

1 Six dentaries (3 ~~three~~ right and 3 ~~three~~ left; Figure 3) ~~are referred~~ were linked to *G.*
2 *kuroiwae* on the basis of ~~the~~ tooth morphology, which is was identical to that of the
3 maxillae (see above). The tooth count is was 50 and 53 in two right dentaries and 51
4 and 52 in two left dentaries. The tooth crowns ~~are~~ were exposed above the labial wall.
5 The Meckelian groove is was fused completely. The subdental shelf is was
6 moderately developed. The mental foramina ~~form~~ formed a longitudinal row at the
7 middle of the lateral surface, ~~the numbers are;~~ there were a total of seven (n = 2) or
8 eight (n = 3) foramina. These foramina ~~are~~ were anteroposteriorly elongated and
9 housed ~~in~~ within depressions. The posterolateral margin is was posterodorsally
10 excavated for the lateral process of the coronoid (henceforth referred to as “the
11 lateral coronoid suture”). The ventral margin of the lateral coronoid suture is was
12 straight or weakly bowed dorsally, and ~~is about~~ it was approximately twice as long as
13 the surface length of the anterodorsal margin (n = 3). The best preserved right
14 dentary (RUMF-GF-4077: Figures 3A–C) ~~retains the~~ retained an almost intact
15 posterolateral margin, except for the tip of the angular process;. Ventral to the lateral
16 coronoid suture, the margin is was strongly convex, forming a posteriorly-oriented
17 broad process, ~~and at ventral~~. Ventral to the process, it is was weakly notched.
18 Despite the posterolateral parts ~~are~~ being broken, at least two other dentaries
19 (RUMF-GF-4078 and 4080: Figures 3D, E) ~~confirm~~ confirmed that the
20 posterolateral margins ~~are~~ were not excavated anteriorly beyond the levels of the
21 posterior ends of the lateral coronoid sutures.

22 A posterior part of the right mandible (RUMF-GF-4088), which ~~lacks~~ lacked the
23 coronoid, angular, splenial, and posterior half of the retroarticular process, is was
24 recovered (Figures 4A–C). It ~~is identified~~ was linked to gekkotans on the basis of
25 having the constricted base of the retroarticular process (a gekkotan synapomorphy:
26 Estes et al., 1988) and to *G. kuroiwae* ~~in~~ on the basis of having an
27 ~~angulate~~ angulated anterior dorsal edge of the surangular (which was round in other
28 examined Japanese gekkotans). The lateral surface of the surangular
29 ~~bears~~ demonstrated faint traces of the dentary and the angular on the anterior part,
30 ~~and both~~. Both the posterior surangular foramen and the posterior mylohyoid
31 foramen ~~are~~ were distinct at the posterior part, with the latter foramen being located
32 at almost the midpoint of the height of this part of the mandible (Figures 4B, C). The
33 surangular-prearticular suture ~~runs~~ traversed across the lateral surface ~~in~~ as nearly
34 parallel with the ventral edge of the mandible, although its posterior extent is was

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35 unclear. At the position below the posterior mylohyoid foramen, the suture ~~is~~ was
36 situated ~~at much dorsal~~ more dorsally to the midpoint between the foramen and the
37 ventral edge of the prearticular (Figure 4C). The prearticular ~~is~~ was relatively high,
38 ~~the~~ with a maximum height (of 0.7 mm), slightly ~~exceeds~~ exceeding the minimum
39 height of the base of the retroarticular process (at 0.69 mm).

40 One nearly entire axis (RUMF-GF-4089; Figures 4D–F) lacking the
41 synapophysis and postzygapophysis ~~in~~ on the left side ~~is~~ was identified. It ~~is~~
42 ~~referred~~ was linked to gekkotans on the basis of having a squarish outline in the
43 ventral view, a pair of distinct subcentral foramina, a round condyle, and posteriorly
44 directed lateral projections at the lateral sides of the axial hypapophysis (Camp,
45 1923; Hoffstetter and Gasc, 1969); ~~and~~. It ~~was~~ linked to *G. kuroi* ~~in~~ on the basis
46 of having a series of traits that ~~indicate~~ indicated a eublepharid origin, such as the
47 procoelous condyle and the fused notochordal canal (Camp, 1923; Hoffstetter and
48 Gasc, 1969; Kluge, 1987; Grismer, 1988). It ~~is~~ was 3.7 mm in length (without the
49 dens, 3.2 mm), 2.3 mm in ~~the~~ maximum width, and 3.7 mm in ~~the~~ maximum height.
50 The condyle ~~is~~ was scarcely inclined dorsoventrally. Its transverse width (of 0.85
51 mm) ~~is~~ was much smaller than that of the posterior end of the centrum (at 1.27 mm).
52 The hypapophysis ~~bears~~ contained a thick and well-developed keel.

53 Appendicular skeletons ~~are~~ were represented by one almost-entire right humerus
54 (RUMF-GF-4090, 12.0 mm long; Figure 4G) and one entire right femur
55 (RUMF-GF-4091, 14.4 mm long; Figure 4H). Association of the humerus ~~is~~ was
56 based on its large size, straight overall shape, slender brachial, relatively
57 undeveloped entepicondyle, and ovoid radial condyle that ~~elongates~~ elongated in
58 parallel with the bone's axis. The femur ~~is~~ was identified on the basis of its large size,
59 and its straight and slender shape.

60 COMPARISONS: The unique combination of osteological ~~character~~
61 ~~states~~ characteristics in those skeletal elements from the Yoronjima ~~differentiates~~
62 ~~Goniurosaurus kuroi~~ differentiated *G. k. yunnu* from all other currently
63 recognized subspecies of *G. kuroi* (see; Tables 1 and 2). ~~Most~~ The most similar
64 ~~is~~ specimen was the geographically closest, *G. k. kuroi*. However, the Yoronjima
65 material ~~differs~~ differed from *G. k. kuroi* (and some other known subspecies) in
66 having: (1) a posteriorly extended maxillary shelf of the maxilla that ~~retains~~ retained
67 an extent of one tooth's width at the level of the posterior-most tooth (Figure 2D; the
68 shelf ~~is~~ was less-extended posteriorly in *G. k. kuroi* [see also ~~figure~~ Figure 6 in

69 Grismer, 1988], *G. k. splendens*, and *G. k. yamashinae*); (2) a very weak lateral
70 inclination of the lateral wall of the posterior part (above the posterior tooth row) of
71 the maxilla (Figure 2D; this part ~~is~~ was laterally inclined in *G. k. kuroiwae* and *G. k.*
72 *splendens*, as in their posterior maxillary processes, and the lateral surfaces ~~are~~
73 ~~well~~ were easily visible from the ventral sides); (3) the anterior part of the prefrontal
74 sutures of the frontal bone consisting of a laterally overhanging dorsal surface
75 (Figure 2F; there ~~are~~ were lateral walls in *G. k. kuroiwae* and *G. k. orientalis*); and,
76 (4) a constricted interorbit and a widened anterior part of the frontal bone, resulting
77 in a high ratio (1.68) of the distance between the lateral edges of the anterolateral
78 processes at the bases/interorbital width (1.68 [Table 1]; the ratio ~~is~~ was lower in *G.*
79 *k. kuroiwae*, *G. k. orientalis*, and *G. k. splendens*). Additionally, the number of ~~the~~
80 left maxillary teeth of *G. k. yunnu*, at 52 is higher, was greater than that observed in
81 *G. k. kuroiwae* and other subspecies (Table 1). Indeed, a range of 46–50 for
82 maxillary tooth counts (left) off from what was presumed to be eight “*G. k. kuroiwae*”
83 (presumably *G. k. kuroiwae*) has been reported by Nikitina and Ananjeva (2009).
84 Moreover, the estimated adult SVL of *G. k. yunnu*; at 73.0–84.2 mm (~~i.e.~~, excluding
85 values estimated on

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