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Main interests

Behavioral Ecology and Conservation Biology
Biocommunication
Cognitive Ethology

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Habitat fragmentation in a tropical rainforest ecosystem: a case study on the genetic diversity of small mammal communities in the lower Kinabatangan floodplain in Borneo (Sabah, Malaysia)

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Phenomenology and genesis of pathological changes of the aging eye in the animal model mouse lemur: a comparison of colonies with different annual rhythms.

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The evolution of female dominance in mouse lemurs: the effect of sex and species on social interactions

[Alida Frankline Hasiniaina](#)

Acoustic signal variation of mouse lemurs (*Microcebus* spp.): implications for taxonomy and conservation biology.

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Development, physiology and consequences of female dominance in two basal primate models, the grey and the Goodman's mouse lemur (*Microcebus murinus* and *M. lehilahytsara*)

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Intestinal parasite communities in an endangered primate endemic to Borneo, the proboscis monkey, *Nasalis larvatus* (Wurmb 1787)

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Parasite communities in small-bodied Malagasy lemurs (*Microcebus murinus* and *M. ravelobensis*): the effect of sleeping sites, sex and season

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Parasite communities in endangered Malagasy lemurs (*Avahi occidentalis* *Lepilemur edwardsi*): the effect of sleeping sites, sex and season.

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Vocal communication in the Southern White Rhinoceros (*Ceratotherium simum simum*) and the impact of sex hormones.

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[Professional and scientific career](#)

1996

Full Professor (C4) for Zoology and Director of the Institute of Zoology, TiHo Hannover

1992 1996

Heisenberg-fellow, German Primate Center (DPZ), Head of the Laboratory of Biocommunication at the DPZ

1991 1992

Heisenberg-fellow, University of Konstanz

1990 1991

Research scientist, LS Markl, Faculty of Biology, University of Konstanz

1990

Habilitation (PD with *venia legendi* in Zoology), University of Stuttgart-Hohenheim

1985 1989

Research scientist (Wiss. Assistentin), Institute of Zoology, University of Stuttgart-Hohenheim

1985

Dissertation (Dr.rer. nat.), University of Stuttgart-Hohenheim

1982 1985

Graduate student research assistant, Institute of Zoology, University of Stuttgart-Hohenheim

1977 1982

Study of Biology (Diplom), University of Stuttgart-Hohenheim

Diploma degree (Dipl.-Biol.)

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Undergraduate student research assistant, Institute of Anthropology, University of Göttingen, Project: Behavioral development of marmosets (Callithricidae, Primates)

[Publications and Abstracts](#)

Recent Articles in peer reviewed journals

2018

Durden, L. A., Kessler, S. E., Radespiel, U., Zimmermann, E., Hasiniaina, A. F., & Zohdy, S. (2018). **A New Species of Sucking Louse (Phthiraptera: Anoplura: Polyplacidae) From the Gray Mouse Lemur, *Microcebus murinus* (Primates: Cheirogaleidae), in Madagascar.** *Journal of Medical Entomology*. doi:10.1093/jme/tjy046

Hasiniaina, A. F., Scheumann, M., Rina Evasoa, M., Braud, D., Rasoloharijaona, S., Randrianambinina, B., & Zimmermann, E. (2018). **High frequency/ultrasonic communication in a critically endangered nocturnal primate, Claire's mouse lemur (*Microcebus mampiratra*).** *American Journal of Primatology*, e22866. doi:10.1002/ajp.22866

Klaus, A., Strube, C., Roper, K. M., Radespiel, U., Schaarschmidt, F., Nathan, S., Goossens, B., & Zimmermann, E. (2018). **Fecal parasite risk in the endangered proboscis monkey is higher in an anthropogenically managed forest environment compared to a riparian rain forest in Sabah, Borneo.** *PLoS One*, 13(4), e0195584. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0195584

Rina Evasoa, M., Radespiel, U., Hasiniaina, A. F., Rasoloharijaona, S., Randrianambinina, B., Rakotondravony, R., & Zimmermann, E. (2018). **Variation in reproduction of the smallest-bodied primate radiation, the mouse lemurs (*Microcebus* spp.): A synopsis.** *American Journal of Primatology*, e22874. doi:10.1002/ajp.22874

Römer, S., Bender, H., Knabe, W., Zimmermann, E., Rübsamen, R., Seeger, J., & Fietz, S. A. (2018). **Neural progenitors in the developing neocortex of the Northern Tree Shrew (*Tupaia belangeri*) Show a closer relationship to gyrencephalic Primates than to lissencephalic rodents.** *Frontiers in Neuroanatomy*, 12(29). doi:10.3389/fnana.2018.00029

2017

Andriaholinirina, N., Fausser, J. L., Roos, C., Zinner, D., Thalmann, D., Rabarivola, C. J., Ravoarimanana, I., Ganzhorn, J. U., Meier, B., Hilgartner, R., Walter, L., Zaramody, A., Langer, C., Hahn, T., Zimmermann, E., Radespiel, U., Craul, M., Tomiuk, J., Tattersall, I., & Rumpel, Y. (2017). **Corrective paper concerning three new species of the genus *Lepilemur* GEOFFROY, 1851 (Mammalia).** *Dumerilia*, 7, 62-71.

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Books

2018

Zimmermann, E. (2018). **High frequency/ultrasonic Communication in Basal Primates, the Mouse and Dwarf Lemurs of Madagascar.** In S. M. Brudzynski (Ed.), *Handbook of Ultrasonic Vocalizations* (Vol. 1, pp. 521-533). London: Academic Press.

[Articles in peer reviewed journals](#)

[Abstracts of international conferences 2017 - 1999](#)

[Books and Contributions to books](#)

Books

Lehman S.; Radespiel U.; Zimmermann E. (2016): **The Dwarf and Mouse Lemurs of Madagascar.** Cambridge studies in biological and evolutionary anthropology Band 73; Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 552 pp, ISBN 9781107075597

Altenmüller E.; Schmidt S.; Zimmermann E. (2013): **Evolution of Emotional Communication: from Sounds in Nonhuman Mammals to Speech and Music in Man.** Oxford University Press, Oxford, pp. 376.

Zimmermann E.; Newman J.D; Jürgens U. (1995): **Current Topics in Primate Vocal Communication.** Plenum Press, New York, 286 pp; ISBN 978-1-4757-9930-9

Zimmermann, E. (1986): **Breeding Terrarium Animals.** T.F.H. Publications, Inc., New Jersey, 384 p, ISBN 9780866221825

Zimmermann, E. (1983): **Das Züchten von Terrarientieren.** Kosmos-Franckh-Verlag, Stuttgart, 256 p, ISBN 9783440052181

Contributions to books

2016

Zimmermann, E. (2016): **Acoustic divergence in communication of cheirogaleids with special emphasis to mouse lemurs** In: Lehman, S. M.; Radespiel, U.; Zimmermann, E. (eds.): *The dwarf and mouse lemurs of Madagascar: biology, behavior, and conservation biogeography of the Cheirogaleidae.* Cambridge studies in biological and evolutionary anthropology, Band 73; Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2016, 405-421
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Lehman, S.M.; Radespiel U.; Zimmermann E. (2016): **Conservation biology of the Cheirogaleidae: Future research directions** In: Lehman, S.M.; Radespiel, U.; Zimmermann, E. (eds.): *The Dwarf and Mouse Lemurs of Madagascar: Biology, Behavior and Conservation Biogeography of the Cheirogaleidae.* Cambridge Studies in Biological and Evolutionary Anthropology, Band 73; Cambridge U.K.: Cambridge University Press, 2016, 520-540
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Zimmermann, E.; Radespiel, U.; Mestre-Francés, N.; Verdier, J.-M. (2016): **Life history variation in mouse lemurs (*Microcebus murinus*, *M. lehilahytsara*): the effect of environmental and phylogenetic determinants** In: Lehman, S. M.; Radespiel, U.; Zimmermann, E. (eds.): *The Dwarf and Mouse Lemurs of Madagascar: biology, behavior and conservation biogeography of the Cheirogaleidae.* Cambridge Studies in Biological and Evolutionary Anthropology, Band 73; Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2016, 174-194 [ISBN 9781107075597](#)

Kessler, S.E.; Radespiel, U.; Nash, L.T.; Zimmermann, E. (2016): **Modeling the origins of primate sociality: Social flexibility and kinship in mouse lemurs (*Microcebus* spp.)** In: Lehman, S.M.; Radespiel, U.; Zimmermann, E. (eds.): *The Dwarf and Mouse Lemurs of Madagascar: Biology, Behavior and Conservation Biogeography of the Cheirogaleidae.* Cambridge Studies in

2015

Snowdon, C. T., Zimmermann, E., Altenmüller, E. (2015): **Music evolution and neuroscience** In: Altenmüller, E.: *Music, Neurology, and Neuroscience: Evolution, the Musical Brain, Medical Conditions, and Therapies*. Progress in Brain Research, Band 217; Amsterdam: Elsevier, 2015, 17-34 [ISBN 978-0-444-63551-8](#)

Zimmermann, E.; Radespiel, U.: **Primate Life Histories** In: Henke, W.; Tattersall, I. (eds.): *Handbook of Paleoanthropology*, 2nd edition, Berlin: Springer, 2015, 1527-1592 [ISBN 978-3-642-39980-0](#)

2013

Altenmüller, E.; Schmidt, S.; Zimmermann, E. (2013): **A cross-taxa concept of emotion in acoustic communication: an ethological perspective** In: Altenmüller, E.; Schmidt, S.; Zimmermann, E. (eds.): *Evolution of Emotional Communication: from Sounds in Nonhuman Mammals to Speech and Music in Man*. Series in affective science; Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013, 339-355 [ISBN 978-0-19-958356-0](#)

Altenmüller, E.; Schmidt, S.; Zimmermann, E. (2013): **Evolution of emotional communication: An introduction** In: Altenmüller, E.; Schmidt, S.; Zimmermann, E. (eds.): *Evolution of Emotional Communication: from Sounds in Nonhuman Mammals to Speech and Music in Man*. Series in affective science; Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013, ix-xiv [ISBN 978-0-19-958356-0](#)

Nash, L.T.; Zimmermann, E.; Butynski, T.M. (2013): **Galago senegalensis Northern Lesser Galago (Senegal Lesser Galago, Senegal Lesser Bushbaby)** In: Butynski, T.; Kingdon, J.; Kalina, J. (eds.): *Primates. Mammals of Africa*, Band 2; London: Bloomsbury Publishing, 2013, 425-429 ISBN 978-1-4081-2252-5

Zimmermann, E. (2013): **Primate serenades: call variation, species diversity and adaptation in nocturnal strepsirhines** In: Masters, J.; Gamba, M.; Génin, F. (eds.): *Leaping ahead: Advances in Prosimian Biology*; New York: Springer, 2013, 287-295 [ISBN 978-1-4614-4511-1](#)

Zimmermann, E.; Leliveld, L.; Schehka, S. (2013): **Toward the evolutionary roots of affective prosody in human acoustic communication: a comparative approach to mammalian voices** In: Altenmüller, E.; Schmidt, S.; Zimmermann, E. (eds.): *Evolution of Emotional Communication: from Sounds in Nonhuman Mammals to Speech and Music in Man*. Series in affective science; Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013, 116-132 [ISBN 978-0-19-958356-0](#)

2010

Joly-Radko, M.; Zimmermann, E. (2010): **Seasonality in gum and honeydew feeding in gray mouse lemurs** In: Burrows, A. (eds.): *The evolution of exudativory in primates*; 1st edition, New York: Springer, 2010, 141-153 ISBN 1441966609

Zimmermann, E. (2010): **Vocal expression of emotion in a nocturnal prosimian primate group, mouse lemurs** In: Brudzynski, S.: *Handbook of mammalian vocalization: an integrative neuroscience approach*; 1st edition, London: Academic, 2010, 215-225 [ISBN 0123745934](#)

2007

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Zimmermann, E.; Radespiel, U. (2007): **Primate life histories** In: Henke, W.; Tattersall, I.: *Primate Evolution and Human Origins*. Handbook of Paleoanthropology, Band 2; Berlin: Springer, 2007, 1163-1205 ISBN 3540324704

2006

Olivieri, G.; Radespiel, U.; Randrianambinina, R.; Rasoloharijaona, S.; Andrianarivo, C.; Rakotondravony, D.; Rakotosamimanana, B.; Ramilijaona, O.; Raminosoa, N.; Zimmermann, E. (2006): **Biodiversité et évolution des lémuriers nocturnes: un programme de collaboration germano-malgache** In: Schwitzer, C. (ed.): *Proceedings of the German-Malagasy Research Cooperation in Life and Earth Sciences*; Berlin: Concept Verlag, 2006, 113-125 ISBN 3-00-018520-8

2001

Zimmermann, E. (2001): **Dialects in lemurs** In: Macdonald D. (ed.): *The New Encyclopaedia of Mammals*; Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2001, 319

Schmelting, B.; Ehresmann, P.; Lutermann, H.; Radrianambinina, B.; Zimmermann, E. (2001): **Reproduction of two sympatric mouse lemur species (*Microcebus murinus* and *M. ravelobensis*) in north-west Madagascar: First results of a long term study** In: Lourenço, W.R.; Goodman, S.M. (eds.): *Diversity and Endemism in Madagascar*; Paris: Mémoire de la Société de Biogéographie, 2000, 165-175

1995

Zimmermann, E. (1995): **Acoustic communication in nocturnal prosimians** In: Alterman, L.; Doyle, G.A.; Izard, M.K. (eds.): *Creatures of the Dark. The nocturnal Prosimians*; New York: Springer US, 1995, 311-330 [ISBN 978-1-4419-3250-1](#)

Zimmermann, E. (1995): **Loud calls in nocturnal prosimians: Structure, evolution and ontogeny** In: Zimmermann, E.; Newman, J.D.; Jürgens, U. (eds.): *Current Topics in Primate Vocal Communication*; New York: Springer US, 1995, 47-72 [ISBN 978-1-4757-9932-3](#)

1992

Binz, H.; Zimmermann, E.; Rahmann, H. (1992): **Development of sound representation in the auditory cortex of tree shrews (*Tupaia belangeri*): A [14C]-2DG study.** In: Gonzales-Lima, F.; Finkenstaedt, T.; Scheich, H. (eds.): *NATO Advanced Research Workshop, Advances in metabolic mapping techniques for brain imaging of behavioral and learning functions*; Dordrecht: Kluwer Academic Publisher, 1992, 281-297 [ISBN 978-0-7923-1947-4](#)

Zimmermann, E. (1992): **Vocal communication by nonhuman primates** In: Jones, S.; Martin, R.D.; Pilbeam, D. (eds.): *The Cambridge Encyclopedia of Human Evolution*; Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1992, 124-127

1990

Zimmermann, E. (1990): Behavioral signals and reproduction modes in poison-dart frogs (Dendrobatidae) In: Hanke, W. (eds.): *Progress in Zoology. Physiology and Biology of Amphibians*, Band 38; Stuttgart: Gustav Fischer Verlag, 1990, 61-75

[Editorial board](#)

- Primate Biology (since 2014)
- PLoS One (since 2014)
- Peer Journal (since 2014)
- Interaction studies (since 2004)
- Zoology - Analysis of Complex Systems (1993 – 1999)

[Awards & grants](#)

- Research grant from European Community's 7th Framework Programme (FP7/2007-2013) under grant agreement n° 278486: DEVELAGE: genomic, morphological and behavioral evaluation of the mouse lemur, an emerging new primate model for brain aging research (in collaboration with J.-M. Verdier): since 2012
- Research grant MWK NS (PhD Programm Hearing): 2009 – 2012
- Small research grants from private donors: since 2008
- Research grant by BIOPAT e.V.: 2008
- Research grant from EU (Marie-Curie Actions) : 2006 – 2009
- Research grants from Volkswagen Foundation: 2003 – 2008 (projects I/72 968, I/76 828)
- Scientific exchange grants by the DAAD, including PROCOPE : since 1997
- Heisenberg fellow of the DFG: 1992-1996
- Research grants from DFG: since 1984 (previous projects ZI 345/15, ZI 345/16)
- Fellow of the Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes: 1983-1985

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Funding Agencies

National Science Foundation (USA), National Institute of Health (NIH, USA), The Leakey Foundation (USA), Claude Leon Foundation (SA), South African National Science Foundation, Belgian National Science Foundation; Polish National Science Foundation, Alexander von Humboldt Stiftung, Deutsche Herzstiftung, German Research Foundation (DFG), Volkswagen-Stiftung, Leopoldina, Society for Technical Cooperation (GTZ and ATSAF), International Union for the Conservation of Nature, German Academic Exchange Council (DAAD), Schweizerischer Nationalfond zur Förderung von Wissenschaften (SNF), Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes, Cusanus Werk, Studienwerk Villigst, Bundesamt für Naturschutz

Professional journals

Animal Behaviour, American Journal of Primatology, American Journal of Mammalogy, American Journal of Physical Anthropology, Biology Letters, BMC Evolutionary Biology, Behaviour, Current Anthropology, Current Biology, Ethology, Folia primatologica, Functional Ecology, International Journal of Primatology, Journal of the Acoustic Society of America, Journal of Neuroscience Methods, Musicae Scientia, Nature Communication, Naturwissenschaften, Oecologia, PlosOne, Primates, Proceedings of the Royal Society B, Scientific Report, Studies on Neotropical Fauna and Flora, Salamandra, Tierärztliche Wochenschrift, Zoologischer Anzeiger, Zoologische Reihe (Mitt. Mus. Naturk. Berlin)

[Organizer/Co-organizer of the following workshops, symposia or conferences](#)

2013

International Prosimian Congress, Ranomafana, Madagascar, Symposium: Prosimian Voices- Adaptation and Diversity with Claudia Fichtel (DPZ, Göttingen)

2010

International Symposium Evolution of emotional communication 2: from animal sounds to speech and music in man with Eckart Altenmüller (HMTH), April, Reisenburg

XVII Congress of the International Primatological Society, September, Kyoto, Japan, Symposium: Evolution of lateralization in primates: current insights from prosimians to humans with Cathérine Blois-Heulin (CNRS, Rennes)

2009

Organization of the XI. Meeting of the Society for Primatology, Hannover, TiHo together with [Prof. Dr. Radespiel](#), Dr. Marine Joly,

2007

International Symposium Evolution of emotional communication 1: from animal sounds to speech and music in man with Sabine Schmidt (TiHo) and Eckart Altenmüller (HMTH), September, Hannover

Symposium Ecological and behavioral plasticity in prosimians with Ute Radespiel (TiHo), July, International Conference on the Prosimii, Ithala, South Africa

2005

Satellite-Symposium; Acoustics of emotions in nonhuman mammals and man with Sabine Schmidt (TiHo) and Eckart Altenmüller (HMTH), 6th Meeting of the German Neuroscience Society, February, Göttingen

2003

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