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PhD position in behavioural endocrinology

We are seeking a PhD-student for a project on the **effect of male migration on the behaviour and physiological stress response** of group members in crested macaques (*Macaca nigra*). The study will be conducted as part of the Macaca Nigra Project (www.macaca-nigra.org) in the **Tangkoko Nature Reserve, Indonesia** and will be carried out in close collaboration with our Indonesian counterparts. Candidates will enrol in the graduate programme of the University of Göttingen. Field work will comprise collection of behavioural data, plus faecal and saliva samples for hormone analysis. Laboratory hormone and data analysis will be carried out in Göttingen.

Applicants should have a Master's degree in Biology, Ecology, Animal Behavior, Physical Anthropology, Primatology, or a related field and be familiar with topics of Behavioural Ecology and Sociobiology focussing on primates. Previous field work experience in the tropics will be required. Ability to work in a team is essential.

In general, applicants should:

- be physically fit and have good organizational and social skills,
- be able to work independently within our team,
- feel comfortable living under basic conditions,
- be willing to adapt to a foreign culture,
- be emotionally mature, friendly, energetic and very patient,
- be able to maintain a positive attitude towards hard and tiring work.

The language in our team will be English, but willingness to learn Bahasa Indonesia will be required.

Funding for a PhD position including travel research expenses is available for 3 years, from April 1st 2011. The student will spend at least 12 months in the field. Applicants should send their CV, a letter with details of research interests and experience and contact information for 2 referees. Written applications to be submitted by 18th February 2011 by indicating "Macaca nigra" to Deutsches Primatenzentrum GmbH, Leibniz Institut für Primatenforschung, Personalstelle, Kellnerweg 4, D-37077 Göttingen, Germany or to bewerbung@dpz.eu.

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