Homeopathic Treatment of Wild Animals at São Paulo Zoo

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Some animals of the Sao Paulo Zoo have been treated with homeopathic medicines for the past 3 years, specially when their illness have important behavior disturbances. Clinical recovery is assessed by the Zoo veterinarians, specialists in wild animal clinic. Clinical evaluation is routinely performed and complementary exams when necessary. Results are registered in clinical records and by photographs and films. The selection of medicines is performed according to the protocol developed by the Homeopathy Sector at the Veterinarian Hospital at Universidade Federal Rural do Rio de Janeiro. Within the animals treated are Southern Sea Lion (Otaria byronia), Maned Wolf (Chrysocyon brachyurus), Golden Parakeet (Guarouba guarouba), King Vulture (Sarcoramphus papa), Chestnut-capped Blackbird (Agelaius ruficapillus), White-necked Hawk (Leucopternis lacernulatus), White-tailed Kite (Elanus leucurus) and Megellanic Penguin (Spheniscus magellanicus).