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Published by the American Geophysical Union as part of the Antarctic Research Series, Volume 31. The osteology of the Ross seal (*Ommatophoca rossi*) is described. The bones of this species closely resemble those of *Leptonychotes*, the only other Monachinae for which a general osteology is available. The hand and foot of *Ommatophoca* are relatively longer than those of other phocids, and several characteristics of this seal are adaptive modifications for swimming and for swallowing large prey. Possible sexual discriminating characteristics are discussed.

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