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23 Abstract

24 There are 19 currently recognized species of treeshrews in the genus Tupaia (Tupaiidae, 25 Scandentia) with a majority of the taxa found in Southeast Asia. During our surveys in northeastern 26 Vietnam, nine new specimens of *Tupaia* were collected from five different localities, including 27 Lang Son and Ha Giang provinces and Cat Ba Island, Hai Phong City. Our molecular analysis 28 reveals that the new population diverges from its closest congeners by at least 11.2% based on a 29 fragment of the mitochondrial COI gene and 10.1% based on a fragment of the mitochondrial 30 cytochrome b (cyt b) gene. The distinction of the newly discovered population is also supported 31 by significant differences compared to other species based on morphological analysis. As a result,

a new species, *Tupaia danghuyhuynhi* sp. nov., was described based on morphological and
 molecular evidence.

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Key words: Indochina, morphology, phylogenetic relationships, species complex, treeshrews,
 Tupaia danghuyhuynhi sp. nov.

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38 Introduction

39 Treeshrews of the family Tupaiidae are terrestrial, arboreal, and scansorial small mammals, which 40 can be found throughout much of tropical South and Southeast Asia. The family contains three 41 genera and 22 species, occurring primarily in southeastern and southern Asia. Except for Tupaia 42 nicobarica, a species endemic to Nicobar Island in the Indian Ocean, most species are distributed 43 in the mainland Southeast Asia and on islands of the Sunda Shelf with 18 of 19 Tupaia and two of 44 Dendrogale found in the region (Hawkins 2018). To date, four species of the two genera, namely 45 Dendrogale murina, Tupaia minor, T. belangeri, and T. glis, have been recorded in mainland 46 Southeast Asia (Hawkins 2018; Francis 2019). Of all the species in the genus *Tupaia* known from 47 the Indomalayan region, only T. belangeri and D. murina have been reported from Vietnam 48 (Corbet and Hill 1992; Hawkins 2018; Francis 2019).

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50 Tupaiids form a diverse and complex group with a high number of species and subspecies (Helgen 51 2005; Hawkins 2018). Broad geographic variations in their pelage and external features result in 52 enormous taxonomic confusions. Although treeshrew studies were sporadic in the past, over the 53 last two decades, research on this group has progressed to a more advanced stage with several 54 studies addressing treeshrew molecular phylogenetics (Schmitz et al. 2000; Roberts et al. 2009, 55 2011; Francis 2019), behavioral ecology (Emmons 2000), and morphology (Sargis 2000, 2013a). 56 In addition, taxonomic boundaries within species complexes of *Tupaia* has been investigated using 57 different approaches, such as hand skeleton comparison, geometric morphometrics, and 58 craniometrical analysis (Endo et al. 1999; Sargis et al. 2013a, 2013b, 2014a, 2014b, 2017, 2018, 59 2021; Woodman et al. 2020). More than two decades have passed since the first study on the 60 complete mitochondrial genome of *Tupai belangeri* was published (Schmitz et al. 2000), more

recent molecular studies have employed both mitochondrial and nuclear genomes to recover
phylogenetic relationships and divergence dates between species in the genus (Olson et al. 2004,
2005; Roberts et al. 2009, 2011). In the analyses, *T. belangeri* is shown to be a sister taxon to *T. glis*. The two species occupy mainland Southeast Asia and are closely related to the narrowly
distributed group of *T. chrysogaster – T. longipes* (Roberts et al. 2011).

66 Vietnam is situated in the Indochina Peninsular, Southeast Asia. The country makes up an 67 important part of the Indo - Burma Biodiversity Hotspot and is characterized by numerous 68 endemic and highly threatened species (Mittermeier et al. 2011; Tordoff et al. 2012). The country 69 also harbors globally significant diversity of mammals (Sterling et al. 2006). In addition, many 70 new non-volant small mammals species and subspecies have been discovered in Vietnam in recent 71 years, e.g., Laonastes aenigmanus (Jenkins et al. 2005; Nguyen et al. 2012), Saxatilomys paulinae 72 (Musser et al. 2005), Chodsigoa caovansunga (Lunde et al. 2003) Tonkinnomys daovantieni 73 (Musser et al. 2006), Crocidura zaitsevi (Jenkins et al. 2007), Crocidura phuquocensis (Abramov 74 et al. 2008), Crocidura phanluongi (Jenkins et al. 2009), Crocidura sapaensis (Jenkins et al. 2013), 75 Callosciurus honkhoaiensis (Nguyen et al. 2018), and Callosciurus finlaysonii honngheensis (Vu 76 et al. 2021).

During our fieldwork in northeastern Vietnam, we collected a number of specimens assigned to *Tupaia*. However, based on a detailed examination of the specimens, the population is shown to be distinct genetically and morphologically from other existing congeners. In this study, we describe the population as a new species of *Tupaia* on the basis of integrative evidence with descriptions of the external, size, and formula characters and provide some notes on its ecological behavior.

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84 Materials and methods

Sampling. The studies were conducted in several protected areas in northeastern Vietnam,
including Cham Chu Nature Reserve (NR) (Tuyen Quang Province), Bac Me NR (Ha Giang
Province), Huu Lien NR (Lang Son Province), and Cat Ba National Park (Hai Phong City). (Fig.
1). This region is well known for its unique limestone karst ecosystem, diverse topography, and
biodiversity values. This type of habitat is ideal for mammals in general and for small mammals
in particular.

Figure 1. Map showing collection sites of *Tupaia danghuyhuynhi* sp. nov. in northeastern Vietnam
(Source: Yale University Press)

93 During three years from 2019 to 2021, a total of eight specimens was collected from northeastern 94 Vietnam. We deployed cage traps (15 cm x 15 cm x 25 cm) on ground and in trees following 95 methods approved by the American Society of Mammalogists (Sikes et al. 2016). Collected 96 specimens consisted of five females (field numbers NTS.2020.151, NTS.2021.126, and 97 NTS.2021.127 collected in Cat Ba NP; BM.2019.05.22 and NTS.2019.10.48 collected in Bac Me 98 and Cham Chu NRs) and three males (NTS.2020.255 and NTS.2020.256 of Huu Lien NR; 99 NTS.2020.160 of Cat Ba NP) and we also examined a specimen (ID: Motokawa 553) collected in 100 Tam Dao NP (Vinh Phuc Province) in 2013. All newly collected specimens were deposited in the 101 Department of Vertebrate Zoology, Institute of Ecology and Biological Resources (IEBR), 102 Vietnam Academy of Science and Technology (VAST), Hanoi, Vietnam.

Molecular data and phylogenetic analyses. Six new samples of *Tupaia*, three from Hai Phong, two
 from Lang Son, and one from Ha Giang, were sequenced. Sequences from other species of *Tupaia* were downloaded from GenBank. We selected *Dendrogale melanura*, *Dendrogale murina*, and
 Phodopus sungorus as outgroups.

107 We used Le et al. 2006 protocols for DNA extraction, amplification, and sequencing. Three 108 fragments of mitochondrial genes were sequenced for the new samples, including cytochrome b 109 (cyt b), cytochrome c oxidase subunit 1 (COI), and 16S ribosomal RNA (16S). Three pairs of primers were used for amplification, i.e., AR-BR for 16S (Palumbi et al. 1991), L14058-H15298 110 111 for cyt b (Chen et al. 2011), and BatL5310–R6036R for COI (Robin et al. 2007). After sequences 112 were aligned using Clustal X v2 (Thompson et al. 1997), data were analyzed using Bayesian 113 Inference (BI), as implemented in MrBayes v3.2 (Ronquist et al. 2012) and maximum likelihood 114 (ML) analyses as implemented in IQ-TREE v1.6.8 (Nguyen et al. 2015). Settings for the BI 115 analysis followed Le et al. (2006), except that the number of generations in the Bayesian analysis 116 was increased to 1×10^7 . The optimal models of nucleotide evolution for BI and ML were selected 117 by jModelTest v2.1.4 (Darriba et al. 2012). Nodal support was evaluated by posterior probabilities 118 (PP) in MrBayes and ultrafast bootstrap (UFB) with 10,000 replications in IQ-TREE. We regarded 119 PP and UFB values of \geq 95% as strong support and values of < 95% as weak support (Ronquist et 120 al. 2012; Minh et al. 2013). We ran three separate analyses with cyt b, COI, and combined data 121 consisting of four genes: Cyt b, COI, 12S, and 16S to determine the phylogenetic relationship of 122 the new population with regard to other species of the genus. The optimal models for nucleotide 123 evolution were set to TVM+I+G, TVM+G, and GTR+G as selected by jModelTest, for cyt b, 124 COI, and the combined data, respectively. In BI, the cutoff point for burn - in function was set to 125 10, 7, and 10 as - lnL scores reached stationarity after 10,000, 7,000, and 10,000 generations in 126 both runs for cyt b, COI, and combined data analyses, respectively. The uncorrected pairwise 127 distances between operational taxonomic units were calculated in PAUP*4.0b10 for cyt b and COI 128 datasets (Swofford, 2001).

129 Morphological analyses. To determine specimen age, we used the method based on tooth eruption described in published literature, and sexual maturation such as pregnancy and lactation of 130 131 females, and development of sexual organs during the breeding season of males (Slaughter et al. 132 1974; Shigehara, 1980; Woodman et al. 2020). However, we found a difference between juvenile 133 and adult specimens based on orbital growth. Out of nine specimens, two with voucher numbers 134 NTS 2020.151 and NTS.2020.160 were juvenile, two, NTS 2021.126 and NTS 2021.127, were 135 adult due to nursing and pregnancy and the remaining five were identified as adult based on teeth 136 structure and complete development of orbit.

Measurements in millimeters (mm) were taken by digital caliper Mitutoyo model NTD12 –
15PMX, Mitutoyo Corp., Kawasaki, Japan to the nearest 0.01 mm (Endo et al. 1999, 2000a, b,
2017, 2021; Gao et al. 2017 and Wible 2011). External measurements consisted of Head and body
length (HB), tail length (TL), hind foot length (HF), ear length (E) in millimeters (mm) and body
mass (BW) in grams (g).

142 Skull characters: In total 23 skull characters were measured, including: Profile length (PL), 143 Condylobosal length (CL), Short lateral facial length (SL), Length if incisive foramen (LIF), 144 Length of rostrum (LR), Greatest breadth of upper first incisor I1 (GBFI1), Minimum distance of 145 upper first incisor I1 (MLFI1), Zygomatic width (ZW), Least breadth between the orbits (LBO), 146 Greatest neurocranium (GNB), Median palatal length (MPL), Length from Basion to Staphylion 147 (LBS), Greatest palatal breadth (GPB), Dental length (DL), Length of auditory bulla (LAB), 148 Greatest mastoid breadth (GMB), Minimum distance of auditory bulla (MLA), Height from 149 Akrokranion to Basion (HAB), Length from the condyle (LC), Length of angular process (LA),

- 150 Length from the Infradentale to aboral of the alveolus (LIA), Height of the vertical ramus (HR),
- 151 Height of the mandible at M1(HM) (Fig. 2).
- 152 **Figure 2.** Skull measurements in the genus *Tupaia*.
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- 154 **Results**
- 155 **Table 3.** Molecular sequences used in this study

156 **Phylogenetic analyses.** The cyt *b* matrix consisted of 1171 aligned characters with 29 sequences 157 of 28 ingroup and one outgroup taxa (Table 3). The COI matrix included 650 aligned characters 158 with 41 sequences of 28 ingroup and one outgroup taxa. The final four gene matrix contained 3319 159 aligned characters with 52 sequences of 48 ingroup and four outgroup taxa. The new population 160 was either placed as a sister taxon to purported *Tupaia belangeri* as shown in the analyses using 161 cyt b and COI with high statistical nodal values from at least one analysis (Fig. 3A and 3B), or to 162 T. longipes + T. chrysogaster as determined by the phylogenetic estimation using the combined 163 data with low support (Supplementary data). Genetically, the new population is significantly 164 divergent from other congeners by at least 11.2% based on a fragment of the COI gene and 10.1% 165 based on a fragment of the cyt b gene (uncorrected p – distance) (Table 4, 5).

- Figure 3 (A, B). Maximum likehood phylogenetic trees based on A COI gene, B cyt *b* gene.
 Numbers above branches are Bayesian posterior probabilities and ML ultrafast bootstrap,
 respectively.
- 169 Table 4. Percentages of uncorrected pairwise distance between the new population and closely
- 170 related species based on 650 aligned characters of a COI fragment
- 171 **Table 5.** Percentages of uncorrected pairwise distance between the new population and closely
- 172 related species based on 1171 aligned characters of a cyt *b* fragment
- 173 In all analyses, the population from northeastern Vietnam forms a monophyletic lineage with
- 174 perfect nodal support values from BI and ML analyses (Fig. 3A, B, and Supplementary data).
- 175 Based on the molecular evidence and morphological distinction (see below), we recognize the
- 176 population from northeastern Vietnam as a new species of *Tupaia*, which is formally described
- 177 below.

178 Taxonomic account

179 Tupaia danghuyhuynhi sp. nov.

180 Suggested valid name: Dong Bac's treeshrews and Vietnamese name: Đồi đông bắc

- Photographs and measurements of the *Tupaia danghuyhuynhi* are shown in Fig. 4, and Table 1respectively.
- 183 Holotype. IEBR M 8098 (field number NTS.2021.126). Dried skin, skull extracted and tissue

184 samples of an adult female collected by Son Truong Nguyen and Tu Ngoc Ly in May 2020 in Cat

- 185 Ba NP. The holotype specimen stored at Department of Vertebrate Zoology, IEBR, VAST, Ha
- 186 Noi, Vietnam.
- Holotype measurements. External measurement (in mm) of the holotype: HB 182, TL 145, HF
 41.05, E 10.92; Wt 130 g.
- 189 Cranial measurement (in mm) of the holotype: PL 48.28, CL 41.95, SL 19.70, LIF 4.34, LR 15.80,

190 GBFI1 2.69, MLFI1 1.54, ZW 23.97, LBO 13.95, GNB 19.47, MPL 25.33, LBS 16.82, GPB 14.83,

191 DL 25.03, LAB 8.62, GMB 17.16, MLA 3.32, HAB 5.65. Mandible measurements (in mm): LC

192 32.30, LA 31.59, LIA 27.03, HR 12.49, HM 3.77.

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194**Paratypes.** Dried skin, cleaned skull and tissue sample of 03 males IEBR – M – 5047 (field195number: Motokawa 553); IEBR – M – 7977 (field number: NTS.2020.255); and IEBR – M – 7978196(field number: NTS.2020.256) and 03 females IEBR – M – 8099 (field number: NTS.2021.127);197IEBR – M – 7624 (field number: BM.2019.05.22); IEBR – M – 7737 (field number:198NTS.2019.10.48) were deposited at the Department of Vertebrate Zoology, The IEBR, Hanoi,199Vietnam.

Etymology. The name "danghuyhuynhi" of this treeshrew is used in recognition of Prof. Dr. Dang
Huy Huynh's contributions to biodiversity research and conservation in Vietnam.

202 **Type locality.** Cat Ba NP, Hai Phong City, northeast of Vietnam (Fig. 1).

203 **Dianogsis.** *Tupaia danghuyhuynhi* can be distinguished from other members of the genus *Tupaia*

by having an overall smaller skull than those of *T. belangeri belangeri*, *T. b. chinensis*, and others

205 *Tupaia* found in Southeast Asia (Table 1). Its high dome-shaped skull also differs from those with

206 lower braincases of other *Tupaia* species. Molars of this species are quite small, creating large

tooth gaps. Esspecially, the gap of upper incisor I1 is relatively wider. Its external characters
similar to those of *T. belangeri* but the average body size is significantly smaller.

209 **Description of holotype.** *External characters*: The specimen from Cat Ba Island has the featured 210 head of *Tupaia* with long, pointed muzzle and no hairs. Without face marking around eyes. Ears 211 were non-hair with burlywood coloration (or darker) on both sides. Dorsal pelage was light brown 212 and the hair showed agouti: light gray at the base, darker in the middle, and golden brown at the 213 top. This structure was simpler with the young hairs, consisting of only 2 bands: silver, gray at the 214 base and darkening at the top. This coat tends to turn daker orange in older individuals. Ventral 215 was wheat color without agouti: its hair sometime mixed with several black hairs, almost appeared in bolder region between under part and upper part. The abdominal skin was usually thin with a 216 217 dark yellow layer of fat, creating a more golden feel for the belly hair in some individuals who are 218 pregnant or nursing. The foot was skinny with rather long hindfoot and similar coloration to the 219 dorsum and ventrum in both sides. The tail was thin with light brown and lacked hairs in the under 220 part. In the upper part, its hair had agouti consisting of three light brown bands and three dark 221 bands, light band at base and ended by short dark band, the light band near the tip browner. This 222 species belongs to the Tupaia belangeri group - sensu lato Lyon, 1913 with the pairs of mammae. 223 The head and body length, tail length, hind foot length, ear length, and body weight were 182 -224 210 mm, 145 – 168 mm, 10.92 – 15.18 mm, 39.73 – 46.85 mm, 130 – 200 g, respectively (Table 225 1). Reproductive endocrinology of T. danghhuyhuyhhi was similar to that of T. belangeri with a 226 penis without bone.

227 Skull characters: There was almost no sexual dimorphism between male and female individuals. 228 In dorsum view: the skull was small with a relatively slender, short, and thin rostrum. The nasal 229 sutures were almost fused and difficult to determine where is beginning or end point of the nasal 230 bone. The infraorbital foramen quite small. The ridges less developed and converged to the low 231 weak sagittal crest in a V-shape, the interparietal was a low and blunt shape. In ventral view, 232 incisive foramen relatively large compared to the overall size of the skull with a high rate of 233 LIF/CL. The dental formula of this species identical to those of the Tupaiidae as described by Lyon, 1913: incisors $\frac{2}{3}$, canines $\frac{1}{1}$, premolars $\frac{3}{3}$, molars $\frac{3}{3}$ (Fig. 5, 6). However, the dental structure 234 of *Tupaia danghuyhuynhi* was slender and sharp, making the gap between upper incisor I1 wider 235 236 than that in *T. belangeri* (anterior view in Fig 5). The entotympanic auditory bullas quite high and 237 thick, making the distance between these two auditory bullae relatively close. In left lateral view: 238 T. danghuyhuyhhi had a high brain case with frontal highly convex. This species had a relatively 239 narrow zygomatic with an orifice guttate. The zygomaticofacial foramen in medium size and had 240 a teardrop shape that gradually shrinks towards the snout. In this species, the location of the 241 connection between postorbital process of frontal and frontal process of jugal is also an important 242 character in determining the maturity. Due to the transformation from cartilaginous bone to full-243 fledged bone, the more mature individuals are, the more complete this character is. In adult 244 individuals, this skeletal system of T. danghuyhuyhi was relatively thin and weak. In comparison 245 skull measurements, the result shows T. danghuyhuyhhi significantly smaller than T. belangeri 246 (Table 1).

247 Figure 5. Skull holotype of *Tupaia danghuyhuynhi* collected in Cat Ba NP

248 Figure 6. The formular of *Tupaia danghuyhuynhi* collected in Cat Ba NP

249 **Distribution.** *Tupaia danghuyhuynhi* presently known only from northeastern Vietnam (Fig. 1).

250 **Comparison.** We compared the pelage color of *Tupaia danghuyhuynhi* with those of 19 *Tupaia* 251 species (T. glis Diard, 1820; T. belangeri Wagner, 1841; T. minor Gunther, 1876; T. nicobarica 252 Zelebor, 1869; T. ferruginea Raffles, 1821; T. chrysogater G. S. Miller, 1903; T. discolor Lyon, 253 1906; T. javanica Horsfield, 1822; T. hypochrysa Thomas, 1895; T. tana Raffles, 1821; T. longipes 254 Thomas, 1893; T. gracilis Thomas, 1893; T. montana Thomas, 1892; T. dorsalis Schlegel, 1857; 255 T. picta Thomas, 1892; T. salatana Lyon, 1913; T. splendidula Gray, 1865; T. everetti Thomas, 256 1892; T. palawanensis Thomas, 1894) currently recorded in the genus Tupaia (Hawkins 2018). 257 We also synthesized and compared T. danghuyhuyhhi with two subspecies T. belangeri belangeri 258 Wagner, 1841 (Distributed in South of Myanmar) and T. belangeri chinensis Anderson, 1879 259 (Distributed in China, Thailand and Vietnam) (Table 2). The comparative analysis shows that T. 260 danghuyhuyhhi is distinct from any other Tupaia species known to science. The fur morphology 261 was similar to that of the subspecies Tupaia belangeri chinensis, but T. danghuyhuyhhi had a quite 262 smaller body. In addition, T. danghuyhuynhi even though the new population is sympatric with T. 263 b. belangeri, molecular results revealed a significant genetic distance between the two taxa (Table 264 4 and 5).

266 **Discussion.** Recent studies have recorded *Tupaia belangeri belangeri* in Vietnam (Hawkins 2018; 267 Francis 2019). However, Endo et al. (2021) through a multivariate analysis suggested the 268 treeshrews from southern Vietnam exhibit distinct morphological characteristics compared to 269 other populations from Thailand, Laos, and Malaysia. Based on the skull morphology, the authors 270 confirm that populations from southern Vietnam and southern and western Thailand in the Tupaia 271 glis-belangeri complex differs substantially. However, factors driving the morphological 272 differentiations have not been identified. In this study, molecular and morphological evidence 273 clearly demonstrates that the population from northeastern Vietnam constitutes a new species. The 274 previous hypothesis regarding geographical barriers (Oshida et al. 2001, 2011, 2013, 2016; 275 Nguyen et al. 2018, Bui et al. 2020; Ly et al. 2021) also being considered in this study. We 276 attempted to gather specimens of this species from northwestern of Vietnam by conducting surveys 277 in Son La, Dien Bien, and Hoa Binh provinces. However, to date we have not been able to obtain 278 any specimens of this species.

Compared with other groups in the mainland, the new species is closely related to the *T. belangeri T. glis* group. Further studies on the distribution of the new species in Indochina region will shed
light on this issue. Addition of data on the *T. belangeri* - *T. glis* and *T. chrysogaster* - *T. longipes*groups in the regions is crucial to clarify issues related to taxonomy, phylogeny, and biogeography
of the genus.

284 Contrary to Bergman's law, this species demonstrates that, despite occurring in a region with 285 supposedly colder climate than areas where other *Tupaia* species are distributed, this species has 286 a smaller body size compared to other members of *Tupaia* (Sargis et al. 2018).

Ecological notes. *The phenomenon of shedding hair*. This phenomenon usually occurs at a specific point in a wild animal's life cycle, such as seasonal pelage change before or after breeding and molting in reptiles. The timing of this change varies between species (John 1970). Shedding hair was recorded in one specimen collected from Cat Ba NP (Female Holotype: IEBR – M - 8098(NTS.2021.126) in May 2021. This specimen was just going through a breeding period. The replacement of dorsal hairs is a manifestation of this changing process. Old hairs were replaced by young, short, soft, pale black hairs.

Breeding. According to Collins et al. 1982, the reproduction of *Tupaia* species primarily takes place in the winter. Local environmental factors appear to regulate reproductive function so that the greatest number of births occurs during the dry season, i.e., from November to the following February, when the seminiferous tubules are spermatogenetically active. According to Lyon 1913, the number of embryos is dependent on the mammae common of that species. We suggest that the trapped pregnant individual of *T. danghuyhuynhi* has 3 + 3 mammae with only three of offspring produced.

301 *Diet.* Ecological research on members of *Tupaia* has provided detailed information on their diets 302 and feeding behaviors (Cantor 1846; Lyon 1913; Harrison 1954; Davis 1962; D'Souza 1972; 303 Langham 1982). The species are omnivores, feeding on both fruit and insects. The baits we used 304 to trap this species consisted of cassava, potato, banana, pineapple and sometimes replaced with 305 dried fish. Traps were set primarily in secondary limestone forests, a common type of forest habitat 306 in northern Vietnam.

Activity patterns. This species has a relatively similar behavior pattern to tree squirrels, as they are
 usually active in both evening and early morning. They are active throughout the day, promptly
 leaving nests early in the morning at daylight and returning to a sleep site at sunset.

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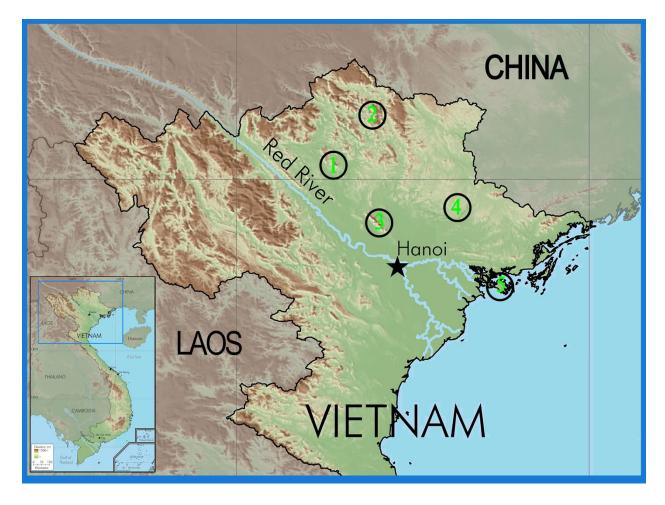
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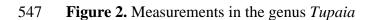
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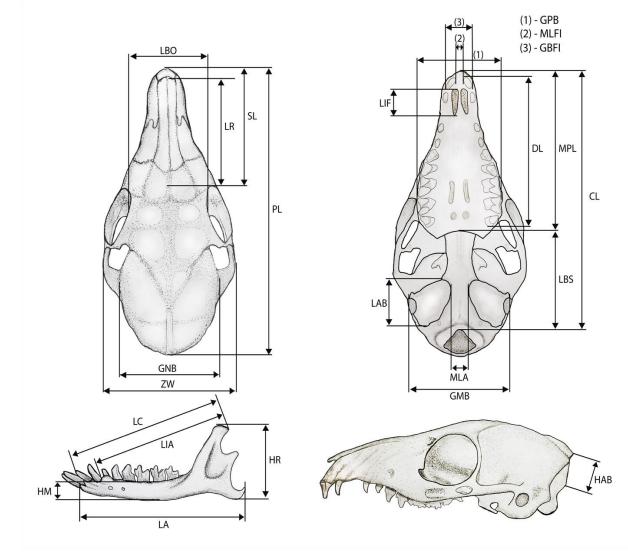
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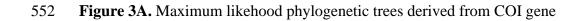


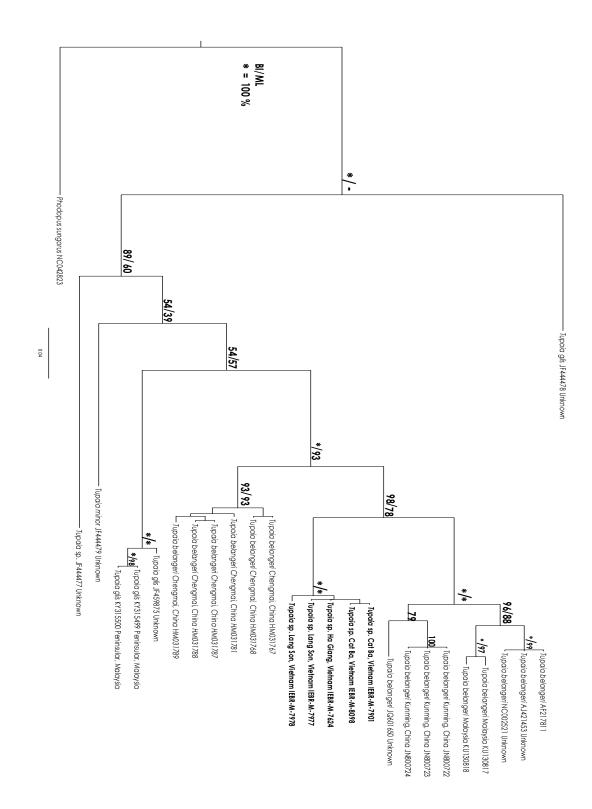


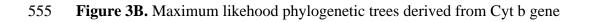












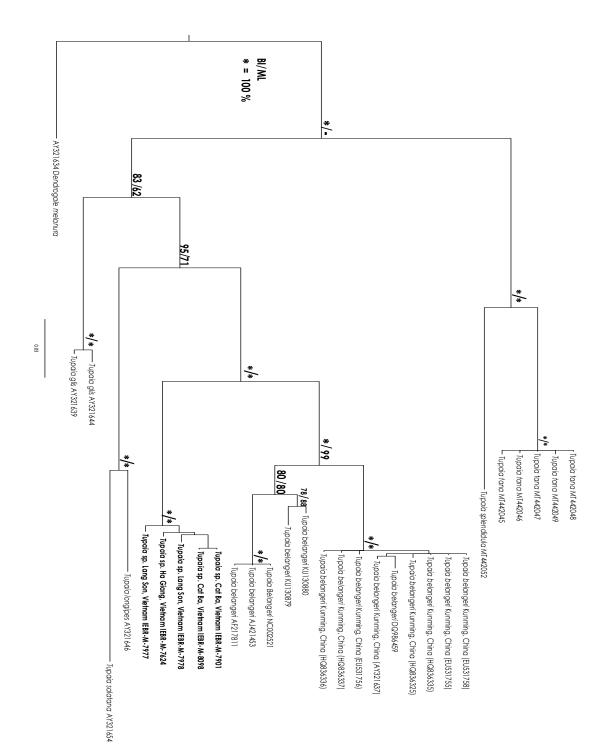
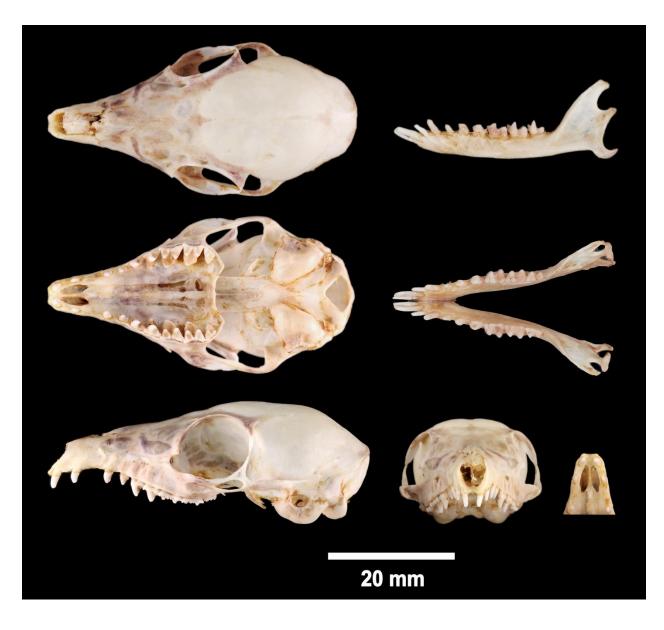




Figure 4. Holotype of *Tupaia danghuyhuynhi* collected in Cat Ba NP

Figure 5. Skull holotype of Tupaia danghuyhuynhi collected in Cat Ba NP





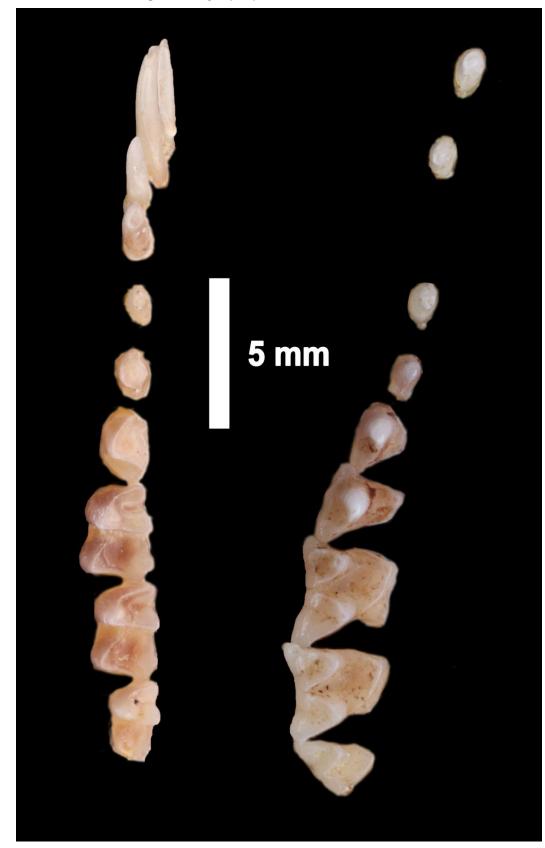


Figure 6. The fomular of *Tupaia danghuyhuynhi* collected in Cat Ba NP

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Following: Endo et al., 2021

Table 1. Comparision of external and skull measurements of *T. danghuyhuynhi* with *T. belangeri*(Examine data from Endo et al., 2021)

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Genus	Species	Recorded region	Pelage characters of distinct with <i>Tupaia</i> danghuyhuynhi	Sources
	danghuyhuynhi	Northeast Vietnam	Quite small body, agouti brown dorsum (Light and dark banding on each hair), wheat ventral	
	glis	Malay Peninsular and some Islands around	Agouti brown dorsum (Light and dark banding on each hair), reddish tail	Diard, 1820
	belangeri belangeri	South Myanmar	Agouti brown dorsum (Light and dark banding on each hair), buff venter	Wagner, 1841
	belangeri chinensis	China, Thailand and Vietnam	Agouti brown dorsum (Light and dark banding on each hair), buff venter	Anderson, 1879
	minor	Wide distributed in Sumatra and Borneo and Malay Peninsula	Large body, almost invariably light brown, some subspecies having darker colored in tail	Gunther, 1876
	nicobarica	Nicobar Island	Anterior one-half lighter brown agouti and posterior one - half nearly solid black. Fur is longer than many other Tupaia sp. Tail is longer also and fluffy	Zelebor, 1869
	ferruginea	Sumatra and Tanahbala in Batu Island	Relatively similar to <i>T. glis</i> but tail shorter and underpart gray or tan. Fur slight gray tint, with reddish wash along midsection.	Raffles, 1821
	chrysogater	Sipora, Pagai and Mentawai islands	Dorsum is uniform brown, with tinges of red and venter tan hue. Diagnostic is light fur markking on shoulder.	G. S. Miller, 1903
Tupaia	discolor	Banka island, belong to SE of Sumatra	Medium size, Anterior one-half reddish and posterior one - half very gray. Tail fur is wider at base and shortens towards tip.	Lyon, 1906
	javanica	West Sumatra, Nias Island, Java, and Bali.	Slender, uniform agouti-brown pelage, tail fur thick, venter is tan and rostrum is short.	Horsfield, 1822
	hypochrysa	West Java	Body large and long tail. Dorsum is brown - agouti. Under part are tan or ange.	Thomas, 1895
	tana	Wide distributed in Sumatra and Borneo	Large body and very long rostrum. Has there dark line run across anterior part of dorsum.	Raffles, 1821
	longipes	North Borneo lowlands to Rayan and Kayan rivers	Medium body with relatively long hindfeet, dorsum is brown agouti, venter is lighter ivory-tan.	Thomas, 1893
	gracilis	Borneo, except center highland and Southest	Dorsum is gray to brown agouti, venter pale white to ivory. Relatively similar to <i>T. minnor</i>	Thomas, 1893
	montana	Central highland of Borneo	Medium body with plush brown fur and faint agouti banding. Venter is tan to gray. Short tail and sometime occurred marking on shoulder.	Thomas, 1892
	dorsalis	Endemic in West, Center and East Borneo	Medium body with dark brown to black striped from nape to neck to base of tail.	Schlegel, 1857
	picta	Endemic in Borneo	Relatively similar to <i>T. dorsalis</i> in external morphology but longer and leaner.	Thomas, 1892

573	Table 2. Comparision pelage characters in the genus <i>Tupaia</i>

salatana	Endemic in Borneo, South of Rajang and Kayan rivers.	Relatively similar to <i>T. longipes</i> but the fur more reddish and shoulder marking appered more red	Lyon, 1913
splendidula	Almost in Borneo and some Islands around	Pelage variation exists among subspecies. Shoulder markings are present and most subspecies have variable colored faces.	Gray, 1865
everetti	Endemic in Mindanao Island	Uniformly brownish, venter is orange to red. Exists lighter marking on shoulder.	Thomas, 1892

576 **Table 3.** DNA samples list of the genus *Tupaia*

Table 3. GenBank accession numbers and associated voucer/laboratory numbers of ingroup taxa used in this study

Species name	GenBank Number cyt b	GenBank Number COI	GenBank Number 12S	GenBank Number 16S	Voucher/L ab number	Reference	Locality
Tupaia glis	-	JF444478	-	-	-	-	-
Tupaia glis	-	JF459875	-	-	ROM:11306 1	-	-
Tupaia glis	-	KY315499	-	-	MZF00986	-	-
Tupaia glis	-	KY315500	-	-	MZF00894	-	-
Tupaia glis	AY321644	-	-	-	Tglis5071	-	-
Tupaia glis	AY321639	-	-	-	Tglis4995	-	-
Tupaia glis	-	-	AY862174	JF795307	MVZ 192180	Roberts et al. 2011	Sumatera Utara (Sumatra), Indonesia
Tupaia glis	-	-	AY862175	JF795308	MVZ 192184	Roberts et al. 2011	Aceh (Sumatra), Indonesia
Tupaia belangeri	NC002521	NC002521	NC002521	NC002521	NC002521	Schmitz et. 2000	-
Tupaia belangeri	AF217811	AF217811	AF217811	AF217811	AJ421453	Schmitz et. 2000	-
Tupaia belangeri	AJ421453	AJ421453	AJ421453	AJ421453	AJ421453	Arnason et al. 2002	-
Tupaia belangeri	JN800722	JN800722	JN800722	JN800722	H1	Xu et.al. 2012	Kunming, China
Tupaia belangeri	JN800723	JN800723	JN800723	JN800723	H1-HD	Xu et.al. 2012	Kunming, China
Tupaia belangeri	JN800724	JN800724	JN800724	JN800724	H5	Xu et.al. 2012	Kunming, China
Tupaia belangeri		JQ601650			-	-	-
Tupaia belangeri	-	HM031767	-	-	-	Lu et.al. 2012	Chengmai, China
Tupaia belangeri	-	HM031768	-	-	-	Lu et.al. 2012	Chengmai, China
Tupaia belangeri	-	HM031781	-	-	-	Lu et.al. 2012	Chengmai, China
Tupaia belangeri	-	HM031787	-	-	-	Lu et.al. 2012	Chengmai, China
Tupaia belangeri	-	HM031788	-	-	-	Lu et.al. 2012	Chengmai, China
Tupaia belangeri	-	HM031789	-	-	-	Lu et.al. 2012	Chengmai, China
Tupaia belangeri	EU531755	-	-	-	LG8	Jia et al. 2008	Kunming, China
Tupaia belangeri	EU531756	-	-	-	LG9	Jia et al. 2008	Kunming, China
Tupaia belangeri	EU531758	-	-	-	LQ11	Jia et al. 2008	Kunming, China
Tupaia belangeri	HQ836325	-	-	-	H10_TS208	Chen et al. 2011	Kunming, China
Tupaia belangeri	HQ836335	-	-	-	H4_N2	Chen et al. 2011	Kunming, China
Tupaia belangeri	HQ836336	-	-	-	H5_N22	Chen et al. 2011	Kunming, China
Tupaia belangeri	HQ836337	-	-	-	H5_T84	Chen et al. 2011	Kunming, China
Tupaia belangeri	DQ986459	-	-	-	A1	-	-
Tupaia belangeri	AY321637 KU130879	- VIII20017	-	-	Tchin5078 126.2	-	-
Tupaia belangeri Tupaia belangeri		KU130817	-	-	126.2	-	-
· ·	KU130880	KU130818	- AY862170	- JF795297	FMNH	- Roberts et al. 2011	- Malaysia Sabab
Tupaia belangeri					165412		Malaysia, Sabah (Borneo)
Tupaia belangeri	-	-	AY862171	JF795299	USNM 583857	Roberts et al. 2011	Mon – Myanmar
Tupaia belangeri	-	-	JF795300	JF795300	UAM 102606	Roberts et al. 2011	Cambodia
Tupaia belangeri	-	-	JF795301	JF795301	UAM 102607	Roberts et al. 2011	Cambodia
Tupaia belangeri	-	-	JF795303	JF795303	USNM 583793	Roberts et al. 2011	Bago – Myanmar
Tupaia minor	-	JF444479	-	-	ROM:10225 5	-	-
Tupaia minor	-	-	JF795313	JF795313	USNZ 109751	Roberts et al. 2011	-
Tupaia minor	-	-	JF795314	JF795314	USNZ 109988	Roberts et al. 2011	
Tupaia tana	MT442045	MT442045	MT442045	MT442045	BOR010	Parker et.al. 2020	Borneo, Malaysia
Tupaia tana	MT442046	MT442046	MT442046	MT442046	BOR050	Parker et.al. 2020	Borneo, Malaysia

Tupaia tana	MT442047	MT442047	MT442047	MT442047	BOR016	Parker et.al. 2020	Borneo, Malaysia
Tupaia tana	MT442048	MT442048	MT442048	MT442048	BOR038	Parker et.al. 2020	Borneo, Malaysia
Tupaia tana	MT442049	MT442049	MT442049	MT442049	BOR056	Parker et.al. 2020	Borneo, Malaysia
Tupaia tana	-	-	AY862182	JF795321.	MVZ 192193	Roberts et al. 2011	Aceh (Sumatra), Indonesia
Tupaia tana	-	-	AY862183	JF795322	JS M11	Roberts et al. 2011	Malaysia, Sabah (Borneo)
Tupaia splendidula	MT442052	MT442052	MT442052	MT442052	UMMZ174 429	Parker et.al. 2020	Borneo, Malaysia
Tupaia splendidula	-	-	JF795320	JF795320	UMMZ 174428	Roberts et al. 2011	Indonesia, Kalimantan Barat (Borneo)
Tupaia splendidula	-	-	AY862181	JF795319	UMMZ 174429	Roberts et al. 2011	Indonesia, Kalimantan Barat (Borneo)
Tupaia salatana	AY321654	-	-	-	Tsal5326	-	-
Tupaia montana	-	-	JF795315	JF795315	USNM 449964	Roberts et al. 2011	Malaysia, Sabah (Borneo)
Tupaia palawanensis	-	-	AY862180	JF795317	FMNH 168969	Roberts et al. 2011	Philippines, Palawan (Palawan)
Tupaia moellendorffi	-	-	JF795312	JF795312	USNM 477838	Roberts et al. 2011	Philippines Palawan (Culion)
Tupaia javanica	-	-	AY862177	JF795310	FMNH 47118	Roberts et al. 2011	Indonesia, Jawa Tengah (Java)
Tupaia nicobarica	-	-	AY862179	JF795316	USNM 111753	Roberts et al. 2011	India, Little Nicobar Island
Tupaia gracilis	-	-	AY862176	JF795309	USNZ 109023	Roberts et al. 2011	Sabah (Borneo), Malaysia
Tupaia dorsalis	-	-	AY862173	JF795305	UMMZ 174427	Roberts et al. 2011	Indonesia, Kalimantan Barat (Borneo)
Tupaia dorsalis	-	-	JF795306	JF795306	UMMZ 174651	Roberts et al. 2011	Indonesia, Kalimantan Barat (Borneo)
Tupaia longipes	-	-	AY862178	JF795311	JS M02b	Roberts et al. 2011	Sabah (Borneo), Malaysia
Tupaia chrysogaster	-	-	JF795304	JF795304	USNM 121577	Roberts et al. 2011	Sumatera Barat (Paga Selatan), Indonesia
<i>Tupaia</i> sp.	-	JF444477	-	-	ROM:10212 3	-	-
Urogale everetti	-	-	AY862184	JF795323	FMNH1477 81	Roberts et al. 2011	Philippines, Bukidnor
Dendrogale murina	-	-	JF795295	JF795295	UAM 102608	Roberts et al. 2011	Cambodia, Koh Kong (Cardamom Mts.)
Dendrogale murina	-	-	JF795294	JF795294	UAM 103000	Roberts et al. 2011	Cambodia, Mondulkiri
Tupaia sp. nov.	XXX XXX	XXX XXX	-	XXX XXX	IEBR – M – 7901	This study	Cat Ba, Hai Phong, Vietnam
Tupaia sp. nov.	XXX XXX	XXX XXX	-	-	IEBR – M – 7935	This study	Cat Ba, Hai Phong, Vietnam
Tupaia sp. nov.	-	-	-	XXX XXX	IEBR – M – 8098	This study	Cat Ba, Hai Phong, Vietnam
Tupaia sp. nov.	XXX XXX	XXX XXX	-	XXX XXX	IEBR – M – 7624	This study	Bac Me, Ha Giang, Vietnam
Tupaia sp. nov.	XXX XXX	XXX XXX	-	XXX XXX	IEBR – M – 7977	This study	Huu Lien, Lang Son, Vietnam
<i>Tupaia</i> sp. nov.	XXX XXX	XXX XXX	-	XXX XXX	IEBR – M – 7978	This study	Huu Lien, Lang Son, Vietnam

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1	NC042823 Phodopus sungorus	-												
2	AF217811 Tupaia belangeri	18.97	-											
3	AJ421453 Tupaia belangeri	18.97	0	-										
4	JN800722 Tupaia belangeri	19.58	6	6	-									
5	JN800723 Tupaia belangeri	19.58	6	6	0	-								
6	JN800724 Tupaia belangeri	19.58	6	6	0	0	-							
7	NC 2521 Tupaia belangeri	18.97	0	0	6	6	6	-						
8	HM031767 Tupaia belangeri	18.52	13.23	13.23	12.92	12.92	12.92	13.23	-					
9	HM031768 Tupaia belangeri	18.52	13.23	13.23	12.92	12.92	12.92	13.23	0	-				
10	HM031781 Tupaia belangeri	18.52	13.08	13.08	13.08	13.08	13.08	13.08	1.23	1.23	-			
11	HM031787 Tupaia belangeri	18.52	13.08	13.08	13.54	13.54	13.54	13.08	1.54	1.54	0.62	-		
12	HM031788 Tupaia belangeri	18.52	13.08	13.08	13.54	13.54	13.54	13.08	1.54	1.54	0.62	0	-	
13	HM031789 Tupaia belangeri	18.21	13.54	13.54	13.69	13.69	13.69	13.54	1.69	1.69	0.77	0.77	0.77	-
14	JQ601650 Tupaia belangeri	19.67	6.51	6.51	5.25	5.25	5.25	6.51	12.24	12.24	12.08	11.92	11.92	12.71
15	KU130817 Tupaia belangeri	19.51	5.38	5.38	6.74	6.74	6.74	5.38	12.44	12.44	12.28	12.95	12.95	12.94
16	KU130818 Tupaia belangeri	19.69	5.06	5.06	6.75	6.75	6.75	5.06	13.13	13.13	12.96	13.63	13.63	13.62
17	JF444478 Tupaia glis	17.21	18.6	18.6	19.59	19.59	19.59	18.6	17.1	17.1	17.45	16.94	16.94	17.44
18	JF459875 Tupaia glis	21.48	19.23	19.23	18.8	18.8	18.8	19.23	16.55	16.55	16.7	17.17	17.17	17.17
19	KY315499 Tupaia glis	20.11	18.46	18.46	18.46	18.46	18.46	18.46	16.92	16.92	16.77	16.92	16.92	16.92
20	KY315500 Tupaia glis	20.71	18.5	18.5	18.46	18.46	18.46	18.5	15.69	15.69	15.65	15.86	15.86	16.21
21	JF444479 Tupaia minor	19.35	17.55	17.55	18.4	18.4	18.4	17.55	16.9	16.9	17.24	16.9	16.9	16.9
22	JF444477 <i>Tupaia</i> sp.	22.02	21.01	21.01	18.91	18.91	18.91	21.01	18.79	18.79	18.8	18.64	18.64	18.97
23	Tb1 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. CatBa	18.07	12.92	12.92	12	12	12	12.92	11.85	11.85	11.23	11.54	11.54	11.39
24	Tb6 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. HaGiang	18.54	13	13	11.72	11.72	11.72	13	11.9	11.9	11.27	11.59	11.59	11.75
25	Tb7 Tupaia sp. LangSon	18.38	12.92	12.92	12	12	12	12.92	11.85	11.85	11.23	11.54	11.54	11.69
26	Tb14 Tupaia sp. LangSon	18.38	12.92	12.92	11.69	11.69	11.69	12.92	11.85	11.85	11.23	11.54	11.54	11.69
27	Tb18 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Cat Ba	18.07	12.92	12.92	12	12	12	12.92	11.85	11.85	11.23	11.54	11.54	11.39

Table 4. Genetic distance between *Tupaia* species based on the mitochondrial COI gene

		14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
14	JQ601650 Tupaia belangeri	-													
15	KU130817 Tupaia belangeri	7.43	-												
16	KU130818 Tupaia belangeri	7.77	1.35	-											
17	JF444478 Tupaia glis	18.83	19.57	19.91	-										
18	JF459875 Tupaia glis	18.14	18.03	17.87	20.67	-									
19	KY315499 Tupaia glis	18.16	18.39	18.05	20.49	2.08	-								
20	KY315500 Tupaia glis	17	17.46	17.69	19.33	1.89	0	-							
21	JF444479 Tupaia minor	16.78	17.8	17.97	17.27	17.79	18.26	16.54	-						
22	JF444477 <i>Tupaia</i> sp.	19.14	20.34	20.52	18.29	20.72	20.6	20.88	19.68	-					
23	Tb1 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. CatBa	12.26	12.97	13.14	18.29	18.48	18	18.31	18.57	18.25	-				
24	Tb6 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. HaGiang	12.14	12.9	13.08	18.33	18.28	17.79	18.07	18.43	18.15	0.31	-			
25	Tb7 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. LangSon	11.95	12.64	12.81	18.12	18.16	17.69	17.9	18.57	18.6	0.92	0.64	-		
26	Tb14 Tupaia sp. LangSon	11.94	12.64	12.81	18.29	18.32	17.85	18.12	18.57	18.09	0.31	0	0.62	-	
27	Tb18 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Cat Ba	12.26	12.97	13.14	18.29	18.48	18	18.31	18.57	18.25	0	0.31	0.92	0.31	-

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	AY321634 Dendrogale melanura	-											
2	EU531758 Tupaia belangeri	16.53	-										
3	EU531756 Tupaia belangeri	16.44	0.27	-									
4	EU531755 Tupaia belangeri	16.53	0	0.27	-								
5	HQ836337 Tupaia belangeri	16.62	0.27	0.18	0.27	-							
6	HQ836336 Tupaia belangeri	16.71	0.18	0.27	0.18	0.09	-						
7	HQ836335 Tupaia belangeri	16.53	0	0.27	0	0.27	0.18	-					
8	HQ836325 Tupaia belangeri	16.53	0.18	0.44	0.18	0.44	0.36	0.18	-				
9	DQ986459 Tupaia belangeri	16.62	0.71	0.8	0.71	0.98	0.89	0.71	0.89	-			
10	KU130880 Tupaia belangeri	16.67	5.22	5.2	5.22	5.2	4.95	5.22	5.43	6.05	-		
11	KU130879 Tupaia belangeri	16.45	5.97	5.94	5.97	5.94	5.69	5.97	6.17	6.78	1.24	-	
12	NC2521 Tupaia belangeri	16.33	8.26	8.17	8.26	8.17	8.08	8.26	8.35	8.61	3.23	3.99	-
13	AJ421453 Tupaia belangeri	16.33	8.26	8.17	8.26	8.17	8.08	8.26	8.35	8.61	3.23	3.99	0
14	AF217811 Tupaia belangeri	16.33	8.26	8.17	8.26	8.17	8.08	8.26	8.35	8.61	3.23	3.99	0
15	AY321637 Tupaia chinensis	16.53	0.18	0.44	0.18	0.44	0.36	0.18	0.36	0.71	5.47	6.22	8.43
16	AY321646 Tupaia longipes	17.51	15.29	15.38	15.29	15.38	15.29	15.29	15.38	15.56	13.82	13.57	16.42
17	AY321644 Tupaia glis	12.36	15.73	15.64	15.73	15.64	15.73	15.73	15.73	16.18	15.24	15.02	15.62
18	AY321639 Tupaia glis	11.91	15.38	15.29	15.38	15.29	15.38	15.38	15.38	15.82	14.76	14.54	15.36
19	MT442048 Tupaia tana	14.72	17.04	17.04	17.04	17.04	17.04	17.04	17.04	17.4	15.7	15.44	16.26
20	MT442049 Tupaia tana	14.71	17.12	17.11	17.12	17.11	17.11	17.12	17.12	17.47	15.7	15.44	16.24
21	MT442047 Tupaia tana	14.71	17.03	17.03	17.03	17.03	17.03	17.03	17.03	17.39	15.71	15.45	16.33
22	MT442046 Tupaia tana	14.8	17.12	17.12	17.12	17.12	17.12	17.12	17.12	17.47	15.95	15.7	16.41
23	MT442045 Tupaia tana	14.89	17.12	17.11	17.12	17.11	17.11	17.12	17.12	17.47	15.71	15.45	16.24
24	AY321654 Tupaia salatana	18.04	17.24	17.07	17.24	17.07	17.07	17.24	17.33	17.51	17.02	17.75	17.67
25	MT442052 Tupaia splendidula	16.15	16.87	16.69	16.87	16.69	16.69	16.87	16.87	17.05	14.65	14.89	16.28
26	Tb1 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Cat Ba	17.04	12.68	12.59	12.68	12.59	12.51	12.68	12.68	12.77	11.11	10.87	12.57
27	Tb6 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Ha Giang	16.77	12.34	12.25	12.34	12.25	12.16	12.34	12.34	12.61	10.35	10.11	11.91
28	Tb7 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Lang Son	16.95	12.15	12.06	12.15	12.06	11.97	12.15	12.15	12.42	10.62	10.38	12.3
29	Tb14 Tupaia sp. Lang Son	16.77	11.97	11.88	11.97	11.88	11.79	11.97	11.97	12.24	10.6	10.36	12.06
30	Tb18 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Cat Ba	17.03	12.68	12.59	12.68	12.59	12.51	12.68	12.68	12.77	11.11	10.87	12.59

Table 5. Genetic distance between *Tupaia* species based on the mitochondrial Cyt *b* gene

		13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
13	AJ421453 Tupaia belangeri	-											
14	AF217811 Tupaia belangeri	0	-										
15	AY321637 Tupaia chinensis	8.43	8.43	-									
16	AY321646 Tupaia longipes	16.42	16.42	15.38	-								
17	AY321644 Tupaia glis	15.62	15.62	15.82	16.8	-							
18	AY321639 Tupaia glis	15.36	15.36	15.47	16.62	0.8	-						
19	MT442048 Tupaia tana	16.26	16.26	17.22	15.44	15.98	15.63	-					
20	MT442049 Tupaia tana	16.24	16.24	17.29	15.6	15.88	15.52	0.17	-				
21	MT442047 Tupaia tana	16.33	16.33	17.2	15.42	16.06	15.7	0	0.17	-			
22	MT442046 Tupaia tana	16.41	16.41	17.29	15.51	16.15	15.79	0.09	0.26	0.09	-		
23	MT442045 Tupaia tana	16.24	16.24	17.29	15.51	16.15	15.79	0.17	0.35	0.17	0.26	-	
24	AY321654 Tupaia salatana	17.67	17.67	17.33	11.47	15.91	15.73	17.31	17.3	17.3	17.39	17.38	-
25	MT442052 Tupaia splendidula	16.28	16.28	17.05	17.03	16.6	16.34	12.38	12.54	12.45	12.54	12.45	19.7
26	Tb1 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Cat Ba	12.57	12.57	12.77	15.53	15.45	15.62	15.65	15.72	15.72	15.8	15.8	18.29
27	Tb6 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Ha Giang	11.91	11.91	12.43	15.63	15.01	15.18	15.35	15.42	15.42	15.51	15.51	18.21
28	Tb7 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Lang Son	12.3	12.3	12.23	15.34	15	15.18	15.3	15.37	15.37	15.45	15.45	18.37
29	Tb14 Tupaia sp. Lang Son	12.06	12.06	12.06	15.35	15.18	15.35	15.14	15.21	15.21	15.3	15.3	18.38
30	Tb18 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Cat Ba	12.59	12.59	12.77	15.53	15.44	15.62	15.68	15.75	15.75	15.84	15.84	18.3

		25	26	27	28	29	30
25	MT442052 Tupaia splendidula	-					
26	Tb1 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Cat Ba	17.4	-				
27	Tb6 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Ha Giang	16.92	0.95	-			
28	Tb7 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Lang Son	16.79	1.03	0.6	-		
29	Tb14 Tupaia sp. Lang Son	16.62	1.29	0.69	0.94	-	
30	Tb18 <i>Tupaia</i> sp. Cat Ba	17.42	0	0.95	1.03	1.29	-