he doesn't know what the affinities of Finschia and Mohoua are; that, at least, is my assessment from his conclusions that they are "members of an old Australian pachycephaline-warbler-flycatcher lineage" and that "they are apparently derived from an earlier generalized, forest-dwelling proto-pachycephaline stock." I further suggest Dr Keast may have been misled by the occurrence of "multiple adults."

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