

Table 1. Ranges in morphometric measurements of rodent specimens in the Yakeshi Anti-Epidemic Station Mammalogy collection, Inner Mongolia, P.R. China.

Scientific name	Weight (g)	Tail length (cm)	Head and Body length (cm)	Ear length (cm)	Hind Foot length (cm)
<i>Clethrionomys rutilus</i>	14-34.5	19-31	70.02-108	11-15.1	11-18
<i>C. rufocanus</i>	13.7-41.5	20-39	65-116	9-17	11-25
<i>Myopus schisticolor</i>	21-29	13-15	93-97	11-13	15-16
<i>Pteromys volans</i>	NA	95	150	13	31
<i>Apodemus agrarius</i>	15-39.5	57-89	81-120	11-17.8	11-20
<i>Myospalax psilurus</i>	NA	30	160	4	22
<i>Tamias sibiricus</i>	87	95-97	139-150	13-14	31-31.5
<i>Microtus maximowiczii</i>	21-85	20-56	74-131.9	11-17.5	11.5-22
<i>Apodemus speciosus</i>	23-34	75-90	85-100	10-25	21-28
<i>Cricetulus barabensis</i>	27.5-40	14-25	80-90	11-15.5	14-16
<i>C. triton</i>	NA	55	215	0	30
<i>Micromys minutus</i>	55	40-42	50-55	5-7	13
<i>Ochotona hyperborea</i>	119-167.2	NA	134-181	15-21	28.8-25
<i>Sciurus vulgaris</i>	NA	140	250	19	55

NA: information not available.

Table 2. Reports of vector-borne diseases in rodents from Inner Mongolia.

Scientific name	Tick-borne encephalitis	<i>Borrelia burgdorferi</i>	<i>Anaplasma phagocytophilum</i>	Other notable
<i>Clethrionomys rutilus</i>	reservoir?			
<i>Clethrionomys rufocanus</i>	cultured in Japan	cultured in Russia, China, Japan		<i>R. sibirica</i> in China, PCR-pos. for <i>Babesia</i> in Hokkaido
<i>Myopus schisticolor</i>	none			
<i>Pteromys volans</i>	yes			
<i>Apodemus agrarius</i>	cultured in Estonia, Germany	cultured in China	PCR-pos. in Korea	<i>R. sibirica</i> PCR-pos. in China, hantavirus, scrub typhus
<i>Myospalax psilurus</i>				plague
<i>Microtus maximowiczii</i>	yes			Q-fever
<i>Apodemus peninsulae</i>	yes			plague
<i>Cricetulus barabensis</i>				plague, typhus
<i>Cricetulus triton</i>			PCR-pos. in Korea	scrub typhus, plague, typhus
<i>Micromys minutus</i>	can be experimentally infected	seropositive in Denmark		
<i>Ochotona hyperborea</i>				supports <i>Ix. persulcatus</i>
<i>Ondatra zibethicus</i>				<i>R. sibirica</i> PCR-pos., Q-fever, plague
<i>Sciurus vulgaris</i>	yes	culture-pos. in Europe		
<i>Tamias sibericus</i>	yes	yes		Q-fever