

# **Sex, size and eco-geographic factors affect the feeding ecology of the Iberian adder, *Vipera seoanei***

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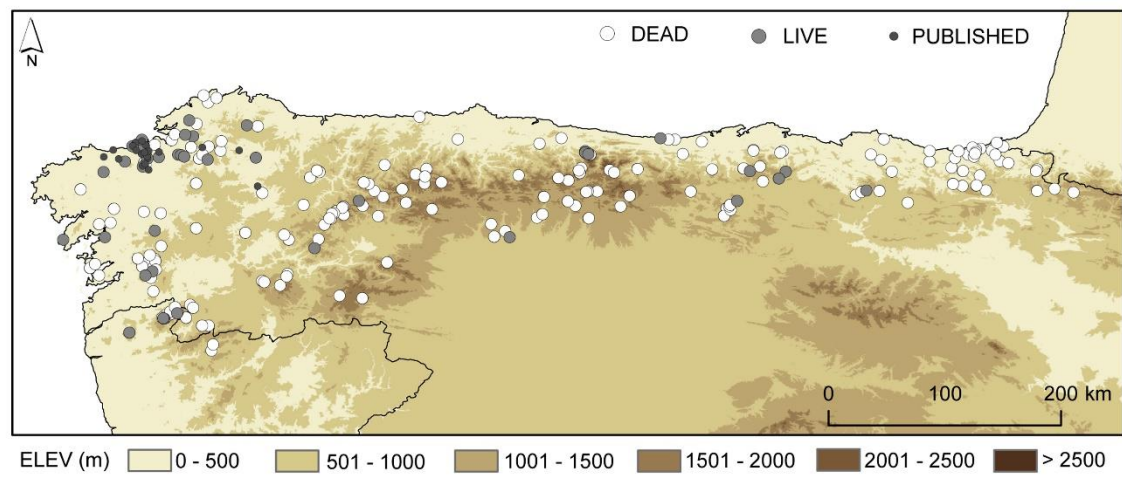
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## **Supplementary material**



**Figure S1.** Distribution of specimens examined in this work.

**Table S1.** List of predictors including set, code, meaning type – units and % of specimens available. It is depicted the codes of Corine Land Cover categories used to construct the habitat eco-geographical predictors.

Set	Code	Meaning	Type - Units	Specimens %
biological	SVL	snout-vent-length	continuous - mm	88.8
	SEX	sex	categorical - F, female; M - male	77.4
	SIZE	size	categorical - J - juvenile, SA - subadult and A - adult	88.8
	REPR	reproductive status of adult	categorical – reproductive	52.3
	O	females	and non-reproductive	
	COL	colouration pattern	categorical - bilineata, cantabrica, classic, melanistic and uniform	88.8
temporal	SEAS	season of the year	categorical - WINTER,	85.6
	ON		SPRING, SUMMER and AUTUMN	
eco-geographic	ELEV	elevation above sea level	continuous - m. Asl	95.5
	FORE	% of forest, including broad-	continuous - % of pixels	95.5
	ST	leaved, coniferous and mixed forest (CLC - 311 + 312 + 313)		
	PAST	% of pastures and grasslands (CLC - 231 + 321)	continuous - % of pixels	95.5

MOO	% of moors and heathlands		
RS	(CLC - 322)	continuous - % of pixels	95.5
AGRI	% of agriculture areas (CLC -		
C	211 + 212)	continuous - % of pixels	95.5
Mean			
T	Annual Mean Temperature	continuous - °C	95.5
MaxT	Max Temperature of Warmest Month	continuous - °C	95.5
APrec	Annual Precipitation	continuous - mm	95.5
DrPre	Precipitation of Driest Month	continuous - mm	95.5
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**Text S1.** Logistic regression analysis of the factors related to feeding frequency.

Stepwise logistic regression to analyse the influence of five predictors, including three biological traits (i.e., SEX, COL and SVL), the temporal-predictor SEASON and the eco-geographic predictor ELEV, in the probability of the binomial distribution 0 – no prey, 1 – prey. Model iteration process started with all predictors included, which were subsequently removed until reaching the most parsimonious solution (i.e. the model with the lowest value of Akaike Information Criterion; AIC).

Model	AIC
PREY ~ SEX + COL + SVL + SEASON + ELEV	243.97
PREY ~ SEX + COL + SVL + SEASON	242.08
PREY ~ SEX + COL + SVL	240.62
PREY ~ SEX + SVL	239.11

The significance of the regression coefficients of predictors is evaluated by Maximum Likelihood  $\chi^2$  tests. The effectiveness of the final model is assessed by the Hosmer-Lemeshow and McFadden's pseudo R-squared tests.

D				Pr(> $\chi^2$ )	
Formula: PREY ~ SEX + SVL	F	Deviance Resid.	DF	Resid. Dev	)
			23	309.52	
			9		
			23		
SEX	1	14.5228	8	295	0.000

			23		
		3.9855		291.01	0.046
SVL	1		7		

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Hosmer and Lemeshow,  $P = 0.06$

McFadden's  $R^2 = 0.28$

Logistic regressions performed in R Studio version 1.1.463, using the available family of GLM stats in R.

**Text S2.** Logistic regression analysis of biological and temporal predictors in the dietary consumption of major prey groups.

Stepwise logistic regression to analyse the influence of four factors, including three biological traits (i.e., SEX, COL and SVL) and the temporal-predictor SEASON, in the probability of the binomial distribution consuming one prey group against the other two, i.e., amphibians *vs* reptiles + mammals, reptiles *vs* amphibians + mammals, mammals *vs* amphibians + reptiles, coding first group as 1 and the other as 0. For each model, the iteration process started with all predictors included, which were subsequently removed until reaching the most parsimonious solution (i.e. the model with the lowest value of Akaike Information Criterion; AIC). The significance of the regression coefficients of predictors is evaluated by Maximum Likelihood  $\chi^2$  tests. The effectiveness of the final model is assessed by the Hosmer-Lemeshow and McFadden's pseudo R-squared tests. Logistic regressions performed in R Studio version 1.1.463, using the available family of GLM stats in R.

Amphibians *vs* reptiles + mammals (n = 15 *vs* 167)

Model	AIC				
PREY ~ SEX + COL + SVL + SEASON	31.96				
PREY ~ COL + SVL + SEASON	29.96				
PREY ~ SVL + SEASON	28.02				
PREY ~ SVL	26.09				

	D	Deviance	Resid.	Pr(>Chi
formula: PREY ~ SVL	F	Resid.	DF	Dev )

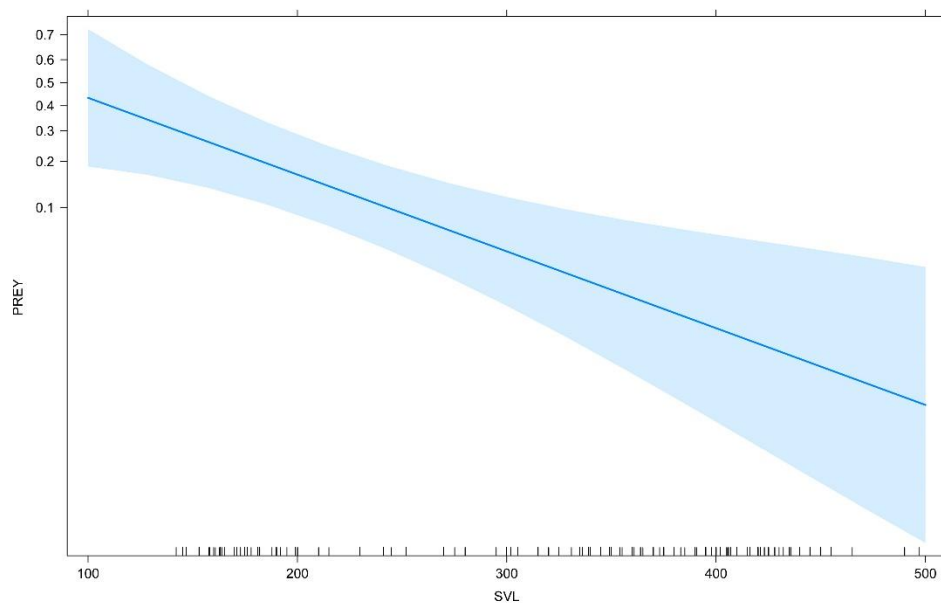
			14	72.919	
			5		
SVL	1	16.933	14	55.986	<b>0.000</b>
			4		

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Hosmer and Lemeshow, P =

0.232

McFadden's R2 = 243



**Figure S2.** Response plot resulting from the logistic regression of the consumption of amphibians according to SVL (in mm).

Reptiles vs amphibians + mammals (n = 31 vs 151)

Model	AIC
PREY ~ SEX + COL + SVL + SEASON	66.58
PREY ~ SEX + COL + SVL	64.6
PREY ~ COL + SVL	63.2

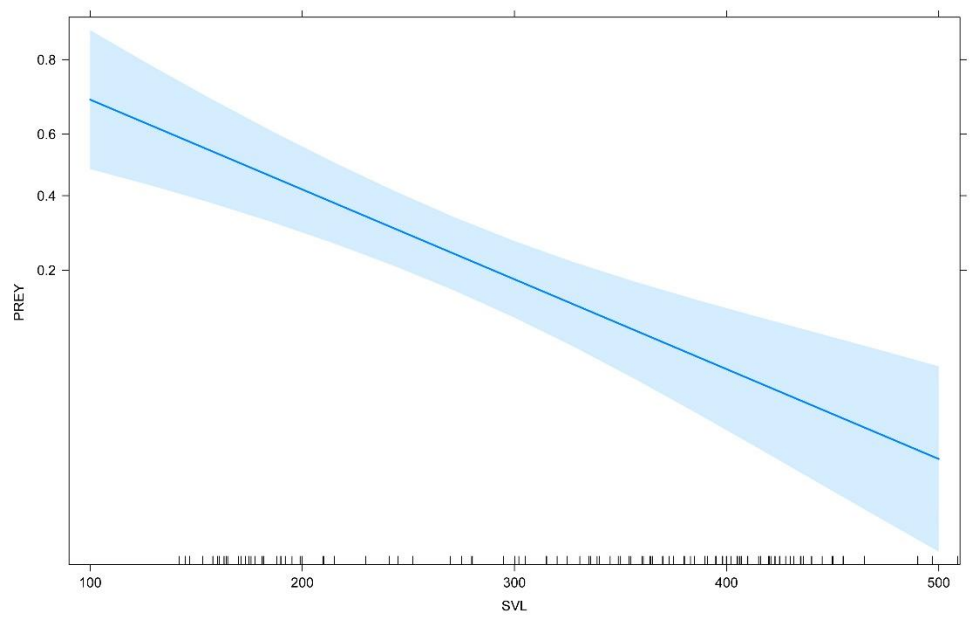


Formula: PREY ~ COL + SVL					
	D	Deviance	DF	Resid.	Pr(>Chi
	F	Resid.		Dev	)
			11	117.217	
			9		
COL	1	0.027	11	89.202	0.269
			7		
SVL	1	28.042	11	89.229	<b>0.000</b>
			8		

Hosmer and Lemeshow, P =

0.227

McFadden's R2 = -0.205



**Figure S3.** Response plot resulting from the logistic regression of the consumption of reptiles according to SVL (in mm).

Mammals vs amphibians + reptiles (n = 136 vs 46)

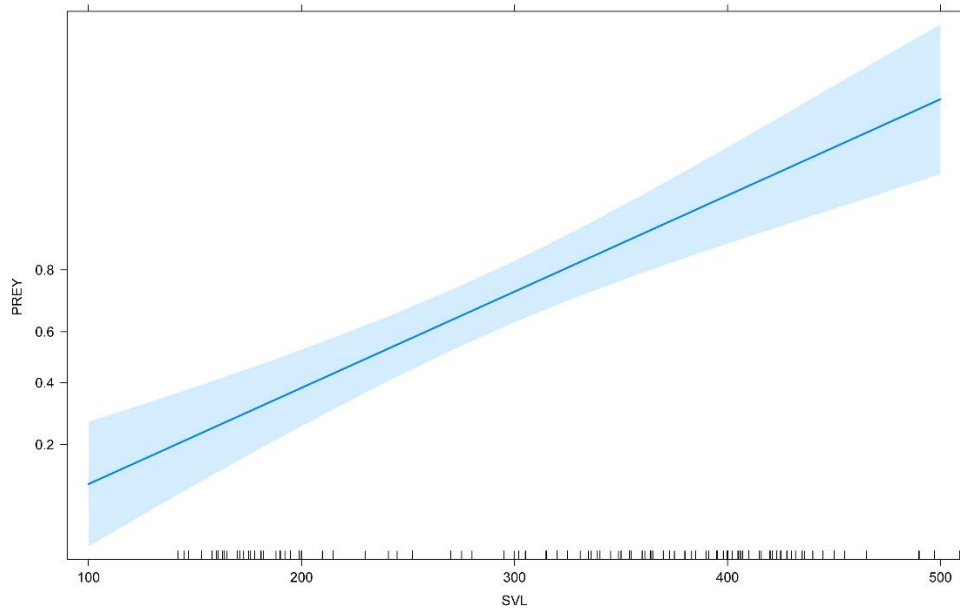
Model	AIC
PREY ~ SEX + COL + SVL + SEASON	70.13
PREY ~ SEX + COL + SVL	68.15
PREY ~ COL + SVL	66.69
PREY ~ SVL	66.3

Formula: PREY ~ SVL	D	Deviance	DF	Resid.	Pr(>Chi
	F	Resid.		Dev	)
			14	165.29	
			5		
SVL	1	56.163	14	109.13	<b>0.000</b>
			4		

Hosmer and Lemeshow, P =

.34

McFadden's R2 = -0.474



**Figure S4.** Response plot resulting from the logistic regression of the consumption of mammals according to SVL (in mm).

**Text S3.** Logistic regression analysis of eco-geographic predictors in the dietary consumption of major prey groups.

Stepwise logistic regression to analyse the influence of eight eco-geographic predictors, four habitat (FOREST, MOORS, PAST and AGRIC) and four climatic (MeanT, MaxT, APrec and DrPrec), in the probability of the binomial distribution consuming one prey group against the other two, i.e., amphibians vs reptiles + mammals, reptiles vs amphibians + mammals, mammals vs amphibians + reptiles, coding first group as 1 and the other as 0. For each pair of groups, model iteration process started with all predictors included, which were subsequently removed until reaching the most parsimonious solution (i.e. the model with the lowest value of Akaike Information Criterion; AIC). The significance of the regression coefficients of predictors is evaluated by Maximum Likelihood  $\chi^2$  tests. The effectiveness of the final model is assessed by the Hosmer-Lemeshow and McFadden's pseudo R-squared tests. Response plots depicting the relation between prey consumption and statistically significant eco-geographic factors are available in Figure 3. Logistic regressions performed in R Studio version 1.1.463, using the available family of GLM stats in R.

Amphibians vs reptiles + mammals (n = 15 vs 167)

Model	AIC
PREY ~ FOREST + MOORS + PAST + AGRIC + MeanT + MaxT + APrec + DrPrec	96.86

PREY ~ FOREST + PAST + AGRIC + MeanT + MaxT + APrec + DrPrec	94.86
PREY ~ FOREST + PAST + AGRIC + MeanT + APrec + DrPrec	93.29
PREY ~ FOREST + PAST + AGRIC + MeanT + APrec	91.73
PREY ~ FOREST + PAST + AGRIC + APrec	91.35

Formula: PREY ~ FOREST + PAST + AGRIC + APrec	DF	Deviance Resid.	DF	Resid. Dev	Pr(>Chi)
			176	102.734	
FOREST	1	4.368	175	98.367	<b>0.037</b>
PAST	1	1.708	174	96.659	0.191
AGRIC	1	2.527	173	94.132	0.112
APrec	1	12.786	172	81.346	<b>0.000</b>

Hosmer and Lemeshow, P = 0.208

McFadden's R2 = 0.215

Reptiles vs amphibians + mammals (n = 31 vs 151)

Model	AIC
PREY ~ FOREST + MOORS + PAST + AGRIC + MeanT + MaxT + APrec + DrPrec	160.03
PREY ~ FOREST + MOORS + AGRIC + MeanT + MaxT + APrec + DrPrec	158.45
PREY ~ FOREST + MOORS + AGRIC + MeanT + MaxT + APrec + DrPrec	157.45
PREY ~ FOREST + AGRIC + MeanT + MaxT + APrec	156.27
PREY ~ AGRIC + MeanT + MaxT + APrec	155.27
PREY ~ AGRIC + MaxT + APrec	154.51

Formula: PREY ~ AGRIC + MaxT + Aprec	DF	Deviance Resid.	DF	Resid. Dev	Pr(>Chi)
			176	161.1	
AGRIC	1	4.598	175	156.5	<b>0.032</b>
MaxT	1	7.265	174	149.24	<b>0.007</b>

APrec	1	2.725	173	146.51	0.099
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Hosmer and Lemeshow, P = 0.091

McFadden's R2 = 0.118

Mammals vs amphibians + reptiles (n = 136 vs 46)

Model	AIC
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PREY ~ FOREST + MOORS + PAST + AGRIC + MeanT + MaxT + APrec + DrPrec	191.87
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PREY ~ FOREST + MOORS + PAST + AGRIC + MeanT + MaxT + DrPrec	190.94
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PREY ~ FOREST + PAST + AGRIC + MeanT + MaxT + DrPrec	189.65
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PREY ~ FOREST + PAST + AGRIC + MeanT + MaxT	188.82
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PREY ~ FOREST + PAST + AGRIC + MaxT	188.53
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Formula: PREY ~ FOREST + PAST + AGRIC + MaxT	DF	Deviance Resid.	DF	Resid. Dev	Pr(>Chi)
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176	200.7
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FOREST	1	2.795	175	197.9	0.095
PAST	1	1.155	174	196.75	0.282
AGRIC	1	9.280	173	187.47	<b>0.002</b>
MaxT	1	8.935	172	178.53	<b>0.003</b>

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Hosmer and Lemeshow, P = 0.11

McFadden's R2 = 0.132



