Lab 3: Chiroptera

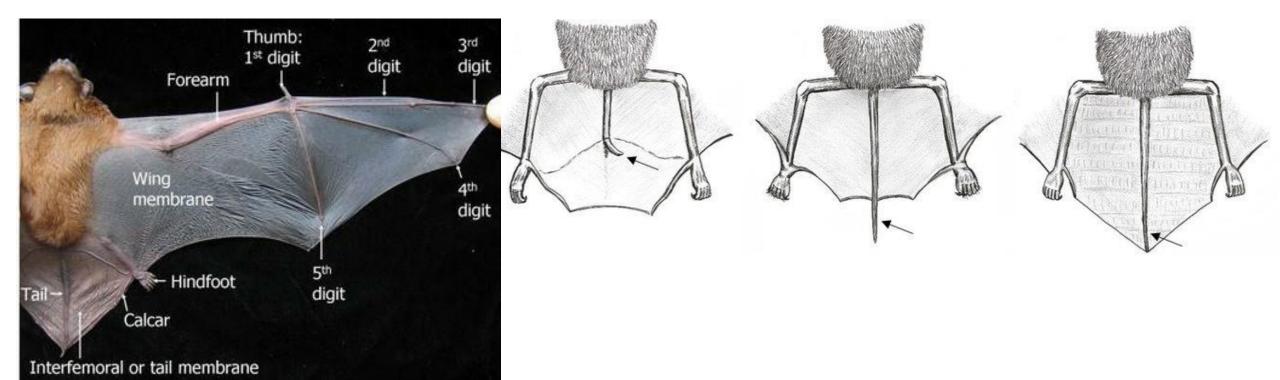
Bat Families Pteropodidae, Vespertillionidae, Molossidae



Luxien Landrus, 9/19 and 9/20

Anatomy

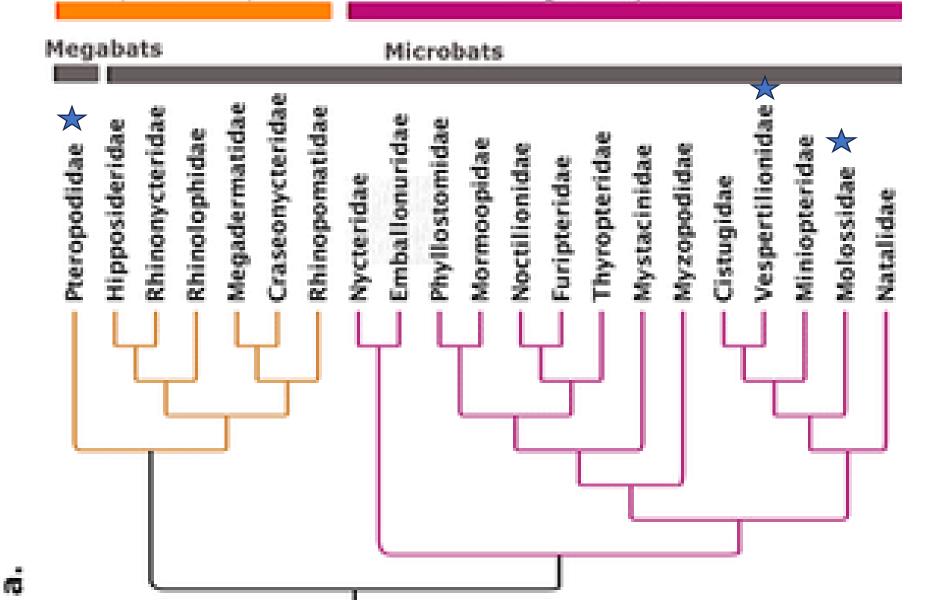
• Uropatagium: "the membrane that extends between the thighs of a bat and commonly includes the tail"



Current Chiroptera Phylogeny

Yinpterochiroptera

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Yinpterochiroptera

Family Pteropodidae (Fruit bats/Flying Foxes)

- Genus Pteropus
- Diagnosis:
 - Very Large
 - Foredigit 2 is independent (relatively) and is often clawed



Family Molossidae

(Free-tailed bats and Mastiff bats)

- Tadarida brasiliensis
 - "Mexican Free-Tailed Bat"

Diagnosis:

- Dark fur and Dark Wings
- Tail extends past uropatagium
 - *Only specimen with a "true" free tail



Family Vespertilionidae

(Vespertilionid or common bats)

Genus Lasiurus- Hairy uropatagium!

- Lasiurus blossevillii (Western red bat)
 - Red fur, smaller, hair on uropatagium thicker and covers more area
- Lasiurus borealis (Eastern Red Bat)
 - Red fur, bigger, hair on uropatagium thinner and doesn't extend fully to tail
- Lasiurus cinereus (Hoary Bat)
 - **BE VERY CAREFUL** (only specimen in a collection from Idaho!)
 - Biggest bat skin in collection, dark fur with grey streaks, fur on uropatagium



Vespertilionidae

(Vespertilionid or common bats)

Genus Corynorhinus

- Corynorhinus townsendii (Townsend's Big-Eared Bat)
 - Bat with the longest ears, no extra joints in the uropatagium

Genus Antrozous

- Antrozous pallidus (Pallid Bat)
 - Second biggest ears, an extra joint between the legs and tail in the uropatagium





Vespertilionidae

(Vespertilionid or common bats)

Genus Eptesicus

- Eptesicus fuscus (Big brown bat)
 - Large wingspan, light brown fur

Genus Parastrellus

- Parastrellus hesperus (canyon bat)
 - Very small size, light highlighted fur
 - TAG IS INCORRECT!
 - Says "Pipistrellus hesperus", has since been reclassified



Vespertilionidae (Vespertilionidor common bats)

Genus Lasionycterus

- Lasionycterus noctivagans (Silver-haired bat)
 - Dark fur with silver streaks





Vespertilionid or common bats)

Genus Myotis

- Myotis thysanodes (Fringed myotis)
 - Fringed bottom of uropatagium







Vespertilionidae

(Vespertilionid or common bats)

Genus Myotis

- Myotis evotis (Long-Eared Myotis)
 - 3rd longest ears (longest of any myotis), dark ears, lighter body





Vespertilionidae

(Vespertilionid or common bats)

Genus Myotis

- Myotis lucifugus (little brown bat)
- Myotis yumanensis (Yuma myotis)
- Myotis volans (long-legged myotis)
 - Not pictured here

