

## Supplementary information

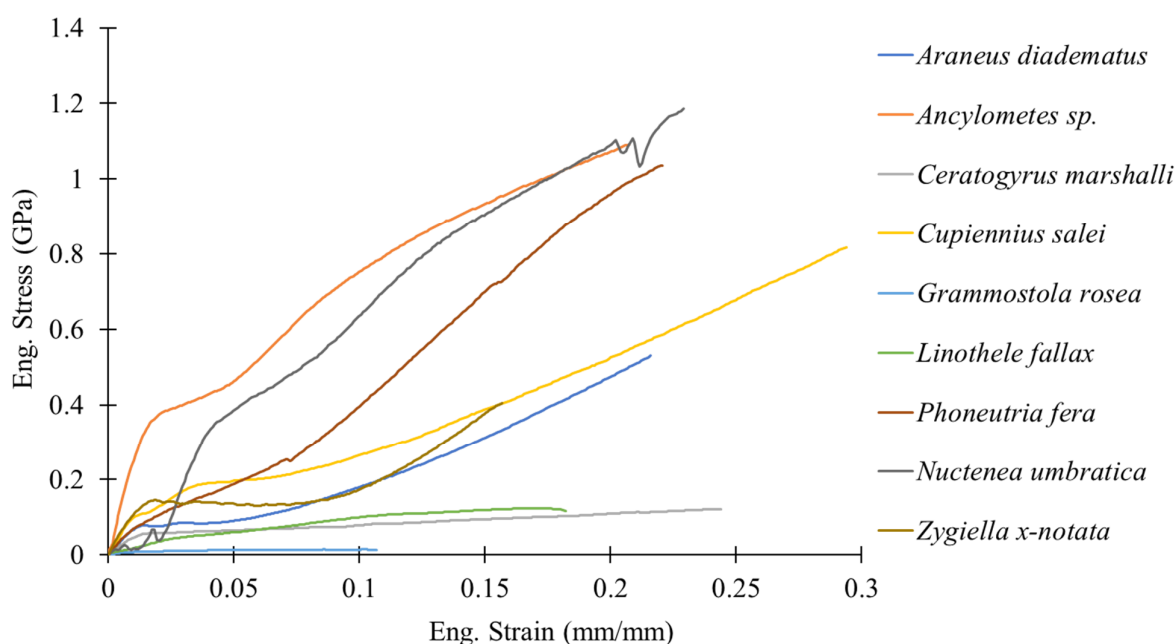
# Mechanical Properties and Weibull Scaling Laws of Unknown Spider Silks

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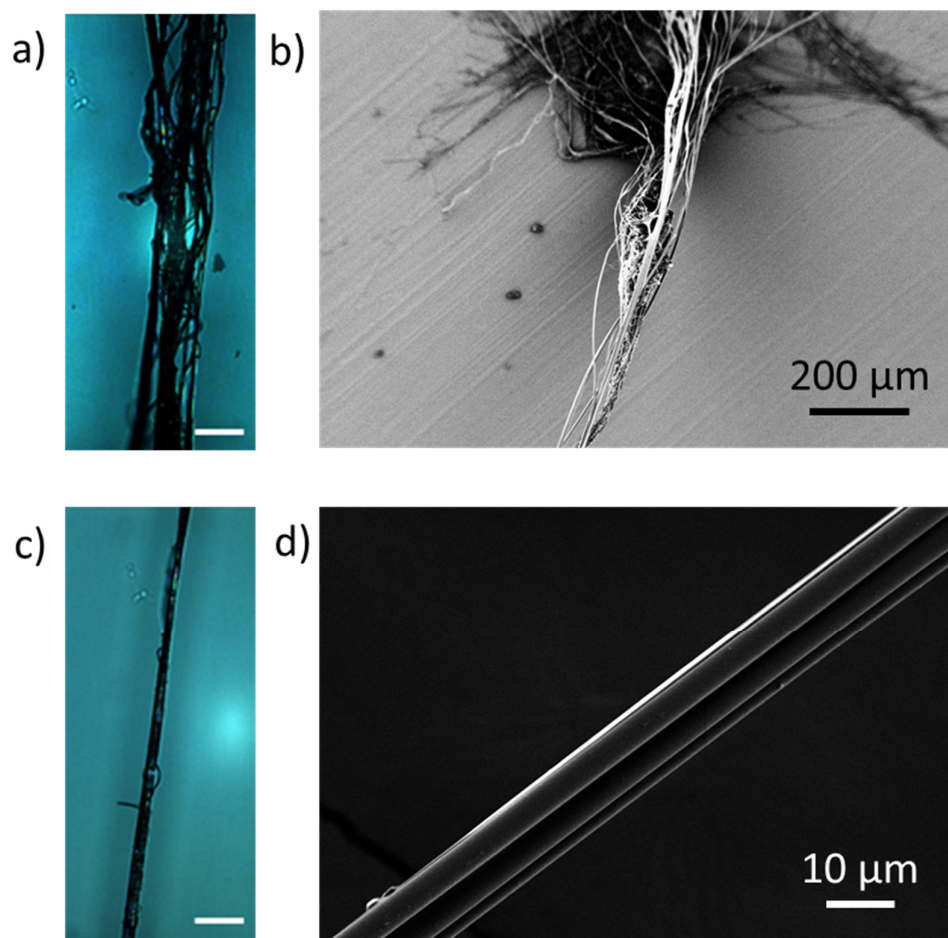
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**Figure S1.** Representative stress-strain curves of the analyzed different types of spider silk.



**Figure S2.** (a) Optical image of the dragline near the attachment discs and (b) the equivalent SEM image. (c) Optical image of the dragline at ca 1 cm from the attachment discs and the equivalent SEM image. White scale bar 50  $\mu\text{m}$ . Adapted from<sup>48</sup>.

**Table S1.** P-values and Cohen's  $d_c$  coefficient (in brackets) of the pairwise comparison for the strain at break at different strain rates. Only the significant differences are depicted.

| Strain rate (mm/s) | Strain at break (mm/mm) p-values (Cohen's $d_c$ ) |                |                |               |               |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
|                    | 0.08                                              | 0.10           | 0.11           | 0.15          | 0.17          |
| 0.08               |                                                   |                | 0.0376 (0.51)  |               |               |
| 0.10               |                                                   |                | 0.01256 (0.58) |               |               |
| 0.11               | 0.0376 (0.51)                                     | 0.01256 (0.58) |                |               | 0.0032 (0.73) |
| 0.15               |                                                   |                |                |               |               |
| 0.17               |                                                   |                |                | 0.0032 (0.73) |               |

**Table S2.** P-values and Cohen's  $d_c$  coefficient (in brackets) of the pairwise comparison for the strength at different strain rates. Only the significant differences are depicted.

| Strain rate (mm/s) | Strength (MPa) p-values (Cohen's $d_c$ ) |      |      |               |      |
|--------------------|------------------------------------------|------|------|---------------|------|
|                    | 0.08                                     | 0.10 | 0.11 | 0.15          | 0.17 |
| 0.08               |                                          |      |      | 0.0022 (0.80) |      |
| 0.10               |                                          |      |      | 0.001 (0.84)  |      |
| 0.11               |                                          |      |      | 0.0002 (0.97) |      |

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|-------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>0.15</b> | 0.0022 (0.80) | 0.001 (0.84) | 0.0002 (0.97) | 0.0001 (1.02) |
| <b>0.17</b> |               |              | 0.0001 (1.02) |               |

**Table S3.** P-values and Cohen's  $d_c$  coefficient (in brackets) of the pairwise comparison for the Young's modulus at different strain rates. Only the significative differences are depicted.

| Young's modulus (GPa) p-values (Cohen's $d_c$ ) |                      |                       |                       |                       |                      |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Strain rate (mm/s)                              | 0.08                 | 0.10                  | 0.11                  | 0.15                  | 0.17                 |
| <b>0.08</b>                                     |                      | 0.0007 (0.41)         | $5 * 10^{-6}$ (0.90)  | $6 * 10^{-6}$ (1.24)  |                      |
| <b>0.10</b>                                     | 0.0007 (0.41)        |                       | 0.0056 (1.05)         | $3 * 10^{-11}$ (0.71) | $7 * 10^{-6}$ (0.03) |
| <b>0.11</b>                                     | $5 * 10^{-6}$ (0.90) | 0.0056 (1.05)         |                       | $1 * 10^{-15}$ (1.93) | $1 * 10^{-7}$ (1.19) |
| <b>0.15</b>                                     | $6 * 10^{-6}$ (1.24) | $3 * 10^{-11}$ (0.71) | $1 * 10^{-15}$ (1.93) |                       | 0.0022 (0.79)        |
| <b>0.17</b>                                     |                      | $7 * 10^{-6}$ (0.03)  | $1 * 10^{-7}$ (1.19)  | 0.0022 (0.79)         |                      |

**Table S4.** P-values and Cohen's  $d_c$  coefficient (in brackets) of the pairwise comparison for the toughness modulus at different strain rates. Only the significative differences are depicted.

| Toughness modulus (MJ/m <sup>3</sup> ) p-values (Cohen's $d_c$ ) |               |               |               |               |               |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Strain rate (mm/s)                                               | 0.08          | 0.10          | 0.11          | 0.15          | 0.17          |
| <b>0.08</b>                                                      |               |               |               | 0.0039 (0.75) |               |
| <b>0.10</b>                                                      |               |               |               | 0.0237 (0.56) |               |
| <b>0.11</b>                                                      |               |               |               | 0.0021 (0.78) |               |
| <b>0.15</b>                                                      | 0.0039 (0.75) | 0.0237 (0.56) | 0.0021 (0.78) |               | 0.0026 (0.77) |
| <b>0.17</b>                                                      |               |               |               | 0.0026 (0.77) |               |

**Table S5.** P-values and Cohen's  $d_c$  coefficient (in brackets) of the pairwise comparison for the diameter at different length. Only the significative differences are depicted.

| Diameter ( $\mu$ m) p-values (Cohen's $d_c$ ) |                      |               |                      |               |               |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Length (cm)                                   | 0.55                 | 0.75          | 1.0                  | 1.25          | 1.5           |
| <b>0.55</b>                                   |                      | 0.0118 (0.62) | $3 * 10^{-5}$ (1.07) | 0.0006 (0.91) | 0.0003 (0.93) |
| <b>0.75</b>                                   | 0.0118 (0.62)        |               | 0.0056 (0.67)        | 0.0545 (0.47) | 0.0556 (0.45) |
| <b>1.0</b>                                    | $3 * 10^{-5}$ (1.07) | 0.0056 (0.67) |                      |               |               |
| <b>1.25</b>                                   | 0.0006 (0.91)        | 0.0545 (0.47) |                      |               |               |
| <b>1.5</b>                                    | 0.0003 (0.93)        | 0.0556 (0.45) |                      |               |               |

**Table S6.** P-values and Cohen's  $d_c$  coefficient (in brackets) of the pairwise comparison for the Strength at different length. Only the significative differences are depicted.

| Strength (MPa) p-values (Cohen's $d_c$ ) |      |      |               |      |                      |
|------------------------------------------|------|------|---------------|------|----------------------|
| Length (cm)                              | 0.55 | 0.75 | 1.0           | 1.25 | 1.5                  |
| <b>0.55</b>                              |      |      | 0.0497 (0.54) |      | $1 * 10^{-6}$ (1.38) |

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| <b>0.75</b> |                      |               |              |               | 0.0007 (0.92) |
| <b>1.0</b>  | 0.0497 (0.54)        |               |              |               | 0.002 (0.84)  |
| <b>1.25</b> |                      |               |              |               | 0.0004 (0.96) |
| <b>1.5</b>  | $1 * 10^{-6}$ (1.38) | 0.0007 (0.92) | 0.002 (0.84) | 0.0004 (0.96) |               |