

1 Supplemental material for:
2 **Functional tests of the competitive exclusion hypothesis for multituberculate**
3 **mammal extinction**

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24 **1. Supplementary material and methods**

25 **(a) Calculating masticatory muscle forces**

26 Muscle forces have been previously calculated for the squirrel, guinea pig and rat [1]
27 following the ‘dry skull’ method of Thomason [2], which uses muscle cross-sectional
28 area to determine force. To calculate the muscle force for the mouse (Table S1) and
29 *Kryptobaatar* (Table S2), volumes of each muscle were measured using the Label
30 Analysis module in Avizo. Approximations of muscle fibre lengths were made using
31 the Avizo measurement tool. Ten measurements were made for each muscle
32 between the origin and attachment sites and were then averaged to provide a mean
33 fibre length. This assumes that muscle fibre length is equal to the length of the entire
34 muscle, which may not be the case in reality, but this approach follows that used for
35 extant rodents [1], which showed that similar digital estimates were within 1.5 mm of
36 *ex vivo* measurements. Physiological cross-sectional areas (PCSAs) were calculated
37 by dividing the muscle volume by the mean fibre length, and muscle forces were
38 calculated by multiplying PCSAs by an isometric stress value of 0.3 N/mm² [1, 2].

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40 The 3D volumes of masticatory muscles of extant rodents are known and can be
41 precisely measured. However, reconstructing 3D muscles for fossil taxa lacking soft
42 tissues, such as *Kryptobaatar*, is problematic. While identifying muscle origin and
43 attachment sites was relatively straightforward due to the excellent preservation of
44 the *Kryptobaatar* skull, the final ‘fleshing-out’ stage required more inference. For
45 some muscles, such as the intermediate zygomaticomandibularis and deep
46 masseter, the final 3D shape was tightly constrained by available space between
47 bones and surrounding muscles. Other muscles were expanded to fill available
48 spaces, such as the filling of the temporal fenestra by the temporalis muscles. The

49 most subjectivity was introduced by determining the thickness of outwardly
 50 unconstrained muscles, such as the superficial masseters and anterior
 51 zygomaticomandibularis. To minimize uninformed inference, the minimum distance
 52 required to connect origin and insertion sites was reconstructed. This could lead to
 53 underestimations of muscle volume and forces if muscles thickened significantly
 54 between origin and attachment sites. However, this cannot be assessed from
 55 osteological correlates and would require high levels of speculation.

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57 **Table S1.** Volumes (from [3]), physiological cross-sectional areas (PCSAs) and
 58 forces of masticatory muscles for *Mus musculus*.

| Muscle | Volume (mm³) | % of total muscle volume | Mean fibre length (mm) | PCSA (mm²) | Muscle force (N) | % of total muscle force |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Deep masseter | 101.89 | 34.01 | 5.16 | 19.73 | 5.92 | 28.26 |
| Superficial masseter | 52.83 | 17.63 | 6.07 | 8.70 | 2.61 | 12.46 |
| Temporalis | 68.63 | 22.91 | 4.88 | 14.05 | 4.22 | 20.13 |
| External pterygoid | 14.49 | 4.84 | 1.66 | 8.72 | 2.61 | 12.49 |
| Internal pterygoid | 35.38 | 11.81 | 3.43 | 10.33 | 3.10 | 14.80 |
| Infraorbital zygomatico-mandibularis | 7.17 | 2.39 | 4.43 | 1.62 | 0.49 | 2.32 |
| Anterior zygomatico-mandibularis | 15.71 | 5.24 | 3.25 | 4.84 | 1.45 | 6.93 |
| Posterior zygomatico-mandibularis | 3.52 | 1.17 | 1.93 | 1.82 | 0.55 | 2.61 |
| Total | 299.62 | 100.00 | | | 20.94 | 100.00 |

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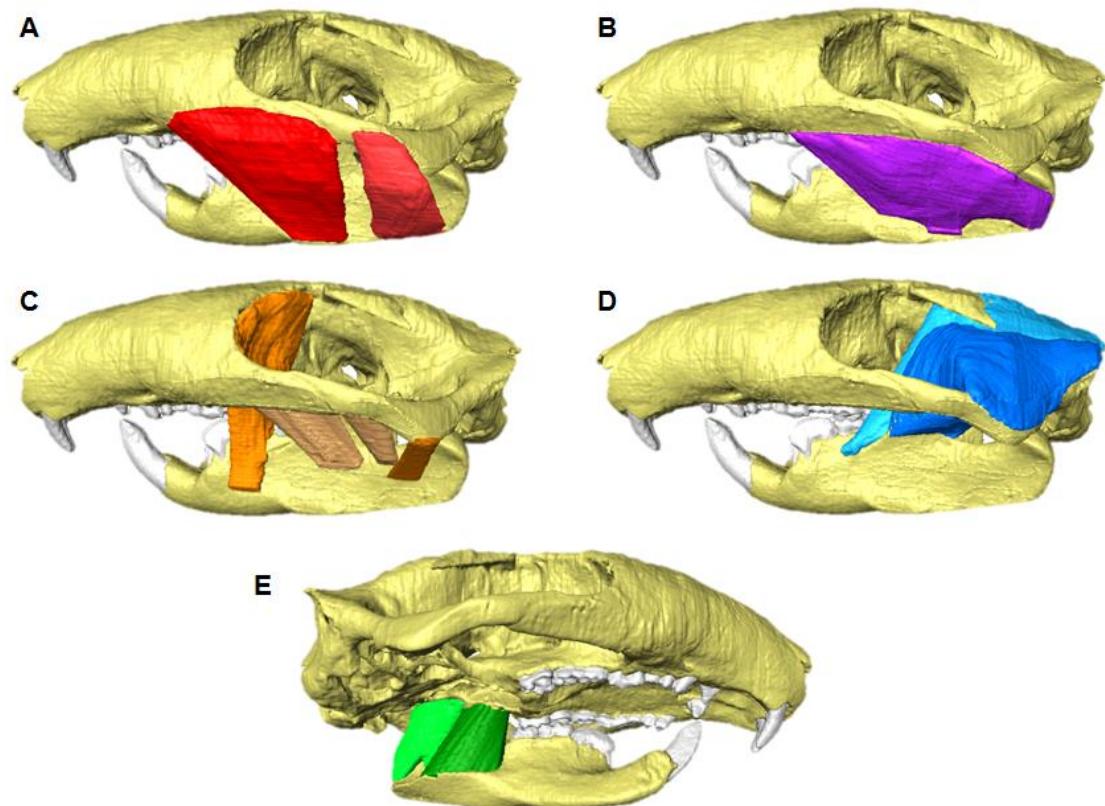
60 **Table S2.** Volumes, physiological cross-sectional areas (PCSAs) and forces of
 61 masticatory muscles for *Kryptobaatar dashzevegi*.

| Muscle | Volume (mm ³) | % of total muscle volume | Mean fibre length (mm) | PCSA (mm ²) | Muscle force (N) | % of total muscle force |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| Deep masseter | 45.87 | 16.13 | 6.05 | 7.58 | 2.27 | 17.43 |
| Anterior superficial masseter | 24.61 | 8.65 | 7.72 | 3.19 | 0.96 | 7.32 |
| Posterior superficial masseter | 8.67 | 3.05 | 6.27 | 1.38 | 0.41 | 3.18 |
| Medial temporalis | 49.60 | 17.44 | 9.70 | 5.11 | 1.53 | 11.75 |
| Lateral temporalis | 71.29 | 25.07 | 6.72 | 10.61 | 3.18 | 24.38 |
| External pterygoid | 10.98 | 3.86 | 3.65 | 3.01 | 0.90 | 6.92 |
| Internal pterygoid | 25.97 | 9.13 | 4.35 | 5.97 | 1.79 | 13.71 |
| Anterior zygomatico-mandibularis | 30.01 | 10.55 | 8.46 | 3.55 | 1.06 | 8.15 |
| Intermediate zygomatico-mandibularis | 15.87 | 5.58 | 5.85 | 2.71 | 0.81 | 6.23 |
| Posterior zygomatico-mandibularis | 1.50 | 0.53 | 3.71 | 0.40 | 0.12 | 0.93 |
| Total | 284.37 | 100.00 | | | 13.06 | 100.00 |

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63 **Figure S1.** Three-dimensional masticatory muscle reconstructions for *Kryptobaatar*
64 *dashzevegi* (based on muscle reconstructions by [4]). The anterior and posterior
65 superficial masseter (a), deep masseter (b), anterior, intermediate and posterior
66 zygomaticomandibularis (c), and anterior and posterior temporalis (d) are shown in
67 left lateral view. The internal and external pterygoids (e) are shown in dorsally
68 oblique, right lateral view.

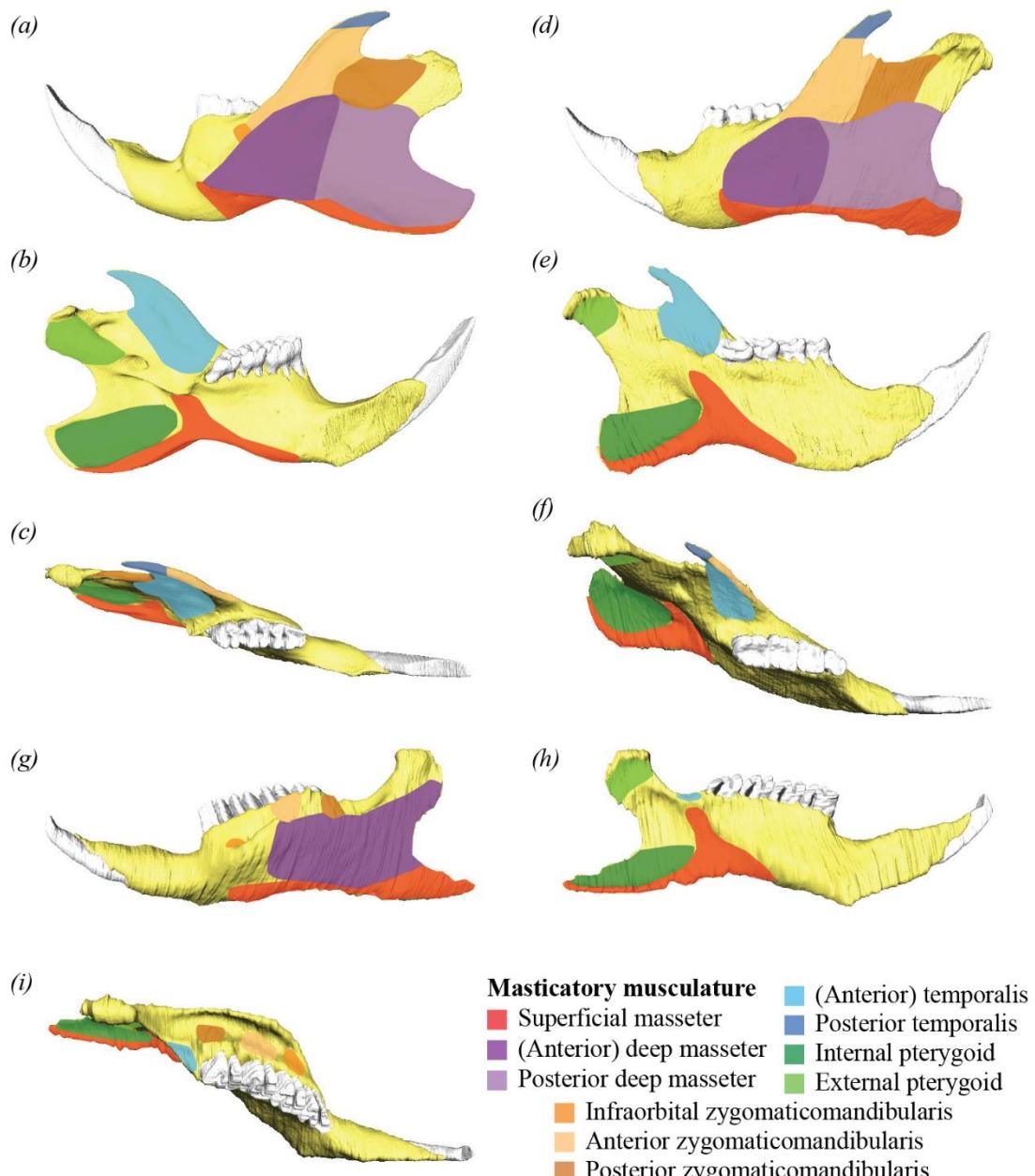
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71 **Figure S2.** Muscle attachment sites on the hemimandibles of (a-c) *Rattus*, (d-f)
72 *Sciurus*, and (g-i) *Cavia*. (a), (d) and (g) in lateral view, (b), (e) and (h) in medial
73 view, and (c), (f) and (i) in occlusal/dorsal view. Attachment sites based on muscle
74 models from [1, 5].

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77 **(b) Finite element analysis**

78 **(i) FE meshes and material properties**

79 The digital models of the hemimandibles and crania were converted into 3D meshes
80 using HyperMesh 14.0 (Altair Engineering Inc., Troy, MI, USA). The hemimandible
81 meshes were composed of between 115,000 and 142,000 tetrahedral linear
82 elements. The cranial meshes for *Kryptobaatar* and the mouse were made up of
83 670,000 and 1,210,000 elements, respectively. All meshes had an average element
84 size of 0.25 mm. This element size was chosen to replicate that used by Cox *et al.*
85 [1], who used this value because it was well under 0.92 mm; the value at which FEA
86 results were found to converge for a pig skull [6]. Further details of each mesh are
87 provided below in Tables S3-S4.

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89 **Table S3.** Details of finite element meshes made for the rodent and *Kryptobaatar*
90 hemimandibles, and calculation of muscle to bone volume ratios.

| Specimen | Elements | Nodes | Hemimandible length (mm) | Hemimandible width (mm) | HyperMesh volume (mm ³) | Total muscle volume (mm ³) | Muscle: bone ratio |
|---------------------|----------|-------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| DigiMorph mouse | 119659 | 25800 | 14.9 | 5.7 | 34.99 | 299.62 | 8.563 |
| DigiMorph rat | 125789 | 26224 | 33.1 | 10.0 | 342.52 | 2451.76 | 7.158 |
| Guinea pig | 115487 | 23905 | 43.8 | 21.0 | 1309.49 | 3674.39 | 2.806 |
| Squirrel | 119132 | 25599 | 39.7 | 12.0 | 752.48 | 3405.71 | 4.526 |
| <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | 142262 | 29599 | 18.3 | 7.8 | 72.22 | 284.37 | 3.938 |

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93 **Table S4.** Details of finite element meshes made for the mouse and *Kryptobaatar*
94 crania, and calculation of muscle to bone volume ratios.

| Specimen | Elements | Nodes | Skull length (mm) | Skull width (mm) | HyperMesh volume (mm ³) | Total muscle volume (mm ³) | Muscle: bone ratio |
|---------------------|----------|--------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| DigiMorph mouse | 1214131 | 253112 | 24.9 | 13.0 | 199.40 | 599.24 | 3.005 |
| <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | 672954 | 159827 | 27.3 | 20.0 | 474.99 | 568.74 | 1.197 |

95 Each component of the mesh (bone, premolars-molars, and incisors) was modelled
96 as linearly elastic, and isotropic, homogeneous material properties were applied to
97 the components based on measured values from rodents [1]: a Young's modulus of
98 18 GPa for bone, 30 GPa for premolars-molars, 70 GPa for incisors, and a Poisson's
99 ratio of 0.3 for all materials.

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101 The effects of varying these material properties were explored in sensitivity analyses,
102 to account for the fact that material properties cannot be validated for lithified fossils.
103 Six analyses were undertaken for each bite point in the *Kryptobaatar* models (Tables
104 S5-S7). In three tests (1, 3 and 5) the Poisson's ratio was kept constant at 0.3 and
105 the Young's modulus was varied using low, intermediate and high estimates. In tests
106 2, 4 and 6 the Poisson's ratio was raised to 0.33. The values chosen were based on
107 similar sensitivity analyses of rodent skulls by Cox *et al.* [7]. As shown in Tables S6-
108 S7, differences in average stress values were minimal despite changes in material
109 properties.

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111 **Table S5.** Material properties used in the six sensitivity analyses of the *Kryptobaatar*
112 hemimandible and cranium finite element models.

| Test number | Young's Modulus (GPa) | | | Poisson's ratio |
|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------|-----------------|
| | Bone | Premolars-Molars | Incisors | |
| 1 | 10 | 20 | 15 | 0.3 |
| 2 | 10 | 20 | 15 | 0.33 |
| 3 | 20 | 30 | 50 | 0.3 |
| 4 | 20 | 30 | 50 | 0.33 |
| 5 | 30 | 40 | 80 | 0.3 |
| 6 | 30 | 40 | 80 | 0.33 |

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114 **Table S6.** Median von Mises stress values (in MPa) from the sensitivity tests of the
115 *Kryptobaatar* hemimandible, showing maximum and minimum values and the
116 difference between them.

| | Test 1 | Test 2 | Test 3 | Test 4 | Test 5 | Test 6 | Max | Min | Diff. |
|----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| i1 | 3.020 | 3.012 | 3.020 | 3.010 | 3.008 | 2.999 | 3.020 | 2.999 | 0.021 |
| p4 | 1.316 | 1.313 | 1.370 | 1.367 | 1.376 | 1.373 | 1.376 | 1.313 | 0.063 |
| m1 | 1.194 | 1.189 | 1.234 | 1.229 | 1.239 | 1.234 | 1.239 | 1.189 | 0.050 |
| m2 | 1.498 | 1.487 | 1.624 | 1.612 | 1.657 | 1.646 | 1.657 | 1.487 | 0.170 |

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119 **Table S7.** Median von Mises stress values (in MPa) from the sensitivity tests of the
120 *Kryptobaatar* cranium, showing maximum and minimum values and the difference
121 between them.

| | Test 1 | Test 2 | Test 3 | Test 4 | Test 5 | Test 6 | Max | Min | Diff. |
|----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| I2 | 1.123 | 1.121 | 1.123 | 1.120 | 1.123 | 1.120 | 1.123 | 1.120 | 0.003 |
| I3 | 1.051 | 1.049 | 1.047 | 1.045 | 1.045 | 1.043 | 1.051 | 1.043 | 0.008 |
| P1 | 0.889 | 0.887 | 0.887 | 0.884 | 0.886 | 0.883 | 0.889 | 0.883 | 0.006 |
| P2 | 0.860 | 0.858 | 0.858 | 0.855 | 0.857 | 0.854 | 0.860 | 0.854 | 0.006 |
| P3 | 0.800 | 0.798 | 0.798 | 0.795 | 0.797 | 0.794 | 0.800 | 0.794 | 0.006 |
| P4 | 0.716 | 0.713 | 0.715 | 0.712 | 0.714 | 0.711 | 0.716 | 0.711 | 0.005 |
| M1 | 0.632 | 0.629 | 0.629 | 0.627 | 0.628 | 0.625 | 0.632 | 0.625 | 0.007 |

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124 **(ii) Model constraints**

125 The mouse and *Kryptobaatar* cranial models were constrained in a comparable way
126 to the cranial models of Cox *et al.* [1]. Two nodes were constrained in all three
127 dimensions at each temporomandibular joint (TMJ). Bilateral biting was assumed
128 since multituberculates are thought to have only employed bilateral biting [8] and
129 rats, myomorphs with similar dental and occlusal morphology to mice, are known to
130 chew bilaterally [9]. Therefore, one node was constrained in the axis of the bite
131 (perpendicular to the occlusal surface) on each biting tooth on the tallest cusp, which
132 would come into contact with food items first. For the hemimandibular models: three

133 nodes were constrained in all three dimensions across the surface of the condyle at
134 the TMJ; five nodes were constrained across the mandibular symphysis in the
135 mediolateral axis to mimic the connection with the opposing hemimandible; and a
136 number of nodes, between one and seven, were constrained in the axis of the bite
137 across the occlusal surface of each biting tooth. A node was constrained at the tip of
138 each cusp on the tooth, or nodes were spaced evenly across the surface of teeth
139 with flat occlusal surfaces, to simulate even contact with food items during biting. A
140 variable number of nodes were constrained on the biting tooth due to the variable
141 number of cusps on different teeth.

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143 **(iii) Input muscle forces and scaling of DigiMorph specimens**

144 Input muscle forces from Cox *et al.* [1] were used for the squirrel, guinea pig and rat,
145 and forces calculated herein (Tables S1-S2) were used for the mouse and
146 *Kryptobaatar*. The CT scans used by Cox *et al.* [1] and Baverstock *et al.* [3] were
147 obtained using iodine-based, contrast-enhanced CT. This method increases the
148 attenuation in soft tissues through sorption of an iodine-potassium iodide (I_2KI)
149 contrast solution, producing superior detail in muscle tissues [10]. However, since
150 bone does not take up the contrast solution at a similar rate to soft tissues it is more
151 difficult to distinguish boundaries between bone and muscle in resulting CT images
152 [3], rendering automated segmentation of bone impossible. For ease of labelling in
153 Avizo, the rat and mouse models were created using non-contrast enhanced CT
154 scans from DigiMorph. These scans were also of specimens devoid of soft tissues
155 making labelling much simpler. However, to use the input forces calculated from the
156 rat and mouse specimens of Cox *et al.* [1] and Baverstock *et al.* [3] in the FE models,
157 the DigiMorph specimens were scaled up in HyperMesh to the same mandibular

158 lengths as the specimens from which muscle forces were determined. The scale
159 factors used were 1.195 for the mouse and 1.060 for the rat. The force for each
160 muscle was divided evenly over a number of nodes (between 15 and 120) across the
161 origin sites on the crania and attachment sites on the hemimandibles, and a vector
162 was created in HyperMesh between the origin and attachment site of each muscle to
163 provide the load orientation.

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165 **(c) Calculating bite force quotient (BFQ)**

166 BFQ was calculated using the equation from Wroe *et al.* [11]:

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$$BFQ = \frac{B_S}{10^{(0.6014 \times \log_{10} BoM + 1.7137)}} \times 100$$

168 where BFQ = bite force quotient, B_S = bite force (N), BoM = body mass (kg).

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170 Body mass estimates were taken from the Animal Ageing and Longevity Database
171 (AnAge: <http://genomics.senescence.info/species>) for extant rodents, and from
172 Kielan-Jaworowska and Lancaster [12] for *Kryptobaatar*. BFQ was calculated for
173 biting at the incisors and rearmost molars in all taxa, and at the fourth lower premolar
174 for *Kryptobaatar*.

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176 **(d) Biomechanical analysis in MomentMacro**

177 The Avizo label files of the hemimandibles and rostra were exported separately as
178 individual TIF image stacks for each taxon, with bones and teeth labelled white on a
179 black background to simplify thresholding. The image stacks were imported into the
180 plugin MomentMacro v1.4B (<http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/fae/mmacro.html>) in
181 ImageJ v1.51h (National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD, USA) to calculate the
182 section moduli and polar moments of inertia. Calculations were performed every 20

183 slices along the hemimandibles and rostra for the rat, mouse, guinea pig and squirrel
184 image stacks and every 10 slices for the *Kryptobaatar* stacks due to the lower
185 resolution of the scan. To correct for size discrepancies and to simply evaluate the
186 effect of morphology, each model was rescaled to the length of the hemimandible of
187 the rat specimen from DigiMorph by modifying the resolution of each TIF image.
188 Scales used for each analysis (Table S8), as well as MomentMacro data from scaled
189 analysis for the hemimandibles (Tables S9-S13) and rostra (Tables S14-S19), are
190 provided below.

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192 **Table S8.** The mandible lengths and scales used for the scaled MomentMacro
193 analysis.

| Specimen | Mandible length (mm) | Scale (pixels per mm) |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------|
| DigiMorph rat | 31.2 | 36.47 |
| DigiMorph mouse | | 31.26 |
| Mouse (Baverstock <i>et al.</i> , 2013) | | 14.12 |
| Squirrel (Cox <i>et al.</i> , 2012) | | 15.71 |
| Guinea pig (Cox <i>et al.</i> , 2012) | | 17.71 |
| Rat (Cox <i>et al.</i> , 2012) | | 22.48 |
| <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | | 14.00 |

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195 **Table S9.** MomentMacro data from the scaled DigiMorph mouse hemimandible
 196 analysis.

| Slice number | % along mandible | I_x (mm ⁴) | I_y (mm ⁴) | J (mm ⁴) | Z_x (mm ³) | Z_y (mm ³) | Z_p (mm ³) |
|--------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 93 | 100.00 | 0.001478 | 0.001504 | 0.002982 | 0.006511 | 0.006434 | 0.01343 |
| 100 | 97.49 | 0.04654 | 0.03146 | 0.078 | 0.0803 | 0.06553 | 0.1403 |
| 120 | 92.92 | 0.4972 | 0.22 | 0.7172 | 0.4738 | 0.3118 | 0.6929 |
| 140 | 88.36 | 1.4416 | 0.4086 | 1.8503 | 1.0422 | 0.5465 | 1.3612 |
| 160 | 83.79 | 2.4535 | 0.4807 | 2.9342 | 1.4975 | 0.623 | 1.7829 |
| 180 | 79.22 | 2.5332 | 0.862 | 3.3952 | 1.6453 | 0.9686 | 2.1873 |
| 200 | 74.66 | 4.1615 | 2.0211 | 6.1826 | 2.4294 | 1.5772 | 3.4412 |
| 220 | 70.09 | 5.769 | 2.8453 | 8.6143 | 3.2108 | 2.1286 | 4.2534 |
| 240 | 65.53 | 6.4383 | 3.0752 | 9.5135 | 3.2601 | 2.0785 | 4.5988 |
| 260 | 60.96 | 8.7126 | 5.0264 | 13.739 | 4.4964 | 3.0436 | 6.1456 |
| 280 | 56.39 | 56.1057 | 15.4599 | 71.5656 | 11.438 | 6.8448 | 13.9645 |
| 300 | 51.83 | 79.7338 | 18.1843 | 97.9181 | 17.1749 | 7.5413 | 20.3112 |
| 320 | 47.26 | 70.8064 | 15.65 | 86.4564 | 15.6866 | 7.1184 | 18.9398 |
| 340 | 42.69 | 78.3019 | 17.858 | 96.1599 | 19.5245 | 7.5968 | 23.9348 |
| 360 | 38.13 | 74.6568 | 26.6977 | 101.3545 | 16.6993 | 9.0309 | 19.1589 |
| 380 | 33.56 | 81.2609 | 34.4332 | 115.6941 | 13.273 | 9.5865 | 16.4379 |
| 400 | 29.00 | 110.3722 | 36.4508 | 146.8231 | 16.6257 | 9.408 | 19.4116 |
| 420 | 24.43 | 93.7861 | 26.2961 | 120.0821 | 14.1638 | 7.2585 | 16.1275 |
| 440 | 19.86 | 53.936 | 13.7756 | 67.7116 | 10.3637 | 3.4468 | 11.0353 |
| 460 | 15.30 | 52.8396 | 12.3248 | 65.1644 | 9.9518 | 2.9715 | 10.3952 |
| 480 | 10.73 | 90.5473 | 14.0337 | 104.581 | 14.6518 | 3.2677 | 14.4239 |
| 500 | 6.16 | 108.0504 | 12.8952 | 120.9457 | 18.0887 | 3.5578 | 17.6004 |
| 520 | 1.60 | 29.4966 | 2.77 | 32.2665 | 4.222 | 1.3213 | 4.4563 |
| 531 | 0.00 | 9.51E-05 | 8.13E-05 | 0.000177 | 0.000781 | 0.000737 | 0.001455 |

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198 **Table S10.** MomentMacro data from the scaled DigiMorph rat hemimandible
 199 analysis.

| Slice number | % along mandible | I_x (mm ⁴) | I_y (mm ⁴) | J (mm ⁴) | Z_x (mm ³) | Z_y (mm ³) | Z_p (mm ³) |
|--------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 249 | 100.00 | 0.000121 | 0.000219 | 0.00034 | 0.000943 | 0.001509 | 0.002369 |
| 270 | 98.86 | 0.05222 | 0.07244 | 0.1247 | 0.09804 | 0.1221 | 0.1882 |
| 290 | 96.96 | 0.1772 | 0.1695 | 0.3467 | 0.2368 | 0.2405 | 0.4018 |
| 310 | 95.06 | 0.3674 | 0.2773 | 0.6446 | 0.413 | 0.3782 | 0.6673 |
| 330 | 93.16 | 0.63 | 0.3782 | 1.0082 | 0.6071 | 0.4841 | 0.9161 |
| 350 | 91.26 | 1.0414 | 0.4526 | 1.494 | 0.873 | 0.563 | 1.2497 |
| 370 | 89.36 | 1.3584 | 0.5097 | 1.8681 | 1.0671 | 0.6131 | 1.3873 |
| 390 | 87.46 | 1.8349 | 0.5619 | 2.3968 | 1.3323 | 0.6517 | 1.5875 |
| 410 | 85.57 | 2.0437 | 0.5789 | 2.6227 | 1.3541 | 0.6564 | 1.6618 |
| 430 | 83.67 | 1.8378 | 0.5878 | 2.4256 | 1.2778 | 0.6721 | 1.6315 |
| 450 | 81.77 | 1.9418 | 0.6845 | 2.6263 | 1.2502 | 0.7501 | 1.5789 |
| 470 | 79.87 | 2.7853 | 0.8351 | 3.6204 | 1.6153 | 0.8649 | 2.0117 |
| 490 | 77.97 | 4.0763 | 1.0012 | 5.0775 | 2.2175 | 1.0257 | 2.6736 |
| 510 | 76.07 | 5.0286 | 1.572 | 6.6006 | 2.6354 | 1.3881 | 3.2297 |
| 530 | 74.17 | 5.5461 | 2.1687 | 7.7148 | 2.7173 | 1.6594 | 3.3581 |
| 550 | 72.27 | 5.895 | 2.6956 | 8.5906 | 2.986 | 1.931 | 3.7012 |
| 570 | 70.37 | 6.6372 | 2.9738 | 9.611 | 3.339 | 2.1773 | 4.2854 |
| 590 | 68.47 | 7.6805 | 3.0705 | 10.7509 | 3.9657 | 2.2762 | 4.7772 |

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| 610 | 66.57 | 8.7957 | 3.3901 | 12.1858 | 4.497 | 2.5053 | 5.4981 |
| 630 | 64.67 | 10.1948 | 3.569 | 13.7638 | 4.9726 | 2.7481 | 6.1322 |
| 650 | 62.77 | 13.051 | 4.2869 | 17.3379 | 5.7989 | 3.118 | 6.84 |
| 670 | 60.87 | 59.1285 | 8.708 | 67.8364 | 9.4871 | 5.118 | 10.8608 |
| 690 | 58.97 | 113.4807 | 14.0396 | 127.5203 | 20.9585 | 7.3269 | 23.2461 |
| 710 | 57.08 | 131.171 | 16.9958 | 148.1668 | 25.2005 | 8.2354 | 28.0999 |
| 730 | 55.18 | 126.8059 | 17.7541 | 144.56 | 26.0538 | 8.5621 | 29.276 |
| 750 | 53.28 | 119.4616 | 18.1709 | 137.6325 | 25.3582 | 8.4903 | 29.0903 |
| 770 | 51.38 | 128.4187 | 17.8752 | 146.2938 | 26.2447 | 8.346 | 29.6549 |
| 790 | 49.48 | 124.5798 | 16.9484 | 141.5282 | 27.3716 | 8.1393 | 30.8708 |
| 810 | 47.58 | 112.3467 | 15.7083 | 128.055 | 24.9611 | 7.9448 | 28.1258 |
| 830 | 45.68 | 100.1597 | 15.5847 | 115.7444 | 23.0593 | 7.5285 | 24.288 |
| 850 | 43.78 | 106.2157 | 17.7161 | 123.9318 | 22.6687 | 8.3396 | 24.5519 |
| 870 | 41.88 | 109.6233 | 19.7606 | 129.3839 | 19.5042 | 9.5753 | 21.8716 |
| 890 | 39.98 | 119.2727 | 20.6833 | 139.9561 | 17.8566 | 9.8351 | 20.1666 |
| 910 | 38.08 | 119.5503 | 21.2821 | 140.8324 | 15.933 | 10.0278 | 18.1285 |
| 930 | 36.18 | 123.0654 | 22.6539 | 145.7193 | 15.5164 | 10.4556 | 17.912 |
| 950 | 34.28 | 133.5804 | 19.4269 | 153.0073 | 16.6327 | 8.0134 | 18.6693 |
| 970 | 32.38 | 144.332 | 13.906 | 158.238 | 18.176 | 6.1922 | 19.5508 |
| 990 | 30.48 | 137.3622 | 9.0834 | 146.4456 | 17.075 | 3.9248 | 17.9495 |
| 1010 | 28.58 | 89.2415 | 5.992 | 95.2335 | 10.3703 | 2.6468 | 10.9209 |
| 1030 | 26.69 | 66.1597 | 4.6999 | 70.8595 | 7.4575 | 2.1053 | 7.8914 |
| 1050 | 24.79 | 57.0622 | 4.1721 | 61.2342 | 9.7029 | 1.8857 | 10.3228 |
| 1070 | 22.89 | 56.4114 | 3.9092 | 60.3207 | 9.7165 | 1.7699 | 10.2908 |
| 1090 | 20.99 | 60.462 | 3.7527 | 64.2148 | 10.4684 | 1.6768 | 10.7178 |
| 1110 | 19.09 | 69.3404 | 3.4669 | 72.8073 | 10.9014 | 1.5522 | 11.1176 |
| 1130 | 17.19 | 77.568 | 2.9218 | 80.4899 | 11.3923 | 1.405 | 11.4895 |
| 1150 | 15.29 | 91.0758 | 2.3922 | 93.468 | 12.0469 | 1.2192 | 12.0805 |
| 1170 | 13.39 | 80.3167 | 1.779 | 82.0957 | 10.8546 | 0.9249 | 10.8045 |
| 1190 | 11.49 | 67.5653 | 1.3212 | 68.8865 | 10.2424 | 0.6919 | 10.153 |
| 1210 | 9.59 | 38.1058 | 0.8704 | 38.9763 | 5.6371 | 0.5521 | 5.7584 |
| 1230 | 7.69 | 5.5397 | 0.5486 | 6.0883 | 0.6846 | 0.3991 | 0.7521 |
| 1250 | 5.79 | 1.4624 | 0.3602 | 1.8226 | 0.6708 | 0.2979 | 0.8033 |
| 1270 | 3.89 | 0.8652 | 0.1436 | 1.0088 | 0.4878 | 0.1775 | 0.56 |
| 1290 | 1.99 | 0.28 | 0.03232 | 0.3123 | 0.2236 | 0.06352 | 0.2482 |
| 1302 | 0.00 | 0.000198 | 3.13E-05 | 0.000229 | 0.001085 | 0.00035 | 0.001414 |

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201 **Table S11.** MomentMacro data from the scaled guinea pig hemimandible analysis.

| Slice number | % along mandible | I_x (mm 4) | I_y (mm 4) | J (mm 4) | Z_x (mm 3) | Z_y (mm 3) | Z_p (mm 3) |
|--------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 128 | 100.00 | 0.000505 | 5.76E-05 | 0.000563 | 0.002146 | 0.000471 | 0.002486 |
| 130 | 98.98 | 0.07219 | 0.03903 | 0.1112 | 0.1076 | 0.07787 | 0.1566 |
| 150 | 95.58 | 0.3118 | 0.1588 | 0.4706 | 0.3489 | 0.2257 | 0.5129 |
| 170 | 92.18 | 0.5634 | 0.189 | 0.7524 | 0.4911 | 0.2709 | 0.6503 |
| 190 | 88.78 | 0.9701 | 0.3191 | 1.2892 | 0.7528 | 0.4324 | 0.9922 |
| 210 | 85.37 | 2.2991 | 0.6903 | 2.9894 | 1.4645 | 0.7357 | 1.8904 |
| 230 | 81.97 | 2.9379 | 1.4946 | 4.4324 | 1.8234 | 1.2332 | 2.7302 |
| 250 | 78.57 | 5.8648 | 3.4618 | 9.3266 | 3.044 | 2.3716 | 4.7866 |
| 270 | 75.17 | 10.3155 | 5.6207 | 15.9362 | 4.4839 | 3.4888 | 6.8136 |
| 290 | 71.77 | 10.8565 | 8.0952 | 18.9517 | 4.9937 | 4.4233 | 8.4502 |
| 310 | 68.37 | 9.4599 | 8.8994 | 18.3593 | 4.9182 | 4.6071 | 8.001 |
| 330 | 64.97 | 11.6289 | 17.6679 | 29.2968 | 5.7006 | 7.0346 | 9.9841 |
| 350 | 61.56 | 81.9723 | 91.6822 | 173.6545 | 19.7426 | 21.4594 | 33.6081 |
| 370 | 58.16 | 125.8892 | 147.6824 | 273.5716 | 25.3389 | 32.133 | 50.07 |
| 390 | 54.76 | 163.1843 | 160.4266 | 323.6109 | 34.3459 | 32.9482 | 64.3693 |

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|-----|-------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------|----------|
| 410 | 51.36 | 158.1934 | 153.0759 | 311.2693 | 31.1126 | 31.3441 | 60.0955 |
| 430 | 47.96 | 159.7898 | 113.5291 | 273.319 | 33.6855 | 25.0478 | 56.5675 |
| 450 | 44.56 | 118.9263 | 72.9301 | 191.8563 | 25.5222 | 18.2636 | 40.9944 |
| 470 | 41.16 | 123.6569 | 50.1672 | 173.824 | 28.8381 | 13.9229 | 40.4434 |
| 490 | 37.76 | 92.2653 | 37.6546 | 129.9199 | 22.8619 | 11.4326 | 30.1356 |
| 510 | 34.35 | 58.4717 | 22.5081 | 80.9798 | 15.6998 | 8.0849 | 20.3092 |
| 530 | 30.95 | 46.1984 | 12.4356 | 58.6341 | 12.6412 | 5.4426 | 14.5801 |
| 550 | 27.55 | 49.5326 | 12.2699 | 61.8024 | 11.8296 | 4.544 | 14.3699 |
| 570 | 24.15 | 64.32 | 6.4525 | 70.7725 | 11.9943 | 2.4203 | 12.118 |
| 590 | 20.75 | 93.5149 | 7.4351 | 100.95 | 14.1849 | 2.5228 | 14.1702 |
| 610 | 17.35 | 91.3801 | 7.3216 | 98.7017 | 13.7971 | 2.3396 | 13.8463 |
| 630 | 13.95 | 60.5415 | 5.6489 | 66.1903 | 10.7466 | 2.0006 | 10.8486 |
| 650 | 10.54 | 0.3601 | 0.6058 | 0.9659 | 0.2892 | 0.4728 | 0.5836 |
| 670 | 7.14 | 0.05204 | 0.1651 | 0.2172 | 0.07818 | 0.1773 | 0.2037 |
| 690 | 3.74 | 0.06061 | 0.1122 | 0.1728 | 0.09428 | 0.1371 | 0.1862 |
| 710 | 0.34 | 0.009298 | 0.01156 | 0.02086 | 0.02494 | 0.02808 | 0.04812 |
| 716 | 0.00 | 6.78E-06 | 6.78E-06 | 1.36E-05 | 9E-05 | 9E-05 | 0.000322 |

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203 **Table S12.** MomentMacro data from the scaled squirrel hemimandible analysis.

| Slice number | % along mandible | I_x (mm ⁴) | I_y (mm ⁴) | J (mm ⁴) | Z_x (mm ³) | Z_y (mm ³) | Z_p (mm ³) |
|--------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 199 | 100.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 200 | 98.72 | 0.001302 | 0.001495 | 0.002796 | 0.004646 | 0.005821 | 0.01109 |
| 220 | 94.43 | 0.4575 | 0.1586 | 0.6161 | 0.4228 | 0.2389 | 0.6026 |
| 240 | 90.15 | 1.4971 | 0.3609 | 1.8579 | 1.0225 | 0.4995 | 1.3229 |
| 260 | 85.87 | 4.0083 | 0.5016 | 4.5099 | 2.1009 | 0.6398 | 2.4293 |
| 280 | 81.58 | 3.763 | 0.6886 | 4.4517 | 1.9358 | 0.7811 | 2.3566 |
| 300 | 77.30 | 7.3286 | 1.706 | 9.0347 | 3.2973 | 1.4183 | 4.1419 |
| 320 | 73.02 | 13.5847 | 3.8586 | 17.4432 | 5.4186 | 2.6077 | 6.9588 |
| 340 | 68.74 | 22.0206 | 6.2957 | 28.3163 | 8.0951 | 3.915 | 10.2846 |
| 360 | 64.45 | 38.7496 | 8.9005 | 47.6501 | 11.6206 | 5.1703 | 14.058 |
| 380 | 60.17 | 113.4013 | 15.1301 | 128.5313 | 21.9463 | 7.8511 | 24.8687 |
| 400 | 55.89 | 111.9041 | 19.4033 | 131.3074 | 23.6727 | 9.3735 | 27.5532 |
| 420 | 51.61 | 132.0439 | 21.1697 | 153.2136 | 29.2097 | 9.5792 | 32.2683 |
| 440 | 47.32 | 135.3838 | 21.5182 | 156.902 | 30.0536 | 9.2696 | 33.4848 |
| 460 | 43.04 | 120.7213 | 22.8955 | 143.6167 | 28.2771 | 8.921 | 33.5608 |
| 480 | 38.76 | 131.9464 | 30.3723 | 162.3187 | 28.4362 | 11.3453 | 31.184 |
| 500 | 34.48 | 149.5191 | 29.6943 | 179.2134 | 24.508 | 12.664 | 27.8776 |
| 520 | 30.19 | 189.1745 | 24.4685 | 213.643 | 26.5228 | 11.1533 | 29.1464 |
| 540 | 25.91 | 170.9931 | 12.8933 | 183.8865 | 21.564 | 5.3937 | 22.7554 |
| 560 | 21.63 | 105.3693 | 9.0387 | 114.408 | 11.5033 | 3.6152 | 12.2482 |
| 580 | 17.34 | 86.7892 | 8.8548 | 95.6441 | 13.8304 | 3.2438 | 14.8713 |
| 600 | 13.06 | 104.8974 | 9.5406 | 114.438 | 16.4512 | 3.052 | 17.6361 |
| 620 | 8.78 | 203.7987 | 9.9209 | 213.7197 | 28.8323 | 3.0786 | 29.9852 |
| 640 | 4.50 | 84.1636 | 2.0975 | 86.2612 | 8.6455 | 1.0917 | 8.7798 |
| 660 | 0.21 | 0.1034 | 0.129 | 0.2324 | 0.1568 | 0.1796 | 0.3012 |
| 666 | 0.00 | 0.000434 | 0.000522 | 0.000955 | 0.002129 | 0.002614 | 0.004433 |

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205 **Table S13.** MomentMacro data from the scaled *Kryptobaatar* hemimandible
 206 analysis.

| Slice number | % along mandible | I_x (mm 4) | I_y (mm 4) | J (mm 4) | Z_x (mm 3) | Z_y (mm 3) | Z_p (mm 3) |
|--------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 82 | 100.00 | 0.02567 | 0.006607 | 0.03228 | 0.04552 | 0.01965 | 0.06219 |
| 90 | 95.85 | 2.3958 | 0.3501 | 2.746 | 1.4005 | 0.4764 | 1.5878 |
| 100 | 91.24 | 2.9718 | 0.4296 | 3.4013 | 1.6203 | 0.5204 | 1.838 |
| 110 | 86.64 | 3.7773 | 1.8559 | 5.6332 | 2.32 | 1.6051 | 3.2412 |
| 120 | 82.03 | 9.0725 | 4.6754 | 13.7478 | 4.5305 | 2.9797 | 6.5906 |
| 130 | 77.42 | 7.7403 | 5.3079 | 13.0483 | 4.1468 | 3.1774 | 6.413 |
| 140 | 72.81 | 22.3796 | 16.7202 | 39.0998 | 4.3613 | 5.8382 | 6.7705 |
| 150 | 68.20 | 70.6726 | 31.2334 | 101.906 | 13.184 | 11.4153 | 18.1273 |
| 160 | 63.59 | 88.1759 | 26.1782 | 114.3541 | 16.4773 | 9.767 | 20.612 |
| 170 | 58.99 | 102.6841 | 21.5245 | 124.2086 | 19.6065 | 8.5876 | 23.4575 |
| 180 | 54.38 | 108.0814 | 20.1372 | 128.2186 | 20.9441 | 8.3747 | 24.8014 |
| 190 | 49.77 | 102.0891 | 18.937 | 121.0261 | 21.2371 | 8.5844 | 25.1107 |
| 200 | 45.16 | 103.4501 | 19.0083 | 122.4585 | 24.4573 | 7.4303 | 28.0577 |
| 210 | 40.55 | 119.4939 | 26.0243 | 145.5182 | 22.5622 | 8.3155 | 23.7941 |
| 220 | 35.94 | 97.281 | 23.4906 | 120.7715 | 15.7026 | 6.9877 | 17.2169 |
| 230 | 31.34 | 38.125 | 11.5847 | 49.7096 | 6.262 | 4.2507 | 7.4846 |
| 240 | 26.73 | 15.4533 | 8.5547 | 24.008 | 3.8067 | 3.1569 | 5.4795 |
| 250 | 22.12 | 16.3189 | 10.4183 | 26.7373 | 4.6764 | 3.1712 | 7.0896 |
| 260 | 17.51 | 19.6524 | 10.9676 | 30.62 | 6.4687 | 3.0916 | 8.5351 |
| 270 | 12.90 | 30.3179 | 15.8823 | 46.2002 | 8.7112 | 4.2938 | 11.6075 |
| 280 | 8.29 | 52.815 | 20.4602 | 73.2752 | 14.1873 | 5.3941 | 15.8343 |
| 290 | 3.69 | 36.3208 | 11.9917 | 48.3126 | 10.7972 | 3.5823 | 11.3168 |
| 299 | 0.00 | 0.07003 | 0.01188 | 0.08191 | 0.08489 | 0.03102 | 0.0969 |

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208 **Table S14.** MomentMacro data from the scaled DigiMorph mouse rostrum analysis.

| Slice number | % along rostrum | I_x (mm 4) | I_y (mm 4) | J (mm 4) | Z_x (mm 3) | Z_y (mm 3) | Z_p (mm 3) |
|--------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 3 | 100.00 | 4.19E-05 | 0.000285 | 0.000327 | 0.000561 | 0.001432 | 0.001896 |
| 23 | 94.74 | 44.5457 | 7.4884 | 52.034 | 9.9012 | 3.1669 | 11.4505 |
| 43 | 89.47 | 264.6359 | 68.6327 | 333.2686 | 35.1245 | 23.1527 | 44.1701 |
| 63 | 84.21 | 209.6296 | 118.9861 | 328.6156 | 31.8494 | 34.7552 | 49.4942 |
| 83 | 78.95 | 123.0906 | 129.5318 | 252.6224 | 25.819 | 34.5085 | 52.0943 |
| 103 | 73.68 | 124.6691 | 139.4694 | 264.1385 | 27.8095 | 34.5915 | 57.5653 |
| 123 | 68.42 | 144.9074 | 161.6936 | 306.601 | 30.1818 | 39.4633 | 60.5249 |
| 143 | 63.16 | 199.8047 | 186.3581 | 386.1627 | 40.1859 | 44.2624 | 70.1873 |
| 163 | 57.89 | 246.5181 | 145.5809 | 392.0989 | 47.5019 | 33.3424 | 67.9691 |
| 183 | 52.63 | 262.8689 | 175.2828 | 438.1516 | 48.6145 | 26.1875 | 65.738 |
| 203 | 47.37 | 312.6417 | 399.608 | 712.2496 | 54.7876 | 47.095 | 84.0552 |
| 223 | 42.11 | 393.6662 | 1262.991 | 1656.657 | 65.1583 | 130.7617 | 167.3441 |
| 243 | 36.84 | 600.3048 | 1469.198 | 2069.503 | 88.7287 | 136.9266 | 189.7355 |
| 263 | 31.58 | 716.0286 | 937.2806 | 1653.309 | 91.2528 | 80.7635 | 140.4876 |
| 283 | 26.32 | 750.2075 | 857.5286 | 1607.736 | 82.3765 | 71.7698 | 132.7061 |
| 303 | 21.05 | 625.7154 | 632.553 | 1258.268 | 63.3682 | 51.6699 | 101.1507 |
| 323 | 15.79 | 672.2743 | 549.8331 | 1222.107 | 66.4553 | 44.7008 | 97.1668 |
| 343 | 10.53 | 729.9995 | 547.3529 | 1277.352 | 72.921 | 43.3694 | 98.2189 |
| 363 | 5.26 | 916.0313 | 602.4079 | 1518.439 | 116.4072 | 46.8718 | 108.4438 |
| 383 | 0.00 | 759.3732 | 619.5861 | 1378.959 | 91.329 | 46.9596 | 94.8454 |

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210 **Table S15.** MomentMacro data from the scaled DigiMorph rat rostrum analysis.

| Slice number | % along rostrum | I_x (mm ⁴) | I_y (mm ⁴) | J (mm ⁴) | Z_x (mm ³) | Z_y (mm ³) | Z_p (mm ³) |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | 100.00 | 2.38E-05 | 7.79E-05 | 0.000102 | 0.000275 | 0.000496 | 0.000772 |
| 20 | 97.67 | 0.05288 | 0.9062 | 0.9591 | 0.1002 | 0.5681 | 0.5911 |
| 40 | 95.35 | 42.6903 | 7.4221 | 50.1124 | 9.0525 | 3.0257 | 10.6753 |
| 60 | 93.02 | 179.488 | 50.9927 | 230.4807 | 27.3518 | 18.3295 | 35.0185 |
| 80 | 90.70 | 301.6347 | 85.195 | 386.8297 | 42.624 | 27.6061 | 54.5222 |
| 100 | 88.37 | 444.8053 | 120.6194 | 565.4247 | 60.8643 | 36.0245 | 77.191 |
| 120 | 86.05 | 550.1849 | 144.1753 | 694.3601 | 76.1094 | 40.3395 | 95.8914 |
| 140 | 83.72 | 206.2115 | 136.6234 | 342.8349 | 34.7145 | 37.4228 | 56.9051 |
| 160 | 81.40 | 161.6351 | 135.7431 | 297.3782 | 32.9529 | 36.3831 | 60.5313 |
| 180 | 79.07 | 148.2603 | 131.5846 | 279.8449 | 32.6466 | 35.245 | 60.6985 |
| 200 | 76.74 | 146.3605 | 129.5138 | 275.8743 | 34.0083 | 35.36 | 62.5507 |
| 220 | 74.42 | 150.5732 | 134.406 | 284.9792 | 34.2929 | 35.9753 | 64.934 |
| 240 | 72.09 | 160.1037 | 139.8868 | 299.9905 | 35.31 | 37.3418 | 65.8059 |
| 260 | 69.77 | 175.1872 | 144.9169 | 320.1042 | 37.7985 | 38.1788 | 68.4658 |
| 280 | 67.44 | 190.5226 | 154.9656 | 345.4882 | 41.0558 | 39.4963 | 72.9954 |
| 300 | 65.12 | 208.4146 | 172.7446 | 381.1592 | 44.7514 | 41.803 | 78.166 |
| 320 | 62.79 | 217.6327 | 201.8337 | 419.4664 | 46.1711 | 45.2366 | 83.0796 |
| 340 | 60.47 | 232.2722 | 162.9466 | 395.2188 | 48.0887 | 35.3369 | 75.9261 |
| 360 | 58.14 | 254.2162 | 156.0266 | 410.2428 | 50.5005 | 32.5238 | 75.7554 |
| 380 | 55.81 | 264.9126 | 144.9995 | 409.912 | 49.6346 | 29.9582 | 72.0989 |
| 400 | 53.49 | 270.2214 | 174.1211 | 444.3425 | 49.8806 | 27.3827 | 68.6223 |
| 420 | 51.16 | 277.7817 | 226.904 | 504.6857 | 50.8305 | 32.9005 | 71.9079 |
| 440 | 48.84 | 318.1516 | 296.9789 | 615.1305 | 59.0327 | 40.2751 | 82.7436 |
| 460 | 46.51 | 340.2331 | 346.9193 | 687.1524 | 63.2099 | 45.1486 | 88.7591 |
| 480 | 44.19 | 358.937 | 445.7645 | 804.7015 | 61.7457 | 55.4518 | 100.0768 |
| 500 | 41.86 | 352.5422 | 669.4418 | 1021.984 | 54.1056 | 78.3343 | 119.7565 |
| 520 | 39.53 | 383.0567 | 912.8708 | 1295.928 | 57.6898 | 100.4846 | 142.0864 |
| 540 | 37.21 | 452.1824 | 1036.763 | 1488.945 | 71.7701 | 110.7564 | 158.5004 |
| 560 | 34.88 | 517.9957 | 1163.761 | 1681.757 | 87.9571 | 119.3645 | 171.7921 |
| 580 | 32.56 | 621.2303 | 1267.367 | 1888.598 | 97.829 | 124.3342 | 184.7783 |
| 600 | 30.23 | 632.8427 | 928.9764 | 1561.819 | 100.4181 | 89.2538 | 149.0952 |
| 620 | 27.91 | 721.7864 | 800.681 | 1522.467 | 104.2182 | 75.4473 | 142.9288 |
| 640 | 25.58 | 776.361 | 716.9435 | 1493.305 | 104.9149 | 66.7187 | 137.9084 |
| 660 | 23.26 | 812.9383 | 652.0978 | 1465.036 | 107.9157 | 59.7483 | 132.8945 |
| 680 | 20.93 | 908.5582 | 646.438 | 1554.996 | 121.4059 | 58.8094 | 138.7151 |
| 700 | 18.60 | 806.2102 | 581.3951 | 1387.605 | 106.6931 | 52.4329 | 121.9458 |
| 720 | 16.28 | 761.7018 | 551.113 | 1312.815 | 96.6559 | 49.1428 | 114.5928 |
| 740 | 13.95 | 733.8461 | 556.4135 | 1290.26 | 90.7807 | 49.1897 | 111.7624 |
| 760 | 11.63 | 739.5409 | 545.7573 | 1285.298 | 90.2551 | 47.8223 | 110.0884 |
| 780 | 9.30 | 689.2822 | 487.2261 | 1176.508 | 85.9256 | 42.0868 | 99.1165 |
| 800 | 6.98 | 774.502 | 474.8641 | 1249.366 | 96.4468 | 40.6885 | 103.7033 |
| 820 | 4.65 | 770.0105 | 417.4946 | 1187.505 | 106.1127 | 35.4186 | 95.4987 |
| 840 | 2.33 | 679.9932 | 363.3718 | 1043.365 | 92.4943 | 30.5513 | 81.7309 |
| 860 | 0.00 | 633.9319 | 351.3472 | 985.2791 | 86.9691 | 29.719 | 75.4597 |

212 **Table S16.** MomentMacro data from the scaled rat (Cox *et al.* [1]) rostrum analysis.

| Slice number | % along rostrum | I_x (mm ⁴) | I_y (mm ⁴) | J (mm ⁴) | Z_x (mm ³) | Z_y (mm ³) | Z_p (mm ³) |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 20 | 100.00 | 1.57E-05 | 2.24E-05 | 3.81E-05 | 0.000176 | 0.000196 | 0.000491 |
| 40 | 96.55 | 0.1428 | 1.9554 | 2.0982 | 0.1876 | 0.9846 | 1.0138 |
| 60 | 93.10 | 35.9987 | 9.7768 | 45.7755 | 6.6708 | 3.7523 | 8.5524 |
| 80 | 89.66 | 201.3905 | 52.7121 | 254.1025 | 30.1494 | 18.6397 | 38.0358 |
| 100 | 86.21 | 386.3018 | 101.2789 | 487.5807 | 52.5662 | 33.8864 | 66.2734 |
| 120 | 82.76 | 572.4786 | 140.3157 | 712.7943 | 75.7534 | 42.6087 | 94.2167 |
| 140 | 79.31 | 282.5218 | 142.471 | 424.9929 | 30.3676 | 41.2956 | 45.6789 |
| 160 | 75.86 | 190.0244 | 141.7218 | 331.7462 | 39.5973 | 39.9632 | 68.7755 |
| 180 | 72.41 | 191.2088 | 156.7995 | 348.0083 | 39.2994 | 41.5728 | 72.1431 |
| 200 | 68.97 | 213.5418 | 174.6561 | 388.1978 | 40.8123 | 46.2376 | 74.8168 |
| 220 | 65.52 | 245.2237 | 195.3284 | 440.5521 | 45.7089 | 51.0021 | 82.6159 |
| 240 | 62.07 | 284.9951 | 229.0622 | 514.0573 | 52.1979 | 53.5872 | 93.6297 |
| 260 | 58.62 | 340.1721 | 213.258 | 553.4301 | 63.3883 | 45.3796 | 100.721 |
| 280 | 55.17 | 394.7525 | 206.8239 | 601.5764 | 70.777 | 37.5388 | 104.2233 |
| 300 | 51.72 | 437.0331 | 282.7725 | 719.8057 | 74.6514 | 42.8564 | 104.6665 |
| 320 | 48.28 | 470.8908 | 352.1847 | 823.0755 | 80.0123 | 48.6519 | 110.4627 |
| 340 | 44.83 | 516.5793 | 521.4153 | 1037.995 | 88.206 | 65.4567 | 129.9925 |
| 360 | 41.38 | 503.5274 | 820.7275 | 1324.255 | 77.1944 | 94.1123 | 151.9402 |
| 380 | 37.93 | 502.4221 | 1121.358 | 1623.78 | 74.157 | 120.2981 | 172.8435 |
| 400 | 34.48 | 644.6777 | 1443.605 | 2088.282 | 105.6617 | 146.0675 | 209.1202 |
| 420 | 31.03 | 792.3278 | 1466.086 | 2258.414 | 116.5997 | 142.8546 | 217.6951 |
| 440 | 27.59 | 844.6041 | 971.43 | 1816.034 | 119.5284 | 92.2162 | 169.4079 |
| 460 | 24.14 | 954.1741 | 793.6998 | 1747.874 | 124.9168 | 73.8247 | 160.3583 |
| 480 | 20.69 | 996.9571 | 661.8514 | 1658.809 | 126.4931 | 60.383 | 149.2003 |
| 500 | 17.24 | 1016.196 | 622.3166 | 1638.513 | 133.3863 | 56.0619 | 144.4117 |
| 520 | 13.79 | 979.6968 | 600.5442 | 1580.241 | 132.9117 | 53.5463 | 136.2166 |
| 540 | 10.34 | 948.63 | 520.8063 | 1469.436 | 129.9026 | 45.9341 | 124.3901 |
| 560 | 6.90 | 827.888 | 439.3974 | 1267.285 | 109.6119 | 37.8668 | 104.7701 |
| 580 | 3.45 | 931.791 | 459.7777 | 1391.569 | 115.1583 | 39.3441 | 112.2391 |
| 600 | 0.00 | 770.1442 | 434.4367 | 1204.581 | 96.1499 | 36.6301 | 93.1898 |

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214 **Table S17.** MomentMacro data from the scaled guinea pig rostrum analysis.

| Slice number | % along rostrum | I_x (mm ⁴) | I_y (mm ⁴) | J (mm ⁴) | Z_x (mm ³) | Z_y (mm ³) | Z_p (mm ³) |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 70 | 100.00 | 0.002886 | 0.000963 | 0.003849 | 0.004668 | 0.004187 | 0.006573 |
| 90 | 96.43 | 261.4551 | 26.503 | 287.9581 | 27.0251 | 13.0755 | 29.7514 |
| 110 | 92.86 | 721.987 | 46.7365 | 768.7234 | 79.5441 | 14.835 | 83.0019 |
| 130 | 89.29 | 541.2388 | 159.2559 | 700.4947 | 77.52 | 36.7374 | 96.8547 |
| 150 | 85.71 | 480.655 | 178.3533 | 659.0083 | 72.6916 | 36.4555 | 98.2529 |
| 170 | 82.14 | 426.701 | 191.6677 | 618.3687 | 67.8219 | 37.8509 | 96.5527 |
| 190 | 78.57 | 408.8239 | 244.287 | 653.1109 | 65.2784 | 46.6323 | 101.3708 |
| 210 | 75.00 | 412.7211 | 327.1733 | 739.8944 | 65.9499 | 62.1378 | 112.9434 |
| 230 | 71.43 | 441.4153 | 450.8196 | 892.2349 | 70.8961 | 87.1588 | 137.2367 |
| 250 | 67.86 | 460.5817 | 516.2022 | 976.7839 | 71.7187 | 92.0011 | 151.8551 |
| 270 | 64.29 | 555.929 | 568.6558 | 1124.585 | 82.2197 | 98.6137 | 165.3641 |
| 290 | 60.71 | 665.7328 | 547.7828 | 1213.516 | 102.6165 | 94.4465 | 176.8823 |
| 310 | 57.14 | 724.4471 | 577.2282 | 1301.675 | 114.3455 | 99.4007 | 184.8552 |
| 330 | 53.57 | 862.3837 | 573.5106 | 1435.894 | 125.8132 | 91.4052 | 192.6435 |
| 350 | 50.00 | 1066.378 | 897.6754 | 1964.054 | 131.6253 | 114.9603 | 222.5866 |
| 370 | 46.43 | 1467.596 | 1903.109 | 3370.705 | 161.882 | 192.0973 | 322.5345 |
| 390 | 42.86 | 1832.208 | 2907.584 | 4739.792 | 183.28 | 262.9064 | 404.4982 |

| | | | | | | | |
|-----|-------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 410 | 39.29 | 1988.523 | 4214.86 | 6203.383 | 192.8389 | 354.7938 | 498.4496 |
| 430 | 35.71 | 2365.571 | 5124.551 | 7490.122 | 223.9016 | 395.9729 | 576.9268 |
| 450 | 32.14 | 2844.495 | 5790.759 | 8635.254 | 285.3019 | 428.3216 | 636.778 |
| 470 | 28.57 | 2586.393 | 4834.393 | 7420.787 | 262.5917 | 343.3184 | 515.9043 |
| 490 | 25.00 | 2667.866 | 3917.578 | 6585.443 | 261.778 | 271.9259 | 445.7605 |
| 510 | 21.43 | 2452.576 | 3769.4 | 6221.976 | 239.331 | 253.0964 | 405.4178 |
| 530 | 17.86 | 2250.158 | 3597.252 | 5847.411 | 216.9406 | 235.1071 | 370.6729 |
| 550 | 14.29 | 2361.382 | 3648.36 | 6009.743 | 230.7778 | 231.4886 | 368.5371 |
| 570 | 10.71 | 2295.701 | 3284.811 | 5580.512 | 232.9158 | 204.1211 | 333.0773 |
| 590 | 7.14 | 1979.189 | 2732.558 | 4711.746 | 192.7959 | 167.1153 | 279.5081 |
| 610 | 3.57 | 1752.29 | 2274.113 | 4026.403 | 171.7386 | 138.3477 | 235.3412 |
| 630 | 0.00 | 1432.489 | 1869.713 | 3302.202 | 165.1404 | 114.7328 | 187.8588 |

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216 **Table S18.** MomentMacro data from the scaled squirrel rostrum analysis.

| Slice number | % along rostrum | I_x (mm ⁴) | I_y (mm ⁴) | J (mm ⁴) | Z_x (mm ³) | Z_y (mm ³) | Z_p (mm ³) |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 9 | 100.00 | 0.002728 | 0.00105 | 0.003778 | 0.01008 | 0.004628 | 0.0146 |
| 30 | 96.56 | 1.4971 | 18.4773 | 19.9744 | 1.2933 | 5.9804 | 6.1761 |
| 50 | 93.12 | 5.6091 | 48.0745 | 53.6836 | 2.4373 | 12.1342 | 11.9434 |
| 70 | 89.67 | 18.3237 | 85.7373 | 104.061 | 4.7576 | 19.3375 | 20.1218 |
| 90 | 86.23 | 379.7889 | 218.6734 | 598.4623 | 60.4882 | 44.2552 | 94.1815 |
| 110 | 82.79 | 805.2034 | 483.1495 | 1288.353 | 99.8779 | 97.7558 | 158.3047 |
| 130 | 79.35 | 1597.024 | 698.2587 | 2295.283 | 179.8255 | 138.7058 | 256.8181 |
| 150 | 75.90 | 2346.006 | 764.0708 | 3110.077 | 227.6547 | 145.9947 | 302.3293 |
| 170 | 72.46 | 1404.534 | 805.3501 | 2209.884 | 150.3932 | 144.8048 | 235.7335 |
| 190 | 69.02 | 1117.863 | 792.5629 | 1910.426 | 141.6457 | 137.9815 | 243.6704 |
| 210 | 65.58 | 1047.353 | 816.9654 | 1864.318 | 127.1356 | 140.0876 | 226.4435 |
| 230 | 62.13 | 1075.291 | 914.9934 | 1990.284 | 128.9057 | 149.5429 | 238.1337 |
| 250 | 58.69 | 1225.435 | 985.5899 | 2211.025 | 152.7443 | 138.53 | 242.2821 |
| 270 | 55.25 | 1494.03 | 1138.591 | 2632.621 | 183.5449 | 136.5819 | 267.5023 |
| 290 | 51.81 | 1708.963 | 1527.681 | 3236.644 | 201.6009 | 162.2857 | 309.5096 |
| 310 | 48.36 | 1924.937 | 1872.13 | 3797.067 | 230.5595 | 173.6451 | 327.2131 |
| 330 | 44.92 | 1830.959 | 2014.063 | 3845.023 | 208.8495 | 168.4448 | 311.3221 |
| 350 | 41.48 | 2070.007 | 2784.578 | 4854.585 | 220.5768 | 215.2848 | 371.9057 |
| 370 | 38.04 | 2191.303 | 4574.492 | 6765.795 | 216.4618 | 317.7336 | 470.5227 |
| 390 | 34.60 | 2780.351 | 4704.553 | 7484.904 | 265.0769 | 300.3537 | 474.7861 |
| 410 | 31.15 | 4012.11 | 5046.6 | 9058.711 | 353.6154 | 317.014 | 566.6118 |
| 430 | 27.71 | 5226.525 | 6489.636 | 11716.16 | 480.4384 | 397.1871 | 714.3453 |
| 450 | 24.27 | 5561.196 | 6115.455 | 11676.65 | 518.3402 | 357.6422 | 671.6355 |
| 470 | 20.83 | 5989.743 | 4688.192 | 10677.94 | 525.428 | 265.8366 | 599.7651 |
| 490 | 17.38 | 5227.874 | 3916.899 | 9144.772 | 432.8024 | 220.7964 | 495.4726 |
| 510 | 13.94 | 5401.186 | 3706.553 | 9107.739 | 465.7133 | 204.754 | 490.0961 |
| 530 | 10.50 | 4316.366 | 3436.796 | 7753.162 | 365.6204 | 186.3732 | 407.5363 |
| 550 | 7.06 | 4722.314 | 3774.458 | 8496.772 | 411.4521 | 203.5219 | 448.4726 |
| 570 | 3.61 | 4250.158 | 4011.212 | 8261.37 | 371.2707 | 215.621 | 427.6634 |
| 590 | 0.00 | 3267.277 | 3750.362 | 7017.639 | 302.7469 | 198.8558 | 354.6678 |

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218 **Table S19.** MomentMacro data from the scaled *Kryptobaatar* rostrum analysis.

| Slice number | % along rostrum | I_x (mm ⁴) | I_y (mm ⁴) | J (mm ⁴) | Z_x (mm ³) | Z_y (mm ³) | Z_p (mm ³) |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 6 | 100.00 | 0.006607 | 0.06138 | 0.06799 | 0.02268 | 0.08182 | 0.09818 |
| 10 | 95.10 | 0.1012 | 1.5759 | 1.6771 | 0.1691 | 0.9385 | 1.0362 |
| 20 | 90.20 | 39.4751 | 61.4148 | 100.8899 | 10.6973 | 16.0667 | 25.6671 |
| 30 | 85.29 | 166.0458 | 216.3622 | 382.408 | 42.6711 | 48.451 | 78.5624 |
| 40 | 80.39 | 453.7057 | 502.7599 | 956.4656 | 78.6628 | 93.201 | 159.1744 |
| 50 | 75.49 | 361.916 | 737.6145 | 1099.531 | 45.4023 | 120.7453 | 138.56 |
| 60 | 70.59 | 361.2372 | 1095.165 | 1456.402 | 79.7755 | 158.8397 | 212.7677 |
| 70 | 65.69 | 410.8668 | 962.541 | 1373.408 | 89.4921 | 126.496 | 180.985 |
| 80 | 60.78 | 447.6968 | 1007.566 | 1455.262 | 89.2478 | 120.0169 | 172.3632 |
| 90 | 55.88 | 501.9771 | 1332.194 | 1834.171 | 103.874 | 143.9796 | 199.5085 |
| 100 | 50.98 | 607.851 | 1673.377 | 2281.228 | 103.4829 | 162.079 | 222.0365 |
| 110 | 46.08 | 632.312 | 2014.264 | 2646.576 | 104.6341 | 181.2863 | 237.1992 |
| 120 | 41.18 | 652.6757 | 2130.894 | 2783.57 | 108.5079 | 181.3021 | 231.7053 |
| 130 | 36.27 | 757.627 | 2361.84 | 3119.467 | 120.0495 | 192.7495 | 246.5276 |
| 140 | 31.37 | 875.3652 | 2637.274 | 3512.639 | 128.3243 | 205.6354 | 265.7977 |
| 150 | 26.47 | 1001.418 | 5133.181 | 6134.599 | 147.3944 | 379.1267 | 441.3557 |
| 160 | 21.57 | 932.2033 | 3019.508 | 3951.711 | 145.5502 | 211.8363 | 271.2455 |
| 170 | 16.67 | 810.5445 | 2279.014 | 3089.559 | 126.4529 | 154.4664 | 206.4916 |
| 180 | 11.76 | 968.7076 | 2420.404 | 3389.112 | 140.7215 | 159.4175 | 220.8041 |
| 190 | 6.86 | 1245.915 | 2353.154 | 3599.069 | 178.3682 | 151.4252 | 228.5605 |
| 200 | 1.96 | 1236.959 | 2114.403 | 3351.362 | 169.6029 | 131.8192 | 206.6001 |
| 210 | 0.00 | 989.8609 | 2023.481 | 3013.342 | 155.3728 | 121.8101 | 175.6657 |

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221 **(e) Shapiro-Wilk test of normality for Z_x , Z_y and J data**

222 The Z_x , Z_y and J data from MomentMacro were tested for normality using the
 223 Shapiro-Wilk test (Table S20) in SPSS Statistics 23 (IBM Corp., Armonk, NY, USA).
 224 Only the Z_x data for the rostra passed the test in each taxon, so the non-parametric
 225 Wilcoxon signed-rank test was used to test for significant differences in resistance to
 226 bending and torsion.

227 **Table S20.** Results of the Shapiro-Wilk test of normality for the Z_x , Z_y and J data,
 228 sampled every 5% along the mandibles and rostra. Those highlighted in grey passed
 229 the test (sig. >0.05) and are likely to be normally distributed.

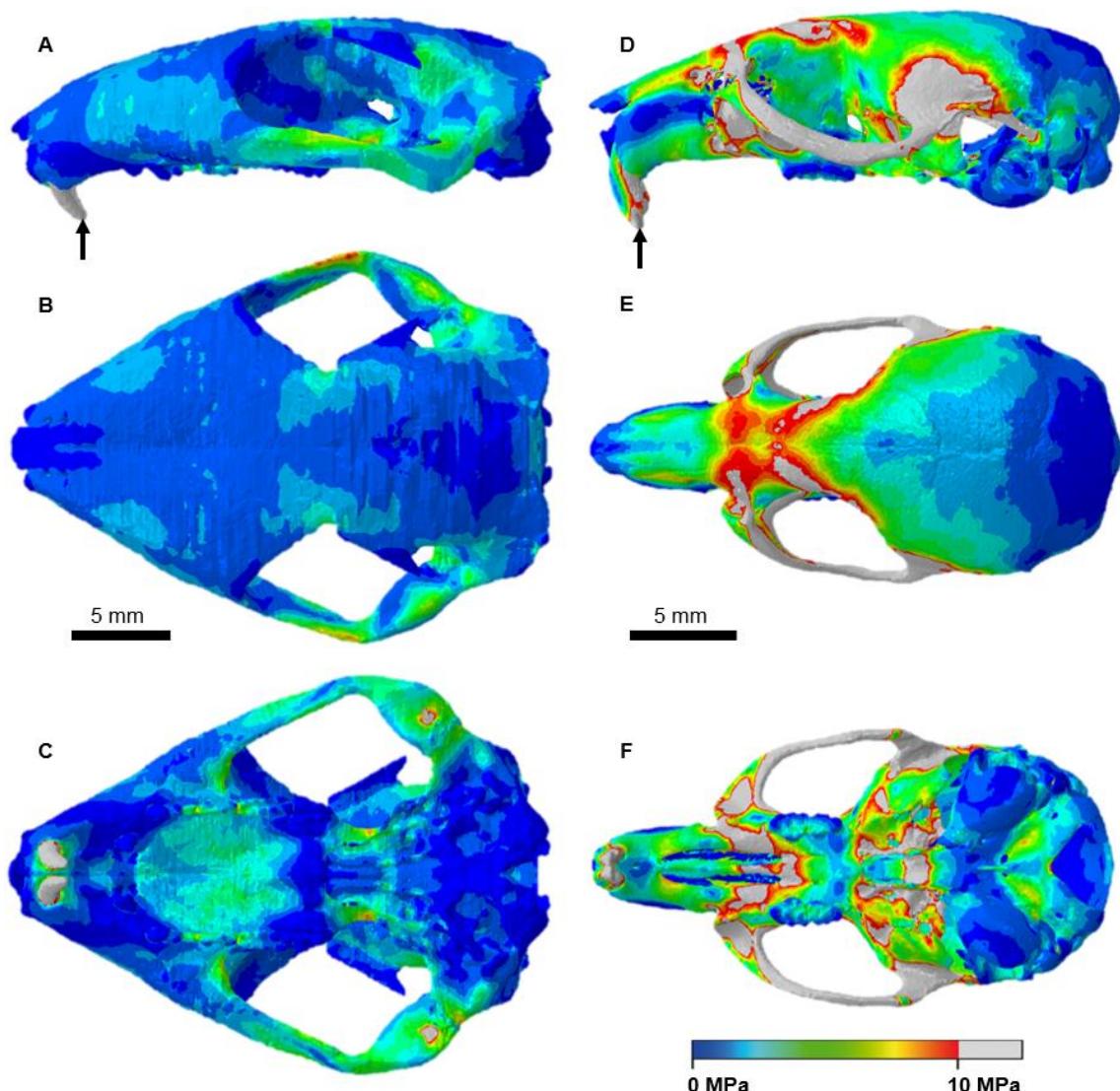
| | | Shapiro-Wilk | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------|----|-------|
| | | Statistic | df | Sig. |
| Mandible | <i>Kryptobaatar Zx</i> | .908 | 21 | 0.051 |
| | Mouse Zx | .874 | 21 | 0.011 |
| | Rat Zx | .873 | 21 | 0.011 |
| | Guinea pig Zx | .858 | 21 | 0.006 |
| | Squirrel Zx | .873 | 21 | 0.011 |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar Zy</i> | .948 | 21 | 0.309 |
| | Mouse Zy | .881 | 21 | 0.016 |
| | Rat Zy | .817 | 21 | 0.001 |
| | Guinea pig Zy | .739 | 21 | 0.000 |
| | Squirrel Zy | .893 | 21 | 0.026 |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar J</i> | .872 | 21 | 0.010 |
| | Mouse J | .842 | 21 | 0.003 |
| | Rat J | .816 | 21 | 0.001 |
| Rostrum | <i>Kryptobaatar Zx</i> | .941 | 21 | 0.231 |
| | Mouse Zx | .982 | 21 | 0.956 |
| | DigiMorph rat Zx | .967 | 21 | 0.658 |
| | Cox <i>et al.</i> rat Zx | .942 | 21 | 0.237 |
| | Guinea pig Zx | .939 | 21 | 0.209 |
| | Squirrel Zx | .953 | 21 | 0.381 |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar Zy</i> | .903 | 21 | 0.040 |
| | Mouse Zy | .825 | 21 | 0.002 |
| | DigiMorph rat Zy | .888 | 21 | 0.021 |
| | Cox <i>et al.</i> rat Zy | .844 | 21 | 0.003 |
| | Guinea pig Zy | .916 | 21 | 0.074 |
| | Squirrel Zy | .951 | 21 | 0.360 |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar J</i> | .946 | 21 | 0.291 |
| | Mouse J | .882 | 21 | 0.016 |
| | DigiMorph rat J | .912 | 21 | 0.061 |
| | Cox <i>et al.</i> rat J | .936 | 21 | 0.180 |
| | Guinea pig J | .858 | 21 | 0.006 |
| | Squirrel J | .920 | 21 | 0.086 |

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231 **2. Supplementary results**

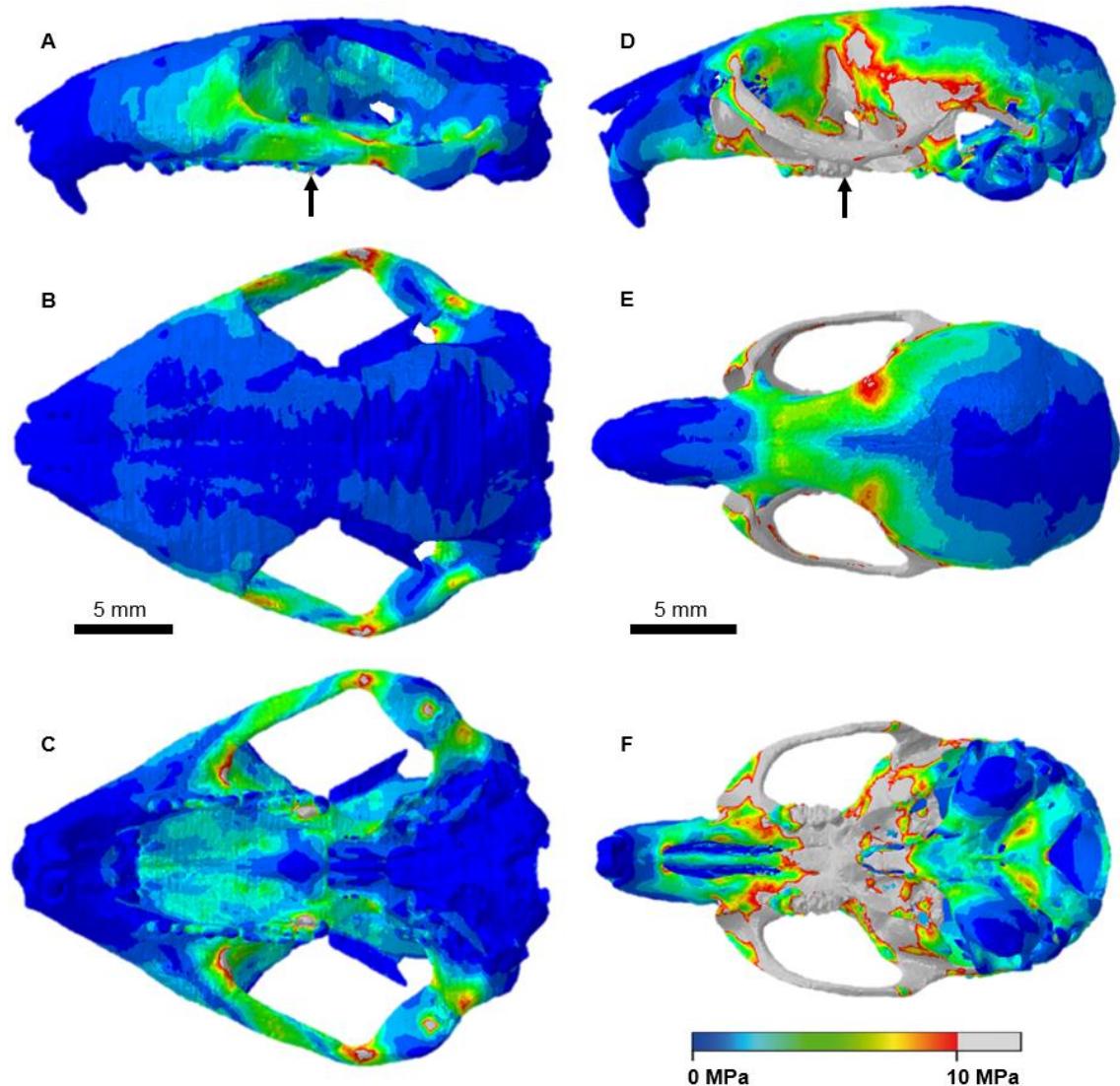
232 **(a) Stress distribution supplementary figures**

233 **Figure S3.** Cranial stress distribution during incisor biting for *Kryptobaatar* (A-C) and
234 the mouse (D-F). Grey areas indicate von Mises stresses >10 MPa. Arrows indicate
235 the biting tooth. Top row in left lateral view, middle row in dorsal view, bottom row in
236 ventral view. Scales in B and E apply to A-C and D-F, respectively.



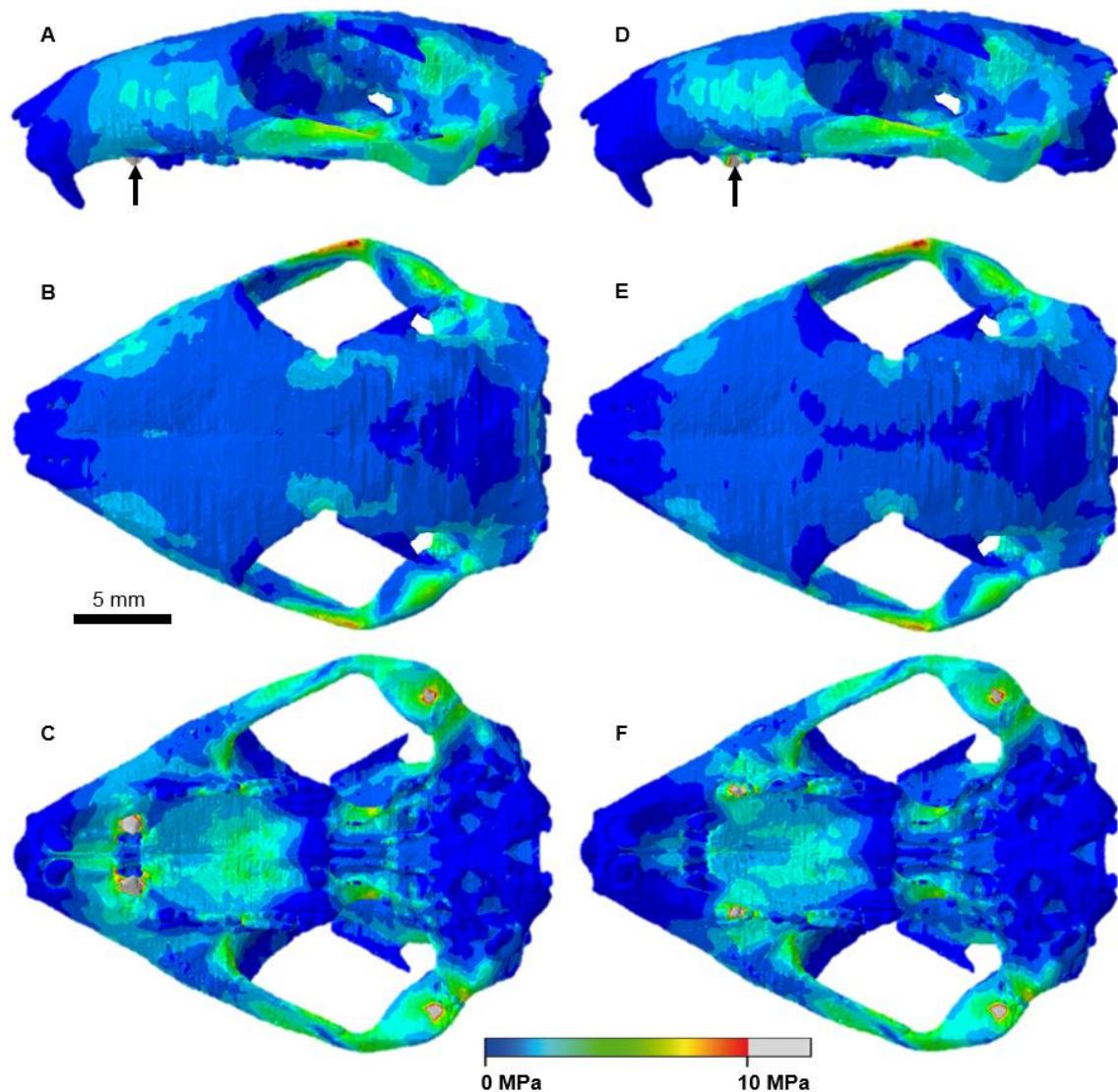
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238 **Figure S4.** Cranial stress distribution during rear molar biting for *Kryptobaatar* (A-C)
239 and the mouse (D-F). Grey areas indicate von Mises stresses >10 MPa. Arrows
240 indicate the biting tooth. Top row in left lateral view, middle row in dorsal view,
241 bottom row in ventral view. Scales in B and E apply to A-C and D-F, respectively.



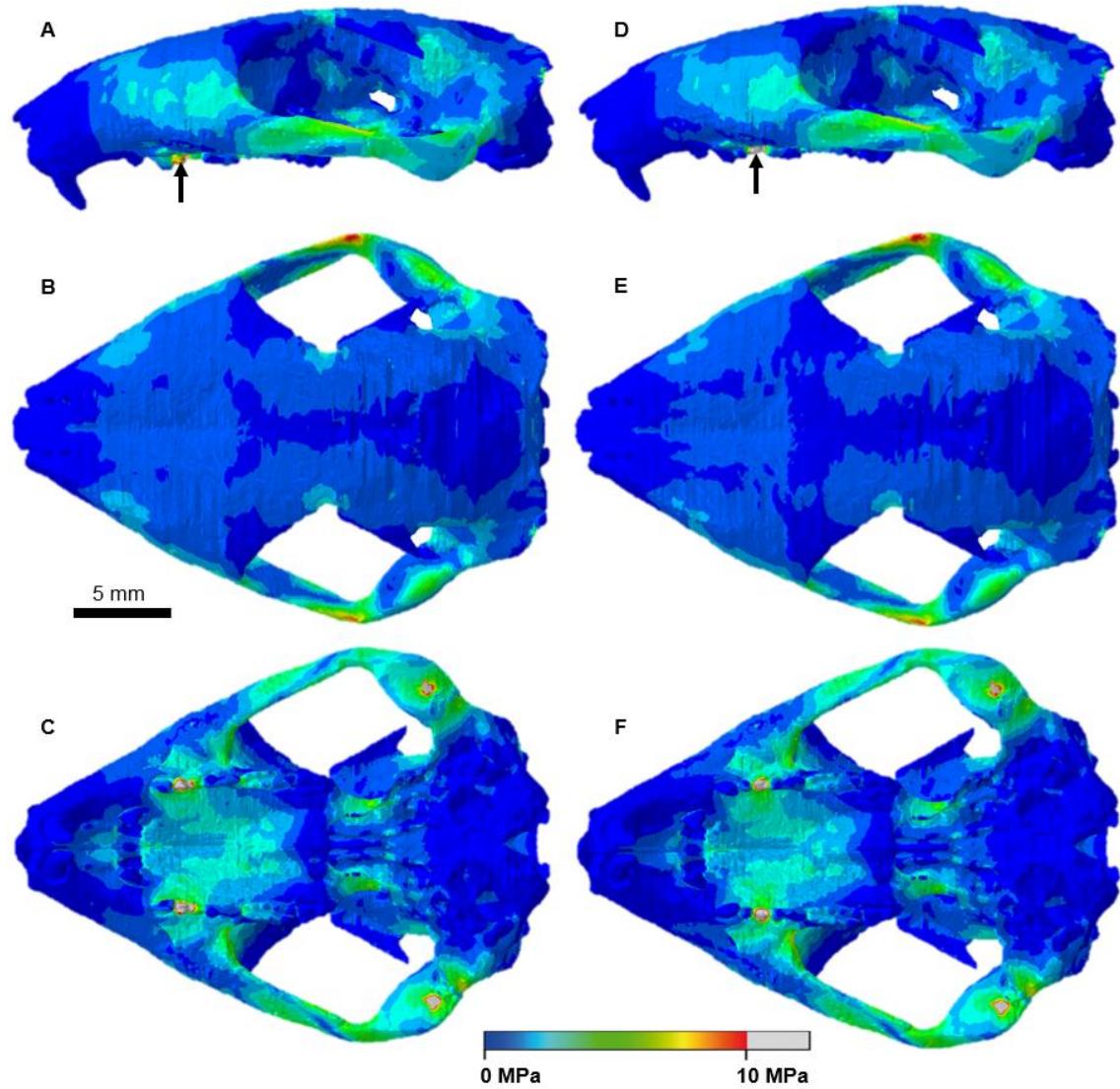
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243 **Figure S5.** Stress distribution across the *Kryptobaatar* cranium during I3 (A-C) and
244 P1 (D-F) biting. Top row in left lateral view, middle row in dorsal view, bottom row in
245 ventral view.



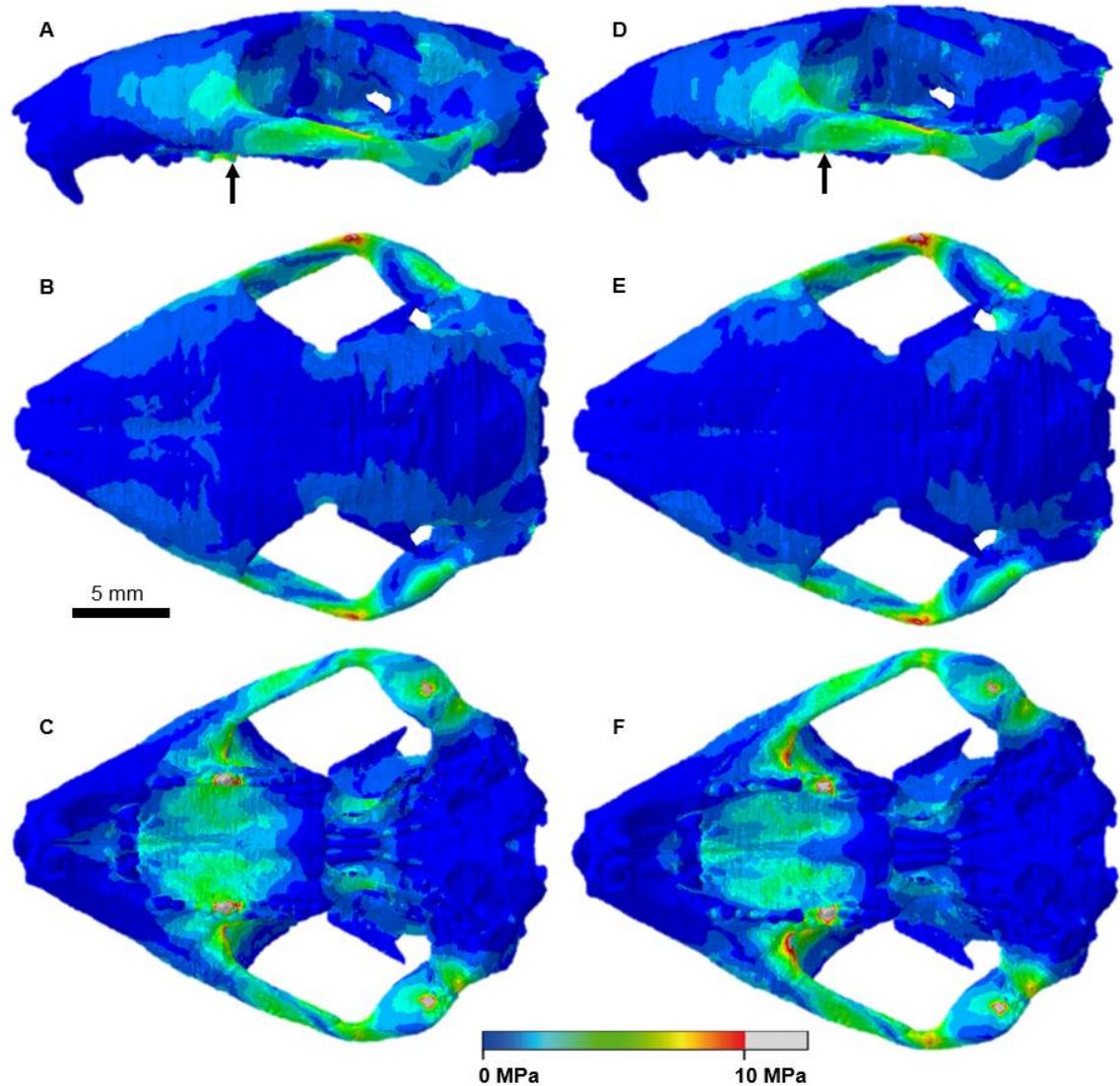
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247 **Figure S6.** Stress distribution across the *Kryptobaatar* cranium during P2 (A-C) and
248 P3 (D-F) biting. Top row in left lateral view, middle row in dorsal view, bottom row in
249 ventral view.



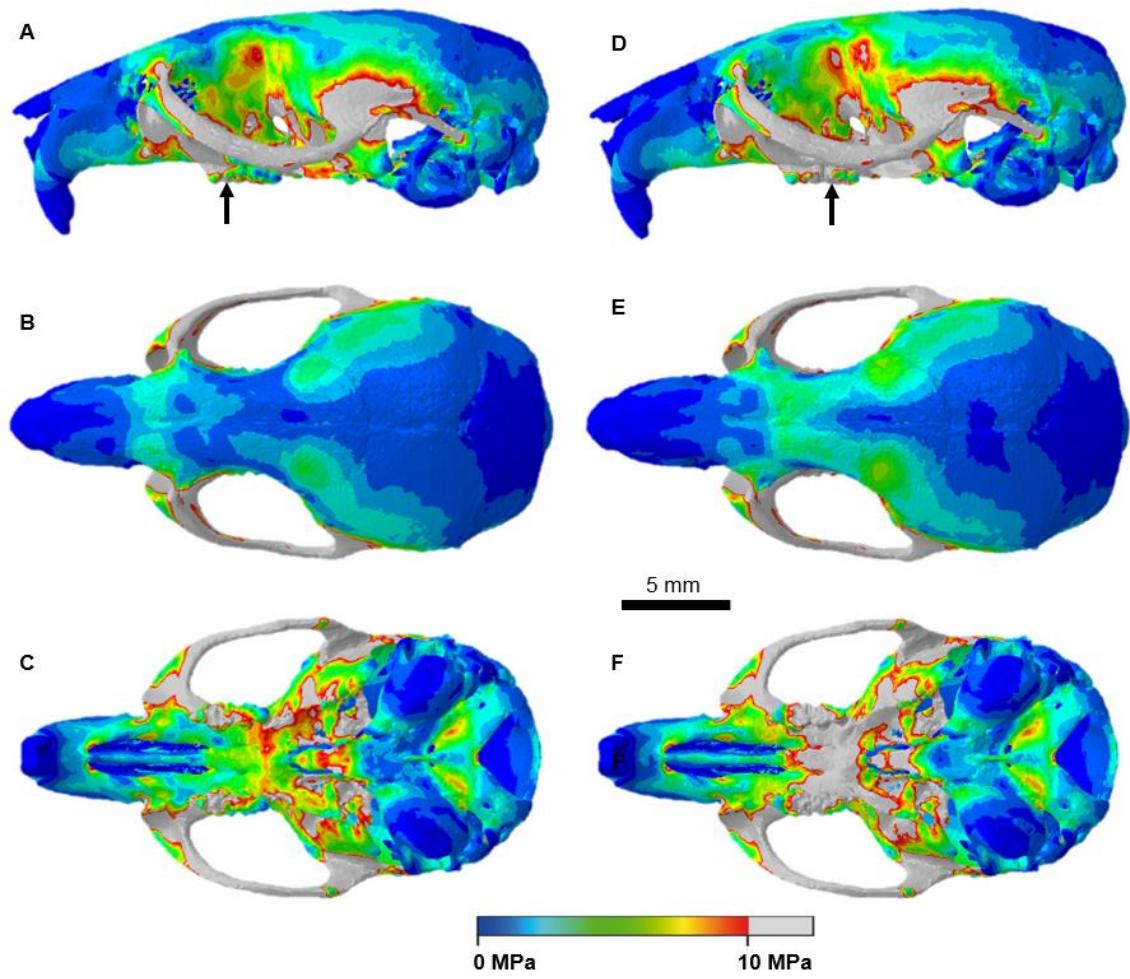
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251 **Figure S7.** Stress distribution across the *Kryptobaatar* cranium during P4 (A-C) and
252 M1 (D-F) biting. Top row in left lateral view, middle row in dorsal view, bottom row in
253 ventral view.



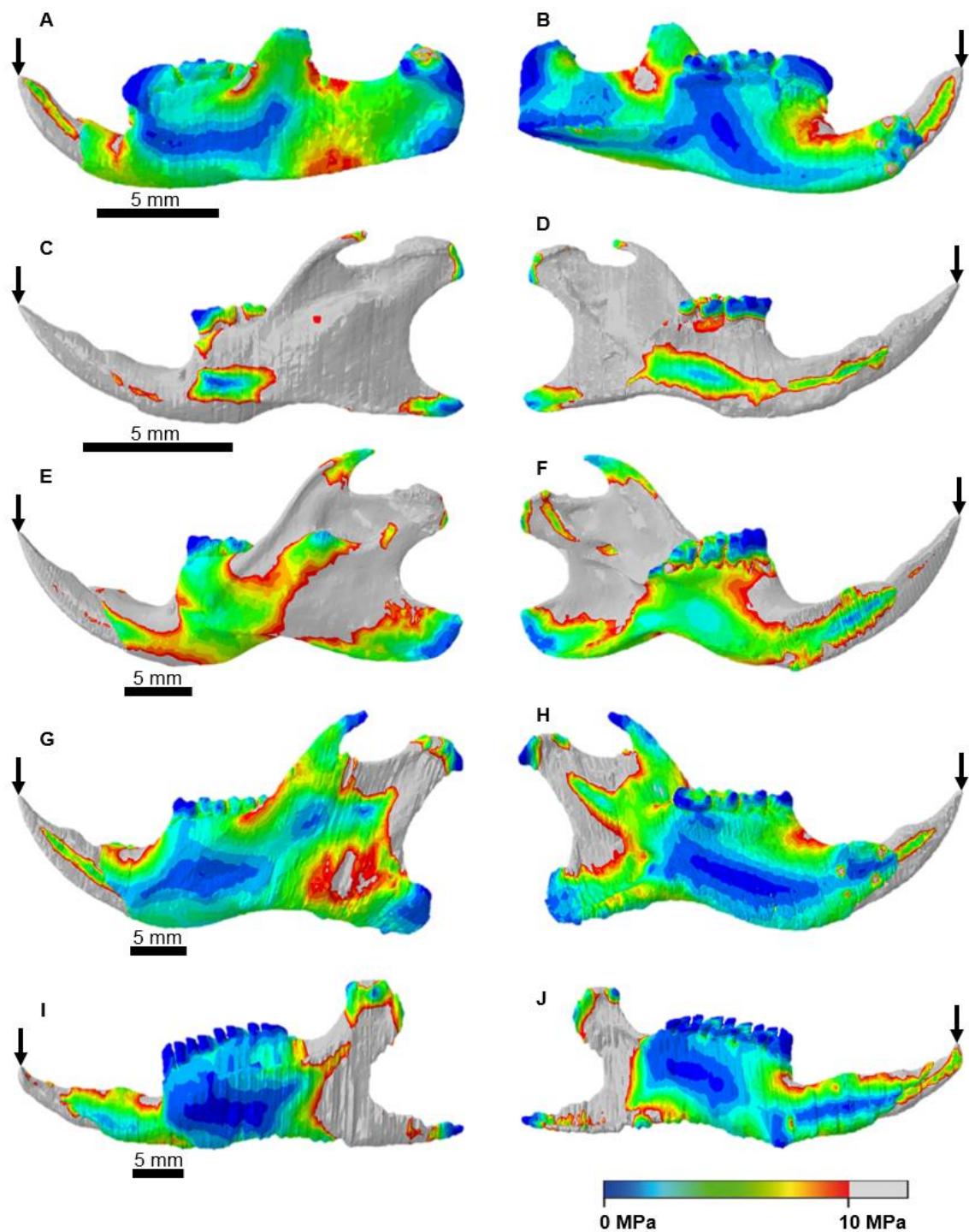
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255 **Figure S8.** Stress distribution across the *Mus* cranium during M1 (A-C) and M2 (D-F)
256 biting. Top row in left lateral view, middle row in dorsal view, bottom row in ventral
257 view.



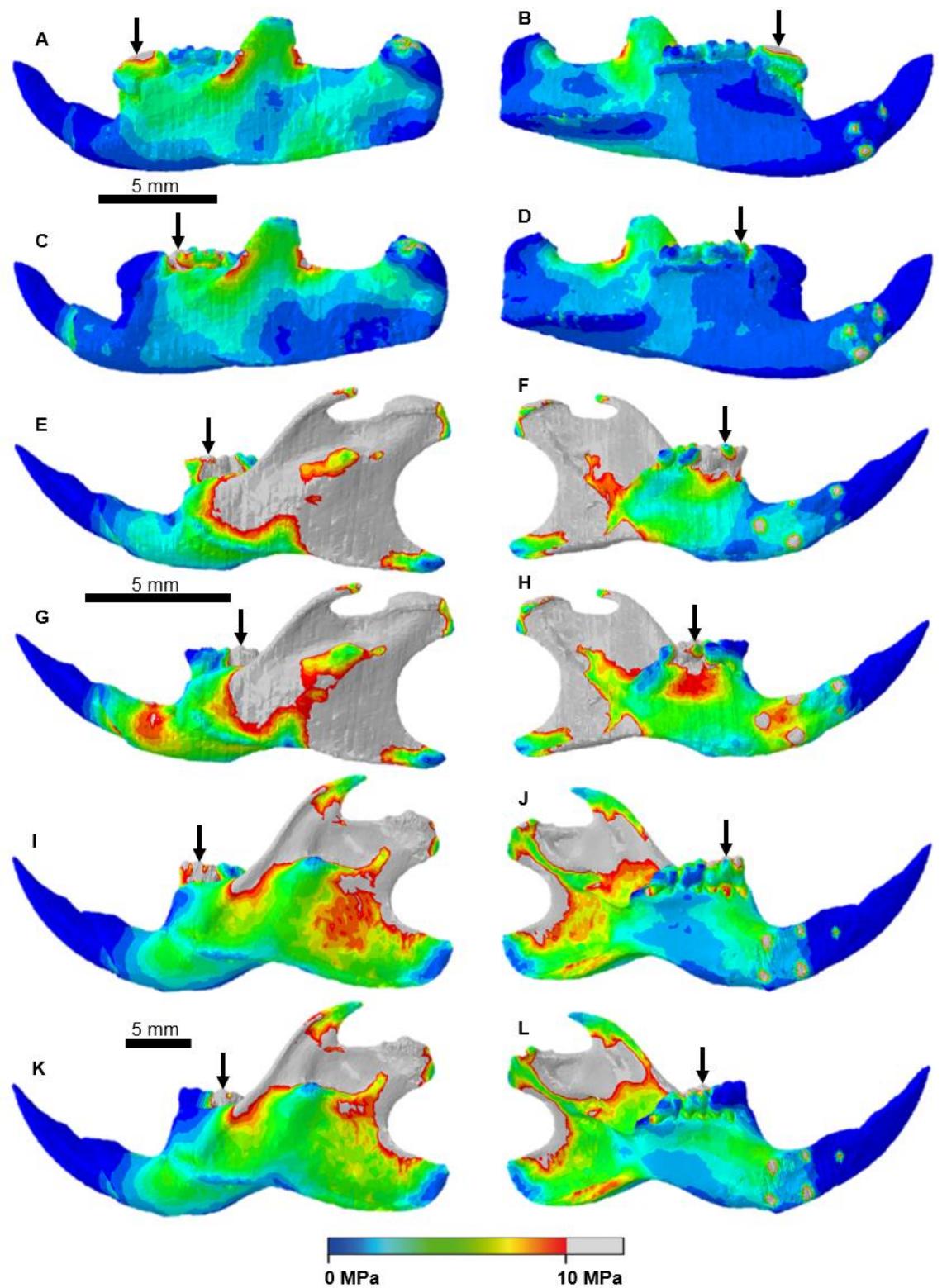
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259 **Figure S9.** Hemimandibular stress distribution during incisor biting for *Kryptobaatar*
260 (A-B), the mouse (C-D), rat (E-F), squirrel (G-H) and guinea pig (I-J). Grey areas
261 indicate von Mises stresses >10 MPa. Arrows indicate the biting tooth. Images on
262 the left side are in labial view, those on the right side are in lingual view. Scales on
263 the left also apply to images on the right.



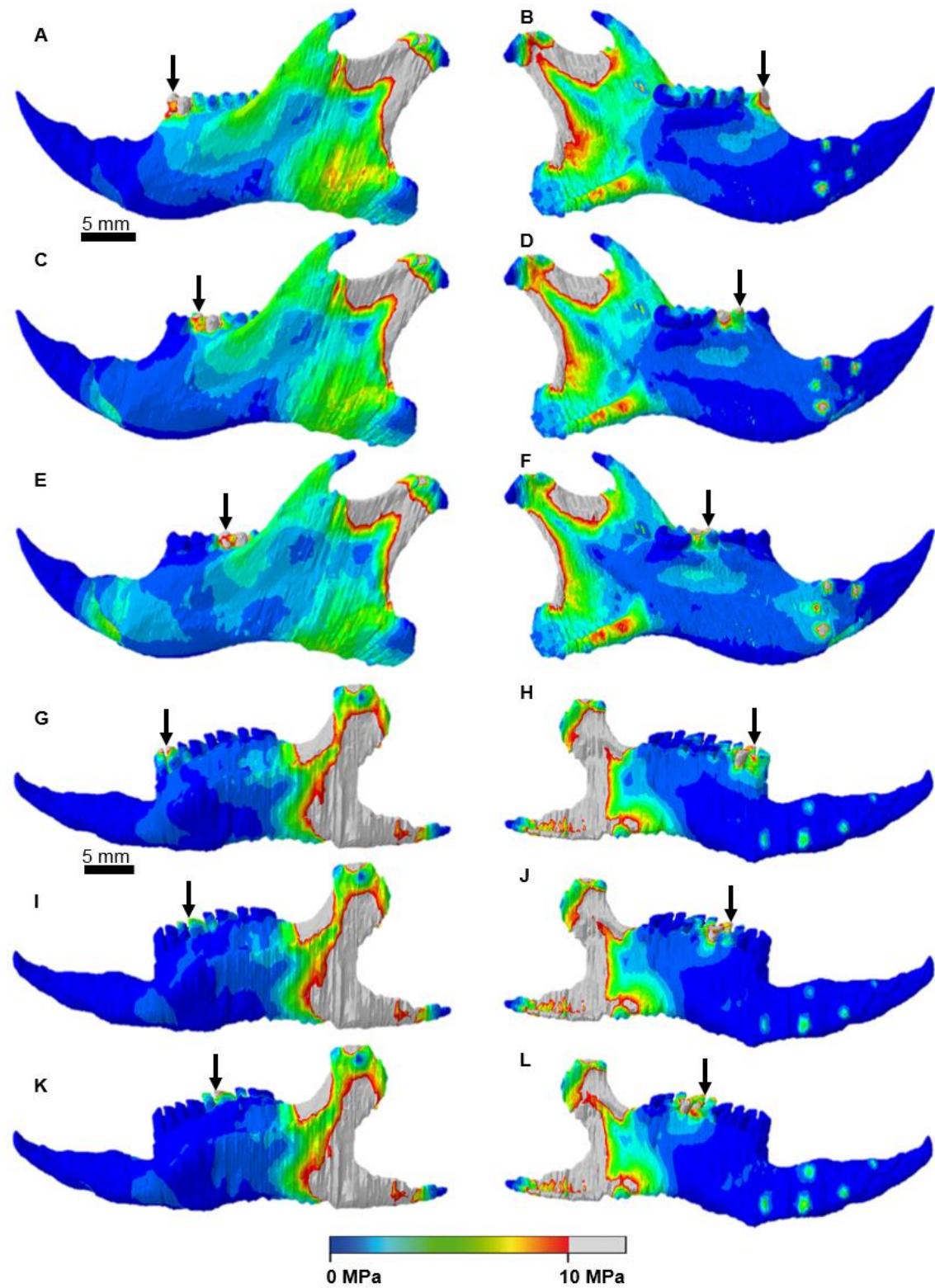
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265 **Figure S10.** Stress distribution across the *Kryptobaatar* hemimandible during p4 (A-
266 B) and m1 (C-D) biting, and across the mouse (E-H) and rat (I-L) hemimandibles
267 during m1 (E-F, I-J) and m2 (G-H, K-L) biting. Images on the left side are in labial
268 view, those on the right side are in lingual view.



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270 **Figure S11.** Stress distribution across the squirrel (A-F) and guinea pig (G-L)
271 hemimandibles during p4 (A-B, G-H), m1 (C-D, I-J) and m2 (E-F, K-L) biting. Images
272 on the left side are in labial view, those on the right side are in lingual view.



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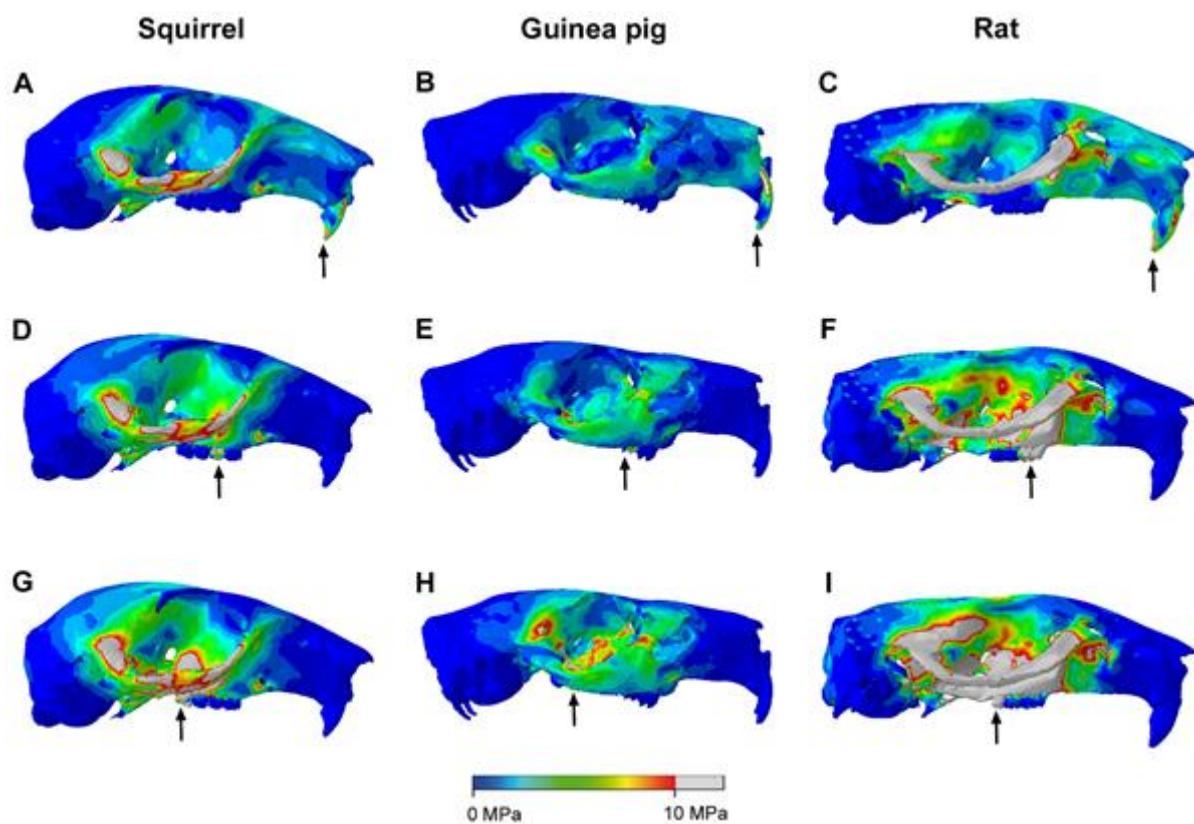
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275 (b) Cox et al. (2012) cranial stress distribution figures

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277 **Figure S12.** Predicted stress distribution of von Mises stresses across the crania of
278 the squirrel, guinea pig and rat, reproduced from Cox et al. [1] (their figure 3). Arrows
279 indicate the biting tooth, showing incisor bites (A-C), M1 bites (D-F) and M3 bites (G-
280 I). Grey areas indicate von Mises stresses >10 MPa.

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283 **(c) Average stress data**

284 **Table S21.** Raw median von Mises stress values (MPa) extracted from

285 hemimandibular FE model outputs.

| | i1 | p4 | m1 | m2 | m3 |
|---------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Kryptobaatar | 2.995 | 1.403 | 1.228 | 1.609 | - |
| Mouse | 15.644 | - | 5.897 | 6.077 | 7.187 |
| Rat | 8.689 | - | 3.128 | 2.774 | 3.588 |
| Guinea pig | 2.533 | 1.019 | 0.805 | 0.735 | 0.713 |
| Squirrel | 4.073 | 1.743 | 1.558 | 1.608 | 2.205 |

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287 **Table S22.** Raw median von Mises stress values (MPa) extracted from the cranial

288 FE model output for *Kryptobaatar*.

| | I2 | I3 | P1 | P2 | P3 | P4 | M1 | M2 |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Kryptobaatar | 1.124 | 1.051 | 0.889 | 0.860 | 0.800 | 0.716 | 0.631 | 0.829 |

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290 **Table S23.** Raw median von Mises stress values (MPa) extracted from the cranial

291 FE model output for the mouse.

| | Incisor | M1 | M2 | M3 |
|--------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| Mouse | 5.027 | 4.312 | 4.865 | 4.956 |

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293 **Table S24.** Calculations of percentage difference in median von Mises stress (MPa) between *Kryptobaatar* and rodent taxa for
 294 mandibular and cranial models. Cranial data for the rat, guinea pig and squirrel from Cox *et al.* [1]. +/- columns indicate
 295 directionality of differences.

| Mandible | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | Mouse | % diff | +/- | Rat | % diff | +/- | Guinea pig | % diff | +/- | Squirrel | % diff | +/- |
|---------------|---------------------|--------|----------------|----------|-------|---------------|----------|------------|---------------|----------|----------|---------------|----------|
| i1 | 2.995 | 15.644 | 135.725 | + | 8.689 | 97.463 | + | 2.533 | 16.724 | - | 4.073 | 30.503 | + |
| p4 | 1.403 | n/a | | | n/a | | | 1.019 | 31.682 | | 1.743 | 21.579 | + |
| m1 | 1.228 | 5.897 | 131.056 | + | 3.128 | 87.230 | + | 0.805 | 41.581 | - | 1.558 | 23.674 | + |
| m2 | 1.609 | 6.077 | 116.251 | + | 2.774 | 53.130 | + | 0.735 | 74.610 | - | 1.608 | 0.104 | - |
| m3 | n/a | 7.187 | | | 3.588 | | | 0.713 | | | 2.205 | | |
| avg. | | | 127.678 | + | | 79.274 | + | | 41.149 | - | | 18.913 | + |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cranium | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | Mouse | % diff | +/- | Rat | % diff | +/- | Guinea pig | % diff | +/- | Squirrel | % diff | +/- |
| Upper incisor | 1.124 | 5.027 | 126.890 | + | 1.600 | 34.913 | + | 0.700 | 46.526 | - | 1.100 | 2.195 | - |
| I3 | 1.051 | n/a | | | n/a | | | n/a | | | n/a | | |
| P1 | 0.889 | n/a | | | n/a | | | n/a | | | n/a | | |
| P2 | 0.860 | n/a | | | n/a | | | n/a | | | n/a | | |
| P3 | 0.800 | n/a | | | n/a | | | n/a | | | n/a | | |
| P4 | 0.716 | n/a | | | n/a | | | 0.500 | | | 0.700 | | |
| M1 | 0.631 | 4.312 | 148.968 | + | 1.100 | 54.243 | + | 0.550 | 13.658 | - | 0.700 | 10.427 | + |
| M2 | 0.829 | 4.865 | 141.761 | + | 1.300 | 44.239 | + | 0.600 | 32.058 | - | 0.800 | 3.568 | - |
| M3 | n/a | 4.956 | | | 1.500 | | | 0.700 | | | 0.900 | | |
| avg. | | | 139.207 | | | 44.465 | | | 30.747 | | | 1.555 | |

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297 **(d) Mechanical efficiency data**

298 **Table S25.** Mechanical efficiency raw data for the hemimandibles.

| Taxon | Tooth | Reaction force at biting tooth (N) | Total input force (N) | Mechanical efficiency |
|---------------------|-------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | i1 | 2.506 | 13.06 | 0.192 |
| | p4 | 3.917 | | 0.300 |
| | m1 | 5.469 | | 0.419 |
| | m2 | 8.594 | | 0.658 |
| Mouse | i1 | 5.051 | 20.94 | 0.241 |
| | m1 | 13.612 | | 0.650 |
| | m2 | 14.241 | | 0.680 |
| | m3 | 16.709 | | 0.798 |
| Rat | i1 | 11.838 | 46.94 | 0.252 |
| | m1 | 29.434 | | 0.627 |
| | m2 | 33.617 | | 0.716 |
| | m3 | 44.484 | | 0.948 |
| Guinea pig | i1 | 10.083 | 44.13 | 0.228 |
| | p4 | 24.422 | | 0.553 |
| | m1 | 25.352 | | 0.574 |
| | m2 | 30.202 | | 0.684 |
| | m3 | 37.799 | | 0.857 |
| Squirrel | i1 | 15.190 | 55.20 | 0.275 |
| | p4 | 26.459 | | 0.479 |
| | m1 | 30.301 | | 0.549 |
| | m2 | 35.683 | | 0.646 |
| | m3 | 47.550 | | 0.861 |

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301 **Table S26.** Mechanical efficiency raw data for the crania.

| Taxon | Tooth | Reaction force at biting tooth (N) | Total input force (N) | Mechanical efficiency |
|---------------------|---------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | I2 | 4.445 | 26.12 | 0.170 |
| | I3 | 5.289 | | 0.202 |
| | P1 | 6.054 | | 0.232 |
| | P2 | 6.372 | | 0.244 |
| | P3 | 6.724 | | 0.257 |
| | P4 | 7.685 | | 0.294 |
| | M1 | 9.378 | | 0.359 |
| | M2 | 12.752 | | 0.488 |
| Mouse | Incisor | 8.617 | 41.88 | 0.206 |
| | M1 | 18.845 | | 0.450 |
| | M2 | 22.910 | | 0.547 |
| | M3 | 27.532 | | 0.657 |

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303 **(e) Z_x , Z_y , J supplementary data**

304 **Table S27.** Wilcoxon test results for the pairwise comparisons of bending and
 305 torsional resistance along the rostrum and mandible between *Kryptobaatar* and
 306 rodent taxa, showing the Wilcoxon test statistic (Z) and associated p -value. Z_x is the
 307 dorsoventral section modulus (resistance to dorsoventral bending), Z_y is the
 308 mediolateral section modulus (resistance to mediolateral bending), J is the polar
 309 moment of inertia (resistance to torsion). Those highlighted in grey are significantly
 310 different. Results that shift to non-significance after applying the Bonferroni
 311 correction are marked with an asterisk (*). +/- column indicates whether rodent
 312 values are significantly higher (+) or lower (-) than *Kryptobaatar*.

| | Taxon 1 | Taxon 2 | Z | p-value | +- |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------|---------|----|
| Mandible | | | | | |
| Z_x | | | | | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Mus</i> | -1.408 | 0.159 | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Rattus</i> | -0.956 | 0.339 | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Cavia</i> | -0.191 | 0.848 | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Sciurus</i> | -2.068 | 0.039* | + |
| Z_y | | | | | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Mus</i> | -1.721 | 0.085 | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Rattus</i> | -2.746 | 0.006 | - |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Cavia</i> | -0.087 | 0.931 | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Sciurus</i> | -0.504 | 0.614 | |
| J | | | | | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Mus</i> | -1.095 | 0.274 | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Rattus</i> | -0.643 | 0.520 | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Cavia</i> | -0.295 | 0.768 | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Sciurus</i> | -1.721 | 0.085 | |
| Rostrum | | | | | |
| Z_x | | | | | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Mus</i> | -3.771 | <0.001 | - |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Rattus</i> (DigiMorph) | -3.458 | 0.001 | - |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Rattus</i> (Cox et al.) | -3.285 | 0.001 | - |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Cavia</i> | -3.424 | 0.001 | + |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Sciurus</i> | -3.875 | <0.001 | + |
| Z_y | | | | | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Mus</i> | -3.841 | <0.001 | - |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Rattus</i> (DigiMorph) | -3.806 | <0.001 | - |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Rattus</i> (Cox et al.) | -3.875 | <0.001 | - |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Cavia</i> | -0.087 | 0.931 | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Sciurus</i> | -2.728 | 0.006 | + |
| J | | | | | |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Mus</i> | -3.806 | <0.001 | - |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Rattus</i> (DigiMorph) | -3.702 | <0.001 | - |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Rattus</i> (Cox et al.) | -3.702 | <0.001 | - |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Cavia</i> | -2.172 | 0.030* | + |
| | <i>Kryptobaatar</i> | <i>Sciurus</i> | -3.980 | <0.001 | + |

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