# Research Activity Report Supported by "Leading Graduate Program in Primatology and Wildlife Science"

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## 1. Country/location of visit

Koshima, Miyazaki Prefecture, Japan

### 2. Research project

Koshima Field Science Course

# 3. Date (departing from/returning to Japan)

2016.05.04-2016.05.12 (09 days)

#### 4. Main host researcher and affiliation

Dr. Sugiura, Dr. Nakamura, Associate Professors, Wildlife Research Center of Kyoto University.

Mr. Suzumura, Koshima field station, Wildlife Research Center, Kyoto University

#### 5. Progress and results of your research/activity (You can attach extra pages if needed)

Please insert one or more pictures (to be publicly released). Below each picture, please provide a brief description.

I visited Miyazaki prefecture to observe Japanese macaques in Koshima is land Equus caballus in Toi cape.

2016/05/04 : Kyoto → Osaka → Kagoshima

2016/05/05 : Kagoshima → Miyazaki / buying foods

2016/05/06: Go to Koshima Island 2016/05/07: Observation of monkey

2016/05/08: Observation of monkey / Back to the station

2016/05/09: Observation of horse in Toi cape

2016/05/10 : Prepare for presentation / presentation 2016/05/11 : clean up / Miyazaki  $\to$  Kagoshima  $\to$  Osaka

2016/05/12 : Osaka  $\rightarrow$  Kyoto

During this visit, I conducted research on relationship between observer A and Japanese macaques in Koshima island. My research method was not sophisticated because I was not familiar with ecology or ethology at all before I joined the course. Through this experience, however, I have learned how to conduct research on wild animals (for example I learned the way of setting theme of research, observing free-ranging Japanese macaques, collecting data, analyzing data and making presentation), which will be of great help for my research in the future. Now I have clear vision of what I should learn and what I need to conduct my research. Even if I do research on people living around protected areas in the future, I think that what I learned from this experience will provide me something important for my study.



Photo1. Grooming



Photo2. In the forest

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Photo3. sucking



Photo4. Japanese macaque



Photo5. Sucking



Photo6. Taking a rest

# 6. Others

I really appreciate Mr.Nakamura, Mr.Sugiura and Mr.Suzumra. I also appreciate PWS leading program.

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