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Global distribution and conservation of rare and threatened vertebrates

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165 mammalian species (from a total of 4,269) listed as ‘data deficient’ by the IUCN were inadvertently omitted from the total and rare species richness values presented. In addition, the spatially corrected P values associated with richness correlations presented incorrectly used a one-tailed significance test for positive correlations. Consequently, a number of numerical results in the original paper have changed. Our original conclusions are not affected.

A complete set of revised display items is available for comparison as Supplementary Information to this corrigendum. The range of correlations between total richness values reported in the original paper (0.79 ≤ r ≤ 0.90) are unchanged to 2 decimal places, however that between rare species richness values should be 0.22 ≤ r ≤ 0.47 (originally 0.24 ≤ r ≤ 0.48). The lower quartile of the range size distribution of mammals should be 41,728 km² (originally 41,685 km²). 19.3% of hotspot cells are common to all three vertebrate classes (originally 17.8%), compared to 2% (originally 2.3%) of rarity hotspots. The median range sizes we reported for illustrative purposes in the Methods section are derived from distribution maps on the analytical grid, not from polygonal areas of occupancy.

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