

Comment on experimental protocol:

This study was a field experiment on animals living in the wild, not a laboratory experiment. As such the form available is not entirely appropriate for our endeavor. In this experiment we trapped animals with live traps, marked them, and normally released them unharmed. In some cases animals were dead when first encountered (they died in traps during the night). In these cases no euthanasia was required as animals were already deceased. Throughout our experiment animals were either released alive or were already dead when encountered.

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