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## Metadata S6

### Whelk diet data

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## File list

Whelk\_Data\_S6.csv

## Description

**Whelk\_Data\_S6.csv**– Data S6 contains the intertidal whelk data set analyzed in the manuscript. The data represent the diets of 95 whelks from two rocky intertidal sites on the Pacific Coast of Panama. The .csv file contains 619 rows and 4 columns. Each row represents an observation on an individual whelk. For each observation, the following are recorded: column 1) the ID number of the whelk (Snail ID; factor), col. 2) the site at which the whelk was observed (Site; factor), col. 3) the size class into which the whelk was placed (Size Class; factor, <20 = less than 20mm, 20-30 = 20mm to 30mm, and >30 = greater than 30mm), col. 4) prey that the whelk was observed feeding on (factor - Bal = *Balanus* sp., Os = *Ostrea* spp., Sm = *Siphonaria maura*, Brc = *Brachidontes*, Ser = Serpulid polychaete, Ver = Vermetids, Chm = *Chama echinata*, An = *Anachis* sp., Cht = *Chiton sokesii*, Is = *Isognomon*, Lth = *Lithophaga*, Fis = *Fissurella longifissus*, Crp = *Crepidula incurva*, Nr = *Nerita scabricosta*, Ac = *Acanthina brevidentata*, Fos = *Fossarus* sp., Mit = *Mitra* sp., Vit = *Vitularia* sp., Tm = *Thais melones*). For details on the data collection see West (1988).

## References

- West, L. 1988. Prey selection by the tropical snail *Thais melones*: a study of interindividual variation. *Ecology* **69**:1839–1854.