



# ECM 2011

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## 2. Mammals and their parasites

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During the last decade, interest of mammalogists to parasites of wild mammals increased sharply, not only from the point of view of zoonotic diseases but although because of the necessity of better understanding links, associations and relationships among interacting species as well as patterns of biological diversity and factors affecting it. Almost every mammal harbours parasites belonging to different taxa. On the other hand, many taxa of metazoan parasites exploit mammals belonging to several families and orders. The goal of the suggested symposium is to bring together top-level experts studying simultaneously mammals and their parasites and to undertake an attempt to understand what is general and what is host- and parasite-taxon-specific in, on the one hand, strategy of mammal exploitation by parasites and, on the other hand, mammal responses to parasite attacks.