

A NEW SPECIES OF *AKODON*
(MAMMALIA : RODENTIA : MURIDAE : CRICETINAE)
FROM ISLA DE LOS ESTADOS, ARGENTINA

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Cette nouvelle espèce *Akodon (Akodon) llanoi*, est très proche parente de *A. xanthorhinus* mais son crâne ressemble beaucoup à celui d'*Akodon (Abrothrix) lanosus*. La valeur des deux sous-genres est discutée.

The collections of the National Museum of Natural History (USNM) contain specimens that represent a species of mouse unknown to science which is named and described below.

***Akodon (Akodon) llanoi*, new species**

Holotype.

Adult male, skin, skull and skeleton with some portions of skeleton remaining in skin ; USNM 482144 ; from head of Bahía Capitán Canepa (54°51'S, 64°27'W), Isla de los Estados (Staten Island), Territorio Nacional de la Tierra del Fuego, Argentina, taken on 2 May 1971 by J. Phillip Angle and David Bridge (field no. 187396). Selected measurements in millimeters are (first four taken in the flesh by the collectors) : total length, 163 ; length of tail, 69 ; hind foot including claw, 24 ; ear from notch, 16 ; greatest length of skull, 25.8 ; condylobasal length, 23.1 ; basal length, 20.8 ; basilar length, 19.2 ; palatal length, 11.8 ; superior diastema, 6.1 ; length of incisive foramen, 5.8 ; maxillary alveolar length, 3.8 ; nasal length, 10.1 ; rostral width, 4.5 ; interorbital constriction, 4.3 ; greatest braincase width, 11.7. Weight was 23.8 g.

Paratypes.

ARGENTINA, Territorio Nacional de la Tierra del Fuego, Isla de los Estados, Bahía Capitán Canepa, 5 ♂♂, 2 ♀♀ (USNM 482127-482131, 482143, 482145) ; Isla de los Estados, Puerto Celular, 1 ♂, 1 sex ? (USNM 482133, 482142) ; Isla de los Estados, Puerto Vancouver, 1 ♂ (USNM 482132) ; Isla de los Estados, Puerto Basil Hall, 1 ♀ (USNM 482134).

Measurements (means, extremes, numbers in samples—for ♂♂ and then for ♀♀).

Total length, 160.1 (154-165) 7, 148.8 (135-156) 4 ; length of tail, 64.0 (60-69) 7, 60.0 (56-63) 4 ; hind foot including claw, 22.9 (22-24) 7, 22.8 (22-23) 4 ; ear from notch, 13.1 (11-16) 7, 13.0 (12-14) 4 ; greatest length of skull, 25.84 (25.3-26.2) 5, 25.27 (25.1-25.4) 3 ; condylobasal length, 23.65 (23.1-24.5) 4, 22.67 (22.4-23.1) 3 ; basal length, 21.50 (20.8-22.4) 4, 20.43 (20.1-20.9) 3 ; basilar length, 19.88 (19.2-20.6) 4, 18.93 (18.7-19.3) 3 ; palatal