

Research Assistant in Palaeobiology

Job number: ACAD101014

School of Earth Sciences

Fixed term contract staff

Full time

[UTF-8?]£31,342-£35256

We are seeking to appoint an exceptional vertebrate anatomist/ palaeobiologist to work on a project on the evolution of feathers and colours in birds and dinosaurs. This is a postdoctoral position and applicants must have a PhD and top-quality publications; some postdoctoral experience will be a great advantage.

You will join a team of six researchers based in Bristol, Dublin and Beijing who are working on the feather ultrastructure, and evidence for colour (melanosomes) in the exceptionally preserved feathers of birds and dinosaurs from the Jehol Group (Early Cretaceous) of NE China. The post is based in Bristol, but involves travel to China for research purposes, and presentations at leading international conferences.

This full-time position is for up to 24 months, with a starting salary of [UTF-8?]£31,342 per annum, rising by increments each year.

For informal queries please contact Professor Mike Benton, [Mike.Benton@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:Mike.Benton@bristol.ac.uk)

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**Closing date for applications 3 September 2014.**