

Supplementary Tables

Supplementary Table 1. Results from the ten best supported PGLS regression models fitted to explain variance in male \log_{10} F0 with male \log_{10} body mass across 67 terrestrial mammal species.

Model	(Intercept)	\log_{10} male body mass	Call type	Habitat	Mating system	df	AICc
BM + λ	4.31	-0.50***				4	120.64
OLS	4.69	-0.54***				4	121.77
OU	4.69	-0.54***				4	121.77
BM + λ	4.28	-0.52***		+		5	123.65
OLS	4.59	-0.56***		+		5	124.00
OU	4.59	-0.56***		+		5	124.00
BM + λ	4.35	-0.49***	+			5	124.48
OLS	4.74	-0.54***	+			5	125.67
OU	4.74	-0.54***	+			5	125.67
BM + λ	4.32	-0.51***	+	+		6	127.67

The PGLS regression models are ordered by AICc value so that the best supported model (with the lowest AICc value) is first in the list. "+" denotes factor included in the model and statistically significant independent variables are indicated with asterisks (* P < 0.05, ** P < 0.01, *** P < 0.001). OLS = non-phylogenetic (ordinary least squares) model, BM + λ = Brownian motion + Pagel's lambda, OU = Ornstein-Uhlenbeck model.

Supplementary Table 2. Results from the ten best supported PGLS regression models fitted to explain variance in male \log_{10} Δ F with male \log_{10} body mass across 35 terrestrial mammal species.

Model	(Intercept)	\log_{10} male body mass	Call type	Habitat	Mating system	df	AICc
BM	4.03	-0.34***		+**		4	-17.76
OU	4.16	-0.36***		+**		5	-15.97
BM	4.00	-0.30***				3	-15.57
BM + λ	4.04	-0.34***		+**		5	-15.40
BM	4.05	-0.33***	+	+**		5	-13.84
OU	4.06	-0.30***				4	-13.48
BM + λ	4.00	-0.30***				4	-13.01
BM + λ	3.95	-0.30***	+*	+**		6	-12.43
OU	4.15	-0.35***	+	+**		6	-11.62
BM + λ	3.81	-0.23***	+*			5	-10.72

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Supplementary Table 3. Results from the ten best supported PGLS regression models fitted to explain variance in male \log_{10} F0 with male size dimorphism across 67 terrestrial mammal species.

Model	(Intercept)	Size dimorphism	\log_{10} male body mass	Call type	Habitat	Mating system	df	AICc
BM + λ	9.26	-4.93	-0.47***				5	116.39
OU	7.69	-2.97	-0.53***				5	119.09
BM + λ	9.51	-5.21	-0.49***		+		6	119.20
BM + λ	9.70	-5.31	-0.45***		+		6	119.94
BM + λ	10.61	-6.45*	-0.46***			+	9	122.24
OU	7.95	-3.17	-0.52***		+		6	122.94
BM + λ	9.87	-5.53	-0.47***		+		7	123.01
BM + λ	11.01	-6.89*	-0.49***		+	+	10	124.57
BM + ρ	10.23	-5.66	-0.49***				5	125.20
OU	8.24	-3.56	-0.54***			+	9	125.37

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Supplementary Table 4. Results from the ten best supported PGLS regression models fitted to explain variance in male \log_{10} Δ F with male size dimorphism across 35 terrestrial mammal species.

Model	(Intercept)	Size dimorphism	\log_{10} male body mass	Call type	Habitat	Mating system	df	AICc
BM	7.58	-3.58**	-0.31***		+**		5	-25.22
BM + λ	8.27	-4.25**	-0.31***		+**		6	-23.75
OU	7.90	-3.80**	-0.32***		+**		6	-23.19
BM	7.82	-3.86**	-0.26***				4	-23.05
OU	8.23	-4.17**	-0.27***				5	-21.03
BM	7.45	-3.44**	-0.30***		+	+**	6	-20.90
BM + λ	8.18	-4.20**	-0.26***				5	-20.61
OU	7.71	-3.61**	-0.31***		+	+**	7	-18.35
BM + λ	8.06	-4.03**	-0.30***		+	+**	7	-18.29
BM	7.74	-3.77**	-0.25***		+		5	-17.48

The PGLS regression models are ordered by AICc value so that the best supported model (with the lowest AICc value) is first in the list. "+" denotes factor included in the model and statistically significant independent variables are indicated with asterisks (* P < 0.05, ** P < 0.01, *** P < 0.001). BM = Brownian motion, BM + λ = Brownian motion + Pagel's lambda, OU = Ornstein-Uhlenbeck model.

Supplementary Table 5. Results from the ten best supported PGLS regression models fitted to explain variance in male \log_{10} F0 with \log_{10} male relative testes size across 42 terrestrial mammal species.

Model	(Intercept)	\log_{10} relative testes size	\log_{10} male body mass	Call type	Habitat	Mating system	df	AICc
OU	4.45	0.39*	-0.42***				5	86.24
BM	3.93	0.33*	-0.36***				4	86.84
BM + λ	4.15	0.33*	-0.41***				5	87.16
OU	4.41	0.36*	-0.45***		+		6	88.88
BM	3.90	0.31*	-0.37**		+		5	89.86
BM + λ	4.12	0.31	-0.42***		+		6	90.32
OU	4.49	0.40*	-0.41***		+		6	90.34
OLS	4.65	0.48*	-0.44***				4	90.44
BM	3.93	0.33*	-0.35***		+		5	91.05
BM + ρ	4.46	0.43*	-0.42***				5	91.06

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Supplementary Table 6. Results from the ten best supported PGLS regression models fitted to explain variance in male \log_{10} Δ F with male relative testes size across 24 terrestrial mammal species.

Model	(Intercept)	\log_{10} relative testes size	\log_{10} male body mass	Call type	Habitat	Mating system	df	AICc
BM + λ	4.12	0.10***	-0.31***				5	-6.70
BM	4.10	0.10**	-0.31***				4	-5.78
BM + λ	4.15	0.10**	-0.34***		+		6	-3.75
BM	4.15	0.09**	-0.34***		+		5	-3.65
OU	4.10	0.10**	-0.31***				5	-2.55
BM + ρ	4.14	0.11**	-0.32***				5	-2.27
BM + ρ	4.06	0.09**	-0.33***		+		6	0.57
BM + λ	4.11	0.11**	-0.31***		+		6	1.18
BM	4.11	0.10**	-0.31***		+		5	1.29
BM	4.15	0.09**	-0.34***		+	+	6	3.94

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Supplementary Table 7. Acoustic, morphological and ecological data for each of the terrestrial mammal species in the dataset

Species	Habitat	Mating system	Male body mass (g)	Size Dimorphism	Male body mass for testes data (g)	Testes mass (g)	Mean F0 (Hz)	Mean ΔF (Hz)	References
<i>Ailuropoda melanoleuca</i>	Terrestrial	PO	117900	1.02	117180	274.7*	372	555	1,2
<i>Alces alces</i>	Terrestrial	PO	323000	1.02	789000	106.0	125	-	3-6
<i>Alopex lagopus</i>	Terrestrial	MO	3500	1.02	4800	4.1	990	-	7-9
<i>Alouatta caraya</i>	Arboreal	PR	6400	1.05	64000	17.0*	50	535	5,10
<i>Alouatta guariba</i>	Arboreal	PO	6700	1.04	67000	8.5*	-	478	10
<i>Alouatta macconnellii</i>	Arboreal	PO	7600	1.05	-	-	-	393	10
<i>Alouatta palliata</i>	Arboreal	PO	5800	1.03	7260	23.0	-	581	4,5,10
<i>Alouatta pigra</i>	Arboreal	PO	7600	1.07	76000	11.5*	-	445	10,11
<i>Alouatta seniculus</i>	Arboreal	PO	6700	1.04	67000	3.6*	-	418	5,10
<i>Bison bison</i>	Terrestrial	PO	863410	1.04	299400	439.8	55	317	5,12-14
<i>Brachyteles hypoxanthus</i>	Arboreal	PR	9600	1.01	-	-	1731	-	15
<i>Callithrix jacchus</i>	Arboreal	MO	369	1.01	320	1.3	7435	-	4,15
<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>	Terrestrial	PO	23025	1.01	20500	45.0	200	760	5,6,9
<i>Cebus capucinus</i>	Arboreal	PR	3626	1.05	-	-	731	-	15
<i>Cercocebus atys</i>	Arboreal	PR	10553	1.06	-	-	77	-	15
<i>Cercopithecus diana</i>	Arboreal	PO	8700	1.03	-	-	60	900	11,16,17
<i>Cercopithecus mona</i>	Arboreal	PO	4566	1.06	-	-	334	-	15
<i>Cercopithecus nictitans</i>	Arboreal	PO	6633	1.05	-	-	220	629	4,18
<i>Cervus elaphus canadensis</i>	Terrestrial	PO	289750	1.02	-	-	145	222	5,19
<i>Cervus elaphus corsicanus</i>	Terrestrial	PO	88000	1.03	-	-	40	256	3,20
<i>Cervus elaphus scoticus</i>	Terrestrial	PO	125000	1.04	122000	218.0	112	247	4,5,21
<i>Cervus nippon</i>	Terrestrial	PO	39450	1.04	-	-	933^	-	5,22
<i>Colobus guereza</i>	Arboreal	PO	13390	1.04	10400	3.0	18^	717	11,23,24
<i>Cryptomys hottentotus</i>	Terrestrial	PA	90	1.06	104	0.6	2050^	-	8,9,25
<i>Cryptomys mehowi</i>	Terrestrial	PA	350	1.07	-	-	500	-	8,25
<i>Dama dama</i>	Terrestrial	PO	59166	1.02	63700	133.0	34	280	3-5,26
<i>Elephas maximus</i>	Terrestrial	PO	4650000	1.03	4545000	4000	60	-	4,8,27
<i>Eptesicus fuscus</i>	Arboreal	PO	16	0.95	-	-	16800^	-	5,28
<i>Erythrocebus patas</i>	Terrestrial	PO	9740	1.08	10000	7.2	150	-	15
<i>Eulemur fulvus</i>	Arboreal	VA	1970.00	0.99	2500	7.8	566	2532	4,9,11,29
<i>Eulemur macaco</i>	Arboreal	PO	2370.00	0.99	2500	16.7	305	2567	11,23,29
<i>Eulemur rubriventer</i>	Arboreal	MO	1980	1.00	2512	0.9	48	1545	11,30,31
<i>Felis margarita</i>	Terrestrial	PO	3000	1.02	-	-	360	-	4,32
<i>Felis nigripes</i>	Terrestrial	PO	1800	1.04	1983	2.0	310	-	2,4,32
<i>Felis silvestris lybica</i>	Terrestrial	PO	5000	1.02	4528	2.6	362	-	2,4,32
<i>Felis silvestris ornata</i>	Terrestrial	PO	3900	1.05	-	-	260	-	32
<i>Felis silvestris silvestris</i>	Terrestrial	PO	7100	1.05	4600	1.4	300	-	2,4,32
<i>Gazella subgutturosa</i>	Terrestrial	PO	25500	1.04	-	-	45	382	5,33
<i>Gorilla gorilla</i>	Terrestrial	PO	154000	1.07	168250	26.7	166	-	4,23,34
<i>Heterocephalus glaber</i>	Terrestrial	PA	30	1.00	-	-	3000^	-	8,25
<i>Homo sapiens</i>	Terrestrial	VA	74960	1.02	65650	40.5	114	1011	4,35,36
<i>Hylobates lar</i>	Arboreal	MO	5900	1.01	5500	5.5	1076	-	4,11,15,37
<i>Hypsignathus monstrosus</i>	Arboreal	PO	333	1.07	354	0.2	290	-	4,8,38
<i>Indri indri</i>	Arboreal	MO	5830	0.98	-	-	653	-	11,39
<i>Loxodonta africana</i>	Terrestrial	PO	5374000	1.05	4365000	4530	14	51	4,8,40,41
<i>Macaca mulatta</i>	Terrestrial	PR	7506	1.03	9200	46.2	160	1421	4,8,42,43
<i>Marmota flaviventris</i>	Terrestrial	PO	5067	1.05	-	-	1275	-	8,44
<i>Meles meles</i>	Terrestrial	PR	10120	1.02	14515	14.4	14	-	4,5,45
<i>Mesocricetus auratus</i>	Terrestrial	PO	104	1.06	108	3.2	34500	-	4,8,46
<i>Microcebus murinus</i>	Arboreal	PO	78	1.01	70	2.5	23700	-	8,23,47
<i>Microcebus rufus</i>	Arboreal	PO	43	1.01	-	-	21800^	-	11,48
<i>Mus musculus</i>	Terrestrial	PO	15	0.99	15	0.1	62775	-	4,5,49
<i>Odocoileus virginianus</i>	Terrestrial	PO	76616	1.03	71000	76.0	209	-	3-5
<i>Ovibos moschatus</i>	Terrestrial	PO	398000	1.02	-	-	89	360	8,50
<i>Pan troglodytes</i>	Terrestrial	PR	56668	1.02	45000	139.0	718	1122	8,23,51,52
<i>Panthera leo</i>	Terrestrial	PO	189000	1.02	188000	55.0	195	308	4,5,53
<i>Panthera tigris</i>	Terrestrial	PR	182000	1.04	-	-	29	-	5,54
<i>Papio hamadryas</i>	Terrestrial	PO	29800	1.06	26400	93.5	52	998	4,8,55
<i>Papio ursinus</i>	Terrestrial	PO	31050	1.07	-	-	53	738	5,56
<i>Phascolarctos cinereus</i>	Arboreal	PO	7700	1.03	11100	15.0	27	354	4,5,57
<i>Phodopus sungorus</i>	Terrestrial	PO	37	1.05	42	0.9	57600	-	4,8,58
<i>Pongo pygmaeus</i>	Arboreal	PO	74700	1.06	74640	35.30	412^	-	4,5,59
<i>Procapra gutturosa</i>	Terrestrial	PO	31500	1.03	-	-	500	564	4,60
<i>Procavia capensis</i>	Terrestrial	PO	2738	1.00	-	-	1280	2766	5,61
<i>Rangifer tarandus</i>	Terrestrial	PO	172000	1.04	145000	132.0	55	-	3-5
<i>Rattus rattus</i>	Terrestrial	PO	133	1.01	169	7.2	48916	-	4,6,2,63
<i>Saiga tatarica</i>	Terrestrial	PO	41750	1.03	-	-	45	407	5,64
<i>Spalax ehrenbergi</i>	Terrestrial	MO	170	1.03	-	-	550	-	8,25
<i>Suricata suricatta</i>	Terrestrial	MO	760	1.01	731	1.3	566	2394	4,9,65,66
<i>Theropithecus gelada</i>	Terrestrial	PO	20500	1.51	20400	17.10	111	1051#	4,5,67
<i>Tupaia belangeri</i>	Terrestrial	MO	229	1.04	-	-	7200^	-	68,69
<i>Varecia variegata</i>	Arboreal	VA	3630	1.03	4750	17.17	222	1464	4,11,29,70

PO = Polygynous, MO = Monogamous, PR = Promiscuous, PA = Polyandrous, VA = Variable.

Data on species habitat were taken from the Encyclopedia of Life website (<http://eol.org/>)

Data on species mating system were taken from the Animal Diversity Website (<http://animaldiversity.org/>)

* Testes mass in grams was calculated by multiplying the volume in mm³ by 1.02⁻³.

^ F0 calculated as the mid point between reported minimum and maximum values.

Formant frequency values measured from a published spectrogram using a clear ruler to extrapolate from the axes.

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