

Meanings

strong, severe, exceeding, immense, great, huge, terrible

Etymology

Probably from pre-Germanic **h₃op-r-ó-s*, a thematic adjective derived from the r-member of the Proto-Indo-European heteroclitic **h₃óp-r̥ ~ *h₃ép-n-* ([Johnsen 2005b: 258–60](#); [Rieken 1999: 315–18](#)). Indo-European comparanda include Vedic Sanskrit अ॒प्नस् (*ápnas-*), Hittite  (*ha-ap-pí-na-* /*ḥappina-*/), and Latin *opulentus*, all belonging to the same PIE **h₃ep-/***h₃op-* complex ([Kloekhorst 2008: 295–97](#); [Watkins 2011: s.v. op-](#)).

Declension

Strong declension

Case	Sg. Masc.	Sg. Fem.	Sg. Neut.	Pl. Masc.	Pl. Fem.	Pl. Neut.
Nom.	abraz	abrō	abraꝥ, -atō	abrai	abrōz	abrō
Acc.	abranō	abrō	abraꝥ, -atō	abranz	abrōz	abrō
Gen.	abras, -is	abraizōz	abras, -is	abraizô	abraizô	abraizô
Dat.	abrammai	abraizōi	abrammai	abraimaz	abraimaz	abraimaz
Inst.	abranō	abraizō	abranō	abraimiz	abraimiz	abraimiz

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Nom.	abrô	abrō	abrô	abraniz	abrōniz	abrōnō
Acc.	abranų	abrōnų	abrô	abranunz	abrōnunz	abrōnō
Gen.	abriniz	abrōniz	abriniz	abranô	abrōnô	abranô
Dat.	abrinī	abrōnī	abrinī	abrammaz	abrōmaz	abrammaz
Inst.	abrinē	abrōnē	abrinē	abrammiz	abrōmiz	abrammiz

Descendants

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afar (Icelandic)

𐌰𐌋𐌿𐌸 (abrs) (Gothic)

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