

26th Mustelid Colloquium

28-31 August 2008, Budapest, Hungary

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Detailed Program

Thursday, 28 August 2008

15:00-18:00 **REGISTRATION (Eötvös Loránd University)**

19:00-21:00 **WELCOME RECEPTION (Hungarian Natural History Museum)**

GUIDED TOUR in the museum's exhibition „The world of carnivores”

Ferenc Hudecz (Dean of Eötvös Loránd University)

Gábor Csorba (Deputy Head of the Department of Zoology, HNHM)

Friday, 29 August, 2008

09:00-09:10 **OPENING REMARKS**

09:10-09:40 **THE HISTORY OF THE MUSTELID COLLOQUIUM (1982-2008)**

Sim Broekhuizen

09:40-11:00 **SESSION 1: METHODOLOGY**

Chair: Hans-Heinrich Krüger

09:40-10:10 **Session Opening presentation:**

Using remote cameras to monitor otters

Paul Yoxon

10:10-10:30 **Methods for measuring foraging success of Eurasian otter (*Lutra lutra*) in a shallow river**

Lukáš Šimek

10:30-10:50 **Monitoring small carnivores in France: a simple method using sightings of national wildlife protection officers along roads**

Sandrine Ruetter, Michel Albaret and Jean-Michel Vandell

10:50-11:20 **Coffee break**

11:20-12:30 **SESSION 2: AT THE LEVEL OF THE MOLECULES**

Chair: Izabela Wierzbowska

11:20-11:50 **Session Opening presentation :**

Real-time PCR techniques for species identification and sex-typing in mustelids

Catherine O'Reilly, Jacinta Mullins and Peter Turner

11:50-12:10 **A census of pine marten (*Martes martes*) populations in the south-east of Ireland using genetic analysis of hair and faeces**

Jacinta Mullins, Mark Statham, Tom Roche, Peter Turner and Catherina O'Reilly

12:10-12:30 **Population structure of the eurasian otter (*Lutra lutra*) in the UK**

Geoffrey Hobbs

12:30-14:00 **Lunch**

14:00-16:00 **SESSION 3: MORPHOLOGY, PHYSIOLOGY, BIOGEOGRAPHY**

Chair: Lukáš Šimek

14:00-14:20 **First report of fossil mustelids from the Paleogene of Hungary**

Márton Rabi

14:20-14:40 **Historical biogeography of the Stone marten (*Martes foina*) in the Carpathian Basin: an overview**

Mária Tóth and Márton Rabi

14:40-15:00 **Body weight of mustelid species from Transylvania – data on animals hunted between 1964-1995**

Zsolt Hegyeli and Attila Kecskés

15:00-15:20 **Coffee break**

Chair: Mária Tóth

15:20-15:40 **Body temperature and activity in Eurasian otters (*Lutra lutra*)**

Hans-Heinrich Krüger

15:40-16:00 **The presence of different parasites in Stone martens (*Martes foina*) living in urban areas**

Emese Szócs, Mónika Gyurkovszky and Miklós Heltai

16:00-17:00 **POSTER SESSION**

18:00-19:00 **Dinner**

19:00-21.30 **ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS, SLIDE AND VIDEO SHOW**

Saturday, 30 August 2008

09:00-10:10 **SESSION 4: BEHAVIOUR AND ECOLOGY 1**

Chair: Morten Elmeros

09:00-09:30 **Session Opening presentation:**

Stone martens (*Martes foina*) as urban adapters

Jan Herr

09:30-09:50 **Has culling affected the behaviour of the Eurasian badger (*Meles meles*) in Ireland**

Carroll Rosario, Leigh Corner and Nicola Marples

09:50-10:10 **Habitat selection of weasel (*Mustela nivalis*) in agricultural fragmented landscape in Central Italy**

Caterina Magrini, Francesco Maria Angelici, Luigi Boitani, Michele Cento, Emiliano Manzo and Livia Zapponi

10:10-10:40 **Coffee break**

10:40-11:50 **SESSION 5: BEHAVIOUR AND ECOLOGY 2**

Chair: Jasja Dekker

10:40-11:10 **Age structure of the recovering population of Otters (*Lutra lutra*) in Denmark**

Morten Elmeros, Hans Jørgen Baagøe, Thomas Secher Jensen and Aksel Bo Madsen

11:10-11:30 **Stone martens (*Martes foina*) and cars: factors promoting marten-car associations in the context of marten-related car damage**

Jan Herr, Laurent Schley and Timothy J. Roper

11:30-11:50 **Fox and martens – are they really opportunistic feeders? A case of occurrence of insects in carnivores' diet**

Izabela Wierzbowska, Tomasz Skalski and Maria Eskreys-Wójcik

11:50-13:30 **Lunch**

13:30-15:20 **SESSION 6: CONSERVATION BIOLOGY 1**

Chair: Sandrine Ruetter

13:30-14:00 **Session Opening presentation:**

**Mustelid ecology and conservation in Portugal:
an overview and new challenges**

Margarida Santos-Reis

- 14:00-14:20 **The conservation of the otter in Italy: are absences reliable to predict otter's recovering?**
Carmen Cianfrani, Alexandre H. Hirzel, Gwenaëlle Le Lay and Anna Loy
- 14:20-14:40 **Presentation of the 2nd European mink (*Mustela lutreola*) restoration plan in France (2007-2011)**
Rachel Berzins
- 14:40-15:00 **Elaboration of conservation programme of endangered European mink (*Mustela lutreola*) in Poland**
Jakub Skorupski
- 15:00-15:20 **Cardiff University Otter Project: Making good use of road kill**
Elizabeth A. Chadwick and Frederick M. Slater
- 15:20-15:50 **Coffee break**
- 15:50-17:40 **SESSION 7: CONSERVATION BIOLOGY 2**
Chair: Elizabeth Chadwick
- 15:50-16:10 **Badger (*Meles meles*) road mortality in the Netherlands: victim characteristics and effects of mitigation measures**
Jasja D.A. Dekker and Hans Bekker
- 16:10-16:30 **Pine marten traffic victims in relation to verge features and possible measures to reduce their number**
Gerard J.D.M. Müskens and Sim Broekhuizen
- 16:30-16:50 **Distribution and conservation of Pine marten (*Martes martes*) in Ireland**
Declan O'Mahony
- 16:50-17:10 **Alternative radio tracking and biotelemetry methods for small and meso mammals**
András Gubányi, Richárd Wohlfart and Győző Horváth
- 17:10-17:40 **ANNOUNCEMENT OF STUDENTS' POSTER-COMPETITION**
- 19:00-22:00 **CLOSING CEREMONY AND BANQUET (Mongolian Barbecue)**

Sunday, 31 August 2008

10:00-12:00 EXCURSION 1 (FREE, HALF DAY PROGRAM)

Guided tour to the Budapest ZOO

Zoltán Hanga

8:00-17:00 EXCURSION 2 (ALL DAY PROGRAM WITH LUNCH)

**„Bouted” tour in the Pilis mountains and visit to the Szentendre Skanzen
(Village Museum).**