

“Studies on the Mammalian Kidney”

(with 3 plates and 29 figures in the text)

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A Note from the Contributor

The deaths of many animals in the Uppsala Zoological Institute during the terrible years of World War II gave Ivar Sperber fresh specimen kidneys to examine and dissect, ultimately resulting in his 1944 thesis: “Studies on the Mammalian Kidney”. Approximately 140 species were examined, with kidneys from 50 species studied by macerating renal tissue and measuring the size of the resulting capsules and tubules.

I have posted the sections of this thesis both as high quality PDF files that have a good appearance when printed (but are huge), as well as smaller files that are more suitable for downloading for browsing. I have also posted a spreadsheet tabulating the species listed in Sperber’s *Table of Contents*, along with their common names and links to their **Wikipedia** entry (as best as I could determine). In some cases, the genus has subsequently been reassigned, and the current binomial name is given separately.

Many thanks to Dr. Mark Knepper for pointing out the existence of this work, to the librarians of the Rowland Medical Library for finding a copy, and to the past librarians of Tulane University who long ago had the wisdom to purchase and retain this volume from the **Zoologiska Bidrag Från Uppsala** in their collection.

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