades are

65 included: Topazes, Hermits, Mangoes, Brilliants, Coquettes, *Patagona*,

66 Mountain Gems, Bees and Emeralds (Bleiweiss, 1998a; Bleiweiss et al.,

1997). The most accepted evolutionary hypothesis for this group proposes an

68 Andean origin and followed by a radiation with multiple dispersal events to the

69 Caribbean, North America and Central America (McGuire et al., 2007;

70 McGuire et al., 2014).

Most major hummingbird clades share some characteristics, such as
 wide and disjunct geographical distributions and/or morphological patterns,

while others are far more diverse. The latter is the case with the Mountain
Gems group (MGg), one of the smallest clades in terms of number of species
within the Trochilidae family. This heterogeneous group is composed of
species distributed from North America to Central and South America, with
some taxa inhabiting lowlands and some others found in highlands (Del Hoyo
et al., 1999).

79 The Mountain Gems group comprises 15 recognized species 80 distributed in five genera: Lampornis, Eugenes, Lamprolaima, Heliomaster, 81 and Panterpe (See Table 1). According to morphological traits, two South 82 American species are related to this group: Hylonympha macrocerca and 83 Sternoclyta cyanopectus (Renner and Schuchmann, 2004). However, no 84 molecular phylogenetic studies have been performed so far for these species, 85 probably because of a lack of samples given their restricted distribution and 86 because one of them is endangered (Hylonympha macrocerca, Schuchmann, 87 1999).

88 Previous phylogenetic studies have found that all genera comprising 89 the Mountain Gems group are reciprocally monophyletic (McGuire et al., 90 2007; McGuire et al., 2014). However, the phylogenetic relationships within 91 these genera remain unclear (e.g. Lampornis genus). In addition, a general 92 biogeographic hypothesis has been proposed for this group, in which the 93 common ancestor of Mountain Gems and its sister clade ("Bees") arrived from 94 South America and got established in Central America, where diversification 95 of Mountain Gems took place in situ (McGuire et al., 2014). 96 In this paper by using mitochondrial and nuclear markers and adequate

97 subspecies sampling, we 1) inferred evolutionary processes and divergence

98 times based on multilocus phylogenetic analyses, 2) we proposed a 99 biogeographic hypothesis of ancestral areas of distribution and colonization, 100 and 3) we analyzed the presence of intraspecific genetic structure. Based on 101 previous phylogenetic and biogeographic hypotheses, and by incorporating a 102 broad intraspecific sampling, we hypothesize that the Mountain Gems species 103 originated from a common ancestor in Central America, that their geographic 104 ranges expanded through North America by some dispersal events, followed 105 by few dispersal events promoted that some species got established back into 106 South America. Also, we expect to clarify all interspecific phylogenetic 107 relationships and find evidence of intraspecific structure correlated with

108 vicariant events during Plio-Pleistocene ages.

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110 **2. Material and Methods**

111 2.1 Taxon sampling

112 We obtained tissues samples from 86 individuals representing all 15

113 recognized species of the Mountain Gems group (MGg) (Fig. 1). For six

114 species we included representatives from the different recognized subspecies

- 115 (see Table 1), and considered at least two individuals for most taxa (nine
- species). In addition, 17 previously published sequences from the MGg were

117 obtained from GenBank (McGuire et al., 2014). In order to evaluate the

- 118 phylogenetic relationships of MGg with other hummingbird clades, we
- included some sequences published in GenBank from the Bees, *Patagona*,
- 120 Coquettes, Brilliants, Mangoes, Hermits and Topazes groups (Bleiweiss et al.,
- 121 1997; McGuire et al., 2007). We also included species from Aegothelidae,
- 122 Hemiproncidae and Apodidae families as outgroups (McGuire et al., 2014).

123 Tissue samples were provided by different collections, including the Museo de 124 Zoología Alfonso L. Herrera (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México), the 125 Natural History Museum (University of Kansas), The Burke Museum 126 (University of Washington), and the Museum of Natural Science (Louisiana 127 State University). See supplementary material S1 for vouchers information. DNA was extracted with the DNAeasy[™] Blood and Tissue kit (Qiagen 128 Inc., Valencia, CA, USA) following manufacturer's protocols. For most 129 130 samples, we sequenced two mitochondrial genes (NADH dehydrogenase 131 subunit 2: ND2, and NADH dehydrogenase subunit 4: ND4) and four nuclear 132 genes (adenylate kinase intron 5: AK1, beta fibrinogen intron 7: BFib, Muscle 133 Skeletal Receptor Tyrosine Kinase exons 4 and 5: MUSK, and a segment of 134 the ornithine decarboxylase gene comprising the end of exon 6 to the 135 beginning of exon 8: ODC). 136 We amplified these molecular markers with polymerase chain reaction 137 (PCR) using specific primers and protocols (Table S2 in supplementary 138 material). All reactions were a total volume of 12.5µL and contained: 1.25 µL 10x buffer (magnesium-free), 0.19 µL dNTPs (10mM each), 0.38 µL MgCl2 139 140 (50 mM), 0.25 µL of each primer (10 µM), 0.1 µL Invitrogen Tag polymerase (5U/µL), and 0.5 µL of genomic DNA. PCR products were visualized on a 1% 141 142 agarose gel, and purified using shrimp alkaline phosphatase and exonuclease 143 I (Exo-SAP-IT, Affymetrix).

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145 2.2 Sequencing and Evolutionary Models.

146 Purified PCR products were sequenced using the Big Dye Terminator mix

147 following <u>manufacturer's protocols</u> (Big Dye 3.1, Applied Biosystems). DNA

sequence data was collected by the ABI 3730 automated sequencer at the
Evolutionary Genetics Laboratory at the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology
(University of California, Berkeley).

151 Chromatograms were visualized and edited with Sequencher v4.8 152 (GeneCodes Corporation, Ann Arbor, MI). Heterozygous sites in nuclear 153 markers were coded according with IUPAC ambiguities. Each data matrix was 154 aligned using ClustalX (Thompson et al., 1997), and visually corrected using 155 MacClade 4.06OSX software (Maddison and Maddison, 2000). All new 156 sequences are available in GenBank under accession numbers XXXX-XXXX. 157 We created a unique concatenated data matrix (136 individuals) of 158 3721 bp distributed as follows: ND2, 1041 bp; ND4, 471 bp; AK1, 518 bp; 159 BFib, 776 bp; MUSK, 609 bp; and ODC, 628 bp. For each molecular marker 160 we calculated the evolutionary model that better fit the data using iModeltest 161 0.1.1 (Posada, 2008), based on the Akaike Information Criterion AIC (Akaike, 162 1987).

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164 2.3 Phylogenetic analysis.

165 We used the concatenated data set to estimate the MGg phylogeny and 166 detect intraspecific structure under Bayesian Inference (BI) and Maximum 167 Likelihood (ML) frameworks. For the BI approach, we used Mr. Bayes v3.0 168 (Huelsenbeck and Ronguist, 2002), assigning different evolutionary models to 169 each partition (i. e. gene). We ran four simultaneous chains for each Monte 170 Carlo Markov Chain analysis for 20 million generations, taking samples every 171 250 generations. We eliminated the first 2.5 million iterations as burn-in using 172 Tracer v1.6.0 (Rambaut et al., 2013). The remaining trees were used to

173 construct a majority rule consensus tree with posterior probability distribution.

174 The final tree was visualized in FigTree v1.2.3

175 (http//tree.bio.ed.ac.uk/software/figtree/).

The Maximum likelihood analysis was run in RaxML v1.31 (Stamatakis
et al., 2008), under the GTRG model. We ran the analysis with 1000 bootstrap
replicates.

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180 2.4 Divergence times

181 Divergence time estimates were obtained using BEAST v1.8.2 (Drummond and Rambaut, 2007; Drummond et al., 2012). We used the concatenated 182 183 dataset (136 individuals), and assigned the previously determined best-fit 184 model of evolution to each partition. We employed an uncorrelated lognormal 185 relaxed clock, and a Yule speciation model to model the tree prior. We 186 delimitated two major groups as monophyletic (Apodiformes and Trochilidae) 187 according to previous studies (e.g. McGuire et al., 2007), and following our own results. Despite of the lack of fossil records for modern hummingbirds, 188 189 we assigned calibration nodes based on Old World fossil records and from 190 secondary calibrations. We took into account the following fossil records for 191 Trochilidae group for calibration: Parargornis messelensis, 47 Ma (Mayr, 192 2003); Eurotrochilus inexpectatus, 30-40 Ma (Mayr, 2004); Eurotrochilus 193 noniewiczi, 31 Ma (Bochenski and Bochenski, 2008) and Eurotrochilus sp, 28-194 34 Ma (Louchart et al., 2008). According to this fossil information, we set the 195 minimum and maximum limits in Trochilidae Crown node as 28.2-46.8 Ma, 196 with a lognormal prior distribution (mean 37.5, SD 4.75). For the limits in the Apodiformes node, we set a minimum age of 58.7 and a maximum of 72 Ma, 197

and a lognormal prior distribution (mean 65.37, SD 3.4). This last time interval
was taken from a secondary calibration resulting from a mitogenomics study
(Pacheco et al., 2011).

201 We incorporated substitution rates with a normal distribution for our 202 concatenated dataset (see Table 2). This analysis was run for 50 million 203 generations and sampling every 1000 generations. We used Tracer v1.6.0 204 (Rambaut et al., 2013) to visualize the burn-in, and with LogCombiner v1.8.2 205 (Drummond and Rambaut, 2007) the first 25% data was eliminated. We used 206 TreeAnnotator v1.8.2 (Rambaut and Drummond, 2007) to summarize the 207 sampled trees as a maximum clade credibility tree, and to obtain mean 208 divergence times with 95% highest posterior density intervals.

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210 2.5 Ancestral area reconstruction

211 To infer the possible ancestral areas of each clade within MGg, we used the

212 Statistical Dispersal-Vicariance Algorithm (S-DIVA) implemented in RASP

v3.2 (Yu et al., 2012). We performed two analyses: 1) according to

geographical areas, and 2) according to highland and lowland habitats.

For the first analysis, we defined four geographical areas: A. North

America (from southern USA to west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), B.

217 South North America (from east of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec to the west of

the Nicaraguan Depression), C. Central America (from the east of the

219 Nicaraguan Depression to the west of the Panamanian Isthmus), and D.

220 South America (from the east of the Panamanian Isthmus to South America).

221 These areas were selected according to the discontinuous geographical

distribution for most of the MGg species, and the existence of major

223 geographical barriers previously observed in other phylogeographic surveys.

224 In a second analysis we classified species according to their distribution in

highlands (A) or lowlands (B) (Schuchmann, 1999). The geographic areas

- and highland/lowland assignation to each species are shown in Table 3.
- In both analyses we created a new data set that excluded all
- 228 outgroups. As the S-DIVA algorithm is sensitive to polytomies, we did not

include all samples for each species, given that some intraspecific

- 230 relationships remained unsolved in our phylogenies (see Results).
- 231 We performed a Bayesian analysis using BEAST v1.8.2 (Drummond

and Rambaut, 2007; Drummond et al., 2012), with the same parameters used

above, but using 100 million generations, and sampling every 1000

234 generations. After discarding the first 25 million generations as burn-in, we

used 75000 trees from MCMC output to build a maximum clade credibility

tree. The number of maximum areas was kept as 2.

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3. Results

239 3.1 *Phylogenetic analysis*.

240 We obtained a concatenated dataset of 3721 bp for 136 individuals (including

241 outgroups and GenBank sequences). The best-fit models for each molecular

242 marker were as follows: GTR+I+G (ND2, ND4), TIM2+G (AK1), TPM1uf+G

243 (BFib), TPM3uf+G (MUSK), and TrN+G (ODC).

In Figure 2, we show the phylogenetic trees resulting from our analyses using

- 245 Bayesian Inference (BI) and Maximum Likelihood (ML). Both topologies are
- highly supported and support the monophyly of all the main hummingbird
- 247 clades (Mountain Gems, Bees, Coquettes, Brilliants, Mangoes, Hermits, and

Topazes; See Supplementary Information S3). All MGg genera were 248 249 monophyletic, and supported by high values of posterior probability (PP≥0.95) 250 and bootstrap replicates (BT \geq 50). However, the clade containing L. 251 cinereicauda, L. calolaemus and L. castaneoventris remained unsolved, in 252 part due to the fact that there is only one sequence per species, but, more 253 importantly, the genetic distances among them are very small, suggesting that 254 they belong to a single species distributed in the highlands of Central America 255 (from Nicaragua to Panama). Some species present evidence of genetic 256 structure that in some cases corresponds to discontinuous geographical 257 distribution, and to proposed subspecies. However, some internal groups 258 presented a few intraspecific differences between phylogenies, such as in 259 Lampornis amethystinus, L. clemenciae, and Eugenes fulgens. In all these 260 cases, our phylogenies do not support the proposed subspecies as 261 monophyletic groups. Nevertheless, these few topological differences had no 262 impact on relationships between species within the MGg. 263 In the case of *Eugenes fulgens*, it is known that genetic structure is 264 related to geography and isolated populations (Zamudio-Beltrán and 265 Hernández-Baños, 2015). Our results show however that this observation can 266 also be expanded to Lamprolaima rhami, Heliomaster constantii, and H. longirostris. In the case of L. rhami, individuals are nested into two 267 268 independent and highly supported clades, while for the cases of H. constantii 269 and *H. longirostris*, the individuals corresponding to South American 270 subspecies are separated from Northern and Central American individuals. 271 However, in these two species, this genetic differentiation should be taken 272 carefully as we have only one representative of the South American

subspecies. In the case of *L. amethystinus*, we recovered one well supported
clade containing all the individuals from *salvini* subspecies, distributed from
the highlands of Chiapas and Guatemala to the highlands of Nicaragua, but
no genetic pattern was found for the rest of proposed subspecies (*margaritae*, *circumventus* and *amethystinus*).

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279 3.2 Divergence times.

280 The estimation of divergence times reveals that the split between Bees clade

and MGg should have occurred during the early Miocene (Node B, ~18.50

Mya) (Figure 3 and Table 4). The major radiation of MGg should have taken

283 place during the middle to late Miocene that originated around ~16.15 Mya

284 (19.08-13.24 Mya) as estimated by BEAST. In addition, the estimation of

285 divergence times for the main Trochilidae clades overlaps with previously

reported results (Ornelas et al., 2013a).

As detailed in supplementary material S4, the separation of the owletnightjars (Aegotelidae) from the swifts and the hummingbirds occurred at ~72.16 Mya (node I), and the split between hummingbirds and swifts was dated at ~67.14 Mya (node II). The diversification of the hummingbird clade

took place around ~36.52 Mya (Node IV), with the subsequent split of the

- 292 main Trochilidae clades.
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294 **3.3** Ancestral area reconstruction.

The reconstruction of the most likely ancestral areas is in Fig. 4. Our results

suggest the presence of vicariant and dispersal events promoting

297 diversification. In general, we found evidence that suggest that the Most

298 Likelihood State/Area (MLS) for the origin of MGg was not in South America, 299 but southern in North America and/or Central America. In the same way, for 300 both major clades within MGg (Lampornis genus and the rest of species) the 301 MLS appeared to be the same, South North-America plus Central America, 302 with evidence of a MGg common ancestor distributed most probably in the 303 highlands. When comparing the results shown in Fig 4a and Fig 4b, the most 304 probable hypotheses of ancestral areas for each genus are as follows: 1) the 305 ancestor of Lampornis genera was distributed in the highlands of South North-306 America and Central America, 2) the ancestor of *Eugenes* was distributed in 307 the highlands of North America, 3) the ancestor of Lamprolaima was 308 distributed in the highlands of North America, 4) the ancestor of Heliomaster 309 was distributed in the lowlands of Central and South America, and 5) the 310 ancestor of Panterpe was distributed in Central America.

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312 **4. Discussion**.

313 4.1 Evolutionary history.

314 In this study, we analyzed the phylogenetic relationships and provided 315 evidence for the reciprocal monophyly of Mountain Gems species, where all 316 genera and main clades were all well supported. We also presented a 317 biogeographic hypothesis of evolutionary history based on estimations of 318 divergence times and reconstruction of ancestral areas to infer the 319 evolutionary history for this clade within the Trochilidae family. 320 Previous works have argued that most of major hummingbird clades 321 originated in South American lowlands (Bleiweiss, 1998a; McGuire et al., 322 2007). According to our results of ancestral biogeographic areas

323 reconstruction, we can infer that the Mountain Gems higher-level clade 324 originated in an area between southern North America and Central America 325 (Mesoamerican origin), with posterior dispersal events towards North America 326 and South America. This colonization took place during the first two diversification events: 1) the origin of Lampornis during middle Miocene, and 327 328 2) the origin of the clade containing the genus Eugenes, Lamprolaima, 329 Heliomaster and Panterpe. The diversification event that occurred during the 330 split between Panterpe and Heliomaster, was probably the event of 331 recolonization towards South America. Bleiweiss (1998a) proposed that the 332 Mountain Gems originated in North America. However, the absence of South 333 American species could not be explained, because it was believed that the 334 limit of its distribution was Central America. In a posterior study (McGuire et 335 al., 2007), it was found that the Mountain Gems group originated in Central 336 America, with some species that expanded their ranges into North America 337 and South America. Later, McGuire et al. (2014) conclude that the ancestor of "Bees" and "Mountain Gems" groups came from a single invasion from South 338 339 America around 12 Mya, date that corresponds with Panamanian uplift. Our 340 results showed an older split between "Bees" and "Mountain Gems" (18.5 341 Mya, 21.86-15.30 Mya), inferring that this invasion from South America was 342 carried out through sea before the completion of Panamanian uplift. Also, 343 McGuire et al. (2014) found that the ancestor of the Mountain Gems had a 344 lowland distribution, however, our results reject this hypothesis as a highland 345 ancestry is suggested after the first two events of diversification. The settlement at lowland habitats only should have occurred during the split of 346 347 Heliomaster from the other genera (middle Miocene).

348 According to our results, the colonization from Central America along 349 South America took place during the late Miocene, following the expansion of *H. longirostris*, and the divergence of *H. furcifer* and *H. squamosus*. This 350 351 indicates that the main events related to species diversification within this 352 group are due to dispersion, one of the principal drivers of speciation in the 353 neotropics (Smith et al., 2014). By contrast, in Central America most 354 divergence events were related to vicariance or allopatric speciation, and 355 were more recent, during the Pliocene and Pleistocene. One of these 356 vicariance events comprises the split between L. sybillae (distributed in the 357 highlands of Honduras and northern Nicaragua) from L. cinereicauda, L. 358 calolaemus and L. castaneoventris (distributed in the highlands of Costa Rica 359 and Panama). In this study, we dated this split around 3.85 Mya, that could be 360 related with an allopatric speciation favored by the Nicaraguan depression, that has been reported as an important geographic barrier that has favored 361 362 divergence events during Miocene and Pliocene (e.g. Arbeláez-Cortés et al., 363 2010).

364 Also, the split between *H. constantii* from the others *Heliomaster* 365 species could be explained as a vicariance event, where *H. constantii* is the 366 unique species from its genus with no presence in South America, limiting its 367 distribution from North America to Central America. According to the 368 reconstructions based on the habitats of highlands and lowlands, our study 369 recovered two major events: 1) the dispersal of the ancestor of *Panterpe* and 370 Heliomaster that expanded its range towards the lowlands, and 2) a vicariance event for the establishment of *Panterpe* into the highlands and 371 372 Heliomaster into the lowlands.
In general, our estimates of divergence times were congruent with those of a recent work, showing that geological events could be implicated on the radiation of *Amazilia* genus (Ornelas et al., 2013a). The times determined herein (~18.50 Mya, 21.86-15.30 Mya) represent nevertheless older dates for the divergence between the Mountain Gems and the Bees, when compared to those of Bleiweiss (1998b) and McGuire et al. (2014), that dated this split around 5.82-6.11 Mya and ~12 Mya respectively.

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381 4.2 Phylogenetic relationships.

382 Regarding the phylogenetic relationships, our main findings were the 383 monophyly of each genus, the resolution of relationships between most 384 Lampornis species, and the presence of variation at an intraspecific level. 385 Previous studies using molecular data, have described the phylogenetic 386 relationships in the Trochilidae family, and indirectly within the Mountain 387 Gems group (Altshuler et al., 2004; Bleiweiss, 1998a, b; Bleiweiss et al., 388 1997; García-Moreno et al., 2006; McGuire et al., 2007; McGuire et al., 2014; 389 Renner and Schuchmann, 2004; Schuchmann, 1999). However, phylogenetic 390 relationships, mainly between Lampornis species, were still ambiguous. In this 391 study, the phylogenetic positions of *L. hemileucus*, *L. sybillae* and *L.* 392 *viridipallens* were clarified, where *L. hemileucus* represents the outermost 393 species in Lampornis genus, and L. sybillae and L. viridipallens are sister 394 groups closely related to the clade that contains *L. castaneoventris*, *L.* 395 cinereicauda and L. calolaemus. The unsolved clade containing L. 396 castaneoventris-L. calolaemus-L. cinereicauda, represents a controversial 397 group. Previous studies, trying to elucidate phylogenetic relationships within

398 the Trochilidae family (McGuire et al., 2014), and more specific in the 399 Lampornis genus, have not clarified the species limits between these taxa 400 (García-Moreno et al., 2006). In García-Moreno et al. (2006), they used a 401 multilocus database, with both mitochondrial and nuclear markers (mtDNA: 402 ND5, cyt b; nDNA: AK5, cmos). Their sampling for this complex was higher 403 than our study (L. calolaemus: 4 individuals, L. castaneoventris: 5 individuals; 404 *L. cinereicauda*: 1 individual). Despite the reciprocal monophyly found, this 405 clade showed no resolution among the three taxa. According to our results of 406 divergence times, this complex is the youngest clade within Mountain Gems 407 group (~0.14 Mya). Therefore, this lack of structure is probably due to their recent origin and overlapped geographical distribution, and indicates that this 408 409 group should be evaluated at a different phylogenetic (e. g. population 410 genetic) level.

411 At the intraspecific level, the genetic structure within *L. amethystinus*, 412 L. clemenciae, and L. rhami, is not consistent with the subspecies previously 413 proposed (Schuchmann, 1999). For example, the present study shows that 414 within L. amethystinus a well supported clade contains all sampled individuals 415 from L. a. salvini subspecies. This result confirms the differentiation between 416 individuals east of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec (salvini subspecies), whereas the differentiation between margaritae, amethystinus and circumventus 417 418 subspecies is not clear. Moreover, L. clemenciae formed a well supported 419 clade with no resolution at the subspecies level. Previous phylogeographic 420 studies describing the relationships at the population level for this species 421 also showed that genetic differentiation was more related to geography than

422 to morphology (i.e. the characters used for describing subspecies: Cortés423 Rodríguez et al., 2008).

424 A similar case was observed for L. rhami, where all individuals from the highlands of Chiapas are nested in a well-supported clade. This pattern of 425 426 geographic correspondence, associated to geographic barriers, has frequently 427 reported (Barber and Klicka, 2010; Rodríguez-Gómez et al., 2013). L. rhami is 428 mainly distributed in patches of cloud forests through the highlands of Mexico 429 and Central America (Schuchmann, 1999). The variation found in this study 430 could serve as a first evidence to address further questions about population 431 dynamics and phylogeographic patterns of this species associated to a well 432 known endangered habitat (Mulligan, 2010).

433 Contrary to the cases above, the genetic structure of E. fulgens, H. 434 constantii and H. longirostris was according to some of the subspecies 435 proposed. As previously reported (Zamudio-Beltrán and Hernández-Baños, 436 2015) Eugenes fulgens represents a species complex, formed by three 437 independent lineages (fulgens, viridiceps and spectabilis), and its taxonomic 438 status should be reevaluated. About H. constantii and H. longirostris, there 439 seems to exist variation at intraspecific level, but no final statements could be 440 done as subspecific sampling is inadequate. However, we consider that this 441 possible genetic structure should be explored closely.

The number of species in the Mountain Gems is low compared to that of other hummingbird clades, however, the evidence presented herein of within-species structure might imply a higher number of cryptic taxa and increase the number of species within this group. This work emphasizes on the importance of increasing intraspecific sampling in phylogenetic studies,

447 which is crucial to understanding the evolutionary history of differentiation 448 between species in a more general framework, and at lower taxonomic levels. 449 We should consider that the distribution of some Mountain Gems species, is 450 secluded to highland cloud forests (e.g. L. amethystinus, L. rhami, P. 451 insignis). This habitat is well known to be formed by isolated island-like 452 patches throughout the main neotropical mountain chains, all with unique 453 characteristics that increases endemisms (Ornelas et al., 2013b; Ponce-454 Reves et al., 2013; Ramírez-Barahona and Eguiarte, 2013), and it is possible 455 that species number in this group is underestimated as there is a lack of 456 studies at population level. We must also take into account species that have 457 been considered closely related to Eugenes genus (Hylonympha macrocerca 458 and Sternoclyta cyanopectus (Renner and Schuchmann, 2004)), from which 459 no samples were obtained for this study. Their phylogenetic relationships are 460 unknown, so further work is needed in sampling effort for species that 461 presumably are related to this group.

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Tables

	Table 1. Mountain	Gems species.	Asterisks represen	t sampled subspecies	s.
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Genera	Species	Subspecies
Lampornis	L. amethystinus	amethystinus*, margaritae*,
(Schuchmann, 1999).	-	circumventus*, salvini*, nobilis.
	L. calolaemus	pectoralis, calolaemus, homogenes.
	<i>L. castaneoventris</i>	
	L. cinereicauda	
	L. clemenciae	bessophilus*, phasmorus, clemenciae*.
	L. hemileucus	
	L. sybillae	
	L. viridipallens	amadoni, ovandensis, viridipallens, nubivagus.
Eugenes	E. fulgens	fulgens*, viridiceps*, spectabilis*.
(Navarro-Sigüenza and		
Peterson, 2004; Peters,		
1945; Schuchmann,		
1999; Zamudio-Beltrán		
and Hernández-Baños,		
2015).		
Lamprolaima	L. rhami	occidentalis*, saturatior.
(Schuchmann, 1999).		
Heliomaster	H. constantii	pinicola*, leocadiae*, constantii*.
(Schuchmann, 1999).	H. furcifer	
	H. longirostris	pallidiceps*, longirostris*, albicrissa.
	H. squamosus	
Panterpe	P. insignis	eisenmanni, insignis.
(Schuchmann, 1999).		

Table 2. Average substitution rates, and Deviation Standar (SD) for the molecular makers used in this study.

Molecular Marker	Average Rate	S.D.	Reference
ND2	0.0068	0.00191	Pacheco et al., 2011
ND4	0.0045	0.00131	Pacheco et al., 2011
AK1	0.00083	0.00017	McGuire et al., 2014
BFib	0.0019	0.0003	McGuire et al., 2014
MUSK	0.00135	0.00021	Ellegren, 2007
ODC	0.0015	0.00024	McGuire et al., 2014

Table 3. Species coding for ancestral areas reconstruction analyses. Geographic area:A. North America, B. South North-America, C. Central America, D. South America.Highland/lowland assignation: A. Highland, B. Lowland.

Genera	Species	Geographic area	Highland/lowland
Lampornis	L. amethystinus	AB	A
	L. calolaemus	С	A
	L. castaneoventris	С	A
	L. cinereicauda	С	A
	L. clemenciae	А	A
	L. hemileucurus	С	A
	L. sybillae	В	A
	L. viridipallens	В	A
Eugenes	E. fulgens	ABC	A
Lamprolaima	L. rhami	AB	A
Heliomaster	H. constantii	ABC	В
	H. furcifer	D	В
	H. longirostris	ABCD	В
	H. squamosus	D	В
Panterpe	P. insignis	C	А

Table 4. Divergence times, posterior probabilities and 95% confidence intervals (high posterior density, HPD) in millions of years (Mya) for MGg species, and outgroups (Bees clade and *Patagona* genus).

Node	PP	Age Mya (95% of HPD)
A (Patagona/Bees+MGg)	0.99	21.34 (25.16-17.64)
B (MGg/Bees)	0.99	18.50 (21.86-15.30)
C (MGg)	0.99	16.15 (19.08-13.24)
D (L. hemileucurus/Other)	0.63	14.21 (17.32-11.20)
Е	0.99	14.15 (17.04-11.53)
F (Panterpe/Other)	0.98	13.14 (16.00-10.56)
G (Eugenes/Lamprolaima)	0.99	10.79 (13.73-8.01)
H (Bees)	0.99	10.04 (12.72-7.36)
Ι	0.99	8.15 (10.17-6.02)
J (L. clemenciae/Other)	0.99	8.04 (10.45-5.88)
K (H. longirostris/Other)	0.99	6.97 (8.92-5.05)
L (L. amethystinus/Other)	0.99	5.19 (6.75-3.71)
M (H. furcifer/H. squamosus)	0.99	4.48 (6.23-2.76)
N	0.99	3.85 (5.25-2.52)
O (E. fulgens)	0.99	3.57 (5.07-2.27)
P (H. constantii)	0.99	3.52 (5.20-2.00)
Q (H. longirostris)	0.99	3.19 (4.82-1.74)
R (L. sybillae/L. viridipallens)	0.81	3.22 (4.51-1.98)
S (L. clemenciae)	0.99	3.21 (4.66-1.80)
T (L. amethystinus)	0.99	2.68 (3.68-1.79)
U (L. viridipallens)	0.99	1.42 (2.15-0.76)
V (Lamprolaima)	0.99	0.91 (1.47-0.45)
W (H. furcifer)	0.99	0.81 (1.58-0.21)
X (L. hemileucurus)	0.99	0.52 (1.05-0.10)
Y (L. calolaemus/Other)	0.99	0.14 (0.31-0.02)
Z (<i>L. cinereicauda</i> / <i>L. castaneoventris</i>)	0.18	0.23 (0.50-0.04)

Figure captions

Figure 1. Geographic distribution of species within the Mountain Gems group. Dots on the maps indicate sampled localities. For some species, these sites belong to different subspecies. All distributions based on "Bird species distribution maps of the world" (BirdLife International and NatureServe: http://www.birdlife.org). All illustrations reproduced from the Handbook of the birds of the world, Alive (http://www.hbw.com) with the corresponding permissions. a) Heliomaster longirostris (H. l. longirostris, H. l. pallidiceps), H. squamosus, H. furcifer (Schuchmann et al., 2013, 2015; Stiles and Boesman, 2013); b) Lampornis clemenciae (L. c. bessophilus, L. c. clemenciae), L. viridipallens, L. hemileucus (Powers and Boesman, 2013; Stiles and Boesman, 1999); c) L. amethystinus (L. a. amethystinus, L. a. margaritae, L. a. circumventus, L. a. salvini), L. sybillae, L. castaneoventris (Chai et al., 2013; Stiles et al., 2015; Züchner and Boesman, 1999); d) Eugenes fulgens (E. f. fulgens, E. f. viridiceps, E. f. spectabilis; Powers and Boesman, 1999); e) H. constantii (H. c. pinicola, H. c. leocadiae, H. c. constantii), Panterpe insignis (Stiles and Boesman, 2014; Stiles et al., 2015); f) Lamprolaima rhami (L. r. rhami, L. r. occidentalis), Lampornis calolaemus, L. cinereicauda (del Hoyo et al., 2015; Schuchmann and Boesman, 1999).

Figure 2. Phylogenetic relationships of the Mountain Gems group. Topologies were obtained by Bayesian Inference (BI, left) and Maximum Likelihood (ML, right) algorithms. Analyses were based on a concatenated dataset of mitochondrial and nuclear genes (3721 bp). In both topologies, asteriks represent node support: posterior probabilities PP \ge 0.95 (BI), and bootstrap values BT \ge 50 (ML). Topology edited from Fig. S3. Subspecies abbreviations: m: *margaritae*, c: *circumventus/clemenciae*, a: *amethystinus*, s: *salvini*, b: *bessophilus*, f: *fulgens*, v: *viridiceps*, sp: *spectabilis*, r: *rhami*, o: *occidentalis*, p: *pinicola*, 1: *leocadiae*, co: *constantii*, pa: *pallidiceps*, lo: *longirostris*.

Figure 3. Phylogeny illustrating the divergence times for the Mountain Gems group as generated by BEAST. Bars on each node represent 95% of high posterior densities of divergence times (HPD). Letters at nodes correspond to those referred to in Table 3. Topology edited from Fig. S4. Ma = Million of years.

Figure 4. Ancestral area reconstruction generated by RASP under the Statistical Dispersal-Vicariance Algorithm. a) reconstruction of geographic areas (A. North America, B. South North-America, C. Central America, D. South America); b) reconstruction of elevation ranges (A. highlands, B. lowlands). Colors at tips of each taxa represent the current geographical area and elevation range. Letters denote main evolutionary events inferred and discussed in the text. DE: dispersal event, VE: vicariance event, * ambiguous event.

Figure S3. Phylogenetic relationships of the Trochilidae, with emphasis on the Mountain Gems group. Topologies were obtained by Bayesian Inference (BI, left) and Maximum Likelihood (ML, right) algorithms. Analyses were based on a concatenated dataset of mitochondrial and nuclear genes (3721 bp, 136 taxa). In both topologies, asterisks represent node support: posterior probabilities PP \ge 0.95 (BI), and bootstrap values BT \ge 50 (ML).

Figure S4. Phylogeny illustrating the divergence times for the Trochilidae, with emphasis on the Mountain Gems group as generated by BEAST. Bars on each node represent 95% of high posterior densities of divergence times (HPD). Numbers at nodes correspond to the divergence times referred in Table S5 (excluding Mountain Gems, Bees and *Patagona*). Ma = Million of years.





Figure 2.



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Figure 4.

Collection numbers, localities, georeferences and species used in this study. We included information about the scientific biological collections that tissues were come from.

BC: Biological Collection.

UNAM: Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Museo de Zoología Alfonso L. Herrera. KU: The University of Kansas, Natural History Museum. LSU: Louisiana State University, Museum of Natural Science. UW: University of Washington, The Burke Museum. FMNH: Field Museum of Natural History.

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#	Collection No.	Genus	Species	Subspecies	ND2	ND4	BFIB	ODC	MUSK	AK1	BC	Longitude	Latitude
1	BCTD008	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	amethystinus	•	•	•	•	•	X	UNAM	-98.2216	20.3383
2	BMM571	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	salvini	X	•	х	•	•	Х	UNAM	-92.0833	17.1833
3	BMM594	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	salvini	•	•	X	•	•	Х	UNAM	-92.0833	17.1833
4	BMM595	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	salvini	X	X	X	•	•	Х	UNAM	-92.0833	17.1833
5	BMM639	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	amethystinus	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-98.6066	20.985
6	BMM647	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	amethystinus	X	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-98.6066	20.985
7	BMM844	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	salvini	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-92.0833	15.0666
8	BMM865	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	salvini	٠	٠	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-92.1083	15.1316
9	MOL13-152	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	circumventus	٠	٠	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-96.4797	16.0891
10	MOL13-154	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	circumventus	٠	٠	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-96.4797	16.0891
11	MOL13-155	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	circumventus	٠	٠	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-96.4797	16.0891
12	MOL13-174	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	circumventus	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-96.4797	16.0891
13	MOL13-175	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	circumventus	Х	•	•	•	•	Х	UNAM	-96.4797	16.0891
14	MOLGRO159	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	margaritae	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.8370	17.5866
15	MOLGRO165	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	margaritae	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.8370	17.5866

Mountain Gems Group (Sequenced tissues samples for this study).

#	Collection No.	Genus	Species	Subspecies	ND2	ND4	BFIB	ODC	MUSK	AK1	BC	Longitude	Latitude
16	MOLGRO179	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	margaritae	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.8370	17.5866
17	MOLGRO200	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	margaritae	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.8370	17.5866
18	MOLGRO202	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	margaritae	•	•	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-99.8370	17.5866
19	OMVP1079	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	amethystinus	•	•	•	•	•	Х	UNAM	-96.64	18.1116
20	OMVP795	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	amethystinus	Х	٠	Х	•	•	•	UNAM	-96.74	17.5433
21	BONA07	Lampornis	L. viridipallens	ovandensis	х	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-93.2	17.3138
22	BONA26	Lampornis	L. viridipallens	ovandensis	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-93.2	17.3138
23	BONA27	Lampornis	L. viridipallens	ovandensis	٠	٠	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-93.2	17.3138
24	BONA31	Lampornis	L. viridipallens	ovandensis	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-93.2	17.3138
25	BONA32	Lampornis	L. viridipallens	ovandensis	X	Х	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-93.2	17.3138
26	ZRH415	Lampornis	L. viridipallens	ovandensis	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-92.3033	15.2374
27	ZRH424	Lampornis	L. viridipallens	ovandensis	•	•	•	•	•	Х	UNAM	-92.3033	15.2374
28	ZRH426	Lampornis	L. viridipallens	ovandensis	•	•	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-92.3033	15.2374
29	ZRH432	Lampornis	L. viridipallens	ovandensis	•	٠	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-92.3033	15.2374
30	ZRH436	Lampornis	L. viridipallens	ovandensis	•	•	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-92.3033	15.2374
31	BMM707	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	clemenciae	Х	Х	х	•	•	•	UNAM	-100.1883	20.9316
32	CHI015	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	bessophilus	•	Х	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-107.3786	26.8380
33	CHI031	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	bessophilus	•	Х	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-107.3786	26.8380
34	CHI037	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	bessophilus	•	٠	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-107.3786	26.8380
35	CHI038	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	bessophilus	•	Х	•	•	•	Х	UNAM	-107.3786	26.8380
36	CHI046	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	bessophilus	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-107.3786	26.8380
37	FD151	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	clemenciae	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.29333	18.9716
38	FD154	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	clemenciae	X	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.29333	18.9716
39	FD165	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	clemenciae	X	Х	х	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.29333	18.9716
40	MOL051	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	clemenciae	•	Х	х	•	•	•	UNAM	-102.2319	19.5449
41	MOL081	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	clemenciae	Х	Х	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-102.2226	19.4029
42	MOLGRO120	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	clemenciae	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.67883	17.5578
43	MOLGRO148	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	clemenciae	•	٠	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.67883	17.5578

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44	AHC042	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	rhami	•	•	Х	•	•	•	UNAM	-97.69386	19.8868
45	AHC057	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	rhami	•	•	х	•	•	Х	UNAM	-97.6938	19.8868
46	AHC067	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	rhami	•	•	Х	•	•	Х	UNAM	-97.6938	19.8868
47	AHC073	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	rhami	•	•	Х	•	•	•	UNAM	-97.6938	19.8868
48	AHC077	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	rhami	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-97.6938	19.8868
49	ATO120	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	occidentalis	•	٠	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.8819	17.6761
50	EAGT809	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	rhami	•	X	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-92.3426	15.4262
51	EAGT813	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	rhami	•	Х	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-92.3426	15.4262
52	EAGT818	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	rhami	•	•	•	•	•	Х	UNAM	-92.3426	15.4262
53	EAGT828	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	rhami	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-92.3033	15.2374
54	MOLGRO164	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	occidentalis	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.8370	17.5866
55	MOLGRO177	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	occidentalis	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.8370	17.5866
56	MOLGRO195	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	occidentalis	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.8370	17.5866
57	MOLGRO231	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	occidentalis	•	•	Х	•	•	•	UNAM	-99.8370	17.5866
58	ZRH397	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	rhami	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-92.3426	15.4262
59	4888	Eugenes	E. fulgens	viridiceps	•	•	•	•	•	Х	KU	-89.12	14.38
60	7769	Eugenes	E. fulgens	viridiceps	•	•	•	•	•	•	KU	-88.84	13.6
61	7774	Eugenes	E. fulgens	viridiceps	•	•	•	•	•	Х	KU	-88.84	13.6
62	7777	Eugenes	E. fulgens	viridiceps	•	•	Х	•	•	Х	KU	-88.84	13.6
63	7828	Eugenes	E. fulgens	viridiceps	•	•	•	•	•	Х	KU	-88.91	14.13
64	B9964	Eugenes	E. fulgens	spectabilis	•	•	•	•	•	Х	LSU	-83.79	9.64
65	16183	Eugenes	E. fulgens	spectabilis	•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-83.79	9.64
66	16188	Eugenes	E. fulgens	spectabilis	•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-83.79	9.64
67	28282	Eugenes	E. fulgens	spectabilis	•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-83.79	9.64
68	28291	Eugenes	E. fulgens	spectabilis	•	•	•	•	•	٠	LSU	-83.79	9.64
69	JK10-072	Eugenes	E. fulgens	fulgens	•	•	•	•	•	Х	UW	-108.2689	28.6329
70	JK10-073	Eugenes	E. fulgens	fulgens	Х	•	•	•	•	•	UW	-108.2689	28.6329

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71	JK10-078	Eugenes	E. fulgens	fulgens	•	•	•	•	•	•	UW	-108.2689	28.6329
72	JK10-086	Eugenes	E. fulgens	fulgens	•	Х	•	•	•	•	UW	-108.2689	28.6329
73	JK10-135	Eugenes	E. fulgens	fulgens	•	٠	•	•	•	٠	UW	-108.2689	28.6329
74	CHI186	Heliomaster	H. constantii	pinicola	•	•	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-107.3085	26.6646
75	CONACYT04-037	Heliomaster	H. constantii	leocadiae	•	•	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-95.8296	16.4495
76	CONACYT04-072	Heliomaster	H. constantii	leocadiae	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-95.8296	16.4495
77	CONACYT04-073	Heliomaster	H. constantii	leocadiae	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-95.8296	16.44958
78	CONACYT04-079	Heliomaster	H. constantii	leocadiae	•	٠	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-95.8296	16.4495
79	CONACYT1569	Heliomaster	H. constantii	pinicola	•	٠	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-104.3683	19.77
80	CONACYT1573	Heliomaster	H. constantii	pinicola	•	٠	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-104.3683	19.77
81	VGR1063	Heliomaster	H. constantii	pinicola	•	•	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-108.6983	26.3033
82	CHIS221	Heliomaster	H. longirostris	palidiceps	•	•	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-92.3372	14.9230
83	CHIS249	Heliomaster	H. longirostris	palidiceps	•	•	•	•	•	٠	UNAM	-92.3372	14.9230
84	CONACYT1439	Heliomaster	H. longirostris	palidiceps	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-95.0425	16.7924
85	YACH151	Heliomaster	H. longirostris	palidiceps	•	•	•	•	•	•	UNAM	-90.9827	16.9058
86	2953	Heliomaster	H. furcifer		•	•	•	•	•	X	KU	-59.265	-19.5866

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87	B9964	Eugenes	E. fulgens	spectabilis	•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-83.79	9.64
88	B28291	Eugene	E. fulgens	spectabilis	•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-83.79	9.64
89	DAB1903	Heliomaster	H. constantii	constantii	•	•	•	•	•	•	UW	-85.958	11.76
90	B6709	Heliomaster	H. furcifer		•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-62.075	-16.747
91	B18268	Heliomaster	H. longirostris	longirostris	•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-62.075	-16.747
92	392806	Heliomaster	H. squamosus		•	•	•	•	•	•	FMNH	-37.385	-10.574
93	343217	Lampornis	L. amethystinus	margaritae	•	•	•	•	•	•	FMNH	-103.513	19.572
94	B28169	Lampornis	L. calolaemus		•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-82.432	8.7745
95	B28257	Lampornis	L. castaneoventris		•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-82.432	8.7745
96	B19791	Lampornis	L. cinereicauda		•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-83.6773	9.7539
97	B10119	Lampornis	L. clemenciae	bessophilus	•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-109.2317	31.6887
98	16006	Lampornis	L. hemileucurus		•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-84.0167	10.4735
99	26428	Lampornis	L. hemileucurus		•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-82.432	8.7745
100	DAB1362	Lampornis	L. sybillae		•	٠	•	•	•	•	UW	-85.924	13.015
101	B19268	Lampornis	L. viridipallens	ovandensis	•	•	•	•	Х	•	LSU		
102	B22001	Lamprolaima	L. rhami	rhami	•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-96.6456	17.856
103	B16264	Panterpe	P. insignis	insignis	•	•	•	•	•	•	LSU	-83.7993	9.64786

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#	Species	Clade/Family	ND2	ND4	BFIB	ODC	MUSK	AK1
104	Tilmatura dupontii	Bees	•	•	•	•	•	•
105	Myrtis fanny	Bees	•	•	•	•	•	•
106	Microstilbon burmeisteri	Bees	•	X	•	•	•	•
107	Calliphlox bryantae	Bees	•	Х	•	•	•	•
108	Doricha eliza	Bees	•	•	•	•	•	•
109	Calypte costae	Bees	•	X	•	•	•	•
110	Atthis heloisa	Bees	•	X	•	•	•	•
111	Selasphorus ardens	Bees	•	X	•	•	•	•
112	Selasphorus rufus	Bees	•	X	•	•	•	•
113	Selasphorus sasin	Bees	•	X	•	•	•	•
114	Patagona gigas	Patagona	•	X	•	•	•	•
115	Sephanoides fernandensis	Coquettes	•	X	•	•	•	•
116	Lophornis delattrei	Coquettes	•	•	•	•	•	•
117	Discosura popelairii	Coquettes	•	•	•	•	•	•
118	Heliangelus micraster	Coquettes	•	•	•	•	•	•
119	Adelomyia melanogenys	Coquettes	•	•	•	•	•	•
120	Eriocnemis derbyi	Brilliants	•	•	х	х	x	X
121	Aglaeactis cupripennis	Brilliants	•	•	•	•	•	•
122	Urosticte benjamini	Brilliants	•	•	•	•	x	•
123	Heliodoxa gularis	Brilliants	•	•	•	•	•	•
124	Coeligena coeligena	Brilliants	•	•	•	•	•	•
125	Doryfera ludovicae	Mangoes	•	•	•	•	•	•
126	Colibri thalassinus	Mangoes	•	•	•	•	X	•
127	Anthracothorax mango	Mangoes	•	•	•	•	•	•
128	Eulampis jugularis	Mangoes	•	•	•	•	•	•
129	Eutoxeres condamini	Hermits	•	•	•	•	•	•
130	Phaethornis longirostris	Hermits	•	•	•	•	•	•

Outgroups (Sequences from GenBank, McGuire et al. 2014).

#	Species	Clade/Family	ND2	ND4	BFIB	ODC	MUSK	AK1
131	Florisuga fusca	Topazes	•	•	•	•	•	•
132	Topaza pella	Topazes	•	•	•	•	•	•
133	Hemiprocne mystacea	Hemiprocnidae	•	•	•	•	•	•
134	Streptoprocne zonaris	Apodidae	•	•	•	•	•	•
135	Aerodramus salangana	Apodidae	•	Х	•	•	Х	Х
136	Aeronautes saxatalis	Apodidae	•	Х	•	•	Х	Х
137	Chaetura pelagica	Apodidae	•	•	•	•	Х	•
138	Aegotheles insignis	Aegothelidae	•	•	•	•	•	•

Primers and PCR protocols used in this study.

Gene	Primer	Primer sequence	References	PCR protocol		
	name	_		Denaturation	Annealing (35x)	Extension
ND2	L5219	CCCATACCCCGAAAATGATG	Sorenson et al., 1999.	1x 03:00(94°C)	00:30(94°C),	1x 10:00(72°C)
ND2	H6313	CTCTTATTTAAGGCTTTGAAGGC			00:30(54°C), 00:45(72°C)	
ND4	ND4	CACCTATGACTACCAAAAGCTCATGTAGAAGC	Arévalo et al., 1994.	1x 05:00(94°C)	00:30(95°C),	1x 07:00(72°C)
ND4	LEU	CATTACTTTACTTGGATTTGCACCA			00:30(55°C), 00:45(72°C)	
A 17 1	A 17 51 +		Shaning & Dumbashar 2001	1 05-00(049C)	00.45(72 C)	$1 - 07 \cdot 00(729C)$
AKI	AKJO	ATIGACOULIACCEICOCOAGOIG	Snapiro & Dumbacher, 2001.	1X 05:00(94°C)	$00.43(92^{\circ}C),$	$1 \times 07.00(72^{\circ}C)$
AK1	AK6c ⁻	CACCCGCCCGCTGGTCTCTCC			$01:00(54^{\circ}C),$ $01:00(72^{\circ}C)$	
BFib	BFib-17L2	TGGGAGGTGAAGCAGCTAAGAAAAACAA	Prychitko & Moore, 1997.	1x 10:00(94°C)	01:00(92°C),	1x 07:00(72°C)
DE:1	DE:1. 17112				01:00(50°C),	
BF10	BF10-1/U2	CATCCATGCAGTICTGGCAATTC			01:00(72°C)	
MUSK	MUSK-F3	GCTGTACTTCCATGCACTACAATG	McGuire et al., 2014.	1x 05:00(95°C)	00:25(95°C),	1x 07:00(72°C)
MUSK	MUSK-R3	ΑΤΟΟΤΟΑΑΑΤΤΤΟΟΟΘΑΑΤΟΑΑΘ			00:25(50°C),	
WICOK	MODIX R5				01:00(72°C)	
ODC	ODC-2F	GCGTGCAAAAGAACTTGACC	McGuire <i>et al.</i> , 2014.	1x 03:00(94°C)	00:30(94°C),	1x 05:00(72°C)
ODC	ODC-2R		1		00:30(57°C),	
ODC	ODC-2K				00:30(72°C)	

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Resumen.- El estatus taxonómico de las subespecies en el estudio de la sistemática es un tema controversial. Estudios recientes han empleando secuencias de ADN para evaluar el estatus de las subespecies en complejos de especies, además de establecer los límites entre ellas. En el presente artículo analizamos las relaciones filogenéticas, el estatus taxonómico de las subespecies propuestas, y los límites de especies para el género monotípico de colibrí Eugenes (E. fulgens y sus subespecies reconocidas: E. f. fulgens, E. f. viridiecps, y E. f. spectabilis), empleando marcadores nucleares (Beta Fibrinogeno BFib, Ornitina Descarboxilasa ODC, y Receptor Tirosina Quinasa de Músculo Esquelético MUSK), así como marcadores mitocondriales (subunidad 2 de NADH deshidrogenasa ND2, subunidad 4 de NADH deshidrogenasa ND4, y Región Control CR). Llevamos a cabo análisis filogenéticos y análisis de límites de especies (Bayesian Phylogenetics and Phylogeography BPP), y encontramos evidencia de diferenciación genética entre los tres grupos. Se sugiere la existencia de dos especies crípticas (E. fulgens y E. viridiceps) y el reconocimiento de una especie fenotípicamente diferenciada (E. spectabilis). Nuestros análisis muestran que E. fulgens y E. viridiceps son dos grupos estrechamente relacionados, y estos a su vez se relacionan con E. spectabilis.

Palabras clave: Colibríes, *Eugenes fulgens*, *viridiceps*, *spectabilis*, sistemática, límites de especies.

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15 ABSTRACT

16 The status of subspecies in systematic zoology is the focus of controversy. Recent 17 studies use DNA sequences to evaluate the status of subspecies within species 18 complexes and to recognize and delimit species. Here, we assessed the phylogenetic 19 relationships, the taxonomic status of the proposed subspecies and the species limits of 20 the monotypic hummingbird genus Eugenes (fulgens, viridiceps and spectabilis), by 21 using nuclear and mitochondrial markers. We found genetic differences between these 22 group, suggesting the existence of two cryptic species (*E. fulgens* and *E. viridiceps*) and 23 one phenotypically differentiated species (E. spectabilis). Our analyses show that the E. 24 viridiceps and E. fulgens groups are more closely related between them than with E. 25 spectabilis. 26 27 Keywords: Hummingbirds; Eugenes fulgens; viridiceps; spectabilis; systematics;

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29 **1. Introduction**

For many years, there has been an important debate about the use of the subspecies concept to describe geographic variation in birds (Patten, 2010; Zink, 2004). The use of different species concepts has been one of the main reasons for this controversy. Whereas some authors defend the application of the biological species concept, others argue that taxonomic decisions should be done exclusively under a framework of independence in evolutionary histories (James, 2010).

In an influential paper, De Queiroz (2007) proposed that different types of data (morphological, ethological, ecological, molecular, etc.) are needed to operationally determine if the studied lineages are evolving separately, i.e. if they can be considered different species. De Queiroz (2007) also argues that species differentiation is affected by the time elapsed since the diversification event, a problem that must be taken into account in species delimitation studies.

42 Much research in recent years has focused on implementing molecular tools to 43 support morphological variation and geographic isolation in taxonomic evaluations of 44 bird species complexes (Navarro-Sigüenza et al, 2001; Cadena et al., 2007; Bnaccorso 45 et al., 2008). The systematic situation of several bird families remains unsolved, and 46 such is the case of the Trochilidae. The number of studies describing the phylogenetic 47 relationships of different taxa within this family has increased recently (e.g. García-48 Moreno et al., 2006; McGuire et al., 2007, 2009, 2014), but only a few of them deal 49 with the taxonomic status of proposed subspecies using molecular markers (Arbeláez-50 Cortés and Navarro-Sigüenza, 2013; Cortés-Rodríguez et al., 2008; García-Deras et al., 51 2008). The monotypic genus *Eugenes* (Gould 1861) represents an interesting model to 52 explore this basic taxonomic issue.

53	Eugenes fulgens (Swainson, 1827) is a sexually dimorphic hummingbird species
54	that shows phenotypic differences across its geographic range, that goes from
55	southeastern USA to the Central American highlands (Howell and Webb, 1995;
56	Schuchmann, 1999). In particular, differences in color and body size between
57	populations have led to four different hypotheses on the subdivision of <i>E. fulgens</i> . The
58	first hypothesis considers that E. fulgens consists of two subspecies: E. f. fulgens
59	(Swainson 1827), distributed from southeastern USA to Nicaragua highlands, and E. f.
60	spectabilis (Lawrence, 1867), distributed in the highlands of Costa Rica and Panama
61	(Johnsgard, 1984; Schuchmann, 1999). The second hypothesis proposes a third
62	subspecies, E. f. viridiceps (Boucard, 1878, cited in Schuchmann, 1999), distributed
63	from the highlands of Chiapas to Nicaragua (Peters, 1945). Other researchers propose
64	the existence of more than one species within E. fulgens. Renner and Schuchmann
65	(2004) propose two species, E. fulgens (including viridiceps) and E. spectabilis whereas
66	a fourth hypothesis suggests the existence of three full species: E. fulgens, E. viridiceps
67	and E. spectabilis (Navarro-Sigüenza and Peterson, 2004; Ridgway, 1911).
68	According to Renner and Schuchmann (2014), the males of the original fulgens
69	and viridiceps subespecies have the feathers of the chest, breast and abdomen
70	completely black, in contrast to those of <i>spectabilis</i> which are green (Fig. 1-II).
71	Additionally, Schuchmann (1999) mentions that the gorget of <i>fulgens</i> and <i>viridiceps</i> is
72	green, while that of spectabilis is blue green (Fig. 1-II). The females of spectabilis are
73	in general more yellow-green than those of <i>fulgens</i> and <i>viridiceps</i> , and the tips of the
74	rectrices of <i>fulgens</i> and <i>viridiceps</i> are less white (Renner and Schuchmann, 2014). No
75	colour differences between viridiceps and fulgens have been reported and their
76	separation is based in their non-overlapping geographic ranges (Navarro-Sigüenza and
77	Peterson, 2004).
The purpose of the present work is to test the above mentioned hypotheses by
evaluating the phylogenetic relationships between the subspecies proposed for *E*. *fulgens*, and to provide its systematic reevaluation using a multilocus molecular dataset.

82 **2. Methods**

83 2.1. Taxon sampling and laboratory procedures

We used tissues samples from *E. fulgens* voucher specimens from the collections
of the Museo de Zoología Alfonso L. Herrera (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de
México), Natural History Museum (University of Kansas), The Burke Museum
(University of Washington), and Museum of Natural Science (Louisiana State
University).

We isolated genomic DNA from tissues using Qiagen DNAeasyTM kit (Qiagen 89 90 Inc., Valencia, CA, USA) following the manufacturer's protocol. We sequenced 34 91 individuals collected in 16 localities throughout the entire range of *E. fulgens* (Table 1; 92 Fig. 1-I), including individuals representing three geographic regions: (1) northern and 93 central Mexico, (2) southern Mexico and northern Central America, and (3) southern 94 Central America. We defined these geographic regions according to the three 95 subspecies proposed for this complex (fulgens, viridiceps and spectabilis). We included 96 five samples from Lamprolaima rhami, the sister group of Eugenes (García-Moreno et 97 al., 2006), and two samples from Heliomaster constantii as outgroup (McGuire et al., 98 2014). 99 We obtained molecular data of two types: maternally inherited mitochondrial 100 DNA (ND2, ND4 and CR) and biparentally inherited nuclear DNA (BFib, ODC and 101 MUSK). We amplified these six molecular markers via polymerase chain reaction 102 (PCR) in 12.5 µl reactions. For the amplification of NADH dehydrogenase subunit 2

103	(ND2) we used primers L5219 and H6313 (Sorenson et al., 1999); we amplified the
104	NADH dehydrogenase subunit 4 (ND4) using primers ND4 and LEU (Arévalo et al.,
105	1994), and the mtDNA Control Region (CR) using primers ARCOIF and ARCOIR
106	(González et al., 2011). For the amplification of beta-fibrinogen intron 7 (BFib) we used
107	the primers BFibU and BFibL; we amplified the ornithine decarboxylase gene (ODC)
108	with primers ODC2-F and ODC2-R, and the z-linked muscle skeletal receptor tyrosine
109	gene (MUSK) by using MUSK R3 and MUSK F3 (McGuire et al., 2007, 2014). We
110	used the following annealing temperatures: 54°C (ND2), 55°C (ND4), 50°C (CR, BFib,
111	MUSK), and 57°C (ODC). PCR products were visualized on a 1% agarose gel. DNA
112	sequencing was performed in the High-Throughput Genomics Unit Service of the
113	University of Washington. We edited and aligned chromatograms with the Sequencher
114	v4.8 software (GeneCodes Corporation, Ann Arbor, MI). We deposited all sequences in
115	the GenBank under accession numbers KR149831-KR150022.

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117 2.2 Phylogenetic analyses

118 We performed a multilocus analysis using a concatenated dataset of 3721 bp 119 distributed among genes as follows: ND2: 881 bp; ND4: 484 bp; CR: 501 bp; BFib: 746 120 bp; ODC: 568 bp, and MUSK: 541 bp. We obtained 246 sequences representing 89 % 121 of the ideal total data, as we could not obtained some reliable sequences form some 122 individuals. We estimated the best-fitting model of molecular evolution for each 123 molecular marker with the jModeltest 0.1.1 software (Posada, 2008), and conducted the 124 analyses by using the Akaike Information Criterion AIC (Akaike, 1973). We obtained 125 the phylogenetic tree with the Mr. Bayes v3.0 software (Huelsenbeck and Ronquist, 126 2002), by running four simultaneous chains for each Monte Carlo Markov Chain 127 analysis for 10 million generations, sampling every 500 generations. The number of

burn-in was determined by using Tracer v1.5 (Rambaut and Drummond, 2009), and a
majority rule consensus was calculated.

Finally, we used MEGA v5.05 (Tamura et al., 2007) to estimate the pairwise genetic distances between the proposed subspecies from each type of molecular marker (mitochondrial *vs.* nuclear).

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134 2.3. Tests of species delimitation

135 We used the multilocus dataset to assess the limits between the three groups 136 (fulgens, viridiceps, spectabilis). We used a coalescent approach implemented in the 137 Bayesian Phylogenetics and Phylogeography software (BPP; Rannala and Yang 2003; 138 Yang and Rannala, 2010). We estimated a species tree topology and the uncertainty 139 associated to each group with the *BEAST software (Drummond and Rambaut, 2007; 140 Drummond et al., 2012; Heled and Drummond, 2010). We assigned the three 141 recognized subspecies as OTUs (fulgens, viridices and spectabilis) in the species tree 142 estimation approach. We ran 100 million generations, sampling every 10 thousand, and 143 discarding the first 20% as burn-in. The convergence was visualized in the program 144 Tracer v1.5. This tree was used as guide tree in BPP analysis (three species hypothesis: 145 fulgens, viridiceps and spectabilis). For BPP runs, we used the graphics user interface 146 plataform called BPPX (http://abacus.gene.ucl.ac.uk/software) and the command line 147 interface. 148 First, we performed multiple analyses using both algorithms (0, 1) with different 149 seed numbers, and changing parameters ε and prior τ , as suggested by Yang and

150 Rannala (2010). The posterior probability values obtained showed consistency between

151 runs. For the next analyses we used algorithm 0, with values of $\varepsilon = 5$ and prior $\tau = 10$

152 25000.

153	We conducted the first set of analyses using parameter finetune = 1. This setting
154	implies that the program makes automatic adjustments to prior parameters. As it has
155	been reported that different values of θ can result in different posterior probabilities for
156	the same guide tree (Leaché et al., 2010; McKay et al., 2013), we evaluated the results
157	using three different values of θ : 0.01, 0.001, and 0.0001. For the second set of analyses
158	we used the finetune parameters estimated before and the same θ values (0.01, 0.001,
159	0.0001). For each analysis, we ran the reversible-jump Markov chain Monte Carlo
160	algorithm (rjMCMC) for 100 thousand generations, sampling every 5, and discarding
161	50 thousand generations as burn-in period. The delimitation analysis performed in BPP
162	estimates the posterior distribution for species delimitation models, and assigns values
163	of speciation probabilities in the guide tree (Rannala and Yang, 2003; Yang and
164	Rannala, 2010).
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177 subspecies. The *spectabilis* subspecies form a monophyletic group with high posterior

178 probability values. Within the group formed by *fulgens* and *viridiceps*, all *fulgens* 179 individuals are nested in a monophyletic group, whereas the *viridiceps* individuals are 180 grouped in different clades, three of which have high posterior probability values (the 181 clade formed by three individuals from Chiapas and one specimen from El Salvador, 182 and two clades formed by two and three individuals from El Salvador; see Fig. 1-I). A 183 group that includes the above mentioned clade of two individuals from El Salvador plus 184 one individual from Chiapas (MOL13-017) is closely related to the monophyletic 185 fulgens clade.

We present the pairwise genetic distances in Table 2. Both mitochondrial and nuclear markers showed significant genetic differentiation between *fulgens*, *viridiceps* and *spectabilis*, although, as predicted, genetic distances were lower for nuclear than for mitochondrial markers (Table 2). The genetic differentiation values between *fulgens* and *viridiceps* were lower than those between *spectabilis* and *fulgens*, and between *spectabilis* and *viridiceps* (Table 2).

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193 *3.2 Species delimitation*

We present the species tree obtained with *BEAST in Figure 3a. The topology and posterior probability values support the independence of the three different lineages within the *E. fulgens* complex, with a clade formed by *fulgens* and *viridiceps* and *spectabilis* as the sister group.

In Fig. 2b and c we show the Bayesian species delimitation results using BPP. In all but one case, the speciation probabilities values for each node were 1.0; the only exception (0.77 for the clade formed by *fulgens* and *viridiceps*) occurred when we performed the analysis using $\theta = 0.0001$ and the program estimated the finetune

parameters (Figure 2b). The first analyses performed to confirm consistency between
runs also resulted in probabilities of speciation values of 1.0 for each node.

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205 **4. Discussion**

206 We provide multiple evidence (multilocus phylogenetic reconstruction, genetic 207 distances, and species delimitation analyses) indicating that the Eugenes fulgens 208 complex should be considered a species complex, not a taxa with different subspecies. 209 Our multilocus evaluation of the phylogenetic relationships between the three proposed 210 subspecies of E. fulgens unveiled the presence of two independent lineages within this 211 group: fulgens and spectabilis (Fig. 1-III); this result was supported by both 212 mitochondrial and nuclear molecular markers. However, the genetic distances values 213 (Table 2) suggest a degree of differentiation between *fulgens* and *viridiceps* that could 214 be evidence of incomplete lineage sorting (Peters et al., 2007). Furthermore, the 215 Bayesian species delimitation analyses (Fig. 2) provided compelling evidence for the 216 existence of three species, corresponding to each of three groups traditionally 217 considered as subspecies. Overall, we think that our results support the proposal that the 218 E. fulgens complex is formed by three full species (Navarro-Sigüenza and Peterson, 219 2004; Ridgway, 1911). The separation of spectabilis as a distinct species is not surprising considering its 220 221 clear colour differences (see Introduction), together with the results of a recent 222 morphometric study of the complex across its geographical range that showed 223 differences between *spectabilis* and the rest of the individuals (Tovilla-Sierra, 2012), 224 the absence of colour differences between *fulgens* and *viridiceps* suggests that these

225 could be cryptic species. It will be interesting to perform detailed morphological studies

of *fulgens* and *viridiceps* as these two lineages appear to be the product of a recentdiversification event.

228 In conclusion, our results suggest that *Eugenes fulgens* is a species complex 229 composed of three different species corresponding to the three subspecies previously 230 considered by some authors (see Introduction); two of these lineages (fulgens and 231 *viridiceps*) are apparently cryptic species as no morphological or colour difference 232 between them has been reported, while the third lineage (spectabilis) is clearly distinct 233 from the other two. Thus, our results have a considerable impact on the systematics of 234 the genus (considered until now as monotypic) and could have conservation 235 implications since the distribution range of each of the lineages distinguished is much 236 smaller than that of the genus.

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Table 1. List of individuals sequenced, localities and georeferences. The numbers in

#	Taxon	Collection number	Country	State/Province	Latitude	Longitude
	(subspecies)					
1	E. f. fulgens	jk10-72, 278, 86, 135, 136	MEXICO	Chihuahua	28.63	-108.26
2		mm634, 639, 649, 651, 719	MEXICO	Nuevo Leon	24.88	-100.22
3		jk03-198, 271-273, 350	MEXICO	Jalisco	21.86	-103.86
4		BMM631, 644, 645, 777, MFOR09	MEXICO	Hidalgo	21.00	-98.72
5		AMAQ03, 05, 07, 20	MEXICO	Morelos	18.97	-99.03
6		jk04-125, 134, 170, 175, 342	MEXICO	Guerrero	17.67	-99.88
7		brb1110, 1111, 1136	MEXICO	Oaxaca	17.32	96.46
8	E. f. viridiceps	MOL13-04, 06, 16, 17, 70	MEXICO	Chiapas	16.72	-92.69
9		gav2374, jk02-085, 077	GUATEMALA	Quezaltenango	14.71	-91.52
10		4888	EL SALVADOR	Chalatenango	14.38	-89.12
11		7828	EL SALVADOR	Chalatenango	14.13	-88.91
12		7766, 7769, 7774, 7777	EL SALVADOR	San Vicente	13.6	-88.84
13	E. f. spectabilis	9950, 9953, 9964, 9977, 9978, 9979,	COSTA RICA	San Jose		
		9988, 16183, 16188			9.64	-83.79
14		28254, 28262	PANAMA	Chiriquí	8.89	-82.61
15		28282	PANAMA	Chiriquí	8.84	-82.53
16		28291	PANAMA	Chiriquí	8.77	-82.43

347 column # correspond to the localities mapped in Figure 1.

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- 349 Table 2. Pairwise genetic distances among groups in *Eugenes* complex. a)
- 350 Mitochondrial markers, b) Nuclear markers.

	fulgens	viridiceps	spectabilis	L_rhami
Panel (a) fulgens viridiceps spectabilis L_rhami H_constantii	0.008 ^{**} 0.060 [*] 0.246 [*] 0.316 [*]	0.061 [*] 0.248 [*] 0.317 [*]	0.248 [*] 0.296 [*]	0.211*
Panel (b) fulgens viridiceps spectabilis L_rhami H_constantii	0.000 ^{**} 0.002 ^{**} 0.009 ^{**} 0.011 ^{**}	0.002** 0.009** 0.011**	0.011 ^{**} 0.014 ^{**}	0.011**
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* *P* < 0.05.

** *P* < 0.005.

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352 Figure captions

- 353 Figure 1. I) Sampled localities for this study (see Table 1). II) The morphological
- 354 variation is illustrated according with previous reported descriptions; the first morpho
- 355 corresponds to fulgens and viridiceps subspecies (A, B), and the second one
- 356 corresponds to spectabilis subspecies (C). III) Phylogenetic Bayesian Inference
- 357 reconstruction from 34 individuals from *Eugenes fulgens* complex using mitochondrial
- and nuclear markers (ND2, ND4, RC, Bfib, MUSK, and ODC). Posterior probabilities
- 359 $P \ge 0.95$ are shown (*). Above right is represented the main different groups recovered
- 360 on the phylogenetic reconstruction acording to their geographic distribution and the
- 361 subspecies proposed (A: *fulgens*, B: *viridicpes*, C: *spectabilis*).
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- 363 Figure 2. a) Bayesian species tree topology and posterior probability values using
- 364 *BEAST. b) Bayesian species delimitation results (finetune=1; top, θ =0.01; middle,
- $\theta = 0.001$; bottom, $\theta = 0.0001$). c) Bayesian species delimitation results (finetune=0,
- parameters estimated previously; top, θ =0.01; middle, θ =0.001; bottom, θ =0.0001).
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ARTÍCULO 3. VARIACIÓN GENÉTICA Y MORFOLÓGICA DEL COLIBRÍ MAGNÍFICO *Eugenes fulgens* (*E. f. fulgens* and *E. f. viridiceps*, Aves: Trochilidae)

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Resumen.- Mesoamérica es una región biogeográfica con uno de los niveles más altos de biodiversidad de América. La variación genética y los estudios filogeográficos han sido cruciales para entender los mecanismos que promueven la especiación en esta región. En este estudio analizamos la variación genética y filogeográfica, junto con la variación morfológica y la historia demográfica del complejo del colibrí magnífico Eugenes fulgens. Esta especie de amplia distribución geográfica habita en las tierras altas de México y el norte de América Central. Recientemente este complejo fue reevaluado taxonómicamente, y se distinguen dos subespecies como evidencia de la variación geográfica de esta especie (E. f. fulgens y E. f. viridiceps). La distribución geográfica de estas dos subespecies está definida por la presencia de una barrera geográfica: el Istmo de Tehuantepec (oeste: fulgens, y este: viridiceps). Analizamos la variación genética mediante el uso de ADN mitocondrial (NADH deshidrogenasa subunidad 2 ND2, y Región Control CR) y nuclear (microsatélites), para 129 y 85 individuos, respectivamente. También estudiamos la variación morfológica en 465 especímenes, se infirió la historia demográfica, se obtuvieron estimaciones de tiempos de divergencia y se construyeron modelos de proyecciones ancestrales para el complejo. Nuestros resultados sugieren que el complejo Eugenes fulgens está conformado por dos grupos diferenciados genéticamente, con sutiles diferencias morfológicas. Los resultados de historia demográfica bajo un modelo de expansión, las estimaciones de tiempos de divergencia y las proyecciones ancestrales confirman que esta separación se debe a un evento de especiación alopátrica a ambos lados del Istmo de Tehuantepec, debido a las fluctuaciones climáticas durante el Pleistoceno.

Palabras clave: Eugenes fulgens, Trochilidae, colibríes, filogeografía, Mesoamérica.

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19 ABSTRACT

20 Mesoamerica is a biogeographic region with one of the highest levels of biodiversity in America. 21 Genetic variation and phylogeographic studies have been crucial to understand the mechanisms 22 promoting speciation in this region. Here we performed genetic variation and phylogeographic 23 analyses, and evaluated the morphological differentiation and demographic history of the 24 Magnificent Hummingbird, Eugenes fulgens, complex. This widely distributed species inhabits 25 the highlands of Mexico and northern Central America. This complex was recently 26 taxonomically reevaluated and now comprises only two subspecies (E. f. fulgens and E. f. 27 *viridiceps*). Their geographic distribution is divided by the Isthmus of Tehuantepec (west region: 28 fulgens, and east region: viridiceps). We analyzed the genetic variation of this complex by 29 surveying the mitochondrial DNA (NADH dehydrogenase subunit 2 ND2, and Control Region 30 CR) and nuclear DNA (microsatellites) variation of 129 individuals and 85 individuals, 31 respectively. We also analyzed the morphological variation from 465 voucher specimens, 32 inferred the demographic history, estimated divergence times and carried out projections of 33 ancestral niche models for this complex. Our results suggest that Eugenes fulgens is conformed 34 by two genetically differentiated groups with subtle morphological differences. Further 35 demographic, divergence times and niche analyses confirmed that these groups diverged through 36 allopatric speciation across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec due to Pleistocene climatic fluctuations.

37 1. Introduction

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39 Studies of genetic variation and phylogeography are key tools to understanding how 40 populations are geographically structured and shaped through time (Avise, 1998), representing 41 the first steps for species delimitation (Camargo et al., 2010; Fraser and Bernatchez, 2001). 42 Inferences regarding species boundaries based on genetic data alone are likely insufficient 43 (Carstens et al., 2013). An alternative approach used by several phylogeographers is to integrate, 44 if applicable, behavioral, morphological and environmental variation and species distribution 45 modeling in the context of species delimitation from genetic data (e.g., González et al., 2011; 46 Rodríguez-Gómez and Ornelas, 2015; Ornelas et al., 2016). When divergence patterns from these 47 kinds of data and methods of analysis are not fully congruent with those based on genetic data, it 48 is reasonable to exercise caution in delimiting evolutionary lineages while allowing the 49 possibility of phenotypically cryptic species (Carstens et al., 2013). The incorporation of 50 different methods into phylogeographic studies is thus helping to evaluate historical patterns of 51 diversification more accurately (Latta, 2004; Manel et al., 2003), and to more closely understand 52 the role of different evolutionary forces in population dynamics and species formation (Avise, 53 2000; Hewitt, 2001; Carstens et al., 2013). 54 In the Mesoamerican highlands, phylogeographic studies in birds have shown two general

patterns of diversification, with either high levels of variation and geographic structure linked to old separation and geographic isolation (Bonaccorso et al., 2008; McCormack et al., 2008; Arbeláez-Cortés et al., 2010; Barrera-Guzmán et al., 2012; Maldonado-Sánchez et al., 2016; Ortíz-Ramírez et al., 2016) or low levels of genetic differentiation and geographic structure due to higher levels of gene flow and population connection during recent events of expansion and secondary contact, and dispersal ability through permeable geographical barriers (e.g., van Els et 61 al., 2014). These contrasting results found in recent studies in Mesoamerican species of 62 Trochilidae make them an ideal biological reference for phylogeographic studies. Some of those 63 have found high levels of genetic structure in species inhabiting fragmented habitats such as 64 cloud forests (González et al., 2011; Ornelas et al., 2016), while others in general showed lower 65 phylogeographic structure and higher levels of gene flow (Miller et al., 2011; Rodríguez-Gómez 66 and Ornelas, 2015), except for groups of populations separated by major geographic barriers 67 such as the Isthmus of Tehuantepec (Cortés-Rodríguez et al., 2008; Rodríguez-Gómez et al., 68 2013; Malpica and Ornelas, 2014; Jiménez and Ornelas, 2016). 69 The Magnificent Hummingbird Eugenes fulgens (Swainson, 1827), a sexually dimorphic 70 species complex, has a geographic distribution that includes both slopes of the Sierra Madre 71 Occidental and the Sierra Madre Oriental, the highlands of Southern Mexico, Guatemala, 72 Honduras, El Salvador, and Nicaragua (AOU, 1998; Howell and Webb, 1995). This species 73 inhabits pine-oak, cloud and evergreen forests between 1500 and 2500 m above sea level and 74 desert grasslands with flowering agaves in migration (Johnsgard, 1984; Howell and Webb, 1995; 75 Schuchmann, 1999). Recently, this complex was taxonomically reevaluated according to 76 morphological and genetic evidence (Zamudio-Beltrán and Hernández-Baños, 2015). It was 77 shown that E. spectabilis distributed in the highlands of Costa Rica and Panama (Gill, 2015) and 78 previously recognized as an E. fulgens subspecies, represents an independent species. In contrast, 79 the phylogenetic relationships between the two remaining subspecies of Eugenes fulgens (E.f. 80 fulgens and E. f. viridiceps, Boucard, 1878; Swainson, 1827) are more closely related with one 81 another than to *E. spectabilis* but the significant geographic structure of few samples indicates 82 that species limits should be evaluated at the population level with a throughout geographic 83 sampling.

84	The purpose of this study is to describe genetic variation within the Eugenes fulgens
85	complex by using molecular markers (mitochondrial and nuclear DNA) as to examine
86	morphological divergence, demographic history, and divergence times and ancestral geographic
87	distributions of the resulting lineages, in order to propose a hypothesis of evolutionary history for
88	this species. According to phylogeographic patterns found in Mesoamerican bird species, we
89	expect to find moderate levels of geographic structure in disjunt populations. This moderate
90	structure is expected because in general Trochilidae species present high dispersal abilities that
91	could be reflected in high levels of gene flow (Schuchmann, 1999). If geographic structure is
92	found, we expect that this would be more related with recent climatic shifts than with older
93	events, such as Mesoamerican mountain uplift, based on biogeographic studies and time
94	estimation approaches in Trochilidae (McGuire et al., 2014).
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96	2. Materials and methods
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98	2.1. Taxon sampling and sequencing
99	We used tissue and feather samples from 129 individuals of <i>E. fulgens</i> collected at 45
100	localities covering most of its geographic range (see Supplementary Information S1 and S2). We
101	defined seven groups corresponding to each of the main mountain ranges where the species
102	complex is distributed according to biogeographic areas previously proposed in biogeographic
103	studies (Morrone, 2006, 2010): Sierra Madre Occidental, SMOc; Sierra Madre Oriental, SMOr;
104	Trans-Mexican Volcanic Belt, TMVB; Sierra Madre del Sur, SMS; north of Sierra Madre del
105	Sur, SMSn; and north and south of populations at east of Isthmus of Tehuantepec: EITn, and
106	EITs (see Supplementary Information S2). Tissue samples were provided by the Museo de

108 Museum (University of Kansas), Burke Museum (University of Washington), and the Museum109 of Natural Science (Louisiana State University).

110 DNA was extracted with the DNAeasyTM kit (Qiagen Inc., Valencia, CA, USA) and 111 following manufacturer's protocols. DNA was then amplified for both mitochondrial (mtDNA) 112 and nuclear (nDNA) markers. The mtDNA included the NADH dehydrogenase subunit 2 (ND2), 113 and the Control Region (CR), which were amplified using previously reported primers: L5219 114 and H6313 (Sorenson et al., 1999), and ARCOIF and ARCOIR (González et al., 2011), 115 respectively. All PCR reactions contained 10x of buffer (1.25 µL), 10mM of each dNTP (0.19 116 μ L), 50 mM of MgCl₂ (0.38 μ L), 10 μ M of each primer (0.25 μ L), 0.1 μ L of Taq (INVITROGEN), and 0.5 µL of genomic DNA (12.5 µL total volume). Protocols for PCR 117 118 reactions and for sequencing the PCR products are described elsewhere (González et al., 2011; 119 Zamudio-Beltrán and Hernández-Baños, 2015). PCR products were visualized on a 1% agarose 120 gel, and sequencing was performed at the High-Throughput Genomics Unit Service (University 121 of Washington). Chromatograms were edited and aligned with Sequencher v4.8 (GeneCodes 122 Corporation, Ann Arbor, MI) and sequences were deposited in GenBank under accession 123 numbers XXXX-XXXX.

Samples from 85 individuals were genotyped for six polymorphic microsatellite loci
designed for *Campylopterus curvipennis* (Cacu13-7, Cacu16-1; Molecular Ecology Resources
Primer Development Consortiium et al., 2010), *Amazilia cyanocephala* (Acya-10-9, Acya-4-1;
Molecular Ecology Resources Primer Development Consortiium et al., 2013), and *Selasphorus platycercus* (HumB2, HumB9, HumB11; Oyler-McCance et al. 2011). A full description of the
development protocol for the loci, PCR conditions, and fragment sizing of microsatellites can be
found at the Molecular Ecology Resources Database (http://tomato.biol.trinity.edu/), González et

al. (2011), Oyler-McCance et al. (2011) and Gutiérrez-Rodríguez et al. (2013). Chromatograms
were visualized and genotyped using GeneMapper v4.1 (Applied Biosystems, GeneMapper®).

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134 2.2. Population structure

135 In order to identify the number of mtDNA haplotypes and the relationships between 136 them, we constructed a statistical parsimony haplotype network using the program TCS v1.21 137 (Clement et al., 2000) with a 95% in connection probability limit. Connections ambiguities were 138 resolved using criteria reported elsewhere (Pfenninger and Posada, 2002). Networks were 139 constructed for each mitochondrial marker and for both concatenated markers. Then, estimates of 140 haplotype diversity, nucleotide diversity, mean number of pairwise differences, and population 141 $F_{\rm sr}$ values were determined for each marker by performing an analysis with 1000 replicates 142 implemented in Arlequin v3.11 (Excoffier et al., 2005). Using the same program, we conducted 143 two analyses of molecular variance (AMOVA; Excoffier et al., 1992) to detect structure between 144 populations, based on comparisons between groups defined geographically, and between groups 145 at both sides of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec (IT). 146 For microsatellites, we obtained values of observed heterozigosity, expected 147 heterozigosity and mean number of alleles with 1000 replicates in Arlequin v3.11 (Excoffier et

148 al., 2005). The extent of linkage disequilibrium between loci, and departures from Hardy-

149 Weinberg equilibrium were calculated using default parameters in Genepop v4.2 web server

150 (Raymond and Rousset, 1995; Rousset, 2008). These markers were further used to examine

- 151 geographic structure patterns and to detect the number of hypothetical populations within *E*.
- 152 *fulgens* complex with the program STRUCTURE v2.3.4 (Falush et al., 2003; Hubisz et al., 2009;
- 153 Pritchard et al., 2000). We performed 20 independent runs under the admixture model with

154 correlated allele frequencies for each *K* value, ranging from one to seven. The burn-in period was
155 500 000, followed by 1 000 000 additional Monte Carlo Markov Chains (MCMC) replicates.

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157 2.3. Demographic analyses

158 To evaluate the demographic history of *E. fulgens* populations, we used the mtDNA data 159 set and estimated Tajima's D and Fu's Fs using Arlequin (Excoffier et al., 2005), with 1000 160 replicates. We also estimated values and reconstructed graphics of mismatch distributions under 161 an expansion model for each defined geographic group, and for groups at both sides of the IT, 162 using the same program and parameters. In order to obtain significance in statistical values, we 163 calculated the Harpending's Raggedness Index (HRI) for each mismatch reconstruction 164 (Harpending, 1994; Rogers and Harpending, 1992; Slatkin and Hudson, 1991). To analyze 165 variation in effective population size through time, we used Bayesian skyline plots (BSP; 166 Drummond et al., 2005) performed in BEAST v1.6.0 (Drummond and Rambaut, 2007), with 10 167 million steps for mtDNA, using a mean rate of 0.026 substitutions per site per lineage per million 168 years (s/s/l/My), according to ND2 and Control Region estimates (Lerner et al., 2011).

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170 2.4. Divergence times

171 Divergence time estimates were obtained using BEAST v1.6.0 (Drummond and

172 Rambaut, 2007). We used the mtDNA data set and included data from *Eugenes spectabilis*,

173 Lamprolaima rhami, Heliomaster longirostris, Lampornis clemenciae, Atthis heloisa, Doricha

174 eliza, and Tilmatura dupontii as outgroups. For each partition (ND2+CR), we calculated the

175 evolutionary model that better fit the data using jModeltest v0.1.1 (Posada, 2008), and based on

176 the Akaike Information Criterion AIC (Akaike, 1987). We employed an uncorrelated lognormal

177 relaxed clock, and a Yule speciation model to model the tree prior. We assigned a calibration

178 node based on a secondary calibration obtained for the split between the "Mountain Gems" (E. 179 fulgens, E. spectabilis, L. rhami, H. longirostris, and L. clemenciae) and "Bees" (A. heloisa, D. 180 eliza, and T. dupontii; 18.5 Mya, 95% highest posterior density intervals 21.86–15.30 Mya; 181 Zamudio-Beltrán et al., in prep.). We incorporated mean substitution rates, with a normal 182 distribution, of 0.0068 (s/s/l/My) for ND2 (Pacheco et al., 2011), and 0.023 (s/s/l/My) for Control 183 Region (Lerner et al., 2011). This analysis was run for 100 million generations, sampling every 184 1000 generations, with a burn-in period of 20%. We used TreeAnnotator v1.8.2 (Rambaut and 185 Drummond, 2007) to summarize the sampled trees as a maximum clade credibility tree, and to 186 obtain mean divergence times with 95% highest posterior density (HPD) intervals. 187

188 2.5. Present and past geographic distribution

189 We performed present and past reconstructions of potential distributions for E. fulgens 190 complex, under three different scenarios: two for the Last Glacial Maximum (LGM), 21 000-18 191 000 years ago (using both MIROC and CCSM models), and one for the Last Interglacial (LIG), 192 120 000–140 000 years ago. We used a data set of 472 records provided by the Museo de 193 Zoología Alfonso L. Herrera (UNAM) from georeferenced museum specimens for the "Atlas de 194 Aves de México" (Navarro et al., 2003). We used 19 bioclimatic layers from the WorldClim 195 database (BIO1-BIO19; Hijmans et al., 2005), for each georeferenced individual, using the 196 software ArcView v3.2 (ESRI, Redlands, CA, USA). We performed a Principal Components 197 Analysis (PCA) using R statistical software (Ripley, 2001), to detect correlation between 198 variables and to choose the most informative bioclimatic variables. 199 Ancestral and present reconstructions were performed using the maximum entropy

algorithm implemented in Maxent v1.0 (Phillips and Dudík, 2008). Default parameters were

used, with 80% of the data for training the model and 20% for testing it. Climate estimations for
each reconstruction were projected using ArcView v3.2 (ESRI, Redlands, CA, USA).

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204 2.6. Morphological variation

205 To examine morphological variation within the *E. fulgens* complex, we took five 206 measures from 465 voucher specimens from different biological collections: Museo de Zoología 207 Alfonso L. Herrera (UNAM), Museum of Comparative Zoology (MCZ), the American Museum 208 of Natural History (AMNH), the Bird and Mammal Collection (UCLA), and the Moore Lab of 209 Zoology (MLZ). These included: (1) bill length (from the upper base of the bill to the tip of the 210 upper mandible), (2) bill width (width by the location of the nostrils), (3) bill depth (from the 211 upper mandible to the base of the bill by the location of the nostrils), (4) wing chord (the distance 212 from the carpal joint to the tip of the longest primary), and (5) tail length (the distance from the 213 uropygial gland to the tip of the longest rectrix). All measures were taken using a dial calliper 214 with a precision of 0.1 mm or a millimetric ruler (for the last measurement). We performed 215 statistical analysis (t-Student test) to detect significant differences between males and females 216 with the statistical software STATISTICA v7 (StatSoft, 2004). Subsequently using the same 217 program, we performed an analysis of variance (ANOVA) comparing the seven geographical 218 groups defined above, considering males and females separately, and performed a post-hoc 219 analysis (Fisher's Least Significant Difference Test, LSD; Williams and Abdi, 2010) to detect 220 significant differences between groups.

We then carried out a further discriminant analysis by using all morphological measures as independent variables, and using either the seven geographical groups or low more general groups (east and west of the IT) as clustering variables to predict category classifications. Results were plotted in R statistical software (Ripley, 2001), using the package ggplot2 (Wickham,
2009).

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- 227 **3. Results**
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229 *3.1. Genetic diversity and population structure*

We obtained 129 mtDNA sequences that were concatenated in dataset of 1405 bp (877 bp for ND2, and 528 bp for CR), containing111 polymorphic sites, 81 parsimony informative sites and 86 haplotypes (45 for ND2 and 52 for CR). Only 21 of these haplotypes were shared between two or more populations. Haplotype diversity was high in all geographic groups (Table 1), but nucleotide diversity (π) was low.

235 As shown in Fig. 1, the haplotype networks revealed different groupings within the 236 complex. However, there seems to be a separation and geographic correspondence of populations 237 separated by the IT (i.e. orange/yellow haplotypes vs. other colors in Fig. 1). Indeed, some of the 238 haplotypes found east of the IT could not be reliably linked to the main network with the distinct 239 datasets. The most common haplotypes were shared by all locations west of the Isthmus of 240 Tehuantepec. Pairwise F_{st} values (Table 2) revealed a significant genetic structure between some 241 groups, particularly when comparing TMVB and EITs with the other *a priori* defined population 242 sets.

The mean number of alleles for the microsatellite locus ranged from 4.6 to 13.33 (Table 3). Across sampled localities, this number varied from 4 (HUMB9) to 43 (Acya-10-9). No linkage disequilibrium was detected among locus across populations, and only one locus departed from H-W equilibrium (Cacu16-1). The STRUCTURE results revealed that the highest value of likelihood was obtained for K=5, although there was no correspondence with the

248	geographical groups defined <i>a priori</i> , excepting for some concordance with one locality sampled
249	at the highlands of El Salvador (EITs). AMOVA results indicated that the highest genetic
250	variation was observed among populations, and it was even higher when grouping populations at
251	both sides of the IT, 70.30% (P<0.0001, Table 4).
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253	3.2. Demographic analyses
254	According to neutrality test values (Table 1), the populations that presented signs of
255	demographic expansion, when grouping by geographic region, were SMOc, SMO, SMS, and
256	EITn; and only population west of the IT was significant when grouping by populations at both
257	sides of the IT. Mismatch distributions revealed demographic expansion signals in most
258	populations, except in TMVB and EITs (see supplementary information S3). The BSPs indicated
259	that populations west of the IT experienced a demographic expansion, supported also by
260	mismatch distribution curves, starting around 30,000 years ago, while demographic stability was
261	found for the east group (Fig. 3).
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263	3.3. Divergence times
264	Our results showed that the split between E . <i>fulgens</i> complex and its sister group (E .
265	spectabilis) occurred at ca. 5.57 Ma (7.12–3.79 Ma, Fig. 5). Phylogenetic relationships recovered
266	from BEAST analysis showed that the group east of IT does not represent a monophyletic group,
267	while few individuals were grouped within the west group. Diversification time for the split
268	between these two clades was dated around 2.56 Ma (3.27–1.61 Ma), which coincides with the
269	beginning of the Pleistocene. Main west group was dated at ca. 1.93 Ma (2.48–1.14 Ma), and the
270	east group around 1.02 Ma (1.32–0.47 Ma).
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272 *3.4. Present and past geographic distribution*

273	Among the 19 variables for performing species distribution modelling, only five were
274	retained according to PCA analysis: BIO6 (min temperature of coldest month), BIO5 (max
275	temperature of warmest month), BIO4 (temperature seasonality), BIO15 (precipitation
276	seasonality), and BIO2 (Mean Diurnal Range). Models for the present were consistent with the
277	known geographic distribution of the species (values of AUC>0.96), excepting the predicted area
278	in Baja California (Fig. 4). The projections to the LGM (MIROC and CCSM) predicted a similar
279	geographic area than at present. In contrast, projections into the LIG predicted a narrower
280	geographic distribution, with no presence of the species northern of the Sierra Madre Oriental,
281	and lower probability of presence across TMVB and the Sierra Madre Occidental.
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283	3.5, Morphological variation
284	Tests between males and females of E. fulgens revealed significant differences between
285	sexes for all evaluated variables. Differences were also between geographic groups (see
286	Supplementary Information S4). Females showed differences for all variables excepting for wing
287	chord ($F = 0.633$, $P = 0.70$), while in the males the only variable that did not show differences
288	between groups was the tail length ($F = 1.78$, $P = 0.10$). LSD test showed significant differences
289	between groups, principally in populations at east of IT (EITn, EITs). Results from SMSn
290	population were not taking into account for discussion due to their limited number of samples.
291	In the discriminant analyses, for females the first two canonical variables explained the
292	87% of data, with bill depth and bill length being the most informative variables for these roots.

293 For males, the first two canonical variables only explained 53% of total variation, which were

loaded by wing chord and bill length variation, respectively. As illustrated by Fig. 6, plots were

projected by geographical groups defined *a priori* and by groups at both sides of Isthmus of

296 Tehuantepec. Significant differences were found between groups at east of IT for males and297 females.

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299 4. Discussion

300 Here, we present full evidence for the evolutionary history of the magnificent 301 hummingbird Eugenes fulgens. Morphology and mtDNA variation suggest an incipient process 302 of diversification between populations at both sides of the IT. In contrast, microsatellite data 303 revealed high levels of gene flow and no geographic correspondence was found, excepting for a 304 southern coastal population limited by the Polochic-Motagua fault system. Divergence time 305 estimates suggest that the split between east and west populations occurred during early 306 Pleistocene (~2.56 Mya), and that climatic changes during this period have influenced population 307 dynamics of expansion on western (~30,000 ya) and stability on eastern populations.

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309 4.1. mtDNA and microsatellites variation

310 mtDNA results confirm the previously observed high levels of genetic variation of the 311 Eugenes fulgens complex, and the existence of two main groups, corresponding to the fulgens 312 and viridiceps subspecies, as previously reported (Zamudio-Beltrán and Hernández-Baños, 313 2015). Our haplotype networks reconstructions, $F_{\rm ST}$ values and AMOVA estimates revealed that 314 southern populations in Mesoamerica are genetically distinct from those west of the IT, 315 explained by the presence of this geographic barrier limiting gene flow (Barber and Klicka, 316 2010), and promoting isolation between populations, a pattern that has been found in other 317 Mesoamerican birds (Arbeláez-Cortés et al., 2010; Barber and Klicka, 2010; Barrera-Guzmán et 318 al., 2012), and hummingbirds (Cortés-Rodríguez et al., 2008; González et al., 2011; Malpica and 319 Ornelas, 2014; Rodríguez-Gómez et al., 2013; Jiménez and Ornelas, 2016).

320	There is concordance between the IT separation of populations and taxonomic proposals
321	(E.f. viridiceps from Chiapas to Nicaragua and E.f. fulgens from SW USA to Oaxaca), which
322	argue that populations east of the IT should be taxonomically reevaluated (Navarro-Sigüenza and
323	Peterson, 2004). In a recent study, enough multilocus genetic differences were found for most of
324	sampled individuals of E. f. viridiceps subspecies (Zamudio-Beltrán and Hernández-Baños,
325	2015) to suggest that it should be considered as a cryptic species resulted by a recent allopatric
326	speciation process, and that shared haplotypes could be the result of incomplete lineage sorting
327	(Maddison and Knowles, 2006; Peters et al., 2007).
328	In contrast, the STRUCTURE analysis with six microsatellites did not identify the seven
329	geographic groups defined <i>a priori</i> , or the disjunction between locations east and west of the IT.
330	The only exception observed was for the last cluster, where one sampled locality at EITs group
331	was partially separated from the rest. This sampled population from El Salvador (San Vicente) is
332	located on a coastal mountain range that could be isolated from nearer populations.
333	Differentiation between coastal volcanoes and main cordilleras has been reported before for an
334	Andean hummingbird, where population differentiation was found due to environmental
335	conditions at each site (Adelomyia melanogenys; Chaves et al., 2007). Also, this genetic
336	differentiation on southernmost population could be influenced by the Polochic-Motagua fault
337	system, a geographic barrier located in Guatemala that extends along ca. 400 km from the
338	Caribbean Sea to the Pacific Coast (Lyon-Caen et al., 2006). This fault system, conformed by
339	three tectonic plates (Polochic, Motagua and Jocotán), was originated as a result of plate
340	convergence and ocean closure since late Cretaceous (Donnelly, 1977; Lawrence, 1976;
341	Schwartz et al., 1979). Several studies have reported that this system fault could promote
342	isolation among populations from different taxa at different temporal scales (Puebla-Olivares et

al., 2008; Rovito et al., 2012; Villalobos, 2013; Malpica and Ornelas, 2014; Rodríguez-Gómez
and Ornelas, 2014).

The relationships between E. fulgens haplotypes were different depending on the 345 346 molecular marker used (mtDNA vs. microsatellites). Microsatellites signal was low compared to 347 that in mtDNA, which was unexpected given that microsatellites are subject to higher mutation 348 rates (Chistiakov et al., 2006). However, these differences could be more related to inheritance 349 (maternally or biparentally signal) plus dispersal movements. Northern and possibly central 350 populations of *E. fulgens* presents breeding movements to extreme north Mexico and southwest 351 USA, and populations in south Mexico and Central America are sedentary (Schuchmann, 1999). 352 The high levels of gene flow found for most populations, and the high genetic differentiation 353 between southernmost populations could be linked to these migration movements. This signal of 354 dispersal is expected since movement abilities are well known in Trochilidae, and also 355 considering that E. fulgens is a generalist hummingbird that feeds from a wide variety of 356 resources, and presents low territorial behavior (Lara, 2006). Higher geographic structure found 357 in mtDNA should suggest male-biased dispersal, and a higher site fidelity by females that remain 358 closer to their territories, probably due to their breeding biology, where females could limiting 359 longer movements due to exclusive parental care, a documented behavior in hummingbirds 360 (Pitelka, 1942; Wolf, 1969).

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362 4.2. Demographic history and biogeographic hypothesis

Population dynamic analyses (mismatch and BSPs), and models of ancestral distributions projections provide a general overview of demography history of *E. fulgens*. When we compared geographic groups, the expansion model was the more common pattern found in five of the seven groups. This has been a common pattern found in widely distributed species, as is *E. fulgens* case (Hewitt, 2000; Milá et al., 2007). Given that the genetic variation was best explained when
grouping populations at both sides of the IT (AMOVA, 70.3% among populations), we decided
to evaluate the demographic patterns on those two main groups. In this case, widespread
populations at the west presented a pattern of demographic expansion (ca. 30 000 years ago) that
coincides closely to the LGM (ca. 20 000 years ago), while eastern populations remained stable
over time, which is consistent with the geographic structure previously discussed.

373 Accordingly, our results show that E. fulgens complex and the split into the two lineages 374 separated by the IT occurred about 2.56 Mya. Taking into account these estimates, it is clear that 375 the geologic origin of the IT that started during the Late Miocene (ca. 6 Mya, Barrier et al., 376 1998), was not the primary cause of *E. fulgens* divergence. One of the most accepted hypotheses 377 of geographic differentiation is that Pleistocene climatic fluctuations promoted the so-called 378 Pleistocene refugia (Hewitt, 1996; Sánchez-González et al., 2008; Smith et al., 2011). Our 379 divergence time estimation combined with our demography results suggest that E. fulgens 380 complex was established during early Pleistocence, and that posterior climatic fluctuations and 381 changes in seaways around the IT could have fractured habitats (Barber and Klicka, 2010), and 382 promoted the divergence of these main two lineages: viridiceps and fulgens, which might 383 represent an incipient process of speciation.

The projections into ancestral conditions during LIG (~140 000 years ago) and LGM (~20 000 years ago), showed that in both cases there were favorable climatic conditions for the species, but the ecological climatic conditions were more suitable during LGM period, possibly promoting the recent demographic expansion found for western populations, and having no significant effect on eastern populations. This expansion of territories and contraction of them, during interglacial periods, could lead on mixing of populations east and west during glacial

390 cycles (i.e. secondary contact), explaining the presence of shared haplotypes between both391 lineages.

392 The phylogeographic split between populations separated by the IT was also supported by 393 data of morphological variation. Despite the fact that we found overlap in measures for some 394 geographic groups, the statistically significant values confirm that there exists a pattern of 395 phenotypic separation between those populations. When plotting values of discriminant analyses, 396 significant differences between eastern populations were also revealed, which suggest that 397 southernmost populations do present isolation limited probably by the Motagua system zone. 398 Some studies have analyzed ecological and environmental factors to explain morphological 399 differentiation as consequence of natural selection (Chaves et al., 2007; De Leon et al., 2010; 400 McCormack et al., 2008). For evaluating the selection as a driver of differentiation, comparisons 401 on environmental conditions and morphological traits should be done between the different areas 402 to corroborate whether morphological differences are either related to ecological adaptation or 403 random genetic drift under isolation.

The present work allowed us to infer about the phylogeographic pattern and the evolutionary history of *E. fulgens* in the highlands of Mesoamerica. This study revealed the presence of two main lineages, one of which has remained demographically stable and geographically isolated by the Isthmus of Tehuantepec and/or by the Motagua-Polochic system fault. An increasing in sampling effort around this area (Central America) should help to closely evaluate the genetic variation and the dynamics of gene flow around this region.

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Table 1. Statistical parameters of genetic diversity, population structure and population demography for mtDNA data, n: number of sequences used, h: number of haplotypes, Hd: haplotype diversity, π : nucleotide diversity, Pi: mean number of pairwise differences.

GROUP	n	h	Hd	π	Pi (theta)	Tajima's D	Fu's Fs Test			
(a) Biogeographic region										
SMOc	38	31	0.99	0.0024	3.559	-1.88 (P=0.01)	-26.02 (P=0.00)			
SMO	22	20	0.99	0.0026	3.80	-1.59 (P=0.04)	-22.69 (P=0.00)			
TMVB	26	20	0.95	0.0018	11.73	-0.82 (P=0.22)	-3.04 (P=0.04)			
SMS	20	17	0.97	0.0022	3.62	-1.53 (P=0.05)	-17.99 (P=0.00)			
SMSn	5	5	1.0	0.0018	2.60	-0.67 (P=0.37)	-2.52 (P=0.02)			
EITn	12	10	0.97	0.0099	3.04	-1.95 (P=0.006)	-25.26 (P=0.00)			
EITs	6	5	0.93	0.0192	27.5	-0.09 (P=0.54)	0.88 (P=0.42)			
(b) Isthmus of Tehuantepec										
WEST	111	72	0.97	0.0022	3.11	-2.37 (P=0.00)	-26.37 (P=0.00)			
EAST	18	14	0.97	0.0184	25.9	1.25 (P=0.93)	-4.89 (P=0.02)			

Table 2. Population pairwise F_{ST} mtDNA

	SMOc	SMO	TMVB	SMS	SMSn	EITn	EITs
SMOc							
SMO	-0.008						
TMVB	0.829*	0.807*					
SMS	-0.014	-0.020	0.799*				
SMSn	-0.095	-0.076	0.743*	-0.081			
EITn	0.009	0.016	0.821*	0.0146	-0.065		
EITs	0.705*	0.655*	0.467*	0.637*	0.466*	0.677*	
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*P<0.05

Table 3. Statistical parameters for microsatellites data, Ho: observed heterozigosity,He: expected heterozigosity.

GROUP	GROUP n Mean		Ho	He
		locus		
SMOc	31	13.33	0.62	0.75
SMO	15	9.67	0.54	0.74
TMVB	9	8.00	0.55	0.83
SMS	8	8.50	0.63	0.78
SMSn	5	5.33	0.57	0.76
EITn	11	8.83	0.60	0.80
EITs	6	4.6	0.46	0.75

Table 4. AMOVA results on *Eugenes fulgens* populations defined according to biogeographic regions, and grouped into groups separated by the Isthmus of Tehuantepec.

	d.f.	Sum of squares	Variance components	Percentage of variation	Fixation indices
Biogeographic	1				
Among	6	301.22	2.74	51.17	
populations					
Within	122	319.22	2.62	48.83	
populations					
Total	128	620.44	5.36		$F_{ST}=0.51***$
Isthmus of Te	huante	epec			
Among	1	229.07	7.29	70.30	
populations					
Within	127	391.37	3.08	29.70	
populations					
Total	128	620.44	10.38		$F_{ST}=0.70***$

****P*<0.0001

Figure captions

Figure 1. Statistical parsimony haplotype networks for 129 individuals of *E. fulgens*, constructed with three different databases: ND2, CR and concatenated mtDNA markers. Different colors in networks correspond to the different geographic groups in the map. Size of each circle is proportional to the number of individuals carrying each haplotypes.

Figure 2. Posterior assignment probabilities of 85 individuals of *E. fulgens* to an optimal number of K=5 (top). Each individual is represented by a vertical rectangle. Proportions of each hypothetical cluster to each sampled site are drawn on the map. Size of each circle is proportional to the number of individuals at each locality.

Figure 3. Mismatch distributions and Bayesian skyline plots for each group at both sides of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. In mismatch distributions, solid lines indicate the observed distributions of pairwise differences, and dotted lines represent simulated distributions under a model of population expansion. In Bayesian skyline plots, solid lines represent median estimates and shaded areas represent 95% confidence intervals.

Figure 4. Species distribution model for *E. fulgens* complex at Last Interglacial (LIG, ~140,000 Ya), at Last Glacial Maximum (LGM, ~21,000 Ya) under two different ancestral models (CCSM, MIROC), and at present.

Figure 5. Phylogeny illustrating divergence times for *Eugenes fulgens* complex as generated by BEAST. Bars on each node represent 95% of high posterior density of divergence times (HPD). Numbers below nodes represent posterior probability values of principal clades in topology. Ma (Million years).

Figure S2. Geographic distribution of *Eugenes fulgens* complex. Red hexagons represent sampled localities corresponding to tissues used in this study. Geographic groups defined *a priori* are drawn by different colors and represented by different letters on the map. Geographic groups: SMOc (Sierra Madre Occidental), SMO (Sierra Madre Oriental), TMVB (Trans Mexican Volcanic Belt), SMS (Sierra Madre del Sur), SMSn (north from Sierra Madre del Sur), ETIn (north from east of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), EITs (south from east of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec). The illustration corresponds to a male from *E. fulgens*.

Figure S3. Mismatch distributions for each geographic group of *Eugenes fulgens*. Solid lines indicate the observed distributions of pairwise differences, and dotted lines represent simulated distributions under a model of population expansion. Geographic groups are represented in different colors according to the geographic regions on the map. The y axis is distribution frequency, and the x axis represent pairwise differences.

Figure S4. Morphological characters taken for males and females of *E. fulgens* groups. Boxplots show the percentiles of 25%, 50% (median), and 75%, upper and lower whisker show quartiles of 25%. Geographic groups are represented in different colors according to geographic regions. Numbers above or below each boxplot represent sampled individuals. Statistical differences between groups are represented with an asterisk (*P<0.05).

Figure S5. Discriminant analysis for males and females of *E. fulgens*. A) Plots representing geographic groups in different colors, mean values are represented by a black dot for each group. B) Plots by geographic groups differentiating populations at east and west from the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. C) Plots representing populations at east and west from the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. Statistical differences between groups are represented with an asterisk (*P<0.05).





SMOG	SMO	TMVE	SMS	SMSr	EITn	EITs

Figure 2.



Figure 3.



Figure 4.





Supplementary material S1. Localities, geographic groups (GG), number of sequences, coordinates and biological collections of *Eugenes fulgens* tissue samples.

#ID	Localities	GG	mtDNA	nDNA	Latitude	Longitude	BC
			(ND2, CR)	(microsatellites)			
1	USA, Arizona, Chiricahua mountains.	SMOc	2	2	31.84	-109.32	UW
2	USA, Arizona, Price Canyon.	SMOc	2	2	31.68	-109.23	LSU
3	Chihuahua, Madera	SMOc	9	8	28.63	-108.26	UW
4	Chihuahua, Cumbres de Güerachi.	SMOc	5	5	26.83	-107.37	UNAM
5	Durango, Salvador Allende.	SMOc	1	0	24.08	-104.93	UW
6	Durango, Mimbres.	SMOc	6	6	23.93	-104.99	UNAM
7	Durango, El Salto.	SMOc	1	0	23.77	-105.36	UNAM
8	Sinaloa, Chara Pinta.	SMOc	2	0	23.59	-105.87	UNAM
9	Sinaloa, El Palmito.	SMOc	1	0	23.56	-105.82	UNAM
10	Sinaloa, La Laguna.	SMOc	1	0	23.48	-105.83	UNAM
11	Jalisco, Sierra de Bolaños	SMOc	9	8	21.88	-103.86	UW
12	Nuevo León, Galeana	SMO	5	5	24.88	-100.22	UW
13	Nuevo León, Peña Nevada	SMO	4	0	23.84	-99.89	UW
14	Querétaro, Tres Lagunas	SMO	2	2	21.33	-99.20	UNAM
15	Querétaro, Río Tancuilín	SMO	1	0	21.27	-99.06	UNAM
16	Querétaro, El Pemoche	SMO	3	3	21.22	-99.10	UNAM
17	Hidalgo Huejutla	SMO	2	0	21.14	-98.41	UNAM
18	Hidalgo, Tlalchinol	SMO	5	5	20.98	-98.60	UNAM
19	Jalisco, Sierra Cacoma	TMVB	1	0	19.84	-104.45	UNAM
20	Jalisco, Tequila	TMVB	6	0	20.78	-103.84	UW
21	Michoacán, Nuevo San Juan	TMVB	2	3	19.38	-102.24	UW
22	Michoacán, Patzcuaro	TMVB	1	1	19.51	-101.58	UNAM
23	Querétaro, El Zamorano	TMVB	1	0	20.93	-100.18	UNAM

24	Michoacán, Contepec	TMVB	1	1	19.97	-100.15	UNAM
25	Querétaro, Ojo de Agua	TMVB	1	0	20.97	-100.02	UNAM
26	Querétaro, San Gaspar	TMVB	1	0	21.13	-99.68	UNAM
27	Querétaro, Chavarrías	TMVB	2	0	20.77	-99.55	UNAM
28	Morelos, Amatlán de Quetzalcóatl	TMVB	4	4	18.97	-99.03	UNAM
29	Hidalgo, Eloxochitlán	TMVB	2	0	20.74	-98.81	UNAM
30	Hidalgo, El Potrero	TMVB	1	0	20.31	-98.22	UNAM
31	Puebla, Acajete	TMVB	1	0	19.14	-97.92	UNAM
32	Puebla, Cuitchat	TMVB	2	0	20.09	-97.51	UNAM
33	Guerrero, Carrizal de Bravo.	SMS	12	8	17.67	-99.88	UNAM
34	Guerrero, Omiltemi	SMS	5	0	17.55	-99.67	UNAM
35	Guerrero, Xocomanatlán	SMS	2	0	17.55	-99.63	UNAM
36	Guerrero, El Molote.	SMS	1	0	17.44	-100.2	UNAM
37	Oaxaca, Teotitlán	SMSn	1	1	18.11	-96.64	UW
38	Oaxaca, Ixtlán Las Nubes	SMSn	3	3	17.32	-96.46	UNAM
39	Oaxaca, Cerro Piedra Larga	SMSn	1	1	16.60	-95.8	UNAM
40	Chiapas, Cerro Mozotal	EITn	1	0	17.43	-92.60	UNAM
41	Chiapas, Cerro Huitepec	EITn	6	6	16.73	-92.68	UNAM
42	Guatemala, Quezaltenango, Sta. Ma. de Jesús	EITn	5	5	14.71	-91.52	UW
43	El Salvador, Chalatenango	EITs	1	1	14.38	-89.12	KU
44	El Salvador, Chalatenango	EITs	1	1	14.13	-88.91	KU
45	El Salvador, San Vicente	EITs	4	4	13.6	-88.84	KU

BC: Biological Collection.

UNAM: Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Museo de Zoología Alfonso L. Herrera.

KU: The University of Kansas, Natural History Museum.

LSU: Louisiana State University, Museum of Natural Science.

UW: University of Washington, The Burke Museum.

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL S2



SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL S3



SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL S4





*P<0.05



ARTÍCULO 4. VARIACIÓN GENÉTICA Y FENOTÍPICA DEL COLIBRÍ Lamprolaima rhami (Aves: Trochilidae).

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Resumen.- Los bosques mesófilos de montaña, también conocidos como bosques de niebla, son uno de los ecosistemas más amenazados en América y uno de los de mayor biodiversidad en el mundo. Las especies que habitan estos bosques se caracterizan por presentar altos niveles de estructuración geográfica. Aquí analizamos si las poblaciones del colibrí Lamprolaima rhami (Garnet-throated Hummingbird) presentan éste mismo patrón, y describimos la importancia de este estudio a nivel poblacional en esta especie con una distribución geográfica altamente restringida en Mesoamérica. Esta especie habita principalmente en los bosques mesófilos de montaña, sin embargo, su rango altitudinal abarca los hábitats comprendidos entre los 1200 y los 3000 msnm, como los bosques de pino-encino, los bosques tropicales y los matorrales. Algunas propuestas taxonómicas han descrito tres grupos diferentes basados en sutiles diferencias morfológicas: 1) L. r. rhami (descrita como una subespecie), presenta una distribución geográfica restringida en las tierras altas de México (Puebla, Veracruz, Oaxaca, Chiapas) y Guatemala, 2) L. r. occidentalis (descrita como una raza), distribuida en Guerrero, y 3) L. r. saturatior (descrita como subespecie), distribuida en las tierras altas de Honduras y El Salvador. Empleamos ADN mitocondrial (subunidades 6 y 8 del gen ATPasa y la Región Control) con el fin de analizar la variación genética de 52 individuos. También evaluamos la variación morfológica en 213 ejemplares de colección, analizamos la historia demográfica del complejo, estimamos tiempos de divergencia y llevamos a cabo una reconstrucción filogenética multilocus con el fin de proponer una reevaluación taxonómica para la especie. En general, encontramos altos niveles de diferenciación genética, además de variación a nivel morfológico que coincide con las regiones geográficas de distribución de la especie. Recomendamos considerar a todos los grupos acomo unidades de manejo independientes tomando en cuenta el aislamiento geográfico, las diferencias morfológicas significativas y la evidencia multilocus de diferenciación.

Palabras clave: Gemas de las Montañas, Trochilidae, Neotrópico, Mesoamérica, Filogenia, Colibríes.

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21 ABSTRACT

22 Cloud forests is one of the most endangered ecosystems in the Americas, but also one of the 23 richest in biological diversity in the world. The species inhabiting these forests are 24 characterized by high levels of geographic structure. Here, we analyzed if this pattern is also 25 present in populations of the Garnet-Throated Hummingbird Lamprolaima rhami, and 26 describe the importance of this study at the population level for a species with a highly 27 restricted distribution in Mesoamerica. This species mainly inhabits cloud forest, but can also be found in all habitats at elevations between 1,200 and 3,000 m above the sea level, such as 28 29 forest edges, pine-oak forests, upper tropical forests and scrub. Three taxa have been 30 described based on subtle morphological differences: 1) L. r. rhami (described as subspecies) 31 restricted to the Mexican highlands (Puebla, Veracruz, Oaxaca, Chiapas and Guatemala), 2) 32 L. r. occidentalis (described as race) distributed in Guerrero, 3) L. r. saturatior (subspecies), 33 distributed in the highlands from Honduras and El Salvador. We used mitochondrial DNA 34 (subunits 6 and 8 of ATPase, and Control Region) to analyze the genetic variation of 52 individuals. We also evaluated morphological variation in 213 specimens, analized 35 36 demographic history, estimated divergence times, and built a multilocus phylogeny to propose 37 a taxonomic reevaluation for the complex. We found high levels of genetic differentiation, 38 and significant morphological variation that corresponded with the geographic distribution for 39 the species. We recomended considering all groups as independent management units taking 40 into account geographic isolation, significant morphological differences and multilocus 41 evidence of differentiation.

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44 Keywords: Lamprolaima rhami, Trochilidae, Mesoamerica, Cloud Forest, Hummingbirds.

1. Introduction

47	Cloud forests is one of the mostly threatened and biodiverse habitats in the world
48	(Hamilton, 1995; Mulligan, 2010). In Mesoamerica, that biologically represents the transition
49	zone between Nearctic and Neotropical region (Morrone, 2006; Ríos-Muñoz, 2013), the cloud
50	forests are restricted to a highland particular sector between 600 and 3000 m above sea level
51	(Foster, 2001). Several studies have tried to describe the evolutionary proceses that have
52	shaped the enormous diversity of cloud forests, concluding that species show high levels of
53	isolation and population differentiation when compared to those geographically
54	interconnected habitats (Ataroff and Rada, 2000; de Barcellos Falkenberg and Voltolini,
55	1995; Ornelas et al., 2013). Lack on population differentiation studies could result in
56	underestimating biodiversity as discussed elsewhere (Arbeláez-Cortés and Navarro-Sigüenza,
57	2013; Bonaccorso et al., 2008; McCormack et al., 2008).
58	Recently, different studies have focused in describing historical patterns and
59	recognizing new species (Cortés-Rodríguez et al., 2008; González et al., 2011; González-
60	Rodríguez et al., 2004; Ornelas et al., 2010). However, the number of species that inhabit
61	these forests are far from been fully studied, while the pace at which these forests are
62	disappearing due to anthropogenic causes is pushing researches to study more species before
63	the damage would be irrevocable (Martínez-Morales, 2005; Martínez-Morales, 2005; Olander
64	et al., 1998).
65	The Trochilidae family is a well known reference in biological studies containning
66	interesting species models for evolutonary studies (Bleiweiss, 1998a; McGuire et al., 2007),
67	although only a few of them focus on species inhabiting cloud forests (Bleiweiss, 1998b;
68	Chaves et al., 2007; Chaves and Smith, 2011; Cortés-Rodríguez et al., 2008). The Garnet-

69 Throated Hummingbird, Lamprolaima rhami, is one of such taxa. It has a restricted 70 Mesoamerican distribution mainly inhabiting patches of cloud forests, although its altitudinal 71 range (between 1200 and 3000 m) aslo can comprise other kind of habitats, like pine-oak 72 forests, upper tropical forests, forest edges and scrub (Howell and Webb, 1995; Schuchmann, 73 1999). Previous surveys propose three different taxa for this species based on subtle 74 morphological differences: 1) L. r. rhami (described as subspecies), restricted to the highlands 75 of central and southern Mexico (in the states of Puebla, Veracruz, Oaxaca and Chiapas) and 76 Guatemala (Lesson, 1838); 2) L. r. occidentalis (described as a race), which can only be 77 found in the state of Guerrero in south-western Mexico (Schuchmann, 1999); and 3) L. r. 78 saturatior (described as subspecies), distributed in the highlands of Honduras and El Salvador 79 (Griscom, 1932).

80 Being a resident of high fragmented cloud forests with unique bioclimatic 81 characteristics, Lamprolaima rhami represents an interesting model to assess evolutionary 82 hypotehses about geographic structure and the recognition of independent lineages that should 83 be considered in conservation plans. Hence, the main objectives of this paper were: 1) to 84 evaluate the genetic and morphological variation of the Lamprolaima rhami complex, 2) to 85 describe the phylogenetic relationships within *L. rhami* using a multilocus dataset, and 3) to 86 identify possible independent lineages within this complex. Based on cloud forest 87 characteristics and site fidelity of this hummingbird species, we would expect to find high 88 levels of genetic structure supported by congruence in morphological variation within L. 89 *rhami* complex. Thus and according to patterns described on phylogeography (Avise et al., 90 1987), phylogenetic discontinuities and spatial separation are expected rather than 91 phylogenetic continuity and lack of spatial separation.

93 2. Material and methods

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95 2.1 Taxon sampling and sequencing.

96 We obtained tissues from 52 individuals of L. rhami from 13 localities across most of 97 its geographic range (See supplementary information S1, S2). We defined 5 groups a priori, 98 corresponding to as many isolated geographic regions: 1) the Sierra Madre Oriental and the 99 northern portion of Sierra Madre del Sur (SMO&nSMS), 2) the Sierra Madre del Sur (SMS), 100 3) the Sierra Sur de Oaxaca (SSO), 4) highlands of Chiapas and Guatemala (EITn), and 5) 101 highlands of Honduras and El Salvador (EITs). Tissues samples were obtained just for three 102 geographic groups (SMO&SMSn, SMS, EITn), and provided by different biological 103 collections, inlcuding the Museo de Zoología Alfonso L. Herrera (Universidad Nacional 104 Autónoma de México), the Museum of Natural Science (Lousiana State University), and the 105 Museum of Vertebrate Zoology (MVZ).

DNA was extracted using the DNAeasyTM kit (Qiagen Inc., Valencia, CA, USA), and 106 107 following manufacturer's protocols. For evaluating the general genetic variation of the 108 complex, two mitochondrial markers were obtained for the totality of samples (Control 109 Region, CR; and subunits 6 and 8 from ATPase gene, ATPase 6 & 8), while for evaluating the 110 phylogenetic relationships between groups, two additional mitochondrial markers and three 111 nuclear regions were surveyed for a subsample of 15 individuals (NADH dehydrogenase 112 subunit 2, ND2; NADH dehydrogenase subunit 4, ND4; the 7th intron of the beta fibrinogen 113 gene, BFib, the regions between exons 4 and 5 of the Muscle Skeletal Receptor Tyrosine 114 Kinase gene, MUSK; and a segment comprising the end of exon 6 and the beginning of exon 115 8 of the Ornithine Decarboxylase gene, ODC). These 15 individuals were chosen to have at 116 least five individuals per geographic group (three sampled groups), and analyze phylogenetic

relationships by increasing loci number. Also, we included sequences from these molecular
markers available in GenBank for *Eugenes fulgens* and *Heliomaster constantii*, as sister group
and outgroup respectively (McGuire et al., 2007; Zamudio-Beltrán and Hernández-Baños,
2015).

121 We amplified these molecular markers via the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) using 122 specific primers and protocols (See supplementary information S2). Reactions contained 10X 123 buffer (1.25 µL), 10mM dNTP (0.19 µL), 50 mM MgCl₂ (0.38 µL), 10 µM of each primer 124 (0.25 µL), 0.1 µL of Taq (INVITROGEN), and 0.5 µL of genomic DNA (12.5 µL total 125 volume). PCR products were visualized on a 1% agarose gel, and DNA sequencing was 126 performed in the High-Throughput Genomics Unit Service of the University of Washington. 127 We edited and aligned chromatograms with Sequencher v4.8 (GeneCodes Corporation, Ann 128 Arbor, MI). All sequences were deposited in GenBank under accession numbers XXXX-129 XXXX.

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131 *2.2 Population structure.*

132To evaluate the number of haplotypes and their relationships, statistical parsimony133haplotype networks were constructed for each mitochondrial marker (CR and ATPase 6 & 8)134and for their concatenated dataset using the program TCS v1.21 (Clement et al., 2000).

135 To analyze genetic diversity and genetic structure, we obtained values of haplotype 136 diversity, nucleotide diversity, mean number of pairwise differences, and population F_{ST}

values. This analysis was performed with 1000 replicates, using the program Arlequin v3.11

138 (Excoffier et al., 2005). Using the same program, we conducted an analysis of molecular

139 variance (AMOVA; Excoffier et al., 1992) to detect structure between populations, based on

140 comparisons between groups defined geographically.

To evaluate the isolation by distance among geographic regions, we performed a
Mantel Test with 1000 iterations, comparing matrices of genetic and geographic distances,
using the program zt v1.1 (Bonnet and de Peer, 2002).

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145 2.3 Demographic analyses.

146 To evaluate demography and population stability, we obtained Tajima's D and Fu's Fs 147 values, using Arlequin v2.11 (Excoffier et al., 2005), with 1000 replicates. Using the same program and parameters, we further evaluated the historical demography of each group under 148 149 an expansion model with a MISMATCH distribution test and estimated its significance with 150 the raggedness index (Harpending, 1994; Rogers and Harpending, 1992; Slatkin and Hudson, 151 1991). To analyze variation in effective population size through time, we used Bayesian 152 skyline plots (BSP; Drummond et al., 2005) performed in BEAST v1.6.0 (Drummond and 153 Rambaut, 2007), with 10 million steps for mtDNA, using a mean rate of 0.023 substitutions 154 per site per lineage per million years (s/s/l/My), according to Control Region and ATPase 155 estimates (Lerner et al., 2011).

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157 2.4 Evolutionary Models and Phylogenetic analyses.

We created four databases for the 15 individuals subset of *L. rhami*: 1) mtDNA (ATPase 6 and 8, CR, ND2, ND4), 2) nDNA (BFib, ODC), 3) nuclear Z-linked (MUSK), and 4) concatenated markers. These arrangements were made to analyze topologies separately, as different markers could lead on different genetic histories (maternally, paternally or biparentally). Heterozygous sites in nuclear markers were coded according with IUPAC ambiguities. The allele phase of each nuclear locus was resolved using PHASE v2.1 (Stephens et al., 2001), and seqPHASE web server for file conversions (Flot, 2010). We used

165 one randomly chosen haplotype from the two generated if it was the case, for further analyses. 166 For each molecular marker, we calculated the evolutionary model that better fit the data using 167 jModelTest 0.1.1. (Posada, 2008), based on the Akaike Information Criterion AIC (Akaike, 168 1987). We performed phylogenetic reconstructions with the Bayesian Inference (BI) approach 169 available in Mr. Bayes v3.0 (Huelsenbeck and Ronquist, 2002). We assigned different 170 evolutionary models to each gene partition for our four phylogenetic reconstructions. We ran 171 four simultaneous chains for each Monte Carlo Markov Chain analysis for 10 million 172 generations, and sampling every 250 generations. We determined the burn-in value using 173 Tracer v1.6.0 (Rambaut et al., 2013), and eliminated the initial 15% of generations. The 174 remaining trees were used to construct a majority rule consensus tree with posterior 175 probability distributions, which was visualized using the program FigTree v1.2.3 176 (http//tree.bio.ed.ac.uk/software/figtree/).

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178 2.5 Divergence times.

179 Divergence time estimates were obtained using BEAST v1.6.0 (Drummond and 180 Rambaut, 2007). We used the concatenated data set and included data from Eugenes fulgens, 181 *E. spectabilis*, *Heliomaster longirostris*, *Atthis heloisa*, *Doricha eliza*, and *Tilmatura dupontii* 182 as outgroups. For each partition, we assigned previous selected evolutionary model. We 183 employed a uncorrelated lognormal relaxed clock, and a Yule speciation model to model the 184 tree prior. We assigned a calibration node based on a secundary calibration obtained for the 185 split between the "Mountain Gems" (L. rhami, E. fulgens, E. spectabilis, and H. longirostris) 186 and "Bees" (A. heloisa, D. eliza, and T. dupontii; 18.5, 21.86-15.30 Mya; Zamudio-Beltrán et 187 al., in prep.). We incorporated mean substitution rates reported previously (ATPase 6 and 8, 188 ND2, ND4: Pacheco et al., 2011; CR: Lerner et al., 2011; BFib, MUSK, ODC: McGuire et

al., 2014). This analysis was run for 100 million generations, sampling every 1000

190 generations, with a burnin period of 20%. We used TreeAnnotator v1.8.2 (Rambaut and

191 Drummond, 2007) to summarize the sampled trees as a maximum clade credibility tree, and

192 to obtain mean divergence times with 95% highest posterior density intervals.

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194 2.6 Morphological variation.

To examine morphological variation between groups of *L. rhami*, we took five measures from 213 voucher specimens corresponding to four or the five geographic groups defined *a priori* (SMO&SMSn, SMS, EITn, EITs). These specimens were available from different biological collections, incluiding the Museo de Zoología Alfonso L. Herrera (UNAM), the Museum of Comparative Zoology (MCZ), the American Museum of Natural History (AMNH), the Bird and Mammal Collection (UCLA), and the Moore Lab of Zoology (MLZ).

202 Measures for bill length (from the upper base of the bill to the tip of the upper 203 mandible), bill width (width by the location of the nostrils), bill depth (from the upper 204 mandible to the base of the bill by the location of the nostrils), and wing chord (the distance 205 from the carpal joint to the tip of the longest primary) were taken with a dial calliper with a 206 precision of 0.1 mm, while the tail length (the distance from the uropigial gland to the tip of 207 the longest rectrix) was determined with a milimetric ruler. We performed statistical analysis 208 (t-student test) to detect significative differences between males and females using the 209 statistical software STATISTICA v7 (StatSoft, 2004). Subsequently usign the same program, 210 we performed an analysis of variance (ANOVA) comparing four groups defined a priori for 211 each variable, treating males and females separately, and performed a post-hoc analysis

212 (Fisher's Least Significant Difference Test, LSD; Williams and Abdi, 2010) to detect
213 significant differences between groups.

A category classification was performed with a discriminant analysis using the five morphological measurements as independent variables, and the geographic groups defined as grouping variable. In a second discriminant analysis we used as grouping variable the populations east and west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec (IT). The results of discriminant analysis were plotted in R statistical software (Ripley, 2001), using the package ggplot2 (Wickham, 2009).

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3. Results

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223 *3.1 Genetic diversity and population structure.*

224 We obtained a concatenated dataset of 1402 bp for 52 individuals (527 bp of the CR 225 and 875 bp of ATPase 6 & 8). The complementary dataset of five molecular markers for 15 226 individuals included 863 bp of ND2, 536 bp of ND4, 686 bp of BFib, 620 bp of MUSK, and 227 581 bp of ODC. The initial dataset included 30 haplotypes (22 found with CR and 14 with 228 ATPase 6 & 8), nine of which were shared between populations. Estimates of haplotype and 229 nucleotide diversity can be found in Table 1. Overall, high values of haplotype diversity, and 230 low levels of nucleotide diversity were observed within groups (SMO&SMSn, SMS, EITn). 231 Haplotype networks revealed a significant population structure within the L. rhami 232 complex (Fig. 1). There was a clear separation between populations at both sides of the IT, 233 which were separated by three to twelve mutation steps depending on the dataset, while the 234 localities of the SMS were closely linked to those of the SMO&SMSn. In general, the most 235 frequent haplotype was present in populations from the Sierra Madre Oriental and the

236 northern portion of the Sierra Madre del Sur group (SMO&SMSn). In Table 2, we can 237 observe that F_{ST} values confirm high levels of geographic structure between these two groups, 238 although all values are significant. This further translated into a significant correlation 239 between the genetic distance and the geographic distance matrices, according to the Mantel 240 test, thus suggesting isolation by distance between groups (r=0.87, p<0.005). 241 AMOVA results indicated that the highest genetic variation was observed among 242 populations, with similar percentages when grouping populations according to geographic 243 region or at both sides of the IT, 76.41% and 78.74% respectively (P<0.0001, Table 3). 244 245 3.2 Demographic analyses 246 The different methods used to evaluate demographic history resulted in ambiguous 247 results. The occurence of historical population expansion was supported by negative and 248 significant values of neutrality tests, except that for Tajima's D statistic in SMO&SMSn and 249 SMS populations (Table 1). Mismatch distribution unimodal curve was recovered only for 250 EIT population, but no significant values of raggedness index indicated possible demographic 251 expansion in all populations as curves under the expansion model did not deviate from a 252 unimodal distribution. BSP estimates revealed that effective population size was flat across 253 time for SMS. This pattern was also found for EIT, however, higher posterior density low 254 interval presented a growing demographic tendency, and subtle demographic expansion is 255 recovered in SMO&SMS population (Fig. 2). 256

257 *3.3 Evolutionary models and Phylogenetic analyses.*
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We obtained a concatenated dataset of 4679 bp. The best-fit models for each molecular marker were as follows: HKY (ATPase 6 & 8, MUSK), HKY+I (CR), TNR (ND2), GTR (ND4), and TPM1uf (BFib, ODC).

261 We recovered different topologies when using different kind of molecular marker 262 dataset (see Supplementary Information S4). Phylogenetic relationships using mtDNA 263 resulted in two main clades, one of them corresponding to all individuals from EIT group 264 (PP>0.95). Two main clades were recovered when using Z-linked dataset, one including 265 individuals from all different populations and one containing three of the five individuals 266 from EIT group. The hypothesis obtained with nDNA resulted in a topology where four of the 267 five individuals from SMO&SMSn were grouped in a well supported clade that belonged to a 268 bigger clade that contained individuals from all different populations, out of this main clade 269 three of the five individuals from SMS group were nested. To get a multilocus phylogenetic 270 approach, we obtained a topology using concatenated dataset, the phylogenetic reconstruction 271 showed a marked differentiation between groups at both sides of the IT (Fig. 3), although the 272 separation between the SMO & SMSn and the SMS groups could not be recovered. Most of 273 clades are supported by high posterior probabilities (PP>0.95).

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275 *3.4 Divergence times.*

Our divergence time estimations (Fig. 4, Table 4) showed that the split between *L. rhami* complex and its sister group (*E. fulgens*) was dated around 10.46 Mya (12.66-8.32 Mya). Time estimation for *L. rhami* complex was dated ca. 0.68 Mya (0.93-0.45 Mya), that corresponded to the divergence between populations at both sides of the IT. Group at west from the IT (SMO&SMSn and SMS) was dated at ~0.28 Mya (0.42-0.16 Mya), and east group (EITn) around 0.21 Mya (0.33-0.10 Mya). 282

283 *3.5 Morphological variation.*

284	Dimorphism tests between males and females revealed significant differences for all
285	variables. Females showed differences for all variables excepting for bill lenght (F=2.35,
286	p=0.07), while in the males all variables showed significant statistically differences between
287	groups (see supplementary information S5). In all cases, except in female bill lenght
288	comparison, statistical differences between groups were detected when LSD test was
289	performed. Such differences were further observed in the discriminant analyses using only the
290	first two cannonical roots (Fig. 4). For both sexes the most informative variables were bill
291	depth and bill lenght. Comparisons between groups were significant in all cases except
292	between group A (SMO&SMSn) and D (EITn).

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294 **4. Discussion**

Our study provides evidence of high levels of genetic differentiation and geographic correspondence among isolated populations in the *L. rhami* complex, according to haplotype network reconstructions, and high F_{ST} values, which confirm to isolation by distance test. The three sampled geographic regions (genetic data; SMO & SMSn, SMS, and EITn) mostly contained unique haplotypes that showed correspondence with the significant morphological differences found between them, so that allopatric divergence represents an important factor promoting genetic and morphological structure.

According to the original descriptions of phylogeographic patterns, the genetic variation found in *L. rhami* corresponds to a phylogenetic discontinuity and spatial vicariance pattern (Avise et al., 1987), which is the result of long-term isolation, and restricted gene flow among groups, probably promoted by geographic barriers. This pattern of high genetic 306 differentiation has been found in many Mesoamerican species of animals and plants 307 (Arbeláez-Cortés et al., 2014; Barber, 1999; Bonaccorso, 2009; Bryson et al., 2011; 308 Castañeda-Rico et al., 2014; Smith et al., 2011; Zarza et al., 2008). As expected, levels of 309 genetic variation were correlated with a pattern of isolation by distance associated with 310 disjunt distribution of cloud forests, where particular environmental characteristics have been 311 reported as drivers of differentiation between populations (Ramírez-Barahona and Eguiarte, 312 2014). In the case of populations west of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, geographic structure 313 could be explained by limited gene flow between regions (SMO & SMSn, SMS, and EITn) 314 due to this isolation more than the existence of geographic barriers. In contrast, the genetic 315 separation between populations at both sides of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec is certainly 316 influenced by this geographic barrier plus the distance variable. High levels of geographic 317 structure have been found on other hummingbird species, related to differences on present or 318 historical ecological conditions (Adelomyia melanogenys: Chaves et al., 2007; Lampornis 319 amethystinus: Ornelas et al., 2016). Also, moderated levels of differentiation have been found 320 on hummingbird species codistributed in Mesoamerican cloud forests (Campylopterus 321 curvipennis: González et al., 2011; Amazilia cyanocephala: Rodríguez-Gómez et al., 2013).

322 Despite the well-known movement abilities of Trochilidae species, some studies have 323 found that geographical barriers are crucial in promoting high levels of differentiation and in 324 the diversification of independent evolutionary lineages in various regions, such as the Andes 325 region (e.g. Adelomyia melanogenys, Chaves and Smith, 2011), Mesoamerica (Ornelas et al., 326 2016), the Motagua fault region (Rodríguez-Gómez and Ornelas, 2014), and the Isthmus of 327 Tehuantepec (González et al., 2011). By contrast, there is a hypothesis suggesting that the 328 high levels of intraspecific diversification found mostly on lowland Neotropical birds, are 329 related to limited dispersal ability (Burney and Brumfield, 2009). L. rhami exhibits some

330 altitudinal movements related with the presence of resources available along elevational gradients (Schuchmann, 1999). However, long dispersal movements have not been reported 331 332 for this species, so both factors could be influencing the geographic separation observed 333 herein (geographic barriers and limited longitudinal and latitudinal migration movements). 334 Divergence time estimations provided evidence of a Pleistocene origin of L. rhami 335 complex (0.68 Mya, 0.93-0.45 Mya), followed by a subsequent separation of populations 336 across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. Moreover, demographic history was evaluated under 337 different methods (neutrality tests, mismatch distributions and BSP). The demographic 338 analyses presented herein showed ambiguous patterns of populations dynamics, and despite 339 that range expansion is revealed in some tests (Tajima's D and/or Fu's Fs), no considerable 340 population size changes through time can be detected by the BSP approach. Mismatch 341 analysis recovered a unimodal curve, representing a possible demographic expansion on EIT 342 population, the most genetically differentiated region. It has been reported that climatic 343 fluctuations occurred during the Pleistocene could affect highland distributed species, 344 expanding and contracting their ranges, promoting allopatric differentiation (Still et al., 1999). 345 Concordance among genetic structure and morphological variation was found. Our 346 results of phenotypic variation for 213 voucher specimens of L. rhami showed geographic 347 structure between all populations. Despite that the group sampled at the east of the Isthmus of 348 Tehuantepec (EITn) was the most genetically differentiated, the morphological results 349 showed that groups at Sierra Madre del Sur (SMS), and the southern group east of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec (EITs), were the most differentiated according to phenotypic traits. 350 351 Unfortunately, we had no access to samples from ETIs region, so we could not confirm if this 352 morphological variation is consistent at genetic level. Also, we neither had access to enough 353 voucher specimens from SSO to conduct a reasonable statistical analysis.

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According to our multilocus phylogenetic approach, *L. rhami* is a complex conformed by two reciprocal monophyletic groups (full evidence, concatenated dataset). The use of different kinds of molecular markers resulted in different structured phylogenetic hypotheses, due to inheritance factors (e.g. recombination) and/or the differences on nucleotide substitution rates. However, all the hypotheses recovered monophyletic groups associated to an allopatric geographic region.

360 The large evidence of population differentiation for each isolated geographic region, 361 must be taking into account to make taxonomic reevaluations for this complex. The case of 362 Eugenes fulgens complex, the sister group of L. rhami, is one example of taxonomic 363 reevaluation based on a multilocus analysis (Gill, 2015.; Zamudio-Beltrán and Hernández-364 Baños, 2015). In this particular case, the subspecies recognition was underestimating 365 biodiversity at the intraspecific level. The problem of an incorrect placement of subspecies is 366 that this could promote mismanagement in conservation efforts (Zink, 2004). Taking into 367 account the level of threat that is reported in cloud forests in Mesoamerica, and the reduced 368 geographic distribution of this species, we suggest considering populations inhabiting each 369 geographic region as separate management units. Moreover, multiple evidence of 370 differentiation presented here must be taking into account to consider populations at both sides of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, as full species. 371

Even though we found distinguishable lineages, further work is needed, including a larger sampling effort in the southern highlands of Oaxaca (Mexico), and Central American highlands (Hounduras and El Salvador). Probably, despite of this study is still underestimating the number of independent units within *L. rhami* complex.

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Table 1. Statistical parameters of genetic diversity, population structure and population demography for mtDNA. n: number of sequences used, h: number of haplotypes, Hd: haplotype diversity, π : nucleotide diversity, Pi: mean number of pairwise differences.

GROUP	n	h	Hd	π	Pi(theta)	Tajima's D	Fu's Fs Test
SMO&SMSn	22	9	0.81	0.0022	4.22	-0.559	-5.505
						(P=0.30)	(P=0.003)
SMS	9	6	0.89	0.0026	3.73	-0.886	-2.77
						(P=0.22)	(P=0.022)
EIT	21	15	0.94	0.0021	3.50	-1.988	-14.93
						(P=0.012)	(P=0.000)

Table 2. Population pairwise F_{ST} mtDNA

	SMO&SMSn	SMS	EIT
SMO&SMSn			
SMS	0.176*		
EIT	0.769*	0.784*	

*P<0.05

Table 3. AMOVA results on *Lamprolaima rhami* populations defined according to biogeographic regions, and grouped into groups separated by the Isthmus of Tehuantepec.

	d.f.	Sum of squares	Variance components	Percentage of variation	Fixation indices				
Biogeographic region									
Among populations	2	167.63	5.04	76.41					
Within populations	49	76.23	1.56	23.59					
Total	51	243.87	6.59		$F_{ST}=0.76***$				
Isthmus of Tehuantepec									
Among populations	1	159.05	6.28	78.74					
Within populations	50	84.82	1.70	21.26					
Total	51	243.86	7.98		$F_{ST}=0.79***$				

Node	PP	Age Mya (95% of HPD)
А	1.00	14.02 (16.56-11.50)
В	0.71	12.79 (15.37-10.35)
C (E.fulgens/L.rhami)	1.00	10.46 (12.66-8.32)
D	1.00	5.83 (7.09-4.59)
Е	1.00	4.54 (5.61-3.50)
F	1.00	3.82 (4.83-2.91)
G	1.00	0.69 (1.02-0.4)
H (L.rhami)	1.00	0.68 (0.93-0.45)
Ι	1.00	0.28 (0.42-0.16)
J	1.00	0.21 (0.33-0.10)
K	0.90	0.21 (0.31-0.12)
L	0.27	0.16 (0.26-0.07)
М	0.41	0.15 (0.24-0.06)
Ν	0.61	0.14 (0.23-0.06)
0	0.30	0.12 (0.21-0.03)
Р	0.66	0.09 (0.17-0.02)
Q	0.98	0.08 (0.14-0.02)
R	0.97	0.07 (0.15-0.01)
S	0.87	0.04 (0.11-0.00)
Т	1.00	0.02 (0.06-0.00)
U	1.00	0.02 (0.05-0.00)

Table 4. Divergence times, posterior probabilities and 95% confidence intervals (high posterior density, HPD) in millions of years (Mya) in *L.rhami* complex.

Figure captions

Figure 1. Statistical parsimony haplotype networks for 52 individual of *L. rhami*, constructed with three different databases: ATPase 6 and 8, CR and concatenated mtDNA markers. Different colors in networks correspond to the different geographic groups on the map. Size of each circle is proportional to the number of individuals carrying each haplotypes.

Figure 2. Mismatch distributions and Bayesian skyline plots for each geographic group of *L. rhami*. In mismatch distributions, solid lines indicate the observed distributions of pairwise differences, and dotted lines represent simulated distributions under a model of population expansion. In Bayesian skyline plots, solid lines represent median estimates and shaded areas represent 95% confidence intervals. Geographic groups are represented in different colors according to the geographic regions on the map.

Figure 3. Phylogenetic Bayesian Inference reconstruction from 15 individuals of *L*. *rhami* complex using mitochondrial and nuclear markers (ATPase 6 and 8, CR, ND2, ND4, MUSK, BFib, ODC). Posterior probabilities PP>0.95 are shown (*). Different colors represent different groups according to the geographic regions on the map. Dotted line represents the separation at both sides of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec.

Figure 4. Phylogeny illustrating the divergence times for *L. rhami* complex as generated by BEAST. Bars on each node represent 95% of high posterior densities of divergence times (HPD). Letters at nodes corresponds to those referred in Table 4. Color bars represent groups defined *a priori*: SMO & SMSn (Sierra Madre Oriental and north from Sierra Madre del Sur), SMS (Sierra Madre del Sur), and ETIn (north from east of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), Ma (Million years).

Figure 5. Discriminant analysis for males and females of *L. rhami*. A) Plots representing geographic groups in different colors, mean values are represented by a black dot for each group. B) Plots by geographic groups differentiating populations at east and west from the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. C) Plots representing populations at east and west from the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. Statistical differences between groups are represented with an asterisk (*P<0.05).

Figure S2. Geographic distribution of *Lamprolaima rhami* complex. Red hexagons represent sampled localities corresponding to tissues used in this study. Geographic groups defined *a priori* are drawn by different colors and represented by different letters on the map. Geographic groups: SMO & SMSn (Sierra Madre Oriental and north from Sierra Madre del Sur), SMS (Sierra Madre del Sur), SSO (south from Sierra de Oaxaca), ETIn (north from east of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec), EITs (south from east of the Isthmus of Tehuantepec). Illustrations were obtained from Handbook of the birds of the world, Alive (http://www.hbw.com) with the corresponding permission.

Figure S4. Phylogenetic Bayesian Inference reconstructions for: a) mitochondrial DNA (ATPase 6 and 8, CR, ND2, ND4), b) Z-linked marker (MUSK), and c) concatenated nuclear markers (BFib, ODC) in *L. rhami* complex. Posterior probabilities PP>0.95 are shown (*). Different colors represent different groups according to the geographic regions on the map.

Figure S5. Morphological characters taken for males and females of *L. rhami* groups. Boxplots show the percentiles of 25%, 50% (median), and 75%, upper and lower whisker show quartiles of 25%. Geographic groups are represented in different colors according to geographic regions. Numbers above or below each boxplot represent sampled individuals. Statistical differences between groups are represented with an asterisk (*P<0.05).







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*P<0.05



Supplementary material S1

Localities, geographic groups (GG), number of sequences, coordinates and biological collections of Lamprolaima rhami tissue samples.

#ID	Localities	GG	mtDNA		Latitude	Longitude	BC
			CR	ATPase 6 &8			
1	Puebla, Tetela.	SMOr	5	5	19.88	-97.69	UNAM
2	Oaxaca, Puerto de La Soledad.	SMSn	9	9	18.16	-96.99	UNAM
3	Oaxaca, La Esperanza.	SMSn	1	1	17.51	-96.50	UNAM
4	Oaxaca, Distrito de Cuicatlán.	SMSn	3	3	17.84	-96.75	UNAM/LSU
5	Oaxaca, San Martín Caballero.	SMSn	4	4	18.11	-96.64	UNAM
6	Guerrero, Carrizal de Bravo.	SMS	5	5	17.67	-99.88	UNAM
7	Guerrero, Carrizal de Bravo	SMS	4	4	17.58	-99.83	UNAM
8	Chiapas, Cerro Huitepec	EITn	5	5	16.73	-92.68	UNAM
9	Chiapas, Cerro Mozotal	EITn	5	5	15.42	-92.34	UNAM
10	Chiapas, Cerro Boquerón	EITn	4	4	15.23	-92.30	UNAM
11	Chiapas, Volcán Tacaná	EITn	3	3	15.06	-92.08	UNAM
12	Guatemala,	EITn	2	2	15.08	-89.94	UCB
13	Guatemala	EITn	2	2	15.46	-90.77	UCB

BC: Biological Collection.

UNAM: Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Museo de Zoología Alfonso L. Herrera.

LSU: Louisiana State University, Museum of Natural Science.

UCB: University of California Berkeley, Museum of Vertebrate Zoology.



Supplementary material S3.

Primers and PCR protocols used in this study.

Gene Primer		Primer sequence	References	PCR protocol			
	name	_		Denaturation	Annealing (35X)	Extension	
ND2	L5219	CCCATACCCCGAAAATGATG	Sorenson et al., 1999.	1x 03:00(94°C)	00:30(94°C),	1x 10:00(72°C)	
ND2	H6313	CTCTTATTTAAGGCTTTGAAGGC			00:30(54°C), 00:45(72°C)		
ND4	ND4	CACCTATGACTACCAAAAGCTCATGTAGAAGC	Arévalo et al., 1994.	1x 05:00(94°C)	00:30(95°C),	1x 07:00(72°C)	
ND4	LEU	CATTACTTTACTTGGATTTGCACCA			00:30(55°C), 00:45(72°C)		
ATPase6 and 8	CO2GQL	GGACAATGCTCAGAAATCTGCGG	Eberhard et al., 2004	1x 03:00(94°C)	00:30(94°C), 00:30(58°C),	1x 10:00(72°C)	
ATPase6 and 8	СОЗНМН	CATGGGCTGGGGTCRACTATGTG			00:45(72°C)		
CR	ARCOIF	AATTTTATGGTCTTTGTGTGTGAA	González et al. 2011	1x 03:00(94°C)	00:30(94°C),	1x 10:00(72°C)	
CR	ARCOIR	ACCCTAGCACAACTCGCACT			00:30(50°C), 00:45(72°C)		
BFib	BFib-17L2	TGGGAGGTGAAGCAGCTAAGAAAAACAA	Prychitko & Moore, 1997.	1x 10:00(94°C)	01:00(92°C),	1x 07:00(72°C)	
BFib	BFib-17U2	CATCCATGCAGTTCTGGCAATTC			01:00(50°C), 01:00(72°C)		
MUSK	MUSK-F3	GCTGTACTTCCATGCACTACAATG	McGuire et al., 2014.	1x 05:00(95°C)	00:25(95°C),	1x 07:00(72°C)	
MUSK	MUSK-R3	ATCCTCAAATTTCCCGAATCAAG			00:25(50°C), 01:00(72°C)		
ODC	ODC-2F	GCGTGCAAAAGAACTTGACC	McGuire et al., 2014.	1x 03:00(94°C)	00:30(94°C),	1x 05:00(72°C)	
ODC	ODC-2R	AGCCACCAACAATATCAAGC			00:30(57°C), 00:30(72°C)		





SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL S5



DISCUSIÓN GENERAL

En el presente estudio proponemos una hipótesis filogenética para el clado de las "Gemas de las Montañas", perteneciente a la familia Trochilidae, en un contexto biogeográfico y evolutivo en la región Neotropical. Además de dilucidar los patrones que han favorecido a la actual distribución de dos especies pertenecientes a este grupo y que son consideradas grupos hermanos: *Eugenes fulgens* y *Lamprolaima rhami*, a partir del análisis de su estructuración geográfica. Para este análisis se tomaron en cuenta varios aspectos como la variación a nivel genético y morfológico, los tiempos de divergencia y la dinámica histórica poblacional en cada uno de ellos. En ambos casos proponemos una historia evolutiva que está situada en las tierras altas de Mesoamérica.

Con base en los resultados obtenidos a partir del análisis filogenético y biogeográfico para el grupo de las "Gemas de las Montañas", sugerimos que este grupo no tuvo un origen Sudamericano (Bleiweiss, 1998a; McGuire et al., 2007), sino que surgió en la región sur de Norteamérica y Centroamérica, con eventos de dispersión hacia el norte y sur, posteriores a su establecimiento en la región central de América. Previamente se había sugerido un origen Norteamericano para las "Gemas de las Montañas" (Bleiweiss, 1998a). Sin embargo, las conclusiones hechas en dicho estudio no contemplaban la incorporación de especies sudamericanas, ya que se creía que el límite de distribución del grupo era Centroamericano. Los trabajos más recientes sobre la historia evolutiva de la familia Trochilidae apoyan la hipótesis de un origen Centroamericano para el grupo de las "Gemas de las Montañas" (McGuire et al., 2007; McGuire et al., 2014). En dichos estudios se plantea que el ancestro del clado de las "Abejas" y de las "Gemas de las Montañas" llegó a Centroamérica durante un evento único de dispersión desde Sudamérica, hace alrededor de 12 Ma, fecha que sugieren que coincide con el cierre del Istmo de Panamá. Nuestros resultados muestran una separación entre el clado de las "Abejas" y de las "Gemas de las Montañas" más antiguo (18.5 Ma, 21.86-15.30 Ma), lo cual indica que la invasión desde Sudamérica se llevó a cabo a través del mar, antes del término del cierre del Istmo de Panamá. Nuestras estimaciones de tiempos de divergencia concuerdan con las estimaciones encontradas recientemente en un estudio llevado a cabo para describir las relaciones y la historia biogeográfica del género Amazilia (Ornelas et al., 2013), las cuales sugieren eventos de especiación más antiguos que los propuestos con anterioridad. La separación del grupo de las "Gemas de las Montañas" y de su grupo hermano, las "Abejas", se llevó a cabo durante el Mioceno, periodo durante el cual se tiene descrita la mayor radiación para la familia Trochilidae (Bleiweiss, 1998b).

La expansión del rango geográfico en el grupo se llevó a cabo durante los primeros dos eventos de diversificación, que contemplaron el origen del género *Lampornis* y el origen del clado perteneciente a *Eugenes, Lamprolaima, Heliomaster* y *Panterpe*, definidos principalmente por múltiples eventos de dispersión, siendo éste mecanismo uno de los factores reportados más importantes en la diversificación a lo largo del Neotrópico (Smith et al., 2014). Durante estos primeros eventos de dispersión se llevó a cabo un establecimiento a lo largo de las tierras altas. El evento de recolonización hacia Sudamérica ocurrió durante la separación de *Heliomaster* y *Panterpe*, evento durante el cual también se llevó a cabo la recolonización hacia las tierras bajas a mediados del Mioceno (13.14 Ma, 16.00-10.56 Ma).

A pesar de que en general la radiación del grupo de las "Gemas de las Montañas" se debió a procesos de dispersión, se obtuvo evidencia de que para los eventos de divergencia más recientes, los procesos de vicarianza fueron más comunes y ocurrieron durante los periodos del Plioceno y Pleistoceno, donde se logran ubicar eventos de separación a nivel intraespecífico en algunas de las especies. Algunos eventos de especiación y variación genética a nivel intraespecífico en el grupo de las aves, se han relacionado principalmente con cambios en los rangos de distribución (contracciones y expansiones) durante los periodos glaciales (Hewitt, 1996). Sin embargo, este patrón no es consistente para todos los linajes, ya que varios grupos de ésta región presentan divergencias más antiguas al Pleistoceno (Ericson, 2008). Uno de los eventos de vicarianza que logramos identificar fue el de la separación de L. sybillae (distribuído en las tierras altas de Honduras y el norte de Nicaragua) y el grupo conformado por L. cinereicauda, L. calolaemus y L. castaneoventris (distribuídos en las tierras altas de Costa Rica y Panamá). Este evento de especiación alopátrica con fecha aproximanda de 3.85 Ma, posiblemente está relacionado con la presencia de una importante barrera geográfica, la depresión de Nicaragua, la cual ha sido reportada como promotora de eventos de divergencia durante el Mioceno y Plioceno (e. g. Arbeláez-Cortés et al., 2010).

Las "Gemas de las Montañas" es un grupo perteneciente a la región Neotropical, la cual comprende la región geográfica delimitada a partir de las tierras altas de México hacia Sudamérica, donde Mesoamérica ha sido considerada como una zona biogeográfica de transición entre la región Neártica y la región Neotropical (Ríos-Muñoz, 2013; Weir, 2009). Con respecto a los mecanismos más importantes en la especiación del grupo de las aves, se sabe que diversos factores han influido en los procesos de especiación en el Neotrópico, los cuales combinan en general factores ecológicos, geográficos, geológicos y climáticos, a diferentes escalas espacio-temporales. Aunado a esto, importantes eventos geológicos han sido estudiados y considerados cruciales en la historia de

la diversificación de aves del Neotrópico. Un ejemplo de esto es el Gran Intercambio Biótico Americano (GABI; Webb, 2006), en el que se produjo un intercambio de especies distribuidas al norte y al sur de América, a través del puente creado por el cierre del Istmo de Panamá, hace alrededor de 3.5 Ma. Principalmente éste intercambio en el grupo de las aves ocurrió de sur a norte, aumentando en gran medida la tasa de intercambio entre grupos de aves altamente especializadas, a diferencia de grupos con tendencias más generalistas (Weir et al., 2009). Se considera que este evento unificó las avifaunas del norte y sur de América en una nueva región biogeográfica, la región del Neotrópico (Smith y Klicka, 2010). Otro evento importante, precedido al gran intercambio biótico, fue la formación de la Cordillera de los Andes, su arreglo geográfico conformado por montañas aisladas y valles con la presencia de gran variedad de hábitats, ha promovido importantes eventos de diversificación en el grupo de las aves, acentuando que el evento de establecimiento en América y de mayor radiación en la familia Trochilidae se llevó a cabo en ésta región (~22 My, McGuire et al., 2014).

Con respecto a las reconstrucciones filogenéticas, estudios previos han propuesto hipótesis generales de dichas relaciones para la familia Trochilidae (Altshuler et al., 2004; Bleiweiss, 1998b; Bleiweiss et al., 1997; McGuire et al., 2007). Sin embargo, uno de nuestros principales objetivos fue proponer una hipótesis detallada para el grupo de las "Gemas de las Montañas", incrementando el muestreo a nivel intraespecífico, con el propósito de esclarecer en su totalidad las relaciones filogenéticas y detectar la presencia de estructuración genética a nivel poblacional. En primer lugar se apoyó la monofilia recíproca para cada género. En cuanto a las relaciones filogenéticas y a pesar de los múltiples antecedentes de estudios previos, el género *Lampornis* permanecía sin ser esclarecido. La posición filogenética de *L. hemileucus*, *L. sybillae* y *L. viridipallens* fue resuelta, siendo *L. hemileucus* la especie basal del género *Lampornis*, y *L. sybillae* y *L. viridipallens* resultaron ser especies hermanas, directamente relacionadas con el clado perteneciente a las especies centroamericanas: *L. castaneoventris*, *L. cinereicauda* y *L. calolaemus*.

El clado conformado por *L. cinereicauda*, *L. castaneoventris* y *L. calolaemus* permanece aún sin ser esclarecido. Previamente, en el estudio filogenético llevado a cabo para el género *Lampornis* (García-Moreno et al., 2006), se había incluido un mayor número de especies que el incluido en el presente estudio, encontrándose un grupo monofilético sin resolución dentro del clado. De acuerdo a nuestras estimaciones de tiempos de divergencia, encontramos que éste grupo es el de más reciente diversificación dentro de las "Gemas de las Montañas", por lo que sugerimos que dicha falta de resolución filogenética puede ser el resultado de un origen reciente, además de que estas tres especies tienen distribuciones geográficas que se sobrelapan, lo que podría estar favoreciendo eventos de hibridación entre especies, un fenómento que ha sido estudiado en aves, incluyendo a la familia Trochilidae (Banks and Johnson, 1961; Gill, 1998; Gill et al., 1973; Wells et al., 1978). Actualmente se reconoce que este grupo es inestable en cuanto a su clasificación, considerándose en ocasiones como conespecíficos (AOU, 1998). Sin embargo, a pesar de que las hembras de este grupo no presentan claras diferencias morfológicas en cuanto a su coloración, los machos son clamarmente diferenciables y presentan segregación altitudinal, por lo que la asignación taxonómica de especie para cada morfotipo ha sido lo más conveniente (Schuchamann, 1999).

Se detectó estructuración dentro de las poblaciones en algunas de las especies del grupo. En el caso de *L. amethystinus, L. clemenciae* y *L. rhami*, esta separación a nivel poblacional no coincide con la taxonomía subespecífica descrita para cada especie (Schuchmann, 1999). Acerca de *L. amethystinus*, nuestros resultados apoyan la existencia del grupo "*salvini*", distribuido al este del Istmo de Tehuantepec y reconocido hasta ahora como una subespecie. En un estudio previo, en el cual se evaluó la variación genética y de coloración de ésta especie, se encontró diferenciación genética entre los grupos a ambos lados del Istmo, sin la presencia de variación morfológica, haciendo mención sobre una posible propuesta de considerar al grupo "*salvini*" como un linaje independiente (Cortés-Rodríguez et al., 2008). En nuestro estudio, la separación del resto de subespecies (*margaritae, amethysinus y circumventus*) no es clara. Sin embargo, recientemente se ha descrito la presencia de altos niveles de diferenciación genética y morfológica en *L. amethystinus*, con la incorporación de múltiples caracteres, identificándose cuatro grupos con correspondencia geográfica y que son congruentes con las subespecies propuestas para el complejo (Ornelas et al., 2016).

Es importante mencionar que un estudio basado en un análisis de caracteres morfológicos y morfométricos, sugiere que dos especies con distribuciones restringidas en Sudamérica (*Hylonympha macrocerca y Sternoclyta cyanopectus*) podrían estar cercanamente emparentadas con la especie *Eugenes fulgens* (Renner y Schuchmann, 2004), con base en semejanzas morfológicas. Esto podría indicar que tal vez el número de especies que conforman el grupo de las "Gemas de las Montañas" es mayor que las que actualmente se reconocen. La restricción en la distribución de estas especies y su posición en categorías de vulnerabilidad, han dificultado la obtención de muestras, lo cual sería de gran importancia para corroborar si dicha propuesta de parentesco se sustenta a nivel molecular. El clado de las "Gemas de las Montañas" es un grupo con una gran diversidad morfológica, con una amplia distribución geográfica y con representantes tanto en tierras altas como en tierras bajas en el Neotrópico (Schuchmann, 1999). A pesar de contar con

esta diversidad de características, es uno de los clados dentro de la familia Trochilidae con menor número de especies, apenas precedido por el género monotípico *Patagona* y el clado de los "Topacios". Hasta el momento se han reconocido 15 especies dentro de éste grupo, distribuidas en cinco géneros (McGuire et al., 2014). La evidencia presentada en éste estudio, incrementando el muestreo a nivel intraespecífico, muestra la existencia de estructuración geográfica y no debe descartarse la posibilidad de la presencia de complejos de especies crípticas que no hayan sido delimitadas hasta el momento.

Sobre la variación genética hallada previamente en Eugenes fulgens, colibrí de distribución Mesoamericano, se llevaron a cabo diferentes análisis con el objetivo de confirmar o rechazar las señales de estructura genética encontradas. Se realizó un análisis genético multilocus y se obtuvieron resultados importantes que tuvieron repercusiones a nivel taxonómico. Se evaluaron las diferencias a nivel genético mediante reconstrucciones filogenéticas y se llevaron a cabo análisis de delimitación de especies. Proponemos que Eugenes fulgens es un complejo de especies y que las subespecies descritas deberían ser taxonómicamente reevaluadas al nivel de especie (Zamudio-Beltrán y Hernández-Baños, 2015). La propuesta de reconocer a la subespecie E. f. spectabilis en el rango de especie se había hecho anteriormente por diversos autores (History, 1918; Ridgway, 1911; Stiles y Skutch, 1989). Sin embargo, nuestro trabajo proporciona las primeras evidencias a nivel genético que apoya esta hipótesis basada en diferencias morfológicas (diferencias en tamaño y en coloración). El Comité Internacional en Ornitología (IOC) ha tomado en cuenta nuestro estudio como referencia en la reevaluación taxonómica de E. spectabilis como la especie hermana de E. fulgens (Gill, 2015). Por otra parte, las relaciones filogenéticas entre E. fulgens y la subespecie E. f. viridiceps sugieren una reciente especiación alopátrica, sin evidencia clara de diferenciación morfológica. Sin embargo, no se presenta monofilia recíproca para cada grupo, por lo que se analizó la variación genética de este complejo (fulgens-viridiceps) a nivel poblacional, para evaluar si dicha separación genética es congruente a nivel morfológico y así poder discutir sobre los posibles factores que han promovido dicha diferenciación.

En general, el colibrí magnífico *Eugenes fulgens* presentó un patrón moderado de discontinuidades filogenéticas y separación espacial (Avise et al., 1987). La variación morfológica y mitocondrial encontrada sugiere un proceso incipiente de diversificación a ambos lados del Istmo de Tehuantepec. En contraste, la información obtenida a partir del ADN nuclear (microsatélites) sugiere altos niveles de flujo genético a lo largo de toda la distribución geográfica, con la identificación de una sola población con correspondencia geográfica (El Salvador, población costera). Las estimaciones en los tiempos de divergencia sugieren una separación entre las

poblaciones a ambos lados del Istmo de Tehuantepec a principios del Pleistoceno (~2.56 Ma), periodo durante el cual se promovieron dinámicas poblacionales de expansión (oeste del Istmo, ~30,000 años) y de estabilidad (este del Istmo), favorecidas por los cambios climáticos ocurridos durante este periodo.

La información obtenida a partir del ADN mitocondrial apoya la existencia de dos grupos principales, que tienen correspondencia con las dos subespecies propuestas (*fulgens y viridiceps*), como se sugirió con anterioridad (Zamudio-Beltrán y Hernández-Baños, 2015). Las redes de haplotipos y las estimaciones de varianza molecular AMOVA, confirman que las poblaciones al sur de Mesoamérica son genéticamente distintas de aquellas ubicadas al oeste del Istmo de Tehuantepec. La influencia de esta barrera geográfica ha sido ampliamente estudiada y se ha confirmado que su presencia ha limitado el flujo genético entre especies distribuidas en las tierras altas a ambos lados de esta región, en la que se han identificado dos etapas con altos índices de diversificación, promovidos por oscilaciones climáticas durante el Pleistoceno y cambios en los niveles marítimos que han tenido como consecuencia transgresiones en esta región, fragmentando los hábitats alrededor (Barber y Klicka, 2010). Este aislamiento geográfico ha sido encontrado repetidamente en el grupo de las aves (Arbeláez-Cortés et al., 2008; Barrera-Guzmán et al., 2012) y en particular en algunos colibríes (González et al., 2011; Malpica y Ornelas, 2014; Rodríguez-Gómez et al., 2013; Jiménez y Ornelas, 2016).

En contraste, la información obtenida a partir del ADN nuclear (microsatélites) no recuperó la diferenciación de grupos a ambos lados del Istmo de Tehuantepec. Sin embargo, si se identificó un grupo con correspondencia geográfica en las tierras altas de El Salvador, localizado en una cadena montañosa del lado de la costa del Pacífico (San Vicente). En un estudio llevado a cabo en la Coordillera de los Andes, se reportó diferenciación genética en el colibrí *Adelomyia melanogenys*, en una población costera con respecto a las poblaciones ubicadas al interior de la cadena montañosa, debido a la variación en las condiciones ambientales en ambos sitios a pesar de la aparente cercanía geográfica (Chaves et al., 2007). Dicha variación en características ambientales podría estarse presentando de igual forma en la localidad de San Vicente, lo cual podría ser evaluado analizando la diferenciación de condiciones climáticas y ambientales a una escala regional. Por otro lado, la presencia de un sistema de fallas geológicas ubicadas en el Valle Motagua (Polochic-Motagua fault), localizado en Guatemala y que se extiende unos 400 km desde el mar Caribe hasta la costa del Pacífico (Lyon-Caen et al., 2006), podría estar limitando el flujo genético de ésta población, situada en la parte sur de esta región. Este sistema de fallas está conformado por tres placas tectónicas (Polochic, Motagua y Jocotán), y se originó como resultado

de su unión y del cierre oceánico en el Cretácico tardío (Donnelly, 1977; Lawrence, 1976; Schwartz et al., 1979). Varios estudios han reportado que éste sistema probablemente ha promovido el aislamiento poblacional en diferentes taxa, a diferentes escalas temporales (Puebla-Olivares et al., 2008; Rovito et al., 2012; Villalobos, 2013; Malpica y Ornelas, 2014; Rodríguez-Gómez y Ornelas, 2014). El patrón filogeográfico de separación entre los grupos situados al este y oeste del Istmo de Tehuantepec fue congruente con la variación morfológica encontrada. Además de la variación reconocida entre los dos principales filogrupos, se recuperó el grupo correspondiente a las tierras altas de El Salvador, el cual ya había sido parcialmente identificado con base en el análisis del ADN nuclear y que coincide con un posible aislamiento promovido por el sistema de fallas en el valle del Río Motagua.

La señal obtenida a partir de los diferentes marcadores moleculares (ADN mitocondrial y nuclear) mostró variaciones en los resultados de estructuración genética para E. fulgens. Los microsatélites mostraron una resolución menor que el ADN mitocondrial, lo cual fue inesperado debido a tasas mutacionales de mayor magnitud reportadas en microsatélites (Chistiakov et al., 2006). Estas diferencias encontradas podrían estar relacionadas de igual forma a las distintas vías de herencia de cada marcador (vía materna y biparental) y a la variación en movimientos de dispersión que se pudiera estar presentando entre sexos. Las poblaciones norteñas y posiblemente las del centro de México presentan movimientos migratorios hacia el extremo norte de México y el suroeste de USA, mientras que las poblaciones al sur de México y Centroamérica son sedentarias (Schuchmann, 1999). En general E. fulgens presentó evidencia de contar con altos niveles de flujo genético, exceptuando las poblaciones más sureñas, lo cual es congruente con los patrones migratorios reportados para la especie. Se sabe que las especies pertenecientes a la familia Trochilidae cuentan con una gran habilidad de dispersión, además se debe tomar en cuenta que E. fulgens es un colibrí de hábitos generalistas, que se alimenta de una gran variedad de recursos florales, lo cual podría significar que para ésta especie no existe una restricción a permanecer en sitios específicos con recursos exclusivos, además de que presenta conductas de territorialidad bajas (Lara, 2006).

El patrón de estructuración geográfica recuperada fue la base para analizar la historia demográfica de los grupos definidos a ambos lados del Istmo de Tehuantepec. El grupo conformado por las poblaciones al oeste presentó un patrón claro de expansión demográfica (ca. 30 000 años), el cual se situó temporalmente cerca del último periodo glacial (ca. 20 000 años), mientras que las poblaciones al este presentaron un patrón poblacional de estabilidad, que coincide con los altos niveles de estructuración geográfica previamente descritos. La separación ocurrida entre los dos

grupos principales se llevó a cabo hace alrededor de 2.56 Ma. El origen geológico del Istmo de Tehuantepec, el cual inició durante el Mioceno tardío (ca. 6 Ma, Barrier et al., 1998), no puede señalarse como la causa primaria de la divergencia del complejo. Por otro lado, una de las hipótesis más aceptadas para explicar la variación geográfica, es aquella sobre los refugios promovidos durante las fluctuaciones climáticas ocurridas en el Pleistoceno y los cambios en la redistribución altitudinal de los bosques templados durante los periodos glaciales e interglaciales en esta época (Hewitt, 1996; Sánchez-González et al., 2008; Smith et al., 2011). Las estimaciones de tiempos de divergencia y la dinámica poblacional presentada en éste trabajo sugiere que el complejo E. fulgens se estableció a inicios del Pleistoceno y los posteriores cambios en los niveles del mar y de clima alrededor del Istmo de Tehuantepec fracturaron el habitat (Barber y Klicka, 2010), promoviendo la divergencia de los dos principales linajes. Las proyecciones de distribuciones potenciales ancestrales (LIG, ~140 000 años; LGM, ~20 000 años), mostraron que las condiciones climáticas eran favorables para ambos grupos del complejo, las cuales durante el último máximo glacial (LGM) cubrían una región más extensa al oeste del Istmo comparada con la región disponible durante el último interglacial (LIG), lo cual confirma la señal de expansión demográfica encontrada en el grupo oeste. Los eventos de expansión y contracción pudieron favorecer el contacto o la dispersión entre las poblaciones a ambos lados del Istmo (i.e. contacto secundario), una posible causa de la presencia de haplotipos compartidos entre estos grupos.

En cuanto a los recientes cambios taxonómicos, validando al taxón "spectabilis" (subespecie propuesta anteriormente) como una especie (IOC, Gill 2015), actualmente no se reconocen de manera oficial otros taxa que describan la variación geográfica a lo largo de la distribución del complejo *Eugenes fulgens*. Sin embargo, se ha propuesto que las poblaciones al este del Istmo de Tehuantepec, correspondientes al grupo "viridiceps" (Boucard 1878), deberían ser reconocidas como un linaje evolutivo independiente (Navarro-Sigüenza y Peterson, 2004). Como se concluyó en el presente estudio, los grupos viridceps y fulgens deberían ser reevaluadas como especies crípticas en un proceso de especiación incipiente (~1.93 Ma), cuyos haplotipos compartidos pueden ser explicados como resultado de una separación incompleta de linajes (Maddison y Knowles, 2006; Peters et al., 2007). Asociado a esto, se ha evaluado el efecto que tiene la temporalidad en algunas especies de reciente origen, concluyéndo que es posible hacer una identificación precisa de estas, a pesar de no contar con evidencia de monofilia recíproca durante el evento de diversificación, capturándose diferentes momentos en dicho proceso (Knowles y Carstens, 2007).
Con una distribución geográfica más restringida, pero presente de igual forma en las tierras altas de Mesoamérica, se encuentra el colibrí alicastaño Lamprolaima rhami. El patrón evolutivo encontrado en esta especie difiere del de su grupo hermano (complejo Eugenes) con respecto a los niveles de estructuración geográfica encontrados, ya que L. rhami presentó mayores índices de diferenciación a nivel poblacional. Comparando sus distribuciones, E. fulgens sólo presentó correspondencia geográfica a ambos lados del Istmo de Tehuantepec, mientras que en L. rhami, cuva distribución es menor en extensión, se obtuvo estructuración geográfica para cada región muestreada, además de que se mantuvo el patrón de diferenciación a ambos lados del Istmo de Tehuantepec. La evaluación de datos morfológicos sustenta las diferencias genéticas encontradas en cada región, apoyando la hipótesis de divergencia alopátrica en éste complejo. Las estimaciones de los tiempos de divergencia ofrecen indicios de un origen Pleistocénico para el complejo L. rhami (0.68 Ma, 0.93-0.45 Ma), seguido de una posterior separación poblacional a ambos lados del Istmo de Tehuantepec. La población al este del Istmo, genética y morfológicamente diferenciada del resto, presentó evidencia de una posible expansión demográfica (curva unimodal, Mismatch), que al situarla en el tiempo estimado de su divergencia (0.21 Ma, 0.33-0.10 Ma) coincide con la temporalidad aproximada de ocurrencia del último máximo glacial (LGM, 20 000 Ma), lo cual indica que los cambios climáticos ocurridos durante éste periodo influyeron posiblemente en su diferenciación.

Genéticamente se evaluaron tres de las cinco regiones geográficas en *L. rhami*. De acuerdo a las descripciones originales de los patrones filogeográficos y al igual que en *E. fulgens*, *L. rhami* presentó un patrón de discontinuidades filogenéticas y separación espacial (Avise et al., 1987). Estos altos niveles de variación genética se correlacionaron con un patrón de aislamiento por distancia asociado a la distribución alopátrica de los bosques mesófilos de montaña, habitat preferido de *L. rhami*. Las condiciones ambientales características en estos bosques han sido reportadas como promotores de diferenciación poblacional (Ornelas et al., 2013; Ramírez-Barahona y Eguiarte, 2014). La diferenciacion encontrada entre las regiones de la Sierra Madre Oriental y norte de Oaxaca (SMO&SMS) y la Sierra Madre del Sur (SMS) están más relacionadas a un patrón de aislamiento por distancia que a un patrón de aislamiento promovido por la presencia de barreras geográficas que limiten el intercambio genético. En contraste, la presencia del Istmo de Tehuantepec ha promovido la diferenciación entre poblaciones a ambos lados de ésta región.

Retomando el tema de la vagilidad y dispersión, las habilidades de movimiento que pueden presentar algunas especies de la familia Trochilidae son bien conocidas (e.g. los grandes movimientos migratorios en el grupo de las "Abejas"). A pesar de esto, varios estudios en la familia

Trochilidae, han encontrado que la presencia de barreras geográficas ha sido crucial en procesos de diversificación sin que influya la aparente cercanía geográfica, como en la región de los Andes (*Adelomyia melanogenys*, Chaves y Smith, 2011), Mesoamérica (*Lampornis amethystinus*, Ornelas et al., 2016), la región del Valle Motagua (*Amazilia cyanocephala*, Rodríguez-Gómez y Ornelas, 2014) y el Istmo de Tehuantepec (*Campylopterus curvipennis*, González et al., 2011). En contraste, existe una hipótesis que sugiere que los altos niveles de diversificación a nivel poblacional, encontrados en su gran mayoría en aves neotropicales de tierras bajas, están relacionados a habilidades limitadas de dispersión (Burney y Brumfield, 2009). Al respecto, algunas especies presentan gran afinidad por sus sitios y sus movimientos migratorios son limitados, como es el caso de *L. rhami*. Se han reportado movimientos altitudinales en ésta especie, relacionados con la presencia de recursos en diferentes épocas del año, pero no se han reportado movimientos migratorios hacia regiones distantes en su distribución geográfica (Schuchmann, 1999), por lo que ambos factores (presencia de barreras geográficas y limitaciones en movimientos de dispersión) podrían estar influenciando la marcada separación geográfica encontrada.

Con base en la evidencia completa de diferenciación poblacional y de acuerdo al análisis filogenético multilocus llevado a cabo, se recuperaron dos grupos monofiléticos que coinciden con los grupos a ambos lados del Istmo de Tehuantepec. Además de encontrar agrupaciones correspondientes a cada región muestreada dependiendo del marcador molecular empleado. Tomando en cuenta esto, uno de los aspectos más importantes a considerar para L. rhami es su limitada distribución geográfica, restringida a los pocos fragmentos de bosques mesófilos de montaña aún existentes en Mesoamérica. Se sabe que estos bosques, ricos en diversidad biológica, están altamente amenazados (Hamilton, 1995; Martínez-Morales, 2005; Mulligan, 2010). La evidencia presentada en éste último estudio podría ser tomada como referencia que tuviera implicaciones a nivel taxonómico, como se consiguió anteriormente para Eugenes (Zamudio-Beltrán y Hernández-Baños, 2015). El riesgo de una incorrecta clasificación a nivel de especie repercute directamente en el manejo y en los esfuerzos de conservación (Zink, 2004). Es por esto que sugerimos que las poblaciones de L. rhami, presentes en cada región geográfica, sean tratadas como unidades de manejo independientes, sin descartar la posibilidad de que las poblaciones a ambos lados del Istmo de Tehauntepec sean reconocidas como especies válidas. A pesar de esto, aún queda pendiente la incorporación de información de las dos regiones que no pudieron ser muestreadas correspondientes a la Sierra Sur de Oaxaca y a la región comprendida en las tierras altas de El Salvador, Honduras y Nicaragua.

Existen diversos estudios que han tratado de abordar los patrones filogeográficos para las especies de aves que habitan las tierras altas de la región Mesoamericana (Tabla 1), sin tener un patrón exclusivo que defina de forma general su historia evolutiva.

Tabla	1.	Generalidades	de	algunos	estudios	filogenéticos	у	а	nivel	poblacional	de	aves	en
Mesoamérica.													

Taxón	Patrón evolutivo
Amazilia	• Diferenciación a ambos lados del Istmo de Tehuantepec, en un evento de
cyanocephala	diversificación reciente en presencia de flujo genético.
(Rodríguez-Gómez	• Diferenciación entre grupos al sur de México y norte de Centroamérica,
et al., 2013;	asociada a un aislamiento promovido por el sistema de fallas Motagua-
Rodríguez-Gómez y	Polochic-Jocotán.
Ornelas, 2013).	
Aulacorhynchus	• Se identificaron siete grupos diferenciados genéticamente con
prasinus	correspondencia a rompimientos geográficos en Mesoamérica y
(Puebla-Olivares et	Sudamérica, sugiriendo la reevaluación taxonómica de estos grupos.
al., 2008).	
Aphelocoma	• Divergencia entre los principales grupos durante el Pleistoceno (~0.7 Ma)
ultramarina	y después dl periodo de mayor actividad geológica en México, descartando
(McCormack et al.,	éste último evento como promotor en su diversificación.
2008).	• Los principales linajes tienen correspondencia con las principales cadenas
	montañosas en México (Sierra Madre Oriental, Sierra Madre Occidental y
	Faja Volcánica Transmexicana).
Buarremon	• Se identifican seis grupos con marcada estructura geográfica en
(Navarro-Sıgüenza et	Mesoamérica correspondientes a las principales cordilleras.
al., 2008).	
Campylopterus	• Dos principales eventos de diversificación promovieron la diferenciación
curvipennis	entre grupos: un evento de vicarianza a través del Istmo de Tehuantepec
(Gonzalez et al.,	(~1.4 Ma) y el aislamiento de la región de Los Tuxtlas (México) en el
2011).	Pleistoceno.
Certhia americana	• Se identificaron seis clados bien diferenciados y estructurados
(Manthey et al.,	geográficamente.
2011).	• Se sugiere que la alopatría es uno de los factores principales en la
	diferenciación de los grupos.
Chlorospingus	• Variación en cantos para dos grupos con correspondencia y aislamiento
ophthalmicus	geográfico.
(Sosa-López et al.,	• Tres grupos sin variación en cantos, pero con variación en morfología y
2013).	flujo genético restringido.
Dendroica coronata	• Los grupos migratorios y los sedentarios se diferenciaron a inicios del
(Milá et al., 2007).	Pleistoceno.
	• Se identificaron dos grupos para las poblaciones sedentarias, se presume
	que su diferenciación fenotípica ocurrió durante el Holoceno como el
	resultado del aislamiento geográfico y una expansión demográfica desde la
	última glaciación.
Doricha eliza	• Se encontraron marcadas diferencias genéticas, con bajos niveles de flujo
(Licona-Vera y	genético y una historia de aislamiento hace alrededor de 120,000 años entre
Ornelas, 2014).	poblaciones disjuntas.
Ergaticus	• Patrón filogeográfico de separación espacial, promovido por barreras en

(Barrera-Guzmán et	las tierras bajas (e.g. Istmo de Tehuantepec) durante el Pleistoceno (~1.06-						
al., 2012).	0.21 Ma).						
Lampornis	• Diferenciación genética de las poblaciones a ambos lados del Istmo de						
amethystinus	Tehuantepec, sin correspondencia con variación en la morfología.						
(Cortés-Rodríguez et							
al., 2008)							
Lampornis	• Se identifican seis grupos genéticos con correspondencia geográfica						
amethystinus	(Sierra Madre del Sur, Faja Volcánica Transmexicana, Sierra Madre						
(Ornelas et al.,	Oriental, este del Istmo de Tehuantepec).						
2016).	• El evento de separación basal se sitúa durante el Pleistoceno (2.39-0.57						
	Ma) y corresponde a la diferenciación a ambos lados del Istmo de						
	Tehuantepec).						
Lepidocolaptes	• Se detectaron dos barreras geográficas importantes para la diferenciación						
affinis	de grupos genéticos: el Istmo de Tehuantepec y la depresión de Nicaragua.						
(Arbeláez-Cortés et							
al., 2010).							
Myioborus miniatus	• Se identificaron cuatro grupos, tres de ellos coinciden con algunas						
(Peréz-Emán et al.,	subespecies propuestas.						
2010).	 Evidencia de expansión demográfica durante el Pleistoceno. 						
Pharomachrus	• Se identificaron tres grupos genéticos, con correspondencia geográfica:						
mocinno	tierras altas de México, tierras altas del norte de Centroamérica y las tierras						
(Solórzano et al.,	altas de Panamá.						
2009).							
Selasphorus	• Hay diferenciación entre poblaciones migratorias-sedentarias y						
platycercus	exclusivamente sedentarias en éste complejo.						
(Malpica y Ornelas,	• Evidencia de reciente conducta migratoria durante los ciclos glaciales.						
2014).							

Entender los mecanismos de evolución y especiación es un tema central en los estudios clásicos y contemporáneos de biología evolutiva (Barton y Partridge, 2000; Coyne, 1992; Walsh et al., 2002; Yeaman y Otto, 2011), al igual que la evaluación del papel de las distintas fuerzas evolutivas en el proceso adaptativo y en el mantenimiento de la diversidad. Aunado a esto, se ha incrementado el número de métodos para su detección conjugando fundamentos básicos (como por ejemplo los descritos en genética de poblaciones) y se ha incorporado el uso de múltiples datos (e.g. nuevos marcadores moleculares), dando como resultado una amplia gama de posibilidades para estudiar estos cambios a nivel intraespecífico. A pesar de todos estos avances, los patrones que moldean dicha variación en la naturaleza no han sido esclarecidos en su totalidad. Tal es el caso de la historia evolutiva en las tierras altas de Mesoamérica y en general de la región Neotropical.

Para esclarecer los patrones evolutivos, es importante tomar en cuenta un gran número de factores como son los caracteres morfológicos, los caracteres moleculares, los procesos históricos y los temporales, entre otros. Una de las repercusiones que tienen estos estudios es que sirven de referencia para tomar decisiones con implicaciones en la taxonomía y en la conservación de poblaciones altamente diferenciadas. Sin embargo, estas decisiones se basan en el uso de diferentes

conceptos de especie. Mientras algunos autores toman como referencia conceptos como el biológico de especie, el cual define a las especies con base en su aislamiento reproductivo (Mayr, 2000), otros argumentan que la clasificación de los sistemas biológicos deberían realizarse con base en la independencia de sus historias evolutivas (De Queiroz, 2007; James, 2010). Este tipo de estudios cobran importancia cuando incorporan información múltiple de cada sistema biológico, ya que se puede tener una estimación y descripción de la biodiversidad más precisa, lo cual tendría importantes repercusiones en su conservación.

CONCLUSIONES

- El grupo de las "Gemas de las Montañas" se originó en las tierras altas del área comprendida entre el sur de Norteamérica y Centroamérica, a mediados del Mioceno, hace aproximadamente 16.15 Ma (19.08-13.24 Ma).
- Posteriores eventos de dispersión hacia el norte y sur ampliaron el rango de distribución del grupo, favoreciendo procesos de especiación en el Neotrópico.
- Dichos eventos de dispersión fueron los más importantes en cuestión de diversificación a nivel específico.
- Algunos procesos de diversificación, relacionados a eventos ocurridos durante el Plioceno-Pleistoceno, apoyan a la vicarianza como el promotor más probable de variación a nivel poblacional.
- Ocho de las quince especies dentro del grupo de las "Gemas de las Montañas" presentaron evidencia de variación genética a nivel poblacional, detectada a partir de la incorporación de un mayor muestreo a nivel intraespecífico.
- Se lograron esclarecer las relaciones filogenéticas de las especies *L. hemileucus*, *L. viridipallens* y *L. sybillae*.
- El grupo conformado por *L. calolaemus*, *L. castaneoventris* y *L. cinereicauda* es un complejo taxonómicamente inestable, ya que su resolución filogenética permanece sin ser esclarecida.
- La evidencia de variación intraespecífica encontrada podría estar revelando la posible presencia de especies crípticas que no hayan sido reconocidas.
- Se ha confirmado la presencia de una especie críptica que era considerada una subespecie del complejo *Eugenes fulgens*, la cual ahora es reconocida como especie válida: *Eugenes spectabilis* (tierras altas de Costa Rica y Panamá).

- El complejo *E. fulgen*s y *L. rhami* presentaron un patrón filogeográfico de discontinuidades filogenéticas y separación espacial.
- Dos linajes principales se reconocen en *E. fulgens*, los cuales tienen correspondencia geográfica a ambos lados del Istmo de Tehuantepec y sugieren ser parte de un proceso incipiente de diversificación.
- Cuatro linajes principales se reconocen en *L. rhami* con correspondencia geográfica, los cuales se sugiere deberían ser tratados como linajes evolutivos independientes.
- En ambas especies (*E. fulgens* y *L. rhami*) la influencia del Istmo de Tehuantepec ha sido relevante en su diferenciación.
- Los tiempos de divergencia estimados en ambos grupos sitúan el origen y diversificación de estos grupos en el Pleistoceno, por lo que las oscilaciones climáticas durante éste periodo han afectado probalemente sus dinámicas poblacionales.
- Mientras que *E. fulgens* presentó altos niveles de flujo genético en la mayor parte de su distribución geográfica, *L. rhami* presentó poblaciones diferenciadas genética y morfológicamente asociado al efecto del aislamiento por distancia en ausencia de flujo genético.
- Remarcamos la importancia de la incorporación de información múltiple en la evaluación de la historia evolutiva de los complejos biológicos, para su correcta identificación.

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