

**Supplementary Table 1.** Reports of spontaneously arising tumors in degus (*Octodon degus*) other than chordoma.

Type of tumors		
Epithelial	Mesenchymal	Round cell
Hepatocellular adenoma <sup>10</sup>	Splenic hemangioma <sup>7</sup>	Lymphoma <sup>7,10</sup>
Hepatocellular carcinoma <sup>6,7</sup>	Renal cavernous hemangioma <sup>10</sup>	Melanoma <sup>4</sup>
Biliary cystadenoma <sup>10</sup>	Lipomas <sup>7,10</sup>	Malignant histiocytoma <sup>4</sup>
Pulmonary adenocarcinoma <sup>1,9</sup>	Fibrosarcoma <sup>2,4,10</sup>	Reticulum cell sarcoma <sup>7</sup>
Renal transitional cell carcinoma <sup>5</sup>	Subcuticular myxosarcoma <sup>10</sup>	
Parathyroid adenocarcinoma <sup>9</sup>	Vaginal leiomyoma <sup>4</sup>	
Oral squamous papilloma <sup>10</sup>	Vaginal leiomyosarcoma <sup>4,8</sup>	
Squamous cell carcinoma <sup>2</sup>	Uterine cavernous angioleiomyoma <sup>3</sup>	
	Uterine leiomyosarcoma <sup>10</sup>	
	Bladder leiomyosarcoma <sup>10</sup>	
	Rhabdomyosarcoma <sup>6</sup>	
	Femoral osteoma <sup>10</sup>	
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**Supplementary Table 2.** Reports of spontaneously arising chordomas in non-human mammals.

Species	Breed/subspecies/strain	Age	Location of chordoma	No. of cases	Metastasis	Histologic subtype	Ref.
American mink ( <i>Neovison vison</i> )		2.25 y	Thoracolumbar: vertebral canal at T14 and L1 (spinal cord not infiltrated)	1	None	NA‡	11
		4.75 y	Lumbar: presumed osseous mass involving the body and arches of L3 (spinal cord not infiltrated)	1	None	NA‡	11
Cat ( <i>Felis catus</i> )	Domestic Shorthair	8 y	Cranial: skull base at the level of the basioccipital bone	1	None	CL	2
	Maine Coon	9 y	Cervical: within C2 vertebral body	1	None	NA*	12
	Domestic Shorthair	4 y	Cervical: deep intramuscular between the platysma and trapezius muscles lateral to C3-C4 on the left side of the neck	1	Prescapular lymph node, retropharyngeal lymph nodes	NA†	5
	Domestic Shorthair	14 y	Caudal: tip of the tail (distal part of last coccygeal vertebra)	1	None	CH	4
Degu ( <i>Octodon degus</i> )		6 y	Caudal: base of the tail	1	NA	NA*	17
		8 y	Caudal: tip of the tail (last coccygeal vertebra)	1	None	CL	This study
		NA	NA	1	NA	NA	32
Dog ( <i>Canis familiaris</i> )	Standard Dachshund	10 y	Cervical: extradural at the level of C3-C4 on the right side of the spinal canal	1	None	CH	26
	Belgian Shepherd	7 y	Cervical: intrameningeal and intramedullary at the level of C3	1	NA	CH	10
	Shetland Sheepdog	12 y	Cervical: spine at the level of C6-C7	1	NA	CH	30
	Doberman Pinscher	6 y	Caudal: Co2 within deep dermis and hypodermis	1	None	NA†	19

Species	Breed/subspecies/strain	Age	Location of chordoma	No. of cases	Metastasis	Histologic subtype	Ref.
Ferret ( <i>Mustela putorius furo</i> )		4 y	Craniocervical: left cranial articular fovea of the atlas to mid-cervical region C4	1	Lungs	CH	9
		6.5 y	Caudal: base of the tail at the level of Co1	1	Skin (distant metastases)	NA‡	20
		$\bar{x} = 3.4$ y	Caudal: tip of the tail	20	NA	CH (19) and NA (1)	7
		6 y	Caudal: tip of the tail	1	NA	CH	3
		4 y	Caudal: tip of the tail (last coccygeal vertebra)	1	None	CH	1
		3 y	Caudal: distal portion of the tail	1	None	CH	1
		>3 y	Caudal: near the end of the last coccygeal vertebra	5	None	NA‡	13
		3 y	Caudal: tip of the tail	1	NA	NA‡	6
		4 y	Caudal: tip of the tail	1	NA	NA‡	24
		3–5 y	Caudal: tip of the tail	6	None	CL	31
		5 y	Cervical: C1-C2 articular space	1	None	NA‡	29
		4 y	Cervical: ventral aspect of C2-C3	1	Skin adjacent to C2-C3	NA‡	29
		4 y	Cervical: at the level of C1 to C2	1	NA	NA	15
		3 y	Cervical: retropharyngeal region	1	None	NA‡	8
Oldfield mouse or beach mouse ( <i>Peromyscus polionotus trissyllepsis</i> )	Perdido Key beach mouse ( <i>Peromyscus polionotus trissyllepsis</i> )	424–2,170 d ( $\bar{x} = 1,399$ d)	Vertebral column§:	38	Lungs (13)	CL (for primary tumors and metastases). Rare cases: CH	28
			cervical	5			
			thoracic	16			
			lumbar	13			
			sacral	10			
Norway rat ( <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> )	Sprague-Dawley	617 d	Thoracolumbar: subcutaneous upper right thoracolumbar region	1	None	NA*	33

Species	Breed/subspecies/strain	Age	Location of chordoma	No. of cases	Metastasis	Histologic subtype	Ref.
Fischer 344	Fischer 344	112 wk	Lumbar: ventral part of L5	1	NA	NA*	23
	Fischer 344	74–138 wk ( $\bar{x} = 109$ wk)	Vertebral column	31	Lungs (14)	CL (for primary tumors and metastases) except for 1 case†	25
			Cranial	1			
			Lumbosacral	30			
	Fischer 344	2 y	Sacrococcygeal	1	NA	NA	22
Sheep ( <i>Ovis aries</i> )	Fischer 344	97 wk	Sacrococcygeal	1	NA	NA‡	27
	Iranian fat-tailed	6 d	Cranial: deep dermis of the skin in the occipital region	1	None	CL	16
Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	Bengal tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris tigris</i> )	19 y	Thoracic: from the T7-T8 vertebral body to the left rib	1	None	CL	18

C = cervical vertebra; CH = chondroid; CL = classic; Co = coccygeal vertebra; d = days; L = lumbar vertebra; mo = months; NA = data not available; T = thoracic vertebra; wk = weeks;  $\bar{x}$  = mean; y = years. Numbers in parentheses in metastasis or subtype columns indicate number of cases.

\* Photographs and histologic description suggest a classic subtype.

† Interpreted as a classic subtype by Carminato et al. 2008.

‡ Photographs and histologic description suggest a chondroid subtype.

§ Ten mice had multiple primary chordomas at different locations: cervical and/or thoracic and/or lumbar and/or sacral.

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