

Figure 2

The resting heart rate, h, of a mammal, measured in beats per minute, is modelled by the equation

$$h = pm^q$$

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where p and q are constants and m is the mass of the mammal measured in kg.

Figure 2 illustrates the linear relationship between $\log_{10} h$ and $\log_{10} m$

The line meets the vertical $\log_{10} h$ axis at 2.25 and has a gradient of -0.235

- (a) Find, to 3 significant figures, the value of p and the value of q.
- A particular mammal has a mass of 5 kg and a resting heart rate of 119 beats per minute.
- (b) Comment on the suitability of the model for this mammal.

 - (c) With reference to the model, interpret the value of the constant p.