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L I Slender lorises , genus <i>Loris</i> To avoid confusion, the old taxonomic names (above) are listed here in addition to the new names based on Groves 2001 because taxonomic research may lead to further changes.		There is a moderately developed nictitating membrane the edge of which is pigmented in some races ¹⁴ .			
L II a Old name: <i>L. t. tardigradus</i> ¹ Groves 1998, 2001: change into distinct species <i>L. tardigradus</i> ^{64, 65, 233} . Including several phenotypically distinct-looking forms: see for instance ²²⁷ , L II b, L II c and loris identification key in this database.	Yellowish; dusky at margin ^{14, 1, 18} .	Eyelid margins are usually not pigmented, but may be a little dusky. The same applies to the palpebral conjunctiva. Margin of nictitating membrane usually slightly pigmented ¹⁴ . Pigment absent from eyelid margins and conjunctiva ¹ . Dusky ¹⁸ .	Dorsum of the nose usually a dusky tint from scattered pigment. Lips and rhinarium unpigmented as a rule ¹⁴ . Pigment slight on nose, absent from philtrum ¹ . Naked skin of lips and nostrils pink, that of the nose generally dusky ¹⁸ .	Hands and feet similar to ears, with yellowish (carotene?) suffusion of naked soles and palms ¹ . Hands and feet dusky, with a yellowish suffusion especially on palms and soles ¹⁴ . Dusky, palms and soles yellowish ¹⁸ .	Skin-pigmentation is variable, but there is usually some melanin pigment in the skin of the dorsal side of the body and extensor surfaces of the limbs ¹⁴ . Diffuse yellowish tinge in the skin, especially in the naked areas, looking like jaundice (condition appearing rapidly in captivity, probably an excretory product) ²³ . The yellow pigment seems to occur specially in <i>L. t. tardigradus</i> , and is best noted in the parts normally naked or nearly so. It develops more heavily in animals that have been long in captivity ¹⁴ .
L II b Small form with the appearance of a shorter muzzle ¹⁵ .					
L II c Small form with longer-looking muzzle / heart-shaped (<i>L. t. grandis</i> -like) face ¹⁵ .	Male TA1: slight pigmentation only in the rim, hardly visible. Female TA5: yellow, only dorsally thin slightly pigmented rim ¹⁵ .	Male TA1: thin dark rim, skin around the eyes yellowish. Female TA5: eyelid rims grey-yellow (interior, towards eyeball, with distinct blackish-brown pigmentation) ¹⁵ .	Male TA1: unpigmented, with the exception of a dark patch on base of rhinarium. Female TA5: slight irregular pigmentation (sign of old age?) ¹⁵ .	Male TA1: almost unpigmented, slightly dusky, nails slightly pigmented, soles unpigmented. Female TA5: dorsum of hands slightly pigmented, rim of nails pigmented, palm unpigmented. Feet as hands ¹⁵ .	Female TA5: skin in general rather unpigmented ¹⁵ .
L II d (<i>L. gracilis zeylanicus</i> : synonym?) ^{2, 14} .					
L III <i>Loris lydekkerianus</i> ²³³ Groves 1998, 2001: species including all formerly known <i>Loris</i> subspecies except from the former <i>L. t. tardigradus</i> ^{64, 65, 233} .					

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L IV Old name: <i>Loris tardigradus malabaricus</i> (Wroughton, 1917) ¹ Groves 1998, 2001: <i>L. lydekkerianus malabaricus</i> ^{64, 65, 233} .					No definite statements can be given regarding skin pigmentation, as no fresh material is to hand, and Wroughton omitted to mention this in his original description ¹⁴ . Cutaneous pigmentation unrecorded ¹
L V Old name: <i>Loris tardigradus lydekkerianus</i> (Cabrera, 1908) ¹ . Groves 1998, 2001: <i>L. lydekkerianus lydekkerianus</i> ^{64, 65, 233} .	Black ¹ . Occasionally dirty brown in specimens from the type locality ²⁴ . Insides of ear bright yellow ²¹ .	As in <i>L. t. nordicus</i> ¹⁴ .	Some duskiness on sides and top of muzzle (different from <i>nordicus</i> in this regard?) ¹ . Naked skin of dirty reddish colour in specimens from the type locality (Madras) ²⁴ . Skin on snout of deep reddish flesh colour ²¹ .	Flesh-coloured ¹⁴ . Palms and soles pink or yellowish ¹⁸ .	Cutaneous pigmentation as in <i>nordicus</i> , possible slight difference see left (muzzle) ¹ .
L VI Old name: <i>Loris tardigradus nordicus</i> (Osman Hill, 1933) ¹ . Groves 1998, 2001: museum specimens indistinguishable from / synonym of <i>L. lydekkerianus grandis</i> ^{64, 65, 233} . May turn out to be <i>L. lydekkerianus nordicus</i> in the future if further studies prove distinctness. .	Yellow, unpigmented ears in adult animals from Polonnaruwa (infants, juveniles with pigmented brownish ear rims) ¹⁵ . Photos of animals from Wilpattu (kept at Skansen-Akvariat) also show yellow ears ¹⁵ , and lorises seen in the <i>nordicus</i> distribution area during surveys looked similar ^{66, 211} . Black, blackish ^{14, 18} (in the type locality?). Photos of two confiscated <i>nordicus</i> -like lorises show a form with brown ears (inside slightly lighter, yellowish) ²⁰⁷ .	Eyelids pigmented at the margin and for a very short distance on the inner face; conjunctiva slightly dusky at outer canthus; nictitating membrane pigmented at margin ¹⁴ . In animals from Polonnaruwa: outer margins yellowish or dusky / greyish ¹⁵ . Photos of two confiscated <i>nordicus</i> -like lorises show dark, pigmented eyelids as far as judgement is possible ²⁰⁷ .	In animals from Polonnaruwa: unpigmented, pink, in very old animals irregularly pigmented, slightly dusky ¹⁵ . Naked rhinarium, nostrils pink; hairy part of snout sometimes dusky and also often with yellowish staining ^{14, 18} . A photo of one of two confiscated <i>nordicus</i> -like lorises shows a pigmented, brown muzzle and flesh-coloured (dark pink) rhinarium ²⁰⁷ .	Animals from Polonnaruwa: unpigmented, pink or yellowish, in very old animals sometimes irregularly distributed dusky pigmentation on dorsum ¹⁵ . Dorsum of hands and feet with dusky pigment often extending up to elbow or knee; soles and palms pink or yellowish ¹⁴ . Photos of two confiscated brownish <i>nordicus</i> -like lorises show brownish, apparently pigmented hands and feet ²⁰⁷ .	Animals from Polonnaruwa: unpigmented, pink skin in most parts of the body, on distal parts (ears, limbs, muzzle) pink to more or less yellowish ¹⁵ . Skin-pigmentation variable, but never as heavy anywhere; as in <i>grandis</i> ¹⁴ . Variable, but in general less heavy than in <i>grandis</i> ¹ . Photos of two confiscated <i>nordicus</i> -like lorises show a form with pigmented, brownish skin ²⁰⁷ .
L VII Old name: <i>Loris tardigradus grandis</i> (Osman Hill and Phillips, 1932) ¹ Groves 1998, 2001: <i>L. lydekkerianus grandis</i> ^{64, 65, 233} .	Ears dusky throughout ¹ . But with a slight degree of pigmentation, though this varies among individuals ²³ .	Margins of eyelids deeply pigmented, lighter shade of pigment on palpebral conjunctiva. Ocular palpebra unpigmented except for a slight diffuse pigmentation at the inner and outer canthi ²³ . Eyelids pigmented on margin and on conjunctival surface; ocular conjunctiva pigmented at canthi; nictitating membrane very dark ¹ .	Cutaneous pigment absent ¹ . Rhinarium unpigmented, pink; no melanistic pigment at all ^{14, 23} .	Soles unpigmented, pink ^{14, 23} .	Greyish tinge of pigment on the naked parts of genitalia and around the anus. Otherwise little or no pigment ²³ . Sometimes a little pale yellow staining on the extremities, ears and genitalia ¹⁸ . Yellow suffusion everywhere less than in <i>L. t. tardigradus</i> ¹ . No diffuse yellowish tinge in the skin described for <i>tardigradus</i> ; perfectly clear pink of unpigmented naked areas even after longer captivity ²³ .

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L VIII Old name: <i>L. tardigradus nycticeboides</i> (Osman Hill, 1942) ¹ Groves 1998, 2001: <i>L. lydekkerianus nycticeboides</i> ^{64, 65, 233} .	Slightly pigmented towards free margin ¹⁶ . Cutaneous pigmentation similar to <i>grandis</i> ¹ .	Margins of eyelid and nictitating membrane deeply pigmented, pigment sometimes extending a little way o to the conjunctival surface ¹⁶ . Cutaneous pigmentation similar to <i>grandis</i> ¹ .	Naked part of rhinarium pink, hairy part of muzzle with a little dusky pigmentation, lips unpigmented ¹⁶ . Cutaneous pigmentation similar to <i>grandis</i> ¹ .	No appreciable pigment in adults, but dorsum somewhat dusky in the infant, edge of pigmented area sharply defined from pallid surface of palm and sole ¹⁶ . Cutaneous pigmentation similar to <i>grandis</i> ¹ .	
Nx <i>Nycticebus</i> E. Geoffroy 1812 ²³³ . Genus <i>Nycticebus</i> in general, lesser slow lorises included or species not mentioned					
Np Lesser slow lorises					
Np I <i>Nycticebus pygmaeus</i> (Bonhote, 1907) ^{3, 1, 2} , see also ³⁸ . (<i>N. intermedius</i> and other possible <i>pygmaeus</i> -like forms included).	Black ¹ , at least margin; center may be unpigmented ¹⁵ .			Nails yellowish-white ¹ .	
Np I b <i>N. pygmaeus</i> (Bonhote, 1907) ⁴ , distinguished from <i>N. intermedius</i>).					
Np II Synonym / proposed species: <i>Nycticebus intermedius</i> (Dao, 1960) ⁴ .	Dark brown ⁴				
Np III Proposed species: <i>Nycticebus sp.</i> New species proposed 1997, possibly corresponding to <i>N. intermedius</i> ^{46, 47} .					
Np IV (<i>Nycticebus chinensis</i> ? New species proposed? Based on newspaper reports) ^{96, 161} .					
N Slow lorises (lesser slow lorises not included)					

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N I <i>Nycticebus bengalensis</i> ^{64, 65} , Old name: <i>N. c. bengalensis</i> . ²³³ . Includes N I b to N I d ^{2, 3} ; Osman Hill distinguished <i>tenasserimensis</i> from this form ¹ .					
N I b Synonym (subpopulation): <i>N. c. cinereus</i> (A. Milne-Edwards, 1867) ¹ .					
N I c Synonym (subpopulation): <i>N. incanus</i> (Thomas 1921) ¹ .					
N I d Synonym (subpopulation): <i>N. c. tenasserimensis</i> (variable population with <i>couang</i> -like features in some specimens, possibly including <i>bengalensis-couang</i> transition forms (Elliott, 1912) ²⁶⁵ .					
N II <i>Nycticebus couang</i> (Boddaert, 1784) <i>N. bengalensis</i> no longer included ^{2, 64, 233} .					
N III <i>N. c. couang</i> (Boddaert, 1785) ² (includes Nc III b-e; compare with Nc III b).					
N III b Synonym (subpopulation): <i>N. c. couang</i> (Boddaert, 1785) ¹ .					
N III c Synonym (subpopulation): <i>N. c. hilleri</i> (Stone et Rehn, 1902) ¹ .					
N III d Synonym (subpopulation): <i>N. c. insularis</i> (Robinson, 1917) ¹ .					
N III e Synonym (subpopulation): <i>N. c. natunae</i> (Stone et Rehn, 1902) ¹ .	Ears brownish-black, dusky ¹ .				
N IV <i>N. c. menagensis</i> (Lydekker, 1893) ² ; (including N IV b-d).					

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N IV b Synonym (subpopulation): <i>N. c. borneanus</i> (Nachtrieb, 1892; Lyon, 1908) ¹ .					
N IV c Synonym (subpopulation): <i>N. c. menagensis</i> (Lydekker, 1893) ⁶ (only from Tawitawi Archipelago; compare with N IV).					
N IV d Synonym (subpopulation): <i>N. c. bancanus</i> (Lyon, 1906) ¹ .					
N V <i>Nycticebus coucang javanicus</i> (E. Geoffroy, 1812) ^{1, 2, 3, 4, 233} . May turn out to be a distinct species, <i>Nycticebus javanicus</i> , in the future ^{64, 65, 233} .					
African forms					
A I Genus <i>Arctocebus</i> (formerly believed to consist of 1 species, <i>A. calabarensis</i> , compare with A II) ³³ .					
A II <i>A. calabarensis</i> (J.A. Smith, 1863) ^{33, 1, 2} (formerly regarded as subspecies <i>A. c. calabarensis</i>).					
A III <i>A. aureus</i> De Winton, 1902 ^{33, 1, 2} .					
P I Genus <i>Perodicticus</i> Bennett, 1831; <i>Perodicticus potto</i> (P. L. S. Müller, 1776) (possibly including unrecognized species such as the proposed new genus <i>Pseudopotto</i> ? See below).					

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P II b Synonym (subpopulation): <i>P. p. potto</i> (P. L. S. Müller, 1766) ¹ (not including P II c).					
P II c Synonym (subpopulation): <i>P. p. juju</i> (Thomas, 1910) ¹ .					
P III <i>P. p. edwardsi</i> (Bouvier, 1879) ² (includes P III b - P III c). Possibly including other species.					
P III b Synonym (subpopulation): <i>P. p. edwardsi</i> (Bouvier, 1879) ¹ .					
P III c Synonym (subpopulation): <i>P. p. faustus</i> (Thomas, 1910) ¹ .					
P IV <i>P. p. ibeanus</i> (Thomas, 1910) ² .					
Ps <i>Pseudopotto martini</i> : new genus proposed in 1996 ³⁴ . Current data insufficient ⁶⁸ .					