

***Imantodes cenchoa*. Coloration.** *Imantodes cenchoa* is an abundant Neotropical species that on the Atlantic versant ranges from Tamaulipas, Mexico, to Argentina, including Trinidad and Tobago, and on the Pacific versant from Oaxaca, Mexico, to Guatemala and from northwestern Costa Rica to Ecuador (McCranie, 2011). In Costa Rica, *I. cenchoa* is found in low and moderate elevations on both versants (Savage, 2002). This slender-bodied species primarily is arboreal and nocturnal, feeds mostly on sleeping lizards and frogs, and is known to reach a maximum total length (TL) of 130 cm (Solórzano, 2004).

On 9 January 2013 at 1945 h, at Sierpe de Osa, Provincia de Puntarenas, Costa Rica (8°52'N; 83°28' W; WGS 84; elev. ca. sea-level), RN observed an amelanistic *I. cenchoa* ca. 40 cm TL resting (inactive) on a leaf (Melastomataceae) at a height of 120 cm from the ground.

The individual was not collected, but its dorsal coloration consisted of ivory white blotches bordered by pure white on a pale pink ground color, and the iris was orange pink with a darker pupil (Fig. 1). To our knowledge, this is the first report of amelanism in this species.

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**Fig. 1.** View (with insert of the head) of an amelanistic individual of *Imantodes cenchoa* found at Sierpe de Osa, Provincia de Puntarenas, Costa Rica. © Raby Núñez Escalante

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