


Research Activity Report
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1. Country/location of visit
Florida, U.S.
2. Research project
Attending on International Conference on Comparative Cognition, visiting Save The Chimp & Zoo Miami
3. Date (departing from/returning to Japan)
2018. 4. 3 – 2018. 4.12 (9days)
4. Main host researcher and affiliation
Dr. Durham (Save The Chimp)
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.
<p>I traveled to Florida for attending International Conference on Comparative Cognition (CO3), and visiting Save The Chimp (chimpanzee sanctuary) and Zoo Miami.</p> <p>CO3 is major conference in the discipline of comparative cognition. I made poster presentation there. This conference was relatively small. I worried a little because I knew only few people but I enjoyed. The topic of talk was very various. Some of them were very interesting. However, each talk was as short as 5 to 10 minutes. It was sometimes too short for me to understand whole study. About 10 people came to my poster. One of them showed strong interest in my research. She was studying mother-infant relationship in wild chimpanzees, which is very close to my research interest. I got fruitful discussion with her. I was also enjoying conversation during the banquet. The one who sat next to me was studying categorization in animal. My undergraduate research was related his study so it was interesting to talk with him.</p>

Conference
<p>I immediately found Save The Chimp is very huge and amazing facility. There are 245 chimpanzees in 20 islands. They are very passionate for providing chimpanzees with good environment. For example, they had studies chimpanzee’s activity budget well before they built some structures on each island. Near the entrance, there were a couple of small cages which were not used anymore. Chimpanzees used to be kept in those cages in previous lab. In order not to forget the sad history they kept those small cages. It was very good opportunity to see the sanctuary all the more because I am participated in international enrichment meeting. I was shocked to hear that there are still 500 abandoned chimpanzees in U.S.</p>

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They are doing “olfactory enrichment” with some herbs

Miami zoo was good from the aspect of its size of each exhibition. I already visited some good zoos in U.S and Europe so there are not so many new things actually. However, I was impressed by that not only young children but also older children and adults were there. In most of the zoos which I visited before in U.S. and Europe looked as if they targeted only toddlers. Because those zoos were very nice, I wondered why they targeted only young children. Therefore I thought it’s very good points.



Zoo Miami

6. Others

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