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THE COST OF DOMESTIC BREEDING OF RHESUS MONKEYS

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Restrictions on the export of rhesus monkeys in 1974 and the complete ban by India on the export of this species in 1978 stimulated an increase in domestic breeding of these animals in the United States. Recent economic problems of inflation and personnel, equipment, and supply costs have influenced the development of the production of rhesus monkeys in this country. An examination of what it costs to produce a macaque at today's prices will indicate how economics have influenced the domestic breeding of monkeys.

Table 1 shows the total number of nonhuman primates imported into the United States for the years 1969-1980. Note the almost steady decline in the number of animals brought into this country. Although it is true that the elimination of the pet trade in nonhuman primates helped to reduce the numbers of animals imported, the decline has nevertheless continued in recent years. Table 2 gives the species and numbers of nonhuman primates born in the United States in 1980. The first two tables are presented for information and to give readers some knowledge of the numbers of animals currently involved for biomedical research.

Table 1. Numbers of Primates Imported Annually Into the U.S., 1969-1980. (U.S. Department of Commerce figures.)

| Year | No. Animals |
|------|-------------|
| 1969 | 108,974 |
| 1970 | 78,375 |
| 1971 | 79,887 |
| 1972 | 75,784 |
| 1973 | 69,548 |
| 1974 | 46,581 |
| 1975 | 40,814 |
| 1976 | 33,539 |
| 1977 | 28,559 |
| 1978 | 28,778 |
| 1979 | 22,801 |
| 1980 | 22,371 |
| | |

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Table 2. United States Production of Nonhuman Primates, 1980. (RH = Rhesus, MAC = Other Macaques, SQ = Squirrel Monkeys, MAR = Marmosets.)

| | Species | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|---------|-----|-------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-------|
| Producer | RH | MAC | PAPIO | PAN | AOTUS | SQ | MAR | Other |
| Primate Centers | 1,289 | 635 | 33 | 15 | 14 | 128 | 63 | 136 |
| Contracts | 3,500 | 150 | 100 | 2 | | 75 | | |
| Government | 550 | 50 | | | 47 | 20 | 60 | |
| Other | 350 | 50 | 200 | | 4 | 110 | 75 | |
| Species Totals | 5,689 | 885 | 333 | 17 | 65 | 333 | 198 | 136 |
| Overall Totals | 7,656 | | | | | | | |

It is a relatively easy matter to arrive at the costs for breeding nonhuman primates where things are done on a contract basis. For instance, if a \$400,000 contract exists and 400 young animals are born per year—they are worth \$1,000 each. This is a simple mathematical exercise and Table 3 is an example of doing this for five different institutions breeding rhesus monkeys. As the number of animals produced rises the costs declines. In a few cases where 500 young are born annually the production cost is about \$1,000. Table 4 presents costs by type of housing.

Table 3. Nonhuman Primate Breeding Costs at Different Institutions.

| INSTITUTION | BUDGET | ANIMALS PRODUCED | COST PER ANIMAL |
|-------------|---------|------------------|-----------------|
| A | 415,802 | 200 | \$2079 |
| В | 387,124 | 150 | \$2580 |
| С | 120,509 | 50 | \$2410 |
| D | 424,646 | 300 | \$1415 |
| E | 521,086 | 300 | \$1737 |

Table 4. Nonhuman Primate Breeding Cost by Type of Housing For Production of 300-400 Young/Year.

| Pues manaina | \$1054 | Corrals | \$ 894 |
|--------------|--------|-------------------|--------|
| Free-ranging | | | |
| Free-ranging | \$ 996 | Pens (10 animals) | \$1415 |
| Corn cribs | \$1067 | Indoor cages | \$1845 |

The different types of personnel categories included in the breeding programs referred to in Table 3 are shown next, in Table 5, with the percentage of time spent by each person on the project. There is a significant amount of variation in job titles and this may be due to differences in institutional job descriptions. The various cost categories used by these institutions is presented in Table 6. Most of these are self-explanatory and not unusual.

Table 5. Nonhuman Primate Breeding Types of Personnel Utilized

| PERSONNEL | | PE | RCENT OF T | 'IME | | |
|-------------------|---------------|-----|------------|------|-----|--|
| | A | В | C | D | E | |
| Director | 10 | 10 | 16 | 50 | 50 | |
| Veterinarian | 18 | 27 | | 100 | 75 | |
| Facil. Mgr. (Sup) | 18 | 12 | 20 | 100 | | |
| Maint. Engr. | | 25 | | 100 | 100 | |
| Secretary | | 27 | | | 75 | |
| Lab Tech | | 13 | | | 175 | |
| Anim Health Tech | 5 | 90 | 17 | | 150 | |
| Coord Asst | 50 | 32 | - | 120 | | |
| Progr Asst | 10 | | 25 | | 75 | |
| Data Tech | | | | | 50 | |
| Animal Techs | 400 | 350 | 175 | 750 | 600 | |
| Behaviorist | | 23 | | | | |
| Behav Tech | - | 23 | | | | |
| Animals/Year | 200 | 150 | 50 | 300 | 300 | |

Table 6. Nonhuman Primate Breeding Cost Categories Used

| Operating Supplies | Vehicle |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Office Supplies | Freight, Shipping |
| Laboratory Supplies | Leases, Office Equip. |
| Serology (B virus) | Travel |
| Medical Supplies | Alterations, Renovations |
| Animal Feed | Utilities |
| Maintenance & Supplies | Field Supplies, Crates |
| Cleaning | Outside Lab Tests |
| Surgery Supplies | Telephone |
| Books, Journals | Postage |
| Clothes, Laundry | |
| | |

Finally, if one attempts to pare costs of breeding rhesus monkeys to a base minimum, as illustrated in Table 7, it might be possible to do this for about \$700 for each animal born, based on raising 300 per year. Examined from a different approach, if per diem for adult monkeys is \$1.25 to \$1.50 per day and the breeding colony contains 600 breeding females producing 400 young each year, production cost would be about \$700 to \$800 for each animal born.

The cost of breeding rhesus monkeys is high and this may be a primary factor in the declining use for research of not only this species, but others as well.

Table 7. Nonhuman Primate Breeding Minimal Costs

| ersonnel | | 21 252 |
|--|------------------------|--|
| Veterinarian-Director | 50% | 21,250 |
| Supervisor | 50% | 11,500 |
| Maintenance | 50% | 8,000 |
| Secretary | 25% | 3,000 |
| Animal Technicians (4) | 400% | 44,000 |
| All little Technic Com | | 87,750 |
| | Fringe Benefits (21%) | 18,428 |
| | Indirect Costs (57%S&W | |
| | Subtotal | 156,196 |
| Operating, Maintenance So Office Supplies Laboratory Medical Supplies, Drugs Animal Feed | upplies Subtotal | 7,000 700 3,000 3,500 30,000 44,200 |
| | Total Budget | 200,396 |

Note. Cost per animal born = \$668 for 300 young per year.

LACTOSE INTOLERANCE IN PERODICTICUS: A CASE STUDY

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This communication describes a case of lactose intolerance that developed in *Perodicticus potto ibeanus* Thomas, 1910 after 18 years of captivity. It is hoped that the solution to this problem will help other primatologists whose animals develop this metabolic anomaly.

Observations

Dietary Background. Two pairs of P. potto arrived at Yale University from Central Africa in December 1959 (Cowgill & Zeman, 1980) and were housed together in a single large cage (12 feet long, 8 feet wide and 6 feet high). These animals were fed bananas, mealworms, embryonic mice, hard boiled eggs and a high protein porridge mixture whose base was whole, pasteurized, homogenized milk supplemented with vitamin A palmitate and D_3 . In addition, the animals were offered water that contained terramycin (44-66 mg/kg body weight; No. 6791 Merck Index 9th Ed., 1976). This was added as a precaution in an attempt to prevent infection resulting from a change in habitat. This antibiotic treatment was continued for a year and then abandoned. During this period no diarrhea was noted.

Calcium Deficiency. By 1971 one pair of *P. potto* had died and the remaining female bore twins (Cowgill, 1974). At that time it was noted that both adult animals were suffering from an acute calcium deficiency. In order to resolve this problem, their drinking water was supplemented daily with 5 g calcium lactate. The amount was arrived at by analyzing the animals' fecal material for calcium. When 100 mg/kg of calcium was thus excreted it was concluded that the calcium intake was sufficient. It was discovered over time that calcium consumed in this way was rather different than calcium uptake from milk. The calcium lactate was excreted very rapidly. Usually the first bowel movement had the largest amount of calcium. Calcium derived from milk was excreted in a more uniform fashion. The reason for supplementing the water was to increase the calcium intake rapidly in order to overcome the deficiency. In 1971 daily consumption of water containing calcium lactate for each animal was 30 g (corrected

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for natural loss). Milk (homogenized, pasteurized, whole, supplemented with vitamins A and D) was served every other day. Every 48 hours each animal consumed 50 g of milk (corrected for natural loss).

Intestinal Disturbance. In 1977 the male P. potto who was then 19 years old developed acute diarrhea. At this time lactose intolerance was suspected. His fecal material was examined microbiologically and found to be sterile. Nothing was done at this time since it was presumed that in the course of grooming with his mate, who exhibited no such problems, his intestines would again become colonized with enteric bacteria. The situation persisted for 18 months. During this time fecal material was examined regularly and always found to be sterile. His mate's fecal material contained Escherichia coli throughout the whole of her life. It was clear that the male's intestines were not going to become recolonized with enteric bacteria. Furthermore, the extent of the problem required identification. Therefore the animals were fed only milk for two days. The feces from both animals were collected immediately after production.

Materials and Methods

Lactose intolerance may be ascertained by measuring the pH of the feces. Lactose tolerance is indicated by a pH of 7-8 which was exhibited by the female *P. potto's* fecal material. That of the male's fecal material was 5.4. This acidity results from the ultimate bacterial breakdown of lactose within the colon into lactic acid and other short chain fatty acids. Lactose intolerance produces an acid stool with a pH of about 5.5. It is possible to purchase a "urine dipstick" at any pharmacy. This dipstick is inserted into the specimen. After removal followed by a one-minute rest, the paper is quickly rinsed and the color of the dipstick examined.

The stool should also be examined for the presence of glucose. Lactose, commonly called "milk sugar", is hydrolyzed by the enzyme lactase into glucose and galactose. This process normally occurs in the jejunum and the proximal ileum. The enzyme is synthesized in the brush border of the epithelial cells of the villi. The products of this hydrolysis are absorbed by the intestine, passing eventually into the blood stream. Lactose intolerance may be indicated by the presence of glucose in the stool, since, though it may have been hydrolized in the colon, it was not absorbed and hence may be detected in the fecal material. A glucose dipstick inserted into a fecal specimen should provide a reading of one-plus or more to indicate lactose intolerance.

The female produced fecal material that gave an indication of detectable glucose by this method. The microbiologically sterile fecal material of the male produced a reading of three-plus on the glucose-indicating dipstick, confirming the suggestion that he was suffering from lactose intolerance.

All milk ever fed to the animals had been homogenized, pasteurized milk, supplemented with vitamins A and D_3 such that consumption of 227 g would supply 10% and 25%, respectively, of the human daily requirement. The types of milk utilized are enumerated in Table 1.

Having identified the problem as one of lactose intolerance, initially it was decided to employ lactase enzyme (LactAid) to hydrolyze the lactose. Seventy percent reduction of lactose may be obtained by adding 5 drops of lactase to one liter of milk. To assure complete mixing, the milk is magnetically stirred for 30 minutes and then stored in a refrigerator for 24 hours before use. Fifteen drops of lactase assures complete lactose reduction. The lactose content of milk is about 5%. Complete hydrolysis produces 2.5% glucose and 2.5% galactose. The quantity of glucose can be detected with a glucose dipstick up to 2% glucose. Beyond this point it is necessary to dilute the milk with water. This procedure was used to ascertain the extent of lactose reduction.

Acidophilus milk was also used in these experiments. This milk contains a culture of *Lactobacillus acidophilus* which hydrolyzes all the lactose in milk to glucose and galactose. This preparation contains 2% milk fat.

Results and Discussion

Results are depicted in Table 1. The most successful dairy products

Table 1. Dairy products fed Perodicticus during 21 years of captivity. Results are expressed in degrees of diarrhea: none 0; slight +; moderate ++; pronounced +++; acute ++++. (Whl mlk = Whole milk.)

| Dairy Product | Percent Lactose Hydrolized | Period Used | Degree of Diarrhea |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| . Whl mlk in cereal | 0 | 12/59-10/77 | 0 |
| . Whl mlk | 0 | 12/71-10/77 | 0 |
| B. Whl mlk; mlk in cereal | 0 | 10/77-4/79 | ++++ |
| 4. 2% mlk; mlk in cereal | 0 | 5/79-11/80 | ++++ |
| 5. Whl mlk; mlk in cereal | 70 | 10/10/80-1/2/81 | ++++ |
| 6. Whl mlk; mlk in cereal | 100 | 1/3/81-2/1/81 | +++ |
| 7. 2% mlk; mlk in cereal | 70 | 2/2/81-2/15/81 | ++ |
| 3. 2% mlk; mlk in cereal | 100 | 2/16/81-3/1/81 | + |
| 9. Canned 2% mlk (LactAid) | 70 | 3/2/81-3/7/81 | ++ |
| O. Canned 2% mlk (LactAid) | 100 | 3/8/81-3/15/81 | 0 |
| 1. Acidophilus mlk | 100 | 3/15/81-present | 0 |

used were those that had undergone 100% lactose reduction and had a low fat content, i.e., canned 2% LactAid and acidophilus milk (No. 10 and No. 11 in Table 1). It is now possible to feed the male $P.\ potto$ milk every day with no evidence of any diarrhea. Since this problem has been resolved his appetite has improved noticeably and his degree of activity has increased.

It is interesting that this animal's blood chemistry has remained normal throughout this study. His glucose range has been 68-155~mg/dl. The latter figure refers to non-fasting conditions. It is now possible to detect an increase of blood glucose three hours after consuming low fat milk with 100% lactose reduction.

These results are especially interesting since the male's $E.\ coli$ have never reappeared. It has been noted recently that fungal spores are prevalent in the male's feces. These have been sent to a medical mycology laboratory where identification will be attempted. It is presently thought that a permanent fungal infection has been responsible for the continued absence of the $E.\ coli$. Furthermore, it is also possible that this infection has affected adversely the brush border region where lactase is produced. In closing this discussion it is important to note that this animal is a good model for this affliction in man since this male potto can tolerate all sugars except lactose.

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TRENDS IN PRIMATE EXPORTS FROM MALAYSIA

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There is increasing international concern over the provision of primates to meet human health-related needs. Nonhuman primates are indispensable for biomedical research, biologics production and testing for safety and toxicity. The ban by India on the export of rhesus macaques (Macaca mulatta) has meant that there is greater demand for its conspecific the cynomolgus or long-tailed macaque (Macaca fascicularis). However, bans on export by countries such as Thailand and Malaysia have reduced the availability of the cynomolgus macaque. For example, imports into the United States from Thailand and Malaysia dropped by 71 and 31 percent respectively in 1979 (Greenhouse, 1980). The purpose of this note is to present data on trends in primate exports (largely of cynomolgus macaques) from Malaysia from 1974 until 1980.

Malaysia began exporting cynomolgus macaques to consuming countries in the early fifties. The trade has been conducted by pet shop owners and animal dealers since then. Table 1 shows the number of macaques exported over the period of 1974-1980. Export level was a steady 10,000 animals per year in 1974-1977 but it jumped to about 14,000 animals in 1978. This increased export may have been the result of India's ban on

Table 1. Numbers of Macaques Exported Over Time.

| Year | 1974 | 1,975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|---|
| Nos. of macaques exported | 9,271 | 9,899 | 9,674 | 10,583 | 13,997 | 12,199 | 3,194 | |
| | | | | | | | | - |

the export of rhesus macaques. In 1979, over the first six months, trends in export indicated that the export level would equal that of 1978. However, the government of Malaysia introduced a temporary export ban beginning in July that year and the number of macaques exported during that year fell to 12,199. In 1980 the full effect of the ban was felt although primates were allowed to be exported to bona fide biomedical users. During that year, only 3,194 animals were exported. Mean monthly averages of animals exported fell from 1,000 animals per month during the period of 1974-1979, to only 266 animals per month in 1980.

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Export from Malaysia went to 23 countries (Table 2). Of these, the major importers were the USA, UK, Japan and Taiwan. More macaques are exported during the months of April to August than during the northern winter months of September to March (Table 3).

Table 2. Number of Macaques Exported Over the Years According to Importing Countries.

| | | | | rear | | | |
|-------------------|----------|-------|-------|---------------------------------------|----------|---------------------|--------------|
| Importing Country | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 Jan June | 1980 |
| USA | 1,853 | 3,242 | 3,718 | 3,518 | 5,842 | 2,304 | 1,120 |
| UK | 3,123 | 3,683 | 2,695 | 3,402 | 2,541 | 1,504 | 760 |
| Japan | 1,085 | 1,145 | 926 | 1,076 | 1,276 | 722 | 378 |
| Taiwan | 392 | 320 | 540 | 836 | 1,680 | 1,210 | 200 |
| Belgium | 301 | _ | 464 | 220 | 838 | 480 | 60 |
| Germany | 106 | 144 | 144 | - | 204 | 491 | _ |
| Yugoslavia | 350 | 365 | 320 | 380 | 640 | 150 | 230 |
| Australia | 70 | 182 | 230 | 524 | 440 | 47 | 175 |
| Italy | 539 | 265 | 252 | 262 | 256 | 120 | - |
| Iran | _ | _ | - | 140 | 135 | _ | _ |
| Singapore | 210 | 82 | 110 | 96 | 51 | 28 | 20 |
| Hong Kong | _ | - | 60 | 52 | 82 | 40 | , , <u> </u> |
| Switzerland | _ | 21 | 24 | 58 | 24 | 14 | _ |
| Greece | _ | _ | - | - | 50 | 100 | 19 |
| Thailand | <u> </u> | _ | - | - | 19 | 10 | _ |
| Iraq | - · | _ | _ | - | 20 | - | - |
| Holland | 72 | 90 | 15 | 15 | _ | _ | - |
| Lebanon | <u>-</u> | - | - | 6 | - | , | _ |
| Russia | 93 | 75 | 86 | _ | _ | _ | 80 |
| France | 50 | - | 62 | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | _ | - | - |
| Denmark | - | - | 30 | - | | _ | 150 |
| Romania | 23 | 100 | - | - | - | - | 150 |
| Sweden | 4 | 182 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 2 |

Table 3. Number of Macaques Exported By Months of the Year.

| | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | Means: 1974- | 1980 | 1981 |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------|------|------|
| | | | | | | | 1979 | | |
| Jan. | 519 | 956 | 877 | 414 | 803 | 1,346 | 714 | 202 | 387 |
| Feb. | 412 | 457 | 961 | 935 | 582 | 1,088 | 669 | 120 | - |
| Mar. | 791 | 1,199 | 531 | 1,130 | 1,011 | 1,480 | 932 | 239 | _ |
| Apr. | 942 | 866 | 1,127 | 990 | 1,239 | 1,430 | 1,033 | 194 | _ |
| May | 989 | 959 | 663 | 1,198 | 1,676 | 1,147 | 1,097 | 139 | - |
| June | 700 | 1,411 | 1,130 | 1,095 | 1,762 | 1,062 | 1,220 | 180 | _ |
| July | 1,122 | 765 | 1,091 | 811 | 1,310 | 1,257 | 1,020 | 80 | - |
| Aug. | 1,197 | 845 | 892 | 1,087 | 1,147 | 1,094 | 1,034 | 210 | _ |
| Sept. | 978 | 723 | 549 | 810 | 1,258 | 794 | 864 | 360 | _ |
| Oct. | 531 | 665 | 480 | 648 | 836 | 609 | 632 | 400 | - |
| Nov. | 511 | 406 | 792 | 648 | 1,056 | 440 | 642 | 650 | - |
| Dec. | 579 | 647 | 581 | 817 | 1,317 | 452 | 732 | 420 | - |

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"SIABON" OR "GIBBANG"?

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Hybrids of a gibbon 0^7 and a siamang 0 (Hylobates muelleri abotti \times Symphalangus syndactylus) have recently been termed "siabons" (Rumbaugh et al., 1976, Wolkin & Myers, 1980).

This designation is a misnomer because it is current zoo practice to name hybrids by combining the first part of the species name of the father with the second part of the species name of the mother. For instance, "liger" means lion 0' × tiger 0 and "tion" means tiger 0' × lion 0. Many similar examples can be found in the annual issues of the International Zoo Yearbook. The only exception known to me is "mule" and "hinny". The aforementioned hybrids should therefore be called "gibbangs". Not following this rule causes both confusion and a loss of factual information.

Conceivably, this terminological issue could in some cases have far-reaching implications. For instance, according to the law in most countries, a "chiman" would enjoy human status, civil rights, welfare benefits etc., whereas a "manzee" would be protected only by the cruelty to animals legislation, CITES, IPPL and Animal Lib. Whether this is fiction or the future, let us face the facts and distinguish the difference.

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"SIABON" OR "GIBBANG"?: A REPLY

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By the rule of convention, we should have named the hybrid a "gibbang"; however, we live in a day when conventions do not necessarily prevail, particularly when they apply to priorities pertaining to sex. Why should the male's common species name determine the prefix for a hybrid? Why not chance? Or aesthetics? "Siabon" is in our estimation much more aesthetic than is "gibbang".

The rule of convention which Dr. Kortlandt lends support seems to sustain male chauvinism through biologic nomenclature.

On the other hand, long live chauvinism!

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INTERNATIONAL LION-TAILED MACAQUE SYMPOSIUM

The lion-tailed macaque (Macaca silenus) is a critically endangered species of primate with a discontinuous, very localized distribution within high evergreen rainforest in southwest India. Loss of habitat is the primary cause of population decline. Fewer than 300 individuals are believed to exist in the wild.

Zoos have recognized the conservation needs of this species and several zoological institutions have initiated active captive breeding programs. At the end of 1979, a total of 289 individuals (134 males, 151 females, and 4 unsexed juveniles) existed in 61 collections around the world. Of these 289 animals, 193 were born in zoos. These figures clearly indicate that zoos are essential to the continuation of the species.

Despite the fact that this species is on the brink of extinction in the wild and has received important conservation attention in captivity, much of its basic biology and captive management remain unknown. The existing literature on *Macaca silenus* is relatively meager (for a primate), and much of our understanding of this animal has not been shared or collated. An international symposium of wildlife biologists and zoological experts will do a great deal to further our efforts to protect and preserve this animal.

All scientific sessions will be held at the Baltimore Zoo, May 19-22, 1982. Field trips are planned to the National Zoo (Washington, DC), the Front Royal Conservation Center, and the Patuxent Conservation Center on Saturday, May 22, 1982.

Presentations will focus on the field biology and captive management of the lion-tailed macaque. The major topic headings include: Status and biology of the lion-tailed macaque in its native habitat; Demography and status of captive populations; Aspects of captive husbandry, health care, and nutrition; Social and reproductive behavior of the lion-tailed macaque; The future of conservation of endangered primates. In addition, smaller workshops on particular topics are planned to allow participants to discuss special topics of concern and to make firm commitments and arrangements between institutions in order to coordinate conservation efforts for this primate.

The Baltimore Zoological Society is inviting speakers from zoological institutions, biomedical research facilities, governmental conservation programs, and the academic community. Delegates from all over the world, but especially India and North America, will speak on the problems of this primate. Additional papers (to be included in the printed proceedings) will be contributed from experts unable to attend.

The Baltimore Zoo and the Baltimore Zoological Society have made

significant financial commitments to the Symposium. We are seeking individual sponsors and additional organizational sponsors from the academic, financial, and conservation communities. Additional funding from federal sources is being investigated since Macaca silenus is included on the U.S. endangered species list. A symposium registration fee will provide the balance of needed funds.

All arrangements for publicity, lodging, local travel, food, etc. will be handled by the staff of the Baltimore Zoological Society and the Baltimore Zoo.

For more information please contact: Dr. Paul G. Heltne, Division of Comparative Medicine, Johns Hopkins University, 720 North Rutland St., Baltimore, MD 21205 (301-955-3273); or Robert H. Johnson, c/o Baltimore Zoological Society, Druid Hill Park, Baltimore MD 21217 (301-467-4387).

POSTDOCTORAL POSITIONS AT YERKES CENTER

Postdoctoral positions are available in a recently established NIMH research training program in Behavioral Biology of Primates at Emory University, the Yerkes Primate Research Center, and the Georgia Mental Health Institute. The goal of the program is to train scientists to investigate the biological mechanisms of behavior in infrahuman primates. Successful applicants will demonstrate a serious commitment to a multidisciplinary research approach. Areas of emphasis include social behavior, ethology, endocrinology, psychopharmacology, and several aspects of neurobiology. Participating faculty are from the Departments of Anatomy, Anthropology, Biochemistry, Biology, Medicine, Pharmacology, Physiology, Psychiatry, Psychology, and Sociology, as well as the Georgia Mental Health Institute and the Yerkes Regional Primate Research Center at Emory University. Eligibility is limited by federal regulations to U.S. citizens or aliens holding permanent residency visas. Send curriculum vitae, statement of research and training goals, three letters of reference, and other supporting documents to Chairman, Postdoctoral Training Committee, Yerkes Regional Primate Research Center, Emory University, Atlanta, GA 30322. Deadline for application is September 1, 1981 for fellowships with an earliest possible starting date of December 1, 1981. An affirmative action/equal opportunity employer.

NEWS BRIEFS

Actions on Nonhuman Primates at CITES Meeting

The actions indicated below on U.S. proposals regarding listing of nonhuman primates were taken at the Third Biennial Meeting of the parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) held in New Delhi, February 25 through March 8, 1981.

| Species | U.S. Proposal | Action |
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| Preuss red colobus | Transfer from Appendix II to Appendix I of the population of the United Republic of Cameron | Withdrawn |
| Black colobus | Transfer from Appendix II to Appendix I | Withdrawn |
| Yellow-tailed woolly monkey | Transfer from Appendix II to Appendix I | Withdrawn |
| Diana monkey | Transfer from Appendix II to Appendix I | Adopted |
| Drill | Transfer from Appendix II to Appendix I | Adopted |
| Mandrill | Transfer from Appendix II to Appendix I | Adopted |

[Negotiated in 1973, the Convention essentially prohibits commercial import and export of species listed under its Appendix I (those critically jeopardized by trade) and restricts export of those listed under Appendix II (potentially threatened species). Working together, a scientific and management authority in each nation must approve import and export permits for trade in species protected under the international treaty.]

Primate Research Laboratory at University of South Alabama Dedicated

On May 15, the University dedicated its new Primate Research Laboratory. The 10,000 square-foot research laboratory was designed specifically for housing a large primate breeding colony for multi-disciplinary studies aimed at improving reproduction in captivity. The facility is constructed with an indoor-outdoor animal housing area with walls that open to take advantage of mild weather and reduce energy costs. This facility is designed to meet the housing requirements of most primate species used in research. A colony of 200 Bolivian squirrel monkeys (Saimiri sciureus) is currently housed in the facility. The establishment

of this squirrel monkey colony has been made possible through a \$1 million grant from the Division of Research Resources, National Institutes of Health. This grant represents one of the largest research related grants in the history of the University of South Alabama.

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SYMPOSIUM ON THE USE OF NONHUMAN PRIMATES IN EXOTIC VIRAL AND IMMUNOLOGIC DISEASES

This symposium will be held February 28-March 3, 1982 in San Antonio, Texas. It is sponsored by The Southwest Foundation Forum, World Association of Veterinary Microbiologists, Immunologists and Specialists in Infectious Diseases and the World Health Organization.

Sessions will include: General Considerations (husbandry, spontaneous diseases, primate viruses, methodologies--alternative methods, germfree and SPF nonhuman primates), Immunology and Immunologic Alterations (including blood diseases and genetic aspects, viral diseases), Comparative Medicine (animals other than simians for the study of disease), and Biohazards.

Attendance will be limited to 250 persons, and short current reports (10-15 minutes) are welcome. Abstracts will be required. All reports will be published.

Organizing Secretary: Dr. S. S. Kalter, Southwest Foundation for Research and Education, PO Box 28147, San Antonio, TX 78284, (512-674-1410).

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I DREAMED ABOUT SEX
LAST NIGHT, DOCTOR. DO
YOU THINK IT MEANS I
WANT A BANANA?"

RECENT BOOKS AND ARTICLES (Addresses are those of first authors)

Books

Auditory Regions of Primate and Eutherian Insectivores: Morphology, Ontogeny, and Character Analysis (Contributions to Primatology, Vol. 18).

R. D. E. MacPhee. Basel: Karger, 1981. Soft cover. 284 pp. [Price: SFr. 66. Approx. \$39.75]

This volume offers anatomical and developmental analyses of a large number of otic features commonly employed in mammalian systematics. "The...treatment of developmental relations distinguishes this work from similar systematically-oriented studies solely concerned with adult morphology." The results of the author's developmental and micro-anatomical investigation of otic structures found in strepsirhine primates and an assortment of eutherian insectivores are presented. The features selected for examination are those which are emphasized in primate systematics and related fields and chiefly include the soft and hard tissues of the middle ear. Special effort is made to relate observations and analyses to existing anatomical, developmental and paleontological literature. The monograph includes a detailed regional anatomy of the eutherian posterior basicranium, a glossary of basicranial terminology, a large number of line illustrations and photographs, and serial-section reconstructions.

Human Sex Differences: A Primatologist's Perspective. G. Mitchell.

New York: Van Nostrand Reinhold, 1981. 256 pp. [Price: \$18.95]

A review of investigations of sex differences in both human and non-human primate behavior. The book interweaves information about the psychology of women and behavioral primatology. It contains material on many aspects of sex differences, covering a large variety of species, but with an emphasis on the human literature. No theoretical orientation is attempted, the author's aim being to provide findings for each species and allow the reader to determine the similarities and differences—as well as possible evolutionary scenarios. Topics included are: Dimorphism—the phylogenesis and ontogenesis of structural and behavioral dimorphisms. Sex hormones—how hormones affect behavior in nonhuman and human adults. Power and leadership—women's movement literature in light of primate data on power. Aggression—sex differences in aggression at different "primate levels". Psycho-

In many cases, the original source of reference in this section has been the Current Primate References prepared by The Primate Information Center, Regional Primate Research Center SJ-50, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195. Because of this excellent source of references, the present section is devoted primarily to presentation of abstracts of articles of practical or of general interest. In most cases, abstracts are those of the authors.

analysis and sexism--psychoanalytic theories vs. ethological and sociobiological theories. Infant care--mothering and fathering in humans and in other primates. Culture--"protocultures" and "tradition drifts" in primates and humans. Ability and achieve-ment--Nonhuman primate sex differences in learning ability vs. human sex differences in specific abilities. The self--cross-species comparisons of self-awareness and its relation to sex differences.

Neurobiology of Social Communication in Primates: An Evolutionary Perspective. Horst D. Steklis & Michael J. Raleigh (Eds.). New York: Academic Press, 1979. 336 pp. [Price: \$26.50]

Nocturnal Malagasy Primates: Ecology, Physiology, and Behavior. P. Charles-Dominique et al. New York: Academic Press, 1980. 224 pp. [Price: \$27.50]

Bibliographies

Biological aspects of circadian rhythms in nonhuman primates: A bibliography (2nd Edition). Benella Caminiti. Seattle: Primate Information Center, 1981. 278 Citations with Primate Index. [Price: \$6.00. Send orders to: Primate Information Center, Regional Primate Research Center SJ-50, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195]

Behavior of the group, mother, and infant during the perinatal period. Studies related to parturition in nonhuman primate: A bibliography (2nd Edition. Benella Caminiti. Seattle: Primate Information Center, 1981. 162 Citations with Primate Index. [Price: \$6.00. Ordering information same as in previous reference.]

Bibliography of kinship behavior in nonhuman primates (3rd Edition). Jean Balch Williams. Seattle: Primate Information Center, 1981. 380 Citations with Primate and Subject Indexes. [Price: \$7.00. Ordering information same as in previous reference.]

Behavioral observations of feral and free-ranging guenons and vervets (Cercopithecus): A bibliography. Jean Balch Williams. Seattle: Primate Information Center, 1981. 168 Citations with Species Index. [Price: \$6.00. Ordering information same as in previous reference.]

Social behavior of the squirrel monkey (Saimiri sciureus): A bibliography. Jean Balch Williams. Seattle: Primate Information Center, 1981. 201 Citations. [Price: \$6.00. Ordering information same as in previous reference.]

Adult male-infant interaction in nonhuman primates, 1940-1974: A bibliography. Jean Balch Williams. Seattle: Primate Information Center, 1981. 166 Citations with Primate Index. [Price: \$6.00.

Ordering information same as in previous reference.]

Spontaneous neoplasia in nonhuman primates: A bibliography of reviews, surveys and recent cases. Benella Caminiti. Seattle: Primate Information Center, 1981. 146 Citations with Species and Organ Indexes. [Price: \$6.00. Ordering information same as in previous reference.]

Disease

Simian haemorrhagic fever (SHF): New virus isolate from a chronically infected patas monkey. Gravell, M., London, W. T., Rodriguez, M., Palmer, A. E., & Hamilton, R. S. (Inf. Dis. Br., Nat. Inst. of Neurol. & Comm. Disorders & Stroke, NIH, Bethesda, MD 20205) Journal of General Virology, 1980, 51, 99-106.

A new strain of simian haemorrhagic fever (SHF) virus was isolated from chronically infected patas monkey no. 248 (P-248) in USU-104 cells. The P-248 isolate had the same size, morphology and cytoplasmic site of replication as the prototype LVR strain. However, the P-248 isolate caused a persistent infection without noticeable cytopathology in USU-104 cells rather than the strongly lytic infection produced by prototype LVR virus. The capacity of P-248 virus to produce a persistent, non-lytic infection of USU-104 cells was a very stable characteristic of the isolate.

A survey for intestinal helminths in recently wild-caught *Macaca mulatta* and results of treatment with mebendazole and thiabendazole. Karr, S. L., Jr., Henrickson, R. V., & Else, J. G. (Calif. Prim. Res. Ctr., Univ. of Calif., Davis, CA 95616) *Journal of Medical Primatology*, 1980, 9, 200-204.

One hundred Macaca mulatta, trapped in India and transported directly to the California Primate Research Center, were surveyed for the prevalence of gastrointestinal helminths. Trichostrongylus sp. was found in 86% of the animals, followed by Strongyloides fulleborni (63%), Streptopharagus sp. (38%), Oesophagostomum sp. (23%) and Anatrichosoma sp. (21%). Treatment with mebandazole and thiabendazole was efficacious against all the intestinal nematodes, with the exception of mebendazole versus Streptopharagus sp.

Detection of antibodies to Herpesvirus simiae and Herpesvirus hominis in nonhuman primates. Hutt, R., Guajardo, J. E., & Kalter, S. S. (Dept. of Microbiol. & Infect. Dis., Southwest Found. for Res. & Ed., PO Box 28147, San Antonio, TX 78284) Laboratory Animal Science, 1981, 31, 184-189.

Sera from nonhuman primates, predominantly Macaca species, were assayed by a serum neutralization test for antibodies to antigenically related Herpesvirus simiae (B virus) and Herpesvirus hominis type 1. The data indicate that there would have been approximately a 50% error in the diagnosis of Herpesvirus simiae infection if these sera had been tested only against Herpesvirus

hominis antigen. The role of active guinea pig complement in the serum neutralization test was also evaluated and found to be required by many of the sera for reproducible and enhanced virus neutralization, particularly for B virus antibody determination. A plaque reduction assay was found to be highly sensitive, especially when complement (2.5-5.0 hemolytic units) was added, but impractical for large-scale serum surveys.

Facilities and Care

Nutritional implications of ad libitum versus limited feeding in baboons. Phillips, A. B., & Clemens, E. (Dept. of Vet. Physiol., Univ. of Nairobi, PO Box 30197, Nairobi, Kenya) Laboratory Animal Science, 1981, 31, 192-193. Significant differences in food consumption and digestibility were not observed in baboons provided a natural ingredient diet by limit feeding or ad libitum feeding methods. The 85% fecal recovery interval for 2-mm and 10-mm particulate markers was significantly shorter in ad libitum fed baboons; however, there was no significant difference in this recovery interval for 5-mm particulate markers.

Breeding

Blood groups as genetic markers in chimpanzees: Their importance for the national chimpanzee breeding program. Socha, W. W. (New York Univ. Med. Ctr., 550 First Av., NY, NY 10016) American Journal of Primatology, 1981, 1, 3-13.

Severe restrictions on the importation of chimpanzees emphasize the importance and urgency of domestic breeding as a sole means to assure an uninterrupted supply of animals for medical research. An insight into the genetic structure of the self-sustained captive population of animals is indispensable to prevent the effects of inbreeding and to preserve the animals' reproductive capacity. This can be achieved by study of sets of genetic markers in the form of heritable molecular or antigenic variations detectable by relatively simple methods. Among chimpanzee blood components so far identified as possible genetic markers, red cell antigens appear to be the most useful and most readily available. The amount of information concerning blood groups of chimpanzees, their serology and genetics, number of polymorphic types, etc., surpasses data on other heritable traits in this species. A concise review of the present status of knowledge of chimpanzee blood groups and, particularly, of serology and genetics of two complex blood group systems, V-A-B-D and R-C-E-F, is given together with a few examples of their application in cases of disputed parentage. Finally, a list of practical steps is suggested dealing with introduction and use of genetic markers as elements of the national chimpanzee breeding program.

Supplemental feeding of marmoset (Callithrix jacchus) triplets. Ziegler, T. E., Stein, F. J., Sis, R. F., Coleman, M. S., & Green, J. H. (Dept.

of Vet. Anat., Coll. of Vet. Med., Texas A&M Univ., College Station, TX 77843) Laboratory Animal Science, 1981, 31, 194-195.

In a colony of marmosets, all 15 infants from 5 sets of triplet births were successfully reared with their parents. Two supplemental feedings were given each infant daily. As an alternative to hand-rearing or foster rearing, the supplemental feeding method eliminated the time-consuming process of hand caring for an infant on a 24-hour per day basis.

Chimpanzee triplets born in captivity. Rosenthal, M. A. (Lincoln Park Zool. Gardens, 2200 N. Cannon Dr., Chicago, IL 60614) *Primates*, 1981, 22, 137-138.

A female chimpanzee (Pan troglodytes) gave birth to triplets at the Lincoln Park Zoological Gardens, Chicago, Illinois. Of the 3 infants born, only one survived. The other two, both males, were dead when they were discovered. Aside from being underweight, 930 g and 630 g, respectively, the 2 animals had never developed a brain. The female nursed the surviving male infant for 6 days till it was taken for hand-rearing. The infant was in a weakened condition and weighed 890 g. He died on the next day. This is possibly the first birth of triplet chimpanzees in a North American zoological garden.

The reproductive history of a hybrid female ($Macaca\ mulatta \times Macaca\ fuscata$). Wolfe, L. D. (Dept. Anthropology, Univ. of Florida, Gaines-ville, FL 32611) Primates, 1981, 22, 131-134.

In 1968 a female hybrid was born into the free-ranging Arashiyama B troop of Japanese macaques (Macaca fuscata). At the age of 4 years this hybrid had her first offspring and by 1978 had accumulated eight descendants (five daughters, one son and two grandchildren). In this report the reproductive history of the hybrid is discussed and compared to the other non-hybrid members of the troop.

A preliminary report on the first mother-reared lowland gorillas Gorilla g. gorilla at the Jersey Wildlife Preservation Trust, Arnold, P. (Jersey Wildlife Pres. Trust, Trinity, Jersey, Channel Islands) Dodo: Journal of the Jersey Wildlife Preservation Trust, 1979, Number 16, 60-64. This paper outlines the development of the first 2 mother-reared infants, with reference to previous gorilla births at the Trust.

Ecology and Field Studies

Summary of current primate field studies. Chivers, D. J. (Sub-Dept. Vet. Anatomy, Tennis Court Rd., Cambridge, CB2 1QS UK) Primate Eye, 1980, 15 (Suppl.), 1-15.

The distribution and conservation status of colobus monkeys in Tanzania. Rodgers, W. A. (Dept. Zoology, Univ. of Dar es Salaam, PO Box 35064, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania) *Primates*, 1981, 22, 33-45.

Some problems of the subspecific taxonomy of both the black and

white and the red colobus are discussed. New distribution data are given which effectively close the gap between *C. angolensis sharpei* and *C. angolensis palliatus* ranges. The distribution of *C. badius gordonorum* is described. Brief details of the conservation status of 54 populations of colobus are given and a call made for the increased protection of *C. a. adolfi-friederici*, *C. a. palliatus* (s. 1.) and *C. b. gordonorum* populations.

Taxonomy

Sequences of dental ontogeny and callitrichid taxonomy. Byrd, K. E. (Dept. of Biol. Structure & Physiol. & Biophysics, Univ. of Wash., Sch. Med., Seattle, WA 98195) *Primates*, 1981, 22, 103-118.

Sequences of dental development and eruption radiographically determined for 160 immature callitrichids were combined with non-ontogenetic criteria in an investigation of callitrichid affinities. Marmosets (Callithrix and Cebuella) are distinct from tamarins (Leontopithecus and Saguinus) in both sequences of dental ontogeny and nonontogenetic characters. Callimico presents a tamarin-like pattern in its dental ontogeny and overall appearance. A new callitrichid classification which separates marmosets and tamarins into different subfamilies (Callitrichinae, Leontopithecinae and Callimiconinae) is proposed. Dental ontogenetic data suggest that callitrichids are derived platyrrhine taxa.

Instruments and Techniques

Pattern recognition of behavioral events in the nonhuman primate. Kernan, W. J., Jr., Higby, W. J., Hopper, D. L., Cunningham, W., Lloyd, W. E., & Reiter, L. (Energy & Mineral Resources Res. Inst., Iowa St. Univ., Ames, IO 50010) Behavior Research Methods & Instrumentation, 1980, 12, 524-534.

A computerized pattern recognition system has been developed that is capable of identifying 40 separate spontaneously occurring behavioral acts of the primate *Macaca fascicularis*. The system, called PROBE (pattern recognition of behavioral events), is described in detail. In its present stage of development, PROBE classifies behavioral activity with a reliability comparable to trained human observers. The potential applications for and improvements to the PROBE system are discussed.

Urine collection from vervet monkeys by instrumental conditioning. Kelley, T. M., & Bramblett, C. A. (C. A. Bramblett, Dept. of Anthropol., Univ. of Texas, Austin, TX 78712) American Journal of Primatology, 1981, 1, 95-97.

Gang-caged adult male vervet monkeys were trained to urinate on demand into a plastic beaker by positive reinforcement (peanut rewards). The animals were not separated from their social group during training or sampling.

A low-cost lightweight jacket for the protection of chronically indwelling jugular catheters in rhesus monkeys. Turner, J. J., & Herndon, J. G. (Div. of Neurobiol., Yerkes Reg. Prim. Res. Ctr., Emory Univ., Atlanta, GA 30322) Behavior Research Methods & Instrumentation, 1980, 12, 521-523. A jacket for long-term protection of chronically indwelling jugular catheters in rhesus monkeys is described. The jacket is made of lightweight, durable, and inexpensive material and is easily modidied to fit animals of different sizes. It has been used successfully on over 25 animals.

Conservation

Range extension for an endangered marmoset. Mittermeier, R. A., Coimbra-Filho, A. F., Constable, I. D. (Dept. of Anat. Sci., Hlth. Sci. Ctr., Stony Brook, NY 11794) Oryx, 1980, 15, 380-383. (A longer version of this report also appeared in Rev. Brasil. Biol., 1981, 41, 141-147 under the title "Callithrix flaviceps (Thomas, 1903) recorded from Minas Gerais, Brazil (Callitrichidae, Primates)")

During a field expedition in eastern Brazil the authors found a new population of the endangered buffy-headed marmoset Callithrix flaviceps in the state of Minas Gerais where it was not previously known. This was in a privately protected forest that also has an important population of the endangered woolly spider monkey Brachyteles arachnoides and other monkeys.

The railway and a rare colobus monkey. Rodgers, W. A., Homewood, K. M., & Hall, J. B. (University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania) Oryx, 1980, 15, 491-495.

The Tanzania-Zambia railway now bisects the Magombera Forest Reserve in Tanzania, and as a result the most viable surviving population of the rare endemic Iringa red colobus is seriously threatened. The railway has facilitated tree-felling, settlement and cultivation, and the colobus habitat is already seriously damaged. The authors conducted a survey of the forest in 1979, and recommended that the southern part, which has a viable colobus population, be included in the neighboring Selous Game Reserve, thus giving that part the stronger protection of a game reserve, and that the local people be compensated by the release to them of a small area of the Selous.

The Mountain Gorilla Project: Progress Report 3. Harcourt, A. H. Oryx, 1980, 15, 324-325.

The author, Project Coordinator of the Mountain Gorilla Fund, initiated by The Fauna Preservation Society and the People's Trust for Endangered Species, describes the progress of this project. The Mountain Gorilla Project started with four main programs for the conservation of the gorilla in Rwanda's Parc National des Volcans: the Training and Equipping of a Park Guard Force; Conservation Education; Tourism Development; and a Building Program of offices and housing for the park guards. Two of these, the Conservation Education and Tourism Development

Programs, have been very successful. Progress on the others has been slow due to probably almost inevitable bureaucratic delays. Nevertheless, the training and equipping program is now under way, and only the building project remains to be started. [If you would like to support the Mountain Gorilla Project please send your gift c/o FFPS, The Zoo, Regent's Park, London NW1 4RY.]

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