



European Primate Network II Work Package 4:

Courses on General Primate Biology
and
Essential aspects of enhanced Primate Husbandry

organised at the
German Primate Center
and EUPRIM-Net II Partner Institutes

EUPRIM-Net II

This project networks nine European primate centres and is aimed at advancing knowledge and competence in biological and biomedical research, animal keeping and breeding. The project objectives focus on animal welfare, the standardisation of procedures and methods as well as training for those working with primates.

Courses on General Primate Biology

Within EUPRIM-Net II we offer a series of different courses of advanced and specialised training for scientist, veterinarians, students, animal caretakers and other staff involved in primate research (see backside of this flyer).

The rational and ethical use of primates in basic and applied biological and biomedical research must be based on a sound knowledge of general primate biology.

Therefore, knowledge of morphological, physiological, behavioural and ecological characteristics of primates in general and of those primate species which are used in biological and biomedical research in particular is essential for planning and conducting studies and experiments. Furthermore, latest knowledge of species-appropriate husbandry, including adequate housing requirements, nutrition, breeding, and handling is crucial both for good scientific practice and for the sake of animal welfare.

Several courses are held each year, most of which are conducted at the German Primate Center. Each course covers special topics of primate biology and husbandry, which are presented in 2-4 days. You can apply for each course separately.

Topics of courses for Scientists, Veterinarians & Students

These courses are presented in english only!

- A: **General Primate Biology** (taxonomy/ diversity, functional anatomy, ecology & feeding strategies)
- B: **Primate Behaviour** (General & social behaviour, behavioral needs, communication, environmental enrichment)
- C: **Husbandry** (breeding management, reproduction, nutrition, stress, positive reinforcement training, environmental enrichment measures)
- D: **Medical aspects:** (diseases and parasites, pathology, health risks for humans and prevention, anesthesia & analgesia)
- E: **Ethics and Methods** (legal and ethical aspects of primate research, advanced methods and refinements)

Topics of courses for animal caretakers and technicians

These courses are presented at several european partner institutes in the respective mother tongue!

- A: **Public communication of primate research** (problems, strategies and suggestions)
- B: **General primate biology** (Behavioural ecology and sociobiology of laboratory primates)
- C: **Husbandry, handling and its challenges** (housing and grouping of primates, husbandry risks, zoonoses, diseases and parasites)

Within each of these two course series topics will tentatively be combined according to prevailing demands of participants!

To find more information about the EUPRIM-Net II course series, the detailed programs of the latest and upcoming courses, how to register and other useful references, please visit:

www.euprim-net.eu/network/courses.htm

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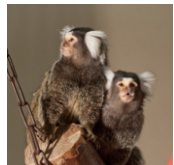
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