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Figure 2. A chimpanzee day bed. Fimbi, a juvenile female chimpanzee in Mahale, lying in the bed on December 21, 2010.



Figure 3. The Human Evolution Bed (the 4th prototype).

bed at home. He shared his idea about creating a chimpanzee bed on a human scale with the designer Shinichi Ishikawa, and Arichika Iwata, a bedding product expert/sleep environment instructor (IWATA Inc.), who showed interest in supporting the project.

After much discussion and the production of two prototypes, the Human Evolution Bed was made. When

Zamma lay in it, he felt the same comfort as when in the chimpanzee bed, or even more. This final prototype was exhibited at the “Exhibition on Sleep: Evolution and Diversity of Material Cultures for Sleep” at the Kyoto University Museum in 2016. Now we, the project team, are trying to make a final prototype that is durable and suitable for the market.

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