New Orangutan Species from Tapanuli



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The finding is published in a paper entitled Morphometric, Behavioral, and Genomic Evidence for a New Orangutan Species at Current Biology (http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.cub.2017.09.047). In the paper, it is said that *P. tapanuliensis* is the oldest evolutionary lineage in the genus Pongo in the world. As the population consist of fewer than 800 individuals, its geographic isolation, and other threats, *P. tapanuliensis* is classified as the most endangered great apes.