

EAT, PREY, LOVE: THE ROLE OF FOOD & MATES IN SHAPING LION SOCIETIES

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ABSTRACT

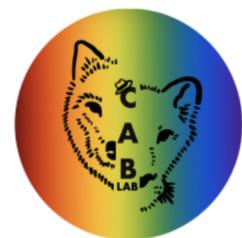
Lions are iconic top predators that feature intensely in research and conservation projects. However, the majority of such research has focused on lions in prey-rich savanna habitats. In this seminar, by summarizing his long-term behavioural research on Asiatic lions (a non-model population) and comparisons with east African savanna systems, he will delve into the ecological and evolutionary causes and consequences of sociality in lions. He will also briefly outline some upcoming new projects that will examine lion behaviour as a spectrum. He will end with an ECR Perspective of working with a species that continues to awe us while also severely challenging our lives and livelihoods.



ABOUT THE SPEAKER



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