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allometry	<i>Allometric equations for rorqual morphology</i>
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Description

A dataset including the intercepts and slopes of the ordinary least squares allometric regression (in log10 space) of various morphometric parameters against body length. Use the formula $10^{\text{intercept}} * \text{length}^{\text{slope}}$ to predict morphology.

Usage

allometry

Format

- A data frame with 5 columns:
- species_code** two letter codes: bw, bp, mn, ba, be, and bs
 - binomial** scientific binomials
 - morphology** morphological parameter e.g. flipper length, body mass
 - slope** slope of the allometric relationship
 - intercept** intercept of the allometric relationship

Source

doi: [10.1002/jmor.20846](https://doi.org/10.1002/jmor.20846)

morph_fun	<i>Generic morphology function</i>
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Description

Generic morphology function

Usage

morph_fun(species, length_m, morph)

Arguments

species	a vector of species codes
length_m	a vector of lengths in meters
morph	name of the morphological measurement (length one character vector)

Value

vector of measurements

power_law	<i>Power law</i>
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Description

Power law

Usage

```
power_law(a, b, x)
```

Arguments

a	intercept of the log10-log10 relationship
b	slope of the log10-log10 relationship
x	untransformed values for power law calculation

Value

a vector of power law results

rorq_bizygomatic	<i>Rorqual bizygomatic skull width</i>
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Description

Rorqual bizygomatic skull width

Usage

```
rorq_bizygomatic(species, length_m)
```

Arguments

species	a vector of species codes
length_m	a vector of lengths in meters

Value

a vector of bizygomatic skull widths in m

Examples

```
# A 22m blue whale
rorq_bizygomatic("bw", 22)

# A 7m minke
rorq_bizygomatic("ba", 7)
```

rorq_engulf	<i>Rorqual engulfment capacity</i>
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Description

Rorqual engulfment capacity

Usage

```
rorq_engulf(species, length_m)
```

Arguments

species	a vector of species codes
length_m	a vector of lengths in meters

Value

a vector of engulfment capacities in kg of water

Examples

```
# A 22m blue whale
rorq_engulf("bw", 22)

# A 7m minke
rorq_engulf("ba", 7)
```

rorq_flipper	<i>Rorqual flipper length</i>
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Description

Rorqual flipper length

Usage

```
rorq_flipper(species, length_m)
```

Arguments

species	a vector of species codes
length_m	a vector of lengths in meters

Value

a vector of flipper lengths in m

Examples

```
# A 22m blue whale
rorq_flipper("bw", 22)

# A 7m minke
rorq_flipper("ba", 7)
```

rorq_fluke	<i>Rorqual fluke length</i>
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Description

Rorqual fluke length

Usage

```
rorq_fluke(species, length_m)
```

Arguments

species	a vector of species codes
length_m	a vector of lengths in meters

Value

a vector of fluke lengths in m

Examples

```
# A 22m blue whale
rorq_fluke("bw", 22)

# A 7m minke
rorq_fluke("ba", 7)
```

rorq_mandible	<i>Rorqual projected mandible length</i>
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Description

Rorqual projected mandible length

Usage

```
rorq_mandible(species, length_m)
```

Arguments

- species a vector of species codes
- length_m a vector of lengths in meters

Value

a vector of laterally projected mandible lengths in m

Examples

```
# A 22m blue whale
rorq_mandible("bw", 22)

# A 7m minke
rorq_mandible("ba", 7)
```

rorq_mass	<i>Rorqual mass</i>
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Description

Rorqual mass

Usage

```
rorq_mass(species, length_m)
```

Arguments

species	a vector of species codes
length_m	a vector of lengths in meters

Value

a vector of masses in kg

Examples

```
# A 22m blue whale
rorq_mass("bw", 22)

# A 7m minke
rorq_mass("ba", 7)
```

rorq_massratio	<i>Rorqual engulfed water mass to body mass ratio</i>
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Description

Rorqual engulfed water mass to body mass ratio

Usage

```
rorq_massratio(species, length_m)
```

Arguments

species	a vector of species codes
length_m	a vector of lengths in meters

Value

a vector of ratios (engulfed water mass to body mass)

Examples

```
# A 22m blue whale
rorq_massratio("bw", 22)

# A 7m minke
rorq_massratio("ba", 7)
```

rorq_vgb	<i>Rorqual ventral groove blubber length</i>
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Description

Rorqual ventral groove blubber length

Usage

```
rorq_vgb(species, length_m)
```

Arguments

species	a vector of species codes
length_m	a vector of lengths in meters

Value

a vector of VGB lengths in m

Examples

```
# A 22m blue whale
rorq_vgb("bw", 22)

# A 7m minke
rorq_vgb("ba", 7)
```

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