

Monkey business? I beg to differ

Pundits, bloggers and others with way too much time on their hands are having a field day with the revelation that more than \$70,000 in federal stimulus money will be spent to study monkeys on cocaine.

Reader Jeff Buchanan, who closely monitors monkey business in Winston-Salem, brought this hot-button issue and the surrounding brouhaha to my attention. I immediately stopped what I was doing, which was reading Jeff's e-mail, and summoned my crack research team (Google).

"I want everything you can find about monkeys on coke!" I yelled, unnecessarily since I was in an office by myself. "And I want it on my desk in 20 minutes!"

A couple of days later, here's what I found: The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services awarded \$71,623 to Wake Forest University for a project titled "Effect of Cocaine Self-Administration on Metabotropic Glutamate Systems."

In other words, monkeys on coke.
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