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ANALYSIS OF THE HYOID MUSCULATURE OF MEGADERMATID BATS

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The hyoid musculature of one species of the family of Megadermatid bats, Megaderma spasma, was dissected and described. An analysis was performed of the "free-floating" basihyal condition of this species. Interestingly, this condition parallels the free-floating condition found in the New World family Phyllostomidae.