

Social Aspects of Human-Pet Interaction with as a Coping Strategy

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The article presents the results of the research devoted to cross-species interaction between humans and pets. It has been revealed that all signals sent by members of cross-species groups to one another can be classified based on two features: prompting and forcing to action; members of cross-species groups understand (accept for execution) not the signals themselves, but the signals in the context of a certain relevant situation. The author puts forward the hypothesis that cross-species communication may be a coping-strategy.

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