

S1 Appendix. Classifications of *Giraffa*

A comparative approach for species delimitation based on multiple methods of multi-locus DNA sequence analysis: a case study of the genus *Giraffa* (Mammalia, Cetartiodactyla)

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Table A. Taxonomic classifications proposed for *Giraffa camelopardalis*

Year	Author	Species	Subspecies (Synonyms)
1758	Linnaeus	<i>Cervus camelopardalis</i>	-
1762	Brisson	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	-
1827	Saint-Hilaire	(1) "Girafe du nord" (2) "Girafe du Cap"	-
1899	De Winton	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	<i>G. c. camelopardalis</i> <i>G. c. reticulata</i>
1901	Thomas	(1) <i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i> (2) <i>Giraffa reticulata</i>	(1) <i>G. c. camelopardalis</i> <i>G. c. peralta</i> (2) <i>G. r. reticulata</i>
1914	Lydekker	(1) <i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i> (2) <i>Giraffa reticulata</i>	(1) <i>G. c. camelopardalis</i> <i>G. c. angolensis</i> <i>G. c. antiquorum</i> <i>G. c. capensis</i> <i>G. c. congoensis</i> <i>G. c. cottoni</i> <i>G. c. infumata</i> <i>G. c. peralta</i> <i>G. c. rothschildi</i> <i>G. c. thornicrofti</i> <i>G. c. tippelskirchi</i> <i>G. c. wardi</i> (2) <i>G. r. reticulata</i> <i>G. r. nigrescens</i>
1971	Krumbiegel	(1) <i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i> (2) <i>Giraffa capensis</i>	(1) <i>G. c. camelopardalis</i> <i>G. c. antiquorum</i> <i>G. c. congoensis</i> <i>G. c. cottoni</i> <i>G. c. peralta</i> <i>G. c. reticulata</i> <i>G. c. rothschildi</i> (2) <i>G. c. capensis</i> <i>G. c. angolensis</i> <i>G. c. infumata</i> <i>G. c. tippelskirchi</i> <i>G. c. thornicrofti</i> <i>G. c. wardi</i>

1976	Dagg and Foster	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	<i>G. c. camelopardalis</i> <i>G. c. angolensis</i> <i>G. c. antiquorum</i> <i>G. c. giraffa</i> <i>G. c. peralta</i> <i>G. c. reticulata</i> <i>G. c. rothschildi</i> <i>G. c. thornicrofti</i> <i>G. c. tippelskirchi</i>
2007	Brown et al.	(1) <i>Giraffa reticulata</i> (2) <i>Giraffa rothschildi</i> (3) <i>Giraffa peralta</i> (4) <i>Giraffa tippelskirchi</i> (5) <i>Giraffa giraffa</i> (6) <i>Giraffa angolensis</i>	-*
2011	Grubb and Groves	(1) <i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i> (2) <i>Giraffa antiquorum</i> (3) <i>Giraffa peralta</i> (4) <i>Giraffa reticulata</i> (5) <i>Giraffa tippelskirchi</i> (6) <i>Giraffa thornicrofti</i> (7) <i>Giraffa giraffa</i> (8) <i>Giraffa angolensis</i>	(1) <i>G. c. camelopardalis</i> <i>G. c. rothschildi</i> (2) <i>G. a. antiquorum</i> (3) <i>G. p. peralta</i> (4) <i>G. r. reticulata</i> (5) <i>G. t. tippelskirchi</i> (6) <i>G. t. thornicrofti</i> (7) <i>G. g. giraffa</i> (8) <i>G. a. angolensis</i>
2016	Fennessy et al.	(1) <i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i> (2) <i>Giraffa reticulata</i> (3) <i>Giraffa tippelskirchi</i> (4) <i>Giraffa giraffa</i>	(1) <i>G. c. camelopardalis</i> <i>G. c. antiquorum</i> <i>G. c. peralta</i> <i>G. c. rothschildi</i> (2) <i>G. r. reticulata</i> (3) <i>G. t. tippelskirchi</i> <i>G. t. thornicrofti</i> (4) <i>G. g. angolensis</i> <i>G. g. giraffa</i>

*all used subspecies were elevated to species rank

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