



Challenges in zoo animal nutrition



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Historical approach

Variations in Eastern Bongo (*Tragelaphus eurycerus isaaci*) Feeding Practices in UK Zoological Collections

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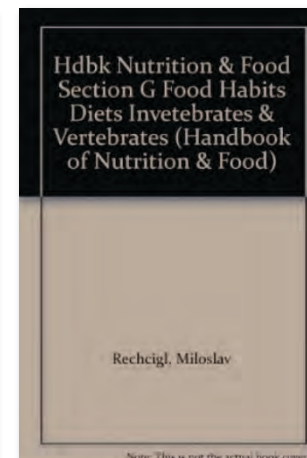
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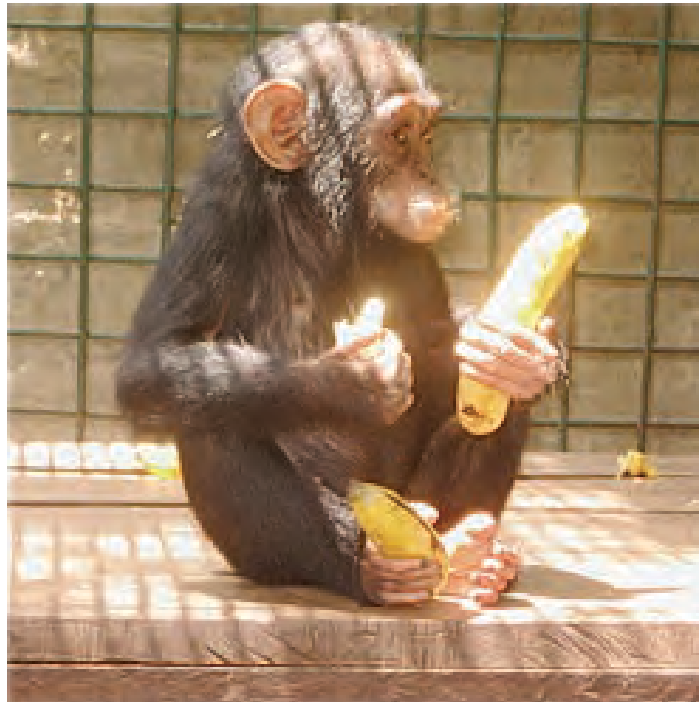
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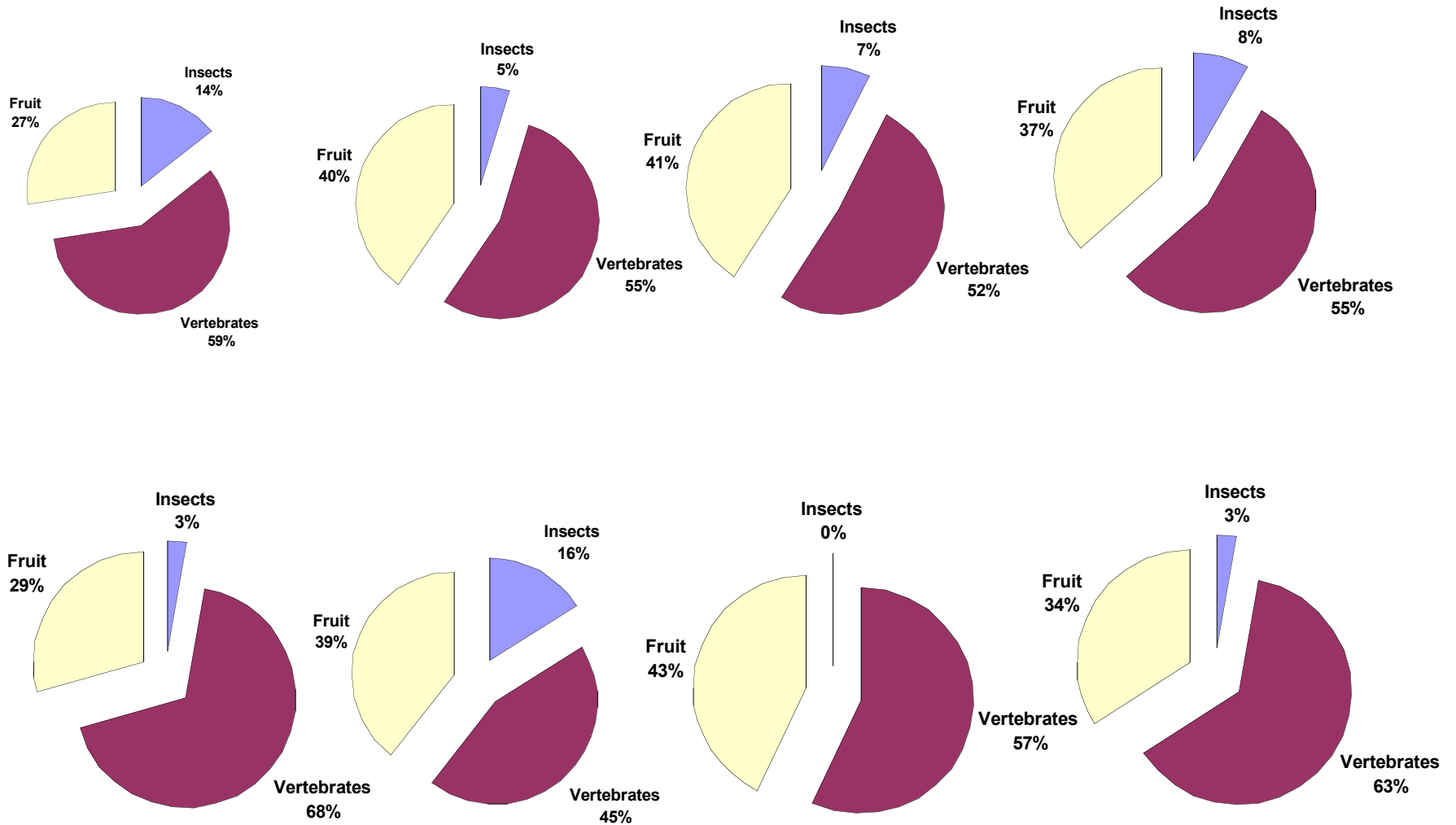


Example: Maned wolf (*Chrysocyon brachyurus*)





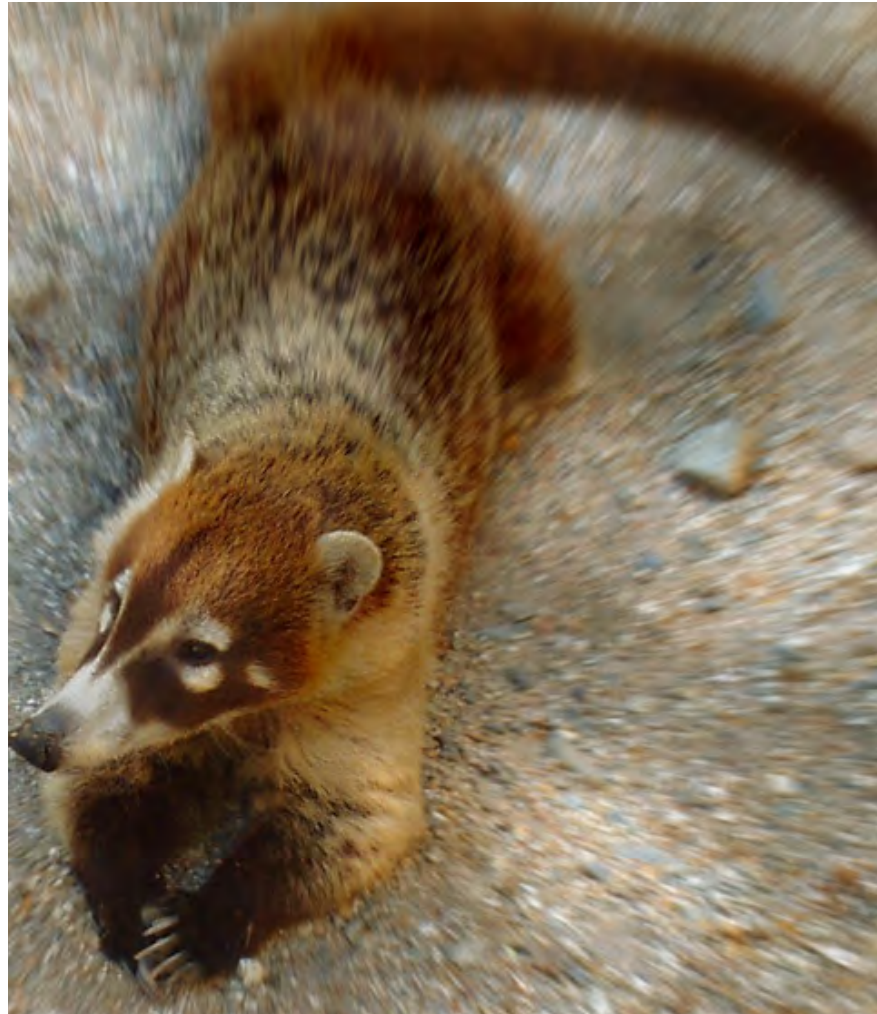
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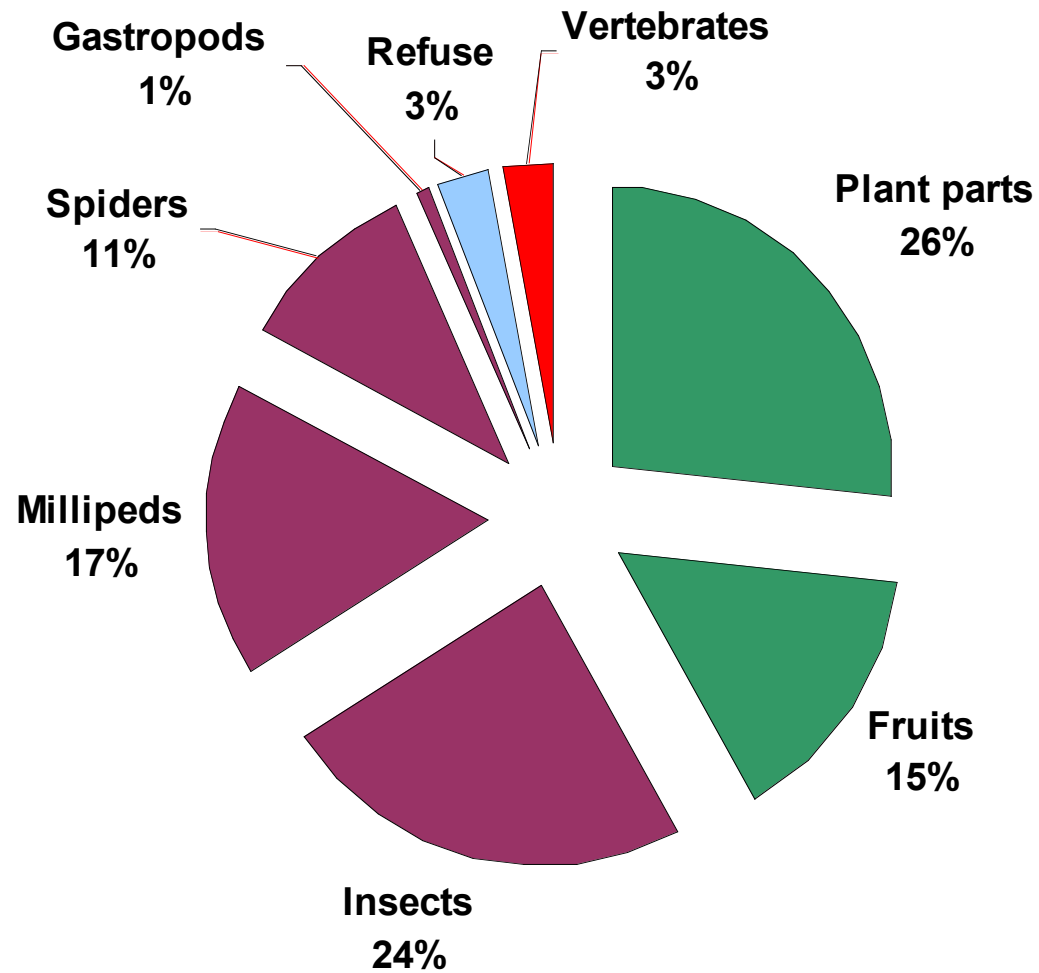


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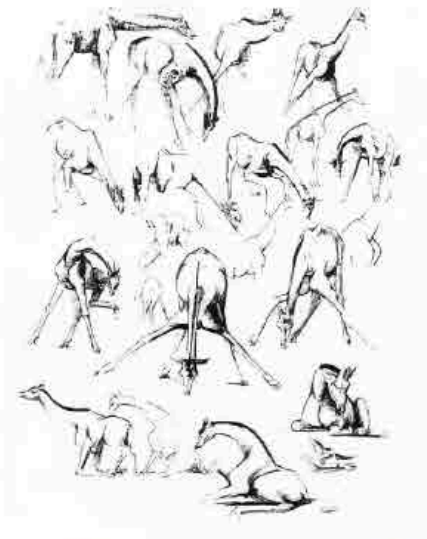
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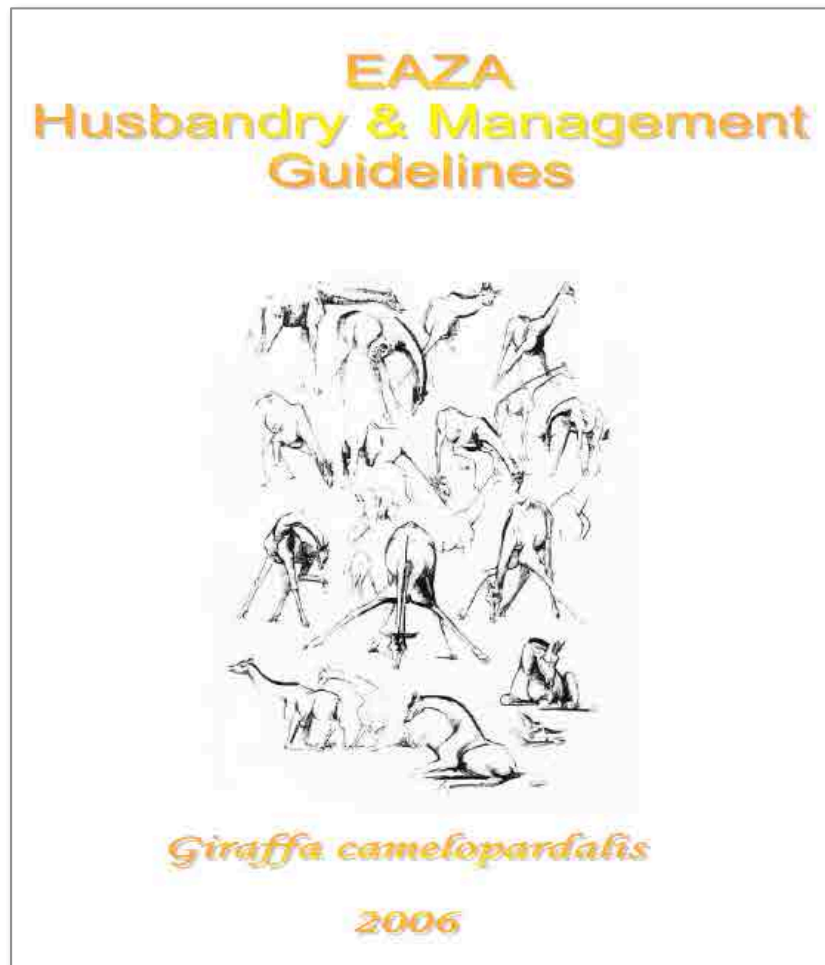


Giraffa camelopardalis


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Giraffa camelopardalis



2.2 Feeding

A. Knowledge of giraffe nutrition in the wild



It is important to know what giraffes are feeding on in the wild, when determining the proper diet in captivity

2.2.1 Selection of feeding plants

Hofmann (1973) classifies the giraffe as a browser. Tree or shrub browse are the dominant food plants (for a compilation of literature references see section 4, part D), leaves and shoots making up the most important items of the diet (Table 2-1). Selectivity of feeding behaviour is characterised by Van Soest (1994) to be of an intermediate degree. Due to its large body size, a giraffe just cannot afford to feed as selectively as smaller ruminant species.

Table 2-1: Description of feeding behaviour

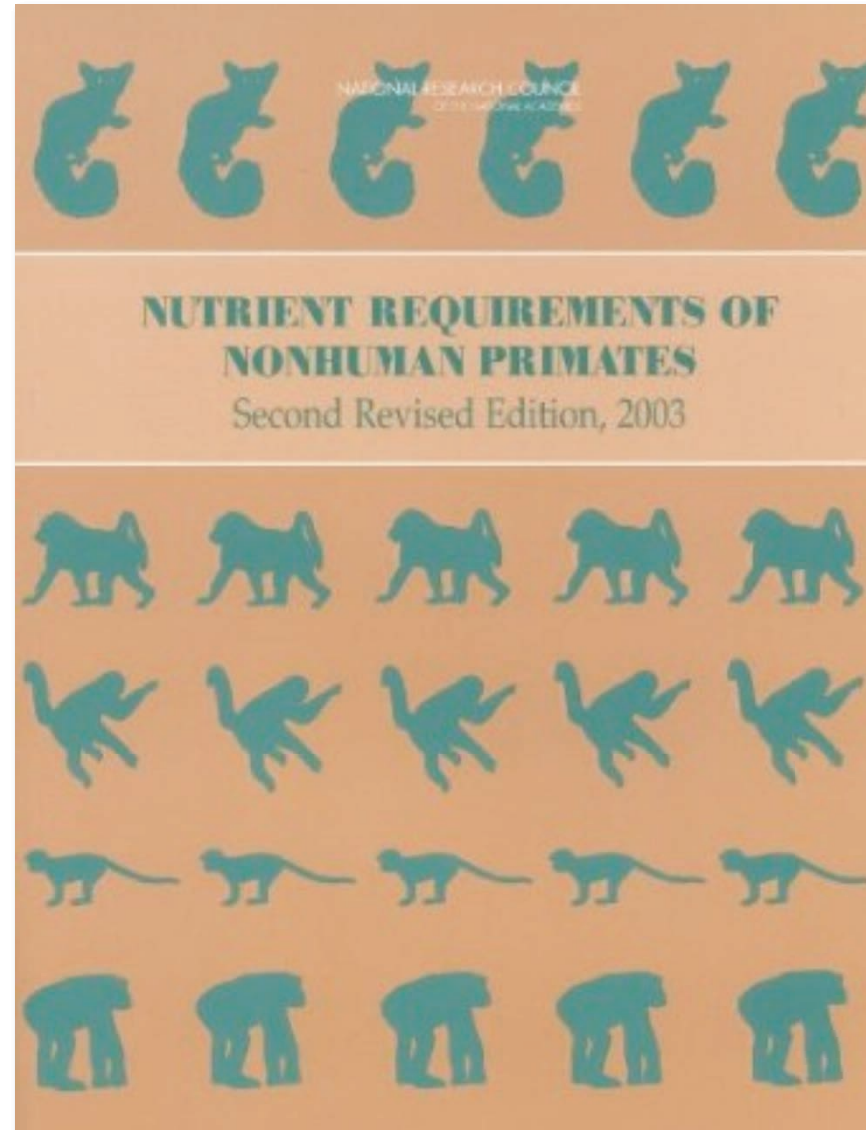
| Plant parts ingested | Importance to the diet | Reference |
|---|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Leaves, small twigs | ++ | Leuthold and Leuthold (1972, 1978) |
| Some bark, flowers and fruits | + | |
| Leaves and shoots of trees and shrubs | ++ | Owen-Smith (1988) |
| Herbaceous material (climbers, vines, tall forbs) | Up to 7 % | |
| Shoot tips | 78 % | Pellew (1984a+b) |
| Leaf whorls | 14 % | |
| Flowers | 5 % | |
| Pods | 3 % | |
| Others | 1 % | |

If new growing shoots are available (including young leaves, twigs and thorns), they represent the favoured food resource according to Sauer et al. (1982). Older leaves are ingested when shoots are not available. Owen-Smith (1988) reports considerable amounts of woody material to be included in the diet (5 % in the rainy and 15 % in the dry season).

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| | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J | K | L | M | N | O | P |
|---|---------|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 1 | MSW3_ID | Scientific | MSWFamilyLatin | BodyMass-Value | Diet-Inv | Diet-Vend | Diet-Vect | Diet-Vfish | Diet-Vunk | Diet-Scav | Diet-Fruit | Diet-Nect | Diet-Seed | Diet-PlantO | Diet-Source | Diet-Certainty |
| 2 | 1 | Tachyglossus aculeatus | Tachyglossidae | 3025 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 Ref_1 | ABC |
| 3 | 2 | Zaglossus attenboroughi | Tachyglossidae | 8532.39 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 Ref_65 | ABC |
| 4 | 3 | Zaglossus bartoni | Tachyglossidae | 7180 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 Ref_2 | D1 |
| 5 | 4 | Zaglossus bruijni | Tachyglossidae | 10139.5 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 Ref_1 | ABC |
| 6 | 5 | Ornithorhynchus anatinus | Ornithorhynchidae | 1484.25 | 80 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 Ref_1 | ABC |
| 7 | 6 | Caluromys philander | Didelphidae | 229.25 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 10 | 40 | 0 Ref_1 | ABC |
| 8 | 7 | Caluromys derbianus | Didelphidae | 297 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 10 | 40 | 0 Ref_1 | ABC |



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| 441 | 443 | Cyclopes didactylus | Cyclopedidae | 329.5 | 100 | 0 | 0 | |
| 442 | 444 | Myrmecophaga tridactyla | Myrmecophagidae | 22333.15 | 100 | 0 | 0 | |
| 443 | 445 | Tamandua mexicana | Myrmecophagidae | 4209.98 | 100 | 0 | 0 | |
| 444 | 446 | Tamandua tetradactyla | Myrmecophagidae | 5515.06 | 100 | 0 | 0 | |

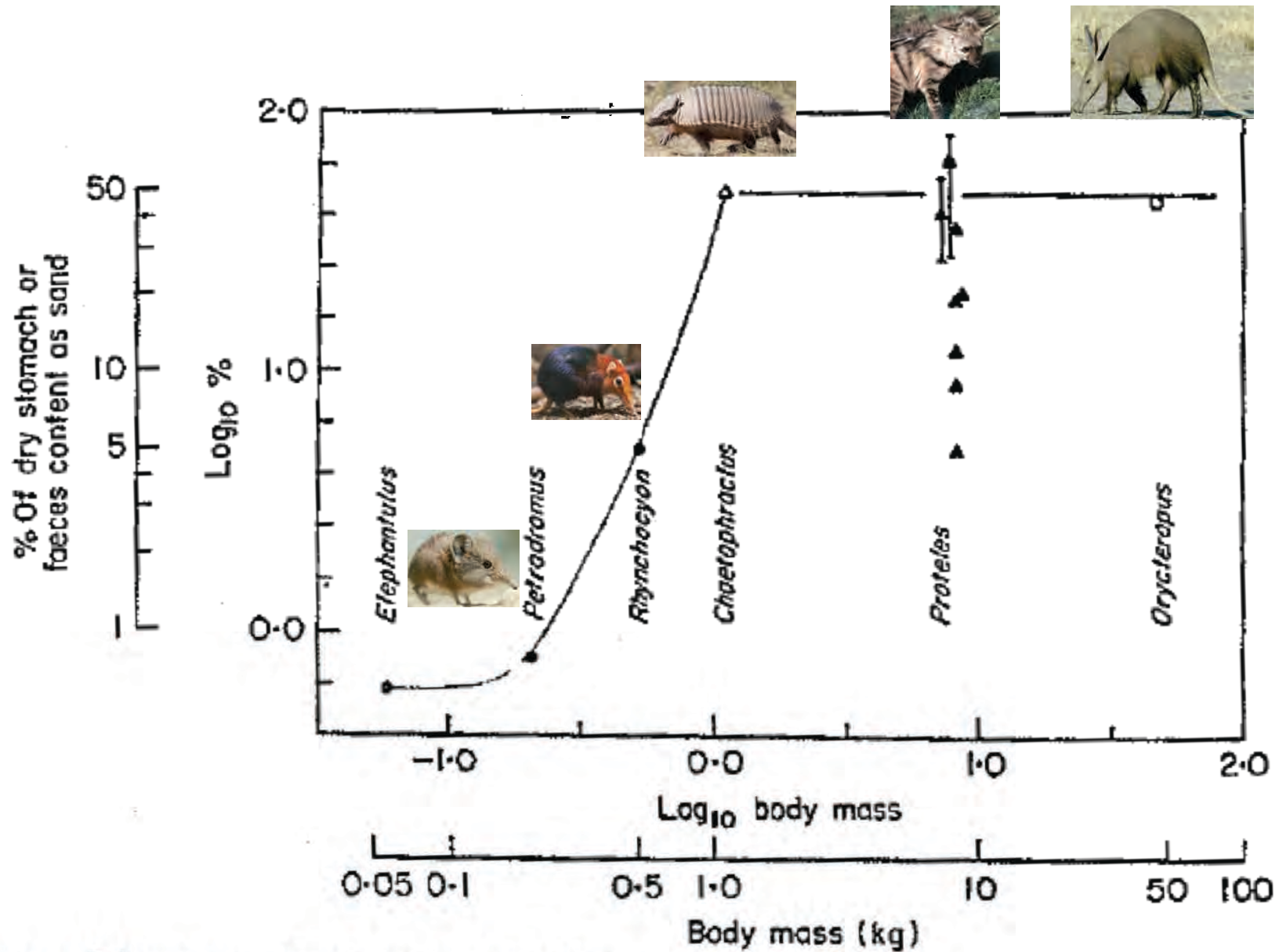


No easy-to-harvest packages of tiny invertebrates





Unavoidable detritus ingestion in myrmacophages





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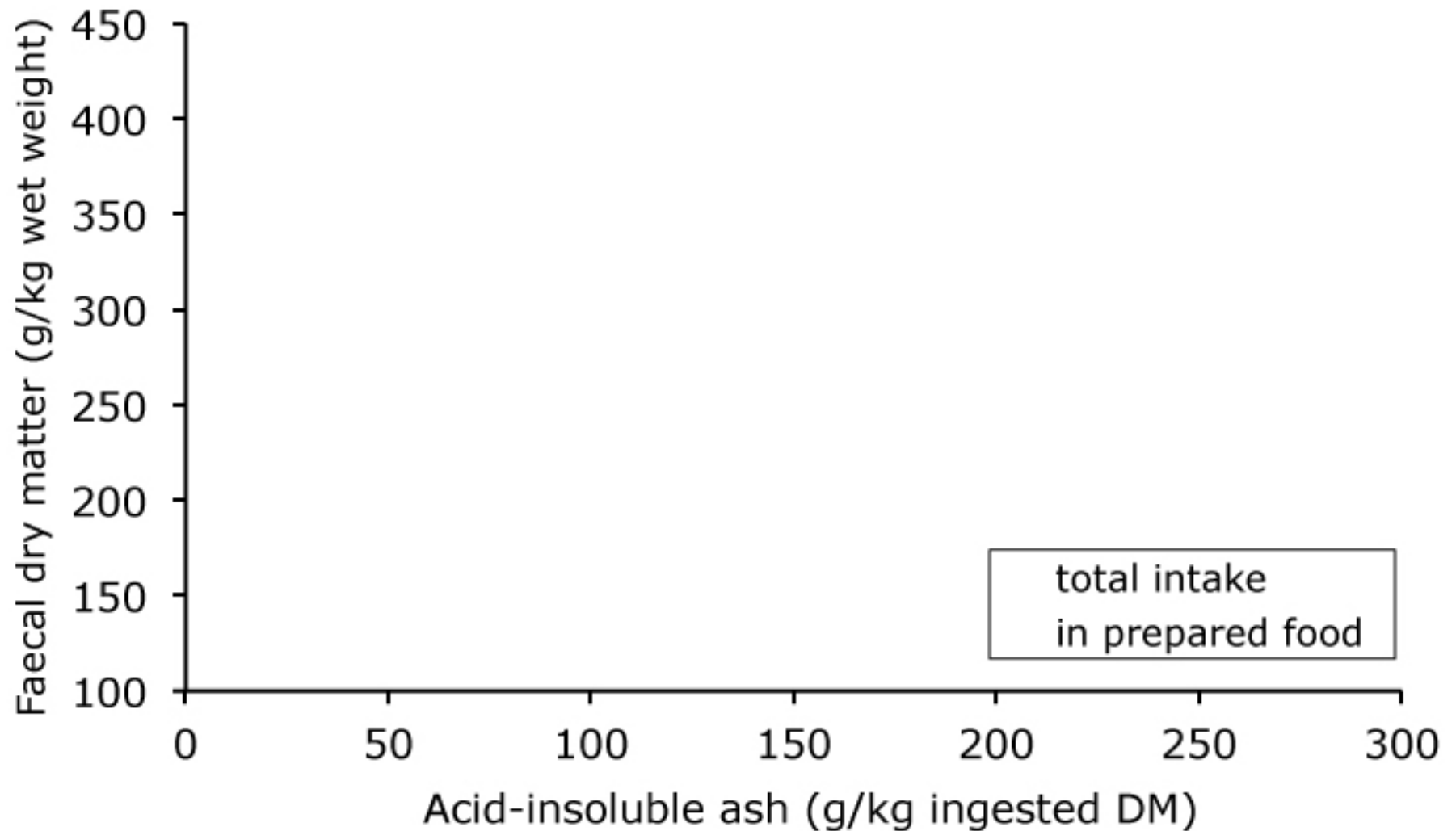
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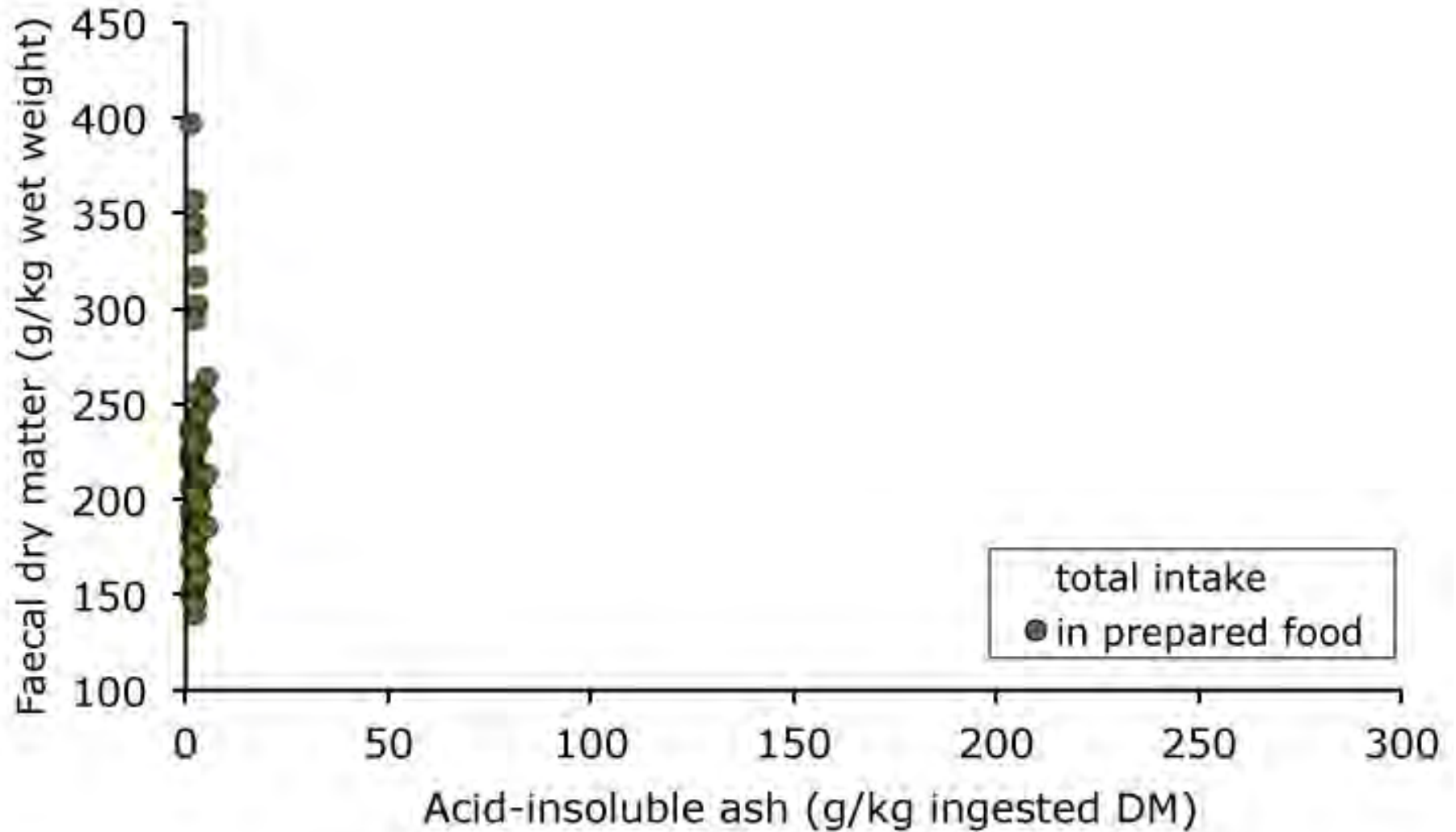


Example: Giant anteater *(Myrmecophaga tridactyla)*





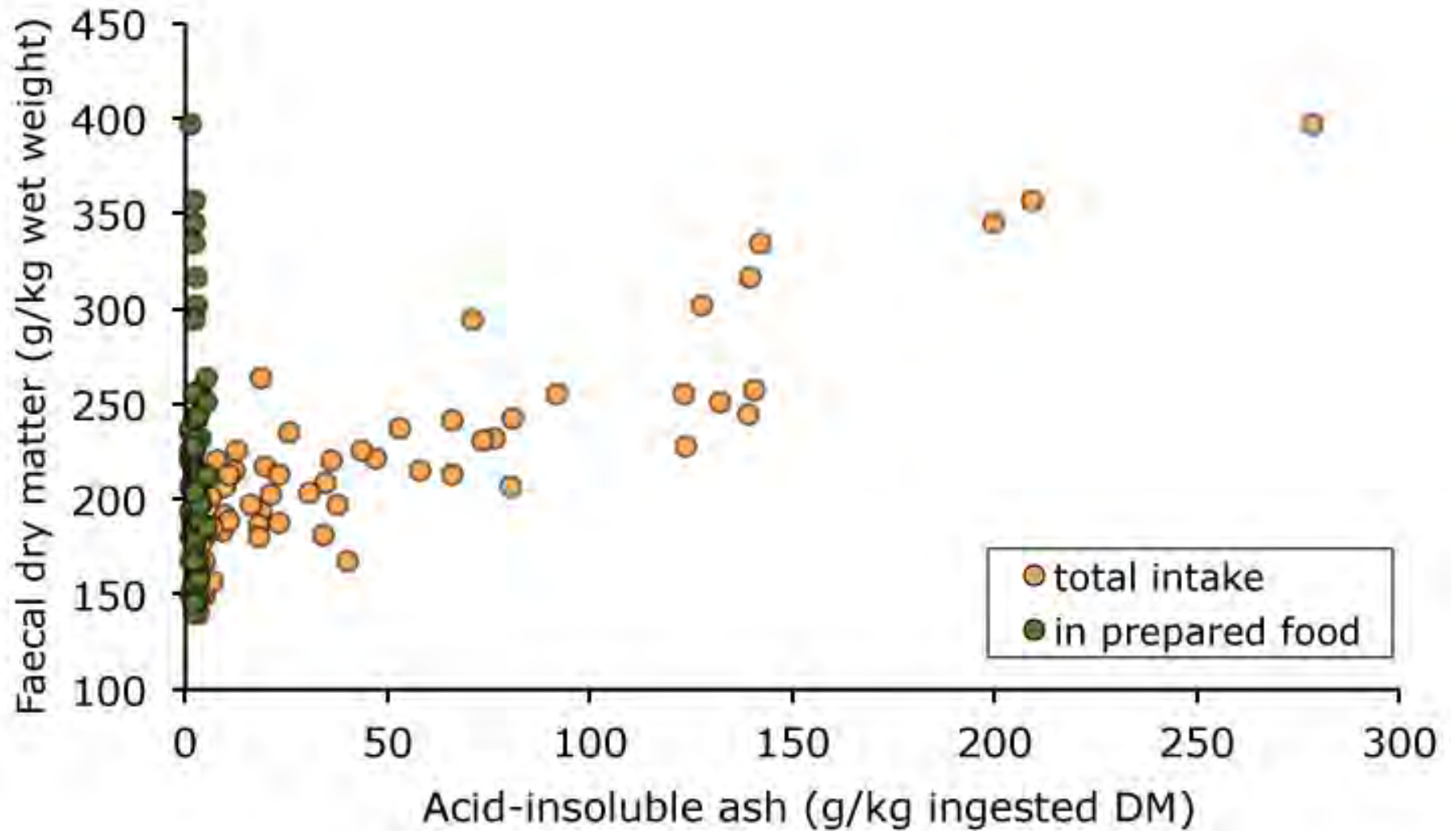
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Gull et al. (2015)



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Formic acid in anteater formulas?



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*atypical physical
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*some nutrients
difficult to limit
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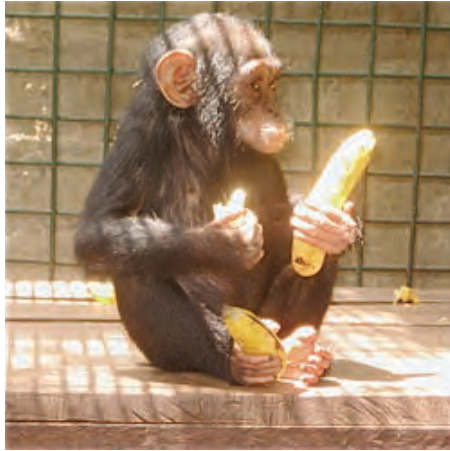
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selective feeding possible

***available feeds differ from
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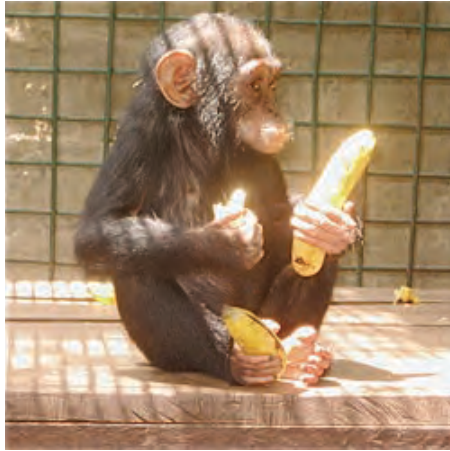


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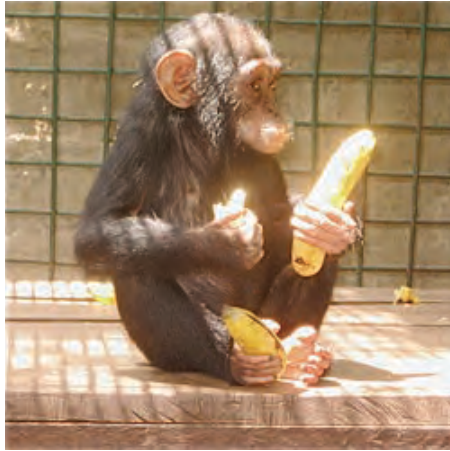


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Sugars and other nutrients in produce (of fruits and vegetables)
All values expressed as g/kg wet weight, unless otherwise stated.

| Fruits | | | | | | | | | | | | Vegetables | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------|------|------|---------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-----------|-------------|---|-----------|------------|------|------|---------------|-----|------|------|------|-------|-----------|-------------|--------|
| Banana <i>Musa acuminata</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | Carrot <i>Daucus carota</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 104 gram sugar | | | | | | | | | | | | 45 gram sugar | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Energy MJ | Dry Matter | NDF | ADF | Crude Protein | Fat | Ca | P | Mg | Fe | Vit. A RE | Vit. E o-TE | Vit. C | Energy MJ | Dry Matter | NDF | ADF | Crude Protein | Fat | Ca | P | Mg | Fe | Vit. A RE | Vit. E o-TE | Vit. C |
| 34 | 234 | 28.8 | 8.6 | 13.3 | 12.4 | 0.04 | 0.27 | 0.28 | 0.002 | 44.2 | 5.5 | 0.14 | 1.6 | 116 | 11.2 | 10.2 | 6.8 | 4 | 0.36 | 0.20 | 0.12 | 0.004 | 9170 | 5.5 | 0.02 |
| Apple <i>Malus domestica</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | Sweet potato <i>Ipomoea batatas</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 86 gram sugar | | | | | | | | | | | | 32 gram sugar | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2.2 | 143 | 14.8 | 8.6 | 4.3 | 8.3 | 0.04 | 0.17 | 0.04 | 0.001 | 20.8 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 3.0 | 197 | 39.4 | 9.7 | 9.2 | 11 | 0.45 | 0.47 | 0.10 | 0.009 | 3700 | - | 0.26 |
| Orange <i>Citrus x sinensis</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | Celery <i>Apium graveolens</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 56 gram sugar | | | | | | | | | | | | 14 gram sugar | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Energy MJ | Dry Matter | NDF | ADF | Crude Protein | Fat | Ca | P | Mg | Fe | Vit. A RE | Vit. E o-TE | Vit. C | Energy MJ | Dry Matter | NDF | ADF | Crude Protein | Fat | Ca | P | Mg | Fe | Vit. A RE | Vit. E o-TE | Vit. C |
| 2.2 | 130 | 14.3 | 9.2 | 7.8 | 4.9 | 0.35 | 0.22 | 0.1 | 0.001 | 40 | 5.5 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 71 | 11.1 | 8.9 | 12.2 | 2.1 | 0.57 | 0.3 | 0.08 | 0.004 | 142 | 2 | 0.2 |
| Kiwi <i>Actinidia deliciosa</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | Spinach <i>Spinacia oleracea</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 52 gram sugar | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 gram sugar | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Energy MJ | Dry Matter | NDF | ADF | Crude Protein | Fat | Ca | P | Mg | Fe | Vit. A RE | Vit. E o-TE | Vit. C | Energy MJ | Dry Matter | NDF | ADF | Crude Protein | Fat | Ca | P | Mg | Fe | Vit. A RE | Vit. E o-TE | Vit. C |
| 2.5 | 150 | 25.3 | 19.7 | 12.9 | 8.3 | 0.32 | 0.33 | 0.13 | 0.003 | 31.4 | 6.9 | 0.65 | 1.1 | 83 | 16.7 | 9.7 | 32.1 | 6.6 | 1.29 | 0.41 | 0.26 | 0.06 | 3490 | 29 | 0.52 |
| Papaya <i>Carica papaya</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | Endive <i>Cichorium endivia</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 27 gram sugar | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 gram sugar | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Energy MJ | Dry Matter | NDF | ADF | Crude Protein | Fat | Ca | P | Mg | Fe | Vit. A RE | Vit. E o-TE | Vit. C | Energy MJ | Dry Matter | NDF | ADF | Crude Protein | Fat | Ca | P | Mg | Fe | Vit. A RE | Vit. E o-TE | Vit. C |
| 2.1 | 130 | 18.5 | 16.5 | 18.4 | 4.7 | 0.25 | 0.1 | 0.22 | 0.007 | 197 | - | 0.55 | 0.6 | 62 | 11 | 8.9 | 13 | 2 | 0.52 | 0.28 | 0.18 | 0.008 | 1030 | - | 0.07 |

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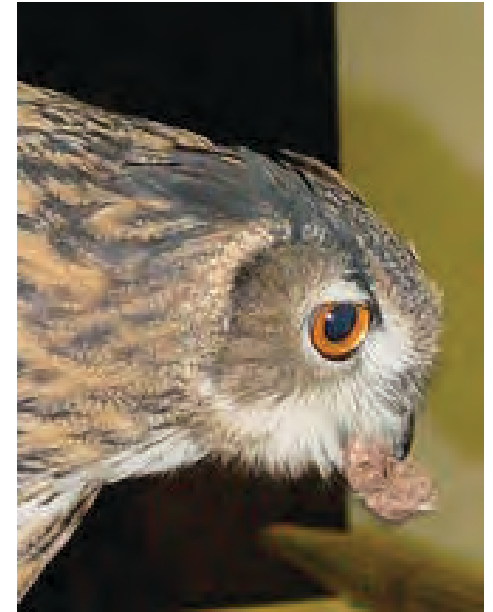
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**historical recommendations for ration design*



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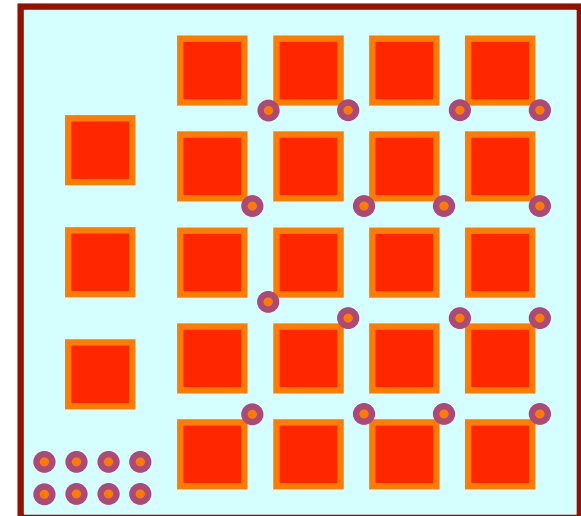


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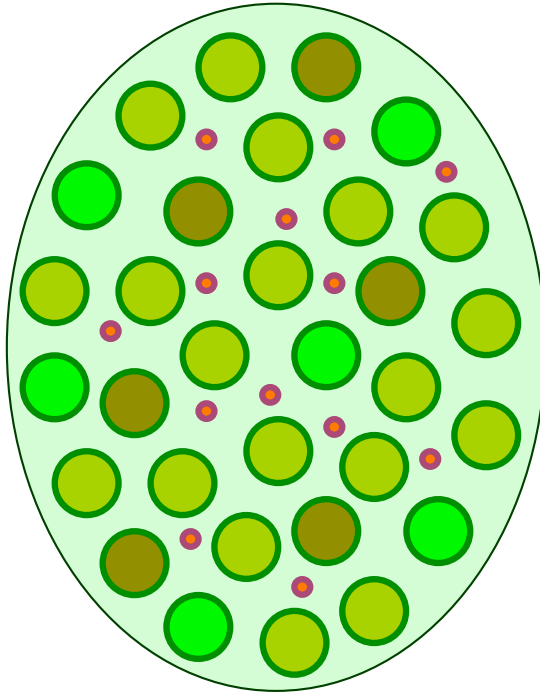


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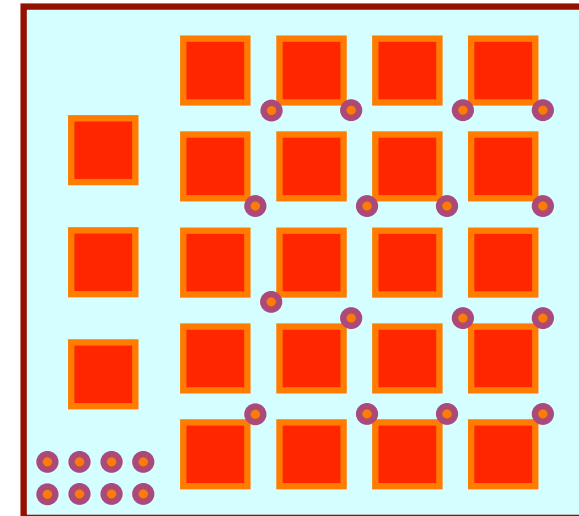
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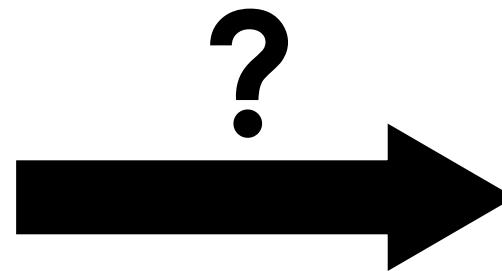
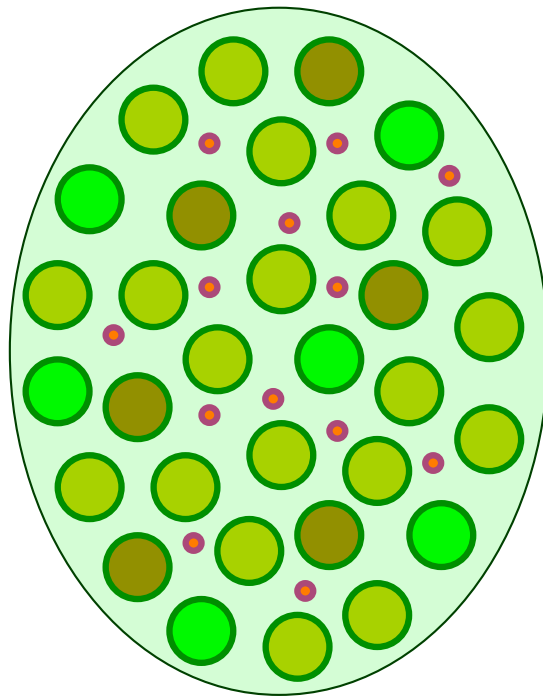


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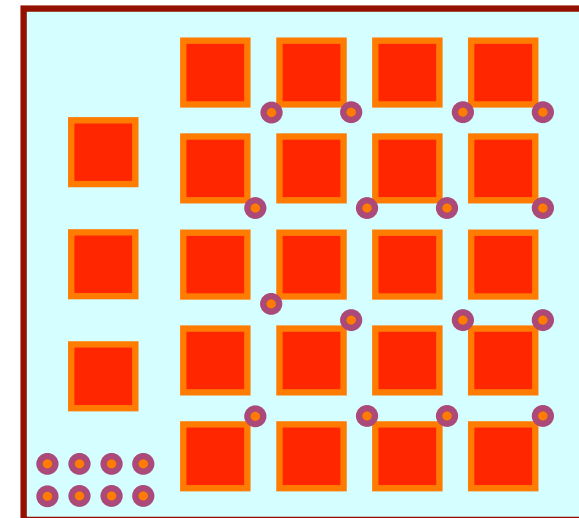
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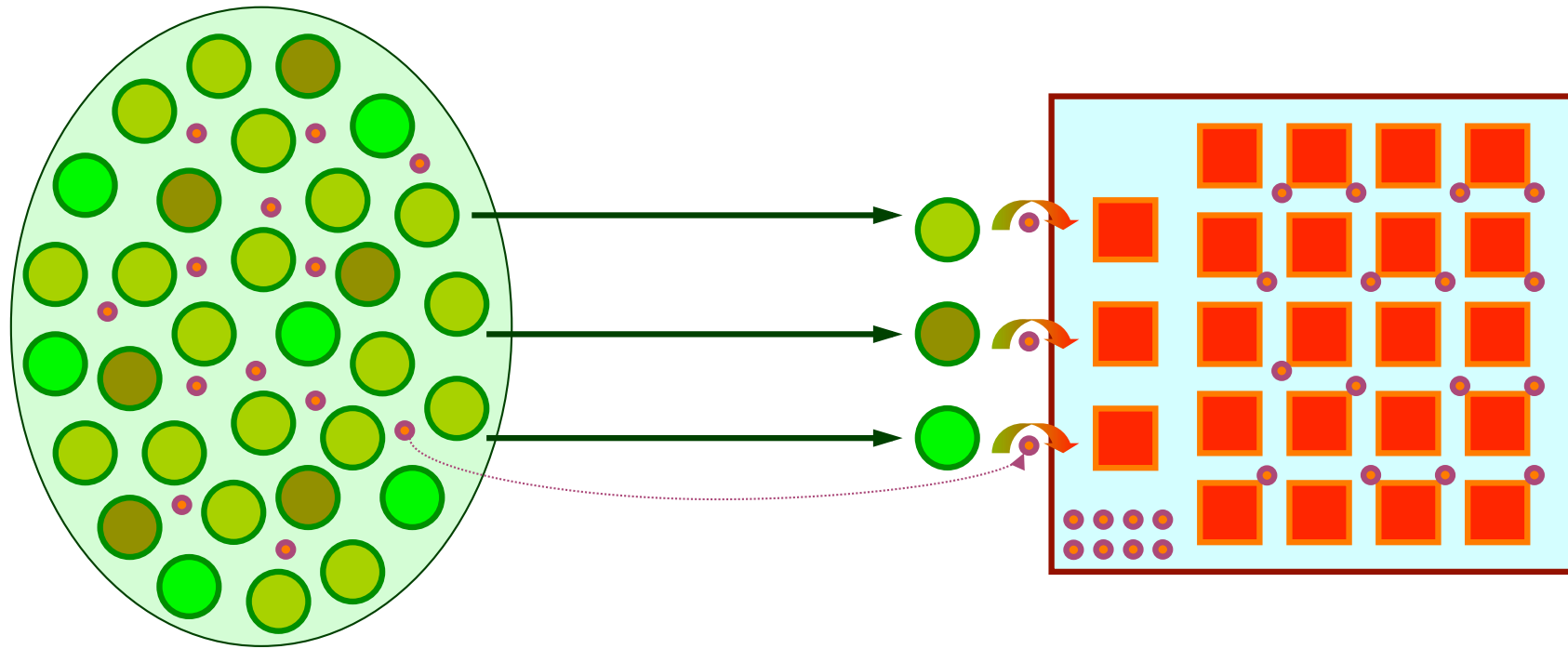
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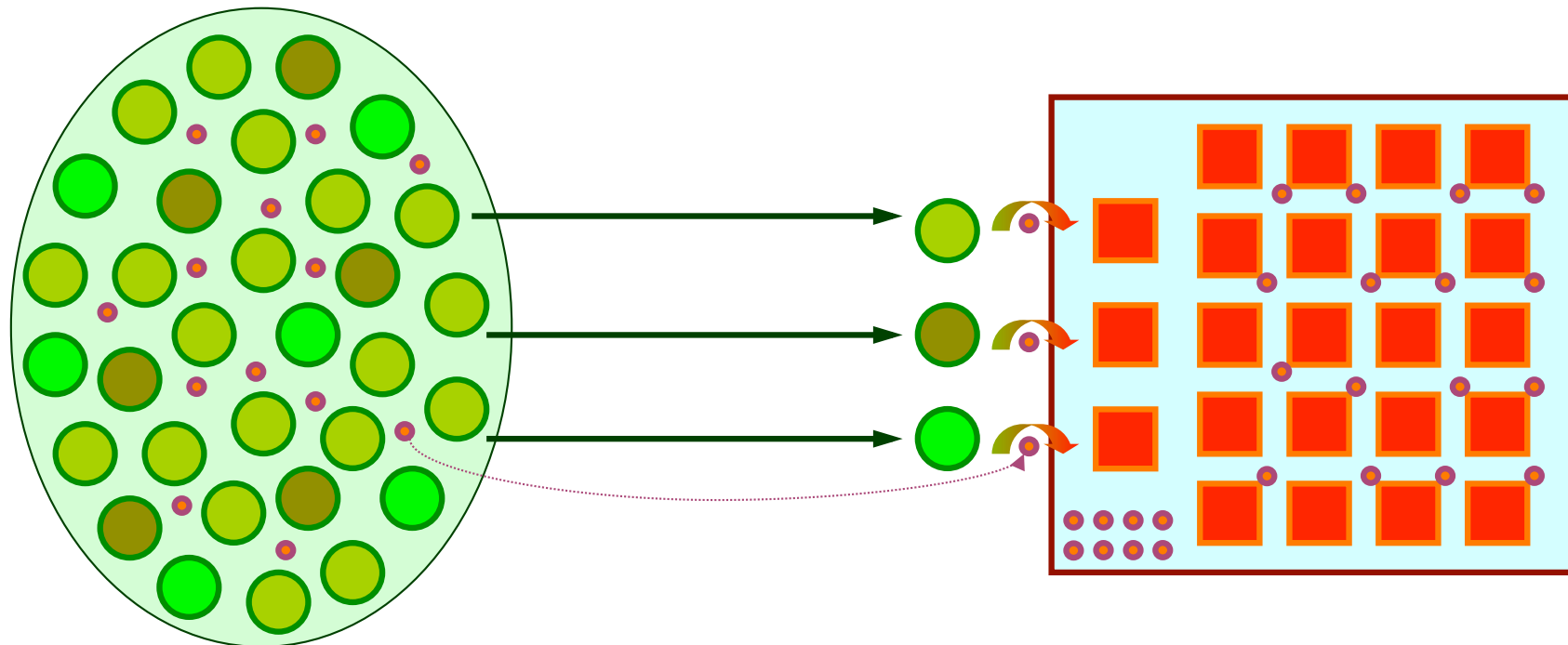
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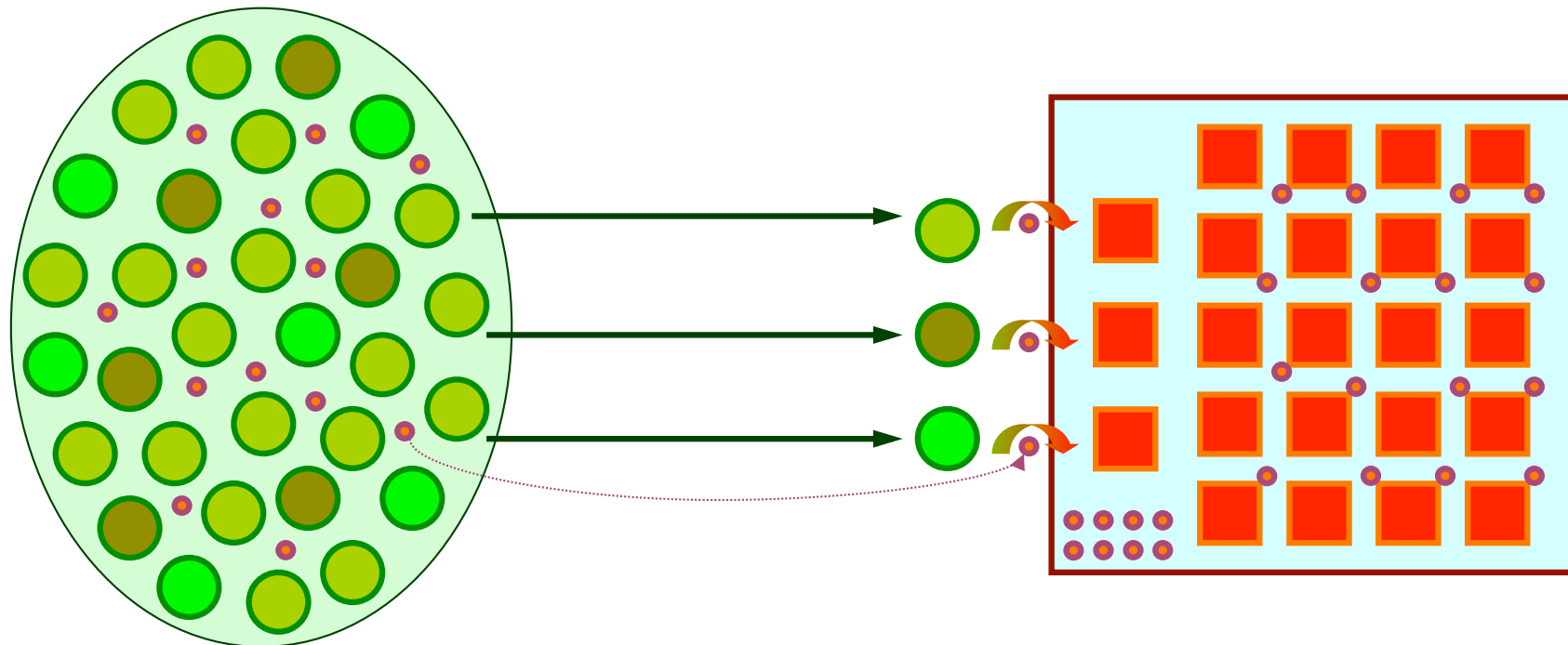
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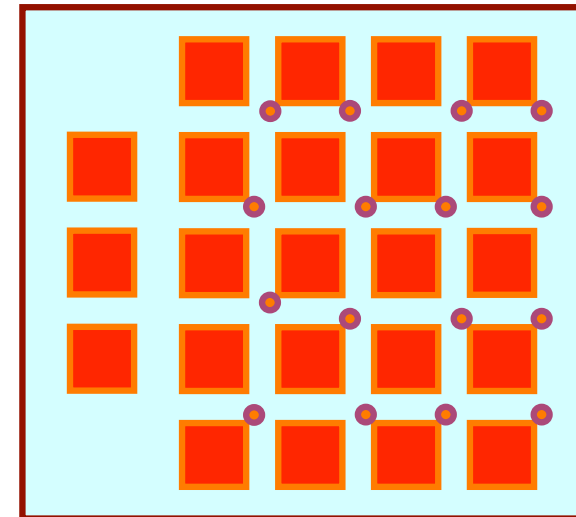


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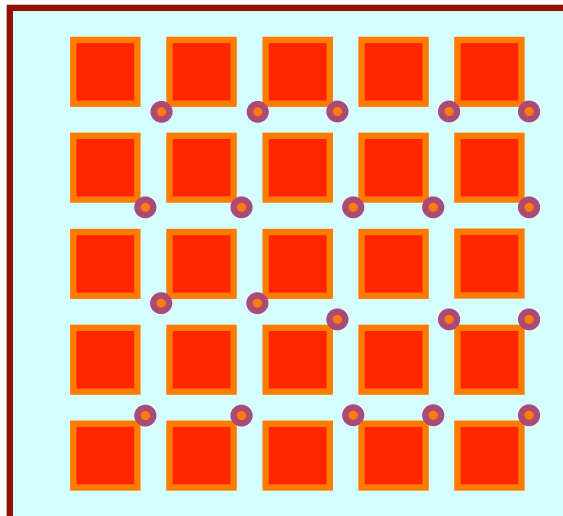


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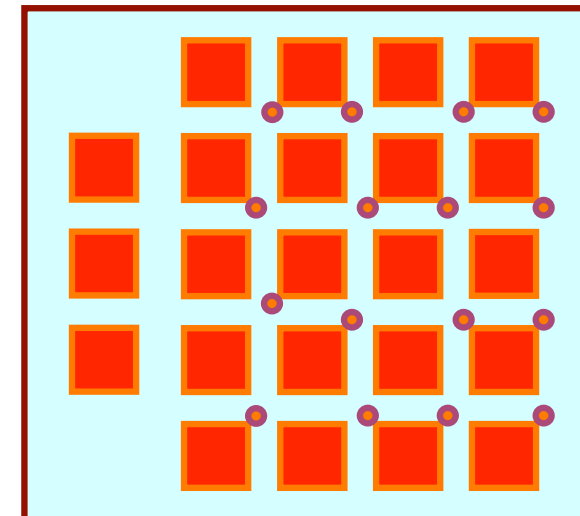
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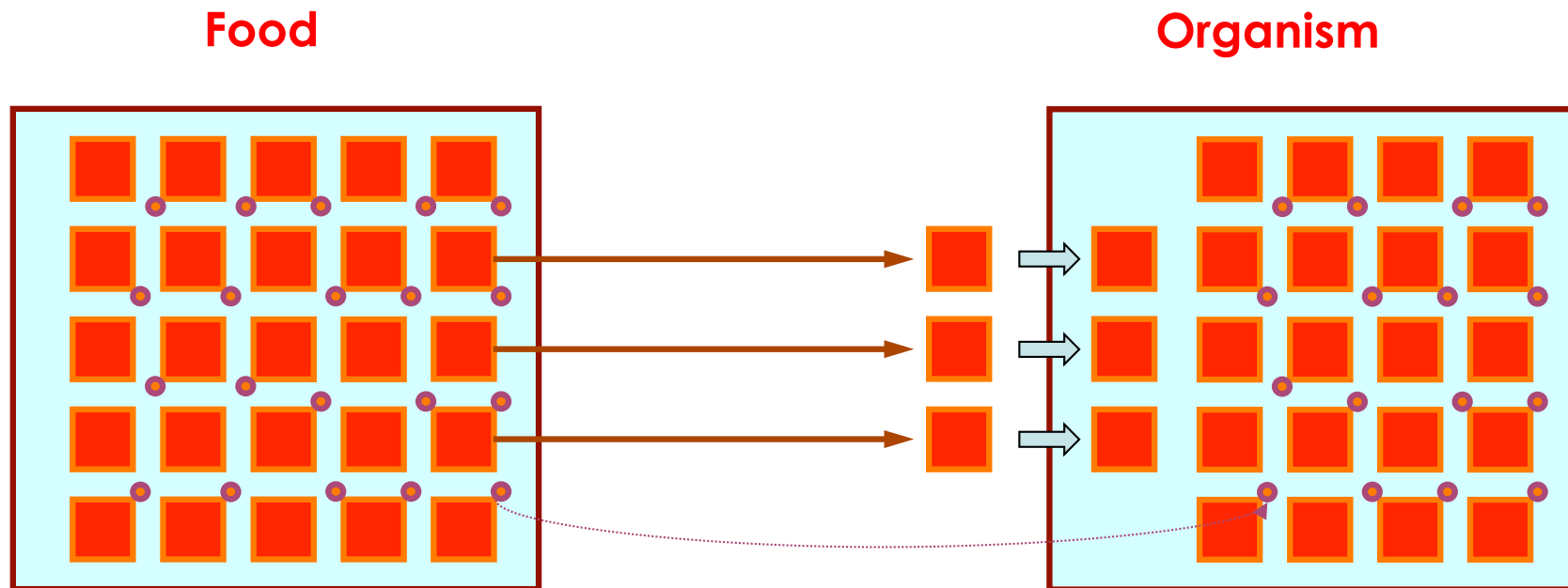
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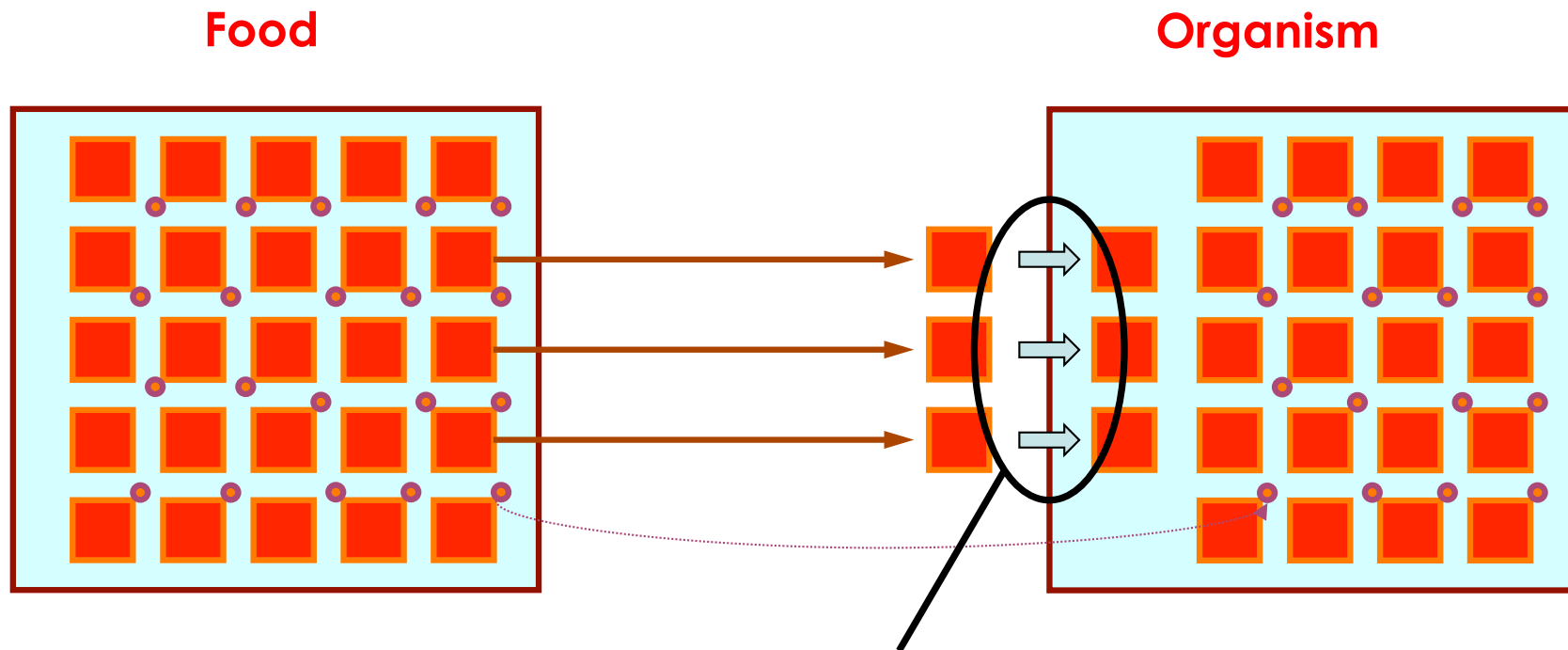
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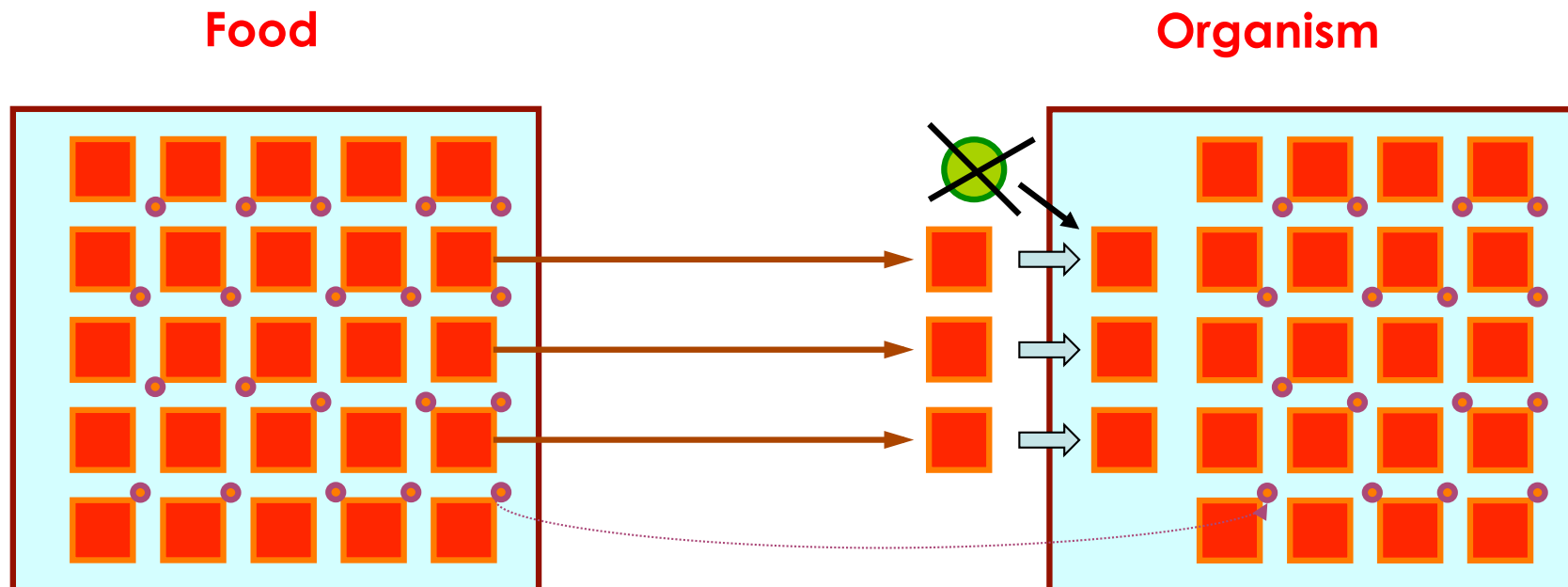


Many enzymes can be spared!



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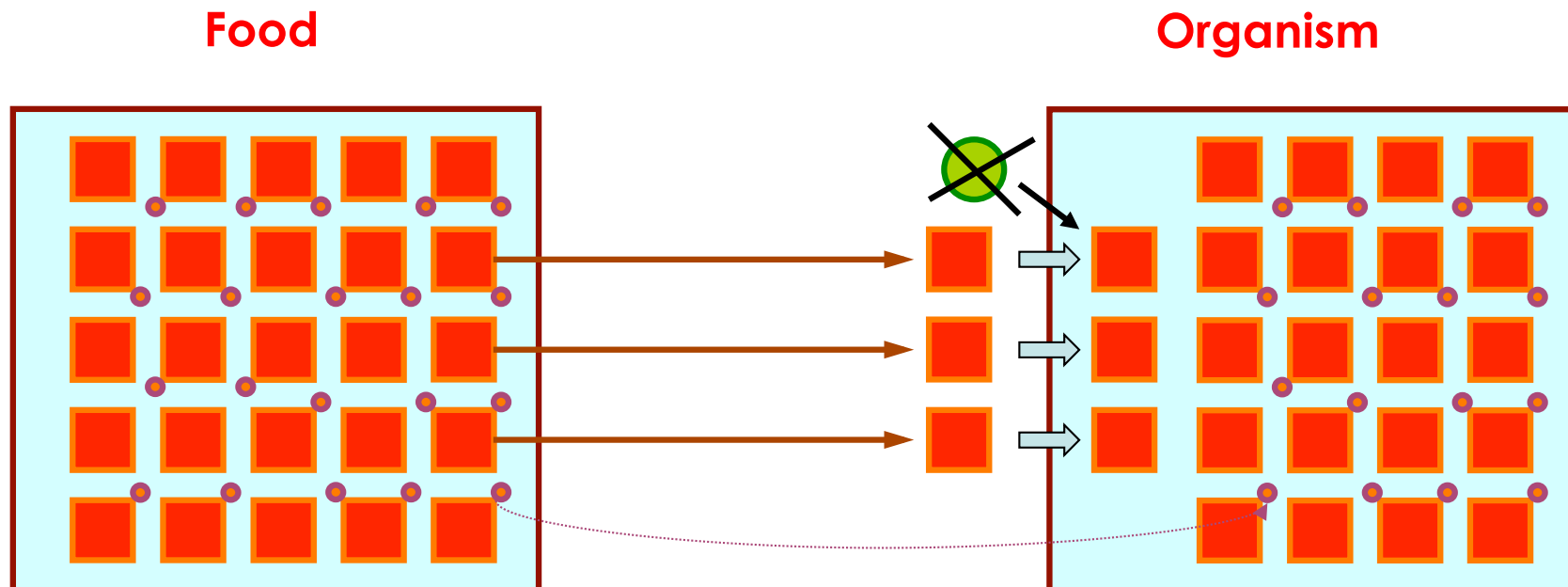
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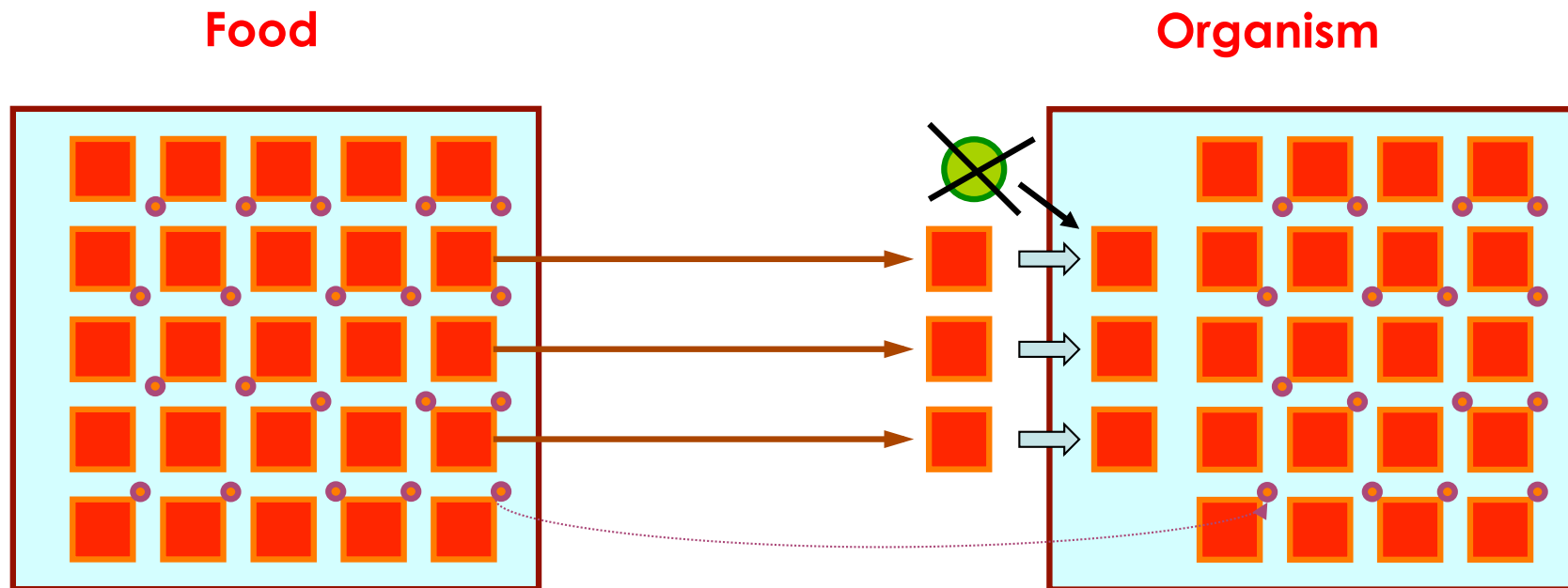


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not essential for dogs



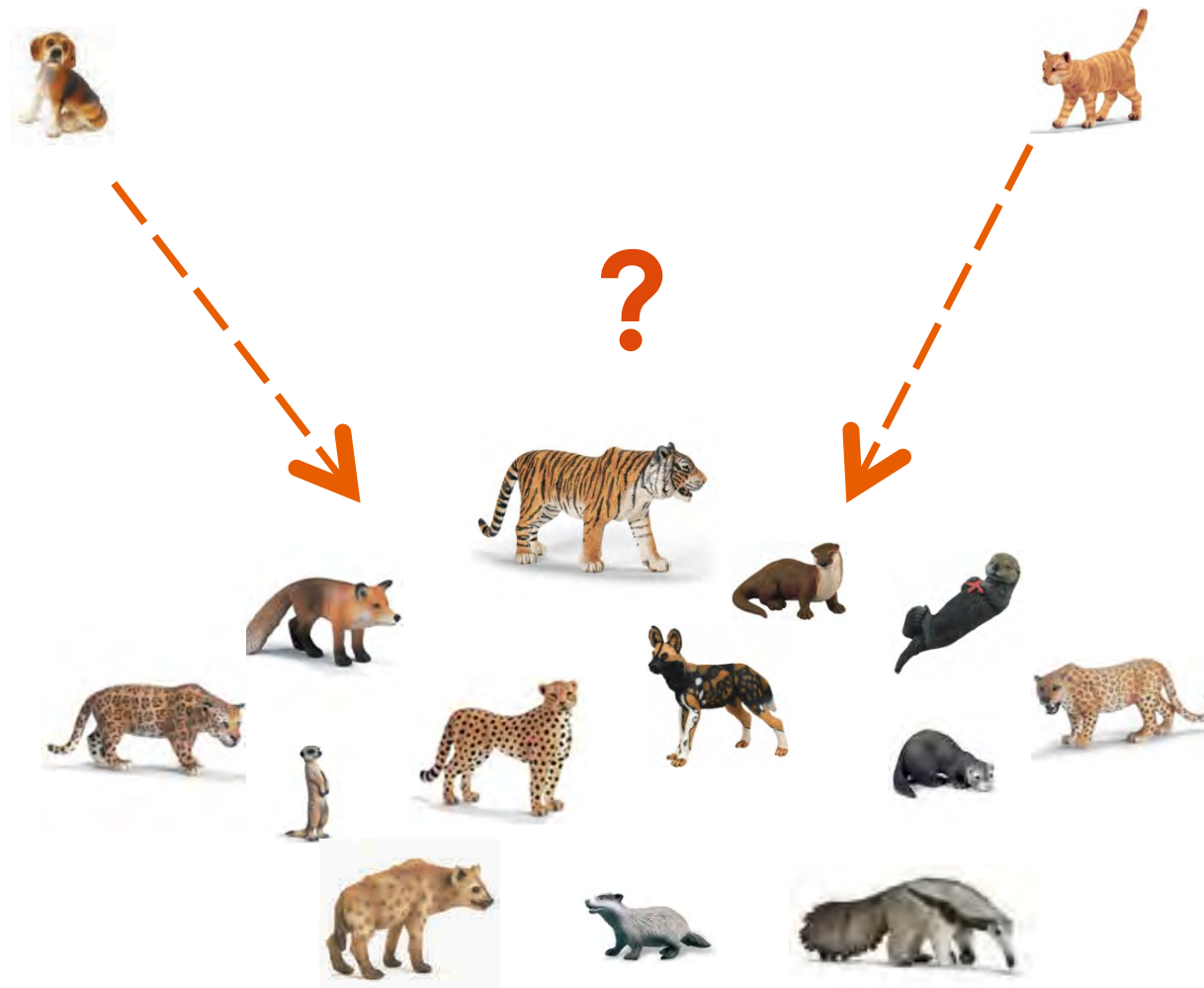
essential nutrients:

- high protein requirement
- amino acids taurine and arginine
- arachidonic acid
- vitamin A (β -carotene useless)
- vitamin D
- niacine



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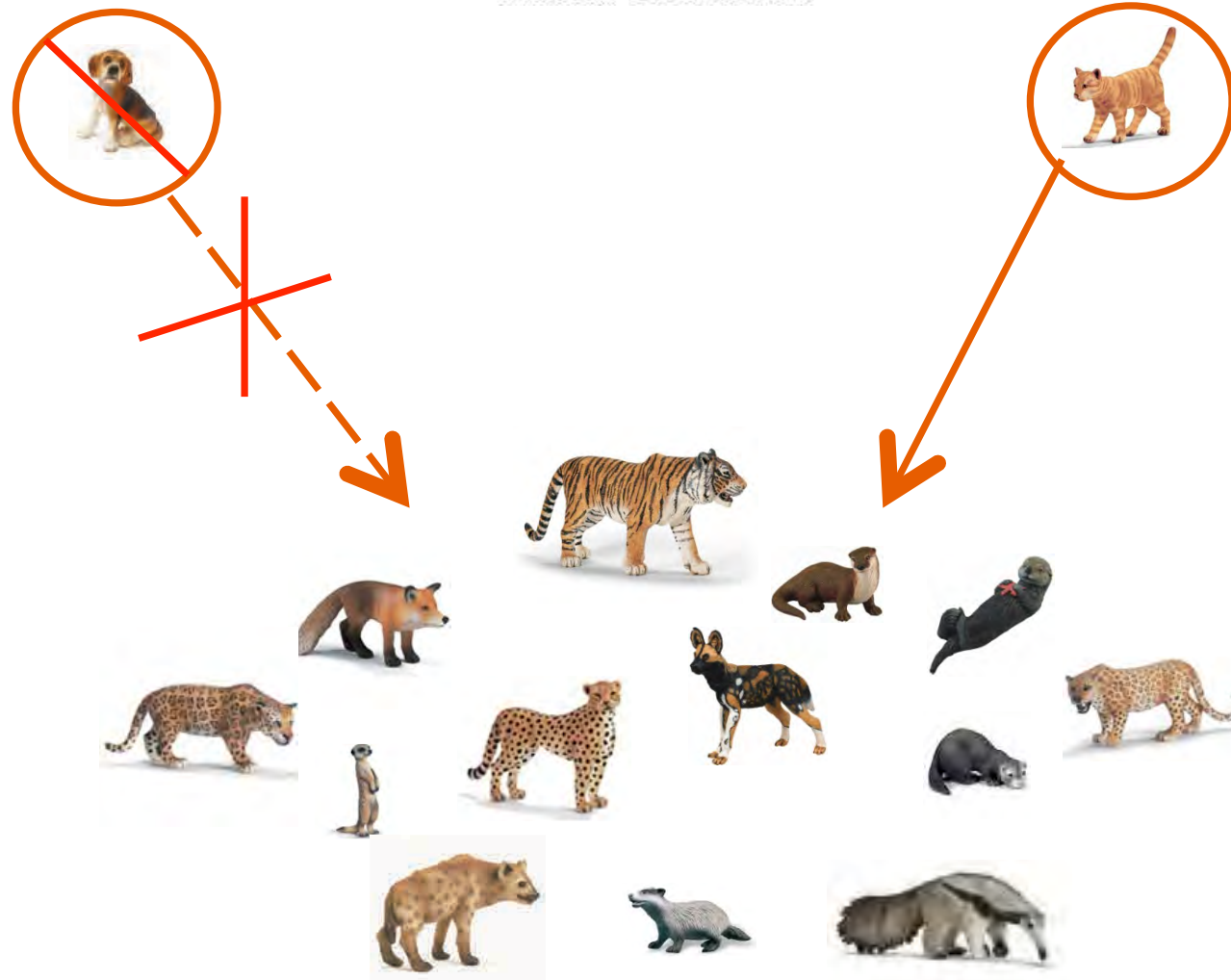
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The classic problem repertoire

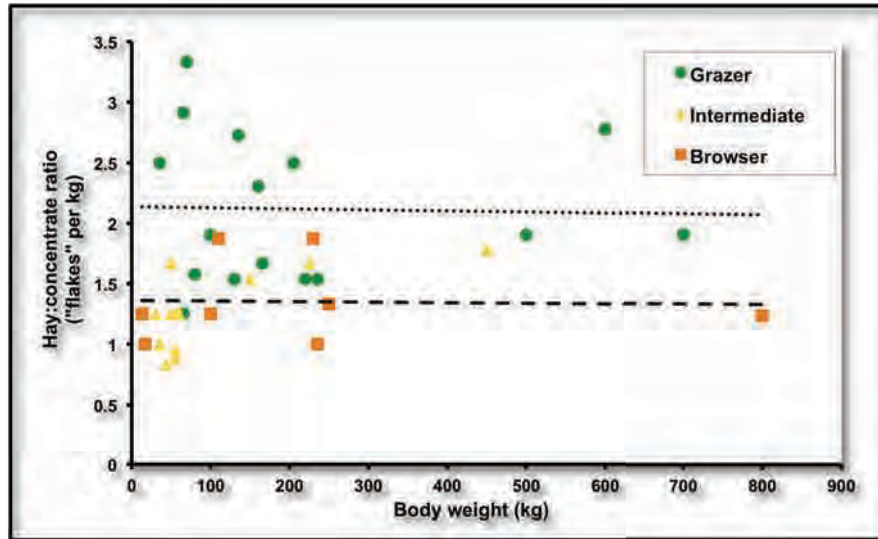
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| <i>Carnivore</i> | → | <i>Red meat</i> | → | <i>Calcium deficiency</i> |
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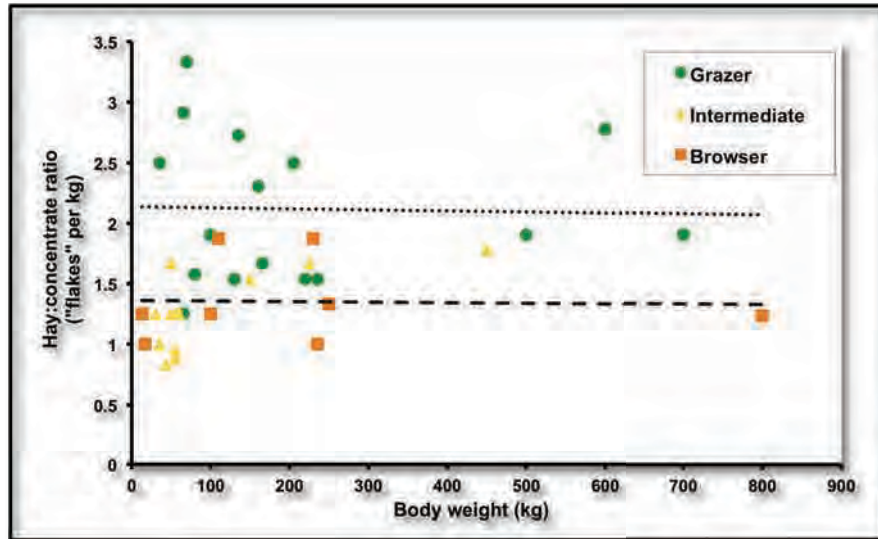
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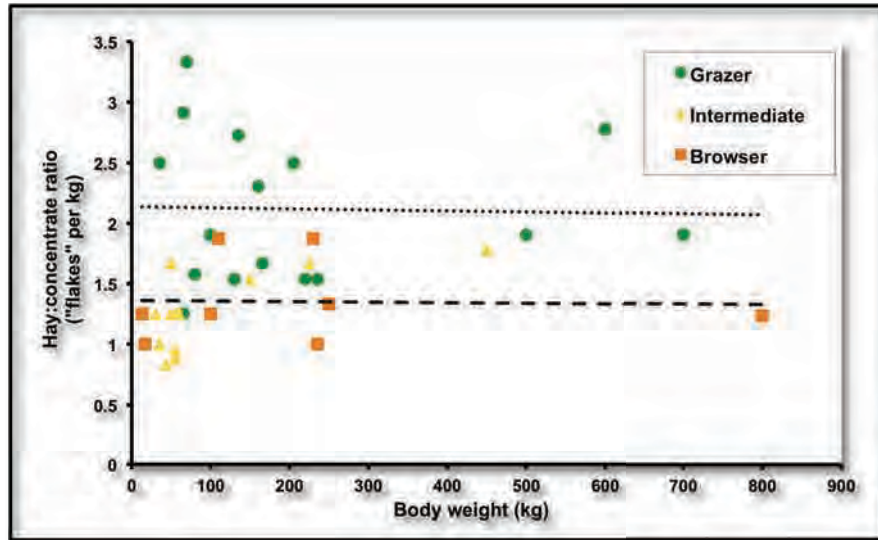
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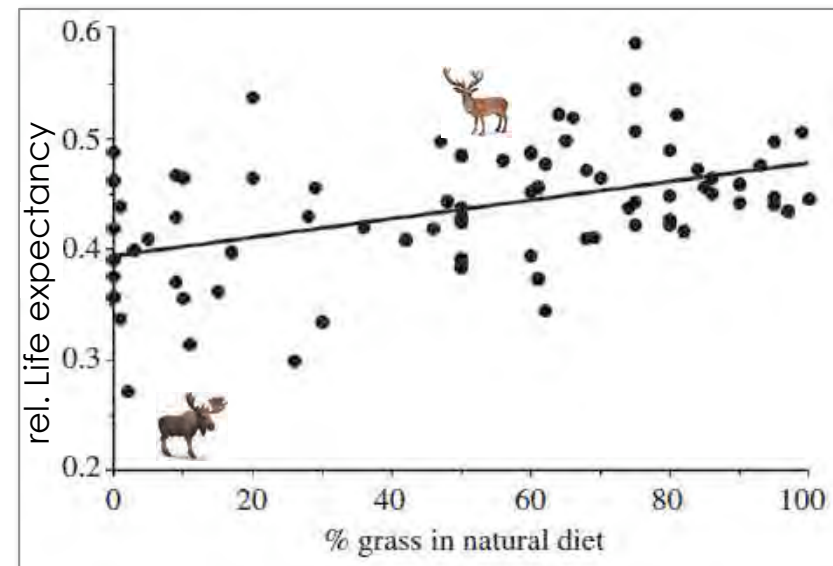
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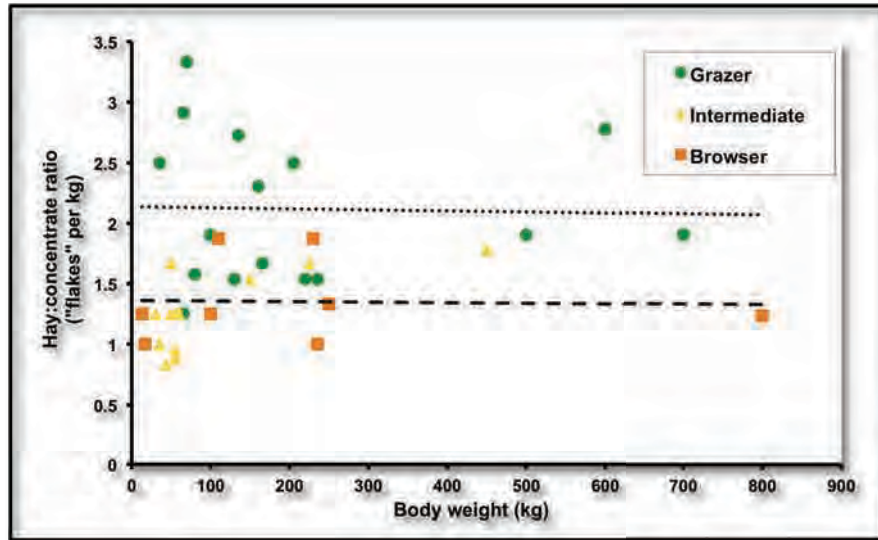
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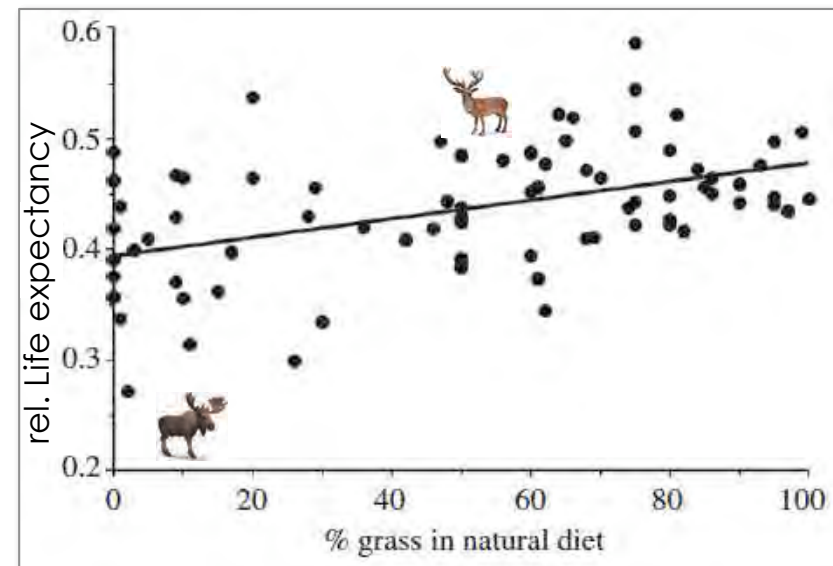
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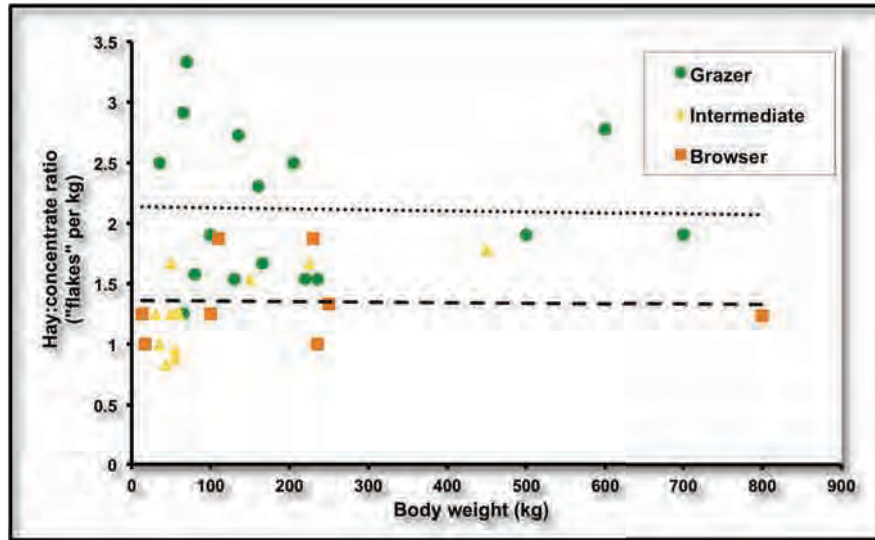
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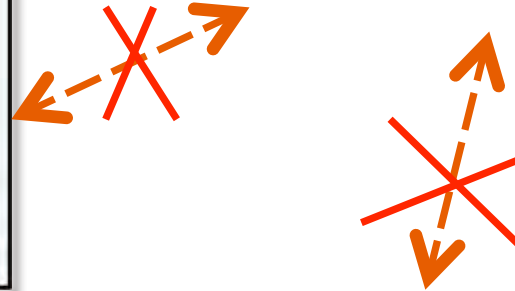
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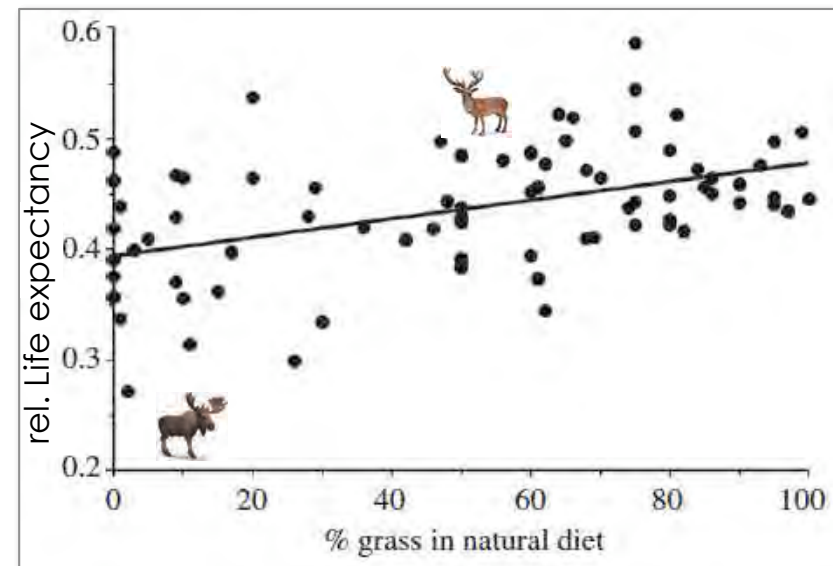
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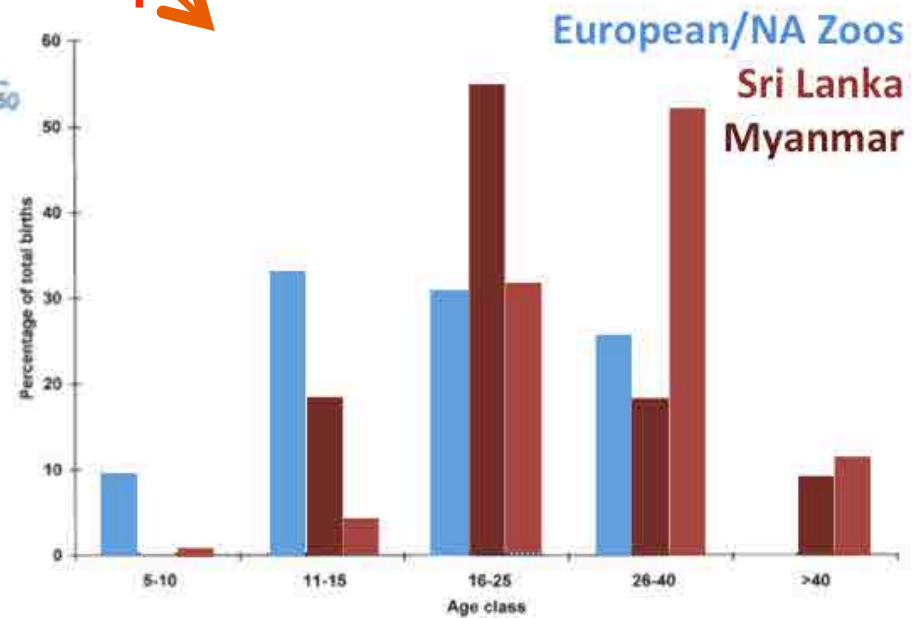
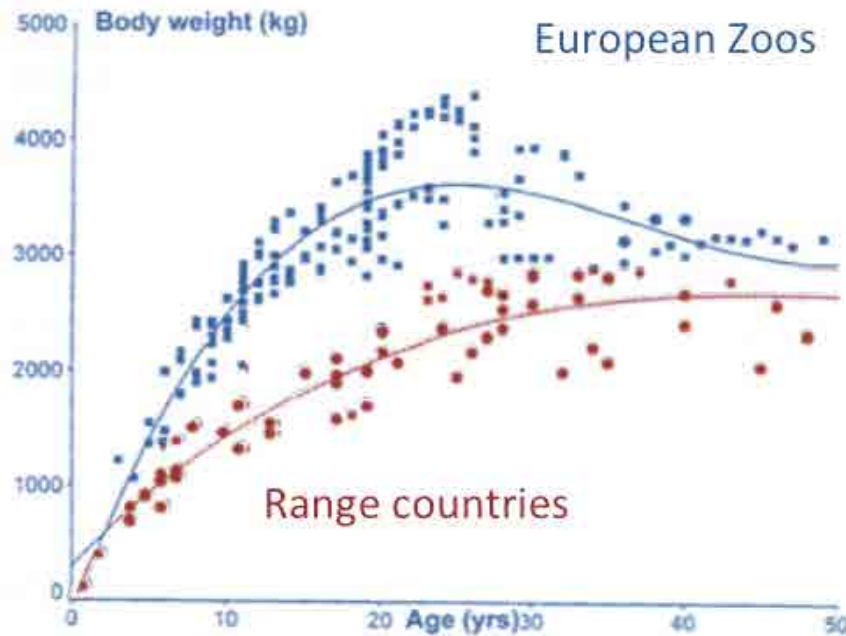
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fibre in herbivore diets



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e.g. Taylor et al. (2013)



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iron deposits in organs

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DE CLARKE^a and A CAMERON^b

Aust Vet J 1998;76:690-693.

Results Dental calculus scores were significantly higher in domestic cats than in feral cats. There was no statistical difference in the prevalence of periodontal disease between the two groups.

Conclusion It can be inferred that diet may play a role in the accumulation of calculus, but a diet based on live prey does not protect cats against periodontal disease.



Figure 1. Calculus on the buccal surface of the upper fourth premolar tooth in a feral cat.



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Females more likely to be acyclic had a larger body mass index and had resided longer at a facility with the same herdmates. Results suggest that controlling the weight of an elephant might be a first step to helping mitigate estrous cycle problems.



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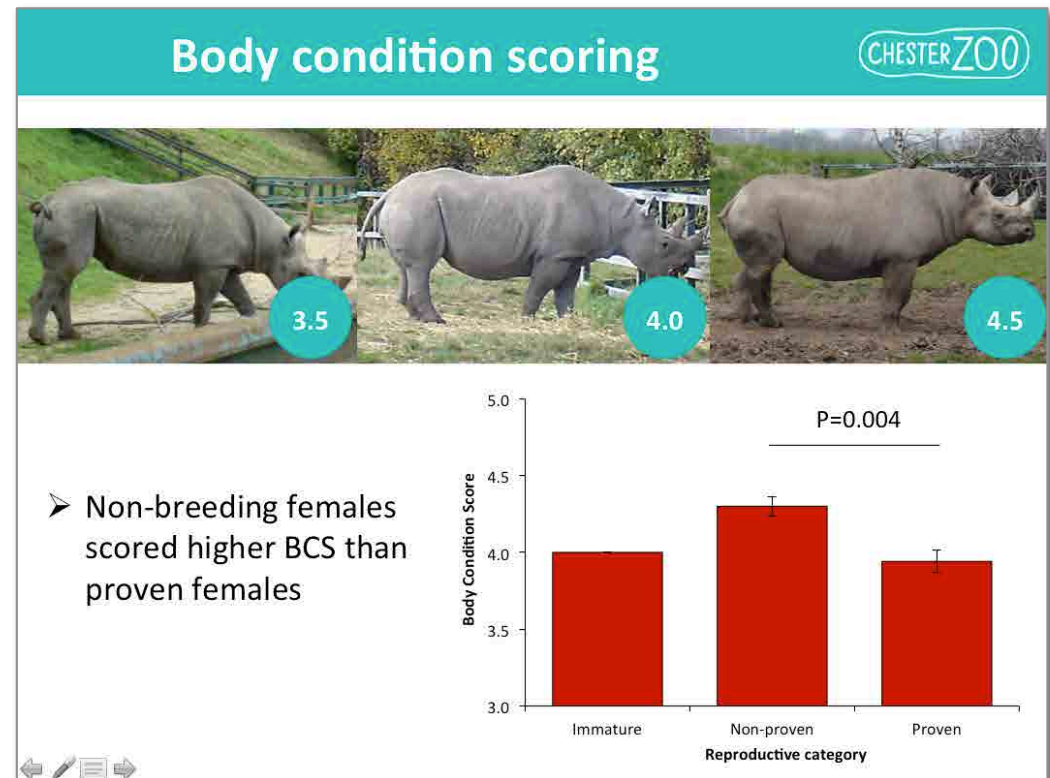

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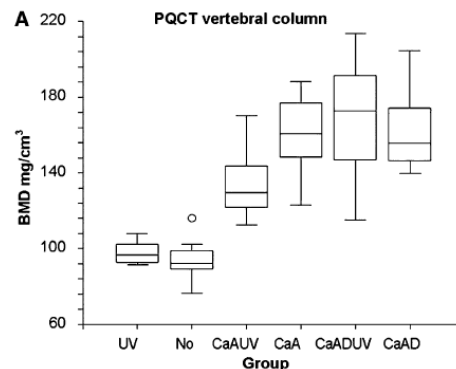
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| Group | n | Body dimensions | |
|--------|----|------------------|---------------------|
| | | Weight | SVL |
| | | g | mm |
| UV | 10 | 26.7 (19.2-34.2) | 100.1 (90.4-109.8) |
| No | 10 | 13.5 (11.3-15.7) | 74.4 (69.1-79.7) |
| CaAUV | 9 | 58.2 (47.3-69.2) | 144.2 (133.8-154.6) |
| CaA | 9 | 60.5 (52.1-68.9) | 144.2 (133.4-155.1) |
| CaADUV | 9 | 54.3 (38.1-70.5) | 138.2 (117.6-158.8) |
| CaAD | 9 | 57.9 (38.2-77.6) | 136.8 (117.8-156.7) |





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| Crude Oil | % | 7.50 |
| Crude Protein | % | 25.40 |
| Crude Fibre | % | 3.70 |
| Ash | % | 10.50 |
| N.F.E. | % | 42.90 |
| Starches | % | 27.80 |
| Sugars | % | 7.80 |
| Gross Energy | MJ/Kg | 15.80 |
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| Met. Energy | MJ/Kg | 12.00 |
| Linoleic Acid | % | 2.12 |
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| Calcium | % | 2.16 |
| Phosphorus | % | 1.46 |
| Phytate Phosphorus | % | 0.18 |
| Sodium | % | 0.33 |
| Chlorine | % | 0.45 |
| Potassium | % | 0.81 |
| Magnesium | % | 0.29 |
| Iron | mg/Kg | 358.00 |
| Copper | mg/Kg | 18.00 |
| Manganese | mg/Kg | 85.00 |
| Zinc | mg/Kg | 71.00 |
| Cobalt | μ g/Kg | 2018.00 |
| Iodine | μ g/Kg | 3379.00 |
| Selenium | μ g/Kg | 232.00 |
| Fluorine | mg/Kg | 54.00 |
| Vitamin A | IU/Kg | 30142.00 |
| Vitamin D ₃ | IU/Kg | 11640.00 |
| Vitamin E | mg/Kg | 105.60 |
| Vitamin B ₁ | mg/Kg | 27.70 |
| Vitamin B ₂ | mg/Kg | 18.20 |
| Vitamin B ₆ | mg/Kg | 14.10 |
| Vitamin B ₁₂ | μ g/Kg | 39.40 |
| Vitamin C | mg/Kg | 2966.00 |
| Vitamin K ₃ | mg/Kg | 5.30 |
| Folic Acid | mg/Kg | 10.20 |
| Nicotinic Acid | mg/Kg | 92.70 |
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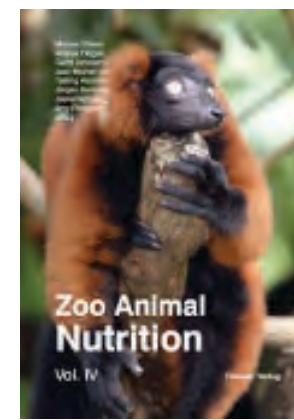
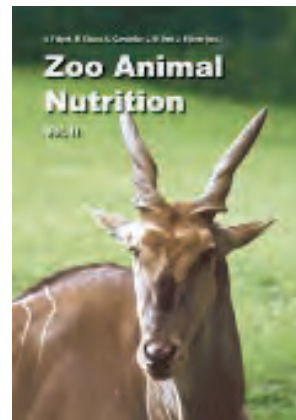
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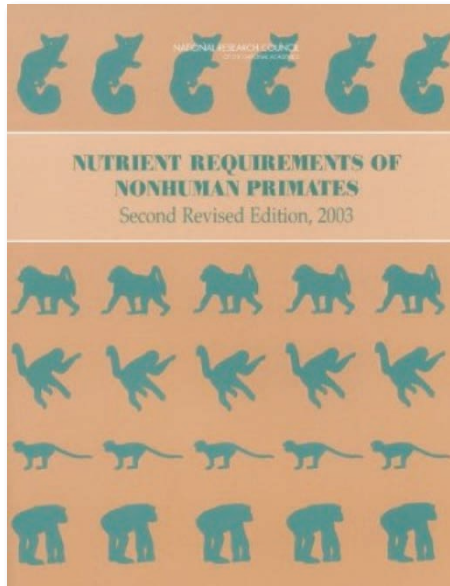


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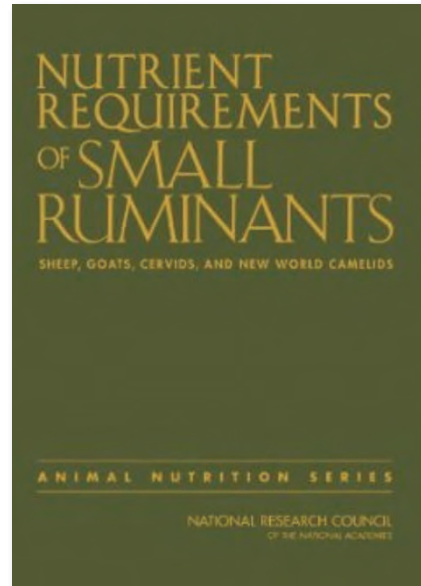
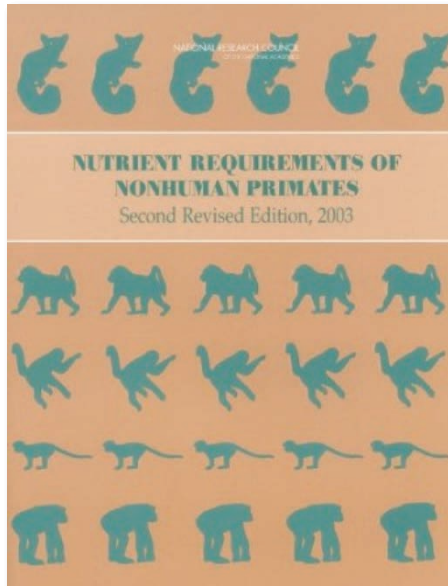


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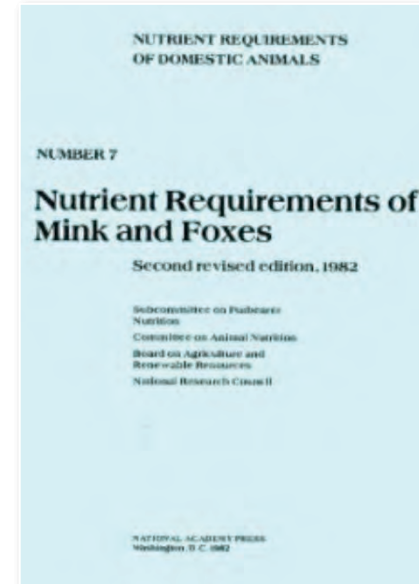
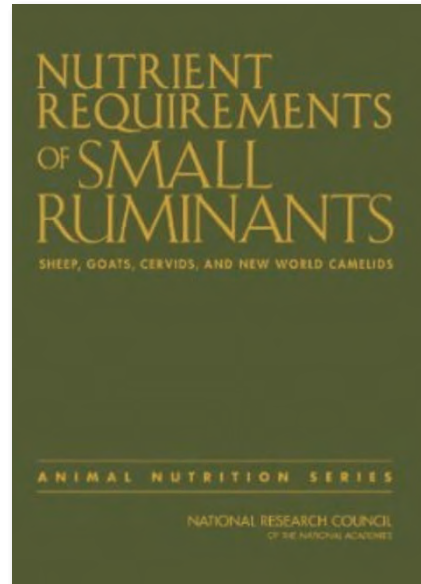
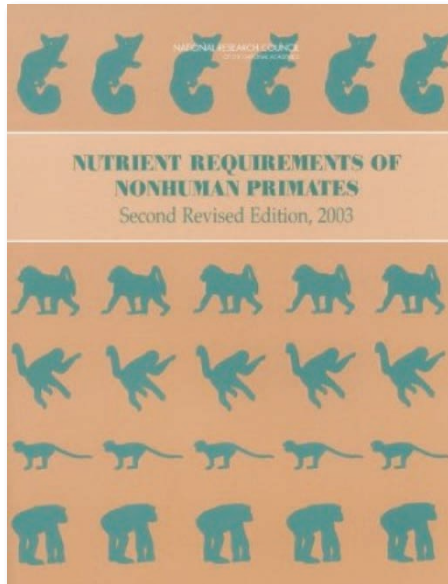


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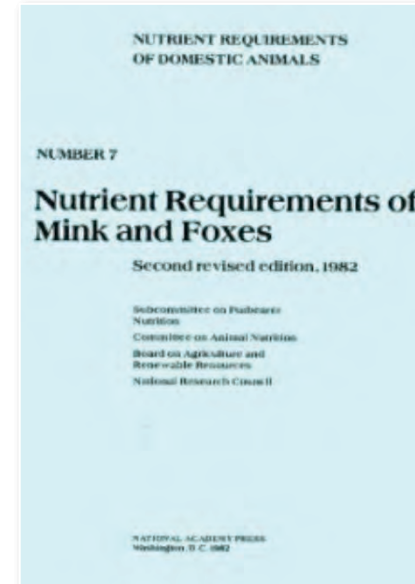
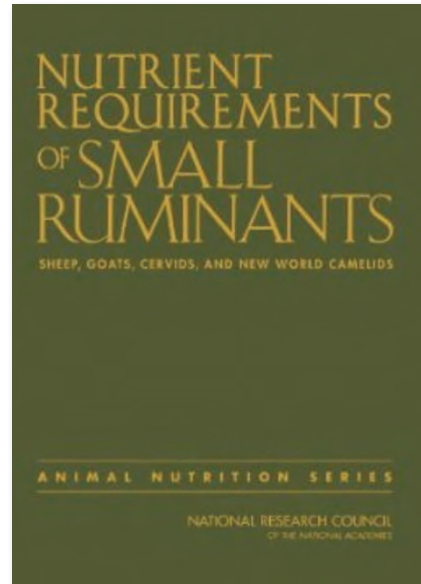
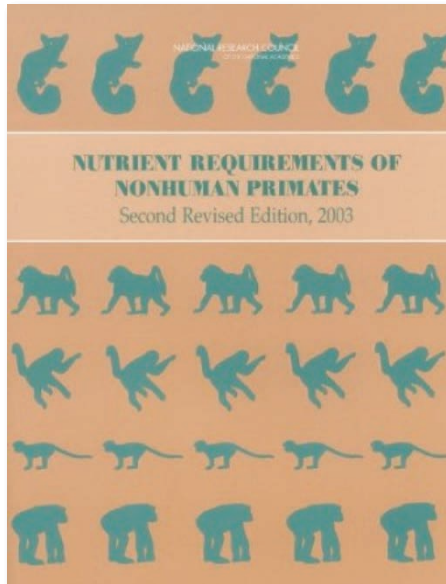


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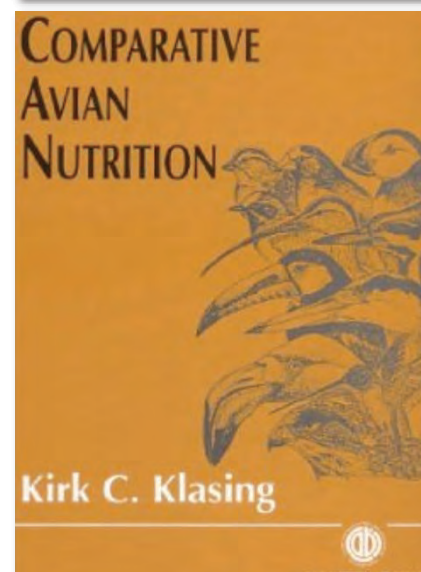
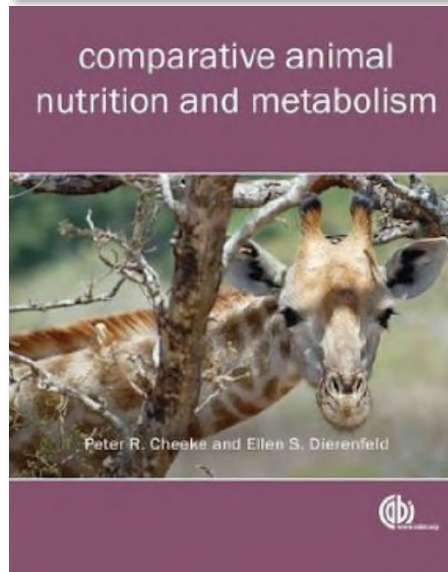
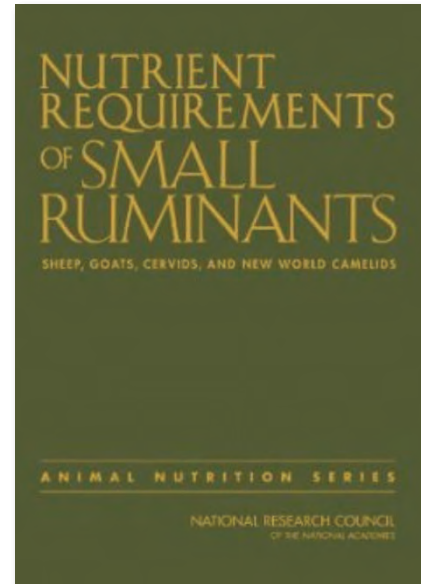
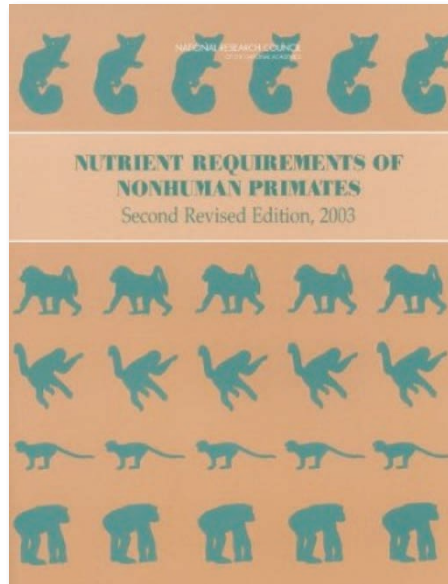


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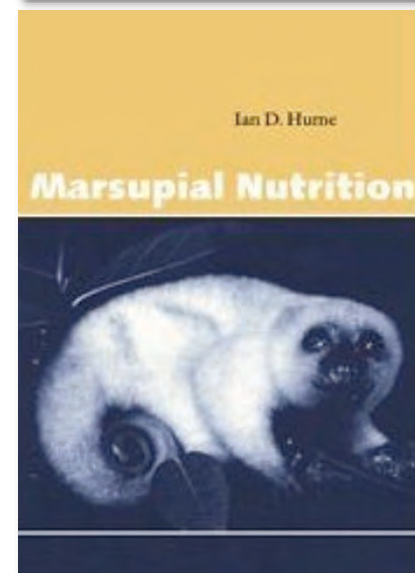
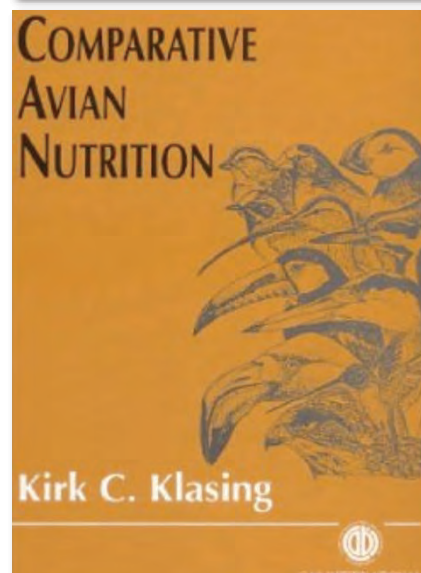
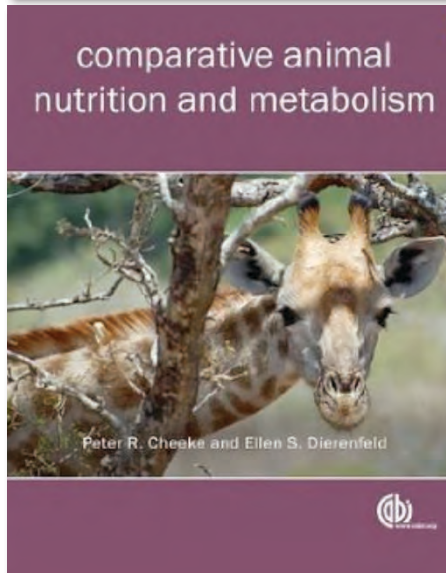
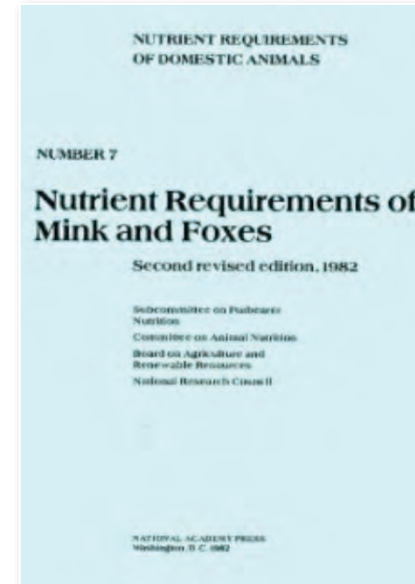
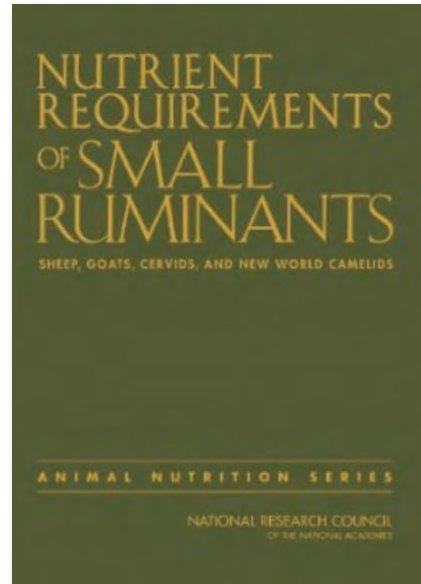
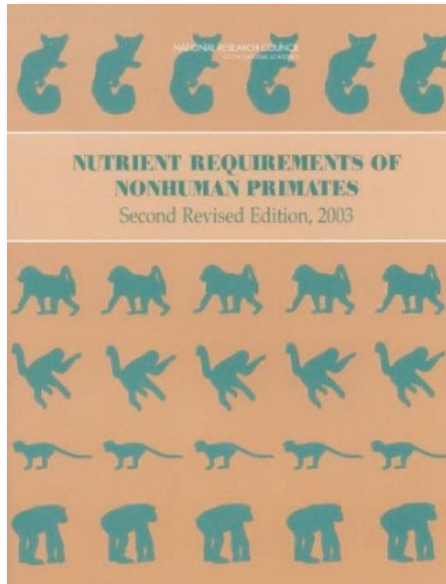


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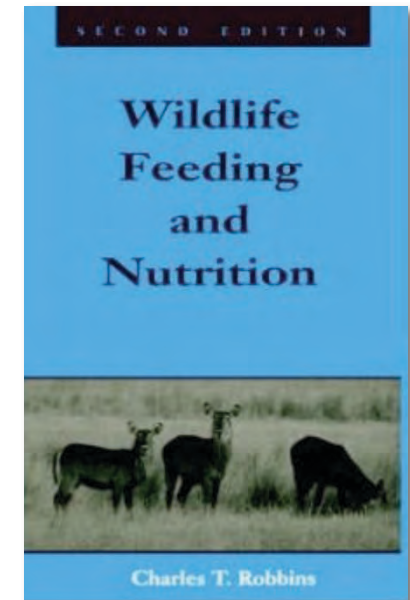
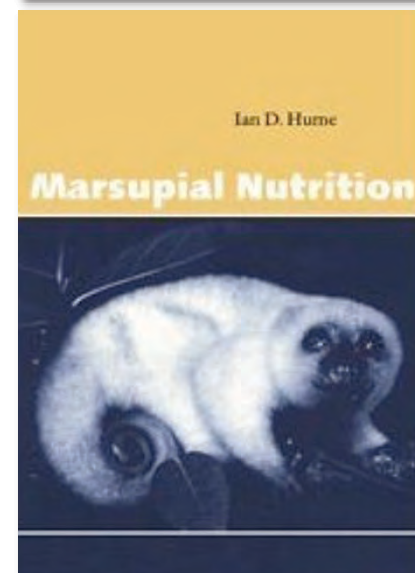
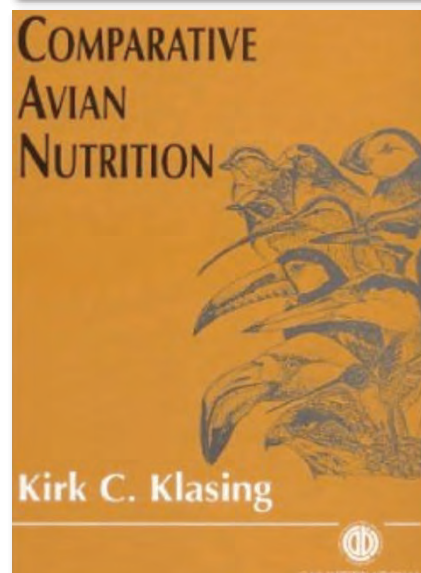
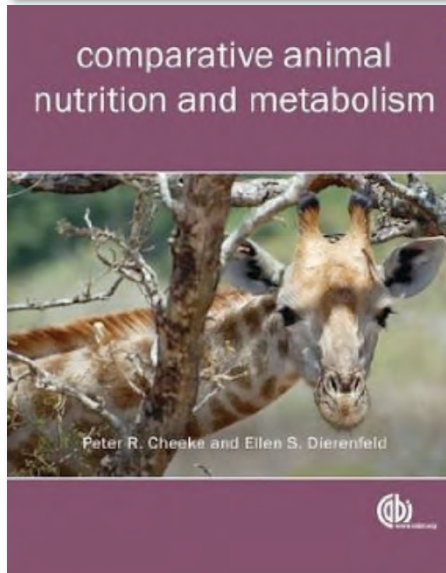
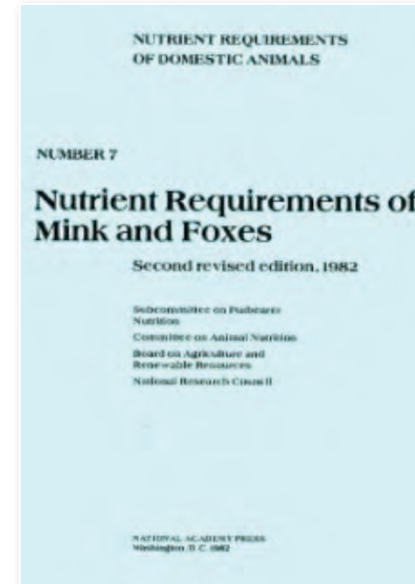
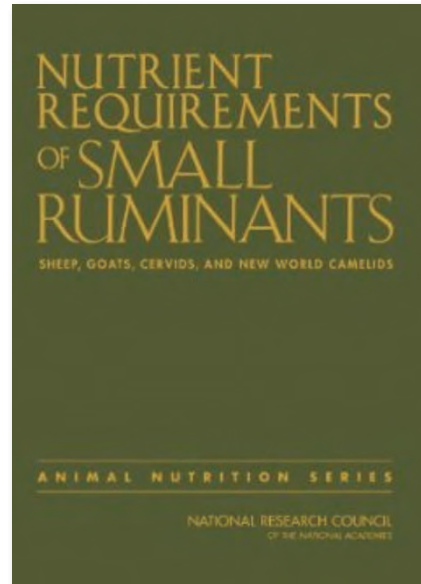
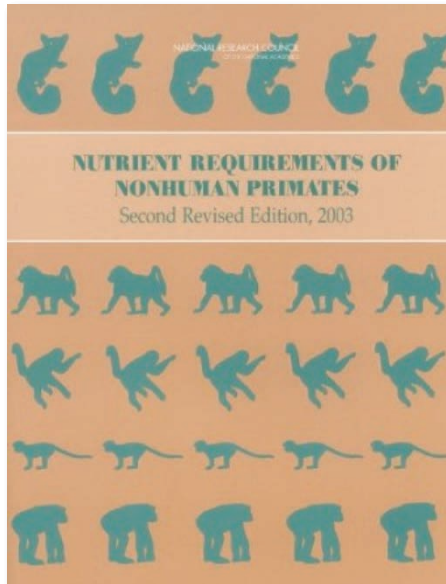


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Tapir (Tapiridae)

Citation
AZA Tapir TAG & AZA Tapir Taxon Advisory Group. Tapir (Tapiridae) Care Manual. Silver Spring, MD: Association of Zoos and Aquariums; 2014.


Abstract
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Tapir (Tapiridae) CARE MANUAL

CREATED BY
AZA Tapir Taxon Advisory Group
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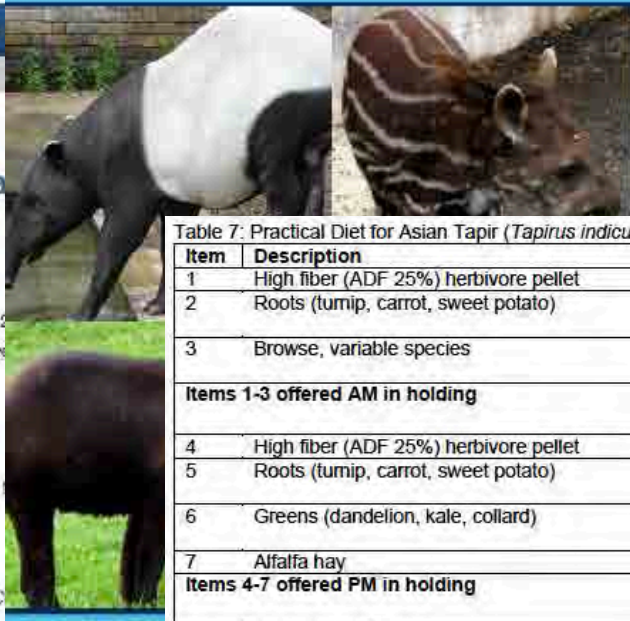


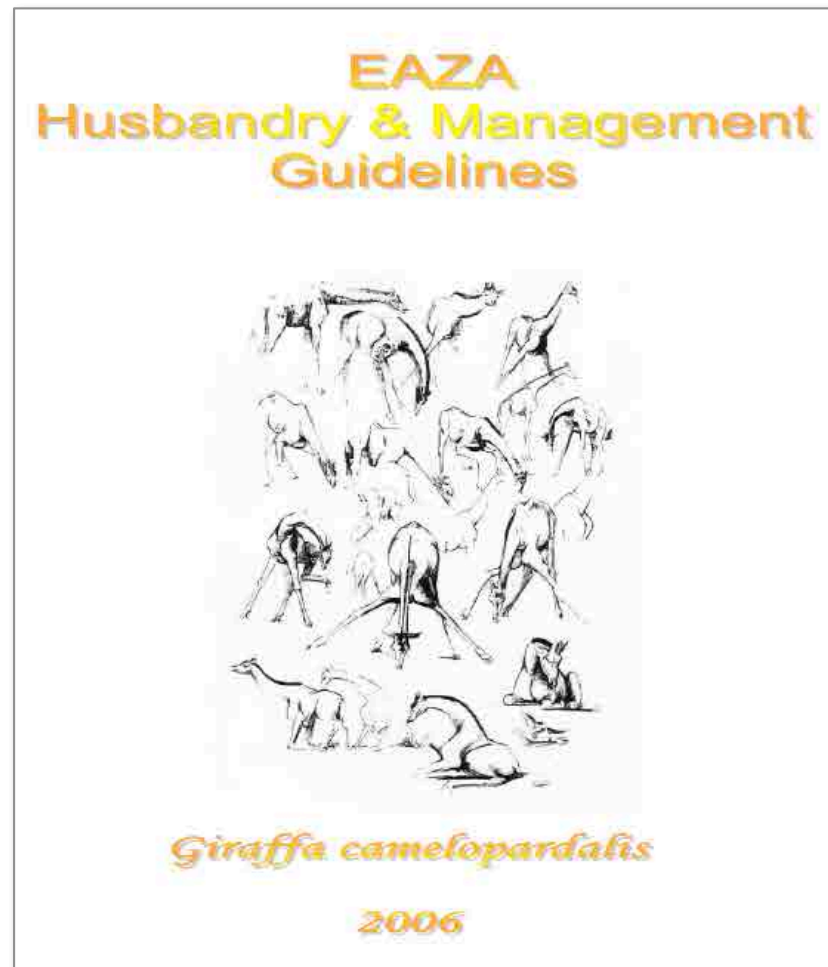
Table 7: Practical Diet for Asian Tapir (*Tapirus indicus*)*

| Item | Description | Amount | Comment |
|---|---------------------------------------|--------------|---|
| 1 | High fiber (ADF 25%) herbivore pellet | 1300 g | 15% CP, 3% Fat, 25 ppm Cu |
| 2 | Roots (turnip, carrot, sweet potato) | 1000 g | May be reserved to reinforce management behaviors |
| 3 | Browse, variable species | 1-1m section | Constant portion of this diet but difficult to quantify mass provided |
| Items 1-3 offered AM in holding | | | |
| 4 | High fiber (ADF 25%) herbivore pellet | 2600 g | 15% CP, 3% Fat, 25 ppm Cu |
| 5 | Roots (turnip, carrot, sweet potato) | 1000 g | May be reserved to reinforce management behaviors |
| 6 | Greens (dandelion, kale, collard) | 350 g | May be reserved to reinforce management behaviors |
| 7 | Alfalfa hay | 2660 g | > 18% CP, < 32% ADF |
| Items 4-7 offered PM in holding | | | |
| 8 | Banana, with peel | 325 g | May be reserved to reinforce management behaviors |
| 9 | Psyllium fiber | 60 g | This supplement was added as prophylaxis against sand colic |
| Items 8-9 mixed together; offer as indicated | | | |
| 12 | Salt block, plain | ad libitum | Offered in a secure manner that prevents overconsumption |

*Target bodyweight range = 365–375 kg (805–827 lb).
Downer, 2001; Stevens, 1988; Padilla & Dowler, 1994; Lintzenich & Ward, 1997; National Research Council, 2007; Janssen et al., 1999; Murphy et al., 1997; Clauss et al., 2009



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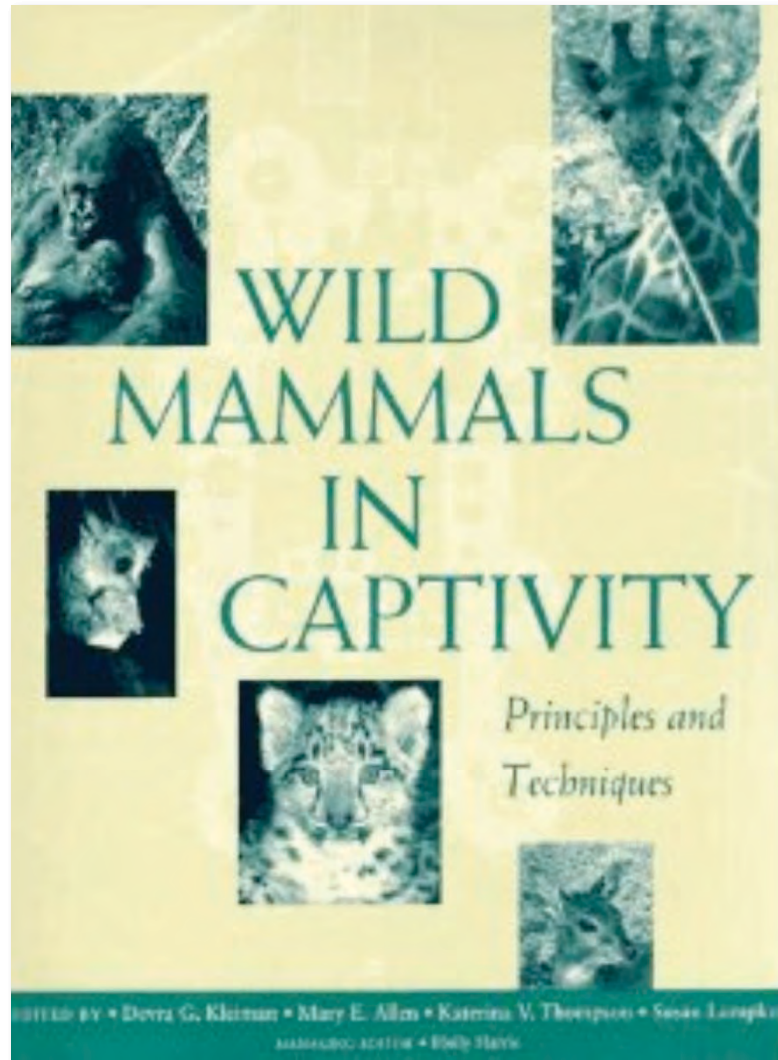
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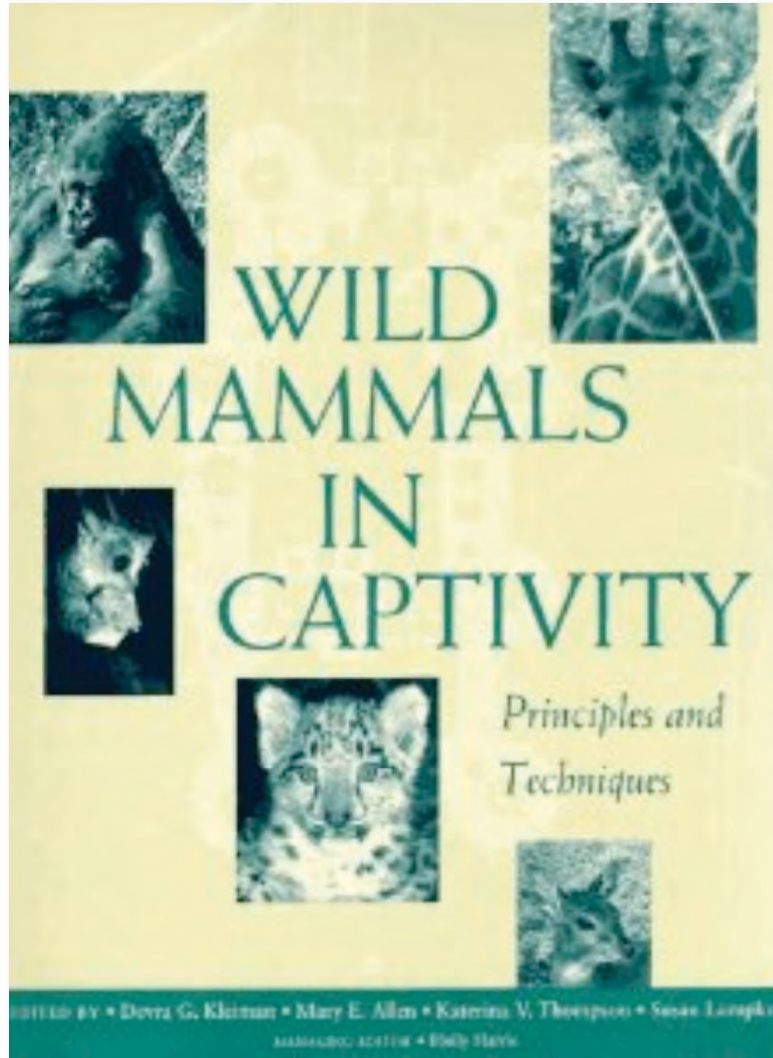


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