APPENDIX 2. CHARACTER LIST.

Those characters for which states are listed are qualitative, the others are quantitative. The raw data are presented in Appendix 3. Assignment of states to numbers is arbitrary and does not necessarily indicate polarity.

Squamation.

- 1. Subnasal-postrostral contact: (0) absent, (1) present (Wiens and Reeder, 1997).
- 2. Postrostral number (Smith, 1939).
- 3. Posterior postrostral number (Wiens and Reeder, 1997).
- 4. Number of anterior frontonasals (Wiens and Reeder, 1997).
- 5. Contact between lateral and median frontonasals: (0) absent, (1) present (Smith, 1939).
- 6. Frontals saggital division: (0) absent, (1) present (Smith, 1939).
- 7. Frontal-interparietal contact: (0) absent, (1) present (Smith, 1939).
- 8. Frontal-median frontonasal contact: (0) absent, (1) present (Smith, 1939).
- 9. Median prefrontal: (0) absent, (1) present (Smith, 1939).
- 10. Median parietal: (0) absent, (1) present (Smith, 1939).
- 11. Frontoparietal number (Smith, 1939).
- 12. Posterior division of the interparietal: (0) absent, (1) present (Wiens and Reeder, 1997).
- 13. Supraocular-frontoparietal contact: (0) absent, (1) present (Smith, 1939).
- 14. Number of supraocular scales (all scales between the circumorbitals and superciliaries were counted).
- 15. Canthal-Iorilabial contact: (0) absent, (1) present (Smith, 1939).
- 16. Preocular division: (0) absent, (1) present (Smith, 1939).
- 17. Loreal number (Smith, 1939).
- 18. Number of gular scales (from the level of the mitepockets up to and including the mental scale)
- 19. Number of dorsals (Smith, 1939).