

Project Update: October 2022

Updates on project advancement (05/10/22)

We have started field work with a recce in August and September 2022 to find a suitable site for collaring our species of interest in Sabah. The area proposed so far for collaring different individuals of colugos are UMS campus or Shangri-La Rasa Ria in Kota Kinabalu who both have a healthy population of Sunda colugos and have also forest and disturbed areas to compare the animal's behaviour and analyse how they adapt to disturbed areas. The final site is still in discussion, and it will depend on access permission.

We will also change our plans from implants to collar as we discussed from a vet from Singapore Zoo and the colugos seems to be fine wearing a collar and they do not need a long antenna as they have a small home range. We will use the model Ultimate Lite Collar Range specifically made for small mammals, lightweight and with a lifespan of around 1 year.

We will start our collaring and behavioural follow activities in January 2023. Here is a timeline of activities proposed.

Timeline

Date	Activity
January – February 2023	Catching and collaring of Sunda colugo (four individuals)
January 2023	Stakeholder meeting in KK to discuss the needs required for a workshop
January – October 2023	Behavioural follow of Sunda colugos
May – September 2023	School activities (Target five schools)
June 2023	Training workshops (2 days/ 1 night) with Sabah Parks rangers and tour guides in KK
July – December 2023	Writing of thesis and paper publication