

**Table A1** Orphan rhinos participating in the study. Estimated age and time in the boma correspond to the date when the study started.

Rehabilitation method	Rhino	Sex	Age (years)	Time in boma (months)
Hands-off (Facility 1)	1	M	1	1
	2	M	3	22
	3	M	3	2
	4	F	4	1
	5	M	2	7
	6	F	2	7
	7	F	2	3
	8	M	2	1
	9	M	1	0
	10	F	1	0
	11	F	1	0
	12	F	1	3
Mean			1.92	3.92
SE			0.29	1.8
Hands-on (Facility 2)	13	F	2	21
	14	M	2	22
	15	F	2	16
	16	M	1	14
	17	M	2	14
	18	M	1	7
	19	F	1	5
	20	F	2	27
	21	F	2	24
	22	F	3	30
	23	F	2	17
	24	M	3	23
	25	M	2	24
Mean			1.92	18.27
SE			0.18	2.43

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