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A Study on the Long-eared hedgehog, *Hemiechinus auritus*(Gmelin, 1770) (Mammalia: Insectivora) in Turkey

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Abstract: Thirteen specimens of *Hemiechinus auritus* collected in Turkey were examined for external, cranial, karyological and phallic characteristics along with postnatal development. The karyotype of *H. auritus* has $2n = 48$ chromosomes, $NFa = 92$ and $NF = 96$. The X chromosome is a large metacentric and the Y chromosome is the smallest metacentric. There are two rows of spines on the dorsal of the glans penis. The pups were born with an average weight of 6.74 g, and they opened their eyes and ears 20 days after birth. Weaning took place on day 31.

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