

**Supplementary file 2.** Mandibular strength of nine European *Osmia* species of the subgenus *Melanosmia* based on a biomechanical model by Ibanez et al. (2013):  $F = F_A \times (L_A / L_M) \times 1/R_C$ , where  $F$  = force of mandible,  $F_A$  = area of mandible section as proxy for force of adductor muscle ( $\text{mm}^2$ ),  $L_A$  = lever of adductor muscle (mm),  $L_M$  = lever of mandible (mm) and  $R_C$  = width of cutting margin (mm). The species are arranged in decreasing order of mandible force. Nesting site after Müller (2019 and references therein).

Bee species	Nesting site	Mandible no	F	$F_A$	$L_A$	$L_M$	$R_C$
<i>Osmia nigriventris</i>	self-excavated burrows in bark or dead wood	1	<b>0.206</b>	0.560	0.686	1.782	1.047
		2	<b>0.212</b>	0.585	0.732	1.879	1.073
		3	<b>0.186</b>	0.488	0.618	1.717	0.944
<i>Osmia pilicornis</i>	self-excavated burrows in dead branches	1	<b>0.190</b>	0.254	0.482	1.220	0.527
		2	<b>0.195</b>	0.279	0.488	1.232	0.568
		3	<b>0.202</b>	0.265	0.499	1.229	0.532
<i>Osmia uncinata</i>	insect burrows in dead wood and bark	1	<b>0.113</b>	0.199	0.382	1.155	0.580
		2	<b>0.116</b>	0.211	0.404	1.216	0.605
		3	<b>0.129</b>	0.195	0.400	1.104	0.548
<i>Osmia steinmanni</i>	unknown	1	<b>0.088</b>	0.260	0.401	1.476	0.800
<i>Osmia maritima</i>	self-excavated burrows in loose soil	1	<b>0.073</b>	0.290	0.467	1.818	1.023
		2	<b>0.074</b>	0.266	0.459	1.719	0.957
<i>Osmia parietina</i>	insect burrows in dead wood, cavities in rocks and stones	1	<b>0.074</b>	0.144	0.306	1.089	0.548
		2	<b>0.069</b>	0.144	0.300	1.100	0.568
		3	<b>0.071</b>	0.107	0.273	0.918	0.446
<i>Osmia xanthomelana</i>	litter, grass tussocks, self-excavated burrows in loose soil	1	<b>0.069</b>	0.354	0.523	2.117	1.272
		2	<b>0.063</b>	0.312	0.497	2.037	1.207
		3	<b>0.060</b>	0.291	0.470	1.957	1.156
<i>Osmia alticola</i>	self-excavated burrows in loose soil	1	<b>0.063</b>	0.325	0.489	2.013	1.253
<i>Osmia inermis</i>	underside of stones, cavities in rocks and stones	1	<b>0.063</b>	0.349	0.501	2.146	1.303
		2	<b>0.061</b>	0.321	0.481	2.064	1.236
		3	<b>0.056</b>	0.282	0.457	1.977	1.163