# Abnormal white colouration in three species of insectivorous African bats

## Abstract

There are numerous reports in the literature of albinism in bats (Setzer, 1950; Verschuren, 1955; Walley, 1971, and Cerveny & Burger, 1977). Not all records of white or partially white bats represent cases of albinism as defined by Egoscue & Lewis (1 968), and emphasized by Quay (1970). Many authors note records of "partial albinism" which are actually examples of non-albinistic abnormalities in colouration. Of the two most recent reviews, only that of Walley (1971) correctly records separately examples of albinism