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## Seminar

Title: Living in the under water world: new technology gives us an understanding of ecology and physiology of diving animals.

Summary: To feed on fish, breath hold divers such as marine mammals and birds have to descend to deep water against buoyancy and drag by using the limited oxygen store for stroking wings or fins and heating their body. How do they dive and feed efficiently has long been a question in physiology and behavioral ecology. Many laboratory works have shown their high ability for sparing oxygen while submersion in the water tanks. Recently, a development of micro-computer technology enables us to study their underwater life in the wild.