

1 **Free-ranging dogs show age related plasticity in their ability to follow human pointing**

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20 **S1 Text. Why kneel down posture was not used?**

21 We have done the experiment with kneel down stance and the results are following – 11 adult  
22 dogs tested out of which only 3 individuals approached and 8 individuals did not approach or  
23 leave the place of study (Goodness of fit  $\chi^2 = 21.160$ ,  $df = 1$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ). Thus we modified  
24 the protocol to bending over stance over kneel down for the experiment.

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