

## **Supplementary Information**

### **1. Deriving values of scaling exponents of surface area versus body mass ( $b_A$ ) by applying Euclidean geometry to additional dimensional measurements in the study species**

Given a lack of strong systematic variation in mass-density during ontogeny, relative to size increase (Hirst 2012; Hirst et al 2014), we assume that during ontogeny mass ( $M$ )  $\propto$  Volume ( $V$ ).

Values of  $b_L$  were calculated from length measurements along the long body axis, or from the diameter of oblate medusal forms, which all grew proportionately more by radial increase rather than by bell height increase (Hirst 2012).

Shape shifting or ‘classic geometric dissimilitude’ requires a minimum of three length scales,  $l_1, l_2, l_3$ , to define the general shape changes of three-dimensional objects (Okie 2013), which can be described thus:

$$l_2 \propto l_1^\theta \text{ and}$$

$$l_3 \propto l_1^\beta, \quad [1]$$

where  $l_1$  is the measured body length, and  $\beta \leq \theta \leq 1$ . Isomorphic growth yields  $\beta = \theta = 1$ ; sheet-like or planar growth with equal increase in just two dimensions, resulting in shape ‘flattening’, yields  $\beta = 0$ , and  $\theta = 1$ ; and pure body-length elongation yields  $\beta = \theta = 0$ .

$$\text{As } M \propto V \propto l_1 l_2 l_3 \propto l_1^{(\theta + \beta + 1)}$$

$$b_L = \theta + \beta + 1 \quad [2]$$

Using dimensional analysis, Okie (2013) showed that as aspect ratios ( $l_1/l_3$ ) increase with increasing size, scaling of surface area,  $A$ , on volume,  $V$ , converges on:

$$A \propto V^{(\theta+1)/(\theta+\beta+1)} \quad [3]$$

Hence, at the limit of growth to maximum aspect ratio, achieved from minimum initial values of  $l_2$  and  $l_3$ ,

$$b_A = (\theta + 1)/(\theta + \beta + 1) \quad [4]$$

Using equations 2 and 4, and the changing values of  $\theta$  and  $\beta$  when growth changes from isomorphy to pure elongation and to pure two-dimensional or planar growth, Hirst et al (2014) derived three boundaries that contain the complete set of predicted  $b_A$  values when  $b_L \leq 3$ , and using a similar approach to derive boundaries for growth that yields  $b_L \geq 3$ . These boundaries are shown in Fig. 1 of the text.

Extending this derivation, it is straightforward to narrow down the range of predicted values of  $b_A$  to a single number. Thus, if we have an estimate of how  $l_2$  (e.g., body width) scales with  $l_1$  (i.e., a value for  $\theta$ ), Equation 2 can be substituted into the denominator of Equation 4 to get

$$b_A = (\theta + 1)/b_L$$

This method is used to predict values of  $b_A$  from the following data plus  $b_L$  values in Table 1 (also see SI section 2).

#### Key to data:

$l_1/l_2$  = body length to width ratio

$\theta$  = scaling exponent obtained as slope in least squares regression of  $\log_{10} l_2$  vs.  $\log_{10} l_1$ , which are on the Y and X axes, respectively (except in one case for the veliger larvae of *Mytilus edulis*, where  $\theta = 1$  based on a regression of  $l_1$  vs.  $l_2$ ; see below).

Error terms ( $\pm$ ) = 95% confidence intervals

$r^2$  = coefficient of determination

n = sample size

**Calculated values are in bold.**

<u>Species</u>	<u>Measurements and calculation of <math>b_A</math></u>	<u>Source</u>
<i>Beroe ovata</i>	Newly hatched larvae (0.4mm L): $l_1/l_2 = 1.25$  Juveniles (1-2cm L) $l_1/l_2 = 1.34$ <b><math>\theta = 0.95, b_A = 0.67</math></b>	Svetlichny et al. (2004)
	Adults $\theta = 0.939 \pm 0.044; r^2 = 0.997; n = 10$ (each sample point = midpoint of range given in Table 1 of source; based on measurements of 58 animals); $l_1 = 19-120.5\text{mm}; l_2 = 17.25-96.5\text{mm}$ <b><math>b_L = 2.16</math></b> (average of values in Table 1; also see SI section 2) <b><math>b_A = 0.90</math></b>	Shiganova et al. (2007)
<i>Aurelia aurita</i>	Radial diameter used for both ephyrae & medusae. Therefore, we can assume that $l_1 = l_2$ , and <b><math>\theta = 1</math></b> , <b>and <math>b_A = 0.64</math> for ephyrae</b> <b>and <math>b_A = 0.77</math> for medusae</b>	Båmstedt et al. (1999) McHenry & Jed (2003) Hirst & Lucas (1998)
<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	$\theta$ = scaling exponent for velar length vs. shell length in veliger larvae = 1.01 (high food: $r^2 = 0.87; n = 30$ ) and 1.01 (low food: $r^2 = 0.92, n = 37$ ); velar length is assumed to be $l_2$ , because it is essentially perpendicular to shell length ( $l_1$ ). <b><math>b_A = 0.95</math></b>	Strathmann et al. (1993)
<i>Mytilus edulis</i>	Veliger larvae $\theta = 1; r^2 = 0.974; n = 1616;$ $l_1 = \sim 140-300\mu\text{m}; l_2 = \sim 100-260\mu\text{m}$ <b><math>b_A = 0.57</math></b>	Pechenik et al. (1990)

<i>Sagmariasus verreauxi</i>	Phyllosoma larvae	Jensen et al. (2013b)
	<b><math>\theta \approx 0.954</math></b> (high food): based on $b = 1.45$ for $\log l_2$ vs. log instar stage, and $b = 1.52$ for $\log l_1$ vs. log instar stage	
	<b><math>\theta \approx 0.937</math></b> (low food): based on $b = 1.48$ for $\log l_2$ vs. log instar stage, and $b = 1.58$ for $\log l_1$ vs. log instar stage	
	<b>Mean <math>\theta = 0.946</math></b>	
	<b><math>b_A = 0.91</math></b>	

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## 2. Additional data and sources for Table 1

Shown are ontogenetic scaling exponents from least squares regressions of  $\log_{10}$  body mass in relation to  $\log_{10}$  body length ( $b_L$ ) and  $\log_{10}$  routine metabolic rate in relation to  $\log_{10}$  body mass ( $b_R$ ) for larvae, juveniles, and (or) adults of the Atlantic ctenophore *Beroe ovata*, moon jellyfish *Aurelia aurita*, Pacific oyster *Crassostrea gigas*, common mussel *Mytilus edulis* and spiny lobster *Sagmariasus verreauxi*; for nauplii, copepodites and adults of the copepod *Mesocyclops brasiliensis*; and for solitary and aggregate life-cycle stages of the salps (pelagic tunicates) *Salpa fusiformis* and *S. thompsoni*. Values of  $b_L$  and  $b_R$  were taken or calculated from published or unpublished data in the indicated sources. Values of  $b_A$  for  $\log_{10}$  body surface area in relation to  $\log_{10}$  body mass were estimated from  $b_L$  values and scaling exponents of width versus length (SI section 1). When data for scaling of width versus length were not available, ranges of potential  $b_A$  values are given (based on equations 3.1 and 3.2 in text). Where available, the 95% confidence intervals (CI), coefficient of determination ( $r^2$ ), sample size (n) and the body length ( $L$ ), diameter ( $D$ ) or mass ( $M$ ) range for each scaling exponent are given.

species	stage	$b_L$ ±95% CI ( $r^2$ , n, $L$ , $D$ or $M$ range)	$b_A$	$b_R$ ±95% CI ( $r^2$ , n, $L$ , $D$ or $M$ range)	sources
<i>Beroe ovata</i>	juveniles	2.92 <sup>1</sup> (0.99, 21, $L=0.4\text{-}4.0\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.67</b>	<b>0.62</b> <sup>1, 2</sup> (0.67-0.68) ( $M=0.021\text{-}100\text{mg}$ )	Svetlichny et al. (2004)
	adults	2.47 <sup>1</sup> (0.96, 102, $L=4.0\text{-}66\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.80</b>	<b>0.99</b> <sup>1, 3</sup> (0.70-0.81) ( $M=0.1\text{-}55\text{g}$ )	Svetlichny et al. (2004)
	adults	2.23 <sup>1</sup> (0.98, 22 $L=14\text{-}120\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.87</b>	<b>1.04</b> <sup>4</sup> (0.72-0.90) (0.98, 17, $M=0.01\text{-}0.9\text{g}$ )	Finenko et al. (2001)
<i>Aurelia aurita</i>	adults	1.78 <sup>1</sup> (0.79, 43 $L=16\text{-}162\text{mm}$ )	<b>1.09</b> <sup>5</sup> (0.78-1.00)	<b>0.86</b> <sup>1</sup> (0.78, 21, $M=8\text{-}58\text{g}$ )	Shiganova et al. (2001)
	ephyra larvae	3.14 <sup>4, 6</sup> (0.64, 132, $D=3.7\text{-}8.8\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.64</b> <sup>7</sup> (0.64-0.66)		Båmstedt et al. (1999)
	ephyra larvae		<b>0.63</b> <sup>4, 8</sup> ±0.055 (0.96, 29, $M=0.066\text{-}12.4\text{mg}$ )		Kinoshita et al. (1997)

	ephyra larvae	<b>0.35<sup>4</sup></b> $\pm 0.104$ (0.78, 16, $M=0.4\text{-}7.2\text{mg}$ )	Frandsen & Riisgard (1997): raw data
	ephyra larvae	<b>1.01<sup>4</sup></b> $\pm 0.23$ (0.97, 6, $M=\sim 0.2\text{-}0.9\text{mg}$ )	Moller & Riisgard (2007)
medusae	2.50 <sup>1, 9</sup> $\pm 0.23$ (0.94, 25, $D = \sim 30\text{-}100\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.80</b> $\pm 0.23$ (0.70-0.80)	McHenry & Jed (2003)
medusae	2.72 <sup>1, 9, 10</sup> $\pm 0.11$	<b>0.74</b> $\pm 0.11$ (0.68-0.74)	Hirst & Lucas (1998)
		<b>0.93<sup>4, 8</sup></b> $\pm 0.07$ (0.96, 26, $M=12.4\text{-}2,100\text{mg}$ )	Kinoshita et al. (1997)
medusae		<b>1.11<sup>4</sup></b> $\pm 0.104$ (0.90, 22, $M=11\text{-}1,790\text{mg}$ )	Frandsen & Riisgard (1997): raw data
medusae		<b>1.01<sup>4</sup></b> $\pm 0.23$ (0.99, 6, $M=\sim 25\text{-}8,000\text{mg}$ )	Moller & Riisgard (2007)
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<i>Crassostrea</i> <i>gigas</i>	veliger larvae	2.12 <sup>11</sup> $\pm 0.21$ (0.99, 10, $L=79\text{-}280.7\mu\text{m}$ )	<b>0.95</b> $\pm 0.21$ (0.74-0.94) $M=0.069\text{-}1.36\mu\text{g}$
	adults		<b>0.96<sup>11</sup></b> $\pm 0.21$ (0.97, 10) $M=0.069\text{-}1.36\mu\text{g}$
	adults	<b>0.77<sup>11</sup></b> $\pm 0.21$ (0.99, 36) $M=0.03\text{-}1,741\text{mg}$	Gerdes (1983)
	adults	<b>2.79<sup>11, 12</sup></b> $\pm 0.14$ ( $L=\sim 10\text{-}100\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.68-0.72</b> $\pm 0.14$ (0.57-0.71)
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<i>Mytilus</i> <i>edulis</i>	veliger larvae	3.49 <sup>11</sup> $\pm 0.21$ (0.99, 32, $L=\sim 90\text{-}410\mu\text{m}$ )	<b>0.57<sup>13</sup></b> $\pm 0.21$ (0.57-0.71)
	veliger		<b>0.90<sup>11</sup></b> $\pm 0.21$ (0.90-0.90)
			Hamburger et al. (1983)

	larvae	(0.73, 29, $M \approx 0.02-1\mu g$ )		
	veliger larvae	<b>0.90<sup>11</sup></b> ( $6^\circ C$ ) (n = 31) <b>0.70<sup>11</sup></b> ( $12^\circ C$ ) (n = 32) <b>0.59<sup>11</sup></b> ( $18^\circ C$ ) (n = 33)	Sprung (1984) Sprung (1984) Sprung (1984)	
	juveniles	<b>2.42<sup>11</sup></b> (1.00, 11, $L \approx 0.7-5\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.71-0.83</b>	Jesperson & Olsen (1982)
	juveniles		<b>0.89<sup>11</sup></b> (0.97, 26, $M \approx 0.001-7\text{mg}$ )	Hamburger et al. (1983)
	adults		<b>0.66<sup>11</sup></b> (0.97, 21, $M \approx 1.5-500\text{mg}$ )	Hamburger et al. (1983)
	adults	<b>3.17<sup>14</sup></b> (n = 69)	<b>0.63-0.68</b>	<b>0.68<sup>14</sup></b> (n = 87)
<hr/>				Zotin & Ozernyuk (2004a, b)
<i>Sagmariasus verreauxi<sup>15</sup></i>	phyllosoma larvae	<b>2.14<sup>1, 16</sup></b> $\pm 0.26$ (0.99, 7 <sup>17</sup> $L = 2.0-35.7\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.91</b> (0.73-0.93)	<b>1.00<sup>1, 16</sup></b> $\pm 0.081$ (0.995, 7 <sup>17</sup> $M = 0.63-296\text{mg}$ )
	juveniles	<b>2.99<sup>1, 16</sup></b> $\pm 0.037$ (1.00, 7 <sup>17</sup> $L = 99-363\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.67</b>	<b>0.83<sup>1, 16</sup></b> $\pm 0.157$ (0.99, 7 <sup>17</sup> $M = 24.8-1,223\text{g}$ )
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<i>Mesocyclops brasiliensis</i>	nauplii	<b>2.15<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>0.73-0.93</b>	<b>1.08<sup>4, 18</sup></b> $\pm 0.20$ (n = 30, $M \approx 30-160\text{ng}$ )
	copepodites & adults	<b>3.12<sup>4, 19</sup></b>	<b>0.64-0.68</b>	<b>0.56<sup>4, 20</sup></b> $\pm 0.078$ (n = 88, $M \approx 175-2,500\text{ng}$ )
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<i>Salpa fusiformis</i>	solitary zooids	<b>2.40<sup>21</sup></b> (0.96, 7, $L = 23-45\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.71-0.83</b>	<b>1.15<sup>21</sup></b> (0.95, 10 $M = 0.6-8.5\text{mg}$ )

	aggregate zooids	$2.78^{21}$ (0.98, 12, $L=2-20\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.68-0.72</b>	<b>0.68<sup>21</sup></b> (0.90, 15, $M=0.3-10.1\text{mg}$ )	Cetta et al. (1986)
<i>Salpa thompsoni</i>	solitary zooids	$2.28^{1, 16, 22}$ (0.98, 6, $L=26-132\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.72-0.88</b>	<b>0.84<sup>1, 16, 22</sup></b> $\pm 0.16$ (0.98, 6, $M=0.94-34.9\text{g}$ )	Iguchi & Ikeda (2004)
	aggregate zooids	$2.41^{1, 16, 22}$ (0.96, 31, $L=12-56\text{mm}$ )	<b>0.71-0.83</b>	<b>0.92<sup>1, 16, 22</sup></b> $\pm 0.14$ (0.89, 25, $M=0.26-15.2\text{g}$ )	Iguchi & Ikeda (2004)

<sup>1</sup> Based on wet body mass

<sup>2</sup> Based on data from several studies all normalized to 20° C. Similar exponents were found at 21° C ( $b_R = 0.65$ ;  $r^2 = 0.93$ ;  $n = 25$ ;  $M$  range = 0.021-700mg) and at 26° C ( $b_R = 0.58$ ;  $r^2 = 0.96$ ;  $n = 14$ ;  $M$  range = 0.03-100mg)

<sup>3</sup> Based on data from several studies all normalized to 20° C. Similar exponents were found at 21° C ( $b_R = 1.078$ ;  $r^2 = 0.83$ ;  $n = 51$ ;  $M$  range = 700-55,000mg) and at 26° C ( $b_R = 1.044$ ;  $r^2 = 0.93$ ;  $n = 73$ ;  $M$  range = 100-50,000mg)

<sup>4</sup> Based on dry body mass

<sup>5</sup> It is not known why this calculated estimate of  $b_A$  is higher than the predicted range (in parentheses). Perhaps it is because body-mass density decreased during growth, thus causing  $b_L$  to be an underestimate of the scaling slope for body volume in relation to length.

<sup>6</sup> Based on outermost diameter, including the lappet tips.

<sup>7</sup> Accurately estimating the body-mass scaling of surface area in ephyra larvae is complicated because their shape changes considerably from being snowflake-like with long radiating projections (lappets) to umbrella-like, with little or no radiating projections [see Fig. 3 in Kinoshita et al. 2007; also see Fig. 1 in Feitl et al. 2009]

<sup>8</sup> Estimated at 15° C. Similar values were observed at 10° C

<sup>9</sup> Based on bell diameter

<sup>10</sup> Mean of 12 separate estimates. Mean for 7 dry mass values is similar (2.77).

<sup>11</sup> Based on dry soft tissue mass

<sup>12</sup> Mean of 16 separate estimates

<sup>13</sup> This estimated  $b_A$  range is likely underestimated, because it ignores the high surface area of the veliger's nutrient-absorbing, sail-shaped velum (foot) that can extend far beyond the measured shell length used in calculating  $b_L$  and  $b_A$  (see text)

<sup>14</sup> Based on wet soft tissue mass

<sup>15</sup> Similar results found for dry tissue mass and for standard metabolic rate

<sup>16</sup> Calculated from unpublished raw data.

<sup>17</sup> Each data point is a mean of 4-11 replicate measurements

<sup>18</sup> Pooled from 3 separate estimates at 3 different temperatures (24, 26 and 28° C)

<sup>19</sup> Mean of 2 separate estimates (including males versus females)

<sup>20</sup> Pooled from 4 separate estimates at 4 different temperatures (22, 24, 26 and 28° C)

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