

The multituberculate *Catopsalis* from the early Paleocene of the Crazy Mountains Basin in Montana

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A new species of the taeniolabidid multituberculate *Catopsalis* is described from the Simpson Quarry fauna of the Puercan age Bear Formation of the Crazy Mountains Basin, south-central Montana. The molars retain a conservative cusp formula, yet are distinct from those of other early members of the genus in their extremely large size, which is approximately the same as that of *C. calgariensis* from the late Torrejonian to early Tiffanian. The combination of apomorphic and plesiomorphic features in the new species indicates a greater degree of complexity in the evolution of the genus than previously recognized.

Key words: Multituberculata, Taeniolabididae, Puercan, Paleocene, Montana.

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