Archboldomys (Muridae: Murinae) Reconsidered: A New Genus and Three New Species of Shrew Mice from Luzon Island, Philippines

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ABSTRACT

Shrew mice of the genus Archboldomys are poorly known members of an endemic clade of verminorous/insectivorous murid rodents confined to Luzon Island, Philippines. Three species of these small, ground-living, diurnal mice were previously known, all from a handful of specimens from a few localities. The pattern of morphological and genetic differentiation among additional specimens of shrew mice from our recent field surveys in the Central Cordillera and Sierra Madre mountains of Luzon document the presence of two distinct species groups within Archboldomys as previously defined, as well as three new species. Gene-sequence data from the mitochondrial cytochrome b and nuclear IRBP genes confirm the existence of six distinct species, but also show that Archboldomys, as previously defined, is composed of two clades that are not sister taxa. Reevaluation of the presumed morphological synapomorphies among these shrew mice, together with analyses of karyological and gene-sequence data, support the following: (1) erection of Soricomys, new genus; (2) transfer of A. kalinga and A. musseri to Soricomys; and (3) recognition of Archboldomys maximus.

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n. sp., Soricomys leonardoci, n. sp., and Soricomys montanus, n. sp. The new genus and species are described, and their phylogenetic relationships, biogeography, and conservation are discussed.

INTRODUCTION

Shrew mice of the genus Archboldomys are part of one of the oldest known radiations of murid rodents in the Philippines, and provide important insights into the dynamics of mammalian diversification on isolated oceanic islands (Jansa et al., 2006). Together with the shrew rats Chrotomys and Rhynchomys, their closest relatives, they form a clade of terrestrial murid rodents adapted to feeding on earthworms and soft-bodied invertebrates on the cool, damp forest floor of montane and mossy forest on the mountaintops of Luzon Island in the northern Philippines (Balete et al., 2011; Duya et al., 2011; Jansa et al., 2006; Rickart et al., 1991, 2011a). The sister taxon to these three genera is the genus Apomys, forest mice that also prefer soft-bodied invertebrates, but additionally feed on seeds and small fruits. These four genera form a clade that is endemic to the Philippines (referred to informally as the Chrotomys Division by Musser and Carleton, 2005, or as members of the Hydromyini within the Murinae by Aplin and Helgen, 2010; see also Jansa and Weksler, 2004; Rowe et al., 2008; Heaney et al., 2009), exhibiting spectacular ecological and morphological diversity, from small arboreal mice to ground-hopping, long-snouted, shrewlike rats. At least 45 species are currently known (Heaney et al., 2010, 2011).

Some members of this clade (e.g., Chrotomys and Rhynchomys) had previously confounded biologists, who speculated on the possible phylogenetic alliance(s) of this morphologically distinctive group. Based purely on morphological grounds, these Philippine endemics have been allied to Australo-Papuan murines in various subfamilial categories in the past, including Rhynchomyinae and Hydromyinae (Thomas, 1898; Ellerman, 1941; Simpson, 1945; Misonne, 1969). Among the members of this clade, the then monotypic genus Archboldomys, proved to be the most enigmatic. Since its description (Musser, 1982a) it was thought to be closely allied to Crunomys, another genus of shrewlike mice from the Philippines and Sulawesi (Musser, 1982a; Musser and Heaney, 1992). In 1998, the discovery of what was then considered another member of Archboldomys (A. musseri from Mt. Cetaceo, northeastern Luzon) and an additional new species of Crunomys (C. suncoides from Mindanao), together with karyotypic data from species of both genera, enabled a tentative reassessment of the inferred phylogenetic alliance between Archboldomys and Crunomys (Rickart et al., 1998). The results confirmed the phylogenetic link of Archboldomys with the Chrotomys Division, but found evidence that a close relationship with Crunomys was ambiguous, with possible convergence of the two on a shrewlike (i.e., Soricidae-like) morphology and trophic adaptation. This shrewlike morphology is associated with their heavy use of earthworms and other soft-bodied invertebrates captured in leaf litter (Rickart et al., 1991, 2011a; Heaney et al., 1999; Balete et al., 2011).

New characters and character states first evident in A. musseri and confirmed later in another new species, A. kalinga, were discussed within the context of broadening the morphological range of Archboldomys (Rickart et al., 1998; Balete et al., 2006). Subsequent DNA sequence data analyses supported the placement of A. luzonensis within the endemic Chrotom-
mys Division of Philippine rodents, including Apomys, Chrotomys, and Rhynchomys; Crunomys, in contrast, was recovered as a sister taxon to Maxomys, within an entirely different clade of murines from the Philippines and the Sunda Shelf (Jansa et al., 2006).

Our additional fieldwork during 2006 to 2009 in the Central Cordillera and Mingan Mountains, both on Luzon Island (fig. 1), resulted in additional specimens of shrew mice from several locations (Rickart et al., 2011a, 2011b; Balete et al., 2011). Our analyses of their external, cranial, and dental features, together with additional karyological data from A. kalinga, and molecular sequence data from representatives of the Chrotomys Division, document the presence of three additional species of shrew mice described below. Unexpectedly, molecular sequence data has failed to support the monophyly of Archboldomys; although the two “species groups” are strongly supported as members of the Chrotomys Division, we find that Archboldomys, as currently defined, is paraphyletic and includes two divergent genera: Archboldomys and Soricomys, new genus, described below.

The above discoveries are consistent with and further strengthen the pattern revealed in previous studies in the Philippines (Esselstyn et al., 2009, 2011; Heaney et al., 2009, 2011; Jansa et al., 2006, 2009; Musser and Heaney, 1992; Steppan et al., 2003) and other large, geologically old oceanic islands (e.g., Madagascar: Olson and Goodman, 2003; Yoder et al., 1996) that their mammalian biodiversity arose from extensive in situ diversification. The discoveries reported here further illustrate the insularizing effect of isolated mountaintops in the Philippines on the diversification of its murid rodents (Balete et al., 2006, 2007, 2011; Heaney 1986; Heaney et al., 1989, 2009, 2011; Heaney and Rickart, 1990; Rickart et al., 1998, 2003, 2005; Steppan et al., 2003).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

FIELD AND PREPARATION PROCEDURES

The specimens examined in this study were all collected by the authors and their associates, except the holotype of Archboldomys luzonensis, which was collected by D.S. Rabor in 1961 (Musser, 1982a; Heaney et al., 1999; Rickart et al., 1991, 1998; Balete et al., 2006). These specimens are deposited at the Field Museum of Natural History (FMNH), the United States National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution (USNM), and the Philippine National Museum (PNM). The capture and handling of animals in the field followed all relevant laws and regulations of the Philippines.

Tissue samples were taken from the thigh muscle of fresh specimens and preserved in either 95% ethanol or DMSO buffer. Most of the specimens were injected with saturated formalin solution in the field, stored temporarily in 10% formalin, and subsequently transferred to 70% ethanol. Some skulls were then removed, cleaned with dermestid beetles, and briefly soaked in a weak ammonia solution. Some specimens were skeletonized in the field; these were cleaned in the same fashion as the skulls.

Reproductive data were taken in the field from skeletonized specimens or in the laboratory from autopsied specimens stored in 70% ethanol, including, for males: testes descent (scrotal or abdominal), testes size (length × width, in mm), and convolution of the epididymis; for females: number and position of mammae (inguinal, abdominal, axial), size and condition of
FIG. 1. Map of Luzon and adjacent islands. The major mountains and mountain ranges where Archboldomys and Soricomys, n. gen., occur are shown. One species, *A. luzonensis* (A) occurs on Mt. Isarog in the Bicol Peninsula of southern Luzon. Northern Luzon, where most of the high-elevation habitats occur, supports four species: *S. kalinga* (C) in the northern Central Cordillera, *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp. (D), in the Mingan Mountains, *A. maximus*, n. sp. (B) and *S. montanus*, n. sp. (E), in the southern Central Cordillera, and *S. musseri* (F) in the northern Sierra Madre.
mammæ (small, large, lactating), presence or absence of vaginal perforation, number and size (crown to rump length, in mm) of embryos, and number of placental scars in the uterus.

Age determination was done in the field based on relative body size and reproductive condition of freshly caught specimens, and subsequently validated based on molar wear and fusion of cranial sutures, following the age categories defined by Musser and Heaney (1992). We followed the terminology of Brown (1971) and Brown and Yalden (1973) for defining the external features of the head and limbs. Terminology for cusps on molar teeth (fig. 2) and cranial foramina (fig. 3) was adapted from Musser and Heaney (1992: figs. 2, 8).

**FIG. 2.** Molar teeth of *Archboldomys maximus*, n. sp. (FMNH 193531, holotype), illustrating terminology used to describe cuspitation. Upper molars (left): cusps are numbered and referred to in the text with the prefix “t”; see Musser and Heaney, 1992. Lower molars (right): *ala*, anterolabial cusp; *ali*, anterolingual cusp; *ed*, entoconid; *hd*, hypoconid; *md*, metaconid; *pc*, posterior cingulum; *pd*, protoconid

**FIG. 3.** Lateral and ventral views of the cranium of *Archboldomys maximus*, n. sp. (FMNH 193531, holotype), showing morphological features discussed in the text. Abbreviations: *ab*, auditory bulla; *al*, alisphenoid; *bo*, basioccipital; *bs*, basisphenoid; *cc*, carotid canal; *et*, eustachian tube; *fo*, foramen ovale; *ms*, mastoid; *pet*, petrosal portion of the petromastoid complex; *pf*, pterygoid fossa; *pgf*, postglenoid fossa; *oc*, occipital bone; *pt*, periotic part of the petromastoid complex; *ptb*, pterygoid bridge; *ptr*, pterygoid ridge; *sq*, squamosal; *srza*, squamosal root of zygomatic arch; *stf*, stapedial foramen; *th*, tympanic hook; *trc*, transverse canal.
Morphological Methods

External measurements (in millimeters) were taken in the field from fresh specimens, including total length (TOTAL), length of tail (TAIL), length of hind foot including claws (LHF), length of ear from notch (EAR), and weight in grams (WT); field catalogs of the collectors with these measurements and additional notes have been deposited at FMNH or USNM. Additional measurements of length of overfur (LOF, measured in the middorsal region) and number of tail scale rings per centimeter (TSR, counted at a point on the tail one-third of the total length from the base) were taken from fluid specimens preserved in 70% ethyl alcohol. The length of head and body (HBL) is the difference of the length of tail subtracted from total length.

Scanning electron micrographs of crania, mandibles, and teeth were made from uncoated specimens with an AMRAY 1810 scanning electron microscope.

Eighteen cranial and dental measurements of 44 adult specimens were taken with a digital caliper and recorded to the nearest 0.01 mm by Heaney, following the terminology and limits of these measurements defined in Heaney et al. (2011; see also Musser and Heaney, 1992): alveolar length of the maxillary molariform teeth (M1–M3), basioccipital length (BOL), breadth across upper incisors near their tips (BIT), breadth of first upper molar (BM1), breadth of zygomatic plate (BZP), height of braincase (HBC), interorbital breadth (IB), length of diastema (LD), length of incisive foramina (LIF), length of nasal bones (LN), lingual palatal breadth at the upper third molar (LBM3), mastoid breadth (MB), orbito-temporal length (OL), labial palatal breadth at M1 (PBM1), postpalatal length (PPL), rostral depth (RD), rostral length (RL), and zygomatic breadth (ZB). The number of measured adult specimens is less than the total number of specimens because we did not remove and clean skulls from immature individuals or adults with trap-damaged skulls.

Descriptive statistics (mean, standard deviation, and range) of cranial and dental measurements were calculated from sample groups. We assessed quantitative phenetic variation through principal components analysis (PCA), using the correlation matrix of log_{10}-transformed measurements of adult specimens, using SYSTAT 10 for Windows (SPSS, Inc., 2000).

Karyology Methods

We prepared karyotypes from bone marrow cells following in vivo methodology (Patton, 1967, as modified by Rickart et al., 1989). Freshly killed animals captured in snap traps were processed using a modified in vitro technique (Rickart et al., 1998). Standard giemsa-stained karyotypes were prepared in the laboratory from fixed-cell suspensions. A minimum of 10 chromosome spreads was examined from each preparation. Chromosome terminology follows Rickart and Musser (1993). Because sex chromosomes could not be identified with certainty in many karyotypes, fundamental number (FN) refers to the total number of chromosome arms (including those of the sex chromosomes). Microscope slides and photomicrographs cross-referenced to voucher specimens at FMNH and USNM are housed at the Utah Museum of Natural History, University of Utah, Salt Lake City.

Molecular Genetic Methods

We used DNA sequences from the mitochondrial cytochrome b and the nuclear IRBP gene to infer phylogenetic relationships for members of the “vermivore clade” of Philippine endemic
rodents (Clade D of Jansa et al., 2006). Our cytochrome b data set comprised 58 specimens, including at least one representative of all recognized species of *Chrotomys*, *Rynchomys*, and *Archboldomys*, as well as several new specimens whose phylogenetic position in this clade was uncertain. In addition, we included sequences from seven species of *Apomys*. We also used sequences from *Batomys* and *Phloeomys*—members of the cloud rat clade (Clade E)—as outgroups to root our phylogenetic analyses (Jansa et al., 2006; Rowe et al., 2008). Our IRBP data set comprised 19 specimens that were a subset of the larger cytochrome b data set. These 19 specimens were chosen as representative individuals from the set of newly collected specimens, and included sequences from exemplar species of *Rynchomys* and *Apomys*, as well as from all recognized species of *Archboldomys* and *Chrotomys* (see Jansa and Weksler, 2004).

DNA was extracted using a Qiagen DNA Minikit (Qiagen, Inc.) from tissue preserved in 95% ethanol. We amplified and sequenced the complete cytochrome b gene using primers and PCR conditions, as described in Jansa et al. (2006).

DNA sequences were aligned using MUSCLE (Edgar, 2004) with default settings as implemented in Geneious v. 5.4.5 (Drummond et al., 2006). Where necessary, alignments were adjusted with reference to translated amino acid sequences for each gene. We analyzed each gene data set using maximum parsimony (MP) and maximum likelihood (ML) methods of phylogenetic inference. Analyses using MP were performed in PAUP* v4.0b10 (Swofford, 2002) using heuristic searches with 1000 replicates of random taxon addition and TBR branch swapping. For the ML analyses, we determined the best-fitting model of sequence substitution among the models available in MrModelTest ver. 2.3 (Nylander, 2004) using the Akaike Information Criterion (AIC). We specified this model in an ML search in GARLI ver. 2.0 (Zwickl, 2006). Nodal support values were estimated using 1000 bootstrap replicates for the MP analyses and 300 replicates for the ML analyses.

We also performed model-based (ML and Bayesian) phylogenetic analysis on the combined IRBP + cytochrome b gene data set. To do so, we evaluated the relative fit of four data-partitioning schemes: (1) a single partition including both genes; (2) two partitions, one for each gene; (3) three partitions, one for each codon position; and (4) six partitions, one for each codon position for each gene. We first determined the best-fitting model of sequence substitution for each possible partition separately, using the AIC in MrModelTest. To test the relative fit of the four broad partitioning schemes to our combined-gene data set, we calculated the log-likelihood of each using Bayesian inference in MrBayes 3.1.2 (Ronquist and Huelsenbeck, 2003). To do so, we specified the resulting best-fit sequence substitution model for each data partition as appropriate, and we unlinked all substitution parameters across partitions. We estimated branch lengths relative to each partition and allowed the substitution rate to vary among the specified partitions. For each partitioning scheme, we ran two chains of Metropolis-coupled Markov chain Monte Carlo (MC³) for $3 \times 10^6$ generations, sampling every 100th generation. We discarded the first 10% of each run as burn-in and calculated the harmonic mean log-likelihood (HML) for each partitioning scheme using Tracer 1.4 (Rambaut and Drummond, 2007). The resulting HML values were used to calculate the AIC and Bayesian information criterion (BIC) scores for each partition (McGuire et al., 2007); the partitioning
scheme with the lowest AIC and BIC scores was then specified in a second Bayesian run with $10 \times 10^6$ generations of MC$^3$.

We also used this optimal partitioning scheme in a partitioned ML analysis as implemented in GARLI ver. 2.0 (Zwickl, 2006). We specified the best-fit model for each partition and allowed the model parameters to be estimated from the data. We performed five independent search replicates, but did not otherwise alter the default conditions for the tree search algorithm; nodal support values were obtained based on 100 bootstrap replicates.

RESULTS

Morphological Comparisons

Substantial variation exists among adults of six putative species of shrew mice from Luzon in external, cranial, and dental measurements (tables 1–4). Males tend to average only slightly larger than females, so we pooled the measurements of both sexes for multivariate analyses.

A principal components analysis, conducted on 18 cranial and dental measurements ($\log_{10}$-transformed) of 44 adult specimens of shrew mice having intact (or nearly intact) crania included Archboldomys luzonensis from Carmaimes Sur Province ($N = 7$), A. maximus, n. sp., from Mt. Amuyao, Mountain Province ($N = 5$), “A.” musseri from Cagayan Province ($N = 2$), “A.” kalinga from Mt. Bali-it, Kalinga Province ($N = 12$), Soricomys montanus, n. gen. and n. sp., from Mt. Pulag, Benguet Province, and Mt. Amuyao, Mountain Province ($N = 10$), and Soricomys leonardoci, n. gen. and n. sp., from the Mingan Mountains, Aurora Province ($N = 8$). The first four components accounted for 87.6 % of the total variance (table 5). Most variables had positive loadings of high magnitude on the first component (accounting for 63.8% of the variance), indicating that much of the variation was related to size. The exceptions, with low loadings, were diastema length, postpalatal length, and breadth of incisors (which had a slight negative loading). The second component (accounting for 10.1% of the variation) had high-magnitude positive loadings for basioccipital length, diastema length, postpalatal length, and breadth of the upper incisors, separating individuals with large skulls, relatively elongate diastemas and postpalatal regions, and broad upper incisors from individuals having the converse. The third component (8.9% of the variance) had high-magnitude positive loadings for postpalatal length, mastoid breadth, and basioccipital length, but high-magnitude negative loadings for diastema length, length of incisive foramina, and incisor width, which distinguishes individuals with the combination of elongate skulls and postpalatal regions, broad mastoid regions, short diastemas, short incisive foramina, and narrow upper incisors from individuals having the converse. The fourth and following components had eigenvalues below 1.0, and so are not interpretable.

A bivariate plot of specimen scores on the first and second components (fig. 4) shows clear separation of the six putative taxa into four groupings. On the first component, expressing mainly size variation, specimens of A. luzonensis together with A. maximus, n. sp., from Mt. Amuyao are clearly distinct from a group consisting of “A.” kalinga, “A.” musseri, and specimens from the southern Central Cordillera (Soricomys montanus, n. sp.) and from the Mingan Mountains (Soricomys leonardoci, n. sp.). The second component separates A. luzonensis from
A. maximus, and the Mingan series (S. leonardocoi, n. sp.) from a grouping that includes “A.” kalinga, “A.” musseri, and S. montanus, n. sp. Archboldomys maximus, n. sp., “A.” kalinga, “A.” musseri, and S. montanus, n. sp, have relatively elongate skulls, diastemas, and postpalatal regions, along with broad incisors compared with A. luzonensis and S. leonardocoi, n. sp., which have the opposite configuration for these variables.

In a plot of specimen scores on the first and third components (fig. 4B), component 3 separates A. luzonensis at one extreme from A. maximus, n. sp., and S. leonardocoi, n. sp., at the other, while “A.” kalinga, “A.” musseri, and S. montanus, n. sp., have intermediate scores that overlap with each other.

A principal components analysis (PCA) of the two species of Archboldomys sensu stricto as defined below (A. luzonensis and A. maximus; not shown) yielded results similar to those in the PCA of all six species. The two species are easily distinguished from each other on the first

| Variable | Archboldomys luzonensis | Archboldomys maximus, n. sp. |
|----------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
|          | M (N = 6)a | F (N = 2)b | M (holotype)c | M (N = 4)d | F (N = 4)e |
| TOTAL    | 179.4 ± 9.24 | 177.0 | 213 | 213.0 ± 8.60 | 211.8 ± 14.10 |
|          | 167-190 (5) | 176-178 | | 203-224 | 200-232 |
| HBL      | 105.0 ± 4.06 | 106.5 | 114 | 115 ± 4.66 | 111.8 ± 9.11 |
|          | 101-111 (5) | 105-108 | | 105-116 | 102-124 |
| TAIL     | 74.4 ± 5.68 | 70.5 | 99 | 101.5 ± 8.54 | 100.0 ± 5.89 |
|          | 66-80 (5) | 70-71 | | 90-108 | 94-108 |
| TAIL/HBL (%) | 65-75 (5) | 65-68 | 87 | 80-103 | 85-96 |
| LHF      | 28.0 ± 0.63 | 27.0 | 30 | 30.5 ± 1.73 | 30.5 ± 1.73 |
|          | 27-29 | 27-27 | | 29-33 | 29-33 |
| LHF/HBL (%) | 25-29 (5) | 25-26 | 26 | 26-29 | 27-28 |
| EAR      | 16.5 ± 0.55 | 17.0 | 20 | 19.5 ± 0.58 | 19.5 ± 1.29 |
|          | 16-17 | 17-17 | | 19-20 | 18-21 |
| WEIGHT   | 34.3 ± 2.05 | 35.0 | 45.5 | 46.0 ± 2.16 | 44.5 ± 7.05 |
|          | 31-36 (5) | 33-37 | | 43-48 | 40-55 |
| LOF      | 08-11 (3) | — | 10-11 | 10-13 | 09-11 |
| TSR      | 15-16 | — | 20 | 20-24 | 18-22 |

aFMNH 95122 (holotype), 147172, 147173, USNM 573505, 573835, 573837.
bUSNM 573838, 573840.
cFMNH193531.
dFMNH 193524, 193526, 193530, 193543.
eFMNH 193523, 193525, 193529, 193544.
TABLE 2. Cranial and dental measurements (mm) of adult *Archboldomys*, including *A. maximus*, n. sp.

Variables defined in Methods. First line of each variable gives the mean ± 1SD for sample size \( N \geq 4 \), or the average for \( N \leq 3 \); second line gives the range and sample size < \( N \) (in parentheses).

| Variable | **Archboldomys luzonensis** | **Archboldomys maximus, n. sp.** |
|----------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
|          | Mt. Isarog                   | Mt. Amuyao                        |
|          | \( M (N = 6)^a \)            | \( M \) (holotype)\(^c\)          |
|          | \( F (N = 2)^b \)            | \( M (N = 2)^d \)                |
|          | \( F (N = 3)^e \)            |                                   |
| BOL      | 25.68 ± 0.62                 | 28.29                            |
|          | 24.78–26.25                  | 28.00                            |
|          | 25.34                        | 27.30                            |
| IB       | 5.39 ± 0.14                  | 5.67                             |
|          | 5.55                         | 5.70                             |
|          | 5.18–5.61                    | 5.67–5.73                        |
|          | 5.51–5.58                    | 5.59–5.78                        |
| ZB       | 13.30 ± 0.20                 | 14.17                            |
|          | 13.41                        | 14.20                            |
|          | 13.02–13.61                  | 13.98–14.41                      |
|          | 13.30–13.52                  | 13.62–14.30                      |
| MB       | 11.75 ± 0.17                 | 12.92                            |
|          | 11.69                        | 13.09                            |
|          | 11.60–12.06                  | 12.98–13.20                      |
|          | 11.69–11.69                  | 12.48–13.24                      |
| LN       | 9.61 ± 0.29                  | 10.30                            |
|          | 9.72                         | 10.98 (1)                        |
|          | 9.26–10.03 (5)               | 9.97–10.51                       |
| LIF      | 4.22 ± 0.08                  | 4.20                             |
|          | 4.31                         | 3.98                             |
|          | 4.11–4.32                    | 3.85–4.11                        |
|          | 4.28–4.34                    | 3.65–4.03                        |
| RD       | 5.27 ± 0.13                  | 5.34                             |
|          | 5.16                         | 5.39                             |
|          | 5.10–5.47                    | 5.30–5.47                        |
|          | 5.10–5.22                    | 5.13–5.33                        |
| RL       | 10.57 ± 0.37                 | 11.95                            |
|          | 10.56                        | 12.24 (1)                        |
|          | 10.02–11.07 (5)              | 11.53–11.79                      |
| OL       | 9.00 ± 0.26                  | 9.03                             |
|          | 8.92                         | 8.93                             |
|          | 8.67–9.28                    | 8.88–8.97                        |
|          | 8.83–9.00                    | 8.21–8.69                        |
| M1–M3    | 4.62 ± 0.15                  | 4.74                             |
|          | 4.69                         | 4.83                             |
|          | 4.43–4.80 (5)                | 4.72–4.93                        |
|          | 4.67–4.70                    | 4.63–4.85                        |
| PBM1     | 5.74 ± 0.10                  | 6.02                             |
|          | 5.83                         | 5.76                             |
|          | 5.62–5.88                    | 5.63–5.89                        |
|          | 5.79–5.86                    | 5.73–5.94                        |
| LD       | 6.82 ± 0.24                  | 7.06                             |
|          | 6.94                         | 7.06                             |
|          | 6.55–7.15                    | 6.99–7.13                        |
|          | 6.81–7.07                    | 6.24–6.99                        |
| PPL      | 9.48 ± 0.31                  | 10.85                            |
|          | 9.07                         | 10.85                            |
|          | 9.06–9.90                    | 10.79–10.91                      |
|          | 8.83–9.31                    | 10.03–10.44                      |
| LBM3     | 3.43 ± 0.24                  | 3.58                             |
|          | 3.56                         | 3.39                             |
|          | 3.11–3.77                    | 3.39–3.41                        |
|          | 3.37–3.75                    | 3.24–3.65                        |
| HBC      | 8.94 ± 0.16                  | 9.24                             |
|          | 8.82                         | 9.04                             |
|          | 8.64–9.07                    | 8.94                             |
|          | 8.78–8.85                    | 9.12                             |
| BM1      | 1.69 ± 0.04                  | 1.84                             |
|          | 1.71                         | 1.78                             |
|          | 1.62–1.72                    | 1.76–1.79                        |
|          | 1.70–1.72                    | 1.68–1.81                        |
| BIT      | 1.67 ± 0.06                  | 1.67                             |
|          | 1.62                         | 1.70                             |
|          | 1.57–1.74                    | 1.65–1.75                        |
|          | 1.58–1.66                    | 1.60–1.71                        |
| BZP      | 1.97 ± 0.07                  | 1.91                             |
|          | 2.00                         | 1.76                             |
|          | 1.89–2.05                    | 1.83                             |
|          | 1.97–2.03                    | 1.83                             |

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FIG. 4. Projection of specimen scores onto the first two axes (A) and the first and third axes (B) of a principal components analysis of 18 cranial variables (log_{10}-transformed) from 44 specimens representing two putative species of *Archboldomys* and four of *Soricomys*. Each species is shown enclosed in a maximally inclusive polygon.

Component, which primarily reflects overall size, but with low loadings (which signifies overall size-independent variation) in rostral depth, orbito-temporal length, diastema length, lingual breadth of palate at M3, and breadth of incisors near their tips. Variation on the second, third, and fourth components showed extensive overlap; we suspect that this reflects age and individual variation.

A PCA of the four putative species referred below to *Soricomys*, n. gen. (table 6, fig. 5), using the same set of cranial and dental measurements, showed many of the same features as those evident in the PCA just described (table 5, fig. 4). The first four components accounted for 71.4% of the total variance (table 6). Most variables had moderate to high loadings on the first component, which accounted for 36.5% of the variance, indicating that most of the variance is size related, but diastema length had a strong negative loading, and breadth of incisors at their tips had a moderate negative loading, which indicates an inverse relationship with size for those two variables. Five variables (zygomatic breadth, nasal length, rostral depth, postpalatal length, and zygomatic plate breadth) had low loadings, which indicate that their variation occurs mostly independently of the component that reflects general size. The second component (15.1% of the variance) showed high loadings for basioccipital length, rostral depth, rostral length, diastema length, and breadth of incisors near the tip. The third component (10.1% of the variance) had strong negative loadings for zygomatic breadth, orbito-temporal length, lingual palatal breadth at M3, and breadth of incisors at their tips. The fourth component (9.7% of the variance) had strong negative loadings for postpalatal length and breadth of zygomatic plate, and a moderate negative loading for basioccipital length.

A plot of the scores of individual specimens on component 1 vs. component 2 (fig. 5A) shows clear separation of *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp., from the others, based on relatively high scores.
TABLE 3. External measurements (mm), body mass (g), and measurement ratios (expressed as percentages) of adult *Soricomys*, n. gen., including *S. montanus*, n. sp., and *S. leonardoci*, n. sp.

Variables defined in Methods. First line of each variable gives the mean ± 1SD for sample size $N \geq 4$, or the average for $N \leq 3$; second line gives the range and sample size $< N$ (in parentheses).

| Variable | *Soricomys kalinga* | *Soricomys montanus*, n. sp. | *Soricomys musseri* | *Soricomys leonardoci*, n. sp. |
|----------|---------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
|          | Mt. Bali-it          | Mt. Data                      | Mt. Data            | Mt. Pulag                     | Mt. Cetaceo                   | Mt. Mingan                    | Mt. Mingan                     | Mt. Mingan                     |
|          | M ($N = 8$)          | F ($N = 4$)                   | M (holotype)        | M ($N = 2$)                   | M ($N = 2$)                   | M ($N = 2$)                   | M (holotype)                   | M ($N = 7$)                   | F ($N = 6$)                   |
| TOTAL    | 197.9 ± 4.98         | 188.7                         | 188                 | 191.0                         | 182.5                         | 190.6 ± 4.78                 | 174                         | 189.0                         | 195                         |
|          | 191-207 (7)          | 183-193 (3)                   | 190-192             | 182-183                       | 188-199                       |                                 |                             | 180-198                       | 198-208                      | 180-195                      |
| HBL      | 102.3 ± 5.34         | 99.0                          | 93                  | 95.5                          | 95                            | 99.6 ± 4.22                  | 87                         | 98.0                          | 103                         |
|          | 93-108 (7)           | 98-100 (3)                    | 95-96               | 95 (1)                        | 93-103                        |                                 |                             | 91-105                        | 103-115                      | 98-107                       |
| TAIL     | 95.6 ± 3.64          | 89.8 ± 3.69                   | 95                  | 95.5                          | 88                            | 91.0 ± 5.87                  | 87                         | 91.0                          | 92                          |
|          | 90-101 (7)           | 85-94                         | 95-96               | 87-89                         | 85-98                         |                                 |                             | 89-93                         | 92                          |
|          | 84-105               | 87-95                         | 102                 | 100                           | 92 (1)                        | 82-102                       | 100                         | 89-98                         | 89                          |
| TAIL/HBL | 84-105               | 87-95                         | 102                 | 100                           | 92 (1)                        | 82-102                       | 100                         | 89-98                         | 89                          |
|          | (%)                  |                               |                     |                               |                               |                                 |                             |                               | 89                           |
|          | 84-105               | 87-95                         | 102                 | 100                           | 92 (1)                        | 82-102                       | 100                         | 89-98                         | 89                          |
|          | (%)                  |                               |                     |                               |                               |                                 |                             |                               | 75-92                        |
|          |                       |                               |                     |                               |                               |                                 |                             |                               | 77-84                        |
| LHF      | 23.8 ± 1.16          | 22.5 ± 0.58                   | 23                  | 24.5                          | 23.5                          | 23.6 ± 1.14                  | 23                         | 20.0                          | 25                          |
|          | 22-26                | 22-23                         | 24                   | 24-25                         | 23-24                         | 22-25                        | 23                         | 19-21                         | 21                          |
|          |                       |                               |                     |                               |                               |                                 |                             |                               | 21-25                        |
|          |                       |                               |                     |                               |                               |                                 |                             |                               | 22-24                        |
| LHF/HBL  | 21-26                | 22-23 (3)                     | 25                  | 25-26                         | 24 (1)                        | 22-25                        | 26                         | 18-23                         | 24                          |
|          | (%)                  |                               |                     |                               |                               |                                 |                             |                               | 19-24                        |
|          |                       |                               |                     |                               |                               |                                 |                             |                               | 21-24                        |
| EAR      | 13.9 ± 0.64          | 14.0 ± 0.82                   | 14                  | 14.5                          | 13.5                          | 14.4 ± 0.55                  | 13                         | 14.0                          | 14                          |
|          | 13-15                | 13-15                         | 14-15               | 13-14                         | 14-15                         | 14-15                        | 13                         | 14-15                         | 13                          |
| WEIGHT   | 27.4 ± 1.24          | 22.8 ± 1.50                   | 27                  | 25.5                          | 27                            | 28.0 ± 3.16                  | 20                         | 32 (1)                        | 33                          |
|          | 26-29                | 21-24                         | 25-26               | 25-26                         | 25-29                         | 23-31                        | 20                         | 32 (1)                        | 33                          |
|          |                      |                               |                     |                               |                               |                                 |                             |                               | 32.9 ± 1.95                  |
|          |                      |                               |                     |                               |                               |                                 |                             |                               | 30.3 ± 2.73                  |
|          |                      |                               |                     |                               |                               |                                 |                             |                               | 31-36                        |
|          |                      |                               |                     |                               |                               |                                 |                             |                               | 26-34                        |
| Variable | Soricomys kalinga | Soricomys montanus, n. sp. | Soricomys musseri | Soricomys leonardoci, n. sp. |
|----------|------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
|          | Mt. Bali-it      | Mt. Data                  | Mt. Data         | Mt. Pulag                   |
|          | M (N = 8)
|          | F (N = 4)        | M (N = 2)            | F (N = 2)        | M (N = 5)                  |
|          |                  | Mt. Amuyao               | Mt. Data         | Mt. Pulag                   |
|          |                  | M (N = 2)                | Mt. Data         | M (N = 1)                  |
| LOF      | 07–08 (4)        | 08–09                    | 07–09            | 09–10                       |
|          | 07–09 (3)        | 08–09                    | 08–09            | 08–09                       |
| TSR      | 21–24 (4)        | 24                       | 24               | 24–26                       |
|          | 22 (3)           | 21                       | 22–27            | 22                          |

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*eFMNH 193515, 193521.*
*fFMNH 188313–188315, 188319, 188449.*
*gFMNH 198715.*
*hFMNH 147176 (holotype), 185909.*
*iFMNH 190972.*
*jFMNH 190962, 190963, 190968, 190972 (holotype), 190973, 190977, 190982.*
*kFMNH 190961, 190964, 190965, 190970, 190979, 190981.*
### Table 4. Cranial and dental measurements of adult *Soricomys*, n. gen., including *S. montanus*, n. sp., and *S. leonardoci*, n. sp.

Variables defined in Methods. First line of each variable gives the mean ± 1SD for sample size \( N \geq 4 \), or the average for \( N \leq 3 \); second line gives the range and sample size \( < N \) (in parentheses).

| Variable | *Soricomys kalinga* | *Soricomys montanus*, n. sp. | *Soricomys musseri* | *Soricomys leonardoci*, n. sp. |
|----------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
|          | Mt. Bali-It         | Mt. Data                     | Mt. Pulag           | Mt. Cetaceo                     | Mt. Mingan                      |
|          | M (N=8)             | F (N=4)                      | M (N=2)             | M (N=5)                        | M (N=2)                        |
|          |                     |                     | (holotype)          |                               | (holotype)                      |
| BOL      | 25.24 ± 0.43        | 24.88 ± 0.18              | 25.74               | 25.43 ± 0.37                    | 24.88                           |
| IB       | 4.74 ± 0.09         | 4.62 ± 0.11               | 4.78                | 4.99 ± 0.12                     | 4.86                            |
| ZB       | 11.91 ± 0.32        | 11.83 ± 0.20              | 11.50               | 11.81 ± 0.30                    | 11.29                           |
| MB       | 10.85 ± 0.19        | 10.65 ± 0.13              | 11.00               | 11.04 ± 0.20                    | 10.46                           |
| LN       | 8.95 ± 0.19         | 8.87 ± 0.13               | 9.20                | 9.02 ± 0.22                     | 9.32                            |
| LIF      | 3.19 ± 0.17         | 3.15 ± 0.04               | 3.52                | 3.33 ± 0.21                     | 3.10                            |
| RD       | 4.71 ± 0.12         | 4.58 ± 0.15               | 4.87                | 4.87 ± 0.11                     | 4.64                            |
| RL       | 9.15 ± 0.20         | 8.91 ± 0.14               | 9.44                | 9.33 ± 0.32                     | 9.32                            |
| OL       | 8.57 ± 0.27         | 8.46 ± 0.31               | 8.23                | 8.32 ± 0.14                     | 8.40                            |
| M1-M3    | 3.82 ± 0.08         | 3.80 ± 0.08               | 3.90                | 3.86 ± 0.10                     | 3.73                            |
| PBM1     | 4.52 ± 0.14         | 4.55 ± 0.08               | 4.56                | 4.66 ± 0.12                     | 4.58                            |
| DL       | 6.86 ± 0.31         | 6.74 ± 0.10               | 7.05                | 6.99 ± 0.12                     | 6.80                            |
| PPL      | 9.94 ± 0.13         | 9.86 ± 0.11               | 9.62                | 9.68 ± 0.15                     | 9.59                            |
| LB M3    | 3.18 ± 0.05         | 3.23 ± 0.13               | 3.17                | 3.24 ± 0.05                     | 3.28                            |
| HBC      | 7.64 ± 0.26         | 7.39 ± 0.24               | 7.70                | 7.77 ± 0.11                     | 7.47                            |
| BM1      | 1.16 ± 0.04         | 1.15 ± 0.02               | 1.20                | 1.22 ± 0.03                     | 1.17                            |
| BIT      | 1.76 ± 0.10         | 1.76 ± 0.06               | 1.66                | 1.72 ± 0.04                     | 1.62                            |
|          |                     | 1.69 ± 1.77              | -                   | 1.66 - 1.77                     | 1.67 - 1.84                     |
| Variable | Soricomys kalinga | Soricomys montanus, n. sp. | Soricomys musseri | Soricomys leonardocoi, n. sp |
|----------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
|          | Mt. Bali-it        | Mt. Data M (holotype)  | Mt. Amuyao       | Mt. Pulag                   |
|          | M (N=8)a           | M (N=2)d                   | M (N=5)f         | M (N=1)g                    |
| BZP      | 1.54 ± 0.09        | 1.49                        | 1.37              | 1.45 ± 0.09                  |
|          | 1.42–1.66          | 1.51–1.53                   | 1.35–1.56         | 1.50                         |

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i FMNH 190972.
j FMNH 190963, 190973, 190982.
k FMNH 190964, 190965, 190970, 190979.
TABLE 5. Results of principal components analyses of log_{10}-transformed cranial and dental measurements of *Archboldomys* and *Soricomys* adults.

Shown are the character loadings, eigenvalues, and percentage of variance explained on the first three components.

| Variable | Principal component 1 | Principal component 2 | Principal component 3 |
|----------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| BOL      | 0.776                  | 0.521                  | 0.264                  |
| IB       | 0.917                  | -0.146                 | 0.162                  |
| ZB       | 0.936                  | 0.124                  | -0.089                 |
| MB       | 0.927                  | 0.154                  | 0.259                  |
| NL       | 0.878                  | 0.247                  | 0.092                  |
| LIF      | 0.891                  | -0.233                 | -0.233                 |
| RD       | 0.847                  | 0.140                  | -0.302                 |
| RL       | 0.960                  | 0.196                  | 0.038                  |
| OL       | 0.510                  | -0.239                 | -0.203                 |
| M1–M3    | 0.944                  | -0.217                 | 0.088                  |
| PBM1     | 0.968                  | -0.187                 | 0.040                  |
| DL       | 0.172                  | 0.528                  | -0.671                 |
| PPL      | 0.161                  | 0.656                  | 0.636                  |
| LBM3     | 0.605                  | -0.128                 | -0.267                 |
| HBC      | 0.949                  | -0.118                 | 0.067                  |
| BM1      | 0.974                  | -0.163                 | 0.030                  |
| BIT      | -0.107                 | 0.623                  | -0.509                 |
| ZP       | 0.850                  | -0.141                 | -0.181                 |
| Eigenvalue | 11.477                | 1.819                   | 1.599                  |
| Variance explained | 63.8% | 10.1% | 8.9% |

on the first component and low scores on the second component. *Soricomys musseri* is likewise distinct, scoring moderate to high on the first and second components. Specimens of *Soricomys kalinga* and *S. montanus*, n. gen. and n. sp., overlap broadly with each other, but are distinct from the other two putative species.

A plot of individuals on component 3 vs. component 4 (fig. 5B) shows separation of *S. kalinga* and *S. montanus*, n. gen. and n. sp., along component 3 for most individuals, though some overlap remains; this reflects the tendency of *S. kalinga* to have greater zygomatic breadth, orbito-temporal length, lingual palatal breadth at M3, and breadth of incisors near their tips than *S. montanus*, n. sp. The other species largely overlap on these components.

**Karyology**

*Archboldomys luzonensis*: As reported previously (Rickart and Musser 1993; Rickart and Heaney, 2002), the karyotype has 2N = 26 and FN = 43 (table 7). The autosomal complement
TABLE 6. Results of principle components analyses of \( \log_{10} \)-transformed cranial and dental measurements of *Soricomys* adults.

Shown are the character loadings, eigenvalues, and percentage of variance explained on the first four components.

| Variable | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    |
|----------|------|------|------|------|
| BOL      | 0.467| 0.635| 0.113| -0.497|
| IB       | 0.833| 0.088| 0.143| 0.340 |
| ZB       | 0.202| 0.455| -0.650| 0.173 |
| MB       | 0.867| 0.237| -0.035| 0.039 |
| NL       | 0.207| 0.457| 0.101| 0.128 |
| LIF      | 0.539| 0.009| 0.405| 0.062 |
| RD       | -0.282| 0.688| 0.300| 0.111 |
| RL       | 0.413| 0.751| 0.269| -0.134|
| OL       | 0.487| -0.096| -0.586| -0.017|
| M1-M3    | 0.875| -0.263| 0.026| -0.162|
| PBM1     | 0.947| -0.020| -0.068| 0.006 |
| DL       | -0.611| 0.567| 0.238| -0.078|
| PPL      | 0.240| 0.005| -0.065| -0.750|
| LBM3     | 0.471| 0.247| -0.497| 0.171 |
| HBC      | 0.802| 0.104| 0.011| 0.102 |
| BM1      | 0.902| -0.174| 0.193| 0.128 |
| BIT      | -0.486| 0.500| -0.569| -0.095|
| ZP       | 0.175| -0.231| -0.069| -0.798|
| Eigenvalue| 6.561| 2.726| 1.816| 1.741|

Variance explained: 36.5% 15.1% 10.1% 9.7%
FIG. 5. Projection of specimen scores onto the first two axes (A) and the third and fourth axes (B) of a principal components analysis of 18 cranial variables (log_{10}-transformed) from 32 specimens representing four putative species of Soricomys, n. gen. Each species is shown enclosed in a maximally inclusive polygon.

Molecular Phylogenetic Analysis

The cytochrome b data set yielded 394 parsimony-informative characters for the 56 ingroup and two outgroup taxa (table 8). Parsimony analysis of this data set resulted in seven minimum-length trees with length of 1610 steps, CI = 0.386, and RI = 0.817. The strict consensus of these seven trees differs topologically from the tree recovered from a maximum-likelihood analysis of the same data, but conflict is limited to poorly supported (bootstrap < 75%) nodes. We therefore present the maximum-likelihood tree annotated with support values from the parsimony analysis (fig. 7).

Among the available substitution models, a GTR + I + Γ_4 model of sequence evolution provided the best fit to the cytochrome b data (-lnL = 8261.366). Parameter estimates indicate that cytochrome b is markedly guanosine poor in these taxa and that transitions greatly outnumber transversions (table 9), which is consistent with estimates from other mammalian taxa. The tree derived from ML analysis of the cytochrome b data set (fig. 7) strongly supports monophyly of the genera Rhynchosomys, Chrotomys, and Apomys (though a more rigorous test of Apomys monophyly is provided by Heaney et al., 2011). However, the four specimens from the type locality of Archboldomys musseri (DNA numbers DSB 3711, DSB 3747, DSB 3704, and PAA 609) do not cluster with other members of Archboldomys (including the type species, A. luzonensis). Rather, a clade comprising these four specimens—which are clearly assignable to a single species—join a well-supported clade (ML-bootstrap = 99%; MP-bootstrap = 100%) along with several newly collected specimens of small shrew mice, including specimens previously assigned as A. kalinga and A. musseri. We recognize this clade as a new genus comprising four species, as described below. In contrast, four specimens representing a large shrew mouse from Mt. Amuyao, Mountain
Province, cluster with each other and form a sister-taxon relationship with *A. luzonensis*. Uncorrected, pairwise cytochrome *b* distance between these two clades averages 9.2%, and the two taxa are morphologically easily distinguishable; we therefore recognize a new species of *Archboldomys*, as described below. Relationships among the five genera are generally not well supported by the cytochrome *b* data set. However, a sister-taxon relationship between *Chrotomys* and the new genus is recovered in both parsimony and ML analyses with moderate (MP-bootstrap = 72%) to strong (ML-bootstrap = 92%) support, but no other intergeneric relationship is recovered from these mitochondrial data with confidence (fig. 7).

The IRBP data set contained 81 parsimony-informative characters for the 19 included taxa. Parsimony analysis of this data set resulted in 30 minimum-length trees of 188 steps with CI = 0.883 and RI = 0.897; the strict consensus of these trees does not conflict with those derived from ML analysis at any well-supported node and is not discussed further. A two-rate HKY model with $\Gamma_4$ distributed rate variation provided the best fit to the IRBP data set (table 9). The tree resulting from ML analysis under this model ($\ln L = -2862.011$; fig. 8A) is largely consistent with the tree based on cytochrome *b*. The IRBP data confirm that
TABLE 7. Summary of karyotypic variation among members of the *Chrotomys* Division and *Crunomys suncoides*.

| Taxon                        | Island   | Province         | 2N | M | SM | ST | T   | X   | Y   | FN | Source                  |
|------------------------------|----------|------------------|----|---|----|----|-----|-----|-----|----|-------------------------|
| *Apomys (Apomys) hylocoetes* | Mindanao | Bukidnon         | 48 | 0 | 1  | 3  | 19  | T   | T   | 56 | Rickart and Heaney, 2002 |
| *Apomys (Apomys) insignis*   | Mindanao | Bukidnon         | 36 | 5 | 3  | 9  | 0   | ST  | ST  | 72 | Rickart and Heaney, 2002 |
| *Apomys (Apomys) musculus*   | Luzon    | Camarines Sur    | 42 | 3 | 1  | 1  | 15  | T   | T   | 52 | Rickart and Musser, 1993 |
| *Apomys (Apomys) sp.*        | Leyte    | Leyte            | 44 | 3 | 1  | 17 | 0   | ST  | ST  | 88 | Rickart and Musser, 1993 |
| *Apomys (Apomys) sp.*        | Negros   | Negros Oriental  | 30 | 6 | 3  | 0  | 5   | ST  | SM  | 50 | Rickart and Musser, 1993 |
| *Apomys (Megapomys) abrae*   | Luzon    | Kalinga          | 44 | 1 | 2  | 2  | 16  | T   | T   | 54 | Heaney et al., 2011     |
| *Apomys (Megapomys) banahao* | Luzon    | Quezon           | 48 | 2 | 0  | 0  | 21  | SM  | T   | 54 | Heaney et al., 2011     |
| *Apomys (Megapomys) datae*   | Luzon    | Mountain Prov.   | 44 | 1 | 1  | 3  | 16  | T   | T   | 54 | Heaney et al., 2011     |
| *Apomys (Megapomys) zambalensis* | Luzon | Bataan           | 44 | 2 | 1  | 3  | 15  | SM  | T   | 58 | Heaney et al., 2011     |
| Archboldomys luzonensis      | Luzon    | Camarines Sur    | 26 | 5 | 3  | 0  | 4   | SM  | T   | 43 | Rickart and Musser, 1993 |
| Chrotomys gonzalesi          | Luzon    | Camarines Sur    | 44 | 2 | 1  | 1  | 17  | T   | T   | 52 | Rickart and Musser, 1993 |
| Chrotomys mindorensis        | Luzon    | Bataan           | 44 | 2 | 1  | 1  | 17  | T   | T   | 52 | Rickart and Musser, 1993 |
| Chrotomys silaceus           | Luzon    | Kalinga          | 44 | 2 | 1  | 1  | 17  | T   | T   | 52 | Rickart and Heaney, 2002 |
| Chrotomys whiteheadi         | Luzon    | Kalinga          | 38 | 2 | 4  | 1  | 11  | T   | T   | 52 | Rickart and Heaney, 2002 |
| Crunomys suncoides           | Mindanao | Bukidnon         | 36 | 0 | 0  | 0  | 17  | T   | T   | 36 | Rickart and Heaney, 2002 |
| Rhynchomys isarogensis       | Luzon    | Camarines Sur    | 44 | 2 | 1  | 1  | 17  | T   | T   | 52 | Rickart and Heaney, 2002 |
| Rhynchomys soricoides        | Luzon    | Mountain Prov.   | 44 | 2 | 1  | ?  | ?   | T   | T   | 54?| Rickart (unpublished)    |
| Soricomys kalinga            | Luzon    | Kalinga          | 44 | 2  | 1  | ?  | ?   | T   | T   | 52 | Rickart and Heaney, 2002 |
| Soricomys montanus           | Luzon    | Mountain Prov.   | 44 | 2 | 1  | 1  | 17  | T   | T   | 52 | this study               |
FIG. 7. The tree resulting from a maximum-likelihood analysis of the cytochrome b from Chrotomys Division species under the best-fitting model (GTR + I + Γ4). Numbers at nodes indicate maximum-likelihood (above the line) or parsimony (below the line) bootstrap support. Terminal taxa are identified by species name and a unique alphanumeric identifier (either DNA number or Genbank accession number; table 6). Trees are rooted with Phloeomys cumingi and Batomys granti as outgroups (not shown).
specimens assigned to *A. kalinga* (assigned below to *Soricomys montanus*, n. sp.) and *A. musseri* are not closely related to the type species *A. luzonensis*, but are part of a distinct clade. In addition, these data also recover the sister-taxon relationship between *A. luzonensis* and the large shrew mouse from Mt. Amuyao. The IRBP data do not recover a monophyletic *Chrotomys*, but monophyly is not inconsistent with these data: *C. silaceus* and *C. sibuyanensis* form an unresolved polytomy with a clade comprising the remaining three species of *Chrotomys*. There is strong support for a sister-taxon relationship between the new genus and species of *Chrotomys*; otherwise, IRBP provides little additional support for intergeneric relationships.

A model that partitions the data set six ways (by gene and by codon) provided the best fit to the combined-gene data set (table 10). We implemented this partitioning scheme with the best-fit substitution model for each codon position (GTR + $\Gamma_4$: cytb-1; HKY + I: cytb-2, IRBP-3; GTR + I + $\Gamma_4$: cytb-3; GTR + I: IRBP-1, IRBP-2) in both maximum-likelihood and Bayesian mixed-model analysis; the maximum-likelihood tree (lnL = -8951.23) is shown in figure 8B with nodal Bayesian posterior probabilities indicated. Not surprisingly, this tree is highly congruent with
FIG. 9. View of the posterior edge of the upper incisors of A, Archboldomys luzonensis (FMNH 147172); B, A. maximus, n. sp. (FMNH 193531, holotype); C, Soricomys kalinga (FMNH 175555, holotype); D, Soricomys leonardocoi, n. sp. (FMNH 190972, holotype); E, Soricomys montanus, n. sp. (FMNH 188314, holotype); F, Soricomys musseri (FMNH 147176, holotype).

trees based on the individual gene data sets, and recovers the principle relationships discussed above. In addition, this tree provides additional intergeneric resolution: the split between Apomys and a clade comprising the remaining four genera receives some statistical support in this analysis (ML-bootstrap = 75%; BPP=0.98); however, relationships among Archboldomys, Rhynchomys, and the clade comprising Chrotomys and the new genus remain uncertain.

**Taxonomy**

Analyses of the combined morphological, chromosomal, and molecular data analyses of all representatives of the shrew mice of the Philippines strongly support the following taxonomic decisions: (1) redefinition of Archboldomys, (2) establishment of Soricomys, n. gen., described below, and (3) recognition of one new species of Archboldomys and two new species of Soricomys, n. gen. We emend the diagnoses of all previously recognized species of Archboldomys (A. luzonensis, “A.” kalinga, and “A.” musseri), and transfer two into the new genus Soricomys (S. kalinga and S. musseri).

**Archboldomys Musser, 1982**

**Type Species:** Archboldomys luzonensis Musser, 1982a: 30.

**Included Species:** Only the type species and A. maximus, n. sp.

**Distribution:** Known only from two mountains on Luzon Island: Mt. Isarog in southeastern Luzon and Mt. Amuyao in the Central Cordillera of northern Luzon (fig. 1).
TABLE 8. List of sequenced specimens.

| Taxon                        | DNA No. | Museum No. | cytochrome b source | IRBP source |
|------------------------------|---------|------------|---------------------|-------------|
| *Archboldomys maximus*       | EAR 6356| FMNH 193526| this study          | this study  |
| *Archboldomys maximus*       | LRH 7572| FMNH 193522| this study          | this study  |
| *Archboldomys maximus*       | DSB 4436| FMNH 193528| this study          |             |
| *Archboldomys maximus*       | DSB 4577| FMNH 193944| this study          |             |
| *Archboldomys luzonensis*    | LRH 4098| USNM 573834| AY687858           | DQ191495    |
| *Archboldomys luzonensis*    | EAR 1982| USNM 573839| this study          |             |
| *Archboldomys luzonensis*    | RBU 285 | USNM 573836| this study          |             |
| *Archboldomys luzonensis*    | EAR 1826| USNM 573835| AY687857           | EU349837    |
| *Rhynchomys soricoides*      | EAR 4978| FMNH 175618| this study          |             |
| *Rhynchomys soricoides*      | LRH 6366| FMNH 169170| this study          |             |
| *Rhynchomys soricoides*      | LRH 5959| FMNH 167320| this study          |             |
| *Rhynchomys tapulao*         | DSB 3505| FMNH 183555| this study          |             |
| *Rhynchomys tapulao*         | DSB 3480| FMNH 183554| this study          |             |
| *Rhynchomys isarogensis*     | LRH 4157| USNM 573577| this study          |             |
| *Rhynchomys isarogensis*     | EAR 1833| USNM 573900| DQ191489           | AY326108    |
| *Rhynchomys banahao*         | LRH 7020| FMNH 178429| this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys gonzalesi*        | EAR 1850| USNM 458953| this study          | DQ191503    |
| *Chrotomys gonzalesi*        | LRH 4176| USNM 458952| AY324461           |             |
| *Chrotomys sibuyanensis*     | SMG 5150| FMNH 145701| AY687862           | DQ191504    |
| *Chrotomys whiteheadi*       | LRH 7523| FMNH 193960| this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys whiteheadi*       | LRH 7515| FMNH 193737| this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys whiteheadi*       | LRH 7533| FMNH 193962| this study          | this study  |
| *Chrotomys whiteheadi*       | LRH 7424| FMNH 188360| this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys whiteheadi*       | DSB 4499| FMNH 193748| this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys whiteheadi*       | LRH 6841| FMNH 175575| this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys whiteheadi*       | LRH 7406| FMNH 188458| this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys whiteheadi*       | DSB 3558| FMNH 183551| this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys whiteheadi*       | DSB 3520| FMNH 183549| this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys minorensis*       | JAE 543 | KU 164432  | this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys minorensis*       | JAE 526 | KU 164431  | this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys minorensis*       | JAE 520 | KU 164430  | this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys silaceus*         | EAR 6365| FMNH 193714| this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys silaceus*         | DSB 4587| FMNH 193734| this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys silaceus*         | LRH 6784| FMNH 175723| this study          |             |
| *Chrotomys silaceus*         | EAR 4614| FMNH 169132| this study          |             |
| *Soricomys montanus*         | DSB 4570| FMNH 193521| this study          |             |
| Taxon                  | DNA No. ¹ | Museum No. | cytochrome b source ² | IRBP source ² |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| *Soricomys montanus*  | DSB 4529  | FMNH 193520| this study            |               |
| *Soricomys montanus*  | LRH 7463  | FMNH 188319| this study            |               |
| *Soricomys montanus*  | DSB 3787  | FMNH 188313| this study            |               |
| *Soricomys kalinga*   | LRH 6436A | FMNH 170967| this study            |               |
| *Soricomys kalinga*   | LRH 5946  | FMNH 167304| this study            |               |
| *Soricomys musseri*   | DSB 3711  | FMNH 185909| this study            |               |
| *Soricomys musseri*   | DSB 3747  | FMNH 185910| this study            |               |
| *Soricomys musseri*   | PAA 609   | FMNH 185907| this study            | this study    |
| *Soricomys musseri*   | DSB 3704  | FMNH 185908| this study            |               |
| *Soricomys leonardocoi* | PAA 818 | FMNH 190974| this study            |               |
| *Soricomys leonardocoi* | DSB 4256 | FMNH 190982| this study            | this study    |
| *Soricomys leonardocoi* | DSB 4155 | FMNH 190970| this study            |               |
| *Apomys gracilirostris* | CMNH M648 |            |                       |               |
| *Apomys musculus*     | USNM 458925| AY324482⁶  | DQ191494⁴            |               |
| *Apomys microdon*     | FMNH 167242| AY324479⁶  | DQ191493⁴            |               |
| *Apomys insignis*     | FMNH 147911| AY324470⁶  | DQ191492⁴            |               |
| *Apomys hylocoetes*   | FMNH 147914| AY324468⁶  |                       |               |
| *Apomys camiguinensis* | FMNH 154816| AY324476⁶  |                       |               |
| *Apomys datae*        | FMNH 167358| AY324464⁶  | EU349836⁵            |               |
| *Phloeomys cumingi*   | USNM 573332| DQ191484⁴  | AY326103⁷            |               |
| *Batomys granti*      | USNM 458914| DQ191496⁴  |                       |               |
| *Batomys granti*      | USNM 458948| AY324459⁶  |                       |               |

¹ Collector number is used as the DNA number.
² Accession number is listed if sequence was downloaded from Genbank. Blank cells indicate sequences not included in this study.
³ from Rickart et al. 2005.
⁴ from Jansa et al. 2006.
⁵ from Rowe et al. 2008.
⁶ from Steppan et al. 2003.
⁷ from Jansa and Weksler 2004.

**Emended Diagnosis:** The genus *Archboldomys* is defined phylogenetically as the most recent common ancestor of *A. luzonensis* and *A. maximus* and all of its descendants (figs. 7, 8). They are small-bodied shrew mice most similar superficially to *Soricomys*, new genus, but differ from it and other known murids in the combination of the following cranial and dental features (table 11): (1) uniformly dark and unpatterned pelage; (2) tail substantially or slightly shorter than the length of head and body; (3) moderately long, tapered rostrum; (4) upturned nasal tips projecting slightly beyond the anterior margins of the premaxillae; (5) slanting anterior edge of zygomatic
FIG. 10. Skulls of A, *Archboldomys luzonensis* (FMNH 95122, holotype); B, *Soricomys musseri* (FMNH 147176, holotype); and C, *S. kalinga* (FMNH 175555, holotype). Modified from Balete et al. (2006).

TABLE 9. Parameter estimates under the best-fitting substitution model for each gene.

| Model | Cytochrome b | IRBP |
|-------|--------------|------|
|       | GTR+I+Γ₄    | HKY+Γ₄ |
TABLE 10. Results of model-fitting for the combined-gene dataset.

| Partitioning scheme | Taxa (no.) | Characters (no.) | Parameters (no.) | HML \(^a\) | AIC \(^b\) | Score | BIC \(^c\) | Score |
|---------------------|------------|------------------|------------------|----------|----------|-------|----------|-------|
| Unpartitioned       | 19         | 2377             | 12               | -9893.78 | 19811.68 | 20152.90 |
| By gene             | 19         | 2377             | 20               | -9585.50 | 19211.35 | 19598.54 |
| By codon            | 19         | 2377             | 32               | -9505.80 | 19076.50 | 19532.43 |
| By gene by codon    | 19         | 2377             | 36               | -9061.00 | 18195.14 | 18673.93 |

\(^a\)Harmonic mean log-likelihood.  
\(^b\)Akaike information criterion.  
\(^c\)Bayesian information criterion.

plate relative to horizontal molar row; (6) long and slender tympanic hook; (7) spacious squamoso-mastoid vacuity; (8) mastoid entire or without fenestra in adults; (9) ophistodont upper incisor procumbency; (10) upper incisors forming an acute triangle at their posterior margin in ventral view (fig. 9); (11) broad molariform tooth row with prominent cusps (figs. 10, 11); (12) squarish first upper molars (figs. 10, 11); and (13) small but conspicuous interpremaxillary foramen present (fig. 9).

Comments: Archboldomys and Crunomys: Musser (1982a) noted the similarity of Archboldomys to Crunomys, specifically C. melanius and C. celebensis, and hinted at a possibly close phylogenetic relationship, based in particular on the shape, simplified cuspidation, and occlusal patterns of their molars. He proposed the hypothesis that “the old native rodents of the Philippine Islands may represent an adaptive radiation in which all members are more closely related to each other than to rats and mice on the Asian mainland to the west, Sulawesi and the Lesser Sundas to the south, or to Australia and New Guinea area to the east.” In spite of including one species from Sulawesi (C. celebensis), Crunomys was grouped with Archboldomys, Chrotomys, Celaenomys (now part of Chrotomys; Rickart et al., 2005), and Rhynchomys. This was further reinforced in the first assessment of phylogenetic alliances of the native Philippine murid fauna (Musser and Heaney, 1992), in which the Crunomys Group was erected within the Old Endemic Division (Division I), consisting of A. luzonensis, Crunomys fallax, C. melanius, and C. rabori (now part of C. melanius; see Rickart et al., 1998).
| Feature                                      | Genus                      | Aponymy | Archboldomys | Chrotomys | Rhynchosomys | Soricomys |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|--------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| Color pattern                               |                            |  absent | absent       | mid-dorsal stripe (only forehead blaze or shoulder stripe in some *C. silaceus*) | absent (except dorsal-ventral countershading) | absent (except dorsal-ventral countershading) |
| Tail length relative to head and body length |                            |  slightly shorter to longer | shorter to slightly longer | shorter | shorter | shorter to slightly longer |
| Nasal tip extension relative to anterior margin of premaxillary |                            |  along edge | beyond edge | behind edge | beyond edge | along edge |
| Incisive foramina                           |                            |  long and broad | long and narrow | short and broad | long and narrow | short and broad |
| Interpremaxillary foramen                    |                            |  minute | short and narrow | long and wide | long and narrow | minute |
| Orientation of zygomatic plate               |                            |  slanting | slanting | vertical | slanting | vertical |
| M1 relative to ventral maxillary root of zygomatic plate |                            |  overlap up to first row | overlap up to 2nd row | no overlap | complete overlap | overlap up to first row |
| Maxillary molar tooth row composition       |                            |  complete | complete | complete (M3 absent in *C. silaceus*) | M3 absent | complete |
| Maxillary molar tooth row shape              |                            |  long and narrow | long and broad | short and narrow | short and narrow | long and narrow |
| M1 and M2 shape                             |                            |  long and narrow | short and broad | short and narrow | short and narrow | long and narrow |
| Feature                                                | Genus       | Apomys | Archboldomys | Chrotomys | Rhynchomys | Soricomys |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| M3 size relative to M1 and M2                          |             | small  | small        | small (absent in *C. silaceus*) | absent | small     |
| Upper incisors pro-cumbency                            |             | orthodont | ophistodont | proodont | orthodont | orthodont |
| Posterior edge of upper incisors                        |             | rounded | acutely angular | broadly angular | acutely angular | broadly angular |
| Enamel coloration of upper incisors                     |             | orange | pale yellow-orange | pale yellow-orange | unpigmented | orange |
| Otic capsule attachment to cranium                      |             | absent | absent | present (absent in *C. silaceus*) | absent | absent |
| Tympanic hook shape                                     |             | short and broad | long and narrow | short and broad | short and broad | short and broad |
| Squamoso-mastoid foramen                                |             | present | present (wide) | absent (present in *C. silaceus*) | absent | present (narrow) |
| Pterygoid ridge                                         |             | present | present | absent | present | present |
| Pterygoid bridge                                        |             | present | present | present | absent | present |
| Alisphenoid strut                                       |             | present | present | present | absent | present |
| Mastoid fenestra                                        |             | absent | absent | absent | absent | present |
| Mastoid foramen                                         |             | absent | present | present | present | present |
The discovery of *Crunomys suncoides* on Mt. Kitanglad (central Mindanao) and *Soricomys musseri* (as *Archboldomys musseri*) on Mt. Cetaceo (NE Luzon) enabled further assessment of the hypothesized *Archboldomys*-*Crunomys* phylogenetic alliance and redefinition of both genera (Rickart et al., 1998). However, no shared derived morphological traits were found that unite *Archboldomy* and *Crunomys* as a distinct clade; the presumed synapomorphies in the shape, size, and simplified cuspidation patterns of molars of the two genera were inferred to have resulted from convergence on shrewlike feeding habits (Rickart et al., 1998). The karyotypic differences between *Archboldomys* and *Crunomys* (table 7; Rickart and Heaney, 2002), as well as additional cranial, dental, and external morphological differences, reinforced the hypothesized close phylogenetic link among *Archboldomys*, *Chrotomys*, and *Rhynchomys*, but were unsupportive of their sister-taxon relationship with *Crunomys* (Rickart and Musser, 1993; Rickart et al., 1998). The split between *Archboldomys* and *Crunomys* was later strongly supported by molecular data, indicating that *A. luzonensis* is closest to the members of the *Chrotomys* Division that includes *Rhynchomys*, *Chrotomys*, and *Apomys* (Jansa et al., 2006). *Crunomys* (represented by *C. melanius*), on the other hand, was recovered as sister taxon to *Maxomys*, within the clade that includes the Philippine native murid rodents belonging to the New Endemic Division, along with allied species from the Sunda Shelf (Musser and Heaney, 1992; Jansa et al., 2006).

Comparison of *Archboldomys* and *Soricomys*, new genus: Aside from *A. luzonensis*, shrew mice previously attributed to *Archboldomys* included *S. musseri* (as *A. musseri*) and *S. kalinga* (as *A. kalinga*), from Mt. Cetaceo in the Sierra Madre, and the vicinity of Mt. Bali.
it in Kalinga Province, in the northern Central Cordillera, respectively (fig. 1; Musser, 1982a; Rickart et al., 1998; Balete et al., 2006). Some additional specimens from the southern Central Cordillera were referred to “A.” kalinga (Heaney et al., 2010; Rickart et al., 2011b). They were discussed within the context of broadening morphological and geographical ranges of the genus Archboldomys, but a suite of diagnostic features that set apart the two species groups (i.e., A. luzonensis vs. the other two) was highlighted in the description of the latter two species (see the diagnosis of Soricomys; Rickart et al., 1998; Balete et al., 2006). We confirmed the consistency of the differences with the collection of a large, short-tailed species in the Central Cordillera (A. maximus, n. sp.) that occurred sympatrically with the small, relatively long-tailed S. montanus, n. sp., on Mt. Amuyao (fig. 1). These discoveries clearly indicated the presence of two species groups of shrew mice on Luzon, consisting of a relatively larger-bodied, short-tailed group composed of A. luzonensis and A. maximus, n. sp., from Mt. Amuyao, and a smaller-bodied, relatively longer-tailed group composed of S. kalinga, S. musseri, S. leonardocoi, n. sp., and S. montanus, n. sp. (fig. 12). The two groups are separated by distinct and consistent differences in external, cranial, and dental features; among the most prominent differences (for Archboldomys vs. Soricomys) are longer incisive foramina (vs. shorter); small but apparent interpremaxillary foramina (vs. absent, with only tiny nutrient foramina present); zygomatic plate slanting (vs. nearly perpendicular to molar row); M1 and M2 short and broad (vs. long and narrow); upper incisors slightly [A. luzonensis] to strongly [A. maximus, n. sp.] ophistodont (vs. orthodont); upper incisors forming an acute angle at posterior tips in ventral view (vs. broadly rounded; fig. 9); and tympanic hook long and narrow (vs. short and broad; figs. 3, 10, 13; tables 1-5, 11). Both Archboldomys and Soricomys, n. gen., have the carotid arterial pattern in which a large stapedial artery branches off from the common carotid artery and enters the otic capsule through the stapedial foramen, passes through the bulla, and then passes through a groove in the pterygoid plate into the foramen ovale (see Musser, 1982a: figs. 30, 31).

![FIG. 13. Cranium and mandible of Archboldomys maximus, adult male (FMNH 193531, holotype) in dorsal, ventral, and lateral views.](image-url)
This distinction between *Archboldomys* and *Soricomys* is also supported by the karyotypic data showing substantial differentiation between *Archboldomys* and *Soricomys*, new genus, especially in diploid number and X-chromosome morphology (table 7; fig. 5; Rickart and Heaney, 2002). Our phylogenetic analyses of molecular data from representatives of these species and other members of the *Chrotomys* Division (*Apomys*, *Chrotomys*, and *Rhynchomys*) not only supported the above morphological and karyological differentiation between the two groups, it also failed to recover the monophyly of *Archboldomys*. Instead, it showed that the small-bodied members (*Soricomys*, n. gen.) are the sister taxon to *Chrotomys*, and the large-bodied members (*Archboldomys* sensu stricto) are sister to the clade that includes *Soricomys*, *Chrotomys*, and *Rhynchomys* (figs. 7, 8). This evidence clearly supports the establishment of a new genus, *Soricomys*, that accommodates two shrew mice formerly attributed to *Archboldomys* (*S. kalinga* and *S. musseri*), and two additional new species, as described below.

*Archboldomys luzonensis* Musser, 1982

**Holotype:** FMNH 95122. Young adult male collected on 24 April 1961, field number D.S. Rabor 1149 (Musser, 1982a: figs. 13, 22–32). Prepared as stuffed skin with skull (fig. 10A) removed and cleaned.

**Type Locality:** Philippines: Luzon Island: Camarines Sur Province: Mt. Isarog, 6560 feet.

**Measurements:** Tables 1 and 2.

**Specimens Examined** (*N* = 14): Camarines Sur Province, Mt. Isarog National Park, 1350–1750 m (FMNH 147172, 147173, USNM 573505, 573834–573840, PNM 4683); 4 km N, 21.5 km E Naga City, 1550 m (FMNH 152031, 152032); Pili Municipality, Mt. Isarog, 6560 ft (FMNH 95122 [holotype]).

**Emended Diagnosis:** A shrew mouse of the genus *Archboldomys*, readily distinguished from *A. maximus*, n. sp., by the following combination of external, cranial, and dental features: (1) smaller body; (2) shorter, reddish-brown pelage; (3) absolutely and relatively shorter tail, with fewer scale rows (TSR); (4) absolutely and relatively shorter hind foot; (5) shorter and narrower skull; (6) longer incisive foramina; (7) larger (though short and broad) intermaxillary foramen; (8) wider zygomatic plate; (9) greater orbito-temporal length; (10) shorter and narrower pterygoid ridge, terminating posteriad below the alisphenoid strut; (11) broader and conspicuously exposed alisphenoid strut (see Musser, 1982a: fig. 23A); (12) slightly more elongate and narrowly angled posterior edge of upper incisors; (13) narrower and shorter maxillary and mandibular molar rows; (14) smaller molars in which cusp t3 and t9 are either missing from M1 or so broadly merged with the adjacent cusp in the respective cusp row that they are unidentifiable; (15) shorter and broader mandible; (16) broader angular process; and (17) longer and more robust coronoid process (figs. 10A, 13; table 11).

**Karyology:** 2N = 26 and FN = 43 (fig. 6A; Rickart and Musser, 1993; Rickart and Heaney, 2002).

**Comparisons:** See Description and Comparisons section of *A. maximus*, below.

**Distribution:** Known only from Mt. Isarog, southeastern Luzon Island (Rickart et al., 1991; Balete and Heaney, 1997; Heaney et al., 1999).
ECOLOGY: *Archboldomys luzonensis* is a montane and mossy forest specialist, occurring at 1350 m to 1750 m; it was not recorded below 1350 m (Rickart et al., 1991; Balete and Heaney, 1997; Heaney et al., 1999). Laurels, myrtles, oaks, and podocarps were the common canopy and emergent trees in these forests, often reaching a canopy height of ca. 12–20 m in montane forest, and 5–12 m in mossy forest. Moss cover ranged from moderate in montane forest, to covering most surfaces of trees and ground in mossy forest; leaf litter in both habitats was extensive, and the humus layer was thick. Vegetation of these habitats was described in more detail in Heaney et al. (1999).

The morphological adaptations of *A. luzonensis* (e.g., small, robust body with short tail, short limbs, and small ears, short dense pelage, and long, sharp claws) suggest a semifossorial habit. It is active during the day, possibly extending from dawn to dusk; in 1988, seven of eight individuals captured were taken during the day and the eighth near dawn (Heaney et al., 1999). They were captured mostly along runways under root tangles, under fallen logs, or beside ground vegetation. In 1993–1994, two individuals were observed foraging in leaf litter in mossy forest during the day (Balete and Heaney, 1997). Stomach contents, consisting of amphipods, larval and adult arthropods, and earthworms, suggest a vermivorous/insectivorous diet (Heaney et al., 1999). Earthworms were abundant where this species was captured (Rickart et al., 1991). Females have two pairs of inguinal mammae. Two pregnant females, recorded in late March and late April, each had a single embryo (Heaney et al., 1999). The species appeared to be moderately common in mossy forest on Mt. Isarog, with an estimated density of ca. 4.5 ± 1.63 individuals/ha (Balete and Heaney, 1997).

Other nonvolant small mammals recorded along with *Archboldomys luzonensis* in montane and mossy forest included *Crocidura grayi, Apomys microdon, A. musculus, Batomys cf. granti, Chrotomys gonzalesi, Phloeomys cumingi, Rattus everetti, and Rhynchomys isarogensis* (Balete and Heaney, 1997; Heaney et al., 1999; Rickart et al., 1991). Of these, five are members of the *Chrotomys* Division: *A. microdon, A. musculus, C. gonzalesi, and R. isarogensis* (table 12).

*Archboldomys maximus*, new species

Figures 8B, 11A, 12, 13

**Holotype:** FMNH 193531. Adult male collected on 23 March 2007, field number D.S. Balete 4560. Fresh tissues were removed from the thigh and placed in 95% ethanol. The rest of the specimen was initially fixed in formalin, now preserved in ethyl alcohol with skull (fig. 13) removed and cleaned. The holotype is currently housed at FMNH but will be transferred to PNM.

**Type Locality:** Philippines: Luzon Island: Mountain Province: Barlig Municipality: 1.75 km N, 0.4 km W Mt. Amuyao peak, 1885 m elevation, 17.02929° N, 121.12466° E (fig. 1).

**Measurements:** Tables 1 and 2.

**Specimens Examined (N = 13):** Mountain Province, Barlig Municipality, Mt. Amuyao peak, 2690 m (FMNH 193524); 0.5 km N, 0.5 km W Mt. Amuyao peak, 2530 m (FMNH 193522, 193523); 0.4 km N, 0.4 km W Mt. Amuyao peak, 2480 m (FMNH 193525–193527); 0.75 km W Mt. Amuyao peak, 2300 m (FMNH 193528, 193942, 193943); 1.0 km N, 1.0 km W Mt. Amuyao peak, 2150 m (FMNH 193529, 193530); 1.75 km N, 0.4 km W Mt. Amuyao peak, 1885 m (193531 [holotype], 193944).
ETYMOLOGY: From the superlative of *magnus* (Latin: “great, large”), to highlight its being the largest of the seven species of shrew mice (*Archboldomys*, *Crunomys*, and *Soricomys*) on Luzon. We recommend as the English common name either “large Cordillera shrew mouse” or “Cordillera archboldomys.”

DIAGNOSIS: *Archboldomys maximus* is a shrew mouse similar to *A. luzonensis*, but readily defined by the following combination of external, cranial, and dental characters and proportions (tables 1, 2, figs. 9–14): (1) long, robust body; (2) dark chestnut pelage; (3) tail nearly as long as head and body, with fine scale rows; (4) relatively long hind feet; (5) long, broadly ovate skull with tapered rostrum and more strongly inflated cranium; (6) proportionately short incisive foramina; (7) intermaxillary foramen small and slightly elongate, visibly posterior to line connecting the posterior edges of incisors (fig. 9); (8) narrow zygomatic plate with pronounced slanting anterior edge; (9) short orbito-temporal length; (10) long and wide pterygoid ridge extending posteriorly to become the pterygoid bridge over the foramen ovale; (11) narrow and delicate alisphenoid strut; (12) narrow, sharply angled posterior edge of upper incisors (fig. 9); (13) long molariform tooth row; (14) large molars with complete cuspidation on the first molar (cusps t3 and t9 clearly present but broadly merged with adjacent cusps; cusp t8 with anterolingual projection); (15) long and narrow mandible; (16) narrow angular process; and (17) short and narrow coronoid process.

DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISONS: *Archboldomys maximus* is the larger of the two species of *Archboldomys*, and is readily distinguishable externally from *A. luzonensis* by its longer and more robust body overall (smaller, shorter body in *A. luzonensis*); dark grayish chestnut pelage (reddish brown); absolutely and relatively longer tail, with finer scale rows (absolutely and relatively shorter tail, with larger and fewer scale rows); longer, broader, and more darkly pigmented hind feet (shorter, narrower, and paler hind feet) (fig. 12, table 1; Musser, 1982a: fig. 22).

The pelage of *A. maximus* is uniformly grayish chestnut, longer and thicker dorsally than ventrally. The rostrum is tapered and the face is broad (fig. 12A). The pale grayish-brown vibrissae extend slightly beyond the ears. The lips and rhinarium are pigmented pale grayish brown. The eyelids are finely edged with dark gray, surrounded by a narrow paler band covered with short dark grayish-brown fur. The ears are small, round, medium grayish brown, and covered with short black hairs.

The front feet of *A. maximus* are small, with relatively short, robust digits bearing long, opaque claws with decurved tips, except the pollex, which is short and bears a nail. The dorsal and palmar surfaces are uniformly pigmented dark grayish brown. The palmar pads consist of three interdigital, and a thenar and hypothenar, which are larger than the interdigital. The hind feet are long and slender, with relatively short digits; the longest middle digits including claws are less than one-third the length of the hind foot. The claws are opaque, shorter than on the forefeet and with short decurved tips. Both the dorsal and plantar surfaces, including digits and plantar pads, are pigmented dark grayish brown. The plantar pads are small relative to plantar surface and consist of four interdigital, a large thenar, and smaller, round hypothenar; the metatarsal is small and rounded; the rest are ovate and larger.
The tail of the holotype of *A. maximus* is 13% shorter than the combined length of head and body; the paratypes have from 20% shorter to slightly longer tail than the combined length of head and body (table 1). There are ca. 20 tail scale rows/cm (TSR) in the holotype, 20–24 TSR in paratypes; each scale bears three short hairs. Tail is uniformly pigmented dark grayish brown, with its dorsal surface covered with short, similarly pigmented hairs and its ventral surface covered with a mix of dark and pale to unpigmented hairs.

*Archboldomys maximus* and *A. luzonensis* have similarly upturned nasal tips that project beyond the anterior margins of the premaxillae and broad, squarish first molars, and upper incisors with acutely angled posterior edges (figs. 9, 10, 13). However, differences in cranial features and measurements easily distinguish *A. maximus* from *A. luzonensis* (tables 2, 11; figs. 9–13; Musser, 1982a: figs. 13; 22–24, 26–30; Rickart et al., 1998: fig. 12), including: (1) a longer, broadly ovate skull with proportionately longer rostrum (shorter in *A. luzonensis*) and laterally inflated braincase (less inflated); (2) shorter incisive foramina (longer); (3) elongate interpremaxillary fossa that is placed well behind a line connecting the posterior margins of the incisors (rounded interpremaxillary foramen, close to a line connecting the posterior margins of the incisors); (4) narrow zygomatic plate with a more pronounced slanting anterior edge (wider and less slanting); (5) shorter orbito-temporal length (longer); (6) longer and wider pterygoid ridge extending posteriad to become the pterygoid bridge over the foramen ovale (shorter and narrower, terminating posteriari above alisphenoid strut); (7) and narrow, delicate alisphenoid strut hidden under pterygoid ridge (broad, robust, and conspicuously exposed alisphenoid).

The skull of *A. maximus* is smooth, with gracile, tapered rostrum and dorsolaterally swollen cranium (figs. 3, 9, 13). In lateral view, its dorsal profile is nearly straight from the top of the skull to about the anterior base of the premaxilla, from which the profile assumes a short and smoothly shallow anteriad convexity brought about by the upturned nasal tips. The nasal tip projects beyond the anterior edge of the premaxillae. The slightly raised bony capsule of the upper incisor root terminates medially near the suture with the maxilla, opposite the dorsal opening of the small and narrow lachrymal canal. The opening of this canal slants caudad, and its nearly flat outer wall barely projects beyond the lateral outline of the capsular swelling of the upper incisor root. The zygomatic plate slants dorsad, relative to the upper molar tooth row. The zygomatic process of the squamosal is low on the cranium, anchored less than a millimeter above the dorsal edge of the postglenoid foramen.

The tympanic hook of the squamosal is slender and short relative to cranial size. The squamoso-mastoid foramen is small relative to the postglenoid vacuity and is either obscured entirely by a thin membrane, as in the holotype, or partially obscured ventrally by the wide, posterior extension of the periotic part of the petromastoid. The mastoid of adults has no fenestra (e.g., FMNH 193526, 193943, 193944). In younger adults, a narrow slit in various stages of closure is present in the mastoid (as in the left mastoid of the holotype [the right one is completely ossified], FMNH 193531; fig. 13). A small mastoid foramen is situated along the medial occipital suture.

The incisive foramina of *A. maximus* are long and narrow, round edged posteriari and smoothly tapered anteriad (fig. 13, table 2). A small interpremaxillary foramen is present, lying visibly posterior to a line connecting the posterior edges of the incisors (fig. 9). The alisphenoid
canal is small and circular, bridged by the thin alisphenoid strut, both well concealed under the wide pterygoid ridge. The pterygoid ridge itself is also long, extending posteriad and becoming the pterygoid bridge over the foramen ovale. The postglenoid vacuity is spacious and domed, and the widest part appears nearly round due to the smooth concavity of the posterior periosteal part of the petromastoid opposite the domed dorsal edge; in the holotype, the left vacuity is sealed by a membranous covering. The auditory bulla is small relative to cranial area, and anteroventrally inflated (viewed right side up), obscuring the anterior half of the petrosal in ventral view.

Dental features are strikingly similar between *A. maximus* and *A. luzonensis*, both sharing slightly (*A. luzonensis*) or strongly (*A. maximus*) ophistodont upper incisor procumbency, upper incisors in ventral view that are sharply angled on the posterior edge (fig. 9), and squarish first upper molars. But several dental and mandibular features and measurements easily distinguish *A. maximus* from *A. luzonensis* (figs. 2, 3, 9–14, table 2; Musser, 1982a: figs. 13, 32, 33; Rickart et al., 1998: fig. 12), including longer molariform tooth row (shorter in *A. luzonensis*), larger molars with complete cuspidation on the first upper molar (fig. 2; smaller, with absent or missing cusp t3 and cusp t9 on M1), longer and more gracile mandible (shorter and more robust), narrow angular process (wider), and shorter and narrower coronoid process (longer and wider).

The maxillary molars of *A. maximus* (figs. 2, 14) are marked by their large size. The first upper molar appears squarish due to the conspicuous broadening of the lingual cusps t1 and t4 that together contribute to the width of M1, which is about three-fourths of its length. The cuspidation of the three rows of M1 appears complete (fig. 2), though coalesced in the broad laminar outlines of the deeply basined occlusal surface, cusp t3 on the first row is barely visible at the edge of the worn, broad, and downsloping labial lamina, and cusps t7 and t9 have either merged with t8 or are absent. The second molars are smaller than the first, but the anterolinguinal convexity of cusps t1 and t4 makes them wider than long, and trapezoidal in occlusal outline. Cusps t2 and t3 are missing on the first row. The second and third rows appear to have complete cuspidation, coalesced in the laminar outlines of their occlusal surfaces. The third molar has less than half the surface area of the second molar, and has a cordate occlusal outline brought about by the broad lingual cusp t1 and what appears to be the anterolabially oriented second row, with presumed cusps t4, t5, and t6 coalesced into the narrow laminar outline of its occlusal surface. The slanting orientation of this second row results in posterior placement of cusp t4 (figs. 2, 14). No evidence of a third row is discernible.

The dentary of *A. maximus* is slightly longer and more gracile than in *A. luzonensis* (figs. 10, 13; Musser, 1982a: fig. 13). The labial surface of the mandible is smooth, and the capsular process is barely discernible. The placement of the mandibular and mental foramina is similar to *A. luzonensis*. The mandibular molar row (fig. 14B) is slender. The lower incisors are robust, sharply pointed, and the anterior surface covered with pale yellow enamel (fig. 13). The incisor is broadly procumbent, forming a smooth, wide curve from the anterior edge of the first mandibular molar alveolus. The coronoid process is short, slender, and backswept, extending slightly more than halfway from its base to the base of the adjacent condyle. The condyloid process is short and robust. The angular process is slender with a narrowly angular and slightly upturned tip, forming a deep sigmoidal notch with the posterior edge of the condyle.
As noted above, a PCA analysis based on cranial and dental measurements (fig. 4, table 5) demonstrated no overlap between *A. luzonensis* and *A. maximus* on the second axis, with *A. maximus* having a proportionally longer skull, more elongate diastema and postpalatal region, and broader upper incisors measured near the tips, and *A. luzonensis* having the converse. Analysis of the mitochondrial cytochrome *b* and IRBP nuclear gene gave strong support to these two species as sister taxa, with branch lengths separating them similar to those separating the species of *Soricomys* (figs. 7, 8).

**Distribution:** Currently known only from Mt. Amuyao, Mountain Province, in the Central Cordillera of northern Luzon (figs. 1, 15; Rickart et al., 2011b). However, Mt. Amuyao is the only place in the southern portion of the Central Cordillera where surveys in the relevant habitat (mature montane and mossy forest) using the relevant sampling methods (traps baited with live earthworms) have been conducted. The species may occur in montane and mossy forest over a broad portion of the Central Cordillera; additional surveys are needed to determine the extent of its distribution.

**Ecology:** *Archboldomys maximus* has been captured in old-growth montane and mossy forest, from 1885 m to 2690 m (Rickart et al., 2011b). There were slightly more diurnal (8) than nocturnal/crepuscular (5) captures. Success with traps baited with live earthworms was higher than with fried coconut, but the effect was not statistically significant. Stomach analysis suggests a predominantly vermivorous feeding habit; stomach contents of six individuals all included earthworms, in addition to centipedes (order Geophilomorpha) in three individuals, and a few fragments of insect exoskeletons (body and integument of adults and larvae) in four individuals.
Females have two pairs of mammae, both inguinal. Reproductive activity early in the year was apparent. Five of six males caught in March had scrotal testes, one of which had a testes size of 10 x 7 mm with convoluted epididymis; during the same period, two of seven females had large mammae, one of which was pregnant with a single embryo and had one placental scar (Balete, Heaney, and Rickart field notes in FMNH).

Eleven other species of nonvolant small mammals were recorded in montane and mossy forest habitat with *Archboldomys maximus*: *Crocidura grayi*, *Apostomys datae*, *A. musculus*, *Batomys granti*, *Bullimus luzonicus*, *Chrotomys silaceus*, *C. whiteheadi*, *Musseromys* sp., *Rattus everetti*, *Rhynchomys soricoides*, and *Soricomys montanus*, new species (Rickart et al., 2011b). Among them, six are members of the *Chrotomys* Division: *Apostomys datae*, *A. musculus*, *S. kalinga*, *C. silaceus*, *C. whiteheadi*, and *R. soricoides* (table 12). Mt. Amuyao is the only place known currently where species of *Archboldomys* and *Soricomys*, n. gen., occur sympatrically. Additional species of native nonvolant mammals we documented on Mt. Amuyao included *Apomys abrae* (at lower elevations), and the giant cloud rats *Crateromys schadenbergi* and *Phloeomys pallidus* (Rickart et al., 2011b).

**Soricomys**, new genus

**Type Species:** *Archboldomys kalinga* (Balete, Rickart, and Heaney, 2006).

**Etymology:** From the Latin *sori-* (sorex, “shrew”), in combination with *mys* (Gk., “mouse”), for its close similarity to the shrews in body form and habits. Gender masculine.

**Included Species:** As currently understood, *S. kalinga*, *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp., *S. montanus*, n. sp., and *S. musseri*. See comments below.

**Distribution:** Luzon Island only; currently known only from the Central Cordillera, the Mingan Mountains, and the northern Sierra Madre (fig. 1).

**Diagnosis:** A genus of small-bodied shrew mice, superficially similar to *Archboldomys* in external morphology, but distinguished from it and other known murid rodents by the following combination of external, cranial, and dental features (table 11): (1) dorsal fur darker and longer than ventral fur; (2) short, tapered rostrum; (3) straight nasal tips terminating above the anterior margins of the premaxillae; (4) straight anterior edge of zygomatic plate relative to the horizontal molar row; (5) short and broad tympanic hook; (6) narrow to nearly closed squamoso-mastoid foramen; (7) prominent mastoid fenestra; (8) orthodont upper incisors procumbent; (9) broadly angled to nearly rounded lingual edge of upper incisors; (10) narrow molar row; (11) relatively narrow, rectangular upper first molars, M1; and (12) interpremaxillary foramina (and presumably the vessel it transmits) absent (only minute nutrient foramina present; fig. 9).

**Comments:** Comparisons to *Archboldomys* are given above.

*Soricomys kalinga* (Balete et al., 2006) and *S. musseri* (Rickart et al., 1998) were both originally described as members of *Archboldomys*. Several cranial and dental characters highlighted during the original diagnosis of *S. musseri*, including straight nasal tips, short incisive foramina, small postglenoid vacuities, prominent mastoid fenestra, and smaller molars, are now among the diagnostic features of *Soricomys* (table 11). Also, as noted in the original description, the ventral pelage of *S. musseri* is slightly shorter and paler than the dorsal fur (with a gradual...
TABLE 12. Distribution of members of the Chrotomys Division in sympatry with Archboldomys and Soricomys on Luzon Island.

Location of mountains indicated in figure 1. Except for A. abrae and C. mindorensis, species present on each mountain were recorded in the same habitat and elevation as with Archboldomys and Soricomys.

| Species                      | Mountain and peak elevation (m) |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|                              | Cetaceo 1657 | Isarog 1966 | Mingan 1901 | Bali-it 2150 | Data 2310 | Amuyao 2702 | Pulag 2922 |
| Apomys microdon              | X            | X           | X           | X            | X         | X           | X           |
| Apomys musculus              | X            | X           | X           | X            | X         | X           | X           |
| Apomys abrae                 | X            |             |             | X            | X         | X           | X           |
| Apomys aurorae               | X            |             |             |             |           | X           | X           |
| Apomys datae                 | X            | X           | X           | X            | X         | X           | X           |
| Apomys minganensis           | X            |             |             |             |           | X           | X           |
| Apomys sierrae               | X            |             |             |             |           |             |             |
| Archboldomys luzonensis      | X            |             |             |             |           | X           |             |
| Archboldomys maximus         | X            |             |             | X            |           |             |             |
| Chrotomys gonzalesi          | X            |             |             |             |           |             |             |
| Chrotomys mindorensis        | X            |             |             |             |           |             |             |
| Chrotomys silaceus           | X            | X           | X           | X            |           |             |             |
| Chrotomys whiteheadi         | X            | X           | X           | X            |           |             |             |
| Rhynchomys isarogensis       | X            |             |             |             |           |             |             |
| Rhynchomys soricoides        | X            | X           | X           | X            |           |             |             |
| Rhynchomys sp.               | X            |             |             |             |           |             |             |
| Soricomys kalinga            | X            |             |             |             |           |             |             |
| Soricomys leonardocoi        | X            |             |             |             |           |             |             |
| Soricomys montanus           | X            | X           | X           | X            |           |             |             |
| Soricomys musseri            | X            |             |             |             |           |             |             |

Number of species 4 5 7 8 8 9 8

transition between them), in contrast to the uniformly colored pelage of A. luzonensis. The discovery of the three new species, A. maximus, S. leonardocoi, n. sp., and S. montanus, n. sp., demonstrates the consistency of these differences.

Phylogenetic analysis of mitochondrial cytochrome b and nuclear IRBP genes gave strong support to these four species as a clade, with an unresolved trichotomy among S. musseri, S. leonardocoi, n. sp., and a branch containing S. kalinga and S. montanus, n. sp. Although we do not advocate using threshold genetic divergence values as a way to diagnose species, we note that divergence values among species of Soricomys are comparable to or higher than those among other currently recognized species of this group. Notably, average uncorrected (p) sequence divergence for cytochrome b ranges from 7.9% to 8.9% among these four species of Soricomys, which
is similar to the divergence between the two species of *Archboldomys* (9.1%); within the range of divergence values among species of *Chrotomys* (2.8% to 11.7%); and much higher than the divergence values observed among recognized species of *Rhynchomys* (1.4% to 3.1%; fig. 7).

*Soricomys musseri* (Rickart et al., 1998)

*Archboldomys musseri* Rickart, Heaney, Tabaranza, and Balete, 1998: 17.

**Holotype:** FMNH 147176. Adult male collected on 15 May 1992, field number D.S. Balete 2092 (figs. 10–11; Rickart et al., 1998: figs. 8–10). Initially fixed in formalin, now preserved in ethyl alcohol with skull removed and cleaned. Fresh tissues were removed from the thigh at the time of capture and placed in ethanol. The holotype is currently housed at the FMNH, but will be transferred to the PNM.

**Type Locality:** Philippines: Luzon Island: Cagayan Province: Peñablanca Municipality: Barangay Callao: Mt. Cetaceo, 1650 m elevation, 17°42′ N, 122°02′ E (fig. 1). See comments below.

**Measurements:** Tables 3 and 4.

**Specimens Examined** (*N = 5*): Cagayan Province, Peñablanca Municipality, Mt. Cetaceo, 1650 m (FMNH 147176 [holotype]); 1.5 km SW Mt. Cetaceo peak, 1550 m (FMNH 185907, 185910); 2.0 km SW Mt. Cetaceo peak, 1500 m (FMNH 185908, 185909).

**Emended Diagnosis:** A species of *Soricomys* distinguished from congeners by the following combination of characters: (1) dark, reddish-brown fur dorsally, shorter and paler ventrally; (2) absolutely and relatively shorter hind foot; (3) longer nasals; (4) dorsally inflated and higher cranium; (5) shorter and broader tympanic hook; (6) narrower squamoso-mastoid vacuity; (7) spacious postglenoid vacuity; (8) slender, backswept coronoid process; and (9) narrow, broadly angled angular process relative to condyle, and nearly straight-edged dorsally (figs. 9–11).

**Comparisons:** Externally most similar to *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp., but distinguished by the following combination of features (figs. 9–11, 13, 14, tables 3, 4, 11; Rickart et al., 1998: figs. 6–8, 12, 13): (1) absolutely and relatively shorter hind foot; (2) shorter, paler fur; (3) relatively longer tail; (4) narrower interorbit; (5) greater zygomatic breadth; (6) narrower zygomatic plate; (7) longer nasals; (8) shorter incisive foramina; (9) narrower squamoso-mastoid vacuity; (10) shorter maxillary molar tooth row; (11) narrower first upper molars, M1; and (12) broader incisors at their tips. Distinguished from *S. kalinga* by the following combination of features (figs. 9–11, tables 3, 4; Balete et al., 2006: figs. 4–6; Rickart et al., 1998: figs. 6–8, 12, 13): (1) relatively shorter tail; (2) absolutely and relatively shorter hind foot; (3) longer, darker fur; (4) dorsolaterally inflated cranium; (5) higher braincase; (6) broader interorbit; (7) wider zygomatic breadth; (8) longer nasals; (9) narrower squamoso-mastoid vacuity; (10) longer maxillary molar row; (11) wider palatal breadth at M1; and (12) wider labial breadth at M3. Distinguished from *S. montanus*, n. sp., by the following combination of features: (1) relatively shorter tail; (2) relatively shorter hind foot; (3) higher and dorsolaterally inflated cranium; (4) greater zygomatic breadth; (5) shorter and shallower rostrum; (6) longer nasals; (7) greater orbito-temporal length; (8) longer maxillary molar row (M1–M3); (9) wider palatal breadth at M1; (10) shorter diastema; (11) greater postpalatal length; (12) greater labial palatal breadth at M3; (13) wider incisors at their tips; (14) narrower zygomatic plate.
A PCA analysis of cranial and dental measurements (fig. 4, table 5) that included all species of Archboldomys and Soricomys (fig. 4, table 5) demonstrated clear separation of S. musseri from Soricomys leonardocoi, n. sp., on the second axis, with S. kalinga, S. montanus, n. sp., and S. musseri having a proportionately longer skull, more elongate diastema and postpalatal region, and broader upper incisors near their tips, and S. leonardocoi, n. sp., having the converse. Soricomys musseri differed from S. kalinga slightly on the first axis, an indication of its overall larger size. Soricomys musseri was most similar to S. montanus, n. sp., differing in scoring slightly higher on the first axis, indicating greater size. A PCA that included only the four species of Soricomys (fig. 5, table 6) produced similar results, with S. musseri loading less heavily on the first component and more heavily on the second component than S. leonardocoi, n. sp., indicating that S. musseri averages smaller overall and has shorter basioccipital length, rostral depth, rostral length, diastema length, and breadth of incisors near their tips. Soricomys musseri differed from S. kalinga and S. montanus, n. sp., in this PCA on the first component, which generally indicates its larger size.

**Distribution:** Currently known only from Mt. Cetaceo, in the northern Sierra Madre from 1500 m to 1650 m (figs. 1, 15; Duya et al., 2011). We hypothesize that it will be found north from Mt. Cetaceo (1730 m) to the Twin Peaks (peak at 1603 m) to at least as far south as Mt. Cresta (1672 m) in Isabela Province, and possibly from Mt. Palanan (1212 m) in southern Isabela Province to Mt. Anacua (1853 m) in Aurora Province; these areas are typically (though intermittently) above 1500 m (fig. 15).

**Ecology:** Soricomys musseri has been documented in montane and mossy forest on Mt. Cetaceo, from 1500 m to 1650 m (Rickart et al., 1998; Duya et al., 2007, 2011). Based on trapping success, S. musseri appeared to be uncommon, with only four captures in 2395 ground-trap nights; the majority (75%, N = 3) were caught with earthworm bait, possibly indicating a vermivorous diet (Duya et al., 2011). Males with scrotal testes were captured in May and June; the two females, captured in June, were young adults with two pairs of small inguinal mammae. Also recorded in the montane and mossy forest habitat of S. musseri were two other members of the Chrotomys Division: Apomys musculus and A. sierrae; another member of the clade, A. microdon, was documented slightly lower on the mountain, at 1400 m (table 12). Other nonvolant small mammals recorded on the mountain included Crocidura grayi, Bullimus luzonicus, and Rattus everetti (Duya et al., 2011).

**Comments:** The attribution of the type locality in the original description to Callao Municipality was erroneous, as Callao is actually a barangay (a smaller political unit within a municipality), instead of Peñablanca, which is the correct name of the municipality. The first specimen, which later became the holotype of this species, was initially reported as Crunomys fallax (Danielsen et al., 1994).

**Soricomys kalinga** (Balete, Rickart, and Heaney, 2006)

*Archboldomys kalinga* Balete, Rickart, and Heaney, 2006: 491.

**Holotype:** FMNH 175555. Adult male collected on 23 February 2003, field number E.A. Rickart 5001 (figs. 9–11). Fresh tissues were removed from the thigh and placed in 95% ethanol. The rest of the specimen was initially fixed in formalin, now preserved in 70% ethyl alcohol.
with skull removed and cleaned. The holotype is currently housed at FMNH, but will be transferred to PNM.

**Type Locality:** Philippines: Luzon Island: Kalinga Province: Balbalan Municipality: Mt. Bali-it, 1950 m elevation, 17°25.8’N, 121°00.1’E (fig. 1).

**Measurements:** Tables 3 and 4.

**Specimens Examined** (N = 22): Kalinga Province: Balbalan Municipality, Am-licao, 1800 m (FMNH 169122–169124, 170965–170967), Magdallao, 1600 m (FMNH 167304–167309), Mt. Bali-it, 1950 m (FMNH 175552–175555 [holotype], 175556), Mt. Bali-it, 2150 m (FMNH 175557–175559, 175720, 175721).

**Emended Diagnosis:** A small shrew mouse of the genus *Soricomys*, distinguished from congeners by the following combination of features: (1) uniformly orange-brown dorsal pelage, shorter and paler on the venter; (2) narrow, dorsally flattened cranium; (3) long and slender tympanic hook; (4) deep rostrum; (5) long diastema; (6) narrow palate at M1; (7) short maxillary molar row; (8) short first upper molars; (9) robust, broadly backswept coronoid process; (10) robust, broadly tapered condyle; and (11) short, robust angular process (figs. 9–11).

**Karyology:** 2N = 44; FN unknown (fig. 6B; Rickart and Heaney, 2002).

**Comparisons:** Distinguished from *S. musseri*, n. sp., by the following features (tables 3, 4; figs. 9–11; Rickart et al., 1998: figs. 10, 12, 13; Balete et al., 2006: figs. 2–6): (1) larger body size overall; (2) relatively longer tail; (3) absolutely and relatively longer hind foot; (4) shorter and paler pelage; (5) flatter and lower cranium; (6) narrower interorbital region; (7) narrower zygomatic breadth; (8) shorter nasals; (9) wider squamoso-mastoid vacuity; (10) shorter molar row; (11) narrower palate at M1; (12) narrower lingual palatal breadth at M3; (13) robust and broadly backswept coronoid process; (14) broader condyle; and (15) shorter, decurved angular process.

Distinguished from *S. montanus*, n. sp. (figs. 9, 14, 16; tables 3, 4), by the combination of the following features: (1) longer body size overall; (2) paler pelage; (3) relatively longer tail; (4) shorter skull with flatter cranium; (5) narrower interorbital region; (6) greater zygomatic breadth; (7) narrower mastoidal breadth; (8) shorter and shallower rostrum; (9) greater orbito-temporal length; (10) longer diastema; (11) longer postpalatal region; (12) wider incisors at their tips; (13) wider zygomatic plate.

Distinguished from *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp., by the following combination of features (figs. 9, 14, 17, tables 3, 4; Balete et al., 2006: figs. 2–6): (1) small body overall; (2) relatively longer tail; (3) relatively longer hind foot; (4) shorter, narrower skull; (5) lower and flatter braincase; (6) narrower interorbital region; (7) wider squamoso-mastoid vacuity; (8) longer diastema; (9) shorter postpalatal region; (10) shorter maxillary molar row; (11) smaller M1; (12) narrower palate at M1; (13) narrower labial breadth at M3; (14) broader incisors at their tips; (15) broader, more robust condyle; and (16) robust, backswept coronoid process.

A PCA analysis of cranial and dental measurements that included all species of *Archboldomys* and *Soricomys* (fig. 4, table 5) showed good separation from *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp., on the second axis, with *S. kalinga*, *S. montanus*, n. sp., and *S. musseri* having a proportionally longer skull, more elongate diastema and postpalatal region, and broader upper incisors near the tip, and *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp., having the converse. *Soricomys musseri*
differed from *S. kalinga* and *S. montanus* slightly on the first axis, an indication of its overall larger size. A second PCA that included only the four species of *Soricomys* (fig. 5, table 6) showed separation of *S. kalinga* from *S. musseri* and *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp., on the first component, primarily reflecting the overall larger size of those species. *Soricomys kalinga* overlapped with *S. montanus* extensively on the first two components, but had less overlap on the third and fourth components, indicating that *S. kalinga* tends to have greater zygomatic breadth, shorter incisive foramina, greater orbito-temporal fossa length, greater lingual breadth of palate at M3, and broader incisors near their tips, and greater post-postatal length and broader zygomatic plates.

**Distribution:** *Soricomys kalinga* is currently known from the northern portion of the Central Cordillera of northern Luzon, where it has been documented at localities on Mt. Bali-it in Balbalan Municipality, Kalinga Province (figs. 1, 15). Inspection of figure 15 leads us to suggest that this species occurs north of the drainages of the Agno and Chico rivers (including the Sabangan river, a tributary of the Chico); these two drainages form a declivity across the crest of the Central Cordillera, with their headwaters meeting at a narrow pass that reaches a maximum elevation of about 1800 m, a short distance to the northwest of Mt. Data. On this basis, we hypothesize that this species will be found to occur from approximately Mt. Tinangdanan (ca. 5 km SW of Sagada) along the chain of mountains...
stretching NNE to at least as far as Mt. Macopa, which lies along the boundary of Abra and Apayao provinces. The type locality lies slightly north of the center of this hypothesized distribution (fig. 15).

Ecology: *Soricomys kalinga* occurred in mature montane and mossy forest from ca. 1600 m to 2150 m on Mt. Bali-it in Balbalan Municipality, Kalinga Province, where it was predominately diurnal and had significant preference for earthworm bait (Balete et al., 2006; Rickart et al., 2011a). The stomach contents included finely chewed arthropod exoskeletons, larval arthropods, and earthworms, suggesting an insectivore/vermivore feeding habit. Other species documented sympatrically with *S. kalinga* were: *Crocidura grayi, Apomys abrae, A. datae, A. microdon, A. musculus, Batomys granti, Bullimus luzonicus, Carpomys phaeurus, Chrotomys silaceus, Chrotomys whiteheadi, Rattus everetti*, and *Rhynchomys soricoides; Phloeomys pallidus* also occurred in the vicinity (Balete et al., 2006; Rickart et al., 2011a).

Females have two pairs of inguinal mammae. Males with scrotal testes were captured in February, and pregnancy was recorded in April: two pregnant females each bore two embryos, and one also had one placental scar (Balete et al., 2006).

Comments: The karyotype (fig. 6B; initially reported as *A. musseri*; Rickart and Heaney, 2002) is based on a poor quality in vitro preparation. It is similar to *S. montanus*, n. sp. (*2N = 44*) and differs from *A. luzonensis* (*2N = 26*) as described above.

*Soricomys montanus*, new species

Figures 9, 12B, 14, 16

*Archboldomys kalinga*, Heaney et al., 2010 (part, included series from Mt. Amuyao, Mt. Data, and Mt. Pulag).

*Archboldomys kalinga*, Rickart et al., 2011a: 532 (part, included series from Mt. Amuyao, Mt. Data, and Mt. Pulag).

Holotype: FMNH 188314. Adult male collected on 3 March 2006; field number D.S. Balete 3788. Fresh tissues were removed from the thigh and placed in DMSO buffer. The rest of the specimen was initially fixed in formalin, now preserved in ethyl alcohol with skull removed and cleaned. It is currently housed at FMNH, but will be transferred to PNM.

Type Locality: Philippines: Luzon Island: Mountain Province: 0.75 km N, 0.6 km E south peak of Mt. Data, 2241 m elevation, 16.86287° N, 120.86108° E (fig. 1).

Measurements: Tables 3 and 4.

Specimens examined (*N = 18*): Benguet Province, Bokod Municipality, Mt. Pulag National Park, 0.5 km S, 0.4 km W Mt. Babadak peak, 2480 m (FMNH 198175); Mountain Province: Barlig Municipality, Mt. Amuyao peak, 2690 m (FMNH 193516), 0.5 km N, 0.5 km W Mt. Amuyao peak, 2530 m (FMNH 193514, 193515), 0.75 km W Mt. Amuyao peak, 2300 m (FMNH 193517), 1.0 km N, 1.0 km W Mt. Amuyao peak, 2150 m (FMNH 193518–193520); Bauko Municipality, Mt. Data, 0.75 km E south peak, 2310 m (FMNH 188318), 0.75 km N, 0.6 km E south peak, 2241 m (FMNH 188314–188317), 0.75 km N, 0.75 km E south peak, 2289 m (FMNH 188319), 0.75 km N, 1.0 km E south peak, 2289 m (FMNH 188320, 188449).
Etymology: From the Latin *montanus*, meaning “pertaining to mountains,” in recognition of its distribution in the high mountains of the Central Cordillera, including Mountain Province. We suggest “southern Cordillera shrew mouse” as an English common name.

Diagnosis: A slender-bodied member of *Soricomys*, distinguished from congeners by the following combination of features: (1) smaller body size overall; (2) shorter length of combined head and body; (3) pelage dark reddish brown dorsally, shorter and paler orange-brown ventrally; (4) greater rostral depth; (5) greater orbito-temporal length; (6) shorter postpalatal region.

Description and Comparisons: *Soricomys montanus* is a small-bodied murid (20–31 g), with a tail equal to or slightly shorter than the combined length of head and body (table 3). The pelage of *S. montanus* is dark reddish brown dorsally, slightly shorter and paler ventrally (fig. 12B). The dorsal hair is tricolored, medium gray on the basal three-fourths, followed by a dark gray band with a reddish-brown distal quarter. The lips and rhinarium are pale grayish brown. The eyelids are edged in black, surrounded by a pale reddish-brown ring of short fur. The dark gray to black mystacial vibrissae are moderately long, extending beyond the ears. The ears are rounded, uniformly dark gray, and covered with short, dark gray hairs. The hind feet are slender and with long digits bearing long, opaque claws. Their dorsal surface is uniformly grayish brown, darker on the plantar surface and plantar pads. The front feet of *S. montanus* are small and have slender digits bearing long, opaque claws with decurved tips, except the pollex, which is reduced to a stump and bears a nail. The dorsal surface of the forefeet and the palmar surface, including the palmar pads, is uniformly pale grayish brown.

*Soricomys montanus* is similar to congeners in overall body form, but closest to *S. kalinga* in most external features and body proportions (fig. 12B, table 3; Balete et al., 2006: fig. 3). It differs from the latter by the following combination of features: (1) smaller and shorter body overall (larger and longer in *S. kalinga*); (2) darker pelage (paler); and (3) shorter tail (longer). It is distinguished from *S. musseri* by the following combination of features: (1) smaller body overall;
(larger); (2) longer tail (shorter); and (3) relatively longer hind foot (shorter), and from *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp., by the following traits: (1) shorter body overall (longer); (2) shorter, paler pelage (longer and darker); (3) relatively longer tail (shorter); and (4) relatively longer hind foot (shorter).

*Soricomys montanus* has a smooth skull, with a short and tapered rostrum (fig. 16). The cranium is longer than wide, appearing triangular in general outline. The lateral dorsal profile is nearly straight from the top of the skull to the tip of the rostrum. The nasals are straight, and extend to the level of the anterior edges of the premaxillae. The upper incisor root is enclosed in a barely raised bony capsule within the premaxilla and terminates close to the suture with the maxilla, fronting the dorsal opening of the narrow lachrymal canal. The zygomatic plate has a straight anterior edge, and is slightly arched dorsally. The zygomatic process of the squamosal is anchored about 1.5 mm above the dorsal edge of the postglenoid foramen. The tympanic hook of the squamosal is narrow and slender, with a caudad slant. The large mastoid fenestra is situated close to the posterior margin of the mastoid, opposite the elongate mastoid foramen that runs along the barely ossified occipital suture, and merging with the squamoso-mastoid foramen. Various stages of ossification of the occipital suture and separation of the mastoid and squamoso-mastoid foramina are evident among the paratypes.

The incisive foramina of *S. montanus* are small, round-edged posteriad and smoothly tapered anteriad; nearly half as long as the diastema (fig. 16, table 4). The alisphenoid canal is small and narrow, partly hidden under the pterygoid ridge (as seen from ventral view), but otherwise fully exposed in the holotype, due to the missing alisphenoid strut reminiscent of the *Crunomys* pattern, though only partially evident in *C. suncoides* (Musser, 1982a: fig. 23; Rickart et al., 1998: figs. 4, 7); in all the paratypes, however, the alisphenoid canal is positioned under the posterior edge of the thin pterygoid ridge, behind the short and narrow alisphenoid strut.

Because the pterygoid strut is absent in the holotype, the pterygoid ridge merges posteriad with the pterygoid bridge that extends over the foramen ovale to the anterior edge of the elongate middle lacerate foramen (fig. 16); in all the paratypes, as in the congeners, the pterygoid ridge terminates posteriad at its juncture with the alisphenoid strut (fig. 16; Rickart et al., 1998: fig. 12). The postglenoid vacuity is spacious and appears broadly triangular due to a blunt (and slightly arched) angle formed by the dorsal confluence of the backward-slanted anterior edge of the tympanic hook and forward-slanted posterior edge of the squamosal, with the straight ventral edge of the periotic part of the petromastoid as its base (fig. 16). This shape of the postglenoid vacuity in *S. montanus* approximates that of *S. kalinga*, but in the latter the shorter tympanic hook results in a pronounced anteriad skew (Balete et al., 2006: figs. 4–5); in contrast, it is smoothly arched in *S. musseri* (Rickart et al., 1998: figs. 6, 13; Balete et al., 2006: figs. 4–5) and somewhat rectangular in *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp. (fig. 17). The auditory bulla is relatively small and ventrolaterally inflated, gradually tapering anteriad and smoothly merging with the pointed eustachian tube (fig. 16); in all congeners, this anterior bullar inflation is conspicuous and forms a pronounced constriction that clearly demarcates the boundary with the narrow eustachian tube (figs. 10, 17; Rickart et al., 1998: figs. 12–13; Balete et al., 2006: fig. 4).

The skull of *S. montanus* closely resembles those of its congeners, but is most similar to *S. kalinga*. However, it can be distinguished from *S. kalinga* by the following combination of traits:
(1) longer skull with slightly dorsolaterally inflated cranium (shorter and dorsolaterally flattened in S. kalinga); (2) zygomatic breadth and zygomatic plate narrower (wider); (3) wider interorbit (narrower); (4) greater mastoidal breadth (narrower); and (5) longer, deeper rostrum (shorter and shallower). *Soricomys montanus* differs from *S. musseri* by the following combination of cranial features: (1) dorsolaterally flattened cranium (inflated in *S. musseri*); (2) narrower interorbit (broader); (3) zygomatic breadth narrower (broader); (4) broader zygomatic plate (narrower); (5) longer and deeper rostrum (shorter and shallower); (6) shorter nasals (longer); (7) shorter incisive foramina (longer); and (8) shorter orbito-temporal length (longer). *Soricomys montanus* can be distinguished from *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp., by the following combination of features: (1) shorter skull with dorsolaterally flattened cranium (longer and inflated in *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp.); (2) narrower interorbital region (wider); (3) greater zygomatic breadth (narrower); (4) narrower zygomatic plate (wider); (5) longer and deeper rostrum (shorter and shallower); (6) shorter orbito-temporal length (longer); (7) longer diastema (shorter); and (8) shorter postpalatal region (longer).

The incisors of the new species are small and have smooth anterior surfaces, as is typical of all other species of *Soricomys*. The upper incisors have orange enamel and emerge from the rostrum at a right angle (orthodont). The lower incisors are long and thinly pointed and have paler enamel. The ventral tips of the upper incisors are nearly straight edged. In ventral view, the outline of the base of each forms a broad “U” shape canted laterally, so that the two incisors form a deep, V-shaped gap along their posteromedial margin (fig. 9). As with congeners, the upper molars are small and narrow. The first upper molar is roughly rectangular in outline, with the convex projection of cusps t1 and t4 forming a distinct bilobed and broadly tapered lingual outline. Cusp t3 is barely discernible in the shallow and sloping labial edge of the coalesced laminar outline of the first row of M1, and difficult to detect in specimens with heavily worn molars; t3 is undetectable in M2 and M3. In both M1 and M2, cusp t9 is barely detectable on the broad
laminar outline on their third row, which is largely comprised of the coalesced cusps t7 and t8. M3 is relatively large in relation to M1 and M2, with the broadly convex cusp t1 accounting for nearly half of its occlusal surface, and the rest formed by the coalesced cusps of the second row; the presence of the third row is not evident.

The dentition of *S. montanus* is similar to congeners, with differences evident mainly in relative sizes of teeth and cuspidation pattern (figs. 9, 14, 16, table 4; Balete et al., 2006: fig. 6; Rickart et al., 1998: fig. 8). The following combination of dental features readily distinguishes it from *S. kalinga* (figs. 10, 11): (1) slightly longer maxillary molar row (shorter in *S. kalinga*); (2) broader first upper molar, M1 (narrower); and (3) narrower incisors at their tips (broader). *Soricomys montanus* is distinguished from *S. musseri* by: (1) shorter maxillary molar tooth row (longer in *S. musseri*); (2) narrower M1 (broader); and (3) narrower incisors at tip (broader); and from *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp., by: (1) shorter maxillary molar tooth row (longer in *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp.); (2) narrower M1 (broader); and (3) wider incisors at their tips (narrower).

*Soricomys montanus* has mandibles that closely resemble those of its congeners in general shape and placement of mental and mandibular foramina. They differ mainly in relative size and shape of the processes (fig. 16, table 4; Balete et al., 2006: fig. 4; Rickart et al., 1998: fig. 13). The coronoid process is relatively long, robust, and broadly backswept to about two-thirds the length of the condyloid process. In contrast, the coronoid process of *S. kalinga* is shorter and slender, though equally broadly backswept; it is longer, more delicate, and narrowly backswept in *S. musseri*; in *S. leonardocoi*, n. sp., it is about as long but more slender. The condyloid process of *S. montanus* is more robust and its angular process relatively shorter than in congeners.

**Karyology:** 2N = 44; FN = 52 (fig. 6C).

**Distribution:** Currently known from the southern portion of the Central Cordillera of northern Luzon, in Benguet Province and Mountain Province (fig. 1). As noted above, inspection of figure 15 leads us to suggest that this species occurs south of the drainages of the Agno and Chico rivers (including the Sabangan river, a tributary of the Chico). On this basis, we hypothesize that this species will be found from south of Mt. Pulag, possibly including the vicinity of Mt. Kotkot, near Baguio in Benguet Province, trending north and northeast past Mt. Pulag, Mt. Data, and Mt. Amuyao, ending near the level of Mts. Matingoy and Tangob, at the southern end of Kalinga Province at ca. 17°15′N, east of the Chico River. The type locality lies near the center of this distribution.

**Ecology:** *Soricomys montanus* was recorded in old-growth and in lightly disturbed mossy forest from 1800 m to 2690 m on Mt. Amuyao; on Mt. Data it was recorded in heavily disturbed mossy forest at 2241–2310 m, and in similar forest on Mt. Pulag at 2480 m (Heaney et al., 2006, unpubl. specimens and field notes at FMNH; Rickart et al., 2011b). It showed a high level of tolerance to forest disturbance on Mts. Amuyao, Data, and Pulag, but was absent in heavily disturbed habitats dominated by pine forest or by agriculture at the elevations where they occurred (Rickart et al., 2011b). We found *S. montanus* to be predominantly diurnal and to show a preference for earthworm bait (Balete, Heaney, and Rickart field notes at FMNH). On Mt. Amuyao, five of six individuals examined for stomach contents had arthropod remains in their stomachs, and two of them had earthworms. A list of species that cooccurred with *S. montanus* on Mt. Amuyao is included in the species account for *Archboldomys maximus*, above.
Females have two pairs of inguinal mammae. On Mt. Amuyao, two of the four females caught in March had large mammae, but neither was pregnant; and four of the five males recorded during the same period had scrotal testes. On Mts. Data and Pulag, only males were documented and all had scrotal testes in March and April, respectively.

Comments: Populations of *Soricomys montanus* from the three separate mountains (Amuyao, Data, and Pulag) exhibit little apparent variation in external, cranial, and dental features, suggesting their very close affinity (tables 3, 4). This species exhibits the highest intraspecific divergence values in cytochrome b, with populations from Mt. Amuyao differing from those from Mt. Data by 3% (fig. 7).

*Soricomys leonardocoi*, new species

Figures 9, 12C, 14, 17

Holotype: FMNH 190972. Adult male collected on 04 June 2006; field number D.S. Balete 4160. Fresh tissues removed from the thigh and placed in DMSO buffer. The rest of the specimen was initially fixed in formalin, now preserved in ethyl alcohol with skull removed and cleaned. It is currently housed at FMNH, but will be transferred to PNM.

Type Locality: Philippines: Luzon Island: Aurora Province: Dingalan Municipality: 0.9 km S, 0.3 km W Mt. Mingan peak, 1785 m elevation, 15.47390° N, 121.40066° E (fig. 1).

Measurements: Tables 3 and 4.

Specimens Examined (N = 23): Aurora Province, Dingalan Municipality, Mt. Mingan, 0.9 km S, 0.3 km W Mt. Mingan peak, 1785 m elevation (FMNH 190970–190972 [holotype], 190973); 1.5 km S, 0.5 km W Mt. Mingan peak, 1681 m elevation (FMNH 190974–190979); 1.8 km S, 1.0 km W Mt. Mingan peak, 1677 m elevation (FMNH 190961–190969); 1.9 km S, 1.6 km W Mt. Mingan peak, 1476 m elevation (FMNH 190980–190982).

Etymology: We name this species in honor of our colleague and friend Leonardo Co, who devoted his life to studying the plants of the Philippines and their medicinal uses, promoting conservation, improving the lives of his fellow Filipinos, and enhancing our knowledge of this unique and threatened flora.

Diagnosis: A slender-bodied member of *Soricomys*, distinguished from congeners by the following combination of features: (1) larger body size; (2) longer, dark reddish-brown dorsal pelage, shorter and paler orange-brown ventrally; (3) relatively shorter tail; (4) wider interorbital region; (5) wider zygomatic plate; (6) longer incisive foramina; (7) shorter diastema; (8) longer postpalatal region; (9) longer maxillary molar row; (10) broader first upper molars; and (11) narrower incisor breadth at their tips.

Description and Comparisons: The pelage of *S. leonardocoi* is dark grayish chestnut dorsally, pale grayish brown and shorter ventrally, without distinct patterning. The lips and rhinarium are medium gray (fig. 12C). Mystacial vibrissae are dark gray with pale tips that extend beyond the ears. The eyelids are dark gray surrounded by a narrow paler band covered with short, dark, grayish-brown fur. The dark gray ears are small, rounded, and covered with short, dark hairs. The front feet of *S. leonardocoi* are small, with long, slender digits bearing long, opaque claws with decurved tips, except the pollex, which is short and bears a nail. The dorsal surface is pigmented
medium grayish brown, and the palmar surface and palmar pads, consisting of three small inter¬
digitals and two larger pads (thenar and hypothenar), are paler and uniformly pigmented. The 
hind feet are long and slender, with long, slender digits bearing long, opaque claws. They are 
dorsally pigmented medium grayish brown, darker on the digits, and covered with grayish-brown 
fur; dark gray to pale grayish-brown ungual tufts extend to about three-quarters of the length of 
claws. The plantar surface is uniformly pigmented dark grayish brown; six plantar pads, consisting 
of four interdigitals, a thenar, and a hypothenar, are small relative to the plantar surface, and uni¬
formly pigmented the same darkness as the plantar surface except slightly paler at the distal tips.

Soricomys leonardocoi is similar to congeners in overall body form, but most similar to S. 
musseri in most external features and body proportions (fig. 12, table 3; Rickart et al., 1998: 
fig. 10). It is distinguished from the latter by the following external features: (1) longer and 
larger body (shorter in S. musseri); (2) absolutely and relatively longer hind foot with darkly 
pigmented plantar pads (absolutely and relatively shorter, with paler plantar pads); (3) longer, 
darker fur (shorter and pale yellowish brown); and (4) relatively shorter tail (longer). Soricomys 
leonardocoi is distinguished from S. kalinga by the following external characters (fig. 12C, table 
3; Balete et al., 2006: fig. 3): (1) large body size overall (smaller in S. kalinga); (2) relatively 
shorter tail (longer); and (3) relatively shorter hind foot (longer); and from S. montanus by: (1) 
longer body overall (shorter in S. montanus); (2) longer, darker pelage (shorter and paler); (3) 
relatively shorter tail (longer); and (4) relatively shorter hind foot (longer).

The skull of S. leonardocoi, as in congeners, is smooth and the braincase is longer than wide, 
appearing rectangular in general outline. The rostrum is short and tapered. Laterally, the dorsal 
profile is nearly straight from the top of the skull to the tip of the rostrum. The nasals of S. leon¬
ardocoi are straight, and terminate near the level of the anterior edges of the premaxillae. The 
upper incisor root is enclosed in a slightly raised bony capsule within the premaxilla and termi¬
nates medially near the suture with the maxilla, opposite the dorsal opening of the small and 
narrow lachrymal canal. The opening of this canal slants caudad and its swollen outer wall con¬
spicuously broadens the base of the rostrum. The zygomatic plate has a nearly straight, vertical 
anterior edge relative to the upper molar row. The zygomatic process of the squamosal is anchored 
posteriorly about 1 mm above the dorsal edge of the postglenoid foramen and attached higher 
laterally on the cranium. The tympanic hook of the squamosal is broadly tapered ventrad and 
slanted caudad. This broadening of the tympanic hook dorsally is coupled by the intrusion 
mediolaterally of a small bony mastoidal spur into the squamoso-mastoid foramen, resulting in 
a very narrow opening (fig. 17). A relatively large mastoid fenestra is near the posterior margin 
of the mastoid, opposite the small mastoid foramen along the occipital suture (fig. 17).

In ventral aspect of the skull, the incisive foramina of S. leonardocoi are small, round edged 
posteriad and smoothly tapered anteriad; they are slightly more than half the length of the diastema 
(fig. 17, table 4). The alisphenoid canal is small and narrow. It is positioned under the posterior edge 
of the thin pterygoid ridge, behind the short and narrow alisphenoid strut. The pterygoid ridge itself 
terminates posteriad at the juncture with the alisphenoid strut, opposite which a relatively wide 
pterygoid bridge extends over the foramen ovale to the anterior edge of the elongate middle lacerate 
foramen. The postglenoid vacuity is relatively spacious and appears rectangular due to its straight
dorsal edge (domed in congeners), and an almost straight ventral edge formed by the periotic part of the petromastoid (fig. 17). The auditory bulla is relatively small and ventrolaterally inflated, obscuring as much as the anterior half of the petrosal in ventral view. *Soricomys kalinga* and *S. montanus* have a similar pattern of bullar inflation; it is less pronounced in *S. musseri*.

The cranial features of *S. leonardocoi* are similar to all congeners, but most similar to *S. musseri* (figs. 10, 11, table 4; Balete et al., 2006: figs. 4, 5; Rickart et al., 1998: figs. 8–10, 13, 14). However, subtle but consistent differences are evident between *S. leonardocoi* and *S. musseri*, and the following combination of features distinguishes the former from the latter: (1) slightly longer skull (shorter in *S. musseri*); (2) shorter nasals (longer); (3) longer incisive foramina (shorter); (4) narrower interorbital region (broader); (5) narrower zygomatic breadth (broader); (6) broader zygomatic plate with nearly straight anterior edge (narrower with slightly concave anterior edge); (7) long and slender squamosal strut (shorter and broader); (8) larger squamoso-mastoid vacuity; (9) narrower alisphenoid strut (wider), and (10) narrower pterygoid bridge (wider). *Soricomys leonardocoi* is distinguished from *S. kalinga* by the following combination of cranial features (figs. 9–11, 14, 17, table 4; Balete et al., 2006: figs. 4, 5): (1) longer and larger skull (shorter, narrower skull in *S. kalinga*); (2) dorsolaterally inflated cranium (lower and flatter braincase; (3) broader interorbit (narrower); (4) narrower squamoso-mastoid vacuity (larger); (5) shorter diastema (longer); and (6) longer postpalatal region (shorter); and from *S. montanus* by: (1) longer skull with inflated cranium (shorter and flatter in *S. montanus*); (2) wider interorbital region (narrower); (3) narrower zygomatic breadth (wider); (4) wider zygomatic plate (narrower); (5) shorter and shallower rostrum (longer and deeper); (6) shorter diastema (longer); and (7) greater orbito-temporal length (shorter).

The incisors of *Soricomys leonardocoi* are small and have smooth anterior surfaces. The upper incisors emerge from the rostrum at a right angle (orthodont) and have yellowish-orange enamel. The ventral tips are nearly straight edged. In ventral view, the outline of each incisor is U-shaped deflected laterally, forming a deep, V-shaped gap along their posteromedial margin (fig. 9). The lower incisors are long and thinly pointed and have pale yellow enamel. The upper molars are small and narrow, but with low and sloping labial cusps that do not have corresponding convexity. The first upper molar is only slightly more than half as wide as it is long, and appears roughly rectangular in outline (especially in individuals with worn molars). The convex projection of cusps t1 and t4 forms a distinct, shallowly bilobed and broadly tapered lingual outline on M1. Cusp t3 appears to be present in the shallow and sloping labial edge of the coalesced laminar outline of the first row of M1, but is difficult to detect in most specimens with worn molars; t3 is undetectable on M2. Cusp t9 in both M1 and M2 is barely detectable on the broad laminar outline on the third row. M3 is relatively large in relation to M1 and M2, with the broadly convex cusp t1 accounting for about a third of the occlusal surface of this molar.

The dentition of *S. leonardocoi* is closely similar to congeners, differing mainly in relative sizes and cuspidation pattern (figs. 9, 14, 17, table 4; Balete et al., 2006: fig. 6; Rickart et al., 1998: fig. 8). It is readily distinguishable from *S. musseri* by the following combination of dental features: (1) longer maxillary molar tooth row (shorter in *S. musseri*); (2) broader M1 (narrower); and (3) narrower incisors at their tips (broader), and from *S. kalinga* and *S. montanus
by: (1) longer maxillary molar tooth row (shorter in *S. kalinga* and *S. musseri*); (2) broader first upper molar, M1 (smaller); (3) greater palatal breadth at M1 (narrower); (4) greater labial breadth at M3 (narrower); and (5) narrower incisors at their tips (broader).

The mandible of *S. leonardocoi* is closely similar to congeners in general shape and placement of mental and mandibular foramina, differing mainly in relative size and shape of the processes (fig. 17, table 4; Balete et al., 2006: fig. 4; Rickart et al., 1998: fig. 13). The coronoid process is relatively short and broadly slanting to about two-thirds the length of the slender condyloid process. In contrast, the coronoid process of *S. kalinga* is about as long, but more robust than in the new species; it is more delicate in *S. musseri* (fig. 10). The angular process of *S. leonardocoi* is slender and narrowly tapered; it is robust and broadly tapered in *S. kalinga* and *S. montanus*; slender, broadly angled and nearly straight edged dorsally in *S. musseri*.

**Distribution:** Currently known only from the Mingan Mountains, in the Central Sierra Madre (fig. 1).

**Ecology:** We found *Soricomys leonardocoi* in montane and mossy forest from 1476 m to 1785 m elevation (Balete et al., 2011). It appeared to be active both day and night, with almost equal numbers of diurnal and nocturnal/crepuscular captures (Balete et al., 2011). In contrast, *S. kalinga*, *S. montanus*, and *S. musseri* appeared to be predominantly diurnal (Balete et al., 2006, 2011; Duya et al., 2011; Rickart et al., 2011a; Balete and Heaney, unpubl. data). Individuals were significantly more frequently caught with earthworm bait than coconut bait, indicating vermivorous habits (Balete et al., 2011). *Soricomys kalinga* had similar statistically significant response to earthworm bait; *S. musseri* also was similar, but the sample size was small (Balete et al., 2006; Duya et al., 2011; Rickart et al., 2011a). Females have two pairs of inguinal mammae, as do congeners. Four of nine females caught in June had large mammae, but none was pregnant or lactating. A single male caught in late May had scrotal testes, as did six of seven during June.

We documented six members of the *Chrotomys* Division to occur sympatrically with *S. leonardocoi* on Mt. Mingan: *Apomys microdon*, *A. musculus*, *A. aurorae*, *A. minganensis*, and *Rhynchomys* sp.; another member of this clade, *Chrotomys cf. mindorensis*, occurred at ca. 100 m, in a reforestation site planted with exotic species of trees (table 11; Balete et al., 2011; Heaney et al., 2011). *Crocidura grayi*, *Bullimus luzonicus*, *Phloeomys pallidus*, and *Rattus everetti* also occurred sympatrically with *S. leonardocoi* on Mt. Mingan (Balete et al., 2011).

**DISCUSSION**

As forewarned by Musser (1982b: 2), “the diversity of the fauna [of the Philippines], at the level of genera and species, is greater than generally realized.” The descriptions of a new genus and species (*Musseromys gulantang*; Heaney et al., 2009), a new subgenus and seven new species of *Apomys* (Heaney et al., 2011), two new species of *Rhynchomys* (Balete et al., 2007), one new species of *Chrotomys* (Rickart et al., 2005), one new species of *Limnomys* (Rickart et al., 2003), one new species of *Bullimus* (Rickart et al., 2002), and the new genus and three new species described here make it clear that the murid rodents, in particular, are much more diverse than had been recognized even within the last decade. This diversity has been detected
through targeted surveys of isolated mountains and mountain chains, using multiple sampling procedures to ensure detection of species that have varied food and foraging habits in different habitats along the elevational gradient (e.g., Balete et al., 2009; Heaney et al., 2011; Rickart et al., 2011a, 2011b). In the case of Archboldomys and Soricomys, the use of live earthworms as bait, the targeting of montane and mossy forest at high elevations, and surveys of even small mountain chains, have been crucial in detecting the animals.

**Phylogenetic Relationships**

Our analyses of DNA sequence data from the mitochondrial cytochrome *b* (fig. 7) and the nuclear IRBP (fig. 8) genes provide robust evidence that the Chrotomys Division is a monophyletic unit, as first documented by Jansa et al. (2006). As discussed above, our earlier studies of morphology led us to view Archboldomys as a monophyletic unit containing two “species groups,” but the genetic data presented here provide unambiguous evidence that these two “species groups” are not sister taxa, but rather are distantly related members of the Chrotomys Division. Many of the morphological similarities that we previously interpreted as homologies (e.g., dark reddish-brown pelage both dorsally and ventrally, tail of moderate length, reduced dentition) may represent convergent characters, perhaps associated with the largely diurnal habit of foraging for earthworms, insects, and other invertebrates in leaf litter. The extent of ecological differences that allow syntopy of *A. maximus* with *S. kalinga* on Mt. Amuyao (and possibly more widely within the Central Cordillera) may now be seen as especially important in understanding the evolution of diversity within the Chrotomys Division, and deserve further investigation. Moreover, the sister-group relationship of Soricomys with Chrotomys now becomes one of special interest, with the implication that the burrowing habit of Chrotomys is a feature derived since divergence from the ancestor shared with the more generalized Soricomys. Detailed studies of the anatomy and character evolution in the Chrotomys Division, including changes in limbs and feet, might provide insights on the factors facilitating coexistence.

The karyotype of Soricomys montanus is very similar to those of several members of the Chrotomys Division, including species in the genera Chrotomys, Rhynchomys, and the Apomys subgenus Megapomys that have karyotypes with 2N = 44 and FN = 52 to 58 with a majority of telocentric chromosomes (table 7; Rickart and Musser, 1993; Rickart and Heaney, 2002; Heaney et al., 2011). The 2N = 44 karyotype of S. kalinga, while imperfectly known, also is consistent with this group. The occurrence of this widespread 2N = 44 karyotype in taxa positioned throughout the clade strongly suggests that it represents a primitive arrangement for the Chrotomys Division. In contrast, the karyotype of Archboldomys luzonensis is unique among Philippine murids examined to date, both in basic arrangement of the autosomes and in the apparently unique sex chromosome system (Rickart and Musser, 1993). The position of *A. luzonensis* within the Chrotomys Division (fig. 7; see also Jansa et al., 2006: fig. 1) indicates that this karyotype is a distinctive, highly derived condition. Unfortunately, the karyotypes of *A. maximus*, S. leonardocoi, and *S. musseri* are unknown, so that the utility of the unique features of the *A. luzonensis* karyotype in defining and contrasting the two genera remain unknown.
Members of the *Chrotomys* Division are endemic to the Philippine Islands, with greatest diversity on Luzon. All species of *Archboldomys*, *Rhynchomys*, and *Soricomys* are restricted to Luzon. *Chrotomys* is represented by at least four species on Luzon, and by single species on Mindoro and Sibuyan. The many species of *Apomys* occur widely in the Philippines with the exceptions of the Batanes and Babuyan island groups (north of Luzon), the Palawan region, and the Sulu Archipelago (between Mindanao and Borneo; Balete et al., 2007; Heaney, 1986; Heaney et al., 1998; Rickart et al., 2005; Steppan et al., 2003). Within Luzon, several clear patterns of distribution are evident.

1. The number of species of nonvolant small mammals, including members of the *Chrotomys* Division, increases with increasing elevation up to about 2200 m, with a slight decline in species richness above that level (Heaney, 2001; Rickart et al., 2011a).

2. The total number of species of nonvolant small mammals on any given mountain is positively correlated with the height of the mountain on which they occur; because the Central Cordillera has the highest mountains, it has the largest number of species. These patterns hold for the *Chrotomys* Division (table 12), as well as more broadly (Heaney and Rickart, 1990; Heaney, 2001; Rickart et al., 2011a).

3. On the lower (and therefore more species-poor) mountains, there are typically two species of *Apomys*, one *Chrotomys*, and one *Archboldomys* or *Soricomys*. On the highest (and most species-rich) mountains, there are up to four species of *Apomys*, one *Archboldomys*, two *Chrotomys*, one *Rhynchomys*, and one *Soricomys* (table 12).

4. With up to nine species documented on a single mountain (Mt. Amuyao), members of the *Chrotomys* Division—an endemic, monophyletic group—are the most speciose and abundant component of the small mammal community (e.g., Rickart et al., 1991, 2011a, 2011b; Balete et al., 2009; Heaney et al., 2011).

5. Each species of *Archboldomys* and *Soricomys* occurs only in montane and mossy forest habitats from ca. 1350–2690 m.

6. Each species of *Archboldomys* and *Soricomys* is confined to an isolated mountain (e.g., Mt. Cetaceo, Mt. Isarog, Mt. Mingan) or chain of mountains in an isolated mountain range (e.g., mounts Amuyao, Data, and Pulag in the southern Central Cordillera), each of which is a center of endemism with several endemic mammals (fig. 1; Balete et al., 2006, 2007, 2011; Duya et al., 2011; Heaney et al., 1999, 2005, 2011; Rickart et al., 1991, 2011a, 2011b). The presence of two species of *Soricomys* (S. kalinga and S. montanus) in the northern and southern Central Cordillera, respectively, reflects the least geographic isolation, separated respectively to the north and south of the cleft in the Central Cordillera created by the Chico-Sabangan drainage (which runs north) and the Agno River (which runs south), which meet at a narrow pass that reaches ca. 1800 m (fig. 15). With the exception of the division between northern and southern Central Cordillera, the other members of the *Chrotomys* Division (*Apomys*, *Chrotomys*, and *Rhynchomys*) exhibit the same pattern of distribution, and further illustrate how isolation of mountain habitats provides another level of insularization that contribute to the observed richness of mammalian diversity in this isolated oceanic island (Balete et al., 2006, 2007; Heaney, 2000; Heaney et al., 2011; Rickart et al., 1998, 2005; Musser and Freeman, 1981; Steppan et al., 2003).
(7) The community composition of the nonvolant small mammals on each mountain or mountain range further illustrates the breadth and range of adaptive radiation in the Chrotomys Division (table 12; Balete et al., 2006, 2007, 2011; Duya et al., 2011; Heaney et al., 1999, 2005; Jansa et al., 2006; Rickart et al., 1991, 2011a). We have recorded six members of this clade occurring at a single locality on Mt. Bali-it (Rickart et al., 2011a), and seven at a locality on Mt. Amuyao (Rickart et al., 2011b; Heaney et al., unpubl. data and specimens at FMNH). We currently have evidence of species of Archboldomys and Soricomys occurring sympatrically only in the Central Cordillera, on Mt. Amuyao, where both species were predominantly diurnal, were captured in leaf litter on the ground surface, showed preference for earthworm bait, and had remains of invertebrates in their stomachs (see species accounts above). We note that adult A. maximus average about 45 g and S. montanus about 27 g, which may indicate some difference in trophic level or foraging activities. Clearly, communities of murid rodents on Luzon are often comprised of many closely related species. All members of the Chrotomys Division are thought to be descended from a species that reached the Philippines ca. 12–15 Mya (Jansa et al., 2006).

Conservation

Soricomys montanus is widespread in the southern portion of the Central Cordillera, where it maintains populations in both old-growth and secondary forest, and even occurs in small patches of highly degraded forest on Mt. Data (Rickart et al., 2011b). Archboldomys maximus and S. leonardocoi are members of a rich assemblage of endemic mammals associated with montane and mossy forest on Mt. Amuyao and Mt. Mingan, respectively. These new species appeared to be in moderate but stable populations in their respective habitats, as with the other members of the small mammal community there. Their habitats have not been subjected to the extensive logging that has drastically reduced the lowland dipterocarp forest of much of Luzon and the rest of the Philippines (Environmental Studies for Social Change, 1999). On both Mt. Amuyao and Mt. Mingan, high-elevation habitats are still in good condition. However, we noted that on Mt. Amuyao, construction of telecommunication facilities on the peak, with accompanying forest clearing along the route from the town center to the peak, have increased forest loss in the area. Additional negative impacts, including recent forest fires from the increasing number of mountain climbers and hikers, were also evident along the trails. Mt. Mingan, on the other hand, had much lesser signs of disturbance away from populated areas. On both mountains, and over large portions of the Central Cordillera, the indigenous tribes continue to manage the forests following their traditional customs and are responsible for keeping the forest largely protected. Mt. Bali-it and the adjacent mountains in Kalinga are managed through traditional practices by the Banao tribe (Heaney et al., 2005). In contrast, for instance, Mt. Data National Park, which is managed by the national government, has lost much of the high elevation forest to commercial vegetable farming (Heaney et al., 2006). During our fieldwork there in 2006 we documented S. montanus along the grassy edge of a trail within the remnant mossy forest. However, we failed to find Chrotomys silaceus and Rhynchomys soricoides, first discovered there by John Whitehead in 1895, or Abditomys latidens, found on Mt. Data in 1946 (Musser, 1982b; Thomas, 1895, 1898; Sanborn, 1952). At least four more species docu-
mented on Mt. Data appeared to have become locally extinct by 1946: *Carpomys melanurus*, *C. phaeurus*, *Crateromys schadenbergi*, and *Phloeomys pallidus* (Thomas, 1898; Sanborn, 1952). Mt. Pulag, like Mt. Data, is currently undergoing extensive deforestation associated with commercial vegetable farming (table 12; Rickart et al., 2011b).

The beneficial effects of traditional management of the forest resources by the indigenous peoples are an important factor in the conservation of the forest and its rich biodiversity in Balbalasang, Kalinga Province (Heaney et al., 2005). We caution against the marginalization of sustainable traditional practices of the indigenous peoples in the process of formalizing and centralizing management decisions in protected areas, as demonstrated on Mt. Data, which, ironically, is a national park. Management interventions aimed at encouraging and further strengthening the traditional forest resource use practices by indigenous peoples on Mt. Amuyao and Mt. Mingan may be an important contribution to the conservation of the unique mammalian diversity in these areas, as an integral part of the creation and/or management of protected areas to ensure the long-term sustainability of biodiversity protection and conservation of these mountains (Balete et al., 2011; Heaney et al., 2011; Rickart et al., 2011b).

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