

## **Survey of the herpetofauna in a legal reserve of a site in the municipality of Colorado do Oeste Rondônia**



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### **ABSTRACT**

Brazil has the highest richness of amphibians in the world, with 1,080 species currently recognized, belonging to three Orders: 1,039 Anura (frogs, toads and frogs), 5 Caudata (salamanders) and 36 Gymnophiona (blind snakes and caecilians), and many new species have been described in recent years (ICMBio, 2018).

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### **1 INTRODUCTION**

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