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A REVISION OF THE GENUS EMBALLONURA (CHIROPTERA)

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Material accumulated over a number of vears together with specimens obtained by the 1933 and 1936 Archbold New Guinea Expeditions and from the Whitney South Sea Expedition, augmented by the generous loan of their Emballonura by several of the large museums of the United States. have contributed to the preparation of this short revision of the genus Emballonura.

We are indebted for the loan of specimens to Dr. G. M. Allen, Museum of Comparative Zoölogy, Mr. G. S. Miller, Jr., U. S. National Museum, and Dr. W. H. Osgood, Field Museum of Natural History. Our thanks are due also to the directors of the European museums at Genoa, Berlin, Leiden, London and Paris for permission given in 1937 to study and photograph types of certain species of mammals in their care. Photographs and notes² were made in Europe from types or cotypes of the following: Emballonura beccarii, cor, fuliginosus, furax, meeki, clavium, locusta, monticola, nigrescens, solomonis, papuana, raffrayana, rivalis and stresemanni.

The line drawings illustrating a number of the species, show with a high degree of accuracy the several lines of development taken in those portions of the cranium (rostrum, sphenoid area, etc.) regarded as diagnostic. At the same time the remarkable degree of uniformity of the dentition can be noted. It is regretted that the photographs of many types (a millimeter scale included with each), though useful as enlarged prints for the preparation of this paper, are not sufficiently clear to be valuable for publication as half-tones.

A short series of measurements appears at the end of the paper for comparison of the skulls of types, cotypes and representative specimens.

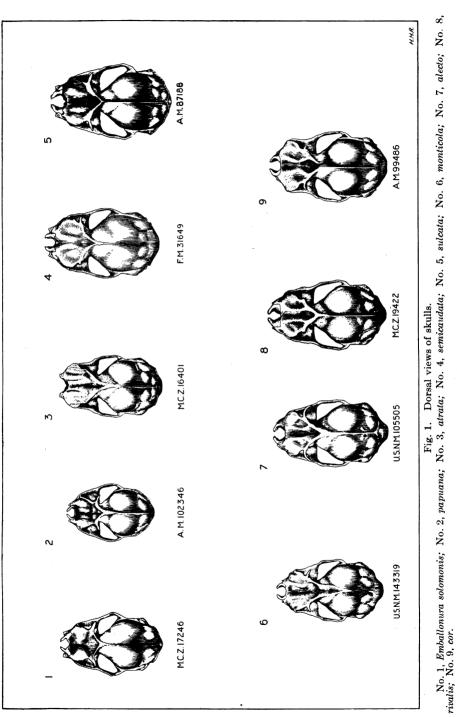
Miller³ pointed out that Emballonura must be considered the most primitive living genus in the family Emballonuridae. Besides being the only genus to retain two upper incisors, it lacks all trace of wing pouches and its skull in comparison with the skulls of most other emballonurid genera has remained comparatively simple in structure. In Emballonura the deep posterior wall of the basisphenoid pits (basial pits of Thomas) noticeable in most allied genera is either absent (semicaudata. sulcata, atrata) or relatively little developed. Among other genera that structure is simple only in Rhynchiscus of America, all others having the basisphenoid pits strongly specialized. Rhynchiscus also is devoid of wing-sacs. The tendency for development of lateral pits separated from the sub-medial pits by raised septa appears to be characteristic of the entire family: for in that respect the pits of the American Saccopteryx and Peropteryx differ from each other in much the same way as the pits of Gray's subgenus Mosia differ from those of Emballonura monticola.

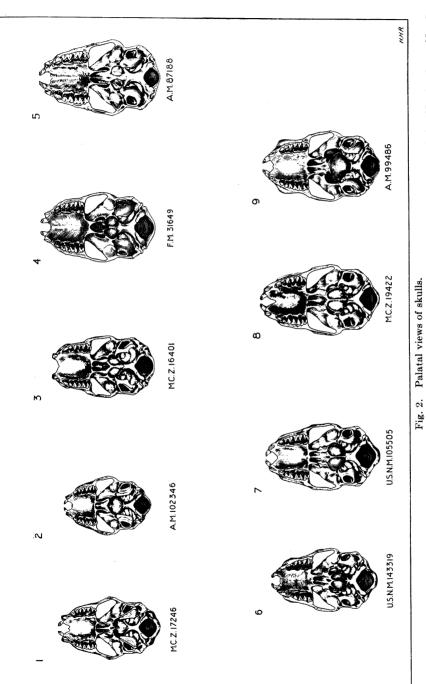
The family Emballonuridae is a very old one whose geographical distribution from the standpoint of numbers of genera is today chiefly neotropical. At the same time since no genus is common to both hemispheres, we may perhaps infer that requirement of strictly tropical conditions for continued existence prevented passage since early tertiary times by the usual Bering Sea route between Asia and America.

¹ Earlier papers of the "Results of the Archbold Expeditions," dealing with mammals are numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 13, 16, 17, 18.

² Descriptions of types in quotation marks are from notes made by author.

³ Miller, 1907, "Families and Genera of Bats."





No. 1, Emballonura solomonis; No. 2, papuana; No. 3, atrata; No. 4, semicaudata; No. 5, sulcata; No. 6, monticola; No. 7, alecto; No. 8 rivalis; No. 9, cor.

Specializations common throughout the family are the broadened, often inflated rostrum, strongly developed postorbital processes and sphenoidal pits. The presence or absence of wing pouches (secondary sexual characters, at least in part) may be held to represent either specialization from a simple condition or simplification from a special adaptation. If the former view is taken Emballonura may be considered in this respect a primitive member of its family. The same considerations hold with the basisphenoid recesses and the characters of the rostrum. Lacking evidence to the contrary, simple structures are best considered primitive, rather than retrogradations from complex structures which had to be acquired in the first place. Absence of wing sacs and simplicity of cranial characters then are here treated as primitive.

As originally erected by Temminck (1839), Emballonura included members of the New World genera Rhynchiscus, Peropteryx and Centronycteris. Miller (1907) has shown that monticola of Java alone of Temminck's four original species is truly an Emballonura and must be considered the genotype. In 1839 Evdoux and Gervais described alecto from Luzon (held by Dobson, 1878, to be a synonym of monticola). Grav (1844) next described Mosia nigrescens from Amboina (Mosia was treated by Dobson as a subgenus of Emballonura). Peale (1848) named semicaudata from Samoa (and Tomes, 1859, obtaining specimens of the same bat from Fiji named them fuliginosa). Peters in 1861 described discolor from the Philippines and in 1874, atrata from Madagascar. (Sclater's madagascariensis, 1864, was a nomen nudum). Thus until 1875 only five species of Emballonura have been described. All of them are thoroughly valid species as measured by present day standards.

The years 1878 and 1880 marked the naming of raffrayana Dobson and beccarii Peters and Doria. In 1896 Thomas described meeki. In the twentieth century the following names were proposed: anambensis and peninsularis Miller, 1900; solomonis Thomas, 1904 (Mosia); pusilla

Lyon, 1911; sulcata Miller, 1911; furax Thomas, 1911; papuana Thomas, 1914 (Mosia); stresemanni Thomas, 1914; rivalis, clavium, cor Thomas, 1915; locusta Thomas, 1920; palauensis Yamashima, 1932; and palawanensis Taylor, 1934.

LIST OF TYPE LOCALITIES OF Emballonura

alecto Eydoux and Gervais, 1839 anambensis Miller, 1900 atrata Peters, 1874 beccarii Peters and Doria,

cor Thomas, 1915 clavium Thomas, 1915 discolor Peters, 1861 fuliginosus Tomes, 1859 furax Thomas, 1911

locusta Thomas, 1920 madagascariensis Sclater, 1864 meeki Thomas, 1896

monticola Temminck, 1839 nigrescens Gray, 1844 palauensis Yamashima, 1932 palawanensis Taylor, 1934 panuana Thomas, 1914

peninsularis Miller, 1900 pusilla Lyon, 1911

raffrayana Dobson, 1878 rivalis Thomas, 1915 semicaudata Peale, 1848 stresemanni Thomas, 1914 solomonis Thomas, 1904 sulcata Miller, 1911 Manila, Luzon

Anambas Isl. Madagascar Jobi Isl.

Choiseul Isl.
Kei Isl.
Paracali, Luzon
Fiji Isl.
Kapari R., Dutch
New Guinea
Schouten Isl.
nomen nudum

Kiriwina, Trobriand Isl. MunaraMts.,Java Amboina Palau Isl.

Palawan Isl.
Mimika R., Dutch
New Guinea
Trong, Lower Siam
Kendawangan R.,
S.W. Borneo
"Gilolo"
Bida, Sarawak
Samoa
West Ceram
Florida Isl.
Vola Isl., Truk
group, Caroline
Isl.

The named forms are now considered referable to a rather limited number of species and species groups as follows:

- 1.—atrata group a.—atrata
- 2.—Mosia group b.-nigrescens c.-solomonis
- d.-papuana 3.--semicaudata group
 - e.-semicaudata (= fuliginosa)
- 4.—sulcata group
- f.-sulcata 5.-monticola group

g.-monticola, with synonyms peninsularis and pusilla

¹ Trouessart states Melfor Isl., Geelvink Bay, see Thomas, 1914, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., (8) XIII, p. 442.

h.-alecto, with synonyms discolor, palawanensis, rivalis, anambensis

j.-beccarii with races meeki and clavium 6.-raffrayana group

k.-raffrayana with races cor and stresemanni l.-furax

The bats named *E. semicaudata palauensis* Yamashima from Palau comprising 4 males and 7 females possibly include more than one species, as their head-plus-body lengths are shown as 40 to 47 mm., and their forearms as 39 to 44.5 mm. Furthermore the Caroline group of islands including Palau is known as an overlap region for the species *sulcata* and *semicaudata*. Yamashima offered no detailed descriptions of the skulls.

The monticola group is characterized by possession of a heart-shaped, basisphenoid depression in the base of the skull, commonly more or less divided by a median septum into equal right and left halves and in some forms into four parts by the addition of lateral supplementary septa (see figure 2). The rostral region above) is only moderately expanded in relation to the width of the skull as a whole, while the median sulcus is but slightly deeper behind than anteriorly. The lateral rostral expansions are rather well inflated and rounded towards their lateral as well as their anterior margins. The dentition, despite some differences in the distance of the canine from the molariform teeth, remains very constant in character, and as between species and species varies chiefly in size.

The raffrayana group, besides showing optimum development of the sphenoidal recesses has the posterior portion of the pits deeply recessed above the anterior margin of the basioccipital bones and in some species the lateral ones recessed into the alisphenoids. The rostral expanse is proportionately increased as a whole and the rostral wings of the maxillary are relatively flat, uninflated, and rounded only anteriorly. They are usually perforated by many small pores. The median rostral

sulcus is strongly developed and the bats are often smaller than those of the *monticola* group.

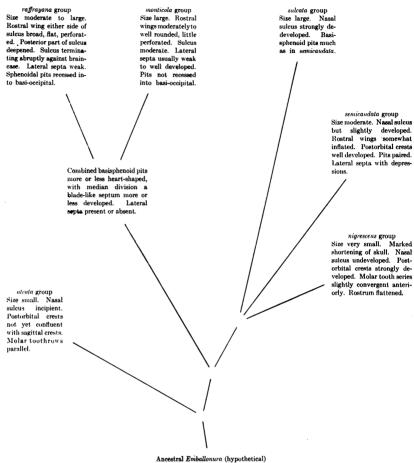
The sulcata group, though its rostral characters are closely similar to those of raffrayana, has a different arrangement of the basisphenoid region: the median septum is low and rounded; it passes smoothly into the basi-occipital; while the pits are a pair of small, rounded depressions with no trace of lateral septa.

The semicaudata group, smaller in size than sulcata has a not dissimilar arrangement of the sphenoidal pits, though in it the median septum is blade-like instead of broadly rounded as in sulcata. The rostral area is only slightly inflated, while the longitudinal sulcus is weakly developed to obsolescent.

The atrata group possesses paired rounded sphenoidal depressions separated by a low median ridge. The posterior, inner margin of the tympanic ring is excised. The median rostral trough passes smoothly up to the sagittal crest instead of ending abruptly as in other species at the junction of the postorbital crests with the sagittal crest.

From most viewpoints atrata, nigrescens and semicaudata (rather widely separated morphologically from each other) appear to be more simply constructed than members of the groups monticola, sulcata and raffrayana. The former three have simple sphenoidal conditions, and relatively simple rostra. The latter exhibit various special modifications. The three former ones are geographically peripheral in relation to the present general dispersal center for the genus (the Sunda-Malay region).

The Madagascar species atrata, in which the fronto-rostral region is somewhat less typically emballonuroid than in the others may be assumed to lie closest to the ancestral stem. In such cases the phylogeny of the genus may be expressed somewhat as follows:



Ancestral Embaldonura (hypothetical)
With if (minute and semi-functional); cf; pf (the anterior minute, nearly funtionless; the posterior enlarged, conical); mf. Basisphenoid pits small, paired depressions separated by low, rounded ridge which merges smoothly with basi-occipital. Rostral expansion and enlarged postorbital processes already developed.

Emballonura atrata Peters

Emballonura atrata Peters, 1874, Monatsber. k. Preuss. Akad. Berlin, p. 693.

Type.—Not seen.

MATERIAL.—These specimens, one without locality (U.S.N.M. 63331), two from Tanandra River (M.C.Z.). No specimen of *Emballonura* was collected by Archbold while in Madagascar. At the British Museum a single specimen (92.2.9.2) was found.

In the original description Peters pointed out the great length of the ears of this rare species, combined with its otherwise small size. The forearm ("lower part of arm") was given as 38 mm. The sex of the type was Q. No cranial dimensions were given.

Grandidier and Petit (1932) state that the bat occurs in the center of the island of Madagascar.

Emballonura nigrescens (Gray)

Mosia nigrescens Gray, 1843, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., (1) XI, p. 117.

Type.—B.M. 42.11.22.26, ad. σ in alcohol, studied and skull photographed.

Collector.—E. Belcher in "South America" (Gray). The skull label now reads "Amboina, East Indies."

MATERIAL.—Photograph of the type only.

Almost all of the bats currently identified as nigrescens are in reality papuana, the species with short, broad skull, which extends from Celebes to the Solomon Islands. True nigrescens (if the skull now marked as type in the British Museum was really extracted from Gray's specimen) is apparently much rarer. Our photograph and measurements indicate an animal with skull proportionately longer and narrower than that of the common papuana. small size of the animal, the characters of the structure of the nostrils, the minute hind foot and the short forearm nevertheless indicate the relationship of the two species.

The type locality is probably open to question, as the evidence which led to the selection of Amboina is not extant.

The following notes on the type skull were made at the British Museum: "rostrum broad, flat; a slight rostral sulcus; frontal region slightly depressed; braincase rather narrow; basisphenoid region with shallow, median septum, no trace of lateral septa." The skin (still in alcohol) has been fully described by Gray and again by Dobson (1876, 1878).

Emballonura solomonis Thomas

Emballonura nigrescens solomonis Thomas, 1904, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., (7)XIV, p. 200.

Type.—B.M. 1.11.5.8, ad. \circ , studied and skull photographed.

Collector.—A. S. Meek at Florida Island, Solomon Islands.

MATERIAL.—Among the Solomon Islands series in The American Museum of Natural History which comprises specimens from the islands of Savo, Pavuvu and Bauro, I am unable to match the large size of the type specimen of solomonis. This animal which has been re-studied, remeasured and photographed, averages 10 per cent larger than either the type of papuana or any of the Solomon Islands material just mentioned, of which the largest forearm is 34 mm. and the greatest zygomatic width is 7.6 (in the type of solomonis, 37 and 8.2 mm., respectively). However, three specimens in the Field

Museum (33665–6, 33696) with forearms 37 mm. and a series of 15 in the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy, appear strictly referable to *solomonis*. The series discussed by Troughton¹ with forearms 36 to 38 mm. evidently also represents true *solomonis*.

Note made from the type skull: "a well-marked frontal depression, broader than long; nasal depression deep, oval in outline; palate broader than in nigrescens; median septum of sphenoidal pits almost obsolete."

Emballonura papuana Thomas

Emballonura papuana Thomas, 1914, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., (8) XIII, p. 443.

Type.—B.M. 11.11.11.13, ad. σ , studied and skull photographed.

COLLECTOR.—C. H. B. Grant at Wakatimi, Mimika River, Dutch New Guinea.

MATERIAL.—An abundance of specimens of this smallest of *Emballonurae* (see remarks under *nigrescens* and *solomonis*) is at hand.

Northeast Celebes: Teteamoet (1, U.S.N.M.).

South Celebes: Mengkoka Mountain (1, A.M.N.H.).

Halmahera: Ake Lomo (1, A.M.N.H.), Ternate (3, M.C.Z., without skulls).

Papua: Fly River (series, A.M.N.H.).
Mandated Territory: Astrolabe Bay (2, U.S.N.M.).

Kei Islands (2, U.S.N.M.).

Solomon Islands (series, A.M.N.H.).

This is not only the smallest known species of *Emballonura* but it shows maximum broadening and shortening of the skull. The following are characters of the type skull: "rostrum broad, unperforated, relatively flat; the frontal depression relatively broad and shallow, with a faint rostral sulcus; postorbital processes placed far back; no diastemata between c, p¹, p²; sphenoidal pits taken together almost oval in outline with only a trace of the median septum."

In the upper Fly River region these tiny bats were seen to fly well before dusk at the topmost tiers of the rain forest in

Troughton, 1936, Records Austral. Mus. XXIX, pp. 352-3.

openings between the trees. In the middle Fly country however they were collected repeatedly in the early mornings in the foliage of smaller forest palms from 6 to 20 feet above the ground.

Emballonura semicaudata (Peale)

Vespertilio semicaudatus Peale, 1848, U. S. Exploring Exped., VIII, p. 23.

Emballonura fuliginosa Tomes, 1859, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, p. 77.

The type of *semicaudatus*, U.S.N.M. 3729, dried from alcohol, skull extracted and lost.

The type of *fuliginosa*, B.M. 58.12.27.7, was studied and photographed. Collected by F. M. Rayner, H.M.S. "Herald," at Ovalau, Fiji.

MATERIAL.—Ample series from Samoa and Fiji; a few from Marshall Island (F.M.N.H.); New Hebrides (1, M.C.Z.).

The characters of the skull of semicaudata have been compared by Miller¹ with those of sulcata. The following notes are from the type skull of fuliginosa: "braincase and back of skull broken. Muzzle broad, perforated with small pores; sphenoidal parts missing."

Emballonura sulcata Miller

Emballonura sulcata MILLER, 1911, Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash., XXIV, p. 161.

Type.—U.S.N.M. 151567. Collected at Uolo, Truk group, Caroline Islands.

MATERIAL.—The type, and one specimen from Ponape (A.M.N.H.). Thomas (1915) earlier recorded a specimen from Ponape.

This species, still rare in collections, occupies a rather isolated position morphologically

Monticola Group

The following is an attempt to key out the *monticola* bats:

beccarii and subspecies.

2.—Ante-molar portion of face and palate short; forearm, 42-45 mm.....

Emballonura monticola Temminck

(reference under subspecies)

Named forms referable to this shortpalated species are the following: peninsularis Miller from Trong, Lower Siam monticola Temminck from Java pusilla Lyon from extreme S.E. Borneo

The general range of the species has been indicated earlier. It is found also on the Natuna Islands.

Emballonura monticola monticola Temminck

Emballonura monticola TEMMINCK, 1839 Tijdschr. v. Natuur. Gesch., V, pp. 25-27.

Emballonura peninsularis MILLER, 1898, Proc.

Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, p. 323.

Emballonura pusilla Lyon, 1911, Proc. U. S.
Nat. Mus., XL, p. 132.

Cotypes.—Skins "a" and "b," Leiden, also skull "a" not with skulls inside; marked "type." At Leiden, Dr. Junge kindly had the skull extracted (1937) from skin "a" for study. This skull, photographed, is then a true cotype of monticola. Back of skull broken away, palate, teeth and rostrum alone remain. Collector: Kuhl and van Hasselt at Mt. Munara, Java (skin "b," collector: de Boie). The two skins "a" and "b" are specimens mounted with wings expanded and with their skulls still inside the skins, after the fashion prevalent in Temminck's time. The separate skull marked "a" lacks a skin. All three are now considered cotypes and presumably were so treated by Temminck when he drew up the original description. To clarify the situation we now select specimen "a" (skin with newly extracted skull) as type of the species.

Specimen "a," Leiden, is described in my notes as follows: "ears pointed,

¹ Miller, 1911, Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash., XXIV, p.

slightly falcate; tragus not visible; free part of thumb, c.u. 4.5 mm.; calcar, 14 mm." The colors of the pelage are now so faded as to be valueless. "Nasal trough broad and shallow; no rostral perforations."

Type of peninsularis U.S.N.M. 83575, ad. 3.

COLLECTOR.—W. L. Abbott, Trong, Lower Siam.

Miller's comparison of *peninsularis* with "monticola" in his original description (op. cit., p. 325) is subject to some modification in view of observations taken recently from the cotypes of monticola at Leiden. The forearm lengths of specimens "a" and "b" both come to 44.5 mm. Miller, quoting Temminck, gave 40 mm. But in that reference the forearm measurement is given as "1 dm. 7 lijnen," which transposed at 25.4 mm. per inch gives the result 43.3 mm. The forearm measurement taken from the cotypes is virtually the same that Miller showed for peninsularis (43-45). The other two measurements quoted from Temminck which are much less reliable than forearm lengths are "total length" and "tail."

Type of pusilla Lyon, U.S.N.M. 153940, ad. \diamondsuit .

Collector.—W. L. Abbott from Mankol, Kendawangan River, S.W. Borneo.

Lyon compared pusilla with the Bornean bats which Thomas in 1915 named rivalis. He determined the S.E. Bornean material as "monticola" and named the smaller southwestern bats, pusilla. Under the present arrangement all Bornean Emballonura are held to be E. rivalis, except "pusilla" bats which are considered equal to monticola of Java.

MATERIAL.—Apart from the photograph of the cotype there appears to be no specimen in America from Java.

Mergui Archipelago: (small series in U.S.N.M.). Butang Islands: (small series in U.S.N.M.). North Sumatra: (small series in U.S.N.M.).

Islands west of Sumatra: (adequate series in U.S.N.M.).

Johore: (short series)

Rhio Archipelago: (adequate series U.S.N.M.). Banka and Billiton: (few specimens each in U.S.N.M.).

Natuna Islands: (few specimens U.S.N.M.).S.W. Borneo: (few specimens, including type of pusilla, U.S N.M.).

S.E. Borneo: Saratok River (series U.S.N.M.). S. Celebes: (1, A.M.N.H.).

S.E. Borneo: Pangkallahan (few, U.S.N.M.). S.E. Borneo: Klumpang Bay (series, U.S.N.M.).

The synonymizing of peninsularis with monticola is prompted by study of original material. As indicated already, Miller's separation of peninsularis was founded upon the assumption that monticola was a much smaller animal than it actually is. The present arrangement allows monticola a very extensive geographical range whose northwestern limits are suggested by British Museum records from Tenasserim.

Emballonura alecto Eydoux and Gervais

(references under subspecies)

The following named forms should in my opinion be placed under this species, in which the anterior or premaxillary portion of the palate is markedly longer than in monticola:

alecto Eydoux and Gervais from Manila discolor Peters from Paracali, Luzon palawanensis Taylor from Palawan Island rivalis Thomas from Sarawak anambensis Miller from Anambas Island

These long-skulled bats occur also on Karimata Islands.

Emballonura alecto Eydoux and Gervais

Emballonura alecto Eydoux and Gervais, 1839, Voyage autour du Monde, V, p. 7.

Emballonura discolor Peters, 1861, Monatsber. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, p. 711.

Emballonura anambensis Miller, 1900, Proc. Wash Acad. Sci., II, p. 236.

Emballonura rivalis THOMAS, 1915, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., (8) XV, p. 140.

Emballonura alecto palawanensis Taylor, 1934, Philippine Land Mammals, p. 197.

The type specimen of alecto was not studied (it is presumed to be in the Paris Museum with the skull still inside) but the assumption has been made that our material from Banay Island, adjoining Luzon, represents it morphologically. Comparison of the Banay skulls with our photograph of the cotype of discolor in the British Museum reveals no differences. A co-

¹ Temminck, 1838, Tijdschr. v. Natuur. Gesch., V, p. 25.

type of *discolor*, B.M. 7.1.1.568, ad., from the Tomes collection marked "Luzon," body in alcohol, not studied but the skull studied and photographed.

Type of *rivalis*, B.M. 3.11.2.2, ad. σ , studied and skull photographed.

Collector.—C. J. Brooks, Bida, Sarawak.

Type of palawanensis not seen.

Type of anambensis, U.S.N.M. 101716, ad. ♀ from Pulo Mobur, Anambas Islands studied.

MATERIAL.—Philippines: Guimaras, south of Banay (series in U.S.N.M.); Capiz Banay (1,U.S.N.M.).

Sarawak: Mt. Lunda (series, M.C.Z.), River Baram (3, M.C.Z.), Tinjar River (series, M.C.Z.). S.W. Borneo: S. Matan (a few, U.S.N.M.); Anambas Islands (series, U.S.N.M.); Karimata Islands (series, U.S.N.M.); Panebangan Island (5, U.S.N.M.). Eastern Borneo: Loa Ban Ban, Markham River (3, U.S.N.M.); Moeratua Island, east of Borneo (2, M.C.Z.). N. Celebes: Likeopang (series, U.S.N.M.). E. Celebes: Peling Island (few U.S.N.M.).

From notes made on the type of discolor: "frontal depression and rostral trough as in *rivalis*; slight perforation of rostrum; sphenoidal pits with well-developed median septum but scarcely a trace of lateral septa."

Notes prepared from type skull of rivalis: "distant frontal depression, narrowing anteriorly to rostral sulcus; no definite perforations of rostral expansions; sphenoidal pits shallow, with three well-defined septa; a well-marked diastema between the second p and the minute, peglike first p."

Close and careful comparison of the Guimaras material with representative skulls from the list of specimens shown above and with the photographs of types reveals no distinction between alecto, rivalis and anambensis. Palawanensis is referred only doubtfully to synonymy. The slightly larger size of the type of rivalis is held to be individual, as other Sarawak material falls short of it in regard to dimensions. Besides, there is some individual variation through the series.

Emballonura beccarii Peters and Doria

Named forms referable to this species are:

beccarii Peters and Doria from Jobi Island locusta Thomas from Schouten Island clavium Thomas from Kei Island meeki Thomas from Trobriand Islands

Emballonura beccarii beccarii Peters and Doria

Emballonura beccarii Peters and Doria, 1880, Annali Mus. Civico de Genova, XVI, p. 693. Emballonura meeki locusta Thomas, 1920, Ann.

Mag. Nat. Hist., (9) VI, p. 534.

The type of beccarii, Genoa (field number) 153A, ad. &, skin in alcohol, skull extracted 1937, studied and photographed.

Collector.—Beccari at Ansus, Jobi Island.

The type of locusta, B.M. 26.10.23.2, ad. φ , body in alcohol, skull clean, studied and photographed.

Collector.—Pratt Brothers, from Schouten Island.

From notes made on type skull of beccarii at Genoa: "a median longitudinal nasal trough; nasal inflations showing perforations; sphenoidal cavity heartshaped, with median septum well-developed, lateral ones weakly developed."

Concerning the type of *locusta* "rostral swellings as in *meeki* but flatter; sulcus broad, deep, and only slightly widened as it approaches the frontals; sphenoidal pits shallow, imperfectly separated; the median septum, which is broad and undivided anteriorly becomes obsolete from the middle of the pits posteriorly."

I have little doubt, after studying the types, that beccarii and locusta should be synonymized. As I am still uncertain concerning the proper status of clarium and meeki, they have been allowed to remain subspecies. Available material for study is so scanty that one cannot decide with certainty whether the differences described by Thomas are valid or not. On the evidence now available they are valid. Apparently meeki is further set off from beccarii than clarium is.

Emballonura beccarii clavium Thomas Emballonura meeki clavium Thomas, 1915, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., (8) XV, p. 137.

Type.—B.M. 10.3.1.34, ad. 9, skin and skull studied and skull photographed.

Collector.—W. Stalker, at Ara, Kei Islands.

MATERIAL.—Photograph of the type only.

From notes on the type skull: "nasals as in *meeki* (i.e., swollen); only middle and posterior end of hour-glass-shaped depression (in *meeki*) developed; sphenoidal pits shallow, indistinctly divided by three low septa."

Emballonura beccarii meeki Thomas

Emballonura meeki Thomas, 1896, Novit. Zool., III, p. 527.

Type.—B.M. 96.10.5.12, ad. ♂, in alcohol, skull clean, studied and skull photographed.

Collector.—A. S. Meek at Kiriwina Island, Trobriand Group.

PARATYPES.—B.M. 96.10.5.13-14, skulls extracted, in alcohol.

MATERIAL.—Photograph of the type and A.M.N.H. 104027 from Mafulu, Central Division of Papua.

Meeki, the most easterly member of the monticola group, is distinguished by its small size and by the increased degree of inflation of the rostral wings. The following additional data were drawn up from the type skull: "fronto-nasal sulcus hourglass-shaped; no perforations of nasal insphenoidal pits shallow, indisthe median septum heavy, low, tinct: double-not reaching back of sphenoidal area but giving off a pair of indistinct lateral septa; upper incisors and their supporting premaxillae forming a straight line with fronts of canines."

Emballonura raffrayana Dobson

(references under subspecies)

Although raffrayana and cor come from opposite ends of the Papuan region they are scarcely separable and must be considered at best representative races of the one species. Stresemanni is exceedingly like raffrayana.

Emballonura raffrayana raffrayana Dobson

Emballonura raffrayana Dobson, 1878, Proc. Zoöl. Soc. London, p. 876.

Type.—B.M. 79.10.6.2, ad. σ , in alcohol, skull clean, originally from the Paris Museum, is marked "cotype, Mafor Island," studied and photographed.

MATERIAL STUDIED.—Photograph of the type. Dutch New Guinea: Weyland Mts. (2, A.M.N.H.).

From notes: "muzzle broad, flat, with small perforations; a strongly developed fronto-nasal trough with deepened portions at the intertemporal and nasal levels; sphenoidal pits heart-shaped, the median septum almost suppressed, lateral septa moderately developed; the lateral pits not recessed (compare furax)."

Emballonura raffrayana stresemanni Thomas

Emballonura stresemanni Thomas, 1914, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., (8) XIII, p. 442.

Type.—B.M. 13.3.6.29, ad. Q, in alcohol, skull cleaned, studied and skull photographed.

COLLECTOR.—E. Stresemann at Mt. Lumutai, West Ceram, 400 m.

A series of paratypes, B.M. 13.3.6.30-33 in alcohol.

MATERIAL.—Photograph of the type only.

From notes on the type taken at the British Museum: "related to raffrayana and cor; naso-frontal sulcus deep, of even width, with deeper portions at extreme ends; rostral perforations developed; sphenoidal pits taken together heart-shaped, their median and lateral septa weak, the pits strongly recessed against basioccipital."

Emballonura raffrayana cor Thomas

Emballonura cor Тномая, 1915, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., (8) XV, p. 139.

Type.—B.M. 5.1.28.2, ad., skin and skull studied and skull photographed.

Collector.—A. S. Meek, Choiseul Island

MATERIAL.—Photograph of the type. Tabar Islands (3, A.M.N.H.); Isabel Island (1, M.C.Z.).

Notes drawn up from type specimen: "close to raffrayana; fronto-nasal sulcus as in raffrayana; muzzle with expansions perforated; sphenoidal pits heart-shaped,

the median septum moderately developed, the lateral septa weak, the pits recessed against the basioccipital; lateral pits slightly recessed against alisphenoids."

Emballonura furax Thomas

Emballonura furax Thomas, 1911, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., (8) VII, p. 384.

Type.—B.M. 11.11.11.12, ad. \circ , skin and skull studied, skull photographed.

COLLECTOR.—C. H. B. Grant at White Water Camp, Kapari River, Dutch New Guinea, 400 feet.

MATERIAL.—Photograph of the type only.

Notes on type skull: "back of braincase broken; rostrum low and flat, unperforated; rostral sulcus long and narrow; postorbital processes placed far forward; sphenoidal pits with three barely visible septa, the lateral pits well recessed within the alisphenoids."

The largest species of *Emballonura* known.

EMBALLONURA MEASUREMENTS

	atrata M.C.Z. 16401	nigrescens (type) B.M. 42.11.22.26	solomonis (type) B.M. 1.11.5.8	papuana (type) B.M. 11.11.11.13	semicaudata (type) U.S.N.M. 3729	fuliqinosa (type) B.M. 58.12.27.7	sulcata (type) U.S.N.M. 151567
Skin:							
forearm	38.0	33.0	36.2	32.0	41	44.0	48.4
Skull:							
condylo-canine length	12.2	11.5	12.5	10.6			
breadth rostrum	5.5	4.05	4.7	4.1		7.0	6.9
zygomatic breadth	7.7	7.0	8.2	7.6		9.0	9.9
breadth braincase	6.5	5.5	6.25	6.1		7.1	8.0
Teeth:							
crowns c-m ³	5.1	4.1	4.65	4.0		5.75	6.6
crowns m ¹⁻³	3.1	2.5	2.8	2.55		3.45	3.7
m^1 , length \times breadth		$0.95 \times .8$	$1.0 \times .95$	$ 0.9 \times 1.0 $		1.3×1.3	1.5×1.7
m^2 , length \times breadth		1.0×1.0		$ 1.0 \times 1.1 $		1.6×1.6	
m³, length × breadth		0.85×1.1	0.85×1.2	0.8×1.5		1.15×1.4	$ 1.2 \times 1.8 $

	monticola (lectotype) Leiden, spec. a.	pusilla (type) U.S.N.M. 153940	peninsularis (paratype) U.S.N.M. 83575	anambensis (type) U.S.N.M. 101716	rivalis (type) B.M. 3.11.2.2	discolor (cotype) B.M. 7.1.1.568	alecto Guimaras Isl. near Banay. F.M. 47032	palawanensis (from Taylor)
Skin:								
forearm	44.5	44.0	43.5	44.7	48.0		45.0	4 6.0
Skull:								
condylo-								
canine length		12.0	12.0	13.0	14.0	13.5	13.0	
breadth		12.0	12.0	10.0	14.0	10.0	15.0	
rostrum	5.7	5.3	5.5	5.8	5.0	5.0	5.5	
zygomatic		0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
breadth		9.0	8.5	8.7	9.3	9.2	8.8	8.1
breadth								
braincase		6.5	7.0	7.0	7.2	7.3	7.0	
Teeth:								- 0
crowns c-m ³	5.15 3.3	$\begin{array}{c} 5.0 \\ 3.1 \end{array}$	5.1 3.2	$\frac{5.6}{3.3}$	$\begin{array}{c c} 6.1 \\ 3.3 \end{array}$	$\frac{5.7}{3.4}$	$\frac{5.6}{3.4}$	5.6
crowns m^{1-3} m^1 , length \times	3.3	3.1	3.2	ა.ა	3.3	3.4	3.4	
breadth	1.25×1.3	1.2×1.4	1 3×1 5	1.3 ×1.5	1.25×1.5	1.35×1.5	1.4×1.5	
m^2 , length \times	1.20/(1.0	1.2 / 1.1	1.0/(1.0	2.0 /(2.0	1.20 / 1.0	2100/(210		
breadth	1.1 ×1.5	1.1×1.7	1.3×1.7	1.25×1.75	1.3×1.7	1.3 ×1.75	1.2×1.7	
${ m m}^3$, length $ imes$			1					
breadth	×1.45	× 1.45	1.1×1.5	1.1 ×1.5	1.15×1.6	1.1 ×1.6	1.1×1.5	

EMBALLONURA MEASUREMENTS

	beccarii (type) Genoa, 153A	meeki A.M.N.H. 104027 Mafulu, Papua	meeki (type) B.M. 96.10.5.12	davium (type) B.M. 10.3.1.34	locusta (type) B.M. 20.10.23.2
Skin:					
forearm	37.0	38.0	38.0	38.0	37.0
Skull:					
condylo-canine length	11.2		12.0	11.4	11.2
breadth rostrum	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.2	5.5
breadth braincase	6.1	6.7	6.65	6.5	6.1
Teeth:					
crowns c-m ³	4.6		4.3	4.6	4.1
crowns m ¹⁻³	2.7	3.0	2.45	2.7	2.5
m^{1} , length \times breadth	0.9×0.95		0.8×1.0	1.0×1.05	0.9×1.05
m^2 , length \times breadth	1.0×1.1		1.0×1.1	1.0×1.25	0.8×1.15
m^3 , length \times breadth	0.7×1.1		0.85×1.2	0.95×1.2	0.8×1.1

	rafrayana (cotype) B.M. 79.10.6.2	rafrayana A.M.N.H. 101938 Derimapa	rafrayana A.M.N.H. 101939 Derimapa	cor A.M.N.H. 99486 Tabar Isl.	cor (type) B.M. 5.1.28.2	cor A.M.N.H. 99487 Tabar Isl.	cor A.M.N.H. 99485 Tabar Isl.	stresemanni (type) B.M. 13.3.6.29	furax (type) B.M. 11.11.11.12
Skin:		, 1	i '			, !	1 1	1	i
forearm	40.0	40.5	42.0	42.0	37.0	40.0	42.0	41.0	47.0
Skull:	1	, 1	1	'		, !	í !	1	
condylo-	1 1	, !	['	'	1	, !	()	[]	
canine	1	, '	'	1!	1	1.00	1!	1	. . .
length	13.0	1	12.4	12.8	1 1	13.0	12.7	13.8	17.0
breadth	1 0 = 1	('	0.0	1 !	1 075	1	ا ۾ ا	70	1 00
rostrum	6.5	i '	6.8	6.6	6.75	6.6	6.5	7.0	8.0
breadth braincase	7.0	7.0	7.2	7.1	7.0	6.9	7.1	7.2	8.7
Teeth:	1.0	1 1.0	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.9	(.1	1.4	0.1
crowns c-m ³	4.9	1 '		1 '	4.8	1 '	'	5.3	7.4
crowns m ¹⁻³	3.0	3.1	3.15	3.2	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.3	4.3
m ¹ , length ×	3.5	"	0.20	"	"."	"."	0.0	"	1.0
breadth	1.0 ×1.2				1.1 ×1.2	1 '	1	1.3×1.45	1.4×1.7
${ m m}^2$, length $ imes$	'				,	1	'		
breadth	1.1 ×1.35	4	1		1.1 ×1.4	1	1	1.3×1.5	1.5×2.0
m^{3} , length $ imes$	}			}	1	1			
${f breadth}$	0.95×1.5		1	l	0.95×1.35			1.2×1.5	1.5×1.5