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7 Integrative personality assessment in wild Assamese macaques (*Macaca assamensis*)

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Abstract

41 In nonhuman animals, individuals of the same sex and age differ in their behavior patterns
42 consistently across time, comparable with human personality differences. To draw
43 conclusions about the adaptive value of behavior traits, it is essential to study them also in the
44 wild where animals are subject to the ecological pressures that promoted the evolution of
45 behavior strategies. This study was conducted in the Phu Khieo Wildlife Sanctuary, Thailand,
46 on four groups of habituated wild Assamese macaques by observers who had familiarized
47 themselves with the subjects over the course of an ongoing long-term study. We used a multi-
48 method approach enabling the most comprehensive understanding of variation in stable inter-
49 individual differences in a species-typical ecological setting. We combined trait ratings (TR),
50 assessed with observer-report questionnaires (54 item HPQ) of 107 individuals of diverse
51 age-sex classes, with behavior codings (BC) of 24 adult males. We found male and female
52 personality constructs to be congruent and examined reliability and construct validity.
53 Combining methods, we found two solutions with five factors to best describe the personality
54 structure of the males: one structure comprised the dimensions Gregariousness_{BC},
55 Aggressiveness_{BC}, Sociability_{BC} and Vigilance_{BC}, complemented by a Confidence_{TR} domain
56 and the other structure Opportunism_{TR}, Confidence_{TR}, Friendliness_{TR}, Activity_{TR}
57 complemented with Vigiance_{BC}. We discuss our findings with regard to the importance of
58 construct validity and reproducibility in the context of method development and
59 standardization in nonhuman animal personality research.

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63 “Personality in the broadest sense is the internal organisation of behaviour that is stable over
64 considerable time periods in the individual yet varies among the individuals of a population
65 on latent dimensions” (Uher 2008 p. 476). Personality has a moderately heritable component
66 and is systematically associated with differences in fitness parameters, like survival,
67 reproductive success, and health in both animals and humans (Deary, Weiss, & Batty, 2010;
68 Penke & Jokela, 2016; Wolf & Weissing, 2012). Animal personality became an expanding
69 field of behavior ecology as well as comparative psychology in the last two decades (Carere
70 & Maestriperi, 2013; Dingemanse, Kazem, Réale, & Wright, 2010; Mehta & Gosling, 2008;
71 Uher, 2008). Yet, there are still no consistent definitions for personality dimensions, or
72 standardized assessment methods, and differences in species-specific behavior repertoires
73 make cross-species comparisons challenging (Gosling, 2001; Lilley, Kuczaj, & Yeater,
74 2017).

75 The two most common assessment methods in animal personality research are trait ratings
76 and behavior coding from naturalistic observations or experimental data (Réale, Reader, Sol,
77 McDonald, & Dingemanse 2007; Vazire, Gosling, Dickey, & Schapiro, 2007). In human
78 psychology, personality is mainly assessed via self-reported statement ratings on personality
79 inventories (Koski, 2011a; Uher, 2011) and expressed in broad bipolar or monopolar
80 dimensions, often referred to as the so-called “Big Five” Extraversion, Agreeableness,
81 Conscientiousness, Neuroticism, and Openness to Experience (Digman, 1990; John &
82 Srivastava, 1999). In a top-down approach personality questionnaires have been modified for
83 animals to allow trait ratings by human observers familiar with the individuals (e.g.,
84 Hominoid Personality Questionnaire; Freeman & Gosling, 2010; Weiss et al., 2009). To

85 avoid issues with validity possible anthropomorphic projections in trait ratings (Freeman et
86 al., 2013; Uher, 2018) or naturalistic observational approaches use previously established
87 ethograms defining behaviors and situations at the species level to quantify single behaviors
88 or behaviors in a behavioral situation (Uher, 2015, Massen et al. 2013). Experimental
89 observational approaches create situations to tap into one (Dammhahn, 2012) or several
90 personality dimensions at a time (Carter et al., 2012b; Koski & Burkart, 2015; Massen et al.,
91 2013; Réale et al., 2007; Vazire et al., 2007).

92 The choice of method typically depends on time and feasibility. Trait ratings by familiar
93 observers are less time-consuming and can cover a broader range of individual traits
94 compared to behavior codings in experimental or natural settings. However, trait ratings
95 require that several raters are familiar with the individuals, because different observers know
96 an individual from different situations and may have unique observer biases (Freeman,
97 Gosling, & Schapiro, 2011). Experimentation is better able to assess non-social personality
98 dimensions, such as boldness and exploration because relevant situations occur rarely and
99 unpredictable in naturalistic observations (Massen, Antonides, Arnold, Bionda, & Koski,
100 2013), but is not always feasible, especially in wild populations (but see: Neumann, Agil,
101 Widdig, Engelhardt, & Kalueff, 2013; Tkaczynski et al., 2018). When several methods have
102 been applied to assess personality of the same subjects, convergent validity across methods
103 was often low (Freeman et al., 2011; John & Soto, 2007; Uher & Visalberghi, 2016).

104 Such disparity may result from the disadvantages of behavior codings, which may struggle
105 with reliably detecting individual differences in behaviors that occur at low frequencies
106 (Freeman et al., 2013) and behaviors that change from day to day, across seasons, or with
107 changing social and physical environment (Brommer & Class, 2017; Uher, 2011).

108 Aggregation may overcome these shortcomings in behavior measurements, since a higher
109 aggregation level inevitably leads to higher reliability scores (for discussion about the
110 *Principle of Aggregation* see Uher, 2011). In trait ratings, however, variability in behavior
111 due to random variance is partly cancelled out, because observers implicitly aggregate an
112 animal's behavior over time when they form an image of a subject's personality and subject it
113 to their own memory. This aggregation comes at a cost though, because such images may be
114 biased towards specific, more memorable events, and the assessment of subjects further may
115 be influenced by discussions among raters, and may be modified through recalled memories
116 (which are reshaped every time they are recalled). The advantage of behavior coding studies
117 is that behaviors are directly perceivable and measurable. Hence they are not susceptible to
118 most of the biases that can influence trait ratings (Freeman et al., 2011; van Aken &
119 Asendorpf, 2018). The above mentioned problems can be overcome by repeated
120 experimentation and long-term observations, when even rare behaviors occur often enough to
121 reliably assess individual variation and all individuals are assessed across a variety of social
122 and ecological contexts.

123 The strengths and weaknesses of trait rating and behavior coding have been repeatedly
124 discussed (Freeman et al. 2011; Koski 2014; Uher et al. 2013; Uher & Visalberghi 2016;
125 Uher 2018; Weiss 2017). It has been argued that the most comprehensive understanding of
126 variation in stable inter-individual differences may come from studies combining approaches
127 to compensate for the weaknesses that each technique individually has (Koski 2014). Multi-
128 method approaches in field and lab work use item selection based on reliability measures
129 (e.g., test-retest) and analyses of construct validity (Eckardt et al., 2015; Garai, Weiss,
130 Arnaud, & Furuichi, 2016), and may generate integrative/complemented personality
131 structures to provide a more complete picture (e.g., behavior codings and experiments:

132 Massen & Koski, 2014; Neumann et al., 2013; Uher, Addessi, & Visalberghi, 2013; behavior
133 codings and trait ratings: Iwanicki & Lehmann, 2015; Uher, Werner, & Gosselt, 2013; all
134 three methods: Tkaczynski et al., 2018). As can be expected from the differences in strength
135 and weaknesses of the methods, personality structures derived from trait ratings and behavior
136 codings do not always clearly correspond to each other. Aggressiveness related trait rating
137 dimensions are mainly well supported with aggressive behavior (Pritchard et al., 2014; Uher,
138 Werner, et al., 2013; Vazire et al., 2007), yet aggressive behavior may also correlate with a
139 Dominance dimension (Freeman et al., 2013; Uher, Werner, et al., 2013; Uher & Visalberghi,
140 2016) or Excitability (Tkaczynski et al., 2018). Sociability mostly displays sociable or
141 affiliative facets of behavior, yet grooming also correlates with Confident (Capitanio et al.,
142 1999) or Irritability (Garai et al., 2016). The behaviors active and playful are often correlated
143 (Uher & Visalberghi, 2016; Vazire et al., 2007), but playful also correlates with anxious and
144 scratch (Iwanicki & Lehmann, 2015). Further, being physically active (i.e. not resting) does
145 not always correlate with social activity (Koski, 2011). Thus, multi-method approaches may
146 reveal more subtle and complete personality structures because each method captures aspects
147 of personality that are not fully grasped by the other (Garai et al., 2016; Uher & Visalberghi;
148 2016; Tkaczynski et al., 2018) .

149 Different species of the macaque genus vary in their social style, i.e. in aspects of affiliation,
150 aggression, dominance, nepotism, maternal behavior and socialization (Thierry, Singh, &
151 Kaumanns, 2004). Adams and colleagues (2015) showed that similarities in personality
152 dimensions capturing aggression and social competence are related to similarities in social
153 styles (ranging from despotic via intermediate to egalitarian), and that the personality
154 structure of the intermediately tolerant Assamese macaques (*Macaca assamensis*) studied
155 here clustered with that of egalitarian crested macaques (*Macaca nigra*). In contrast to many

156 other male primates, male Assamese macaques form differentiated non-kin social
157 relationships with other males (Schülke, Bhagavatula, Vigilant, & Ostner, 2010) with females
158 (Haunhorst, Schülke, & Ostner, 2016), and with immatures (Minge, Berghänel, Schülke, &
159 Ostner, 2016) and engage in frequent coalition formation and different affiliative behaviors,
160 like grooming, gentle touch, and male–infant–male interactions (Kalbitz, Schülke, & Ostner,
161 2017; Ostner & Schülke, 2014).

162 The aim of this study was to explore the personality structure of male Assamese macaques in
163 their natural habitat to provide the baseline for future studies on the socioecology of inter-
164 individual differences. We employed behavior coding to emphasize prosocial personality
165 traits that received less attention in previous studies (Koski, 2014), but may influence social
166 partner choice (Massen & Koski, 2014) and individual fitness (Seyfarth & Cheney, 2013).
167 The behavior coding was combined with trait rating to develop a more comprehensive
168 personality model that integrates the strengths of both methods. Our discussion will
169 contribute to the ongoing debate about personality assessment in nonhuman animals (e.g.,
170 Iwanicki & Lehmann, 2015; Tkaczynski et al., 2018; Uher & Visalberghi, 2016).

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Methods

Study Site and Subjects

174 Fieldwork took place in the Phu Khieo Wildlife Sanctuary (PKWS: 16°5' – 35°N, 101°20' –
175 55'E) which is part of the ca. 6,500 km² interconnected and well-protected Western Isaan
176 Forest Complex in north-eastern Thailand (Borries, Larney, Kreetiyutanont, & Koenig,
177 2002). The study area is covered by hill evergreen forest and harbors a diverse community of
178 large mammals and predators (Borries et al., 2002). Data for this study were collected on four

179 multimale-multifemale groups from April 2014 (ASM and AOM groups) or October 2014
180 (ASS and AOS groups) to March 2016. Group sizes at the beginning of behavior data
181 collection are shown in Table S1.

182

183 *Data collection*

184 *1) Trait ratings*

185 All adult females and males of the four groups were rated with the 54 item Hominoid
186 Personality Questionnaire (HPQ; King & Figueredo, 1997; Weiss et al., 2009), which had
187 previously been successfully used to assess personality in different macaque species,
188 including Assamese macaques (Adams et al., 2015). Each adjective item is defined within the
189 context of general behaviors common to primates. For example, 'fearful' is defined as
190 "Subject reacts excessively to real or imagined threats by displaying behaviors such as
191 screaming, grimacing, running away or other signs of anxiety or distress." Adjective items
192 are rated on a 7-point scale with 1 defined as "Displays either total absence or negligible
193 amounts of the trait" and 7 defined as "Displays extremely large amounts of the trait." (Weiss
194 et al., 2009). Ratings were done in an office away from the animals, and observers were
195 instructed to base their ratings on overall impressions of the individual's behavior, and not to
196 discuss the questionnaires with each other. The Thai project members used a Thai language
197 version of the questionnaire that was back-translated to ensure accuracy. Within the study
198 period from April 2014 to March 2016, four Thai field assistants, AE and another PhD
199 student, all familiar with the subjects for 6 months to 7 years in April 2014, rated the animals
200 twice. Eighty-one individuals were rated in the first year, all adult males in March 2015, and
201 all adult females and sub-adult males in September 2015. Of these 81, 74 individuals were

202 rated again in March 2016. Animals were rated by the same observers who collected the
203 behavior data within the study period.

204 One of the groups (ASM) had been rated earlier (2009) by eight observers (2 of them rated
205 again in this study) familiar with the animals from focal animal data collection (60 adult and
206 juvenile males and females) (Adams et al., 2015). Of these 60 individuals, 26 had emigrated
207 into a non-study group or died by the beginning of this study and were included here to
208 extend our data set to ensure a higher observations-to-variables ratio.

209

210 2) *Behavior codings*

211 We collected 4,628 hours of focal animal observations (Altmann, 1974) from 24 adult males
212 (mean per subject = 193h; range = 86h–284h) of the four study groups. Focal animals were
213 included in the study if they were present longer than three months within one year of the
214 two-year study period. Individuals were followed for 40 minutes with continuous recording
215 of all approaches and departures within 1.5m of the focal animal and all affiliative and
216 agonistic social interactions with directionality and the identities of interaction partners, and
217 several solitary behaviors (e.g., scratching, yawning, display; supplement Table S2). Activity
218 of the focal animal was recorded instantaneously at 2-minutes intervals. Every 10min, we
219 recorded the identities of all individuals within a 5m sphere around the focal animal. An
220 effort was made to equally distribute observation time across individuals and time of the day.
221 This study includes an extended data set of socially motivated behaviors, such as affiliative
222 triadic male-infant-male interactions (Kalbitz et al., 2017; Paul, Kuester, & Arnemann, 1996).

223

224 *Data analysis*

225 All statistical analyses were run with R (version 3.4.2; R Core Team, 2017).

226 *1) Trait ratings*

227 We reduced the data to only those raters who used the entire 7-point scale, and those items
228 that were rated by more than half of the remaining reliable observers, and those items that
229 showed normal distribution. We calculated interrater-reliability, a measure of consistency
230 across raters, and test-retest reliability, examining consistency over time, to assess reliable
231 adjective items that would then be included in a factor analysis.

232 For each year (2009, 2015, 2016), data were visually inspected via scatterplots, histograms
233 and Q-Q plots to examine the rating performance of observers and the distribution of each
234 adjective item. Three observers had to be excluded from further analyses due to incorrect use
235 of the coding protocol. Specifically, in 2009 three of eight observers and in 2015 and 2016
236 one of six observers (one of the two, who rated in all 3 years) did not use the complete 7-
237 point scale, and used “1” (“Displays either total absence or negligible amounts of the trait”)
238 instead of “4” as mean rating value. The item “autistic” was excluded since 8 of the
239 remaining reliable 9 observers did not rate it, leaving 53 items for further analysis.

240 Interrater-reliability was measured as Intraclass Correlation Coefficients (*ICC*; Shrout &
241 Fleiss, 1979). *ICCs* assess reliability by comparing item variability across all observers. *ICC*
242 quantifies the similarity of single trait ratings of each adjective for every individual among all
243 observers (3,1), or mean trait ratings of each adjective for every individual among all
244 observers (3,k). A good level of agreement for primate studies has been set at $ICC(3,k) =$
245 0.48 (Freeman & Gosling, 2010). A meaningful item selection is based on positive values
246 when confidence intervals do not include zero, and often a cut-off criterion of $ICC(3,k) > 0.4$
247 is applied (Cicchetti, 1994).

248 Temporal stability of trait ratings was assessed with Pearson correlations (corrected for
249 multiple testing by the false discovery rate, hereafter *fdr*) of mean adjective items, averaged
250 across observers, for each individual from one rating to the next. High retest reliability
251 measures for the trait ratings of 74 individuals present in 2015 and 2016 ($N_{\text{adjective items}} = 53$; M
252 $= 0.66$; range: 0.3–0.92) support data aggregation. Thus, we assessed the overall personality
253 structure from trait ratings of 107 subjects, a combination of mean ratings of 74 individuals
254 present in 2016, plus seven individuals present in 2015 (which emigrated or died later), and
255 additional 26 individuals that were present in the study group only in 2009. Only temporally
256 stable adjective items, i.e. significant positive correlations > 0 , were subjected to a factor
257 analysis.

258 After data reduction based on reliability analyses, two measures of sampling adequacy were
259 applied to check for moderate inter-correlations and hence factorability of variables. The
260 Kaiser-Mayer-Olkin–(KMO) index compares values of correlations between items and those
261 of partial correlations to check if at least two or three variables correlate with each other
262 (“KMO” function in “psych” package; Revelle, 2018). The Bartlett’s test of sphericity
263 compares the observed correlation matrix to the identity matrix with no correlation and is
264 significant when it deviates from identity (“bartlett.test” function in “REdaS” package;
265 Maier, 2015).

266 The number of factors to be retained for factor analysis was determined using the
267 “fa.parallel” function (“psych” package) and the “paran” function (“paran” package; Dinno,
268 2012) to perform a scree test (Cattell, 1966) with parallel analysis (Horn, 1965). Exploratory
269 factor analysis was done with the “fa” function of the “psych” package. Principle axis
270 factoring with promax rotation was applied to attain an optimal simple structure that

271 maximize high loadings on one factor for each variable. Oblique factor rotation allows for
272 inter-correlations of factors, which is more adequate for trait ratings by observers as well as
273 behavior codings (Uher & Visalberghi, 2016). For interpretation, salient factor loadings were
274 considered to be $\geq |0.4|$, and items with salient cross loadings were included in the factor on
275 which they had the highest loading (Field, Miles, & Field, 2012). A clean factor structure is
276 achieved by item loadings above $|0.30|$ with preferably no cross loadings, and no factors with
277 less than three items (Costello & Osborne, 2005; Freeman et al., 2013). Behavioral
278 personality research, however, does often accept dimensions with less than three salient items
279 (Koski, 2011b; Manson & Perry, 2013; Pritchard, Sheeran, Gabriel, Li, & Wagner, 2014;
280 Seyfarth, Silk, & Cheney, 2012; Sussman, Ha, Bentson, & Crockett, 2013). Internal
281 consistency for each retained personality dimension was calculated as Cronbach's Alpha on
282 mean ratings of adjective items across raters for all 107 subjects ("alpha" function in "psych"
283 package). Alpha ranges from zero to one, with higher values indicating greater internal
284 consistency.

285 For further analyses, factor scores for each dimension were extracted with the "factor.scores"
286 function ("psych" package) using the regression ("Thurstone") method. Rank order stability
287 of the personality structures from one year to the next (March 2015 and 2016) was assessed
288 with the "factor.congruence" function ("psych" package), comparing the factor loadings of
289 respective dimensions. Confidence intervals (CI) were calculated with the "boot.data"
290 function, we applied 1000 iterations and sampled 60 out of 74 individuals with no
291 replacement. Further, to demonstrate that the convergent structure relies on individual
292 stability, individual factor scores were correlated for every dimension applying *fdr*
293 corrections for multiple testing. Due to a rather small sample size, which exaggerates the

294 effect of single individuals on the analysis output, the same variables and individuals were
295 submitted to factor analysis for both years.

296 The data sets for trait rating and behavior coding were imbalanced. TR was conducted for
297 male and female infants, juveniles and adults to increase the number of observations above
298 that of items in the factor analysis. Observational data for behavior coding were collected
299 only on adult males though. To assess whether this imbalance affected comparisons of
300 constructs derived from both methods we used a parceling approach for item reduction in the
301 TR data set (Little, Cunningham, Shahar, Widaman, 2002). We ran separate factor analyses for
302 males and females, and compared the resulting constructs (further details in SEM). The
303 resulting separate four factor solutions for males (n=59) and females (n=48) had high factor
304 congruence of factor loadings (M=0.93, range: 0.90-0.98) suggesting they were similar or
305 equal (Lorenzo-Seva & ten Berge, 2006). We ran further tests to assess whether the trait-rated
306 factors from the males only (n=24) structure differed from the structure derived from the full
307 data set on males and females (n=107) and found high factor congruence in factor loadings
308 again (M=0.98, range: 0.96-0.99). All further analyses were run on the TR construct built
309 from the full data set.

310 2) *Behavior codings*

311 Variables for behavioral coding were derived from a long ethogram provided in the
312 supplement (Table S2). To arrive at our final set of variables for behavioral coding, we first
313 omitted variables that could not be measured reliably either because the behavior was shown
314 very rarely by the adult male subjects ('yawning'; 'treeshake'; 'submission'; 'reconciliation';
315 'rejection'; 'dominance'; 'interference'; 'ignorance'; 'playface') or because of problems with
316 data collection; the variable 'fidgeting' which should have captured how often an individual

317 changed between different activities, was omitted because we were unable to record these
318 changes in the continuous protocol and our instantaneous recording interval was too long to
319 capture its effects. In an effort to reduce the overall number of variables, we collapsed those
320 variables that had been defined per age-sex class into just one variable for all partners. We
321 then assessed for each study period separately whether those behaviors that comprised an
322 aggregated variable were positively correlated amongst each other and retained only those
323 that were. For 'friendly behavior' this meant that 'MIMI' was added, but 'peer', 'play',
324 'kiss', 'genital touch', 'mount', 'present' were omitted from the aggregate. We had planned
325 to aggregate aggressive behaviors into 'threats' and 'aggression'; we tested the validity of
326 these constructs by PCA and found three instead of two principle components that we named
327 'mild aggression', 'overt aggression' and 'physical aggression'. The aggressive behaviors
328 'open mouth', 'point', 'pretend grab', 'bite', and 'chase' were omitted, because they were not
329 consistently across years correlated to behaviors from one of the three aggregated aggression
330 variables. New aggregated variables were built from correlated behaviors that individually
331 occurred at rather low rates; 'auto-grooming' and 'scratching' into 'self-directed'; 'body-
332 contact' and 'grooming' into 'contact time' and 'contact diversity'; 'involvement', 'policing'
333 and 'agonistic support' aggregated into 'agonistic involvement'; the low frequency variables
334 mentioned above were omitted because they did not fit into any aggregate variable. The
335 aggregate variable 'vocalization' was dropped, because components were moved into other
336 aggregates; 'growl' was included in 'overt aggression'. One variable 'being left' was omitted
337 to further reduce the number of variables.

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339 After this first data reduction, 20 behavior variables were defined and extracted from the
340 focal animal observations (supplement Table S7). Most of the behavior variables were
341 calculated as rate per hour, corrected by the individual observation time. Other variables were
342 calculated as proportions, across all partners in social measures. To assess the personality
343 construct, variables were aggregated from the overall data collection period to maximize
344 construct stability, which is compromised by low frequencies (Freeman et al., 2013).
345 Reliability was assessed with Pearson correlations of mean values from one year to the next,
346 and only the 18 stable out of the 20 variables were used (Table S7). The two years of data
347 collection were split in half, to have one year of behavior codings before the trait ratings in
348 March 2015 and 2016, respectively. In the first period, continuous data collection started half
349 a year later for six adult males due to age-class change in October 2014. All behavior
350 variables were visually inspected via histograms and Q-Q plots to examine their distribution
351 pattern. “Display” was log transformed for the single years and square root transformed for
352 the both years together. Variables were z-transformed before submitted to further analyses.

353 After data reduction, behavior variables were treated as described for the trait ratings (see
354 above) to evaluate their suitability for factor analysis, except that further methods were
355 considered to determine the number of factors to retain for factor analysis (besides scree test
356 with parallel analysis using “fa.parallel” and “paran” function), to search for similar results
357 across several criteria to overcome data insecurities (Freeman et al., 2013; Preacher &
358 MacCallum, 2003). Additional methods were the Very Simple Structure Criterion (VSS;
359 Revelle & Rocklin, 1979) and Velicer’s Minimum Average Partial test (MAP; Velicer,
360 1976), both using the “vss” function (“psych” package), as well as Kaiser’s rule (Kaiser,
361 1960) and scree tests with parallel analysis using the “nScree” function (“nFactors” package;
362 Raiche, 2010).

363 Exploratory factor analysis and further steps were implemented as described above for the
364 rating analysis, except that maximum likelihood method with oblimin rotation was applied,
365 and that the CI's for factor congruence were calculated based on a sample of 19 out of 22
366 individuals (bootstrapping required subsampling).

367 3) *Construct validity*

368 Convergent construct validity examines the correlation between different measures of the
369 same construct (John & Soto, 2007). Convergent construct validity between personality
370 constructs, derived from trait ratings and behavior codings, was assessed in two ways. First,
371 individual factor scores of 24 adult males were correlated (Pearson's r) for every dimension
372 (Freeman et al., 2013; Garai, Weiss, Arnaud, & Furuichi, 2016b). Second, percentage bend
373 correlation (Wilcox, 1994) was used to measure the relation between the behavior data from
374 24 adult males and the overall personality scores from questionnaire ratings from 107
375 individuals (Iwanicki & Lehmann, 2015; Morton et al., 2013; Tkaczynski et al., 2018). Z-
376 transformed behavior variables were correlated via the "pbcor" function ("WRS2" package;
377 Mair, Schoenbrodt, & Wilcox, 2017) with factor scores of every trait rating personality
378 dimension.

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Results

381 *Trait ratings (TR)*

382 Eight adjective items were excluded because of low interrater reliability, leaving 45 items
383 with $ICC_{\text{mean}} = 0.6$; range: 0.4–0.87 (Table S8). The remaining 45 adjective items were
384 submitted to measures of sampling adequacy and met the criteria. The overall KMO – index

385 was higher than 0.5 (KMO = 0.87; range: 0.57–0.92) and the Bartlett’s test for homogeneity
386 of variances was significant (Bartlett’s K-squared (44) = 360.17; $p < 2.2e-16$).

387 The visual inspection of the scree plot with parallel analysis suggested retaining four factors
388 to explain most of the variability in the data. Two items (thoughtless and unperceptive) had
389 loadings $< |0.4|$ on all factors and were excluded. Factor analysis with the remaining 43 items
390 yielded a similar construct. Four dimensions were extracted: Opportunism_{TR}, Confidence_{TR},
391 Activity_{TR} and Friendliness_{TR} (Table 1). Opportunism_{TR} comprises items such as aggressive,
392 bullying, irritable, impulsive, not gentle and not stable. Confidence_{TR} includes dominant, not
393 a follower, not vulnerable, not timid and not submissive. Activity_{TR} is described by being
394 curious, active, playful, not depressed and not lazy. Friendliness_{TR} is characterized with
395 affectionate, sociable, friendly and not solitary. All four factors together explain 72% of the
396 item variance (Table 1). The communalities are the sum of the squared factor loadings for a
397 given variable and may be interpreted as a reliability indicator (Field, 2000). No item
398 loadings were below $|0.4|$, there were relatively few cross loadings, and mean item
399 communality h^2 was rather high ($M = 0.72$; range: 0.39–0.93), with only three items below
400 0.5 (clumsy, individualistic and intelligent), indicating robust personality dimensions
401 (Costello & Osborne, 2005; de Winter, Dodou, & Wieringa, 2009).

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405 Correlations among personality dimensions, as computed with the “fa” function ($M = |0.16|$;
406 range: $|0.01–0.44|$), were generally weak, apart from a moderate correlation between

407 Opportunism_{TR} and Activity_{TR}. Internal consistencies for the factor scores (*Cronbach's*
408 *alpha*_{mean} = 0.92; range: 0.88–0.98) were high..

409 Rank order stability of personality dimensions from March 2015 to March 2016 was
410 confirmed, with similar results for the congruence of factor loadings Φ ($M = 0.95$; range:
411 0.91–0.98) and the correlations of factor scores r ($M = 0.81$; range: 0.72–0.87; Table 2).

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415 *Behavior codings (BC)*

416 Test-retest reliabilities r of behavior variables were rather low ($N_{\text{behavior variables}} = 20$; $M = 0.39$;
417 range: -0.16–0.69; Table S7). Two variables, grooming symmetry and overt aggression, did
418 not meet the criteria for temporal stability, i.e. positive correlations > 0 , and were excluded
419 from further analyses.

420 The remaining 18 behavior variables were submitted to measures of sampling adequacy. The
421 overall KMO – index for the total observation period was slightly lower than 0.5 (KMO =
422 0.46; range: 0.20–0.76) and the Bartlett's test for homogeneity of variances was significant
423 (Bartlett's K-squared(17) = 1014.8; $p < 2.2e-16$). Low KMO values might result from the
424 rather small observations-to-variables ratio and these variables were not rejected.

425 The visual inspection of the scree plot and parallel analysis (“psych” and “paran” package)
426 suggested to retain three factors to explain most of the variability in the data. The VSS
427 suggested four and the MAP test five factors to retain (“psych” package). The “nFactors”

428 package revealed for Kaiser’s rule five factors, and for scree test and parallel analysis four
429 factors to retain.

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435 Due to these inconsistencies, we ran two factor analyses, extracting three and four factors,
436 respectively. The 4-factor solution, with the dimensions Gregariousness_{BC}, Aggressiveness_{BC},
437 Sociability_{BC} and Vigilance_{BC}, (Table 3) yielded more robust factors as described below
438 (Costello & Osborne, 2005), though less robust than in the trait rating analysis, with seven of
439 18 variables showing item communalities below 0.5. The 4-factor solution had higher mean
440 communality values (4-factor solution: $M(h^2) = 0.62$; range: 0.3–1 and 3-factor solution:
441 $M(h^2) = 0.55$; range: 0.2–0.95), as well as a higher proportion of variance explained (4-factor
442 solution: 62% and 3-factor solution: 55%). The variable “display” had no reliable loading (<
443 |0.4|) in the 4-factor solution and cross loadings of |0.4| (in two dimensions) in the 3-factor
444 solution, reflecting its instability. In addition, the fourth factor was mainly marked by the
445 variable “vigilant”, with a very high factor loading (0.99) and communality ($h^2 = 1$), but the
446 lowest communality ($h^2 = 0.2$) and a weak factor loading (-0.43) in the 3-factor solution. This
447 emphasizes that “vigilant” represents a separate factor, though it is rather unstable, with only
448 one additional variable “not active” loading on it, probably, due to the lack of more non-
449 social variables in the data. In other personality studies, vigilance also groups with negatively

450 loaded activity behaviors, and positively with other behaviors, not captured in our analysis,
451 e.g., provisioning (Iwanicki & Lehmann, 2015).

452 As with the rating analysis, there were also moderate intercorrelations r among dimensions
453 ($M = |0.16|$; range: $|0.02-0.35|$), speaking against varimax factor rotation. Internal consistency
454 of the personality dimensions was fair to excellent ($M(\text{Cronbach's } \alpha) = 0.77$; range:
455 $0.62-0.92$). Alpha for Vigilance_{BC} was rather low at 0.62, but comparable with other studies
456 where personality dimensions include less than three variables (e.g., Manson & Perry, 2013).

457 To assess rank order stability, the three factor solution was applied for the single years, even
458 though there was a Heywood case (i.e. factor loading > 1.0) for “quitting” in the second year.
459 There was no clear result for factor determination, considering different methods and the
460 criteria for construct robustness, as mentioned above. This ambiguity underlines the need to
461 aggregate the data (two-year observation period) to overcome the shortcoming of low
462 frequencies in behavior codings, in order to enable interpretation of the personality structure.

463 Rank order stability of personality dimensions from one year to the next was moderate, and
464 revealed some differences between the congruence of factor loadings Φ ($M = 0.69$; range:
465 $0.37-0.92$) and the correlations of factor scores r ($M = 0.40$; range: $0.24 - 0.57$; Table 4).

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470 *Construct validity TR with BC*

471 Significant positive correlations of individual factor scores were found between personality
472 dimensions $\text{Friendliness}_{\text{TR}}$ and $\text{Gregariousness}_{\text{BC}}$ ($r = 0.69; p < 0.001$), as well as between
473 $\text{Sociability}_{\text{BC}}$ and $\text{Activity}_{\text{TR}}$ ($r = 0.63; p = 0.001$), and a low negative correlation between
474 $\text{Friendliness}_{\text{TR}}$ and $\text{Sociability}_{\text{BC}}$ ($r = -0.41; p = 0.046$) (Table 5.; Figure 1).

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481 Regarding the relations between behavior variables many of which were integrated and
482 personality dimensions based on trait ratings (Table 6), “mild aggression” correlated with
483 $\text{Opportunism}_{\text{TR}}$ ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = 0.41; p = 0.049$). “Display” ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = 0.59; p =$
484 0.003), “vigilant” ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = -0.43; p = 0.035$) and “self-directed” ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = -0.56; p = 0.005$)
485 correlated with $\text{Confidence}_{\text{TR}}$. “Friendly behavior” ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = 0.55; p = 0.006$) and “peripheral”
486 ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = 0.43; p = 0.037$) correlated with $\text{Activity}_{\text{TR}}$. Nine out of 18 variables correlated with
487 $\text{Friendliness}_{\text{TR}}$: “active” ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = -0.44; p = 0.031$), “alone” ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = -0.66; p = 0.001$), “display”
488 ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = 0.44; p = 0.033$), “friendly approach” ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = 0.60; p = 0.002$), “leaving” ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = 0.63; p =$
489 0.001), “neighbor diversity” ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = 0.65; p = 0.001$), “physical aggression” ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = 0.50; p =$
490 0.012), “peripheral” ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = -0.45; p = 0.026$) and “tolerance” ($\rho_{\text{pb}} = 0.60; p = 0.002$).

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Discussion

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This study was not designed as a validation study comparing personality structures derived

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with different methods or with the goal to compare results with the published literature. An

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elaborate method comparison is hampered by the imbalance in our data sets for the two

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methods and also would have required deriving a priori predictions about which factors from

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each method would be congruent (Koski et al., 2017; Tkaczynski et al., 2018). A method

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comparison would also have benefitted from including rating of adjectives that had been

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derived from the species' behavior repertoire instead of applying constructs derived from

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lexical accounts in humans (Uher et al., 2008). A validation study would assess which

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constructs derived by one method are congruent with a construct derived by the second

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method and thereby arrive at a possibly reduced set of constructs that have been validated.

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Accepting that to some extent each method will grasp slightly different aspects of personality,

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the aim of this study was to build a comprehensive personality structure by also retaining

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dimensions that were not congruent across methods and thereby extending the structure space

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beyond what could be achieved by a single method. Before we describe this structure, we will

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relate the personality structures and dimensions developed here with published work on the

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same and other macaque species and other nonhuman primates to establish how robust and

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reproducible they are across studies using slightly or vastly different methods.

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Reproducibility of trait ratings and construct validity

514 A previous study on Assamese macaque personality (Adams et al., 2015) did not employ item
515 selection and extracted five personality dimensions from HPQ ratings (labelled as
516 Confidence_{TR}, Activity_{TR}, Openness_{TR}, Friendliness_{TR} and Opportunism_{TR}) whereas our
517 rating analysis revealed four dimensions: Opportunism_{TR}, Confidence_{TR}, Activity_{TR} and
518 Friendliness_{TR} which we named the same when replicated. Our Opportunism_{TR} domain
519 comprised all adjectives representing Opportunism_{TR}, as well as 4 out of 10 items of
520 Openness_{TR} in Adams et al. Behavior codings from adult males also resulted in a four-factor
521 structure, with Gregariousness_{BC}, Aggressiveness_{BC}, Sociability_{BC} and Vigilance_{BC}, that has
522 considerable overlap with the personality structure from trait rating and does reflect previous
523 findings in other macaque studies (Neumann et al., 2013). Friendliness_{TR} was convergent
524 with Gregariousness_{BC} and inverse Sociability_{BC}, whereas Activity_{TR} correlated with
525 Sociability_{BC}. In addition, Opportunism_{TR} was weakly associated with Aggressiveness_{BC}.
526 Confidence_{TR} replicated very well, but showed no association with the behavior personality
527 dimensions.

528 The trait rating dimension Friendliness_{TR} confirmed previous findings (Adams et al., 2015;
529 Konečná et al., 2008; Sussman et al., 2013; Weiss, Adams, Widdig, & Gerald, 2011): the
530 rather strong link between Friendliness_{TR} and Gregariousness_{BC} is explained by all behavior
531 variables belonging to Gregariousness_{BC} having significant correlations with Friendliness_{TR}.
532 More specifically, adjectives, like “sympathetic” (kind towards others), “sociable” (seeks and
533 enjoys company) and “not solitary” (spends considerable time alone) correlate with behaviors
534 like “friendly approach” or “tolerance”, “neighbor diversity” and “not alone”.
535 Gregariousness_{BC} represents spatial proximity aspects that have been suggested to measure
536 social integration, i.e., close proximity to and higher rates of affiliation with diverse partners.
537 The evidence for a Gregariousness_{BC} dimension is mixed for macaques. There are similar

538 domains with the focus on close and distant proximity in Barbary, crested, and Rhesus
539 macaques (Capitano, 1999; Neumann et al., 2013; Tkaczynski et al., 2018), or domains with
540 a mixture of behaviors belonging to our Gregariousness_{BC} and Sociability_{BC} in Barbary,
541 longtailed, lion-tail, and Tibetan macaques (Pritchard et al., 2014; Rouff, Sussman, & Strube,
542 2005; Tkaczynski et al., 2018; Uher, Werner, et al., 2013).

543 The negative correlation between Friendliness_{TR} and Sociability_{BC}, while being weak, still
544 seems unexpected. Friendliness_{TR} does not seem to cover the behavior personality dimension
545 Sociability_{BC}, since four out of the five variables with positive factor loadings on
546 Sociability_{BC} correlated negatively with Friendliness_{TR}. Sociability_{BC} seems to have two
547 facets: first, it was primarily described by high rates of short-term affiliation (such as
548 “embrace”), with a factor loading of 0.99 (mean loadings of other variables < 0.5) and a
549 negative correlation with Friendliness_{TR}, and thus may reflect an aspect of social integration,
550 not included in Friendliness_{TR}. Second, Sociability_{BC} seems to express variation in social
551 bonding, i.e. the tendency to focus affiliation on a few close partners (Ostner & Schülke,
552 2014). Individuals with stronger bonds have a higher “contact time” (time in body contact
553 and grooming) with less social partners leading to a negative correlation of “contact
554 diversity” with Friendliness_{TR}. Also, “contact time”, as a measure for “affectionate”
555 (closeness and frequent grooming with others), was not correlated with Friendliness_{TR}, as
556 high scores may result from a few long or from many short periods of contact. In addition,
557 rates of “friendly behavior” do not need to be high for strongly bonded individuals, since they
558 might engage in prolonged but less frequent social interactions with their bonded partners.
559 Crested and Rhesus macaques exhibit a similar behavior Sociability_{BC} dimension with high
560 grooming and affiliation rates as well as diverse grooming and affiliation (Neumann et al.,
561 2013; von Borell, Kulik, & Widdig, 2016). Interestingly, “peripheral” (staying outside the

562 group center) included in Sociability_{BC} underlines that there is no need for individuals to stay
563 close to the core of the group to be socially integrated. In Barbary and Crested macaques
564 being “central” loads on a dimension most similar to this study’s Gregariousness_{BC}
565 (Neumann et al., 2013; Tkaczynski et al., 2018).

566 Opportunism_{TR} completely comprises adjectives referring to Adam’s and colleagues
567 Opportunism_{TR}, as well as four out of ten adjectives belonging to their Openness_{TR}
568 dimension, i.e. “excitable”, “impulsive”, “erratic”, “distractible” (Adams et al., 2015). The
569 remaining five ‘Openness_{TR} adjectives’ (e.g., “thoughtless”, “innovative”) were excluded
570 from our analysis and “individualistic” loaded on Confidence_{TR}. It was unexpected that
571 Opportunism_{TR} and Aggressiveness_{BC} were not strongly correlated. This weak relationship
572 was likely driven by the behaviors “mild aggression” and “quitting”, because observers may
573 have perceived more frequent behaviors as more important (“mild aggression” was 5 times
574 more frequent than “physical aggression”). Similarly, in chimpanzees, aggression related trait
575 ratings converged strongly with “threat”, but only weakly with the lower frequency “attack”
576 behavior measures (Vazire et al., 2007). “Physical aggression” and “leaving” correlated
577 positively with Friendliness_{TR}, which is similar to a positive association of “contact
578 aggression” and the socio-positive Extraversion_{TR} found in chimpanzees (Freeman et al.,
579 2013). As “physical aggression” is often expressed in more serious conflicts which in
580 chimpanzees and Assamese macaques often turn polyadic, an individual acting aggressively
581 may at the same time be supportive and helpful in a coalitionary context. “Helpful” is
582 included in Friendliness_{TR}, possibly causing the positive correlation between “physical
583 aggression” and Friendliness_{TR}. In addition, there is a general link between affiliative and
584 aggressive interactions among partners due to the increasing probability of conflict with
585 increasing time spent in close proximity to others (Silk et al., 2010; Widdig, Nürnberg,

586 Krawczak, Streich, & Bercovitch, 2002). In line with this, in macaque personality studies
587 affiliative and aggressive behaviors are frequently correlated as are social behavior and
588 aggressiveness-related rating dimensions (Capitania, 1999; Rouff et al., 2005; Tkaczynski et
589 al., 2018; Uher, Werner, et al., 2013). So far, rating Opportunism_{TR} domains are described for
590 Assamese (this study), crested (Adams et al., 2015), pigtail and longtailed (Sussman et al.
591 2013, Uher, Werner, et al., 2013) as well as Tibetan macaques (Pritchard et al., 2014),
592 whereas Confidence_{TR} or Dominance_{TR} dimensions are found in Rhesus (Adams et al., 2015;
593 Capitania, 1999, Weiss et al., 2011) and Confidence_{TR} and Opportunism_{TR} or Excitability_{TR}
594 in Barbary macaques (Adams et al. 2015; Konečná et al., 2012; Tkaczynski et al., 2018).

595 Confidence_{TR} is almost equivalent to the dimension found previously (Adams et al., 2015).
596 Confidence_{TR} was weakly related to Vigilance_{BC} as a statistical trend, given the negative
597 correlation of “vigilant” behavior with Confidence_{TR}. However, the two dimensions seem not
598 convergent, since other candidate behaviors for Confidence_{TR} did not correlate with
599 “vigilant”. For instance, “display”, presumably a dominance behavior (Freemann et al., 2013;
600 Uher, Werner, et al., 2013; Tkaczynski et al., 2018), showed no reliable loading on any
601 behavior personality dimension, but a prominent positive correlation with Confidence_{TR}. In
602 addition, “self-directed” behavior correlated negatively with Confidence_{TR}, suggesting it is a
603 measure of anxiety (Brent et al., 2014; Koski, 2011b; Neumann et al., 2013; Iwanicki &
604 Lehmann, 2015; Tkaczynski et al., 2018), but here it only loaded negatively, although
605 weakly, on Sociability_{BC}. There was a lack of behavior variables supporting Confidence_{TR}
606 adjectives like “dominant” and “submissive”, because adult Assamese macaques rarely show
607 unprovoked submissive behavior towards other individuals. Similarly, a study on wild
608 Barbary macaques did not find behavior variables to be correlated with their Confidence_{TR}
609 dimension, which is a mixture of items belonging to our Confidence_{TR} and Opportunism_{TR}

610 (Tkaczynski et al., 2018). Confidence_{TR} was correlated with dominance rank though in
611 Hanuman langurs and with rank stability in Barbary macaques (Konečná et al., 2008;
612 Konečná, Weiss, Lhota, & Wallner, 2012). Taken together, a fifth behavior dimension
613 replicating Confidence_{TR} may be possible.

614 In contrast to the reverse correlation of “vigilant” and “active” in this study, a positive
615 correlation of “vigilance” with “playfulness” and “physical activity” was found in longtailed
616 macaques (Uher et al., 2013) and play behavior in brown capuchins (Morton et al., 2013). In
617 these studies, vigilance was measured as social attentiveness, monitoring the activities of
618 other group members. Further, “vigilant” loaded on the Anxiety dimension derived from
619 playback experiments in wild Barbary macaques (Tkaczynski et al., 2018). However, it was
620 only used as playback reaction measure and not as a neutral variable in the every-day
621 behavior coding. A behavior study with free-ranging Rhesus macaques (von Borell et al.,
622 2016) described a Fearfulness_{BC} dimension, resembling some of the behavior variables of this
623 study loading on Gregariousness_{BC} (i.e. friendly approach, proximity, resting) grouped
624 together with “submissive”. If our “vigilance” represented an anxiety measure, it would most
625 likely group with other potential anxiety behaviors, but instead it represented its own
626 dimension. Thus, the “vigilance” variable in this study reflected a general attentiveness to the
627 surrounding environment, social or ecological.

628 Activity_{TR} shared the most descriptive adjectives with highest loadings, e.g., “active”
629 (considerable time moving or engaging in energetic behavior) and “not lazy” and “playful”,
630 with earlier findings (Adams et al., 2015). Additionally, our Activity_{TR} included “curious”,
631 like in other macaque studies (Barbary, Konečná et al., 2012; longtailed, Uher, Werner, et al,
632 2013; Tibetan macaques, Pritchard et al., 2014), but the Activity_{TR} dimension was not found

633 across all macaque rating studies. Activity_{TR} was not correlated with “active” behavior, but
634 with “friendly behavior” and “peripheral” instead, leading to a strong correlation between
635 Activity_{TR} and Sociability_{BC}. Activity_{TR} may thus be mainly perceived as socially active and
636 spending a greater amount of time outside the group center, yet not necessarily alone.
637 However, there was no convergence between Activity_{TR} and Sociability_{BC}, because the
638 correlation was only driven by one social behavior (out of six behaviors loading on
639 Sociability_{BC}); it was not correlated with “active” behavior, despite the high loadings of
640 “active” and “not lazy” on Activity_{TR}. Generally, rating and behavior Activity dimensions are
641 related to social behaviors in primates (Konečná et al., 2008; Tkaczynski et al., 2018; Uher,
642 Werner, et al., 2013; Vazire et al., 2007), but further analyses are needed to better understand
643 these links.

644 The inconsistencies identified in this descriptive comparison between our and previous
645 findings for Assamese macaques (Adams et al., 2015) could be due to sensitivity of the
646 personality structure to rather small sample sizes, leading to small observations-to-variables
647 ratios for the factor analyses (trait ratings with 107 individuals and 43 adjective items). If we
648 assume moderately plastic personality, the construct might change due to new animals being
649 rated in 2015 and 2016, and 19 of the 34 animals already rated in 2009 having matured into
650 adulthood (Dingemanse & Wolf, 2013). Inconsistencies may additionally be due to
651 differences in method; the original study (Adams et al., 2015) neither exclude unreliable
652 raters, nor items with low interrater reliability, while we exclude half of the items included in
653 the original Openness_{TR} dimension which was found in four out of five species studied. Some
654 studies found similar Openness dimensions as well (e.g., Konečná et al. 2012; Uher, Werner,
655 et al., 2013), but others did not (e.g., Capitanio, 1999; Tkaczynski et al., 2018). Differences in
656 method may thus explain the main discrepancies between ours and the previous study on the

657 same population. Another replication study, using the same trait rating method on different
658 populations of common marmosets also revealed to some extent differences in the personality
659 structures, even adding a fifth dimension (Koski et al., 2017).

660 **Comparison with other multi-method primate studies**

661 In the following we provide a brief review of seven macaque and eleven other primate studies
662 that employed a multi-method approaches (macaques: Capitanio 1999; Pritchard et al., 2014;
663 Rouff et al., 2005; Sussman et al., 2013; Tkaczynski et al., 2018; Uher, Werner, et al., 2013;
664 this study; other nonhuman primates: Carter, Marshall, Heinsohn, & Cowlshaw, 2012;
665 Eckardt et al., 2015; Freeman et al., 2013; Garai et al., 2016; Iwanicki & Lehmann, 2015;
666 Konečná et al., 2008; Morton et al., 2013; Pederson, King, & Landau, 2005; Uher &
667 Asendorpf, 2008; Uher & Visalberghi, 2016; Vazire et al., 2007). To date, trait rating studies
668 identified a unique macaque Friendliness_{TR} dimension described with the same adjectives in
669 all species, whereas other primate studies often define two discriminant social domains,
670 mostly named Extraversion_{TR} and Agreeableness_{TR}. In nearly all of the reviewed multi-
671 method studies social rating domains were best validated, revealing positive correlations with
672 social behaviors or behavior domains, generally resembling a mixed pattern of behaviors
673 reflecting social integration (e.g., proximity) and bonding (e.g., grooming skew).
674 Opportunism_{TR} and Dominance_{TR} related dimensions (or Confidence_{TR} as in most macaques)
675 were validated in half of the studies. Dominance_{TR} and Opportunism_{TR} are not seen as
676 interchangeable, because Dominance_{TR}, described with dominant and confident adjectives, is
677 indeed often correlated with dominant and aggressive behaviors. In contrast, Opportunism_{TR}
678 is correlated with dominance behavior only, if the two aspects are integrated in one
679 Dominant-Competitive-Aggressive dimension. Most studies describe either Opportunism_{TR}

680 (macaques) or Dominance_{TR} (other species) and one third made both domains part of the
681 personality profile. Other dimensions, as Excitability_{TR+BC}, Emotionality_{TR+BC} or
682 Boldness_{TR+BC} are less reliably measured and validated. Half of the studies in non-macaque
683 species, and one in macaques, define an Openness_{TR+BC} domain, consistently loaded with
684 “curious”, which in all cases correlated with “playful” behavior.

685 Disparities between methods measuring the same construct, as found in the majority of
686 studies, demand multi-method approaches to check for validity in every species under study
687 to further ensure reproducibility. We should not assume validity if only shown once, since
688 most personality dimensions have not been reliably validated in the nonhuman literature (but
689 see discussion for non-human primates in Koski et al., 2017). Particularly studies on wild
690 primates with low sample sizes and limited observational data (partly due to lower behavior
691 frequencies compared to captivity) need to be replicated. Replication studies on the same
692 subjects, groups and populations could build up on each other enabling longer observation
693 periods, and hence larger sample sizes, which may allow including behaviors with low
694 frequencies. Eventually, male, female and juvenile behavior data could be integrated.
695 Subsequent studies could focus on a single dimension, which might require experimental
696 settings (e.g., boldness) which are difficult to conduct in the wild (e.g., playback experiments
697 in demanding habitats). Altogether, this may lead to more complex and fine grained
698 personality structures of nonhuman animals. In addition, mixed findings in personality
699 profiles between species also call for replication studies to understand the socio-ecological
700 relevance of similar behaviors in different species.

701 **A comprehensive personality structure for male Assamese macaques**

702 We propose two solutions for how to combine the 8 dimensions from trait rating and
703 behavior coding. Congruence between Friendliness_{TR} and Gregariousness_{BC} as well as
704 between Activity_{TR} and Sociability_{BC} make them largely redundant. Based on the
705 considerations laid out above about the role of behavior frequency we also consider
706 Opportunism_{TR} and Aggressiveness_{BC} to reflect a similar dimension of inter-individual
707 variation in behavior. Despite the correlation between factor loadings on Confidence_{TR} and
708 Vigilance_{BC} being the same as between Opportunism_{TR} and Aggressiveness_{BC} dimensions, we
709 considered congruence to be low between the former. It follows that the full 5-factor structure
710 is either built from all trait rating dimensions plus Vigilance_{BC} or from all behavior coding
711 dimensions plus Confidence_{TR}. Both solutions have their strengths and weaknesses.

712 We demonstrated the importance of the examination of rating performances of observers, as
713 well as reliability analyses for item selection. However, even if a strong agreement among
714 observers can ensure that trait ratings are not purely idiosyncratic interpretations, all
715 observers may be biased in the same way (Freeman et al. 2011; Koski et al 2011a; Uher
716 2008, Uher & Asendorpf 2008). This aspect of trait ratings deserves continued attention. For
717 instance, an individual which is mainly staying in the periphery of the group and spotted less
718 often will more likely be rated as unsocial, although it is extremely social when joining the
719 group. In statistical terms trait ratings have to be preferred over behavior coding results here
720 because the former were much more robust.

721 Advantages of behavior coding include that behaviors are directly perceivable and
722 measurable and therefore more objective (Freeman et al., 2011) so that more subtle variation
723 in sociability can be detected. So far, trait rating studies in macaques identified a single
724 Friendliness dimension (Adams et al., 2015), whereas behavior coding studies frequently

725 found two distinct prosocial personality domains (Capitanio, 1999; Neumann et al., 2013;
726 Tkaczynski et al., 2018; this study). Researchers in animal and human personality studies
727 stress that social personality dimensions can only be identified in the context of social
728 relationships especially in species with complex societies (Cooper, 2002; Koski, 2011b; Reis,
729 Collins, & Berscheid, 2000). This is highlighted by the fact that affiliative behavior loaded on
730 a different factor than actual affiliative interaction variables because individuals may tolerate
731 and be tolerated sometimes without implications for friendly contact behaviors.

732 One disadvantage of the behavior coding data is that measurement reliability for individual
733 differences may be low for rare behaviors that may, however, be biologically very
734 important such as support in agonistic conflicts. Observers may be better able to represent
735 variation in rare behaviors in their ratings.

736 We conclude that two solutions with five factors best describe the personality structure of the
737 male Assamese macaques studied here. One 5-factor structure is built from all trait rating
738 dimensions plus $Vigilance_{BC}$ and the other from all behavior coding dimensions plus
739 $Confidence_{TR}$. Both solutions have their strengths and weaknesses. We encourage the use of
740 integrative approaches including trait ratings, behavioral codings, and experiments embracing
741 the Transdisciplinary philosophy-of-science paradigm (Uher, 2018), which aims to broaden
742 the horizon in personality research in a transdisciplinary way.

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1016 *Table 1: Personality structure after promax rotation with factor loadings and item*

1017 *communalities (h^2) derived from trait ratings (TR).*

Item	Opportunism_{TR}	Confidence_{TR}	Activity_{TR}	Friendliness_{TR}	h^2
bullying	0.96	0.21	-0.12	-0.02	0.92
aggressive	0.93	0.28	-0.1	-0.01	0.92
irritable	0.93	0	0.01	-0.09	0.88
greedy	0.92	0.21	-0.38	0.15	0.77
jealous	0.92	0.01	-0.14	0.10	0.75
manipulative	0.87	0.24	-0.17	0.09	0.77
defiant	0.81	0.09	0.12	0.02	0.81
excitable	0.78	-0.31	0.15	-0.05	0.77
impulsive	0.72	0.12	0.27	-0.01	0.82
erratic	0.71	-0.17	0.25	-0.21	0.76
distractable	0.55	(-0.49)	0.16	-0.05	0.58
persistent	0.49	(0.44)	0.20	0	0.63
cool	-0.46	(0.42)	-0.36	0.13	0.63
unemotional	-0.62	0.12	-0.39	-0.03	0.76
stable	-0.66	0.16	-0.36	0.15	0.79
gentle	-0.77	-0.17	-0.06	0.41	0.80
dominant	0.30	0.82	-0.19	0.05	0.81
decisive	0.20	0.79	-0.16	0.03	0.70
independent	-0.07	0.68	-0.32	(-0.42)	0.65
protective	0.17	0.61	-0.21	(0.47)	0.75
intelligent	0.10	0.60	-0.13	0.05	0.39
individualistic	0	0.53	-0.08	(-0.49)	0.41
clumsy	0.36	-0.53	-0.52	0.22	0.44
quitting	0.18	-0.71	-0.37	0.01	0.60
anxious	0.18	-0.74	0.05	-0.21	0.66
timid	-0.24	-0.78	0.11	-0.15	0.77
fearful	0.25	-0.83	-0.04	0.01	0.68
submissive	-0.23	-0.86	-0.04	0.10	0.82

vulnerable	-0.11	-0.88	-0.1	0.03	0.83
follower	0.03	-0.91	0.01	0.30	0.78
playful	-0.17	-0.17	0.84	0.09	0.65
active	0.09	0.01	0.79	-0.06	0.68
curious	0.32	-0.06	0.61	0.15	0.73
inquisitive	0.31	-0.04	0.61	0.08	0.68
depressed	-0.07	(-0.44)	-0.48	-0.29	0.71
cautious	0.19	(-0.42)	-0.58	-0.09	0.50
lazy	-0.16	0.13	-0.73	-0.03	0.68
affectionate	-0.10	-0.10	0.01	0.91	0.81
sympathetic	-0.31	-0.11	-0.02	0.81	0.71
friendly	(-0.46)	-0.14	-0.05	0.77	0.77
sociable	0.22	0.11	0.14	0.76	0.79
helpful	0.12	0.30	0.16	0.66	0.74
solitary	-0.15	-0.24	-0.22	-0.64	0.72
Variance explained	27%	22%	11%	12%	

1018 *Note.* Salient factor loadings $\geq |0.4|$ are shown in bold.

1019 Table 2: Rank-order stability of personality dimensions from trait ratings (TR) in 2015 and
 1020 2016 with factor congruence of factor loadings (first number in cell) and Pearson
 1021 correlations of extracted factor scores (second number in cell).

2016				
2015	Opportunism _{TR}	Confidence _{TR}	Friendliness _{TR}	Activity _{TR}
Opportunism _{TR}	0.97 / 0.87	-0.04 / -0.20	-0.03 / -0.04	-0.18 / -0.39
Confidence _{TR}	-0.03 / -0.12	0.98 / 0.79	-0.17 / -0.29	0.05 / 0.07
Friendliness _{TR}	-0.02 / -0.07	-0.11 / -0.17	0.94 / 0.72	-0.02 / -0.29
Activity _{TR}	-0.20 / -0.46	0.01 / 0.14	-0.01 / -0.13	0.91 / 0.84

1022 *Note.* N_{adjectives} = 41. Values with 90% confidence intervals excluding zero, shown in bold.
 1023 N_{individuals} = 74. Significant values after correcting for fdr shown in bold.
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1025 Table 3: *Personality structure derived from behavior codings (BC) after oblimin rotation with*
 1026 *factor loadings and item communalities (h^2).*

Variable	Gregariousness_{BC}	Aggressiveness_{BC}	Sociability_{BC}	Vigilance_{BC}	h^2
neighbor diversity	0.91	0.08	-0.14	-0.06	0.95
tolerance	0.88	0.02	0.13	0.12	0.78
friendly approach	0.84	0.10	-0.10	0.01	0.80
active	-0.52	0.08	-0.04	(-0.46)	0.46
alone	-0.99	0.06	-0.05	0.06	0.94
quitting	0.04	0.85	0.10	-0.12	0.77
mild aggression	-0.14	0.73	0.13	0.16	0.49
agonistic involvement	-0.02	0.67	0.03	-0.08	0.45
physical aggression	0.27	0.60	-0.14	0.16	0.61
leaving	0.21	0.48	-0.24	0.01	0.43
friendly behavior	-0.01	0.14	0.99	-0.02	1.00
contact diversity	0.03	-0.21	0.56	0.11	0.34
peripheral	-0.34	-0.24	0.49	-0.06	0.55
initiation	-0.17	-0.05	0.42	-0.28	0.38
contact time	0.38	-0.19	0.42	-0.10	0.30
self-directed	-0.35	0.01	-0.44	0.24	0.38
vigilant	-0.03	0.00	-0.03	0.99	1.00
display	0.39	0.38	-0.06	-0.24	0.46
Variance explained	25%	15%	13%	9%	

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1029 Table 4: Rank-order stability of personality dimensions from behavior codings (BC) in
 1030 04/14–03/15 and 04/15–03/16 with factor congruence of loadings (first number in cell) and
 1031 Pearson correlation of extracted factor scores (second number in cell).

	2015–2016		
2014–2015	Gregariousness _{BC}	Sociability _{BC}	Quitting _{BC} ^a
Gregariousness _{BC}	0.92 / 0.57	0.01 / -0.27	0.38 / 0.04
Sociability _{BC}	-0.01 / 0.01	0.78 / 0.40	0.02 / 0.25
Mild aggression _{BC} ^a	0.18 / -0.01	-0.25 / -0.24	0.37 / 0.24

1032 *Note.* N_{behaviors} = 18. Significant value, i.e. 95% confidence interval excluding zero, shown in
 1033 bold. N_{individuals} = 22. Significant values after controlling for *fdr* shown in bold and trends in
 1034 italics.
 1035 ^a3rd factor named after behavior variables with highest loading on that factor, resembling, but
 1036 not equivalent to, Aggressiveness_{BC} in the 4-factor solution of the aggregated data.

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1039 Table 5: Construct validity as Pearson correlations of individual factor scores derived from
 1040 trait ratings (TR) and behavior codings (BC).

Trait Rating	Behavior Coding			
	Gregariousness _{BC}	Aggressiveness _{BC}	Sociability _{BC}	Vigilance _{BC}
Opportunism _{TR}	-0.26	<i>0.36</i>	0.06	-0.08
Confidence _{TR}	0.30	0.29	0.07	<i>-0.36</i>
Friendliness _{TR}	0.69	<i>0.35</i>	-0.41	0.20
Activity _{TR}	-0.13	0.14	0.63	-0.05

1041 *Note.* Bold type significant after controlling for fdr, italic type statistical trend.

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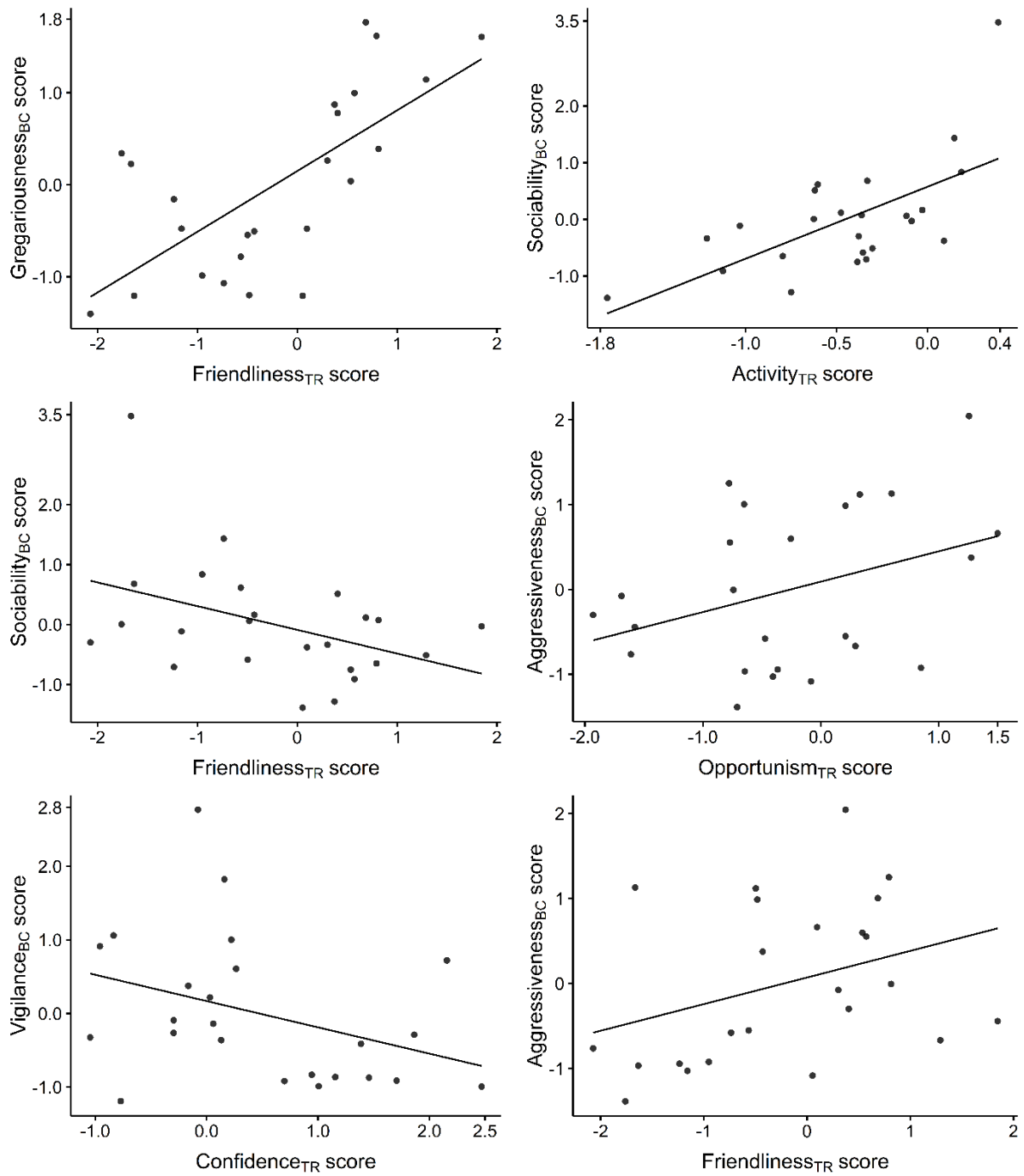
1043 Table 6: Correlation coefficients (ρ_{pb}) of behavior variables with personality factor scores from trait ratings (TR).

Behavior variable	Personality dimension _{TR}							
	Opportunism _{TR}	p	Confidence _{TR}	p	Activity _{TR}	p	Friendliness _{TR}	p
active	0.34	0.11	0.02	0.92	0.13	0.06	-0.44	0.03
agonistic involvement	0.07	0.75	0.32	0.13	-0.15	0.48	0.14	0.52
alone	0.32	0.13	-0.34	0.10	0.24	0.27	-0.66	0.00
contact diversity	-0.21	0.32	0.01	0.96	0.10	0.63	-0.40	0.05
contact time	-0.40	0.06	0.29	0.17	-0.01	0.95	-0.03	0.88
display	-0.23	0.28	0.59	0.00	-0.18	0.40	0.44	0.03
friendly approach	-0.02	0.92	0.08	0.71	-0.25	0.24	0.60	0.00
friendly behavior	0.06	0.79	0.01	0.96	0.55	0.01	-0.34	0.11
initiation	0.27	0.21	-0.24	0.25	0.19	0.37	-0.34	0.11
leaving	0.15	0.49	0.22	0.31	0.14	0.52	0.63	0.00
mild aggression	0.41	0.05	-0.11	0.61	0.08	0.72	0.10	0.64
neighbor diversity	-0.20	0.35	0.22	0.29	-0.33	0.12	0.65	0.00
physical aggression	0.05	0.82	0.17	0.43	-0.19	0.39	0.50	0.01
quitting	0.34	0.10	0.23	0.28	0.17	0.42	0.32	0.13
self-directed	0.09	0.68	-0.56	0.01	-0.20	0.36	-0.04	0.85
peripheral	0.15	0.48	-0.10	0.66	0.43	0.04	-0.45	0.03

tolerance	-0.34	0.11	0.15	0.49	-0.32	0.13	0.60	0.00
vigilant	-0.04	0.85	-0.43	0.04	-0.13	0.55	0.06	0.79

1044 *Note.* Significant values after fdr correction shown in bold.

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1047 *Figure 1.* Congruence in factor scores of 24 males between constructs from behavior coding

1048 BC and trait rating TR. For statistics see table 5.

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