

TOURING EXHIBITION

PARASITES

LIFE UNDERCOVER



 Bayer HealthCare
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MUSEUM FÜR
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BERLIN



*»Guaranteed to give you an itch
as well as a surprise.«* Die Welt

Undetected, undesired, yet unexcelled.

Masters of a hidden universe - parasites are champions in evolutionary terms. The exhibition »Parasites – Life Undercover« takes visitors into their incredible microcosm, evoking both fascination and revulsion.

It gives an insight into parasite life cycles, infestation routes and propagation strategies. It also sheds light on their evolutionary history and their extraordinary ability to exploit their hosts for their own purposes. Eye to eye with bedbugs and other creatures, visitors can find out where they are likely to come into contact with them and why parasites benefit from climate change and globalisation. Parasites have plagued us for centuries and gained a bad name, but they are not all bad news. As modern medicine and research show, they can have a beneficial role.



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»A mixture of fascination
and revulsion« Berliner Morgenpost

A real head-turner ...

More than 50 original parasite specimens are put on public display for the first time – some of them quite eye-catching. Over 30 original preparations showing parasite-host interaction give a chill down the visitor's spine without resorting to cheap effects. Another highlight is a display cabinet teeming with live blood-sucking arthropods – safely behind glass!

The exhibition consists of modules with 10 topics forming self-contained themed islands that can be adapted to the available space. Each island comprises a lit column and two to three tables with integrated media, graphics and various built-in features. Lighting and design are geared to a city audience.



Facts at a Glance

Exhibition

- Space requirements 250–450m² (ideal)
- Fits up to 700m² (additional elements)
- Smaller places possible (min. 150m², only core topics)
- > 50 real parasite specimens (plastinated animals embedded in acrylic resin)
- > 30 genuine animal preparations showing »parasite-host interaction« (free-standing or in display cabinet)
- > 27 movies
- 5 life cycles (backlit acrylic resin models)
- Larger-than-life models (free-standing or in display cabinet)

Equipment

Bilingual signs and information material: 1. Language of your country, 2. English (optional)

Complete equipment for the 10 subject areas / »themed islands«

- 24 tables in three different heights with backlit table graphics, integrated screens and a range of features (preparations, models and module documentation)
- 10 columns (printed fabric, backlit)
- 2 entrance gateposts (printed fabric, backlit)
- 1 tabletop cabinet
- Optional*: 1 display cabinet for live parasites
- 18 integrated screens (8,4")
- 1 large video installation (7 screens)
- shipping weight ~ 5,5 t
- shipping volume ~ 31 m³
- space required for storage ~ 27 m²

Fees, Terms and Conditions

Rental: 50,000 € (for 3 months)

Minimum rent 3 months

Rental includes

- Bespoke exhibition layout to suit your exhibition area
- Transport (including customs and excise)
- Setup of exhibition (3–4 days)
- Dismantling exhibition (2–3 days)
- Layout material for the creation of posters, flyers etc.
- Educational material relating to the exhibition
- Picture and film rights for the duration of the exhibition
- Translation into your national language

What we need from you

- A map of your exhibition space, including all power sockets.
- Two members of staff from your institution to help us set up and dismantle the exhibition (approx. 5 hours each) – mainly the bulky items.
- 27 m² storage space.





» ... visibility of the science and beauty of the presentation.« Die Tageszeitung

The Museum für Naturkunde

is the largest museum of natural history in Germany, and was established in 1810. Its collections contain objects from three major fields, paleontology, mineralogy, and zoology.

With the opening of the new permanent exhibitions, the Museum für Naturkunde put a new exhibition concept into practice, which has since captured the imagination not only of the public and the media, but also of fellow museum directors. Our concept puts the original exhibit centre-stage and has also been successfully applied to our special exhibitions. As a consequence, many requests from other museums to make our special exhibitions available were received.

We are happy to announce that the Museum für Naturkunde has now responded to the loan requests and put together a very attractive mobile exhibition. »Parasites – Life undercover« is ready to travel the world.





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