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Supplementary Materials for

The origin of blinking in both mudskippers and tetrapods is linked to life
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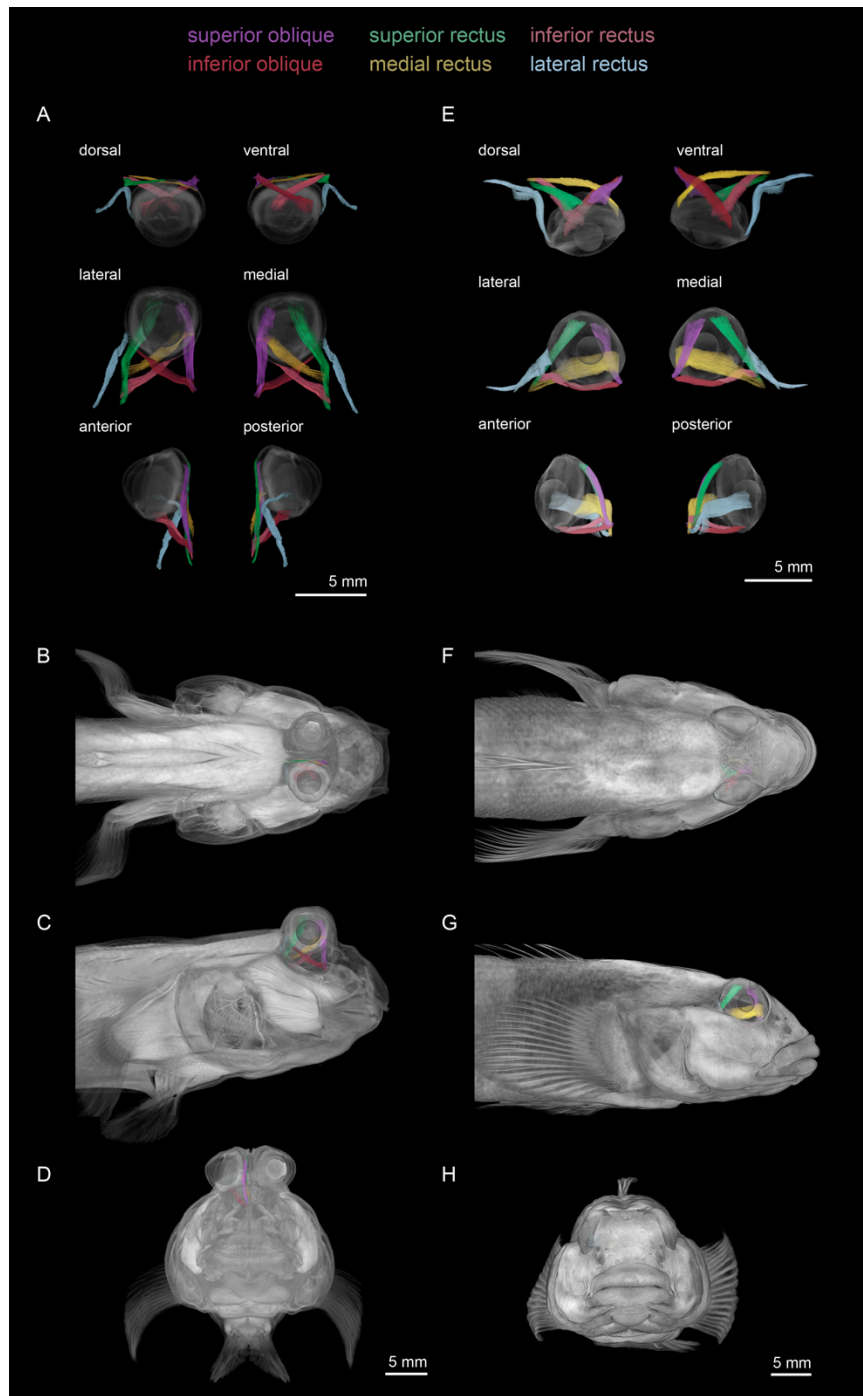
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Fig. S1. Volumetric rendering of contrast-stained Indian mudskipper and round goby. *P. septemradiatus* (A) eye and six extraocular muscles, and anterior portion of the body in (B) dorsal, (C) lateral, and (D) anterior views. *N. melanostomus* (E) eye and six extraocular muscles, and anterior portion of the body in (F) dorsal, (G) lateral, and (H) anterior views.

26 **Table S1**

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Individual	Blink #	Blink dur. (s)	Down-stroke dur. (s)	Down-stroke dur. (% blink cyc.)	Up-stroke dur. (s)	Start of DC movement (% blink cyc.)	Start of DC-eye interaction (% blink cyc.)	End of DC-eye interaction (% blink cyc.)	Peak eye velocity, down-stroke (cm s^{-1})	Peak eye velocity, up-stroke (cm s^{-1})	Amplitude of eye depression (cm)
MS1	1	0.51	0.20	39.22	0.31	3.92	11.76	70.59	-3.59	1.83	-0.33
MS1	2	0.57	0.21	36.84	0.36	3.51	10.53	66.67	-3.71	1.78	-0.29
MS1	3	0.54	0.21	38.89	0.33	1.85	14.81	70.37	-3.94	2.64	-0.38
	mean	0.54	0.21	38.32	0.33	3.09	12.37	69.21	-3.75	2.08	-0.34
	stdev	0.03	0.01	1.29	0.03	1.10	2.21	2.20	0.18	0.48	0.04
MS2	1	0.49	0.18	36.73	0.31	2.04	12.24	73.47	-3.50	2.42	-0.33
MS2	2	0.53	0.17	32.08	0.36	1.89	11.32	69.81	-3.64	1.21	-0.27
MS2	3	0.48	0.16	33.33	0.32	2.08	10.42	77.08	-3.68	1.64	-0.27
	mean	0.50	0.17	34.05	0.33	2.00	11.33	73.45	-3.61	1.75	-0.29
	stdev	0.03	0.01	2.41	0.03	0.10	0.91	3.64	0.09	0.61	0.03
MS3	1	0.70	0.26	37.14	0.44	2.86	7.14	71.43	-3.31	1.24	-0.34
MS3	2	0.64	0.2	31.25	0.44	3.13	10.94	64.06	-3.17	1.14	-0.31
MS3	3	0.68	0.27	39.71	0.41	1.47	7.35	82.35	-4.10	1.49	-0.34
	mean	0.67	0.24	36.03	0.43	2.48	8.48	72.61	-3.53	1.29	-0.33
	stdev	0.03	0.00	4.34	0.02	0.89	2.13	9.20	0.50	0.18	0.02
MS4	1	0.52	0.17	32.69	0.35	1.92	9.62	75.00	-3.10	1.46	-0.26
MS4	2	0.52	0.17	32.69	0.35	1.92	9.62	71.15	-3.02	1.77	-0.32
MS4	3	0.54	0.17	31.48	0.37	1.85	11.11	74.07	-3.30	1.87	-0.30
	mean	0.53	0.17	32.29	0.36	1.90	10.11	73.41	-3.14	1.71	-0.29
	stdev	0.01	0.00	0.70	0.01	0.04	0.86	2.01	0.15	0.22	0.03
Summary	mean	0.56	0.20	35.17	0.36	2.37	10.57	72.17	-3.51	1.71	-0.31
	stdev	0.07	0.04	3.22	0.05	0.78	2.07	4.77	0.33	0.46	0.04

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29 Blinking kinematics data correspond to the graphs presented in Fig. 2B. In the column headers,

30 'dermal cup' is abbreviated as DC.

31 **Table S2**
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Individual	Inter-blink interval (IBI)					Inter-roll interval (IRI)				
	Control IBI	# of blinks	High evap. IBI	# of blinks	<i>p</i> value	Control IRI	# of rolls	High evap. IRI	# of rolls	<i>p</i> value
MS1	99.5 ± 64.5	68	30.7 ± 31.9	231	4.74 × 10 ⁻²⁷	--	0	171.6 ± 227.0	40	--
MS2	202.4 ± 114.5	32	28.3 ± 36.4	249	3.01 × 10 ⁻⁴⁸	--	1	71.5 ± 56.6	96	--
MS3	421.0 ± 237.9	9	135.3 ± 217.3	46	9.99 × 10 ⁻⁰⁴	--	0	135.3 ± 217.3	94	--
MS4	151.6 ± 154.2	44	46.9 ± 49.2	139	7.61 × 10 ⁻¹¹	744.5 ± 191.5	4	152.8 ± 138.4	45	6.18 × 10 ⁻¹⁰
MS5	121.0 ± 84.8	68	29.1 ± 24.2	243	1.89 × 10 ⁻²⁷	287.7 ± 288.0	9	303.4 ± 198.5	20	0.87
MS6	97.6 ± 71.4	71	30.7 ± 29.9	227	9.68 × 10 ⁻²⁵	428.1 ± 214.7	14	285.8 ± 189.2	24	0.04
Summary	128.9 ± 120.5	292	36.1 ± 58.9	1135	7.1345 × 10 ⁻⁷⁰	428.2 ± 279.9	28	127.1 ± 147.5	319	4.90 × 10 ⁻¹⁹

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 34 Inter-blink and inter-roll intervals in control and high evaporation conditions. The *p* values are
 35 calculated from a double sided, type 2 t-test.

36 **Table S3**
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Individual	Eye side	% Cleaned
MS1	R	99 ± 1
MS2	L	96 ± 8
MS3	L	96 ± 7
MS4	L	97 ± 9
MS5	R	99 ± 3
Summary		97 ± 7

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39 The cleaning efficiency of a single blink, which was calculated as the percentage of brine shrimp
40 eggs removed from the cornea in one blink.

41 **Table S4**
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Individual	Lag time (ms)	Eye depression duration (ms)
MS1	26 ± 5	77 ± 22
MS2	28 ± 9	101 ± 33
MS3	28 ± 6	94 ± 31
MS4	25 ± 6	94 ± 28
MS5	31 ± 6	96 ± 28
Summary	28 ± 7	93 ± 30

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44 Measurement of lag time and eye depression duration in mechanically stimulated blinks.
45 Summary values represent mean and standard deviation.
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47 **Table S5**
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Experiment	Individual	Eye diameter (mm)	Standard length (mm)	Total length (mm)
Eye kinematics	MS1	5.09	93.30	109.25
	MS2	4.97	88.57	103.89
	MS3	5.05	97.95	110.77
	MS4	4.94	114.68	124.42
Evaporation	MS1	6.09	110.81	126.24
	MS2	6.80	110.89	117.17
	MS3	5.53	90.94	99.00
	MS4	6.37	107.44	117.93
	MS5	6.86	123.87	146.96
	MS6	7.02	133.89	153.34
Mechanical stimuli and cleaning	MS1	6.49	124.29	135.07
	MS2	6.06	126.42	142.45
	MS3	6.26	117.25	137.69
	MS4	6.12	124.43	130.68
	MS5	5.49	102.28	112.35

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 50 Morphometrics of individuals used in the functional analyses. A total of 15 individuals were
 51 analyzed.

- 52 **Movie S1**
53 Blink of the Indian mudskipper *P. septemradiatus* at full speed
- 54 **Movie S2**
55 Blink of the African mudskipper *P. barbarus* at full speed
- 56 **Movie S3**
57 Blink of the African mudskipper *P. barbarus*, slowed by 20x
- 58 **Movie S4**
59 Volumetric rendering of μ CT data of the African mudskipper *P. barbarus* showing extraocular
60 muscles
- 61 **Movie S5**
62 Digital cross sections of μ CT data of the African mudskipper *P. barbarus*
- 63 **Movie S6**
64 Roll of the African mudskipper *P. barbarus*, slowed by 5x
- 65 **Movie S7**
66 Exemplar blink showing cleaning, slowed by 5x
- 67 **Movie S8**
68 Exemplar mechanically stimulated blink, slowed by 10x