

Family-portraits for *Daphnids* – Scanning living individuals and populations to measure body length

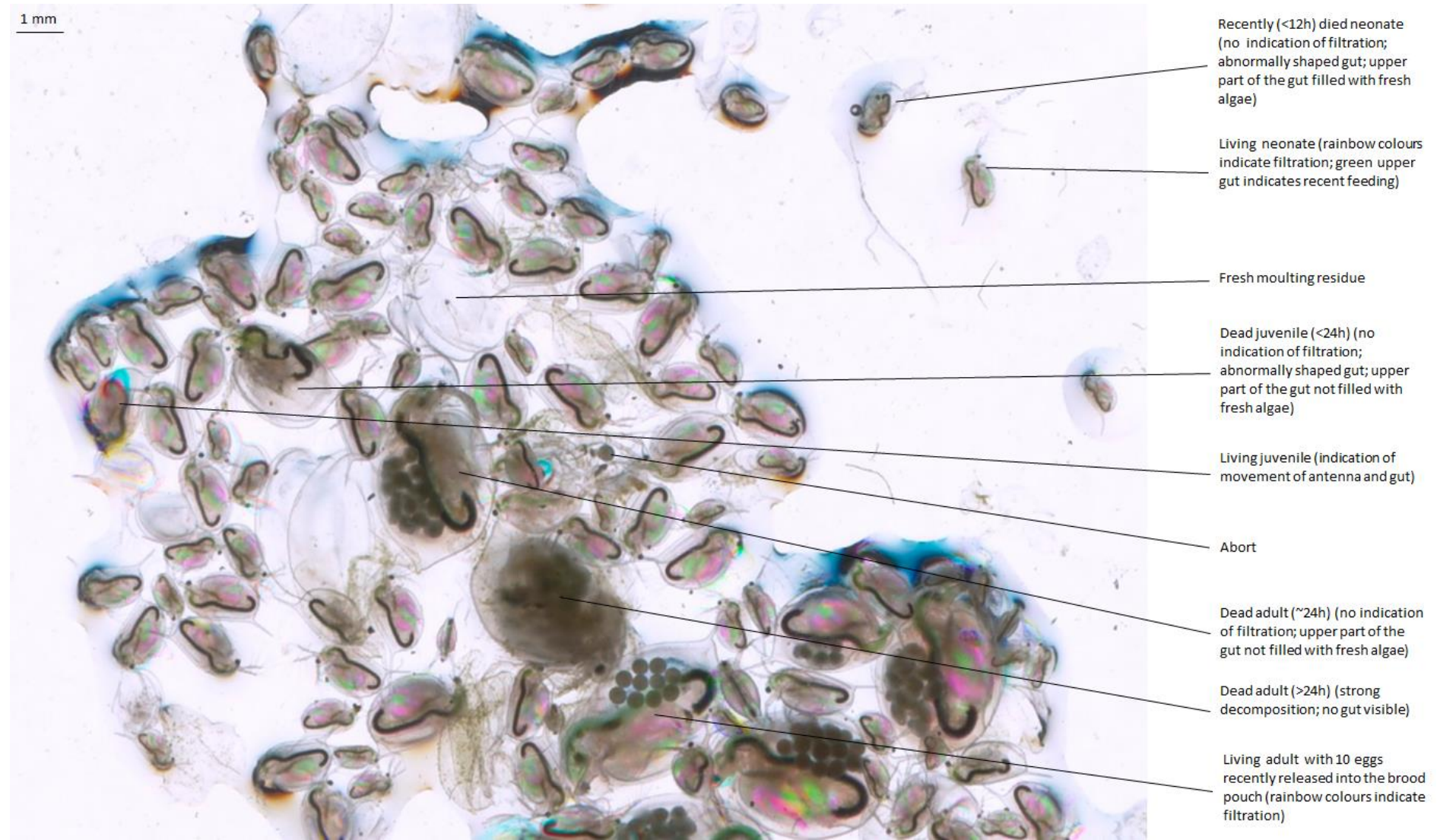


Figure 1: Illustration and explanation of a scanned population of *Daphnia magna* at a resolution of 1200 dots per inch.

Table 1: Comparison of body size measurements (mm) of Daphnids using microscopy and picture analysis.

	Microscopy	Picture analysis		
		720 dpi	1200 dpi	2400 dpi
Adult	2.80	2.75 (1.79) ^a	2.79 (0.36) ^a	2.77 (1.07) ^a
Juvenile	2.16	2.13 (1.39) ^a	2.11 (2.31) ^a	2.09 (3.24) ^a
Neonate	1.33	1.45 (9.02) ^a	1.31 (1.50) ^a	1.26 (5.26) ^a

^a Relative difference to measurements via microscopy (%).

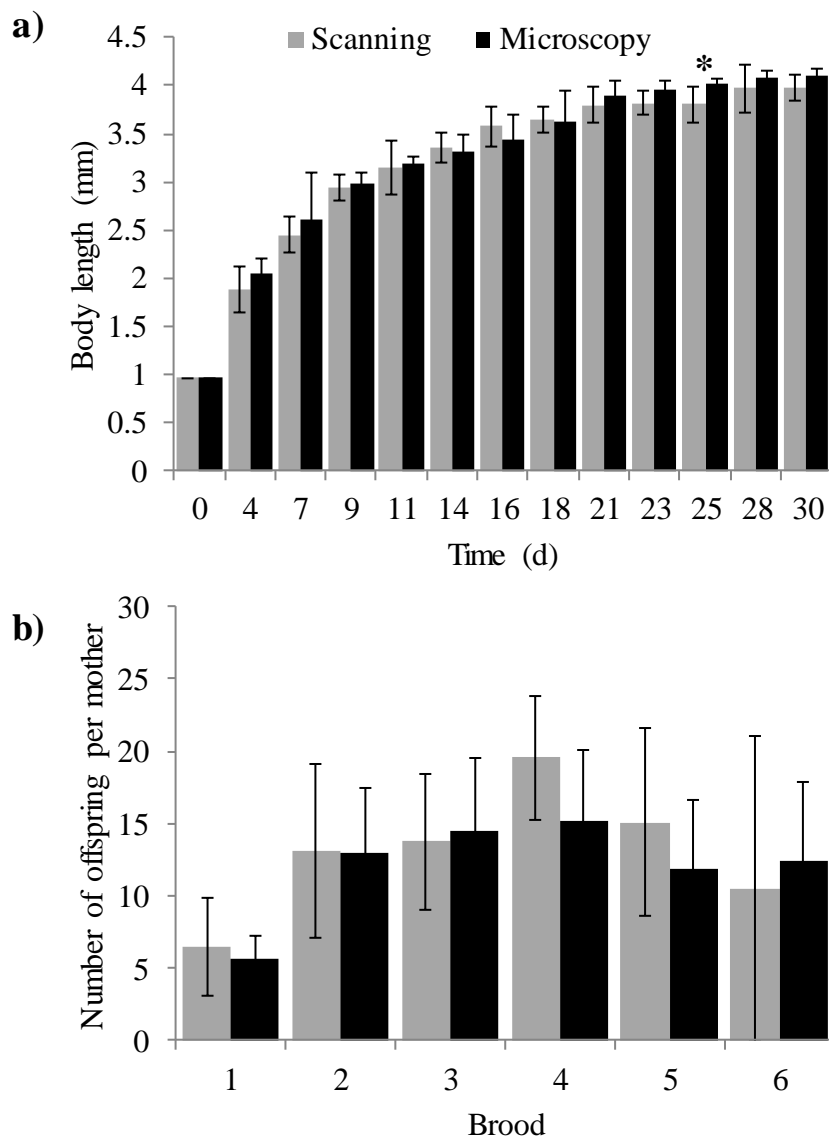


Figure 2: Comparison of growth (a) and reproduction (b) when using either microscopy or picture analysis for data acquisition. * Significant difference at indicated day (Two-way ANOVA, Holm-Sidak method, $p < 0.05$).

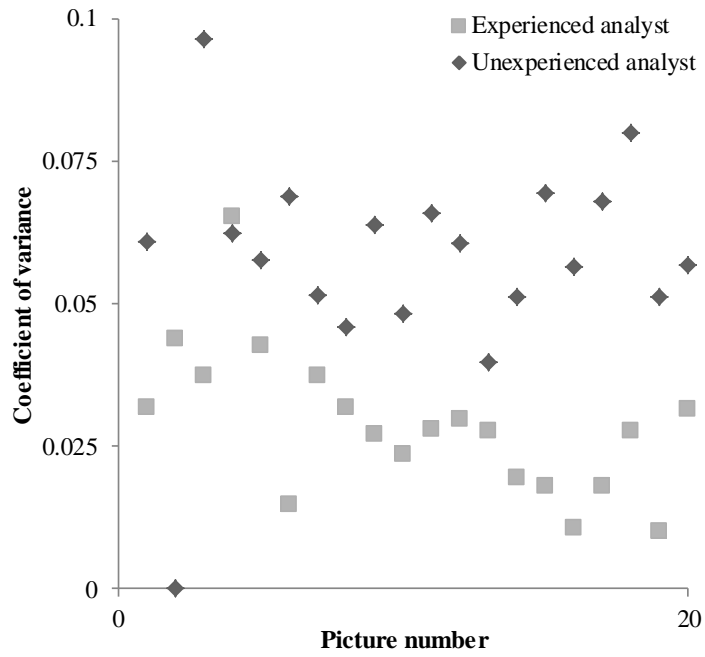


Figure 3: Coefficient of variance for 20 consecutively analysed pictures taken with the scanning method in dependence of the level of experience in picture analysis.

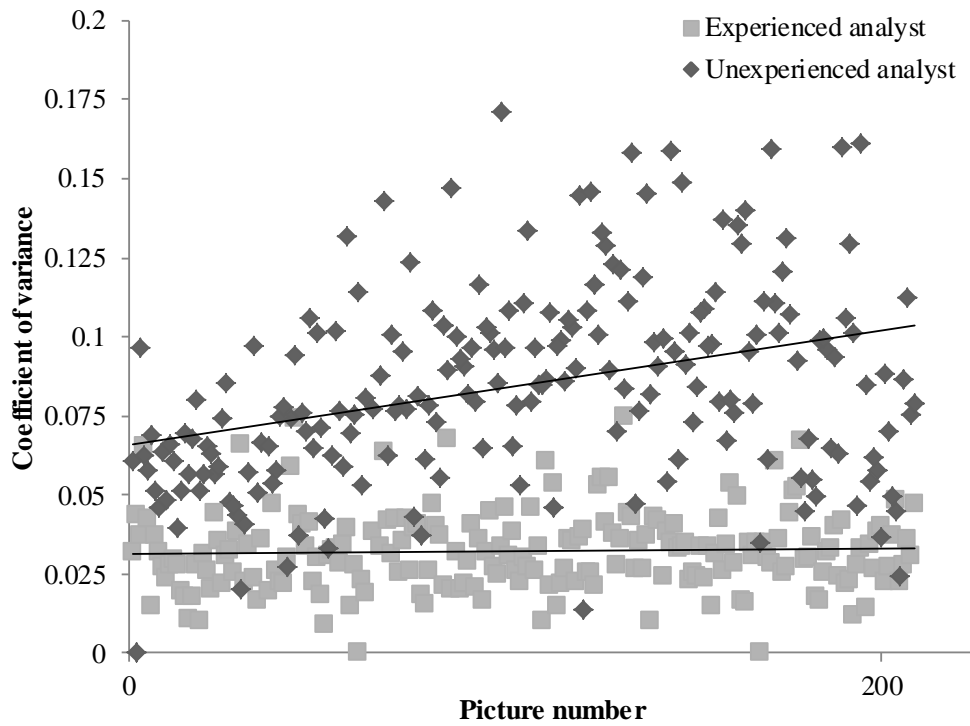


Figure 4: Coefficient of variance for > 200 consecutively analysed (within 10h) pictures taken with the scanning method in dependence of the level of experience in picture analysis.

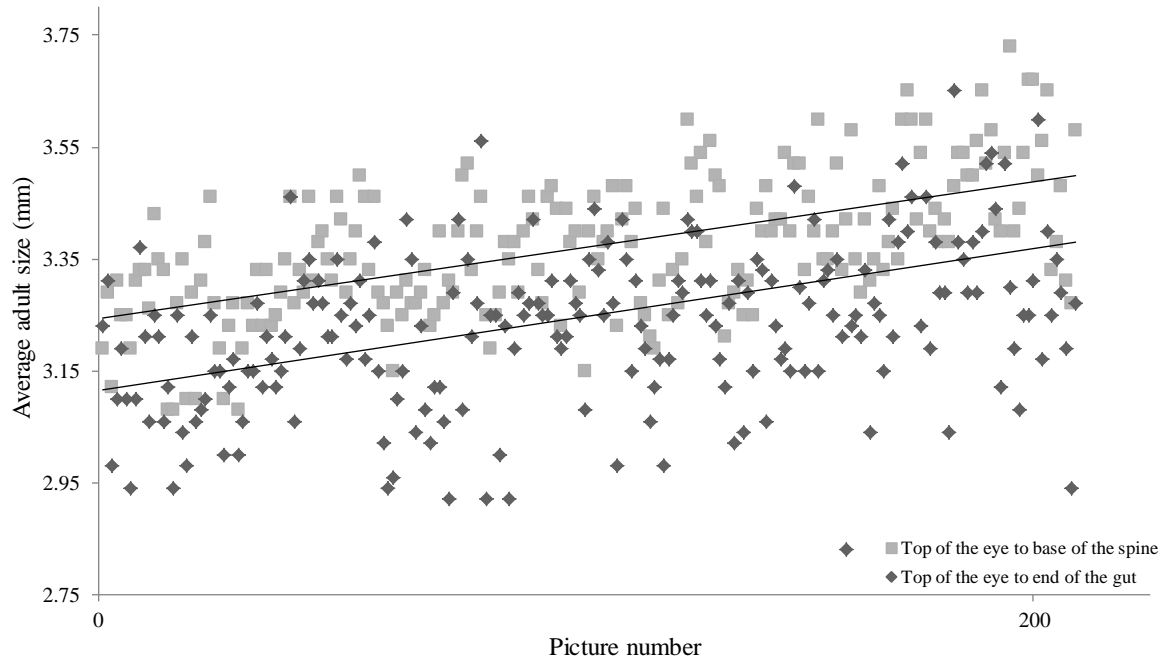


Figure 5: Measured adult size (mm) of *Daphnia magna* using two variations of the definition of body length.