

ADDITIONAL LARGE MAMMALIAN FAUNA FROM  
THE NAMURUNGULE FORMATION, SAMBURU HILLS,  
NORTHERN KENYA

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**ABSTRACT** Some 1150 late Miocene vertebrate fossils were collected by the Japan-Kenya Expedition from the Namurungule Formation in the Samburu Hills, Northern Kenya. The Namurungule mammalian local fauna has similarities to late Miocene Eurasian faunas from Samos and Pikermi (Greece), Maragheh (Iran), and the Nagri and Dhok Pathan Formations of the Siwalik Hills (India). This similarity indicates mammalian interchanges between Eurasia and Africa during the late Miocene. The savanna fauna of the Namurungule Formation differs completely from the earlier Aka Aiteputh Formation fauna, which indicates a woodland environment (Pickford et al. 1984). This great change in the mammalian fauna of the East African late Miocene coincided with the beginning of the opening of the Gregory Rift.

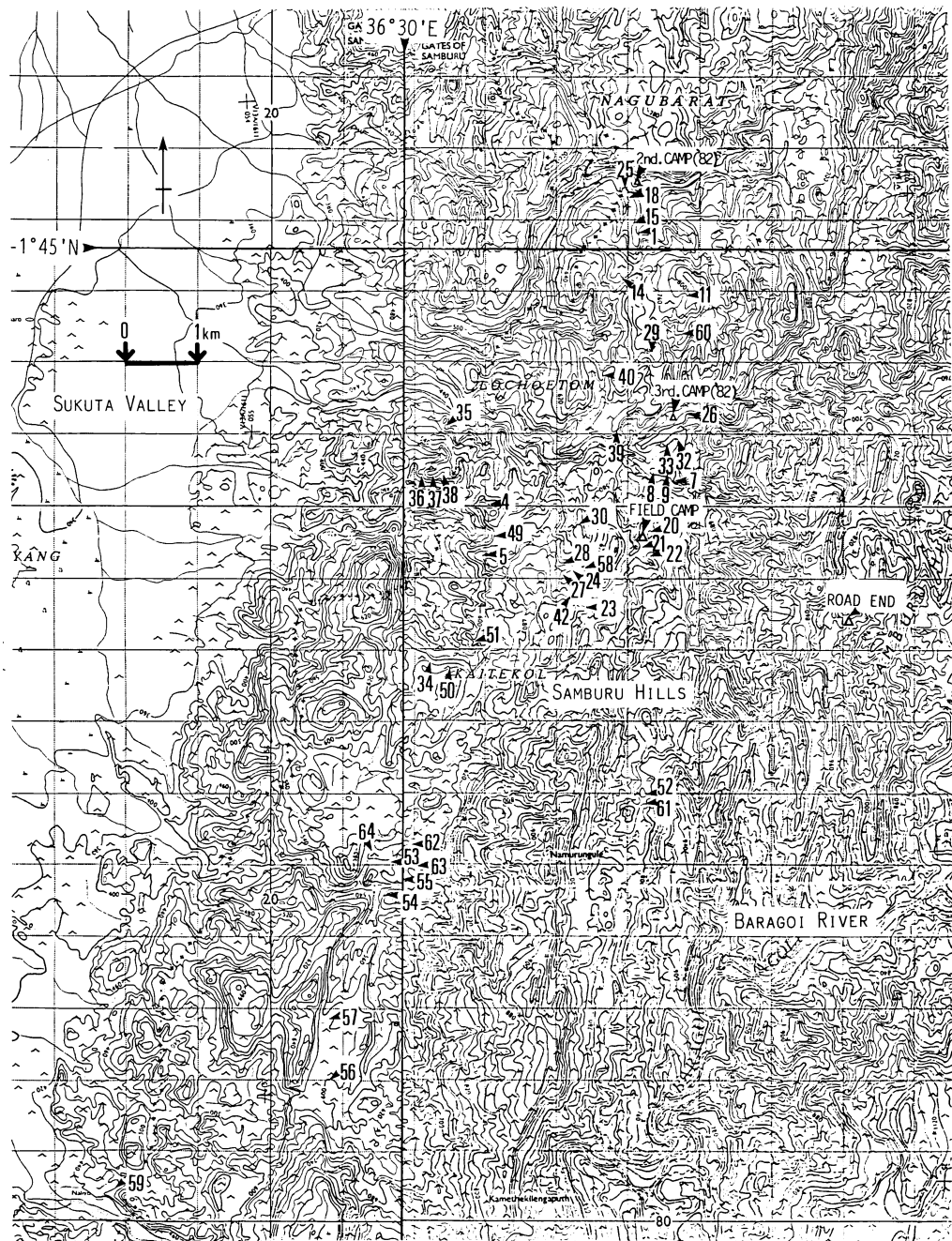
INTRODUCTION

During 1982 and 1984, the Japan-Kenya Expedition team surveyed the Samburu Hills. Vertebrate fossils were collected from 64 sites, with sites 50 to 64 being added to the 1982 list (Figure 1). All the new sites belong to the lower member of the Namurungule Formation.\*

The new material included some specimens of Rhinocerotidae, a skull of *Tetralophodon*, a mandible of Deinotheriidae, a skull of *Hipparion* and a mandible of *Kenyapotamus*. No

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\* The lower member of the Namurungule Formation overlies the Aka Aiteputh Formation, and is overlain by the thick upper mud flow deposit, while the upper member of the Namurungule Formation overlies this mud flow (see Fig. 9 in Makinouchi *et al.* 1984, Fig. 10 in Pickford *et al.* 1984, Fig. 2 in Matsuda *et al.* 1984 and Fig. 6 in Sawada *et al.* 1987). The lower member of the Namurungule Formation refers to a horizon named the "lower alternation" and the upper member refers to the "upper alternation" used by Nakaya *et al.* (1984).



**Fig. 1.** Fossil locality map of Samburu Hills area. Base maps are based on sheets "Lobar" (65/1), "Kangaurak" (65/3), "Skuta Valley" (65/2) and "Lomaro" (64/4) of Series Y731 (D. O. S. 423) ; 1 : 50,000 Topographic map published by D. O. S. for the Kenya Government (Survey of Kenya), 1982. each grid is 1 km square.

			Number of speimens
CARNIVORA	Hyaenidae gen. et sp. indet.	sp. A	1
		sp. B	1
		sp. C	1
		Fissipedia fam., gen et sp. indet sp. D.	1
RODENTIA	Thryonomyidae	<i>Paraulacodus</i> sp.	1
		gen. et sp. indet.	1
PROBOSCIDEA	Gomphotheriidae	<i>Tetralophodon</i> sp.	4
DEINOTHERIOIDEA	Deinotheriidae	<i>Deinotherium</i> sp.	5
PERISSODACTYLA	Equidae	<i>"Cormohipparion" perimense</i>	13
		<i>Hipparion sitifense</i>	38
	Rhinocerotidae	<i>Paradiceros</i> sp.	5
		<i>Chilotheridium</i> sp.	3
		<i>Kenyatherium bishopi</i>	1
		gen. et sp. indet.	8
	ARTIODACTYLA	SuideE	<i>Nyanzachoerus</i> sp.
Hipporotamidae		<i>Kenyapotamus coryndoni</i>	5
Giraffidae		<i>Palaeotragus</i> sp.	8
Bovidae		<i>Pachytragus</i> sp.	7
	<i>Palaeoreas</i> sp.	13	
	<i>Gazella</i> sp.	6	

specimens of the previously recorded Hominoidea, Tubulidentata, Chalicotheriidae, and Tragulidae were collected in 1984.

The Namurungule fauna is similar to the faunas from Samons and Pikermi of Greece, Maragheh of Iran, and the Nagri and Dhok Pathan Formations of the Siwaliks of India. The Namurungule Formation conformably overlies the Aka Aiteputh Formation (Sawada *et al.* 1987) which has been dated at between 12.0 and 14.6 million years (Matsuda *et al.* 1984). Itaya and Sawada (1987) have since dated nineteen volcanic rock samples of the Aka Aiteputh Formation at between 10.8 to 15.0 million years. The Namurungule fauna is therefore correlated with the Turolian of Europe (later than 10 million years old), rather than the Vallesian as indicated earlier (Nakaya *et al.* 1984). The younger age is supported by faunal similarities and palaeomagnetic stratigraphy (Nakajima and Torii 1986). This fauna is particularly significant in providing evidence regarding the late Miocene faunal interchange between African and Eurasia. The present paper is preliminary report on the large mammalian fauna of the 1984 excavation in the Samburu Hills. Full descriptions of some taxa from the Namurungule fauna will be prepared by the author, and Kawamura and Nakaya have described the Rodentia from the Namurungule Formation (this volume).

Almost all materials of 1984 excavation were collected from the surface in the Samburu Hills, but a part of collection was made in situ the Namurungule Formation. Especially, the materials from site 22 (loc. SH-22) were collected by detailed excavation. The evidence of the matrix of fossils and

the topography of the site shows that all these materials were contained in a similar horizon. All excavation data for each specimen were recorded on the formal forms of the National Museums of Kenya (KNM), and stored in the reference of KNM. Staffs of the KNM prepared, registered and housed all the materials from the Samburu Hills. The number following all fossils in this report is the accession number of the KNM and the locality number of the Japan-Kenya Expedition. For example "KNM-SH 0000" is the accession number of the specimen from the Samburu Hills, and "loc. SH-00" shows the locality number in the Samburu Hills.

## SYSTEMATIC DESCRIPTION

CLASS MAMMALIA  
 ORDER CARNIVORA  
 SUBORDER FISSIPEDIA  
 Family Hyaenidae GRAY, 1969  
 Hyaenidae gen. et sp. indet.

sp. A

(Plate 1, fig. 1,2)

*Material* ..... Left M<sub>1</sub> (KNM-SH 14755 loc. SH-22)  
*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member

### *Description*

The tooth is an unworn lower carnassial, with an anterior cingulum and a talonid.

Measurements (mm) of the tooth are as follows:

length of crown	19.8
breadth of crown	9.0
height of crown	14.1
length of talonid	2.9
breadth of talonid	4.1

Hyaenidae gen. et sp. indet.

sp. B

(Plate 1, fig. 3,4)

*Material* ..... Right P<sub>4</sub>(KNM-SH 15841 loc. SH-51)  
*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member

*Description*

The tooth is an unworn premolar with a lingual cingulum and a mataconid.

Measurements (mm) of the tooth are as follows:

length of crown	16.7
breadth of crown	8.6
height of crown	10.1

Hyaenidae gen. et. sp. indet.

sp. C

(Plate 1, fig. 5)

*Material* ..... Right P<sub>3</sub> or P<sub>4</sub>(KNM-SH 15872 loc. SH-51)  
*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member

*Description*

The specimen comprises the anterior part of a large premolar with a lingual cingulum.

Measurements (mm) of the tooth are as follows:

breadth of crown	18.6
height of crown	17.0

Fissipedia fam., gen. et sp. indet.

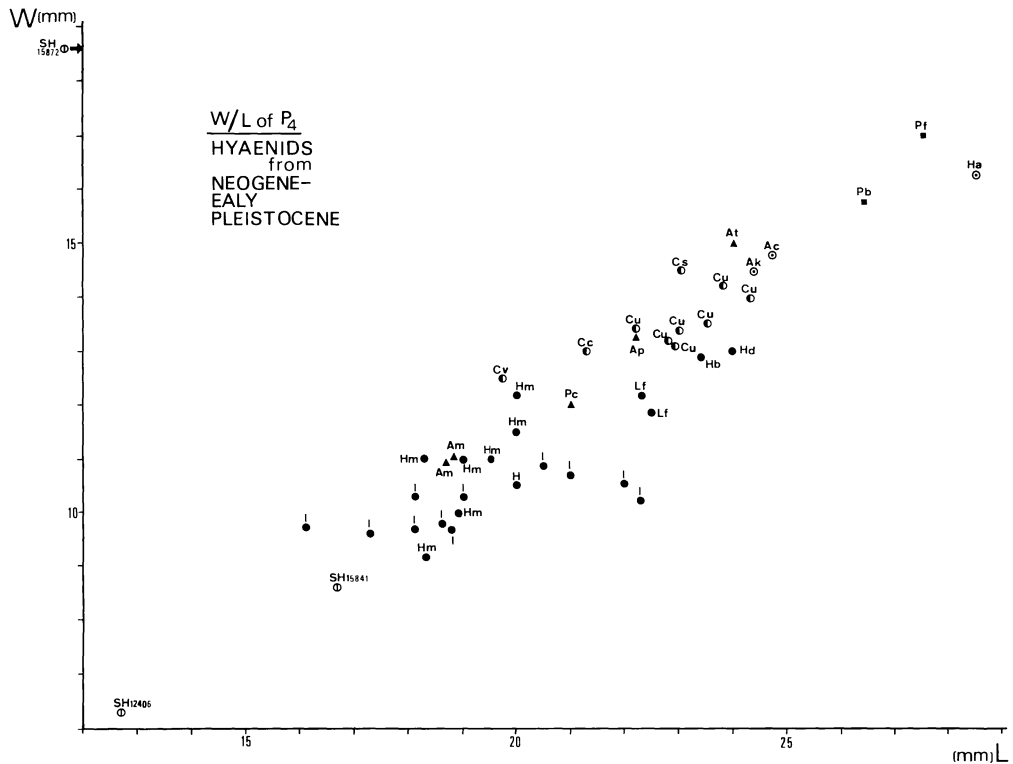
sp. D

(Plate 1, fig. 6)

*Material* ..... Left lower canine (KNM-SH 14794 loc. SH-22)  
*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member

*Description*

The specimen comprises the root and crown of a large canine. The crown has a strong buccal



**Fig. 2.** Comparison of lower P4 of Hyaenids from Neogene to early Pleistocene of Afro-Eurasia. (Measurements from Ficcarelli and Torre 1970, Nakaya *et al.* 1984 and this report)

● ; “Fossil Hyaenas”, ○ ; “Fossil Crocutas”, ■ ; “Pachyrocutas”, ▲ ; “Percrocutas and Adcrocutas”, ⊙ ; “Other Fossil Hyaenids” (from Ficcarelli and Torre 1970), ⊕ ; Samburu Hills Materials Ac ; *Allohyaena csakvarensis*, Ak ; *All. kadici*, Am ; *Adcrocuta(?) miocenica*, Ap ; *Ad. precursorae*, At ; *Ad. tungurensis*, Cc ; *Crocuta colvini*, Cs ; *C. sivalensis*, Cu ; *C. crocuta ultra*, Cv ; *C. c. venustula*, H ; “*Hyaena*” sp., Ha ; “*H.*” *Algeriensis*, Hb ; *H. burnea dispar*, Hd ; *H. donnezani*, Hm ; *H. makapani*, I ; *Ictitherium hyaenoides*, Lf ; *Leecyaena forfex*, Pb ; *Pachyrocuta bellax*, Pc ; *Percrocuta carnifex*, Pf ; *Pachy. felina*

keel, and the root is rounded rectangular in cross section.

Measurements (mm) of the tooth are as follows:

total length of tooth	81.7
breadth of tooth	15.8
diameter of crown	21.8
lingual length of crown	38.0
buccal length of crown	36.8

### Discussion

#### Comparison of Carnivora

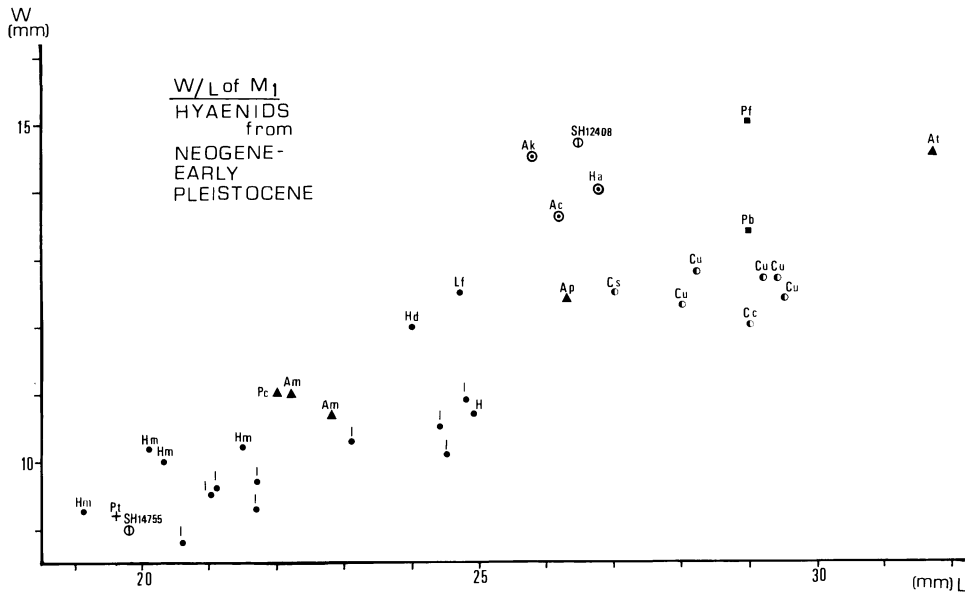


Fig. 3. Comparison of lower M1 from Neogene to early Pleistocene of Afro-Eurasia (ibid.)

The lower M1 of sp. A is smaller than that of KNM-SH 12408 (*Percrocuta* sp., Nakaya *et al.* 1984). The lower P4 of sp. B is smaller than that of sp. C. Tooth sizes of sp. A and sp. B are compatible the genus group designated as “the Fossil Hyaena” from the old world (Ficcarelli and Torre, 1970, see Figure 2,3). The group includes the genera *Hyaena*, *Leecyaena* (*Lycyaena*), *Ictitherium*. Tooth size of sp. C is greater than that of “*Pachycrocuta*” group (Ficcarelli and Torre, 1970) and *Percrocuta* and *Adcrocuta* from Asia Minor (Schmidt-Kittler, 1976). Canine of sp. D is similar in size to Recent *Felis leo*, but recent felids and hyaenids do not have a strong keel on the canine. This specimen seems to be similar to Machairodontinae (Churcher, personal Communication). The authors will make further comparisons.

ORDER PROBOSCIDEA  
 SUBORDER COMPHOTHERIOIDEA  
 Family Gomphotheridae HAY, 1922  
 Genus *Tetralophodon* FALCONER et CAUTLEY, 1857  
*Tetralophodon* sp.

(Plate 1, fig. 7, Plate 2 Figs. 1,2)

- Material* ..... Skull with M<sup>2</sup> & M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15858 loc. SH-33), fragment of M<sup>1</sup> or M<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 15779 loc. SH-53), DP<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15781 loc. SH-53), right DP<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15782 loc. SH-23)
- Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member

### Description

The skull has been deformed, and the brain case is weathered. It is still being prepared by staffs of the National Museums of Kenya. Lamella number (LN) of the intermediate molars (P4-M2) is four, and of the third molar is six. The angle between the upper M2 and M3 is 117° on the right and 118° on the left side.

Measurements (mm) of the materials are as follows:

Measuring points of the skull follow Inuzuka (1977):

greatest length of the skull	850+
greatest breadth of the brain case	500+
greatest breadth of the zygomatic arch	ca700
greatest breadth incisive bone	540
vertical height of the skull	ca900
breadth of the alveoli of M2	236
breadth of the alveoli of M3	289
transverse diameter of the root of the incisor (left)	157+
(right)	177
antero-posterior diameter of the root of the incisor (left)	180
(right)	154+

		crown length	crown breadth	LN
left	M <sup>2</sup>	166	100	4
right	M <sup>2</sup>	190	101	4
left	M <sup>3</sup>	244	114	6
right	M <sup>3</sup>	237	121	6
right	DP <sub>2</sub>	32.5	21.2+	2
	DP <sub>3</sub>	45.3	32.8	2

### Discussion

The number of lophes of the teeth of those specimens indicate the genus *Tetralophodon* (Osborn 1936, Tobien 1978). Until *Tetralophodon* sp. was recorded from the Samburu Hills (Nakaya *et al.* 1984), it was known in sub-Saharan Africa only from the Lake Albert area of Zaire (Madden, 1977) from Sub-Saharan Africa, but the identification of this specimen was changed to *Stegotetralophodon grandincisivum* by Madden (1982). The new skull (KNM-SH 15858) is smaller than that of *Tetralophodon longirostris* from Spain (Alberdi 1977), and the angle between the upper M2 and M3 indicates that the skull is more advanced than in *T. longirostris* (*ibid*) and *Paratetralophodon* from the Siwaliks (Tassy 1983). This skull is therefore potentially a very important link between the Elephantidae and the Gomphotheriidae. After preparation, a detailed study should establish its relationships with *Stegotetralophodon* (Maglio 1973, 1974) and *Anancus* (Mebrate and Kalb 1981,



1983).

ORDER DEINOTHERIOIDEA  
Family Deinotheriidae BONAPARTE, 1845  
Genus *Deinotherium* KAUP, 1829

*Deinotherium* sp.

(Plate 3, figs. 1,2,3,4)

*Material* ..... Mandible with left P<sub>3</sub>-M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15776, loc. SH-54 excavation), mandible with right P<sub>3</sub>-M<sub>3</sub>, left P<sub>3</sub> & P<sub>4</sub>, tusk (KNM-SH 15778 loc. SH-40), left M<sub>2</sub> or M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15783 loc. SH-57), tusk (KNM-SH 15777, loc. SH-28)

*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member

*Description*

The almost complete mandible (SH-15776) lacks the lower incisors. The symphysis of the mandible is bent ventrally in the manner characteristic of deinotheres. The lower M<sub>1</sub> is a trilophodont tooth, while the other molars have two lophs. The lower M<sub>3</sub>s also possess large talonids.

Measurements (mm) of the material (SH-15776) are as follows:

Lower		crown length	crown breadth	crown height
left	P <sub>3</sub>	57.6	48.4	50.1
left	P <sub>4</sub>	64.0	53.2	34.7
right	P <sub>4</sub>	67.1	55.7	30.0
left	M <sub>1</sub>	84.9	58.8	24.0+
right	M <sub>1</sub>	84.2	59.9	20.0
left	M <sub>2</sub>	74.4	70.0	33.1
right	M <sub>2</sub>	73.6	74.3	37.2
left	M <sub>3</sub>	89.6	68.0	34.2
right	M <sub>3</sub>	89.0	70.9	33.0

The right mandible fragment (SH-15778) has a complete cheek tooth row. The lower M<sub>3</sub> has a weak talonid. In all other respects, this specimen is very similar to the mandible KNM SH-15776.

Measurements (mm) of the materials are as follows:

		crown length	crown breadth	crown height
left	P <sub>3</sub>	57.7	43.9	45.2

right	P <sub>3</sub>	56.9	44.9	48.7	
left	P <sub>4</sub>	63.4			
right	P <sub>4</sub>	64.0	51.1	35.5	
right	M <sub>1</sub>	73.9	55.4	30.2	
right	M <sub>2</sub>	70.8	65.7	39.4	
right	M <sub>3</sub>	73.0	68.2	41.0	
left	M <sub>2/3</sub>	71.8	36.9+		
	total	proximal	proximal	distal	distal
	length	height	breadth	height	breadth
left I		92.0		72.0	42.4
right I	265.0	98.8	73.7	73.5	53.4

The lower incisor (SH-15777) has the curvature characteristic of deinotheres. No cheek teeth were found in association with this specimen.

Measurements (mm) of the tusk (SH-15777) are as follows:

	total	proximal	proximal	distal	distal
Lower	length	height	breadth	height	breadth
left I	650.0	118.0		34.5	32.0

### *Discussion*

#### Comparison of *Deinotherium*

Two different deinotheres existed at the same time and in the same area on the basis of the talonid on lower M3. We do not decide that this morphological difference of the deinotheres teeth is the individual variation, sex dimorphism or specific difference in this report. The tooth size of these deinotheres is similar. Since deinotheres at the Namurungule Formation are only represented by the mandible and lower teeth. It is difficult to identify whether they belong to *Deinotherium* or *Prodeinotherium* on the morphological characters of teeth. Nevertheless, size of the lower cheek teeth of the Namurungule Formation sample is larger than minimum size of all teeth of *Deinotherium* and the maximum size of *Prodeinotherium* (Harris 1973) except M2. In previous a report (Nakaya *et al.* 1984), deinotheres materials were identified with *Prodeinotherium* because the only material available were a lower M2 and a fragment of M1. In this report, these materials are identified as *Deinotherium*.

#### ORDER PERISSODACTYLA

#### SUBORDER HIPPIPODONTIA

#### Family Equidae GRAY, 1821

#### Genus *Cormohipparion* SKINNER et MACFADDEN, 1977

#### ? "*Cormohipparion*" (*Sivalhippus*) *perimense* (PILGRIM, 1910)

(Plate 4, figs. 1-12)

- Material* ..... Skull (KNM-SH 15683 loc. SH-53), maxilla with right P<sup>3</sup>-M<sup>1</sup> (KNM-SH 14773 loc. SH-50), left P<sup>4</sup> (KNM-SH 15663 loc. SH-59, 15662 loc. SH-53), left M<sup>1</sup> or M<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 15668 loc. SH-53), left M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 14766 loc. SH-53), right M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15664 loc. SH-53), left P<sub>3</sub> or P<sub>4</sub> (KNM-SH 15648 loc. SH-52), right P<sub>3</sub> or P<sub>4</sub> (KNM-SH 15650 loc. SH-15) right M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15649 loc. SH-15, 156534 loc. SH-53), navicular (KNM-SH 15681 loc. SH-50), 3rd. middle phalanx (KNM-SH 14777 loc. SH-62, 14788 loc. SH-51)
- Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, upper and lower member

*Description*

The preorbital fossa (POF) in skull (SH 15683) is moderately long, its posterior pocket is shallow, and the anterior rim is poorly defined. The POF is oriented anteroposteriorly, its medial depth is moderate to shallow, the outline of the POF is moderately and its ventral border not irregular.

The upper cheek teeth show complex plication within the fossettes, the pli-caballine are double, protocones are elongate and the hypoconal grooves are deep.

Measurements (mm) of the materials are as follows:

Skull (KNM-SH 15683)	(left)	(right)
length of POF	62.8	64.0
height of POF	36.7	45.4
length of POB	50.8	53.2
length of orbit	57.4	58.4
height of orbit	50.0	40.5
length of P <sup>2</sup> -orbit	147.9	155.0
length of cheek teeth (P <sup>2</sup> -M <sup>3</sup> )	149.3	150.0
length of premolar row (P <sup>2</sup> -P <sup>4</sup> )	81.6	81.3
length of molar row (M <sup>1</sup> -M <sup>3</sup> )	68.2	70.1
length of P <sup>2</sup> -occipital condyle		356
breadth at anterior end of left and right P <sup>2</sup>		60.0
breadth at anterior end of left and right M <sup>1</sup>		105.0
breadth at posterior end of left and right M <sup>3</sup>		87.6
breadth of zygomatic arch		159.5
breadth of brain case		90.8

	KLM-SH	crown length	crown breadth	protocone length	protocone breadth	crown height
left P <sup>2</sup>	(15683)	32.7	26.0	9.0	4.6	
right P <sup>2</sup>	(15683)	33.0	25.9	8.6	4.7	
right P <sup>2</sup>	(14761)	30.0	23.4	6.9	5.2	20.8
left P <sup>3</sup>	(15683)	26.8	27.0	9.8	4.7	
right P <sup>3</sup>	(15683)	37.4	27.2	10.0	4.5	
left P <sup>4</sup>	(15683)	25.7	25.8	8.3	3.6	
left P <sup>4</sup>	(15653)	25.9	23.6	7.5	2.9	20.7
left P <sup>4</sup>	(15662)	25.6	24.4	6.6	3.8	51.1
right P <sup>4</sup>	(15683)	26.0	25.9	8.0	3.8	
right P <sup>4</sup>	(14773)	26.1	24.2	7.2	3.8	
left M <sup>1</sup>	(15683)	24.4	23.6	9.2	3.0	
left M <sup>1</sup>	(15668)	23.0	24.1	9.1	4.8	27.0
right M <sup>1</sup>	(15683)	24.1	23.9	9.1	4.7	
right M <sup>1</sup>	(15668)	23.5	23.1	8.8	4.5	23.2
left M <sup>2</sup>	(15683)	24.3	24.0	8.9	4.1	
right M <sup>2</sup>	(15683)	24.2	23.7	9.0	4.3	
left M <sup>3</sup>	(15683)	22.1	19.9	8.2	3.4	
left M <sup>3</sup>	(14766)	23.2	19.0	7.5	3.4	41.4
right M <sup>3</sup>	(15683)	23.4	20.0	8.0	3.1	
right M <sup>3</sup>	(15664)	22.7	19.9	7.2	3.2	30.2

		crown length	crown breadth	crown height
left P <sub>3/4</sub>	(15648)	28.3	13.8	50.5
right P <sub>3/4</sub>	(15650)	29.6	18.8	52.0
right M <sub>3</sub>	(15649)	30.2	13.3	39.3
right M <sub>3</sub>	(15654)	30.3	10.5	34.0

Plication number of the upper cheek teeth of KNM-SH 15683

(Measuring method of plication follows Hooijer 1975)

		prefossette	postfossette
left P <sup>2</sup>		6	7
right P <sup>2</sup>		4	6
left P <sup>3</sup>		14	7
right P <sup>3</sup>		8	6
left P <sup>4</sup>		12	7
right P <sup>4</sup>		8	4
left M <sup>1</sup>		7	5
right M <sup>1</sup>		8	6

left M <sup>2</sup>	8	6
right M <sup>2</sup>	9	7
left M <sup>3</sup>	7	2
right M <sup>3</sup>	5	1

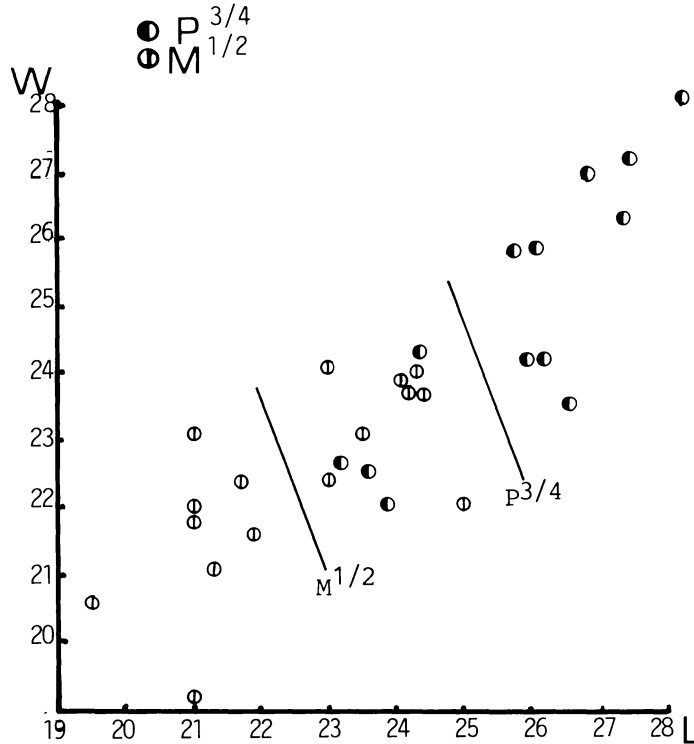
## 3rd. middle phalanx

KNM-SH	(14777)	(14788)
total Length	37.0	36.9
length of the proximal-distal articular surface	28.9	31.4
breadth of the proximal end	37.6	39.6
breadth of the body	31.4	34.4
breadth of the distal end	31.3	32.9
diameter of the proximal end	26.3	29.1
diameter of the body	16.7	18.5
diameter of the distal end	18.7	18.6

*Hipparion sitifence* POMEL, 1897

(Plate 5, figs. 1-16)

*Material* ..... Left DP<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 15706 loc. SH-22), left DP<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15665 loc. SH-53), left DP<sup>4</sup> (KNM-SH 15669 loc. SH-53), DP<sup>3</sup> or DP<sup>4</sup> (KNM-SH 15818 loc. SH-52), right P<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 14764 loc. SH-53), left P<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 14796 loc. SH-53, 15651 loc. SH-54), right P<sup>3</sup> or P<sup>4</sup> (KNM-SH 15656 loc. SH-50, 15659 loc. SH-54), left P<sup>3</sup> or P<sup>4</sup> (KNM-SH 15671 loc. SH-54, 15705 loc. SH-53), left M<sup>1</sup> (KNM-SH 14763 loc. SH-53, 15661-A loc. SH-54), right M<sup>1</sup> (KNM-SH 15641 loc. SH-53), left M<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 15652, 15661-B loc. SH-54), right M<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 15672 loc. SH-53, 15676, 15817, loc. SH-54), right M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15658 loc. SH-54), right M<sup>1</sup>-M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 14774 loc. SH-51), left P<sup>3</sup> or P<sup>4</sup> (KNM-SH 15647 loc. SH-54), right P<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 15644-A loc. SH-53), right P<sup>3</sup> or P<sup>4</sup> (KNM-SH 15646 loc. SH-54), right M<sup>1</sup>? (KNM-SH 15644-B loc. SH-53), right M<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 15645 loc. SH-53), left M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15663 loc. SH-63), left magnum (KNM-SH 15673 loc. SH-50), right talus (KNM-SH 14762 loc. SH-52), left talus (KNM-SH 15643, 15709 loc. SH-53), right calcaneum (KNM-SH 15682, 15819, loc. SH-53), left navicular (KNM-SH 15670 loc. SH-54), right cuneiform (KNM-SH 14814-L loc. SH-53), right 3rd. metacarpal (KNM-SH 15678 loc. SH-50), 3rd. metatarsal (KNM-SH 14814-A, D, E loc. SH-53, 15679 loc. SH-51), lateral metapodial (KNM-SH 14814-B, C, F, G, K loc. SH-53), right 3rd. proximal phalanx (KNM-SH 15674 loc. SH-53, 15677 loc.



**Fig. 4.** Comparison of the Breadth/Length of the cheek teeth of Hipparionine from Samburu Hills  
Line P<sup>3/4</sup> and M<sup>1/2</sup> shows size boundary of P<sup>3/4</sup> and M<sup>1/2</sup> of large hipparionines and small hipparionine.

SH-61), 3rd. middle phalanx (KNM-SH 14814-H loc. SH-53), lateral middle phalanx (KNM-SH 15708 loc. SH-53), 3rd. distal phalanx (KNM-SH 15675 loc. SH-53), sesamoid of distal phalanx (KNM-SH 14814-I, J loc. SH-53)

*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, upper and lower member

*Description*

The cheek teeth are small and the limb bones are slender and long. This material, and that previously reported as a small form of *Hipparion* (Nakaya *et al.* 1984) is identified as *H. sitifense* (Figure 4).

Measurements (mm) of the materials are as follows:

	KNM-SH	crown length	crown breadth	protocone length	protocone breadth	crown height
left	DP <sup>3</sup> (15665)	24.9	20.0	6.8	3.1	49.5

left DP <sup>4</sup> (15669)	24.9	20.5	6.0	3.7	47.2
left P <sup>2</sup> (14796)	28.2	21.9	7.8	4.5	31.5
right P <sup>2</sup> (14764)	28.9	22.1	7.8	5.0	28.1
left P <sup>3/4</sup> (15705)		20.5	7.6		34.0+
right P <sup>3/4</sup> (15656)	23.8	22.1	7.0	2.9	32.5
right M <sup>1</sup> (15641)		22.3	7.7	4.9	21.0
left M <sup>1/2</sup> (14763)	21.7	22.4	7.9	3.9	39.5
right M <sup>2</sup> (15817)	21.0	22.0	7.6	4.5	24.6
right M <sup>2</sup> (15672)	21.0	23.1	7.2	5.5	21.0

	KNM-SH	crown length	crown breadth	crown height
right P <sub>2</sub> (15644)		26.7	12.0	32.3
left P <sub>3/4</sub> (15647)		23.1	11.8	44.0
left P <sub>3/4</sub> (15646)		26.0	13.9	43.5
right M <sub>1</sub> (14774)			11.0	32.7
right M <sub>2</sub> (14774)		23.5	10.5	42.0
right M <sub>2</sub> (15645)		22.5	12.1	
left M <sub>3</sub> (15663)		25.1	10.1	42.2
right M <sub>3</sub> (14774)				33.6
right CT (15644)		21.7	10.9	41.2

CT : Cheek teeth

	KNM-SH	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3rd. metacarpal (15678)				33.5	28.3		26.7	20.7	
3rd. metatarsal (15679)					28.3	33.4		21.9	27.2
3rd. metatarsal (14814-A)					25.4			22.9	
3rd. metatarsal (14814-E)						31.1			27.6
lateral metatarsal (14814-B)					3.3			5.7	
lateral metatarsal (14814-B)					3.1			5.9	
lateral metatarsal (14814-C)				5.5	4.6		12.0	5.9	
lateral metatarsal (14814-C)				5.5			13.0		
right proximal phalanx (15674)		52.2	50.2	29.5+	21.6	23.8	27.0+	27.9	19.8
right proximal phalanx (15677)		51.5	49.0	30.6+	25.0	28.5	23.0+	15.2	16.0
middle phalanx (14814-H)		32.9	26.6	28.5+	26.2	25.6	24.5	15.8	16.3
phalanx (15708)		18.9	12.4	12.1	10.5	7.4	15.1	11.3	9.4

1 : total length

2 : length of the proximal-distal articular surface

3 : breadth of the proximal end

- 4 : breadth of the body
- 5 : breadth of the distal end
- 6 : diameter of the proximal end
- 7 : diameter of the body
- 8 : diameter of the distal end

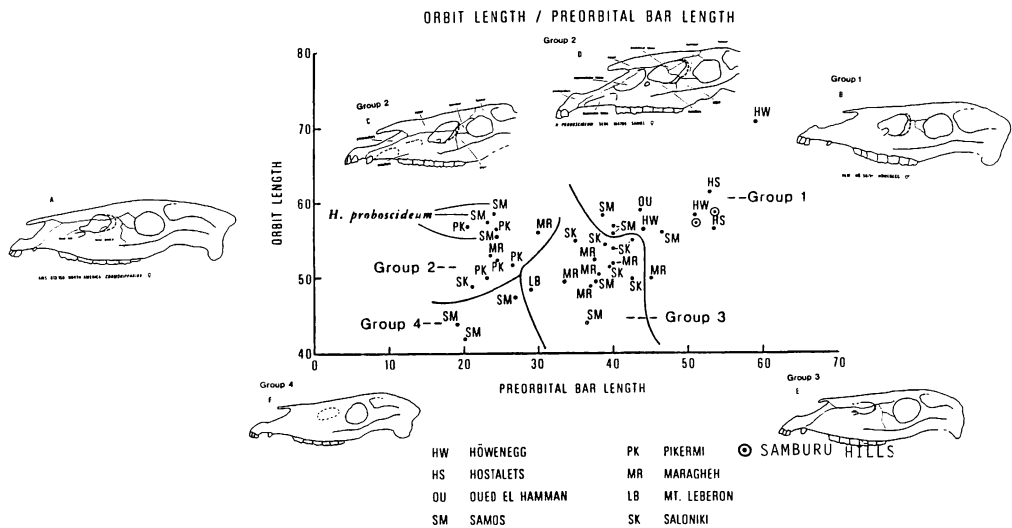
distal phalanx (KNM-SH 15675)

dorsal length	38.8
ventral length	40.0
total height	25.7
height of the articular surface	20.5
total breadth	32.7+
breadth of the articular surface	26.1

*Discussion*

Comparison of Hipparionine

Many taxa of *Hipparion* have been described from the Neogene of Africa, for example *Hipparion afarense*, *H. africanum*, *H. albertense*, *H. ethiopicum*, *H. libycum*, *H. primigenium*, *H. stifense* and *H. turkanense* (Aramborg 1956 ; Bone & Singer 1965 ; Hooijer & Maglio 1973, 1974 ; Aguirre & Leakey 1974 ; Hooijer 1975). The phylogenetic and geographical relationships of the Old World hipparions have also been studied (Forsten 1968 ; Eisenmann 1979, 1982 ; Bernor & Hussain 1985).



WOODBURNE & BERNOR, 1980

**Fig. 5.** Comparison of Orbit length/Preorbital bar length of Old World hipparionine (Woodburne and Bernor, 1980) and large hipparionine from Samburu Hills.



Late Miocene *Hipparion* from sub-Saharan Africa has been assigned to two species, *H. primigenium* (large form) and *H. stifense* (small form). A skull of a large form of *Hipparion* was found in the Samburu Hills in 1984. Since the preorbital fossa was preserved, we are able to assess its phylogenetic relationships. On the basis of length of preorbital bar and orbit, this skull (Figure 5) belongs "Group 1" *Hipparion* from the Old World (Woodburne & Bernor, 1980).

Furthermore, the characteristic shape of the preorbital fossa and the form of the enamel plication on the upper cheek teeth indicates that this material is conspecific with "*Cormohipparion*" (*Sivalhippus*) *perimense* from the Siwaliks (Bernor & Hussain, 1985). Bernor and Hussain (1985) showed that this taxon may be a synonym of *H. primigenium* from Africa and ancestral to *H. turkanense*. The relationships of *H. africanum* to the Samburu Hills skull and the status of *Cormohipparion* require further studies.

The Samburu Hills skull is from approximately the same age as "*C.*" (*S.*) *perimense* from the Siwaliks. This suggests that the immigration of this *Hipparion* to the Siwalik region and to Africa took place at about the same time.

SUBORDER CERATOMORPHA  
Family Rhinocerotidae OWEN, 1845  
Genus *Paradiceros* HOOIJER, 1968

*Paradiceros* sp.

(Plate 6, figs. 1,2,3)

*Material* ..... Left maxilla with P<sup>4</sup>-M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15835 loc. SH-53), left and right P<sup>4</sup> (KNM-SH 15859 loc. SH-55), right DP<sup>2</sup> or DP<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15834 loc. SH-54)

*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member

*Description*

A medium-sized Rhinocerotidae having brachyodont molars with anterior and lingual cingula, and a well developed crochet and antecrochet. The ectoloph is strongly curved and inclined lingually. The lingual-buccal cross section on the upper molar is trapezoidal in shape.

Measurements (mm) of the teeth are as follows:

	KNM-SH	crown length	crown breadth	crown height
right DP <sup>2/3</sup>	(15834)	30.0	25.8	25.5
left P <sup>4</sup>	(15859)	42.6	47.1	38.4+
left P <sup>4</sup>	(15835)	37.8+	46.4	33.8+
right P <sup>4</sup>	(15859)	39.0+	47.9	23.2+

left	M <sup>1</sup>	(15835)	46.8	44.0+	32.7+
left	M <sup>2</sup>	(15835)	50.2	52.2	43.7+
left	M <sup>3</sup>	(15835)	36.0+	47.1+	44.2+

### Discussion

In the late Miocene of East Africa, brachyodont rhinocerotid of the genera *Acerathrium*, *Brachypotherium*, and *Paradiceros* are recorded (Hooijer 1963, 1966, 1968 ; Hooijer and Patterson, 1972). The upper molars of *Acerathrium* have constricted procones, and those of *Brachypotherium* have flattened ectolophs, no crista and weak crochets and antecrochets. Those of *Paradiceros* have curved ectolophs and well developed cristae and crochets, and the Samburu Hills material is accordingly identified with *Paradiceros*. Its specific identity must await the discovery of more and better specimens.

Rhinocerotidae gen. et sp. indet. KNM-SH 12175 (Mandible) from Samburu Hills (Nakaya *et al.* 1984) seems to belong the same taxa.

### Genus *Chilotheridium* HOOIJER, 1971

#### *Chilotheridium* sp.

(Plate 6, fig. 4, Plate 7, figs. 1-5)

*Material* ..... Right M<sup>2</sup> & M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15833 loc. SH-64), left M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15861 loc. SH-55), left M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15831 loc. SH-54, 15832 loc. SH-55), right M<sup>2</sup> & M<sup>3</sup>, left M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15840 loc. SH-55), right DP<sub>2</sub>-DP<sub>4</sub> (KNM-SH 15753 loc. SH-62), right DP<sub>4</sub>-M<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15749 loc. SH-62), left M<sub>1</sub> & M<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15754 loc. SH-64), left M<sub>1</sub>-M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15774 loc. SH-52), right M<sub>2</sub> & M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15769 loc. SH-64), right P<sub>2</sub> or P<sub>3</sub>, left M<sub>1</sub> & M<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15752 loc. SH-54), right M<sub>1</sub> & M<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15751 loc. SH-54), right M<sub>1</sub> & M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15866 loc. SH-64), right M<sub>1</sub> or M<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15757 loc. SH-55), fragment of mandible (KNM-SH 15758, 15775 loc. SH-54, 15773 loc. SH-55, 15771, 15772 loc. SH-62, 15761, 15764, 15765, 15770 loc. SH-64)

*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member

### Description

A large sized Rhinocerotidae with hypsodont molars. The upper molars have anterior cingula, and developed crochets and antecrochets, but no crown cement. The lower molars have weak external grooves. The dark colored enamel of the cheek teeth has a rugose surface. The mandibular body is relatively deep, and the cross section is an elongated oval shape.

Measurements (mm) of the teeth are as follows:

	KNM-SH	crown length	crown breadth	crown height
right M <sup>2</sup>	(15833)	54.5+		31.0
right M <sup>2</sup>	(15840)	67.2	61.0	46.0+
left M <sup>3</sup>	(15840)	66.4	55.0+	40.0+
left M <sup>3</sup>	(15861)	65.0	55.0+	29.0
left M <sup>3</sup>	(15832)	60.1	54.3	39.6+
left M <sup>3</sup>	(15831)	63.2	50.4+	72.3 (unworn)
right M <sup>3</sup>	(15840)	62.4+	55.8+	47.8+
right M <sup>3</sup>	(15833)	42.0+	51.7	37.8
	KNM-SH	crown length	crown breadth	crown height
right DP <sub>2</sub>	(15753)	21.4+	10.6	
right DP <sub>3</sub>	(15753)	34.1	18.4+	21.2
right DP <sub>4</sub>	(15753)	40.0+	20.1	25.7
right DP <sub>4</sub>	(15753)	39.0	23.0	19.2
right P <sub>2/3</sub>	(15752)	31.6	19.1	24.0
left M <sub>1</sub>	(15754)	45.1+	27.1	31.9
left M <sub>1</sub>	(15752)	44.4+	24.0+	
left M <sub>1</sub>	(15774)	38.0+	24.0+	
right M <sub>1</sub>	(15751)	47.9	24.7+	46.6
right M <sub>1</sub>	(15749)	44.3	25.8	39.3
right M <sub>1</sub>	(15866)		27.3	28.9
right M <sub>1/2</sub>	(15757)	45.8	26.8	32.3
left M <sub>2</sub>	(15754)		22.0+	58.9 (unworn)
left M <sub>2</sub>	(15774)	41.8	26.0+	32.4+
right M <sub>2</sub>	(15751)	45.0+	29.0	55.0+ (unworn)
right M <sub>2</sub>	(15769)		29.3	11.8
left M <sub>3</sub>	(15774)	47.6	27.0	35.0+
right M <sub>3</sub>	(15769)	42.9+	30.0	12.9
right M <sub>3</sub>	(15866)	51.2	29.9	30.6

### Discussion

*Ceratotherium*, *Chilotherium* and *Chilotheridium* have been described as Miocene hypsodont rhinocerotids from East Africa (Hooijer 1971, 1973). The characteristics of the Samburu Hills molars indicate that these materials are similar to *Chilotheridium pattersoni* Hooijer 1971, but because the preservation of the specimens is poor, we identify these materials as *Chilotheridium* sp.

Genus *Kenyatherium* AGUIRRE et GUERIN, 1974

*Kenyatherium bishopi* AGUIRRE et GUERIN, 1974

(Plate 8, fig. 1)

*Material* ..... Right M<sup>1</sup> (KNM-SH 15827, loc. SH-50)*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member*Description*

A small-sized Rhinocerotidae. Only one well worn molar is known from the Smaburu Hills. This upper molar has a anterior cingulum, a constricted protocone, a large antecrochet, and a smaller crochet and crista, and some crown cement is preserved.

Measurements (mm) of the tooth are as follows:

	crown length	crown breadth	crown height
right M <sup>1</sup>	32.4+	40.0+	16.0

*Discussion*

The paratype of *Kenyatherium bishopi* Aguirre and Guerin 1974 (KNM-NA 199, left M1) from Nakali, south of the Samburu Hills, is very similar to this tooth., However, according to Aguirre and Guerin, molars of *K. bishopi* have no crown cement, although it could have been lost through weathering or during preparation. The type of *K. bishopi* is similar to *Hispanotherium* (Crusafont and Villalta, 1947, Villalta and Crusafont, 1952), *Caementodon* (Heissig, 1972) and *Sinotherium* (Ringstrom, 1922) of the Iranotheriinae (Auirre and Guerin 1974).

Rhinocerotidae gen. et sp. indet. (KNM-SH 12142, lower molar) from the Samburu Hills (Nakaya *et al.* 1984) seems to belong the same taxon.

Rhinocerotidae gen. et. sp. indet.

(Plate 8, figs. 2-5)

*Material* ..... Left M<sup>2</sup> & M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15826 loc. SH-50, 15830 loc. SH-53), right M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15824 loc. SH-55, 15825 loc. SH-50, 15828 loc. SH-55), right P<sup>3</sup> or P<sup>4</sup> (KNM-SH 15829 loc. SH-54), right P<sup>3</sup>-M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15767 loc. SH-50), left P<sub>4</sub> (KNM-SH 15768 loc. SH-50), left mandible (KNM-SH 15711 loc. SH-53)

*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member*Description*

A medium-sized Rhinocerotidae. The molars represented are all well worn. The upper molars have well constricted protocones and hypocones, crown cement is present, and only the anterolingual cingula are developed. The light-colored enamel has a smooth surface. The mandibular

body is low, and the cross section of the body anteriorly is round or oval.

Measurements (mm) of the teeth are as follows:

	KNM-SH	crown length	crowm breadth	crown height
right P <sup>3/4</sup>	(15829)			15.0+
left M <sup>2</sup>	(15826)	46.2+	59.5	24.1
left M <sup>3</sup>	(15826)	51.6	53.0	30.5
right M <sup>3</sup>	(15824)			17.4
right M <sup>3</sup>	(15825)		44.0	14.0
right M <sup>3</sup>	(15828)	53.4	40.4+	28.4
left P <sub>4</sub> /M <sub>1</sub>	(15768)	36.1	29.0	16.5
right P <sub>4</sub>	(15767)	33.6	29.9	12.0
right M <sub>1</sub>	(15767)	39.7	32.0+	6.7
right M <sub>2</sub>	(15767)	47.7+	30.5+	11.1
right M <sub>3</sub>	(15767)	47.1		

#### Discussion

The characteristics of these specimens are not found in any of the recorded Miocene rhinocerotids from East Africa. Only *Kenyatherium* is similar in the character of the protocone. However, the cheek teeth of *Kenyatherium* are smaller. A comparison with other Tertiary Rhinocerotidae is necessary before identification may be attempted.

ORDER ARTIODACTYLA  
SUBORDER SUIFORMES  
Family Suidae GRAY 1821  
Genus *Nyanzachoerus* LEAKEY 1958

*Nyanzachoerus* sp.

(Plate 9, figs.1-3)

*Material* ..... Left M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 14758 loc. SH-51), left mandible (KNM-SH 14760 loc. SH-50), left and right I<sub>1</sub> & I<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 14768 loc. SH-51), right I<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 14784 loc. SH-51)

*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member

#### Description

The left mandible has well worn cheek teeth and an almost complete set of lower incisors. The enamel of the cheek teeth is moderately wrinkled, and the cusps are columnar.

Measurements (mm) of the teeth are as follows:

	KNM-SH	crown length	crown breadth	crown height
left I <sub>1</sub>	(14768)	14.7	7.9	12.0
right I <sub>1</sub>	(14768)	16.7	7.8	12.0
left I <sub>2</sub>	(14768)	21.2	8.5	13.5
right I <sub>2</sub>	(14768)	22.3	8.7	13.8
right I <sub>2</sub>	(14784)	29.8	8.3	14.0
left P <sub>1</sub>	(14760)		ca 5.3	(no crown)
left P <sub>2</sub>	(14760)		ca 8.4	(no crown)
left P <sub>3</sub>	(14760)		ca 13.6	(no crown)
left P <sub>4</sub>	(14760)	23.5	16.5	5.8
left M <sub>1</sub>	(14760)	18.5	13.8	7.0
left M <sub>2</sub>	(14760)		20.0	8.8
left M <sub>3</sub>	(14758)	35.1	20.3	11.7

#### Discussion

With the exception of the M<sub>3</sub>, the characteristics of the cheek teeth have been obscured by wear, but it is clear that the material represents the genus *Nyanzachoerus*. The M<sub>3</sub> is shorter than those of *N. pattersoni* (Cooke & Ewer, 1972), *N. jaegeri* and *N. kanamensis*, but is similar in length to the M<sub>3</sub> of *N. tulotos* (Harris & White, 1979).

Family Hippopotamidae GRAY, 1821  
Genus *Kenyapotamus* PICKFORD, 1983  
*Kenyapotamus coryndoni* PICKFORD, 1983

(Plate 9, figs.4-8)

*Material* ..... Right M<sup>1</sup> or M<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 15850 loc. SH-53), left M<sup>1</sup> or M<sup>2</sup>(KNM-SH 15851 loc. SH-53), left and right C, P<sub>3</sub>-M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15857 loc. SH-15), left M<sub>1</sub> or DP<sub>4</sub>(KNM-SH 14789 loc. SH-53), left M<sub>1</sub> & M<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 14792 loc. SH-53)

*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, upper and lower member

#### Description

A nearly complete mandible lacking only the ventral parts. The cheek teeth are well worn. The plication on the cheek teeth is weak but the enamel is thick.

Measurements (mm) of the teeth are as follows:

KNM-SH	crown length	crown breadth	crown height
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	C	(15875)	49.0	19.4	31.5
	C	(15875)	72.0	24.6	37.8
left	M <sup>1/2</sup>	(15851)	26.2	21.3	
right	M <sup>1/2</sup>	(15850)	20.3	19.0	
left	C	(15857)		27.9	36.7
right	C	(15857)		21.7	39.5
left	P <sub>3</sub>	(15857)	31.1	16.9	15.6
right	P <sub>3</sub>	(15857)	36.1	15.5	12.8
left	P <sub>4</sub>	(15857)	25.1	16.7	10.7
right	P <sub>4</sub>	(15857)		17.2	14.4
left	DP <sub>4</sub> /M <sub>1</sub>	(14789)		17.2	
left	M <sub>1</sub>	(14792)	25.2	18.9	
left	M <sub>1</sub>	(15857)	27.9	13.7	
right	M <sub>1</sub>	(15857)	25.0	25.7	
left	M <sub>2</sub>	(14792)	24.8	18.5	
left	M <sub>2</sub>	(15857)	32.9	26.3	10.0
right	M <sub>2</sub>	(15857)	33.5	26.1	9.3
left	M <sub>3</sub>	(15857)	43.4	23.8	6.8
right	M <sub>3</sub>	(15857)	42.8	23.6	7.1

### Discussion

The characters of the cheek teeth are obscured by wear, but the size of cheek teeth of specimen clearly accords with *Kenyapotamus corydoni* (Pickford, 1983).

SUBORDER RUMINANTIA  
Family Giraffidae GRAY, 1821  
Genus *Palaeotragus* GAUDRY, 1821

*Palaeotragus* sp.

(Plate 10, figs.1-5)

*Material* ..... Left M<sup>1</sup> & M<sup>2</sup> 14759 loc. SH-51), right P<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 15843 loc. SH-22), left M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15860 loc. SH-53), right M<sub>1-3</sub> (KNM-SH 15845 loc. SH-53), left DP<sub>2</sub> or P<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15838 loc. SH-22), left P<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15844 loc. SH-22), left M<sub>1</sub> or M<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15842 loc. SH-22), left M<sub>2</sub> & M<sub>3</sub>? (KNM-SH 15846 loc. SH-56)

*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member

### Description

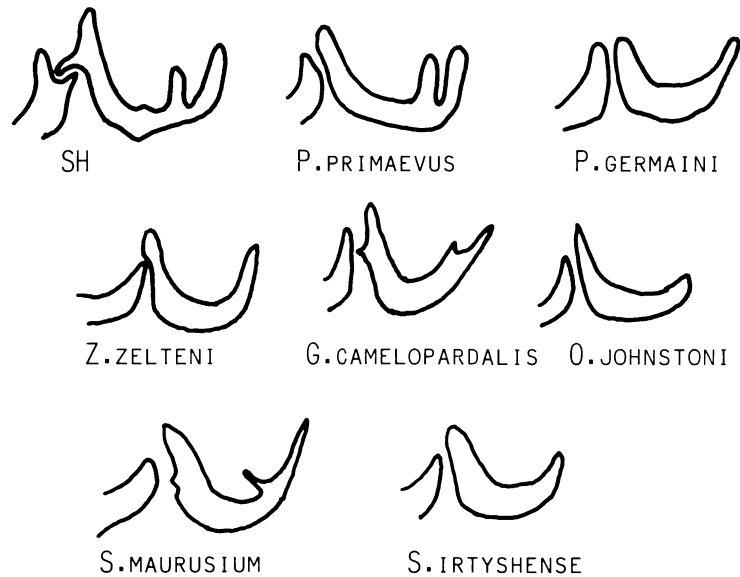


Fig. 6. Comparison of hypocone of upper M1 of Giraffids from Africa (Churcher 1978, 1979) and Samburu Hills material. G.; *Giraffa*, O.; *Okapia*, P.; *Palaeotragus*, S.; *Sivatherium*, Z.; *Zarafa*, SH; Samburu Hills material.

The enamel of the cheek teeth has vertical wrinkles, and the plication of the hypocone of the upper molar is four branched. The anterior cingulum of the upper molar is longer than the posterior cingulum, and a lingual accessory cusp is present. There is a buccal accessory cusp on the lower cheek teeth.

Measurements (mm) of the teeth are as follows:

		length	breadth	height
right P <sup>2</sup>	(15843)	11.0	8.8	16.5
left M <sup>1</sup>	(14759)	28.5	28.9	16.1
left M <sup>2</sup>	(14759)	32.9	31.6	22.9
right M <sub>2</sub>	(15845)	28.4	18.8	16.5
left DP <sub>2</sub>	(15838)	16.9	9.8	9.2
left P <sub>3</sub>	(15844)	23.1	12.0	17.0
left M <sub>1</sub>	(15842)	24.5	18.1	9.3
left M <sub>3</sub>	(15860)	34.0+	15.0+	16.5

### Discussion

The characters of the upper molars seem to indicate the genus *Palaeotragus* reported by Churcher (1979), but the Samburu Hills materials differ from *P. genmaini* in the shape worn curves (Figure 6, Churcher, 1979). Although Hamilton (1978) discussed the phylogenetic relationships of Miocene Giraffoidea, he did not use characters of upper and lower molars to differentiate species, and the specific identification of the Samburu Hills giraffoid is therefore uncertain.



MATERIAL LIST AND MEASUREMENTS OF BOVIDAE

The authors have not enough data of discussion Bovidae from the Samburu Hills. Therefore, in the following paragraphs we use only provisional taxonomic names list the material and give measurements.

Family Bovidae GRAY, 1821  
Genus *Pachytragus* SCHLOSSER, 1904

*Pachytragus* sp.

(Plate 10, figs. 6-7)

*Material* ..... Frontal with left and right horn core (KNM-SH 15717 loc. SH-55), left horn core (KNM-SH 15728 loc. SH-54, 15740 loc. SH-51), right horn core (KNM-SH 15718-A loc. SH-53, 15720 loc. SH-54), horn core (KNM-SH 15718-B loc. SH-53), right horn base (KNM-SH 15713, 15748 loc. SH-53)  
*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member

Measurements (mm) of the horn cores are as follows:

	KNM-SH	total length	(base of horn)		(10 cm above)		(20 cm above)	
			antero-post. length	trans-verse breadth	length	breadth	length	breadth
right horncore	(15720)	205	51.0	38.1	42.7	23.3	35.5	20.6
right horncore	(15717)	145	53.0	30.7	42.6	22.9		
left horncore	(15717)	122	52.9	31.8	43.9	23.5		
left horncore	(15728)	65	55.0	30.5				
right horncore	(15718-A)	150	43.5	30.5	34.3	21.3		
horncore	(15718-B)	105			39.7	26.3		

Genus *Palaeoreas* GAUDRY, 1861

*Palaeoreas* sp.

(Plate 10, figs. 8-9)

*Material* ..... Frontal with left horn core (KNM-SH 15716 loc. SH-52), left horn core (KNM-SH 15731 loc. SH-53), right horn core (KNM-SH 15710

loc. SH-52, 15723 loc. SH-55, 15725 loc. SH-53), horn core (KNM-SH 15714, 15715, 15719, 15721, 15722 loc. SH-52, 15734 loc. SH-53, 15738 loc. SH-51, 15711 locality unknown)

*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, lower member

Measurements (mm) of the horn cores are as follows:

	KNM-SH	total length	(base of horn) length	(10 cm above) breadth	(20 cm above) length	(20 cm above) breadth
left horncore	(15716)	241	35.3	28.6	20.4	22.0
right horncore	(15723)	51.4	32.8	26.9		
left horncore	(15731)	70.6	35.2	26.6		
right horncore	(15725)	70.5	30.7	29.5		
right horncore	(15710)	90.5	29.9	30.0		

Genus *Gazella* BLAINVILLE, 1816

*Gazella* sp.

(Plate 10, figs. 10-12)

*Material* ..... Left horn core (KNM-SH 15712 loc. SH-11), right M<sup>1</sup> (KNM-SH 15726 loc. SH-51, 15737 loc. SH-50), left P<sub>2</sub>-P<sub>4</sub> (KNM-SH 15735 loc. SH-51), right P<sub>3</sub> or P<sub>4</sub> (KNM-SH 15727 loc. SH-51), left M<sub>1</sub> & M<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15736 loc. SH-51), left M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15739 loc. SH-51)

*Horizon* ..... Namurungule Formation, upper and lower member

Measurements (mm) of the materials are as follows:

	KNM-SH	crown length	crown breadth	crown height
right M <sup>1</sup>	(15737)	15.0	9.0	9.7
right M <sup>2</sup>	(15737)	19.0	17.3	16.4
right M <sup>1/2</sup>	(15726)	15.9	13.5	11.1
left P <sub>3</sub>	(15735)	9.1	6.8	8.2
right P <sub>3/4</sub>	(15727)	12.5	6.2	10.0
left M <sub>1</sub>	(15736)	11.1	6.7	7.5
left M <sub>2</sub>	(15736)	14.8	7.9	17.0
left M <sub>3</sub>	(15739)	22.9	10.0	5.4

	total length	proximal length	proximal breadth	distal length	distal breadth
left horncore	78.8	28.0	17.6	20.9	14.9

## CONCLUSION

The Namurugule fauna differs significantly from the fauna of the Aka Aiteputh Formation near the Samburu Hills, a fact which is ascribed to differences in age and paleoenvironments. The Namurungule fauna reflects a typical savanna environment, whereas the Aka Aiteputh fauna reflects a woodland environment.

Some of the mammals from the Namurungule fauna are advanced forms, which were the fundamental group that developed into the Plio-Pleistocene mammalian fauna of the East African savannas.

Many researchers have studied the Tertiary faunal relationships of Eurasia and Africa (Bernor 1983 ; Bernor *et al.* 1980 ; Eisenmann 1977 ; Guerin 1979, 1980 ; Tassy 1979 ; Thomas 1984a, b ; Thomas *et al.* 1982). All mention the immigration of mammals from Eurasia to Africa. It is clear that there was an appreciable interchange of mammals between the two continents during the late Miocene and the Namurungule fauna is significant in documenting the extent of this interchange (see following table).

Similarity of the Namurungule Fauna (from Nakaya *et al.* 1984 and this report) and other Eurasian Fauna.

Hominoidea gen. et sp. nov.	A
<i>Paraphiomys</i> sp.	A
<i>Paraulacodus</i> sp.	A, S
Hyaenidae spp.	A, E
<i>Tetralophondon</i> sp.	M, S, E
<i>Deinotherium</i> spp.	A, E
<i>Cormohipparion perimense</i>	A, S
<i>Hipparion sitifense</i> (small form)	A, E
Chalicotheriidae gen. et sp. indet.	A, E
<i>Paradiceros</i> sp.	A
<i>Kenyatherium bishopi</i>	A, (M, S, C)
Rhinocerotidae gen. et sp. indet	
<i>Nyanzachoerus</i> sp.	A
<i>Kenyapotamus coryndoni</i>	A
Tragulidae	A, E
<i>Palaeotragus</i> sp.	A, M
Giraffidae (large form)	A, M
<i>Miotragocerus</i> sp A	A, M
<i>Pachytragus</i> sp.	A, M
<i>Palaeoreas</i> sp	A, M
<i>Gazella</i> sp.	A, E

A : unique African taxa, C : Chinese taxa, E : common Eurasian taxa, M : Mediterranean taxa,

S : Siwaliks taxa

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**Explanation of Plate 1**

(Scale bar represents 20 mm in fig. 1-6)

Hyaenidae gen. et sp. indet.

sp. A

**Fig. 1** Buccal view of the left  $M_1$  (KNM-SH 14755)  $\times 1$

**Fig. 2** Longual view of the left  $M_1$  (KNM-SH 14755)  $\times 1$

Hyaenidae gen. et sp. indet.

sp. B

**Fig. 3** Lingual view of the right  $P_4$  (KNM-SH 15841)  $\times 1$

**Fig. 4** Buccal view of the right  $P_4$  (KNM-SH 15841)  $\times 1$

sp. C

**Fig. 5** Buccal view of the right  $P_{3/4}$  (KNM-SH 15871)  $\times 1$

Fissipedia fam., gen. et sp. indet.

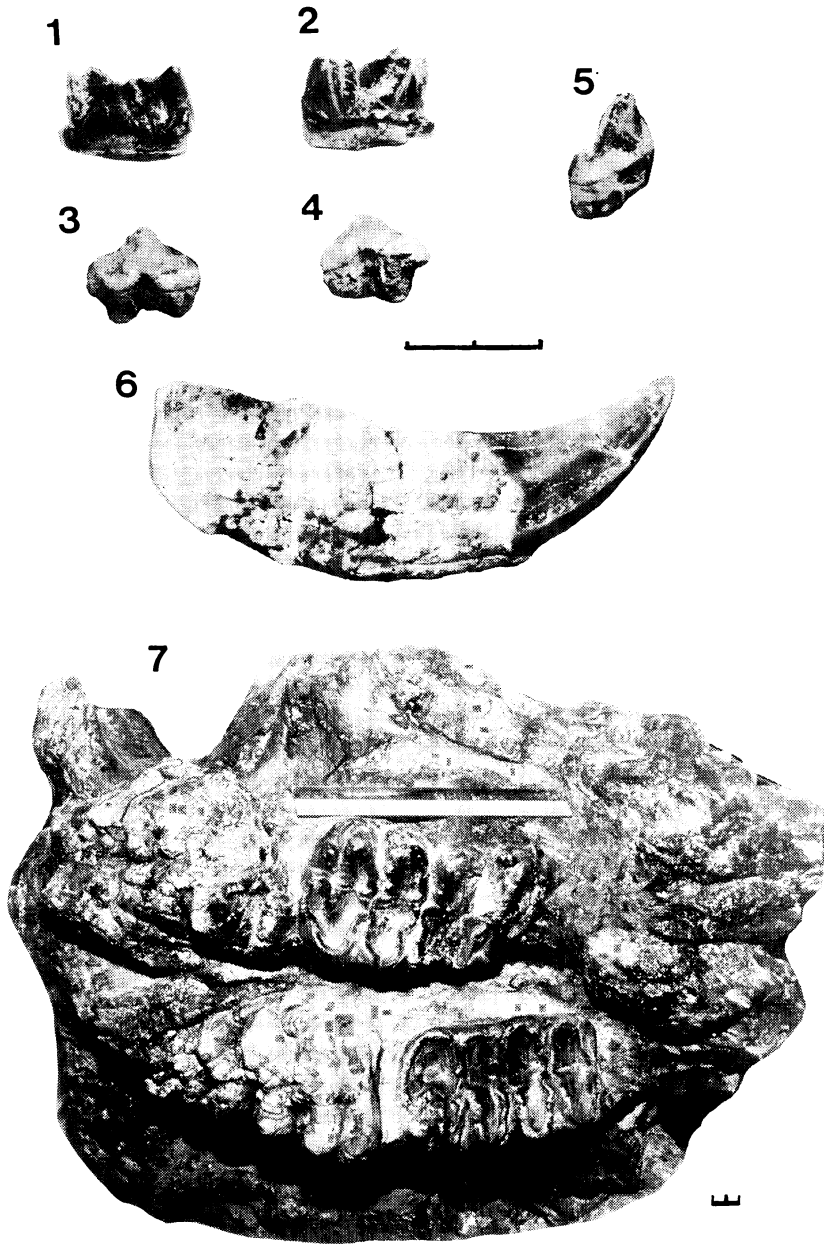
**Fig. 6** Lingual view of the left lower canine (KNM-SH 14794)  $\times 1$

*Tetralophodon* sp.

**Fig. 7** Occlusal view of the skull (KNM-SH 15858)  $\times 1/5$



Plate 1



**Explanation of Plate 2**

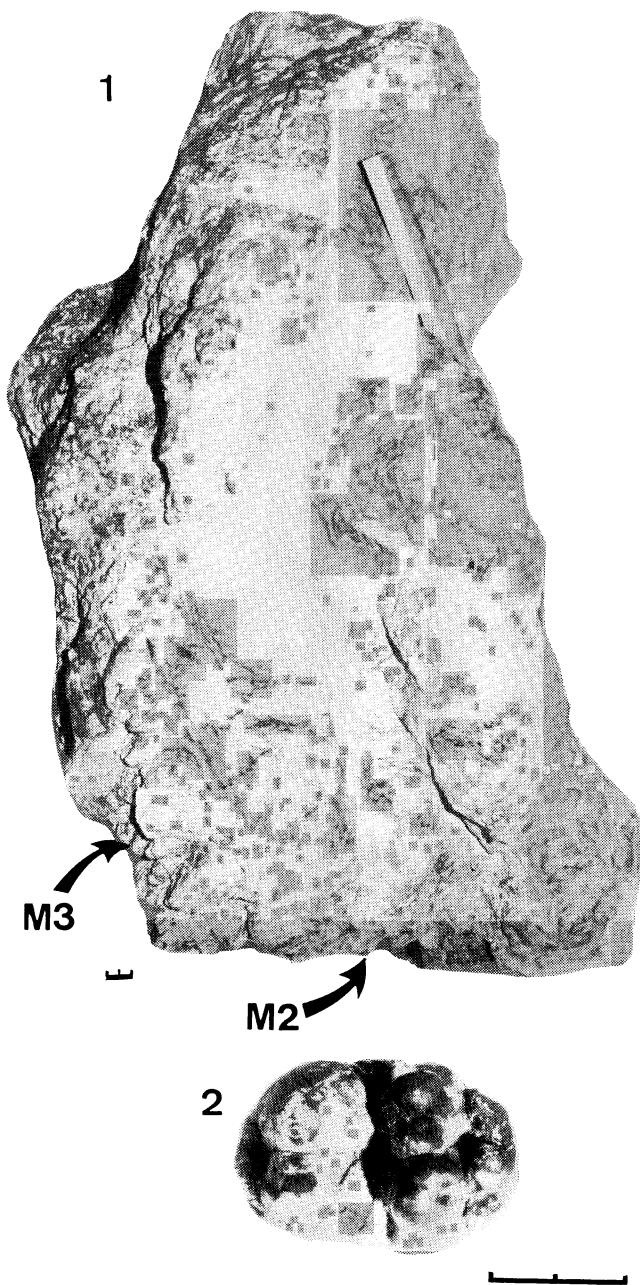
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*Tetralophodon* sp.

**Fig. 1** Right lateral view of the skull (KNM-SH 15858)  $\times 1/5$

**Fig. 2** Occlusal view of the right DP<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15782)  $\times 1$

Plate 2



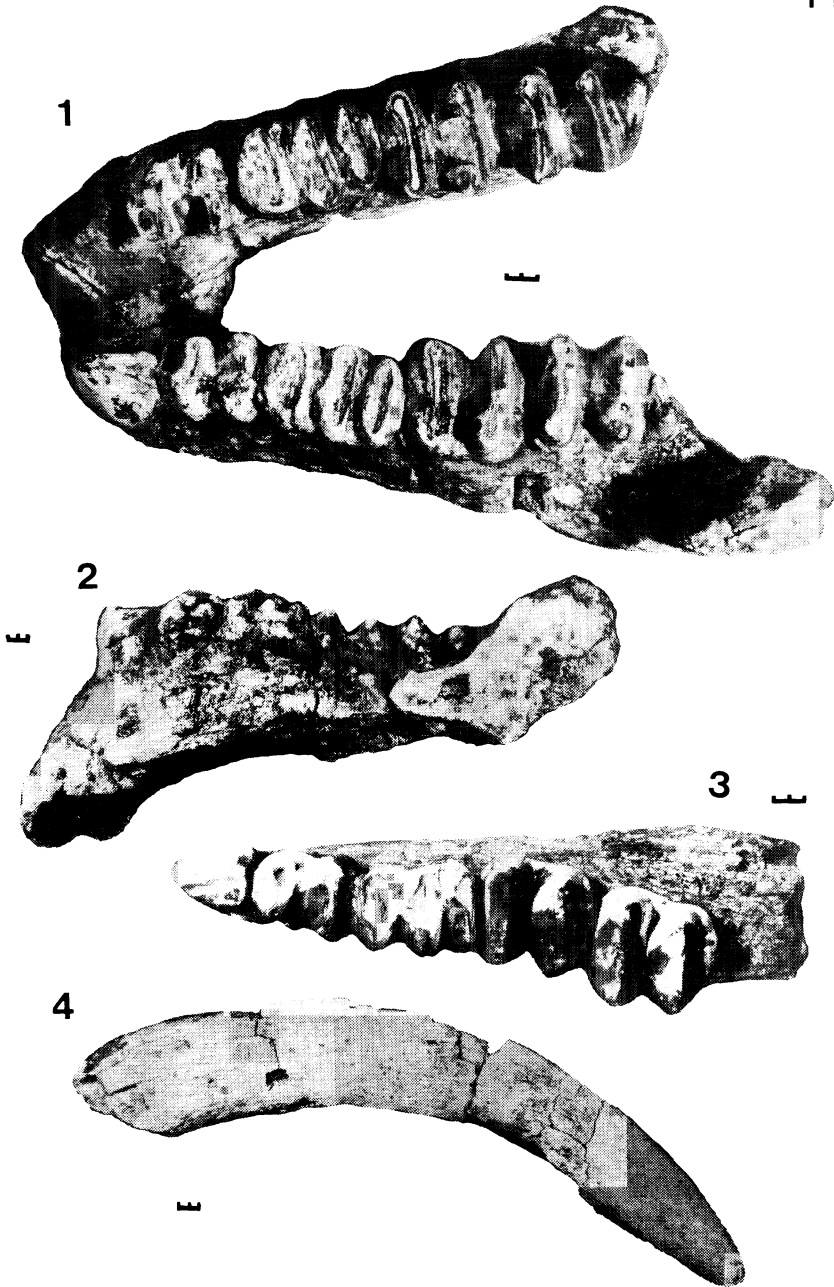
**Explanation of Plate 3**

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*Deinotherium* sp.,

- Fig. 1** Occlusal view of the mandible (KNM-SH 15776)  $\times 1/4$
- Fig. 2** Left lateral view of the mandible (KNM-SH 15776)  $\times 1/5.3$
- Fig. 3** Occlusal view of the right mandible (KNM-SH 15778)  $\times 1/4$
- Fig. 4** Lateral view of the tusk (KNM-SH 15777)  $\times 1/6.25$

Plate 3



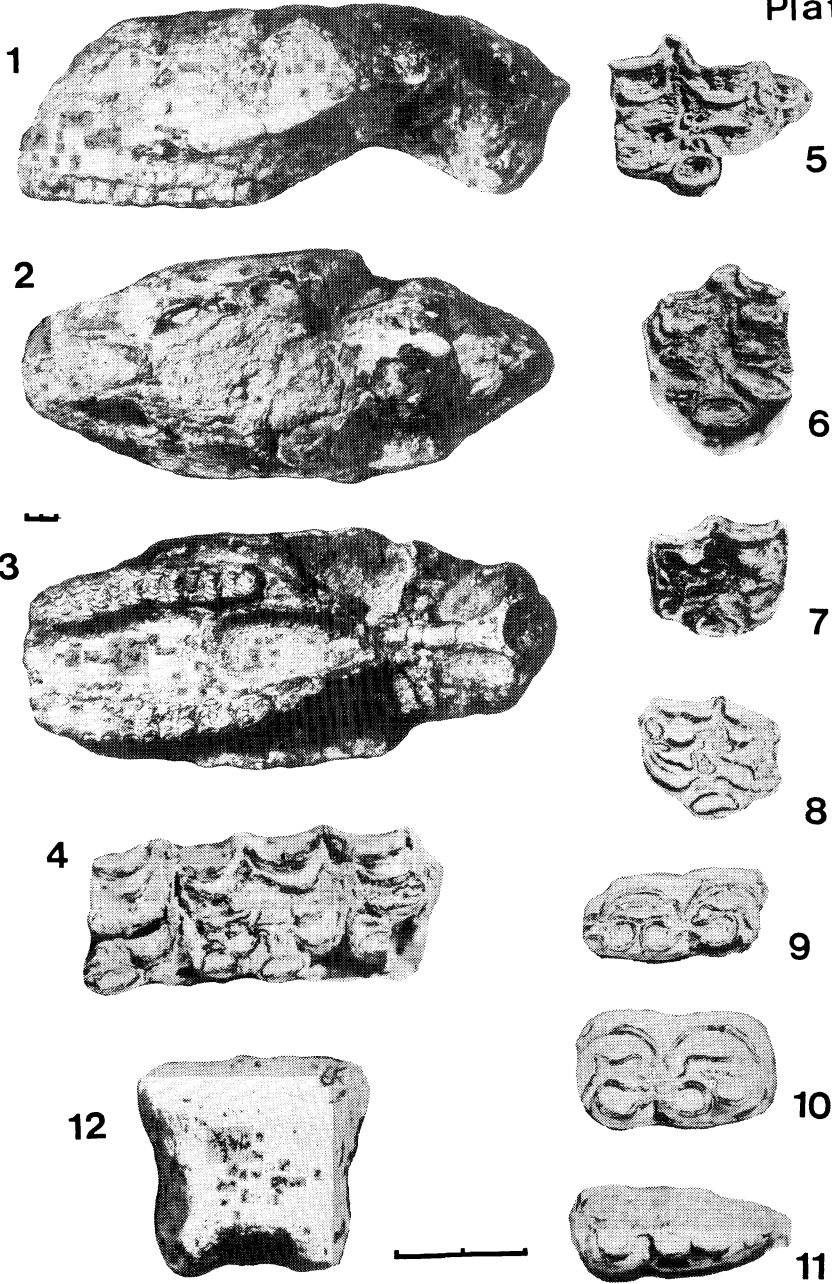
**Explanation of Plate 4**

(Scale bar represents 20 mm in fig. 1-12)

“*Cormohipparion*” (*Sivalhippus*) *perimense*

- Fig. 1** Left lateral view of the skull (KNM-SH 15683) × 1/4
- Fig. 2** Dorsal view of the skull (KNM-SH 15683) × 1/4
- Fig. 3** Ventral view of the skull (KNM-SH 15683) × 1/4
- Fig. 4** Occlusal view of the right P<sup>3</sup>-M<sup>1</sup> (KNM-SH 15773) × 1
- Fig. 5** Occlusal view of the right P<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 15761) × 1
- Fig. 6** Occlusal view of the left M<sup>1/2</sup> (KNM-SH 15668) × 1
- Fig. 7** Occlusal view of the right M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15664) × 1
- Fig. 8** Occlusal view of the left M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15766) × 1
- Fig. 9** Occlusal view of the left P<sub>3/4</sub> (KNM-SH 15648) × 1
- Fig. 10** Occlusal view of the right P<sub>3/4</sub> (KNM-SH 15650) × 1
- Fig. 11** Occlusal view of the right M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15649) × 1
- Fig. 12** Anterior view of the 3rd. middle phalange (KNM-SH 14777) × 1

Plate 4



**Explanation of Plate 5**

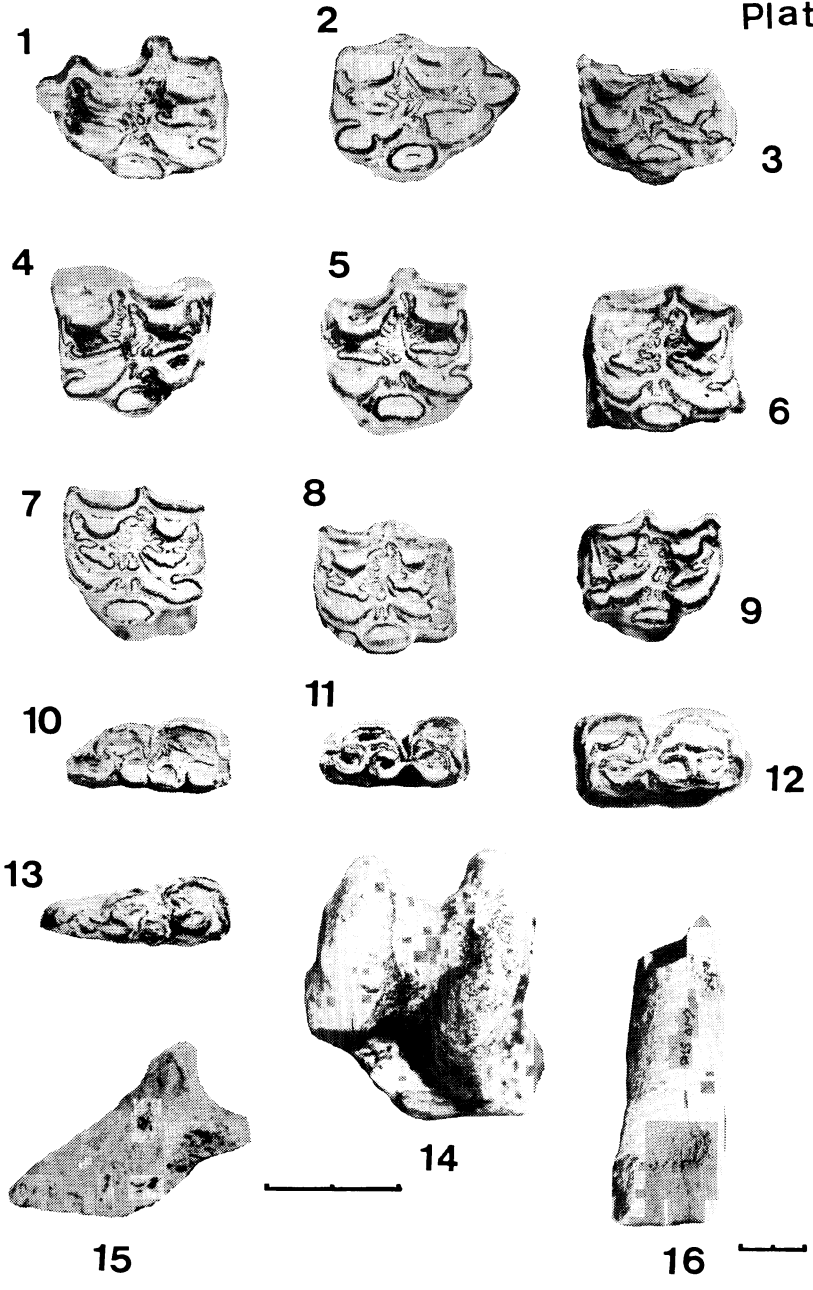
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*Hipparion sitifense*

- Fig. 1** Occlusal view of the left P<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 15651) × 1
- Fig. 2** Occlusal view of the right P<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 14764) × 1
- Fig. 3** Occlusal view of the left DP<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 14665) × 1
- Fig. 4** Occlusal view of the right P<sup>3/4</sup> (KNM-SH 15659) × 1
- Fig. 5** Occlusal view of the left P<sup>4</sup>/M<sup>1</sup> (KNM-SH 15671) × 1
- Fig. 6** Occlusal view of the left M<sup>1</sup> (KNM-SH 15661-A) × 1
- Fig. 7** Occlusal view of the left M<sup>1</sup> (KNM-SH 14763) × 1
- Fig. 8** Occlusal view of the left M<sup>2</sup> (KNM-SH 14652) × 1
- Fig. 9** Occlusal view of the right M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 14658) × 1
- Fig. 10** Occlusal view of the right P<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15644) × 1
- Fig. 11** Occlusal view of the left P<sub>3/4</sub> (KNM-SH 15647) × 1
- Fig. 12** Occlusal view of the right M<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15654) × 1
- Fig. 13** Occlusal view of the left M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15663) × 1
- Fig. 14** Anterior view of the right talus (KNM-SH 14762) × 1
- Fig. 15** Lateral view of the 3rd. distal phalange (KNM-SH 15675) × 1
- Fig. 16** Anterior view of the 3rd. metatarsal (KNM-SH 15679) × 1/2



Plate 5



**Explanation of Plate 6**

(Scale bar represents 20 mm in fig. 1-4)

*Paradiceros* sp.

**Fig. 1** Occlusal view of the left P<sup>4</sup>-M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15835) × 1

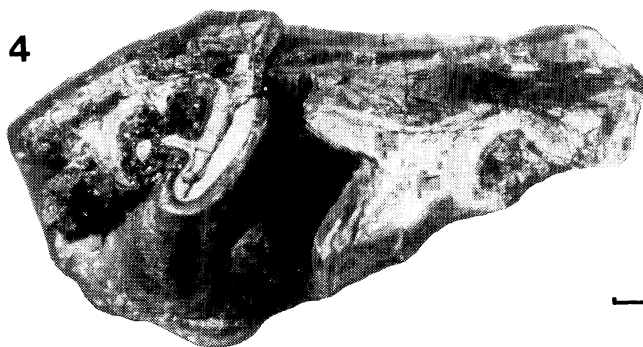
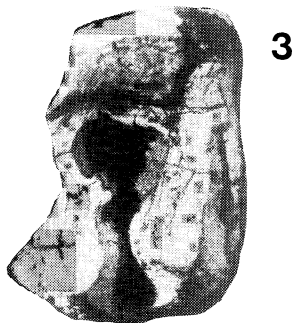
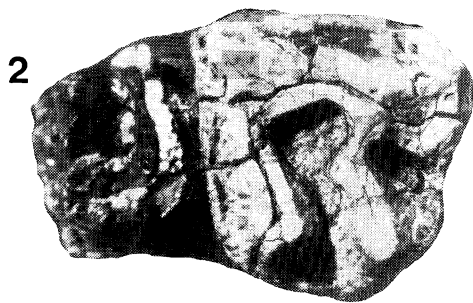
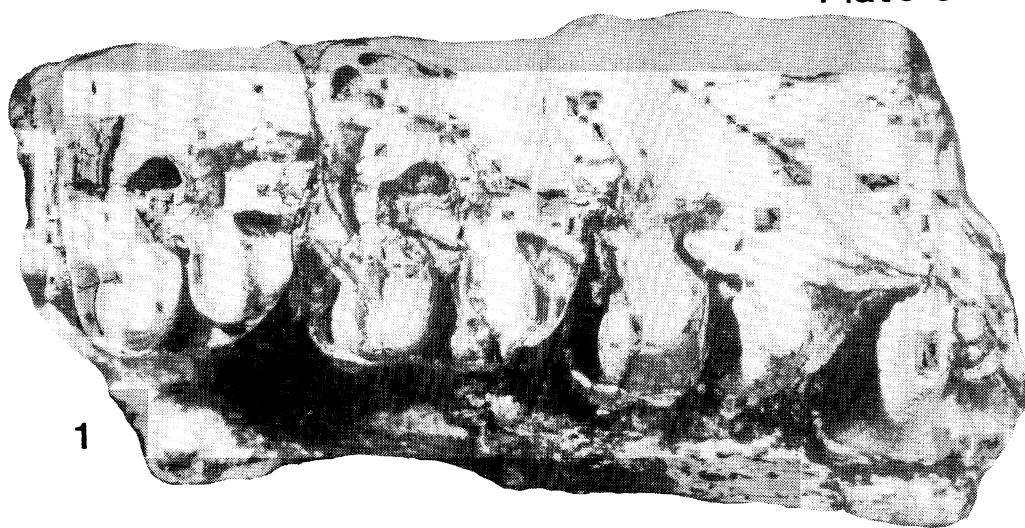
**Fig. 2** Occlusal view of the left P<sup>4</sup> (KNM-SH 15859-A) × 1

**Fig. 3** Occlusal view of the right P<sup>4</sup> (KNM-SH 15859-B) × 1

*Chilotheridium* sp.

**Fig. 4** Occlusal view of the right M<sup>2&3</sup> (KNM-SH 15833) × 1

Plate 6



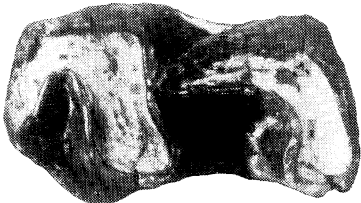
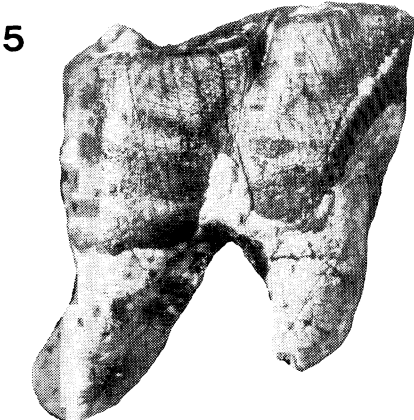
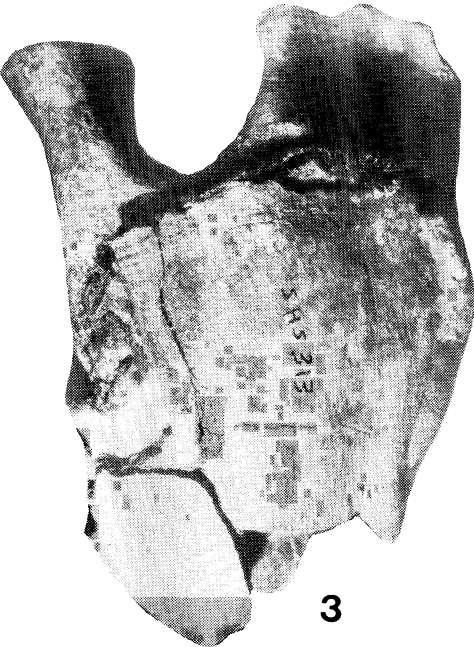
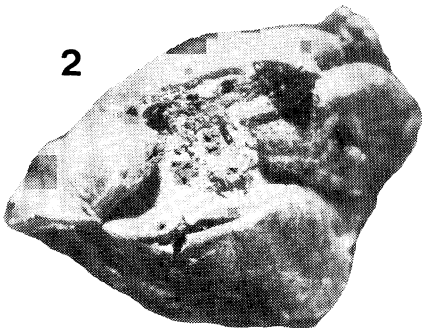
**Explanation of Plate 7**

(Scale bar represents 20 mm in fig. 1-5)

*Chilotheridium* sp.

- Fig. 1** Buccal view of the right  $M^{2\&3}$  (KNM-SH 15833)  $\times 1$
- Fig. 2** Occlusal view of the left  $M^3$  (KNM-SH 15831)  $\times 1$
- Fig. 3** Buccal view of the left  $M^3$  (KNM-SH 15831)  $\times 1$
- Fig. 4** Occlusal view of the right  $M_{1/2}$  (KNM-SH 15866-A)  $\times 1$
- Fig. 5** Buccal view of the right  $M_{1/2}$  (KNM-SH 15866-A)  $\times 1$

Plate 7



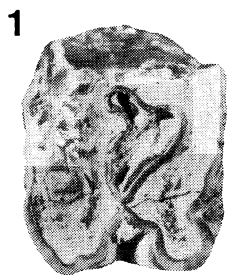
**Explanation of Plate 8**

(Scale bar represents 20 mm in fig. 1-5)

*Kenyatherium bishopi*

- Fig. 1** Occlusal view of the right M<sup>1</sup> (KNM-SH 15827) × 1
- Fig. 2** Occlusal view of the right M<sup>3</sup> (KNM-SH 15826) × 1
- Fig. 3** Occlusal view of the left M<sup>2&3</sup> (KNM-SH 15826) × 1
- Fig. 4** Occlusal view of the right P<sub>4</sub> (KNM-SH 15768) × 1
- Fig. 5** Occlusal view of the left P<sub>4</sub> & M<sub>1</sub> (KNM-SH 15767) × 1

Plate 8



**Explanation of Plate 9**

(Scale bar represents 20 mm in fig. 1-8)

*Nyanzachoerus* sp.

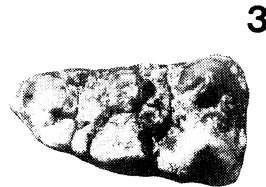
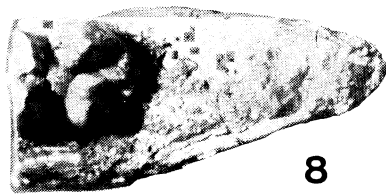
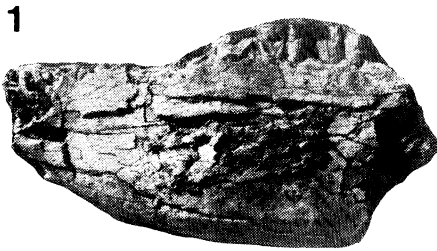
- Fig. 1** Occlusal view of the left mandible (KNM-SH 14760)  $\times 1/4$   
**Fig. 2** Buccal view of the left mandible (KNM-SH 14760)  $\times 1/4$   
**Fig. 3** Occlusal view of the left  $M_3$  (KNM-SH 14758)  $\times 1$

*Kenyapotamus coryndoni*

- Fig. 4** Occlusal view of the mandible (KNM-SH 15857)  $\times 1/4$   
**Fig. 5** Left buccal view of the mandible (KNM-SH 15857)  $\times 1/4$   
**Fig. 6** Occlusal view of the left  $M^{1/2}$  (KNM-SH 15851)  $\times 1$   
**Fig. 7** Occlusal view of the left  $M_{1/2}$  (KNM-SH 14792)  $\times 1$   
**Fig. 8** Occlusal view of the left  $DP_4/M_1$



Plate 9



**Explanation of Plate 10**

(Scale bar represents 20 mm in fig. 1-12)

*Palaeotragus* sp.

- Fig. 1** Occlusal view of the M<sup>2&3</sup> (KNM-SH 14759)×1
- Fig. 2** Occlusal view of the right P<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15843)×1
- Fig. 3** Occlusal view of the left DP<sub>2</sub>/P<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15838)×1
- Fig. 4** Occlusal view of the left M<sub>1</sub> (KNM-SH 15842)×1
- Fig. 5** Occlusal view of the right M<sub>2</sub> (KNM-SH 15845)×1

*Pachytragus* sp.

- Fig. 6** Posterior view of the frontal with right and left horn cores (KNM-SH 15717)×1/2
- Fig. 7** Right lateral view of the frontal with right and left horn cores (KNM-SH 15717)×1/2

*Palaeoreas* sp.

- Fig. 8** Dorsal view of the frontal with left horn core (KNM-SH 15716)×1/4
- Fig. 9** Left lateral view of the frontal with left horn core (KNM-SH 15716)×1/4

*Gazella* sp.

- Fig. 10** Medial view of the left horn core (KNM-SH 15712)×1/2
- Fig. 11** Occlusal view of the right M<sup>1&2</sup> (KNM-SH 15737)×1
- Fig. 12** Occlusal view of the left M<sub>3</sub> (KNM-SH 15739)×1

Plate 10

