

Agouti (https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?and+Gene+Gephebase=%5C^Agouti%5C^#gephebase-summary-title)	Gephebase Gene	GP00000065	GepheID
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	Trait Category
Morphology (#https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Trait+Category=~Morphology #gephebase-summary-title)	
	Trait
Coloration (coat) (#https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Trait=~Coloration+coat #gephebase-summary-title)	
	Trait State in Taxon A
<i>Panthera pardus</i>	
	Trait State in Taxon B
<i>Panthera pardus</i> - melanica	
	Ancestral State
Taxon A	
	Taxonomic Status
Intraspecific (#https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Taxonomic+Status=~Intraspecific #gephebase-summary-title)	

Taxon A		Taxon B	
Panthera pardus (<a +panthera+pardus^#gephebase-summary-title"="" href="https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Taxon+and+Synonyms=">https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Taxon+and+Synonyms="+Panthera+pardus^#gephebase-summary-title)	Latin Name	Panthera pardus (<a +panthera+pardus^#gephebase-summary-title"="" href="https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Taxon+and+Synonyms=">https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Taxon+and+Synonyms="+Panthera+pardus^#gephebase-summary-title)	Latin Name
leopard	Common Name	leopard	Common Name
Leo pardus; leopard	Synonyms	Leo pardus; leopard	Synonyms
species	Rank	species	Rank
cellular organisms; Eukaryota; Opisthokonta; Metazoa; Eumetazoa; Bilateria; Deuterostomia; Chordata; Craniata; Vertebrata; Gnathostomata; Teleostomi; Euteleostomi; Sarcopterygii; Dipnotetrapodomorpha; Tetrapoda; Amniota; Mammalia; Theria; Eutheria; Boreoeutheria; Laurasiatheria; Carnivora; Feliformia; Felidae; Pantherinae; Panthera	Lineage	cellular organisms; Eukaryota; Opisthokonta; Metazoa; Eumetazoa; Bilateria; Deuterostomia; Chordata; Craniata; Vertebrata; Gnathostomata; Teleostomi; Euteleostomi; Sarcopterygii; Dipnotetrapodomorpha; Tetrapoda; Amniota; Mammalia; Theria; Eutheria; Boreoeutheria; Laurasiatheria; Carnivora; Feliformia; Felidae; Pantherinae; Panthera	Lineage
Panthera () - (Rank: genus) (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Taxonomy/Browser/wwwtax.cgi?id=9688)	Parent	Panthera () - (Rank: genus) (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Taxonomy/Browser/wwwtax.cgi?id=9688)	Parent
9691 (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Taxonomy/Browser/wwwtax.cgi?id=9691)	NCBI Taxonomy ID	9691 (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Taxonomy/Browser/wwwtax.cgi?id=9691)	NCBI Taxonomy ID
No	is Taxon A an Intraspecies?	No	is Taxon B an Intraspecies?

Asip	Generic Gene Name	Q03288 (http://www.uniprot.org/uniprot/Q03288)	UniProtKB Mus musculus
As; ASP; A<y>; ASIP; a	Synonyms	AGB56420 (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/AGB56420)	GenebankID or UniProtKB
10090.ENSMUSP00000029123 (http://string-db.org/newstring.cgi/show_network_section.pl?identifier=10090.ENSMUSP00000029123)	String		
-	Sequence Similarities		
GO:0031779 : melanocortin receptor binding (https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0031779) GO:0031781 : type 3 melanocortin receptor binding (https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0031781) GO:0031782 : type 4 melanocortin receptor binding (https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0031782)	GO - Molecular Function		
	GO - Biological Process		

GO:0008343 : adult feeding behavior
(<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0008343>)
GO:0006091 : generation of precursor metabolites and energy
(<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0006091>)
GO:0071514 : genetic imprinting (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0071514>)
GO:0009755 : hormone-mediated signaling pathway
(<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0009755>)
GO:0042438 : melanin biosynthetic process
(<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0042438>)
GO:0032438 : melanosome organization
(<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0032438>)
GO:0032402 : melanosome transport
(<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0032402>)
GO:0043473 : pigmentation (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0043473>)
GO:0048023 : positive regulation of melanin biosynthetic process
(<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0048023>)
GO:0040030 : regulation of molecular function, epigenetic
(<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0040030>)

GO - Cellular Component

GO:0005576 : extracellular region (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0005576>)
GO:0005623 : cell (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0005623>)

Presumptive Null

Yes ([https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Presumptive Null=~Yes~#gephebase-summary-title](https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Presumptive+Null=~Yes~#gephebase-summary-title))

Molecular Type

Coding ([https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Molecular Type=~Coding~#gephebase-summary-title](https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Molecular+Type=~Coding~#gephebase-summary-title))

Aberration Type

SNP ([https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Aberration Type=~SNP~#gephebase-summary-title](https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Aberration+Type=~SNP~#gephebase-summary-title))

SNP Coding Change

Nonsense

Molecular Details of the Mutation

nonsense mutation located in exon 4 (C333A) predicted to introduce a stop codon at amino acid position 111

Experimental Evidence

Candidate Gene ([https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Experimental Evidence=~Candidate Gene~#gephebase-summary-title](https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Experimental+Evidence=~Candidate+Gene~#gephebase-summary-title))

	Taxon A	Taxon B	Position
Codon	TGC	TGA	333
Amino-acid	Cys	STP	111

Main Reference

How the leopard hides its spots: ASIP mutations and melanism in wild cats. (2012) (<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/23251368>)

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Abstract

The occurrence of melanism (darkening of the background coloration) is documented in 13 felid species, in some cases reaching high frequencies at the population level. Recent analyses have indicated that it arose multiple times in the Felidae, with three different species exhibiting unique mutations associated with this trait. The causative mutations in the remaining species have so far not been identified, precluding a broader assessment of the evolutionary dynamics of melanism in the Felidae. Among these, the leopard (*Panthera pardus*) is a particularly important target for research, given the iconic status of the 'black panther' and the extremely high frequency of melanism observed in some Asian populations. Another felid species from the same region, the Asian golden cat (*Pardofelis temminckii*), also exhibits frequent records of melanism in some areas. We have sequenced the coding region of the Agouti Signaling Protein (ASIP) gene in multiple leopard and Asian golden cat individuals, and identified distinct mutations strongly associated with melanism in each of them. The single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) detected among the *P. pardus* individuals was caused by a nonsense mutation predicted to completely ablate ASIP function. A different SNP was identified in *P. temminckii*, causing a predicted amino acid change that should also induce loss of function. Our results reveal two additional cases of species-specific mutations implicated in melanism in the Felidae, and indicate that ASIP mutations may play an important role in naturally-occurring coloration polymorphism.

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