

Project Update: August 2012

An incredible field expedition to Sabah has yielded the first glimpses of endoparasites in endangered Bornean elephants. Following recommendations that we as conservation scientists need to improve our understanding of parasites in conservation, it is now time to review all results and elucidate the relationship between ecosystem and animal health using parasites as an indicator. Is there a significant difference between parasite prevalence, load and diversity between fragmented and continuous habitat? Does deforestation affect infection dynamics in endangered elephants? Stay tuned for the answers.

