

Supplement 3: Species authorities on the bathyergid species included in this study.

| Species | Authority |
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| <i>Heterocephalus</i> | |
| <i>H. glaber</i> | Rüppell, 1842 |
| <i>Heliophobius</i> | |
| <i>H. argenteocinereus</i> | Peters, 1846 |
| <i>H. emini</i> | Noack, 1894 |
| <i>Georchus</i> | |
| <i>G. capensis</i> | Illiger, 1811 |
| <i>Bathyergus</i> | |
| <i>B. janetta</i> | Thomas & Schwann, 1904 |
| <i>B. suillus</i> | Schreber, 1782 |
| <i>Cryptomys</i> | |
| <i>C. h. hottentotus</i> | Lesson, 1826 |
| <i>C. h. mahali</i> | Roberts, 1913 |
| <i>C. h. natalensis</i> | Roberts, 1913 |
| <i>C. h. nimrodi</i> | de Winton, 1896 |
| <i>C. h. pretoriae</i> | Roberts, 1913 |
| <i>Fukomys</i> | |
| <i>F. amatus</i> | Wroughton, 1907; Macholan et al. 1998 |
| <i>F. anelli</i> | Filippucci et al. 1994; Burda et al. 1999; Chitaukali et al. 2001 |
| <i>F. bocagei</i> | De Winton, 1897; Honeycutt et al. 1991 |
| <i>F. choma</i> | Faulkes et al. 1997 |
| <i>F. damarensis</i> | Ogilby, 1838; Honeycutt et al. 1991 |
| <i>F. darlingi</i> | Thomas, 1895; Aguilar, 1993 |
| <i>F. hanangensis</i> | Faulkes et al. 2017 |
| <i>F. kafuensis</i> | Filippucci et al. 1994; Burda et al. 1999 |
| <i>F. livingstoni</i> | Faulkes et al. 2017 |
| <i>F. mechowii</i> | Peters, 1881; Honeycutt et al. 1991 |
| <i>F. micklemei</i> | Chubb, 1909 |
| <i>F. whytei</i> | Thomas, 1897; Chitaukali et al. 2001 |
| <i>F. zechi</i> | Matschie, 1900; Honeycutt et al. 1991 |