



*Electronic Appendix 1. Representative forms of the five colour pattern categories recognised in this study.*

(1) Putatively mimetic “green + red”: a) adult male *Popeia popeiorum* from Kaeng Krachan, west Thailand; b) adult male *Popeia popeiorum* from Chiang Mai Province, north Thailand; c) adult male *Viridovipera gumprechti* from Loei Province, northeast Thailand; d) adult female *Cryptelytrops albolabris* from Chiang Mai Province, north Thailand; e) adult male *Viridovipera stejnegeri* from Taiwan; f) adult *Viridovipera medoensis* from Arunachal Pradesh, India. (2) “Green + banding”: a) juvenile male *Popeia sabahi* from southern Thailand; b) adult female *Cryptelytrops venustus* from southern Thailand.

(3) “Green + other”: a) *Parias hageni* from Satun, south Thailand; b) *Parias schultzei* from Palawan, Philippines; c) *Parias sumatrana* from Poring, Sabah. (4) “Green only”: a) *Popeia sabahi* from Bengkulu, Sumatra; b) *Popeia nebulosa* from the Cameron Highlands, West Malaysia; (5) “Not green”: a) *Cryptelytrops purpureomaculatus* from Satun, south Thailand; b) *Parias flavomaculatus mcgregori* from Batanes, Philippines.

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