## Electronic Supplementary Material Table 1. Taxonomic membership of the genera in the empirical dataset of Cetacea.

Genus	Family	Reference
Acrophyseter	Physeteroidea	[1]
Africanacetus	Ziphiidae	[1]
Aglaocetus	Chaeomysticeti	[1]
Agorophius	Agorophiidae	[1]
Amphicetus	Cetacea	
Ancalecetus	Basilosauridae	[1]
Andrewsiphius	Remingtonocetidae	[1]
Aporotus	Ziphiidae	[1]
Argyrocetus	Eurhinodelphinidae	[1]
Astadelphis	Delphinidae	[1]
Atocetus	Pithanodelphininae	[1]
Attockicetus	Remingtonocetidae	[1]
Babiacetus	Protocetidae	[1]
Balaena	Balaenidae	[1]
Balaenoptera	Balaenopteridae	[1]
Balaenotus	Cetacea	
Balaenula	Balaenidae	[1]
Basilosaurus	Basilosauridae	[1]
Basilotritus	Basilosauridae	[1]
Belemnoziphius	Ziphiidae	[2]
Berardius	Ziphiidae	[1]
Brandtocetus	Cetotheriidae	[3]
Caperea	Neobalaenidae	[1]
Cetotheriophanes	Balaenopteridae	[4]
Cetotherium	Cetotheriidae	[1]
Chilcacetus	Eurhinodelphinidae	[1]
Coronodon	Mysticeti	[5]
Dalanistes	Remingtonocetidae	[1]
Delphinapterus	Monodontidae	[1]
Delphinodon	Kentriodontinae	[1]
Delphinus	Delphinidae	[1]
Denebola	Monodontidae	[1]
Dorudon	Basilosauridae	[1]
Eschrichtius	Eschrichtiidae	[1]
Eubalaena	Balaenidae	[1]
Eucetotherium	Cetotheriidae	[6]
Eurhinodelphis	Eurhinodelphinidae	[1]
Feresa	Delphinidae	[1]
Globicephala	Delphinidae	[1]
Globicetus	Ziphiidae	[1]
Goniodelphis	Iniidae	[1]
Grampus	Delphinidae	[1]

Genus	Family	Reference
Hadrodelphis	Lophocetinae	[1]
Hemisyntrachelus	Delphinidae	[1]
Herpetocetus	Cetotheriidae	[1]
Heterocetus	Cetacea	
Hoplocetus	Physeteroidea	[1]
Hyperoodon	Ziphiidae	[1]
Ichthyolestes	Pakicetidae	[1]
Indopacetus	Ziphiidae	[1]
Kentriodon	Kentriodontinae	[1]
Kharodacetus	Protocetidae	[1]
Kogia	Kogiidae	[1]
Lagenodelphis	Delphinidae	[1]
Lagenorhynchus	Delphinidae	[1]
Masracetus	Basilosauridae	[1]
Mauicetus	Chaeomysticeti	[1]
Megaptera	Balaenopteridae	[1]
Mesoplodon	Ziphiidae	[1]
Mithridatocetus	Cetotheriidae	[6]
Monodon	Monodontidae	[1]
Neophocaena	Phocoenidae	[1]
Neosqualodon	Squalodontidae	[1]
Ninjadelphis	Allodelphinidae	[7]
Ninoziphius	Ziphiidae	[1]
Notiocetus	Cetacea	
Ocucajea	Basilosauridae	[1]
Orcaella	Delphinidae	[1]
Orcinus	Delphinidae	[1]
Pachyacanthus	Delphinida	[8]
Palaeophocaena	Cetacea	
Parapontoporia	Lipotidae	[1]
Parietobalaena	Chaeomysticeti	[1]
Patriocetus	Patriocetidae	[1]
Peponocephala	Delphinidae	[1]
Phocoena	Phocoenidae	[1]
Physeterula	Physeteridae	[1]
Pinocetus	Balaenopteroidea	[1]
Piscolithax	Phocoenidae	[1]
Platyosphys	Cetacea	
Plesiocetopsis	Tranatocetidae	[3]
Plesiocetus	Cetacea	
Pomatodelphis	Platanistidae	[1]
Pseudorca	Delphinidae	[1]
Sachalinocetus	Waipatiidae	[9]
Saurocetes	Iniidae	[1]

Genus	Family	Reference
Scaldicetus	Physeteroidea	[1]
Schizodelphis	Eurhinodelphinidae	[1]
Simocetus	Simocetidae	[1]
Sitsqwayk	Mysticeti	[10]
Sousa	Delphinidae	[1]
Squalodon	Squalodontidae	[1]
Stenella	Delphinidae	[1]
Stromerius	Basilosauridae	[1]
Thinocetus	Chaeomysticeti	[1]
Tohoraata	Eomysticetidae	[1]
Tokarahia	Eomysticetidae	[1]
Tursiops	Delphinidae	[1]
Tusciziphius	Ziphiidae	[1]
Xiphiacetus	Eurhinodelphinidae	[1]
Zarhachis	Platanistidae	[1]
Ziphiodelphis	Eurhinodelphinidae	[1]
Ziphirostrum	Ziphiidae	[1]
Ziphius	Ziphiidae	[1]
Zygophyseter	Physeteroidea	[1]
Zygorhiza	Basilosauridae	[1]

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