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## 1. Country/location of visit

Koshima, Miyazaki Prefecture, Japan

### 2. Research project

Koshima Field Practice

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

2022/5/9 - 2022/5/15 (7ays)

#### 4. Main host researcher and affiliation

Dr. Sugiura Hideki, Professor at Wildlife Research Center, Kyoto University & Mr. Suzumura Takafumi at Koshima Field Station

#### 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 attended the Koshima field practical course to learn about the fundamental methods in behavioral observations and experiencing the wild nature. Originally, we had planned to observe monkeys for four days in Koshima, but due to rain, we crossed over to Koshima and were only able to observe monkeys during the last two days. For this reason, the first five days were spent exploring the mountains around the observatory and observing half-wild horses at Cape Toi.

This practice was very fulfilling, as I was able to experience a lot during the week. I also learned about the physical and mental severity of fieldwork, but at the same time, I think I learned enough about the joy of finding and following wild animals by myself too.



Half-wild horses at Cape Toi

Wild animal bones found in the mountain near the observatory





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Trunk of Paliurus ramosissimus	Japanese macaques in Koshima Island
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6. Others	
	Suzumura-san for all their help during the practical course and for making
our week-long stay fun and enjoyable.	