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INTRODUCTION

The Leverhulme Trust was established by the Will of William Hesketh Lever, one of the great entrepreneurs and philanthropists of the Victorian age

Since 1925 we have provided grants and scholarships for research and education; today, we are one of the largest all-subject providers of research funding in the UK, distributing approximately £80 million a year

We award funding across academic disciplines, supporting talented individuals in the arts, humanities, sciences and social sciences to realise their personal vision in research and professional training. As well as substantial grants for research projects, we offer fellowships for researchers throughout their academic career, grants for international collaboration and travel, and support for the fine and performing arts.

Our approach to grant-making is distinctive. Our awards are made in the responsive mode, with the choice of topic and research design left with applicants. We look for work of outstanding merit, which is original, important, and has significance beyond a single field. We particularly value research that crosses disciplinary boundaries or that is willing to take risks in its pursuit of new knowledge or understanding.

CHAIRMAN'S FOREWORD



I am pleased to report that the Leverhulme Trust continues to be in excellent financial health. In 2015 we distributed almost £110 million in grants – a record for the Trust – to support research projects, fellowships, scholarships and international collaborations. As in previous years, these varied considerably in size, from relatively small awards for postgraduates at the start of their careers through to large grants of up to £10 million each.

This year saw an exciting new initiative come to fruition with funding being awarded to four dedicated Leverhulme Research Centres. Applicants to this competition were encouraged to propose a ten-year vision for innovative research which would create a step-change in the chosen field of inquiry and establish internationally-recognised centres of research excellence in the UK. Four such Centres have been commissioned at the Universities of Cambridge, Dundee, Liverpool and Sheffield, to pursue widely interdisciplinary research in the fields of artificial intelligence, forensic science, functional materials, and climate change mitigation. Each has been awarded a grant of £10 million over ten years, the first time that the Trust has offered such large-scale grants, and we look forward eagerly to following the progress of the research teams.

The Trust runs one of three annual £10 million competitions on a rotating basis. In 2015 it was the turn of our Arts Scholarships, which provide bursaries and innovative teaching awards for training in the fine and performing arts. We received a large number of bids from a wide range of institutions throughout the UK, spanning the fields of drama, dance, music and even circus arts, and made awards to 59 different organisations which will help train a range of talented and aspiring young performers.

2015 was also a landmark year for us as we awarded our 1000th Early Career Fellowship – to Dr Lauren Brent at the University of Exeter. The scheme was set up in 1994 to provide a crucial bridge between doctoral studies and a first academic post. This has become a flagship scheme for the Trust, as access to permanent academic posts has become more difficult, and support in making the first steps ever more important. In partnership with host institutions the Early Career Fellowship scheme has leveraged over £100 million and helped the next generation of researchers find their way into established academic careers. We celebrate some of the success stories of these first 1,000 Fellows in the What Happened Next section of the Review.

We anticipate that 2016 will also be exciting, as we run another of our large £10 million competitions – the Research Leadership Awards. The scheme supports researchers with an established university career who wish to build a research team to address a distinct research problem. Up to £1 million over five years is available for each of these awards – so they are much sought-after by the rising research stars of the coming years.

At a personal level, I have thoroughly enjoyed this (my third) year as Chairman of the Board, in no small measure because of the support I have received from my fellow Trustees, the Director and his small but hard-working team, who share my enthusiasm and affection for the Trust – and my admiration for the many talented researchers whose remarkable work it is a privilege to be able to support.

Niall FitzGerald KBE

Chairman of the Leverhulme Trust Board

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HISTORY OF THE LEVERHULME TRUST



A committed philanthropist throughout his life, on his death in 1925 Lord Leverhulme left a proportion of his holdings in Lever Brothers for certain trades charities and to provide ‘scholarships for... research and education’. It was thus that the Leverhulme Trust came into being

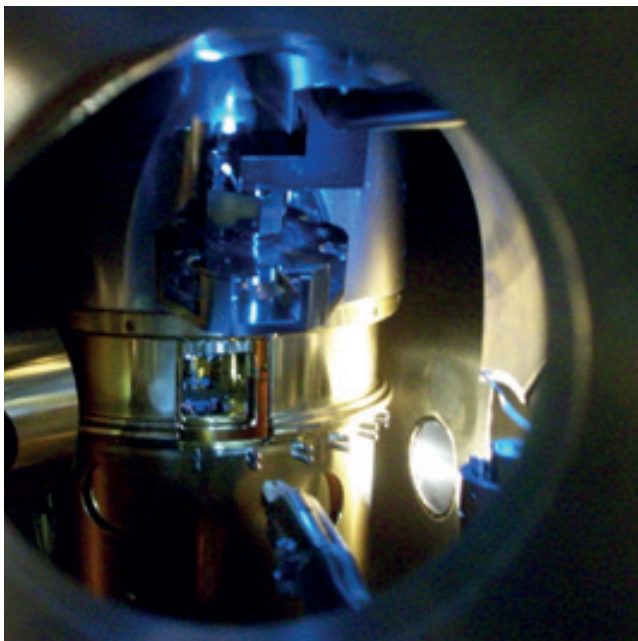
Born in 1851, William Hesketh Lever made his fortune through the manufacture and marketing of soap and cleaning products. In the space of only a few years his company Lever Brothers grew to become a household name, and its products, which included Sunlight Soap and Lux, were sold around the world. The title ‘Lord Leverhulme’ was conferred upon Lever in 1922. A committed philanthropist from the beginning, when Lord Leverhulme died in 1925 he left a share of his holdings in his company to provide for specific trades charities, and to offer ‘scholarships for... research and education’. The Leverhulme Trust was established to carry forward these charitable aims. In 1930, Lever Brothers merged with Margarine Unie to form Unilever – one of the world’s major multinational companies – and the shares held by the Leverhulme Trust became shares in Unilever PLC.

The Trust Board

In making decisions about funding, the Trustees seek the advice of a range of peer reviewers and expert panels or committees who offer an assessment of the academic merit and significance of applications.

Trustees

Mr N W A FitzGerald, KBE FRSA (Chairman)
 Sir Iain Anderson, CBE FRSE
 Mr D Baillie (from 7 October 2015)
 Mr A C Butler
 Mr P J P Cescau
 Dr A S Ganguly CBE (until 7 October 2015)
 Mr R Markham
 Mr P Polman
 Mr C Saul (from 24 June 2015)
 Mr S Williams



FUNDING THE TRUST OFFERS

Research projects

Research Project Grants are available for any research topic, with the choice of theme and research approach left entirely to applicants. Up to £500,000 over five years is available for research and salary costs.

Research Leadership Awards support researchers with an established university career who wish to build a research team to address a distinct research problem. Between £800,000 and £1 million over four to five years is available. This scheme normally runs every three years.

Fellowships and Studentships

Early Career Fellowships provide a bridge into an academic career for researchers with a proven research record, but who have not yet held an established academic post. The scheme provides fifty per cent (up to £24,000 a year) of the salary costs of a three-year academic appointment, with the host institution providing the remaining funds.

Research Fellowships of up to £50,000 over a period of three to twenty-four months are awarded to experienced researchers to allow them to undertake a programme of original research.

Major Research Fellowships are for two or three years, and allow well-established academics in the humanities and social sciences to complete a specific piece of significant original research.

Emeritus Fellowships provide up to £22,000 over up to two years for senior researchers who have recently retired from an academic post to complete a research project and prepare the results for publication.

Study Abroad Studentships offer maintenance costs of £18,000, a dependent allowance, and travel costs for recent graduates to spend twelve to twenty-four months on study or research at a centre of learning in any overseas country, with the exception of the USA.

International Academic Fellowships enable established researchers to spend a period of time in overseas research centres, to develop new knowledge, skills and ideas. Up to £40,000 is available for a period of three to twelve months.

Visiting Professorships are awarded to UK institutions that wish to invite an eminent researcher from overseas to enhance the skills of staff and students at the host institution. The scheme covers maintenance, travel expenses and research costs over a period of three to twelve months.

Leverhulme Doctoral Scholarships provide grants of £1 million each to UK universities. Each award funds 15 doctoral students at that institution, with five scholarships to be offered in every year of the three-year grant. The awards

are offered in any subject area that applicant universities have identified as a research priority. This scheme normally runs every three years.

Philip Leverhulme Prizes recognise early-career researchers whose work has already had a significant international impact, and whose future research career is exceptionally promising. Nominations are accepted for work across 18 broad disciplines, with prizes in six of these disciplines offered each year. Prize winners receive an award of £100,000 over two or three years.

Arts Funding

Artist in Residence Grants support the residency of an artist in a UK university or museum, for up to a full academic year, in a creative collaboration with staff and/or students in disciplines distinct from the creative practice of the artist.

Arts Scholarships are open to specialist arts training organisations to develop innovative teaching and to provide bursaries for individuals of exceptional talent to develop their skills in the fine and performing arts. This scheme normally runs every three years.

For further information about the funding schemes offered by the Leverhulme Trust, please visit www.leverhulme.ac.uk

DIRECTOR'S REPORT



Another busy and enjoyable year has simply flown by.

Application numbers have continued to rise. We now process well over 4,000 bids for funding each year. To be precise, in 2015 the Trust staff of 14 people dealt efficiently with 4,330 proposals, whilst at the same time stewarding more than 2,500 live grants. Somehow, my colleagues also found time to fulfil a generous programme of visits to universities, arts training and other research organisations, in order to support our award holders and talk to other interested parties about the work of the Trust. Add in the various networking events that provide for regular contact between Trustees and senior figures in the worlds of research and higher education, our annual reception and lecture, oversight of the Trust endowment, liaison with myriad other inhabitants of the research funding eco-system in the UK – and one is led almost to a slip-of-the-tongue reference to the Leverhulme Tardis rather than the Leverhulme Trust. This appears on the outside to be a small organisation – but, on the inside, at times truly it does seem to embrace cavernous activity.

In his Foreword the Chairman refers to our major initiatives and larger awards. These share with the Trust's more modest schemes our enthusiasm for supporting the aspirations of individual researchers to pursue curiosity-driven, higher-risk and often cross-disciplinary work, via the responsive mode of funding.

This approach is exemplified in what many regards as is the 'core business' of the Trust – our Research Project Grants scheme. This provides for awards of up to £500,000 over five years, with the choice of topic and approach left entirely up to the applicant. The great variety of projects that is supported can be seen from the list that appears in the Awards Made section of this Review.

Our Philip Leverhulme Prize competition is also designed to recognise the innovation and excellence of individual researchers pursuing their scholarly passions. These awards are for early-to-mid career scholars who have already made a substantial impact with their research but where we hope that their best work is yet to come. Each prize is now worth £100,000, and since we offer prizes in 18 broad subject areas over a three-year period, researchers in every discipline should be able to apply at some point during the triennial cycle. This year our six expert panels dealt with more than 320 very high-quality applications, making the task of selecting just 30 winners a considerable challenge. Our investment of £3 million will help the prize winners to advance their research in fields as diverse as earth sciences, psychology, and visual and performing arts.

Visiting Professorships, bringing distinguished overseas-based academics to UK universities, remain highly competitive

and popular. In 2015 almost £1.3 million was allocated to enable eminent researchers to visit the UK and bring their distinctive expertise to the wider academic community. Visiting Professors are truly international, coming from North and South America, the Middle East and Australia and New Zealand, as well as from Europe – and the focus of their interests ranged from sexual rights to food systems analysis and theoretical physics.

At the other end of the spectrum, we are helping twenty talented Study Abroad Students embark on masters courses, doctoral research and postdoctoral work, as they pursue their postgraduate careers abroad. Their subjects and destinations range from paleobiology in Finland to living with conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the social construct of childhood disability in Egypt.

Finally, I wish to offer my thanks, as always, to the many panel members, reviewers, assessors and advisors who give so generously of their time and expertise, to support the work of the Trust. I say this every year – but the gratitude on each occasion is no less genuine for that and is expressed on behalf of the Trustees as well as myself and my colleagues. Without such generosity of spirit the Trust would be unable to function.

Professor Gordon Marshall

SUMMARISED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

For the year ended 31 December 2015

		2015	2014
		£000	£000
Income from:	Investment income	74,131	78,877
Expenditure on:	Investment management costs	1,806	1,683
	Charitable activities	110,838	83,181
Net expenditure before net gains on investments		(36,707)	(6,070)
	Net gains on investments	207,428	122,112
Net income and net movement in funds		170,721	116,042
Statement of funds	Total funds brought forward	2,143,755	2,027,713
	Total funds carried forward	2,314,476	2,143,755

This information is taken from the Leverhulme Trust Annual Report and Financial Statements 2015, which are available to download from the Charity Commission website or on request from the Trust.

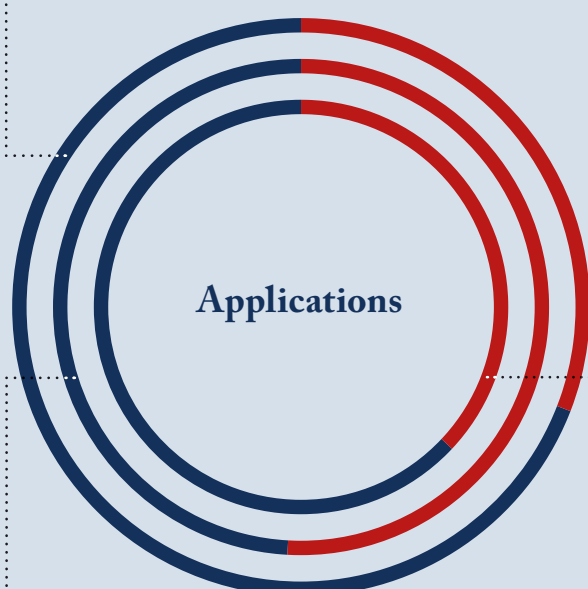
2015 IN NUMBERS

Gender split

Research Project Grants

31% **69%**

KEY
■ Female
■ Male

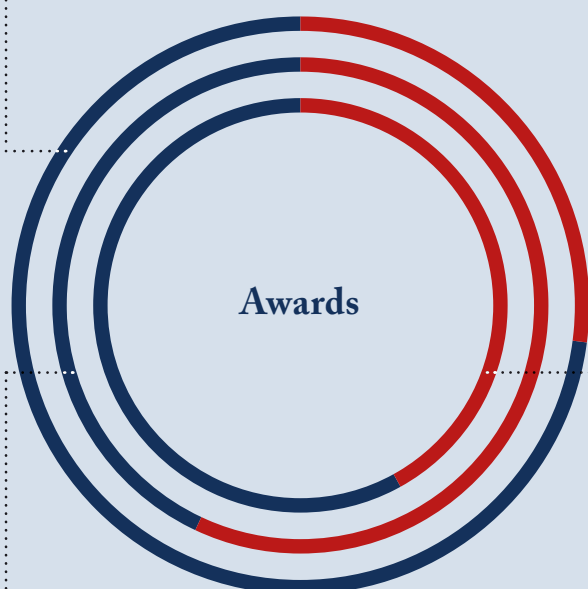


51% **49%**
Early Career Fellowships

37% **63%**
Major Research Fellowships

Research Project Grants

27% **73%**



57% **43%**
Early Career Fellowships

42% **58%**
Major Research Fellowships



14
Staff



157
Institutions funded



645
Grants awarded

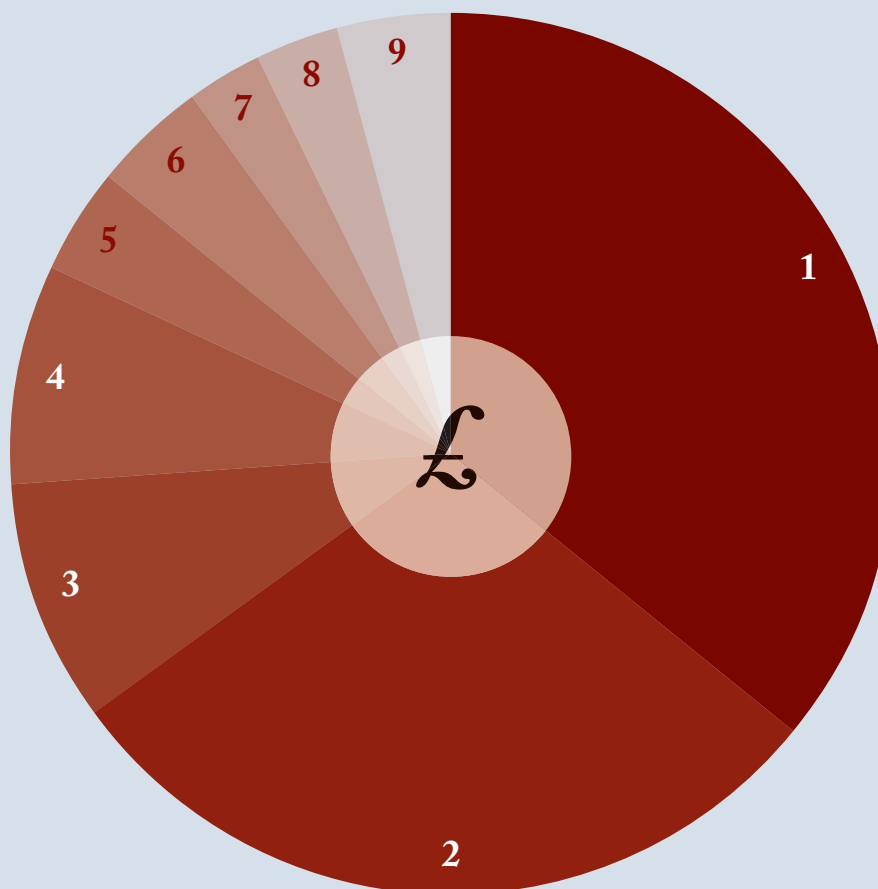


4,330
Applications received



13,514
Peer reviews received

Distribution of funds in 2015



- 1 Leverhulme Research Centres – £39,903,382 **36%**
- 2 Research Project Grants – £32,273,240 **29%**
- 3 Arts Scholarships – £9,843,999 **9%**
- 4 Early Career Fellowships – £9,270,000 **8%**
- 5 Major Research Fellowships – £4,252,207 **4%**

- 6 Research Fellowships – £3,905,247 **4%**
- 7 International Networks – £3,172,519 **3%**
- 8 Philip Leverhulme Prizes – £3,000,000 **3%**
- 9 Other* – £4,269,841 **4%**

* including Artist in Residence Grants, International Academic Fellowships, Emeritus Fellowships, Study Abroad Studentships, Visiting Professorships

Application success rates

	Applications received	Success rate %
Research Project Grants & International Networks	1099	19
Early Career Fellowships	737	14
Research Fellowships	664	14
Philip Leverhulme Prizes	328	9
Major Research Fellowships	231	14
Visiting Professorships	135	28
Study Abroad Studentships	132	15
Emeritus Fellowships	70	46
International Academic Fellowships	36	31

AWARDS IN FOCUS

Written by current award holders, and spanning a range of funding schemes and academic disciplines, our awards in focus highlight the breadth and significance of research funded by the Trust in 2015

PHOTOGRAPHING TUTANKHAMUN: THE CAMERA, THE KING, AND EGYPTIAN ARCHAEOLOGY

How did photography inform method and interpretation at every stage of perhaps the most famous archaeological excavation? Christina Riggs proposes to use the Tutankhamun photographic archives to explore the interface between photography and Egyptian archaeology at a pivotal time for both

Dr Christina Riggs

University of East Anglia
Research Fellowship

It was the archaeological find of the century, bringing the glint of gold into a world still tarnished by the effects of war: the tomb of a little-known Egyptian king named Tutankhamun. The international press followed every detail of the 1922 discovery – and images taken by the excavation's official photographer, Lincolnshire-born Harry Burton (1879–1940), transported the distant Valley of the Kings into magazines, papers, and newsreels around the globe.

The calibre and quantity of Burton's photographs were remarkable at the time, as was the control that lead excavator Howard Carter (1874–1939) and his team exerted over their reproduction in the press, in particular a controversial arrangement giving priority to the *London Times*. As a result, the black-and-white images of the excavation, capturing the gradual revelation of the boy-king's burial, are among the most visually compelling photographs in the history of archaeology – and were instrumental in mythologising a discovery that retains its power to capture headlines today.

For all that is distinctive about the Tutankhamun find, its photographs, and its fever-pitched media interest, it also raises a number of questions about the use of photography in archaeology. Like many other academic fields, archaeology had been quick to adopt photography in the nineteenth century, when the new technology echoed archaeology's self-conscious concern with salvage, loss and preservation. But images like Burton's reveal recurring tensions between photography as 'objective' record and 'artistic' composition. One staged image showed Carter peering through a doorway in flickering lamplight, as if caught uttering

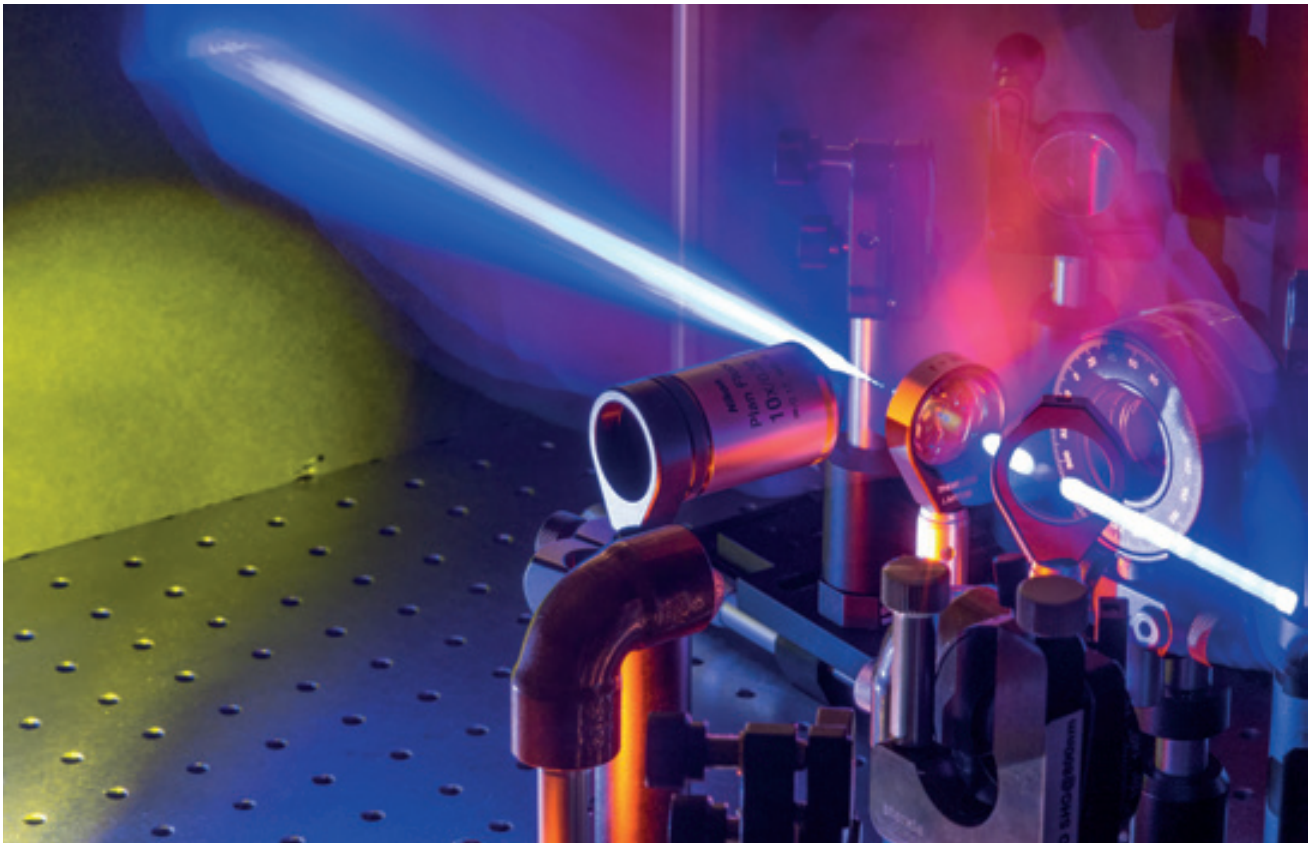
his well-known phrase, 'I see wonderful things'. But behind the door was another sealed door: the camera's lens was trained on posterity as much as the ancient past.

'Photographing Tutankhamun' is the first study of the photographic archive associated with this excavation, which ran for ten years and produced some 3000 images, most by Burton but some by Carter and other team members as well. Housed at the University of Oxford and the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the archive comprises original glass plate negatives, copies of negatives and prints, photograph albums, and the lantern slides Carter used to deliver lectures. The project draws on months of archival research to examine the working methods used to photograph and record the tomb, and the ways in which photography contributed to archaeology in a newly independent Egypt. The style of the photographs set up the tomb and its contents as significant works of 'art' and laid claim to them as heritage – but whose heritage remains a question that reverberates today, when more cameras than ever are trained on the boy-king.

Right. Photographed by Harry Burton in late December 1923, Howard Carter crouches before the open doors of the second (of four) gilded wooden shrines surrounding the burial of king Tutankhamun. The portable electric lamp was an important light source for photography in the tomb © Griffith Institute, University of Oxford.



FUNDAMENTALS OF LIGHT: FROM COSMOLOGICAL MODELS TO NOVEL IMAGING TECHNOLOGIES



Light is a key element that underpins a variety of research fields; Daniele Faccio will investigate the fundamental physics of light, carrying forward recent successes in unveiling new and unexpected features, such as superfluidity and the creation of artificial black holes

Left. High-energy laser beams are used to create ultrafast modulations in materials which allow us to study the behaviour of light coupled to matter under extreme conditions, image credit: Daniele Faccio.

Professor Daniele Faccio

Heriot-Watt University
Philip Leverhulme Prize

Light surrounds us, it allows us to see, it provides us with heat and the planet with energy. It is also one of the main investigative tools for a scientist and, arguably, it is light that mainly determines how we perceive and interact with our surroundings. My research builds upon my past experience and work in the field of photonics and aims to investigate both the fundamental nature of light and also novel technologies that are enabled by a deeper understanding of light.

I have recently collaborated with fellow researchers to show that single photons of light do not necessarily propagate at c , the commonly accepted speed for plane waves of light predicted by Maxwell's equations. Although the measured difference may be small, this has implications regarding our understanding of how light and information travels and also relates to the quantum world where single photons are used to probe the very nature of spacetime itself.

I am currently developing new technologies that allow us to measure light at its lowest possible intensity, at the single photon level. These technologies come with a remarkable feature: they allow us to reconstruct the photon arrival time with incredible temporal precision and therefore effectively capture 'light in flight'. This feat of imaging or freezing light in motion as it propagates in free space had never been achieved before, and

it is now providing us with a new way of thinking about light and about what we can do with light. One particularly promising proposal in this context is the use of light to see behind walls or around corners where we use the ability to freeze light in motion to capture very faint echoes (of light) reflected by hidden objects. This line of thinking may one day allow us to harness this technology to even use light to image directly inside the human body.

I am also investigating what happens in a completely different scenario where, instead of a single photon, we have a very dense cloud composed of many photons. At sufficiently high photon densities, light behaves like a superfluid with remarkable properties and implications. For example, I have shown that just like a standard superfluid, superfluid-light will flow around obstacles without creating waves or at high flow speeds it will break up into spinning vortices. We can now use these photon superfluids for more esoteric applications. For example, by shaping the flow of the superfluid we can try to mimic the spacetime geometries of gravitational fields, and hopefully in the very near future, make artificial black hole event horizons. These experiments will allow us to probe the nature of the interaction between curved spacetime geometries and the quantum world, thus providing insight into one of the major open questions in modern physics – how does the quantised quantum world merge with the continuous spacetime structure created by gravity?

THE HOUSE OF STORIES: PAULA REGO'S FEMINIST MAKING

Paula Rego is one of our most eminent living artists; Deryn Rees-Jones' new monograph will bring insights from literary studies to address questions about gender and artistic process, the relationship between the visual and literary arts, and the impact of Rego's work on feminist creative practice

Professor Deryn Rees-Jones

University of Liverpool
Major Research Fellowship

I have been an admirer of the work of the Portuguese London-based artist Paula Rego (b. 1935) for more than twenty-five years. Although most of my critical writing to date has focussed on contemporary women's writing, I have always had a strong interest in the visual arts, and been fascinated in turn by poems which draw on, and engage with, paintings. I realised recently that I have turned to Rego's work at some of the most significant and even difficult points in my life. I used *Crivelli's Garden* (which sits wonderfully as a backdrop to the National Gallery restaurant from the time when Rego was their first associate artist) as the cover of my book on twentieth-century women's poetry, *Consorting with Angels*. In my other life as a poet I have also written poems inspired by her pictures, most recently in response to her extraordinary series of *Dog Woman* pastels. Clearly there was something in her work that spoke to me in deep and sustaining ways, but increasingly I began to want to explore the way Rego's practice (which might be seen as the

reverse of ekphrastic writing in its engagement with a range of fairy tales and nursery rhymes, novels, poems and plays) had a broader relevance to women artists and writers. I will also examine the history of the sometimes rivalrous conversations between literary and artistic worlds.

At the heart of Rego's work is drawing, which, at a significant point in her work in the 1980s – after the death of her husband, the artist Victor Willing – became entwined with her ongoing dialogue with narrative: notable examples include her lithographs and pastels which respond to Charlotte Brontë's *Jane Eyre*, the Portuguese novelist Eça de Queirós' *The Crime of Father Amaro*, and *The Pillowman* by the Irish playwright Martin McDonagh. Rego's process of composition, in which she works closely with her models, many of whom are close family and friends, to create a series of tableaux, is central to her work. This ongoing dialogue with both her models, and with what she has called the 'endless' nature of stories, is again layered by her constant referencing and reinterpretation of the Old Masters (Goya, Hogarth, Degas and Manet to name only a few).

In dealing with difficult subjects Rego's interest in 'power games and hierarchies' has seen her fearless in her exploration of sexuality, pain and the cruelties of everyday life. In our encounter with the many challenges and complexities of her art we are asked to read situations that flaunt their ambiguities, challenging where we, as viewer, locate ourselves within narratives of secrecy, hypocrisy, transgression and desire. The book that will come out of this research will give a detailed overview of Rego's career over sixty years, tracing her development from her early collages, her evolving use of animal imagery, to her more recent method of using a range of grotesque and homemade mannequins alongside her life models. It will ask why we take pleasure in her pictures, and why they might matter to us, asking, too, how her work and methods might impact on the wider ethics of a feminist creative practice.

Below. *Self Portrait with Grandchildren*, 2002 © Paula Rego, Courtesy of Marlborough Fine Art.



USING DNA TO UNDERSTAND BAMBOO AND THE COMPLEXITY OF GIANT PANDA DIET

What do giant panda eat? The answer may seem obvious, but the reality is far from simple. A research project at the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, led by Pete Hollingsworth, will investigate the hidden complexity of panda diet to help inform the conservation of giant panda and their habitat

Professor Pete Hollingsworth

Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh
Research Project Grant

Giant pandas mainly eat bamboo. However, beneath this well-known but simplistic statement lies a complex issue: there are over sixty species of bamboo that may be fed on, and the species consumed vary according to availability, location and season, and even individuals may differ in their preferences. Furthermore, pandas occasionally eat food other than bamboo, including other plant species, fungi and even carrion.

Understanding species requirements is fundamental to their conservation. In a changing environment, the interdependencies among species are particularly important, as shifts in the abundance or distribution of any one species may have wider consequences on the system. One particular interdependency relates to diet: uncertainty about the precise species in the diet can restrict our ability to effectively conserve, manage or restore suitable habitat for a given species or set of species. This is particularly important for giant panda, as its highly specialised diet makes it

susceptible to changes in resource availability due to habitat loss and changing environmental conditions.

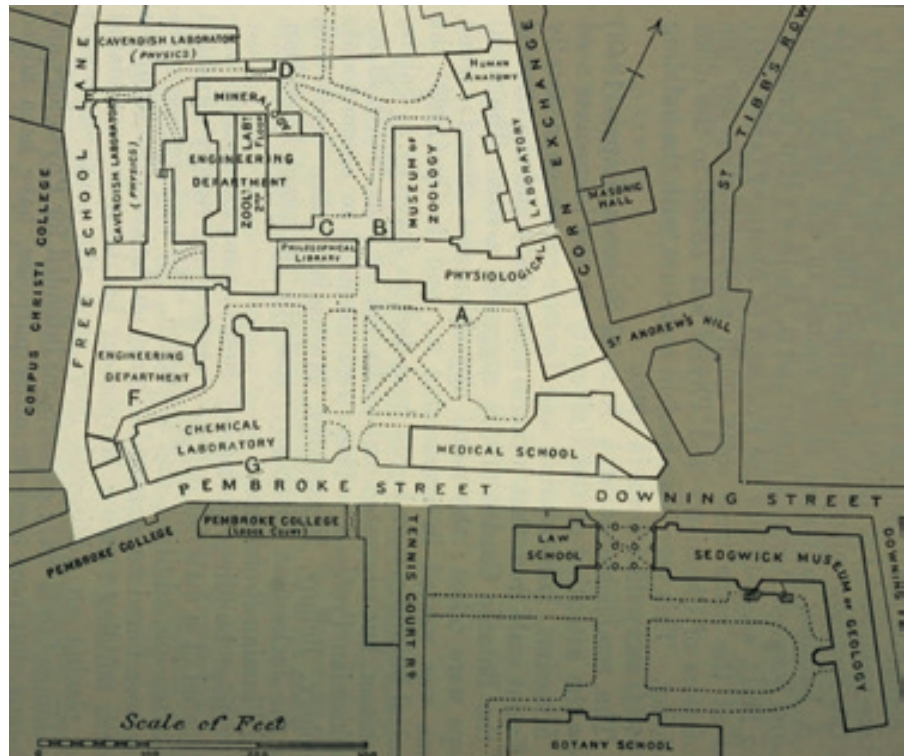
The enigmatic nature of giant panda has captivated us for decades, and everything from their ecology and evolution to their genes and even their gut flora have been investigated. Given this interest, why don't we have a more precise understanding of their diet? Giant panda are typically solitary and difficult to observe in the wild, hampering efforts to identify the full range of species consumed. Faecal analysis can be useful for assessing diet in reclusive species, but unfortunately in the case of giant panda there is one more complication – distinguishing bamboo species is problematic, especially when digested. Even 'universal' plant DNA barcodes, which have been effectively employed in diet analysis for many species, struggle to distinguish bamboo species, only providing information on broad groups such as family or genera.

I have worked extensively in developing the science of DNA barcoding, but resolving bamboo identification for DNA-based diet analysis required a novel approach. This project brings together an international and interdisciplinary team with expertise in field botany, plant taxonomy, genetics, zoology and wildlife forensics to tackle this problem. Using genomic techniques we will significantly expand existing bamboo sequence data and identify genetic markers across the genome that can tell bamboo species apart. We will then assess diet using a combination of existing broad-brush DNA-barcodes to establish what is being eaten in addition to bamboo, and a purpose-built bamboo DNA assay to establish which bamboo species are eaten. Furthermore, by establishing a reliable method of bamboo identification, we will be able to gain increased clarification of the distribution of key bamboo species in the wild, ultimately to enhance our knowledge of what constitutes suitable panda habitat and how this may change in the future.



Right. The New Museums Site and surrounding area c.1912. Image from *A Concise Guide to the Town and University of Cambridge in an Introduction and Four Walks* (1912), p. 169.

Below. Photograph of the Perse Hall when it was used as an electrical laboratory for the University. Image © Whipple Museum of the History of Science, University of Cambridge.



THE LOST MUSEUMS OF CAMBRIDGE SCIENCE, 1865–1936

Boris Jardine's project will examine the practices of collecting, display and demonstration in the sciences in the late nineteenth and early twentieth century, contributing to our understanding not only of the history of scientific collections, but also their relationship to experimental, laboratory-based science

Dr Boris Jardine

University of Cambridge
Early Career Fellowship

Where does science happen? The lab, the field, the classroom, even at home. These answers might seem natural now, but in the nineteenth century there was another place that would have topped the list, one perhaps surprising to us as a working scientific institution: the museum.

Although today museums are more often places of leisurely perusal, prior to the rise of the laboratory they were *the* scientific institutions, housing vast arrays of teaching models and demonstration apparatus, not to mention the countless specimens of the great natural history collections.

The 'New Museums Site' (NMS), at the heart of the University of Cambridge, provides a striking example of the shifting fortunes of the scientific museum. The site was named for a suite of buildings put up in the 1860s to house a complete syllabus of science. But within decades the new physics and chemistry laboratories were eating up more and more space on an increasingly cramped site. Eventually the labs won out, and now only a single part of the original museums survives.

Yet even that remnant is soon to be knocked down – the laboratory revolution and the rise of modern science in the twentieth century have put paid to the idea of a self-contained scientific site, and so the NMS is changing identity once again. The sciences have moved to greener pastures to the west of the city, and in

their place a range of administrative and new institutions are springing up. Through all of these changes the Whipple Museum of the History of Science increasingly holds the key to the memory of what the site has been over the years. Appropriately enough it is the Whipple – and the Department of History and Philosophy of Science which houses it – that will host my Leverhulme-funded project.

Over three years I plan to write the first history of the New Museums Site, bringing together the institutional and architectural histories of the various departments that have been there over the past hundred and fifty or so years. My main focus will be on the original 'New Museums', whose collections have been dispersed and whose buildings are now all but lost. This is, in part, an attempt to recover what it meant to do science with collections in the nineteenth century, and in part, an investigation into the nature of a scientific 'site'. What happened to the museums when it became clear that laboratory science was on the rise? How were the collections amassed, and (just as importantly) how and why were they dispersed? Were there models for the New Museums Site (for instance at Oxford and in London), and did other universities copy what was being done at Cambridge? In answering these and other questions I hope to add to our understanding of this important and changing location, and to shed light on the relationship between objects, scientific work and the architecture that contains and gives meaning to both.



NEGOTIATING 'NORMAL' IN THE MIDST OF CONFLICT

How do people live in areas of chronic conflict, and why is violence so protracted despite the many peace initiatives? Solange Fontana aims to examine the processes and relationships that support the socio-economic strategies to help people manage risk

Ms Solange Fontana
Study Abroad Studentship

Before returning to university for my doctorate, I spent over ten years as an aid worker, working mostly on livelihoods and peacebuilding in areas of chronic violence. During this time I became increasingly interested in the intersection of people's livelihood strategies, their management and negotiation of physical security (protection), and broader conflict dynamics.

My interest in this area of research stems from these experiences and two questions which have perplexed me throughout my professional life: how do people actually *live* in areas of recurrent violence? And why can violence be so persistent, despite considerable national and international investment in peacekeeping and local-level peacebuilding?

Though seemingly unrelated, I suspect that the two questions are more closely aligned than we often think. I consider violence a regular social process rather than an aberration, or a period of hiatus. As such, I assume that in order to deal with the economic and physical risks inherent in living in such contexts, people develop strategies which interact with and affect the social relations and institutions which give structure to these strategies. Prior fieldwork suggests these

diverse interactions produce outcomes that may influence levels, patterns and expressions of violence.

My research focusses on North Kivu, eastern Congo – the epicentre of cycles of violence which have recurred in the region since the 1990s, and arguably since independence. Previous fieldwork suggests that there are three institutions that people regularly depend on in their daily lives – livelihood associations, their church congregations and miri, or lilikilimba (small-credit and savings groups).

The relationships that compose and link these three types of institutions is my main interest – specifically how they have evolved and changed over time and in response to their context: how people's varied affiliations connect the three types of institutions; how, why and who is excluded from them and what, potentially, are the outcomes and implications of this interaction of relationships.

Though this research is based on a single case study, it probes questions of wider resonance – through it I ask about resilience and coping in conflict; I will explore the relationship between displacement, migration and non-movement and delve into processes of social change in times of violence. By doing so, I hope to contribute to learning and policy on resilience and human mobility in conflict, as well as to our understanding of violence and civil war.

Left. Market day in Masisi, North Kivu, image credit: Solange Fontana.

INNER LIVES: EMOTIONS, IDENTITY AND THE SUPERNATURAL, 1300–1900

Drawing on a number of disciplines, but primarily on history in different periods, Malcolm Gaskill's project will explore emotional engagement with supernatural worlds over six centuries – from witchcraft and demonism to astrology and magic

Professor Malcolm Gaskill

University of East Anglia
Research Project Grant

Witches, sorcerers, ghosts, magic... just a few of the subjects that have preoccupied me as a historian for over twenty years. They are not a hard sell to students or the general public: there is endless fascination with macabre manifestations of the occult. Yet such things, today safely packaged as horror stories or fairy tales, were once very real in the Western world, and were bound up with anxiety and terror, envy and anger, pain and death. Our ancestors were like us in many ways, but their peculiarities are striking – and studying those peculiarities is the stuff of history. Indeed, it's the main rationale behind my project, which takes a long view from the Middle Ages to the end of the nineteenth century.

If literature makes war on cliché, then history's enemy is anachronism. According to the historian Lucien Febvre, glib assumptions about past psychology are 'the worst sort of anachronism and the most insidious and harmful of all'. Pre-modern people thought differently from us, not because they were ignorant, but because their interests and ambitions, and the frame of their thinking, were different. They also inhabited a strange universe of sentiment, feeling and emotion – human attributes that, as psychologists know, do not stand distinct from, or in opposition to, cognition. Historical inner lives are often obscure, but at least trying to understand them is vital to appreciate what life was like in the past, how it changed, and who people thought they were.

The methodology for this project exploits the idea that engagement with the supernatural is a uniquely revealing source. Here we glimpse subjective understandings of existence in relation to unseen, yet deeply felt, power in the cosmos, and to more intimate contexts of experience, such as communities and households. Emotions formed a reflexive link between the self and the

environment, both temporal and celestial. Moreover, casting spells, conjuring demons and calculating horoscopes were occasions when implicit beliefs were made explicit, and so left us written records to study.

These records come in numerous forms and from several centuries. My co-investigators, Dr Sophie Page (University College London) and Professor Owen Davies (University of Hertfordshire), will be examining evidence from the medieval (1300–1500) and modern (1700–1900) periods respectively, while I will be covering the early modern (1500–1700). We will explore not only change in belief and practice, but also continuity, something overlooked in linear narratives of European secularisation and enlightenment.

Sophie will mostly be working on a monograph entitled *Cosmology, Magic and Inner Lives in the Late Middle Ages*; Owen's book will be called *Popular Fears and Domestic Protection in Britain, 1700–2000*. My own contribution will be a case study about witchcraft and heresy in seventeenth-century Massachusetts, a story seething with emotion. Together, we plan to hold an international conference to investigate further the meaning of inner lives, and how they might be reconstructed, and we hope to mount an exhibition of weird and wonderful texts and objects.

www.innerlivesblog.com



Left. This engraving by Albrecht Dürer (1471–1528) is full of clues to the meaning of witchcraft in early modern minds. Here, everything natural and wholesome is inverted or reversed. The witch, old yet full of unnatural passion, flies backwards on a goat, a symbol of lust, into a storm that she herself has caused (Library of Congress, Washington DC).

CRYSTALS WITH HOLES FOR A MORE SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

With the development of scanning probe microscopies, it is now possible to observe crystals growing and dissolving in situ; Michael Anderson aims to connect molecular scale experimental observations of the crystal growth of nanoporous materials with a high level fundamental theory in order to control this process

Professor Michael Anderson

University of Manchester
International Academic Fellowship

Everyone is familiar with crystals – diamonds and sapphires but also snowflakes, sugar and salt. Most school-children will have attempted to grow crystals, such as sugar, by dissolving as much sugar as possible into hot water and then allowing the solution to cool slowly. Beautiful, large sugar crystals then grow over the ensuing

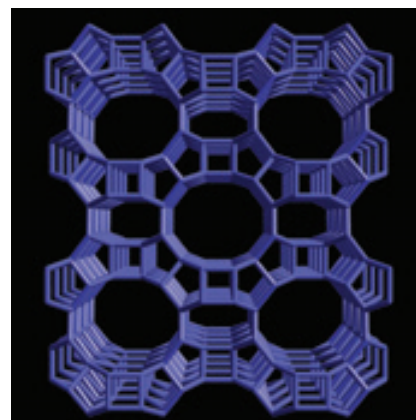
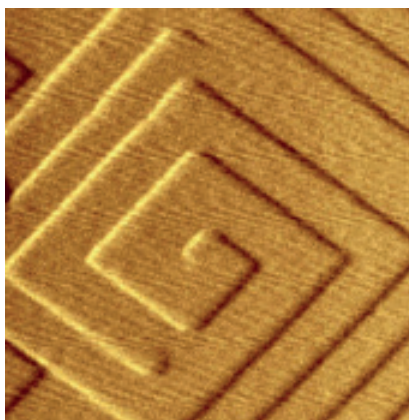
days. But beyond the obvious crystals we also use crystals in almost every aspect of our daily lives. Our computers are full of silicon chips that are crystals of silicon – the medicines that we take are, more-often-than-not, in the form of crystals – low energy lightbulbs are based on crystalline light emitting diodes (LEDs). Crystals are everywhere, and we make use of their unique properties in a myriad of strange but crucially important ways. But what is a crystal? It is a solid where the atoms or molecules that make up the solid are arranged in a very ordered and repeating arrangement in three-dimensions, just as the pattern on a wallpaper is repeated in two-dimensions. When atoms or molecules are arranged in such a fashion they often have useful properties that the individual atoms or molecules alone would not have. Also, as with everything in life, there are often mistakes in this regular pattern, and the properties at these mistakes, or defects, are usually very different to the rest of the crystal. In fact, often it is the properties of the defects that are most interesting, and this is the case in many of the electrical components in a computer.

Our work deals with one very important and unique class of crystals, known as nanoporous crystals, which have tiny pores rather like a sponge.

Small molecules can enter these pores where they can react and change into other, more useful, molecules. For example oil (long-chain hydrocarbons) can be changed into gasoline (short-chain hydrocarbons) for our cars, and this catalytic transformation happens at defects in the crystals. These nanoporous crystals can also be used for gas storage such as hydrogen (important for a greener fuel supply) for the removal of carbon dioxide (important for greenhouse gas reduction) and treatment of contaminated water. This funding will enable us to formulate a partnership between leading academics at the University of Manchester, UK, and Curtin University, Perth, Australia, to develop new methods, both experimental and theoretical, to understand how such crystals grow from water solution (similar to the sugar crystals) and how defects can be controlled in order to tune properties. We will also gather the world's experts in Perth for a discussion/workshop to explore the latest developments in this area. If successful, this work will result in more energy-efficient catalysts, cleaner water supplies (particularly in developing countries), better delivery of medicines to the body, and better materials to reduce carbon dioxide in the atmosphere and alleviate the greenhouse effect.

Right. Image taken with an atomic force microscope of the surface of a growing nanoporous crystal. The spiral terrace is one nanometre high (0.000000001 metres). Such images help us to understand how the crystals are growing at the atomic scale.

Far right. Structure of the nanoporous crystal known as mordenite. The large pores are less than one nanometre across (0.000000001 metres).



LEVERHULME TRAINEE DESIGNERS AT THE ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY



A Leverhulme Trust-funded training programme offers gifted young theatre designers the opportunity to learn on the job and kick-start successful careers

Stephen Brimson Lewis

Royal Shakespeare Company
Leverhulme Arts Scholarship

The Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC) is the world's most famous theatre company. Last year we gave more than 2,000 performances of nearly 30 productions – from a version of *The Taming of the Shrew* for young people, to our award-winning *Matilda the Musical* in the West End. We are based in Shakespeare's home town of Stratford-upon-Avon, and all of our productions begin life at our Stratford workshops and theatres, created by teams of extraordinary craftspeople. Our work is performed around the world to the widest possible audience through our touring, residencies, live broadcasts and online activity.

We have trained generations of the very best theatre-makers, and we continue to nurture the theatre-makers of the future. The Company is a dynamic learning environment in which talent can thrive. Each year, two of the most gifted young graduate designers join us as Leverhulme Trainee Designers, undertaking a year-long advanced training programme that builds the experience and skills that help them to have successful careers. They work alongside established professional designers with varied aesthetics, and

with expert members of staff from many of the Company's departments. Leverhulme Trainee Designers learn 'on the job', participating in all aspects of a production's creation – from assisting with research and model-making to deputising in technical rehearsals and creating their own small-scale productions.

We are proud to work with the Leverhulme Trust to offer these paid positions that ensure that the very best talent can remain in the performing arts sector. Since 2011, eight young people have taken part in the scheme – five of whom have been finalists in the prestigious Linbury Prize for Stage Design. Leverhulme Trainee Designers go on to have successful careers, and in the last few months two former trainees have returned to the RSC to design their own productions.

2016 is the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death. We have a busy programme including landmark new productions of *King Lear* and *Hamlet*, a special live broadcast from Stratford-upon-Avon with the BBC, and the opening of a new studio theatre and creative hub dedicated to daring theatrical experimentation. I am delighted to be able to welcome the next cohort of Leverhulme Trainee Designers in such a special year.

GIANT PLUMES OF METHANE IN THE OCEAN

A large number of giant methane plumes have recently been detected in the Arctic Sea, raising concerns about a possible run-away effect of global warming. Silvana Cardoso's research will shed light on the plumes' spreading and mixing behaviour, helping us to understand their impact on the environment

Dr Silvana Cardoso
University of Cambridge
Research Project Grant

Methane is continuously released from the seabed into the hydrosphere, in cold seeps and mud volcanoes found on continental margins. Both dissolved in seawater and in bubbly form, the methane is transported upward in the ocean in the form of a turbulent plume. Recently, a number of these giant plumes have been detected in the Arctic Sea and elsewhere. Hydrate-formation reactions play an important role in the dynamics of methane plumes released in areas very close to the hydrate stability zone.

Estimates indicate that 6000 Gt of methane exist, accumulated in the sediment of the deep and cold ocean and permafrost regions. An increase in the temperature of these regions may destabilise the hydrates and release methane into the atmosphere, either steadily or suddenly. Methane is twenty times more potent as a greenhouse gas than carbon dioxide on a per mole basis, which can catastrophically cause a run-away effect in global warming. There is a real need to estimate the environmental damages and the costs associated with such releases.

Environmental flows, such as those found in methane plumes, are driven by density contrasts between the plume and the ambient fluids. To predict, control or explore the behaviour of such plumes it is essential to develop fundamental knowledge of their movement and interaction with the environment. The behaviour of plumes is strongly dependent

on internal processes such as phase change, chemical reaction or dissolution, which involve release or absorption of heat and formation of new chemical species.

Whilst inert plumes have been studied for over six decades, plumes with internally-produced buoyancy changes have been the focus of few studies. My research group has recently shown that dissolution processes in methane and carbon dioxide bubbly plumes affect their spreading pattern. This new project now proposes novel laboratory experiments, combined with a theoretical development, to investigate the behaviour of complex plumes with internally-produced density changes caused by precipitation reactions.

Right. Frozen methane bubbles in Abraham Lake, Alberta © Chip Phillips.





Left. Karl Robert, *Traité de peinture à l'huile: Paysage* (Paris, 1878; 1891 edition): hog's hair and sable brushes for oil painting. Manuals for artists provide valuable information on historical painting materials and methods.

Below. Paul Cézanne (1839–1906), *Three Pears*, 1878/1879, oil on canvas, collection of Mr and Mrs Paul Mellon, Washington, National Gallery of Art. Small oil studies and unfinished paintings are particularly useful for close study, because they reveal more readily a painter's techniques than do highly finished canvases.



THE TECHNIQUES OF IMPRESSIONISM, ITS PRECURSORS AND FOLLOWERS

Anthea Callen's research for her new book will combine the scientific, technical, art historical and aesthetic in a close analysis of Impressionist materials and techniques, re-evaluating the technical processes and originality of this group of painters

Professor Anthea Callen

University of Nottingham
Emeritus Fellowship

Since 2000, when I published my major book, *The Art of Impressionism: Painting Technique and the Making of Modernity* (Yale University Press), research on oil paintings has been revolutionised by new scientific and technical discoveries. These innovative technologies have enabled conservation scientists to provide a wealth of new knowledge that transforms art historians' understanding of French painting in the nineteenth century, when 'modern' mass-produced artists' colours and materials first emerged. We now benefit, for example, from new non-invasive techniques for identifying the pigments used by painters, and often the binders and mixtures in which these were employed. This new evidence helps pinpoint the early appearance of modern pigments on paintings of the period, making it possible to date with greater accuracy painters' take-up of the newest materials; such knowledge can also help identify or authenticate paintings. My work entails cross-referencing modern scientific data with historical documentary evidence – in commercial directories, artists' manuals, trade catalogues, and encyclopedias such as those of Pernety (1757), Diderot and d'Alembert (1751–1777), and Paillot de Montabert (1829) – to trace with greater accuracy those changes in painting materials or techniques commonly identified as emerging only with the French Impressionists in the 1870s.

In the last 15 years art history has been transformed by a new interest in 'materiality'. Recognition of the significance of technical art history and of material questions makes my

research particularly timely, because I bring together the scientific, technical, historical, theoretical and aesthetic in a close analysis of French nineteenth-century painting. I shall be examining the influence of all these factors on emergent twentieth-century modernism while also re-evaluating the limits of avant-garde technical originality: how genuinely audacious were the painting methods of Corot, Courbet, Manet, the Impressionists, of Cézanne and the post-Impressionists? How exactly did they work, which oil colours, brushes and supports did they prefer, and what was the significance of their choices? What are the actual differences in method and materials, say, between Corot and Cézanne? In writing this new volume I shall review my own earlier theories on the relationship between tradition and innovation as a key to understanding nineteenth-century avant-garde painting practice, in the light of the new cross-disciplinary research in the field and developments in painting science.

Recent developments in technical art history include burgeoning specialist collections of early technical publications (like colour merchants' trade catalogues or sample books) and systematic scientific research into particular artists, like that at the Rijksmuseum. There are now extensive collections of historical and technical data to be examined, notably in Washington, Chicago, Amsterdam, Munich, Cologne, Paris and the UK. These form one of my key research foci, as does renewed discussion with scientists and conservators in major museums in Europe and North America – and of course further close visual examination of the artworks themselves, which has always been central to my work.

ANALYTICAL MEDIA HISTORY

Tim Barker blends archive research with philosophical inquiry in order to explore the way experiences of time have been engineered throughout media history; he investigates the way engineers and inventors have grappled with questions of temporality, transmission and fragmentation in order to determine the conditions for history and memory in digital culture

Dr Tim Barker

University of Glasgow
Research Fellowship

Recent research into the cultural role of digital media has stressed the new types of temporalities and rhythms that computational techniques impose on daily life. The term 'digital temporality' has been used to describe the new types of time experienced in wide-ranging contexts such as television viewing, gaming, social media, financial markets, archive management and memory studies. This includes the new, discrete nature of the temporalities documented on social media, the speed and recursion with which major world events, reported by citizens, are uploaded and looped online, and the economic markets now based on the time-scale of computers, which produce global fluctuations and structure rhythms on the trading floor. The questions of time and temporality, it would seem, that are now at the centre of digital media studies, are very different from the questions of time that have previously been grappled with in film theory, television studies and cultural theory. These questions of time are no longer based on the way events are synthesised into a flow, but based on the way computers fragment the world into very fast discrete processes. Not only does this have importance on a technical level,

but it also impacts on the way histories are written by technical media, and the way memories are archived online. Technical media no longer represent events in a linear history, as the written word once did. Events are now mediated and organised based on mathematical structures and rules.

The questions that I'll ask in this Fellowship relate to the historical and technical pre-conditions for this experience of digital temporality. I am interested in examining the way time has been divided into segments by media hardware and exploring how this technical process can be seen to have wider philosophical effects. The fellowship looks into the history of what I call 'analytical media'. As opposed to 'synthetic media', which draws a viewer's attention to the flow of time, 'analytical media', by foregrounding its segmentation of time, draws the viewer's or user's attention to the present moment, disassociated from a larger history of events. An example of this is the scientific

chronophotography developed toward the end of the nineteenth century, which takes a series of photographs in quick succession in order to study isolated frames of movement. Another example is the use of pixels as a representational device and the transmission of information over computer networks. In all these examples, where signals are broken up into manageable parts, questions of temporality and transmission were grappled with by engineers and inventors. Not only do these solutions to time-based problems matter to engineers, they also provide the foundation from which we might start to develop a media philosophy of time and contemporaneity, which would speak to the way new types of histories and digital memories are written and archived.

Below. Albert Londe's chronophotographic image titled *cheval tombé à l'eau*, 1883.



REPAIRING FORENSIC SCIENCE

Nobody would choose to be the accused in a criminal court of law, but if we were to be in such an unfortunate position, we would expect the experts who give evidence to base their findings on sound science that is verifiable, reliable and communicated effectively; unfortunately, the reality is somewhat different, as Professor Sue Black explains

Professor Sue Black and Professor Niamh NicDaeid

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Leverhulme Research Centre for Forensic Science

There is growing concern that much of the forensic science evidence admitted to the courtroom is simply not fit for purpose, and this was highlighted publicly in 2009 by the US National Academy of Science. Since then, little has been done to restore confidence and address these deficiencies, and disquiet has continued to escalate around scientific evidence types previously accepted in our court rooms. In his 2014 Kalisher Lecture, the Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales discussed the apparent lack of scientific rigour for much forensic evidence that is admitted into the courts, and his unease is mirrored internationally.

Legal and law enforcement colleagues all recognise the value of quality science in the courtroom and the rich benefits it brings to the criminal (and civil) justice process, but the risks are high if deficiencies remain unaddressed. There have been no critical step changes in forensic science innovation since Sir Alec Jeffries published his work on DNA in the 1980s. Unfortunately, almost all investment flowed into this area alone, whilst the other evidence types have

barely advanced and have often been reduced to 'riding passenger' on the coat-tails of developments in other areas, such as analytical chemistry or imaging. As a result, the precarious scientific foundations of many areas of forensic practice can be fatally exposed with a few well-placed simple questions from an enlightened QC.

The Leverhulme Research Centre for Forensic Science will disrupt the current stalemate in the forensic science ecosystem by generating unprecedented wide-reaching, cross-disciplinary cooperation. We will address the scientific deficiencies in many currently used evidence types and raise the underlying basic scientific precepts to legal admissibility, thereby restoring judicial and public confidence in the science. In partnership with judicial, legal, scientific, law enforcement and industrial colleagues, we have identified a suite of evidence types that require immediate attention, and we will approach these in a systematic but ground-breaking

manner that we believe will also unlock hidden development potential. Ironically, disruption of the system will generate stronger working relationships between science and the law and will reveal latent opportunities for industrial development and innovation that will secure long-term economic advances. Our research centre will be highly collaborative, parachuting innovative and diverse researchers from across the world into the UK to work with the permanent home team to inspire solutions, release potential and drive enterprise internationally.

Whilst the manner in which a country provides its forensic assistance may vary widely, the underpinning research is international in its application. In collaboration with leading forensic science partners across the world, we aim to repair, replace and renew the cornerstones of forensic science expert evidence, thereby increasing the confidence that the court and its jury can place on the testimony of its expert witnesses.



LACEMAKERS: POVERTY, RELIGION AND GENDER IN A TRANSNATIONAL WORK CULTURE

David Hopkin's research will provide the first full-length study of the shared work culture of lacemakers across nineteenth-century Europe; a history of women's experience of poverty constructed from folk songs and stories

Dr David Hopkin

University of Oxford
Research Fellowship

Before the First World War hundreds of thousands of women across Europe were employed in the homemade lace industry in France, Belgium and Italy. Lace production was difficult to mechanise, but lacemakers were also protected by aristocrats, monarchs and the Catholic Church. Lace is the most ideological of textiles, associated with purity, femininity, domesticity and piety (hence its use at baptisms, first communion and weddings). Yet, despite being patronised by the super-rich, and despite the skills required to make quality lace, lacemakers themselves were usually impoverished. This combination of social problems and 'traditional' values brought the lacemaker to public attention in the nineteenth century: her image was celebrated in tourist posters, her equipment was collected for museums. These sources provide a rare opportunity to study women's domestic work culture.

Although domestic manufacture was a substantial employer before the twentieth century, women workers are usually assumed to be 'without a voice'. They wrote no memoirs, they left no archives, no guild or union spoke for them. In fact it is often said they had no identity as workers because they were under the authority of husbands and fathers. However, hundreds of lacemakers have left some testimony to their lives, in personalised work tools but even more directly in their songs. Lacemakers were amongst the most prominent informants of folksong collectors in all three countries: we have thousands of texts and

hundreds of audio recordings in which lacemakers expressed their views on marriage, poverty, the Church, sexuality, exploitation and faith.

The rhythm of song was sometimes used to regulate the pace of work, but more often songs just accompanied the work process. Lacemaking encouraged singing partly because lacemakers worked collectively (as you can see on the video 'Les dentellières de Montusclat' on the Institut national de l'audiovisuel <http://www.ina.fr/video/LXC01008465>), so they could share repertoires. It was also a feature of their apprenticeship. Lacemakers often learnt their trade in schools run by nuns or pious laywomen, and a repertoire of religious songs and stories was part and parcel of their education.

One of the striking features of these songs is that lacemakers' repertoires of both religious and secular songs were very similar across different regions and different languages and dialects. This is not just true at the level of themes, such as female martyred saints and sexual murder, but specific texts and melodies reoccur across Catholic Europe. Although this can partly be explained by the role of counter-Reformation institutions in the spread of lace skills, the messages contained in these songs was not altogether orthodox. We are dealing here with a transnational, but specifically feminine work culture, in which issues of hunger, misery, oppression and violence compete with visionary piety. That is what this research seeks to document.

For comparative material from the English lacemaking regions see our website (a work in progress): <http://laceincontext.area.ox.ac.uk>



3D LEARNING IN A RICH, COOPERATIVE HAPTIC ENVIRONMENT



William Harwin's project will provide the opportunity for a new learning environment to enable secondary school students to explore and experiment with concepts in a tactile, 3D world

Professor William Harwin

University of Reading
Research Project Grant

In life, we move, touch and manipulate things in complex ways using (mostly) our hands. When we interact with computers we lose this natural ability and have to resort to mouse clicks and keyboards. However, by adapting robot technology and our knowledge of how human perception works, we can give virtual things solid attributes such as texture, shape, weight and sponginess. We can move things aside, look underneath, cut and drill. We use modified robots, sometimes called a haptic interface, along with high-quality computer graphics to create a tight coupling between what is seen on the screen and what is felt by the fingers to create a convincing illusion of substance.

Haptic technology was central to our hapTEL™ project, work that is still used by King's College London dental students to learn how to prepare a tooth cavity. In this case not only was it important to get the visual and tactile illusion of the tooth right, but it was also necessary to match the sounds of the burr removing tooth enamel. Haptic interfaces have become important in learning the skills associated with surgical, dental and veterinary applications where the focus is on learning specific skills. It has yet to be explored as a more general tool for education; an oversight we propose to rectify.

Our research will focus on hands-on science education in which individuals or small groups of students manipulate the objects or materials they are studying. Because we can control the

virtual world we can control the scale, which in science can range from the components of atoms to the dynamics of galaxies. Allowing students to explore these worlds in a variety of ways is hypothesised to motivate students and to develop their understanding. The benefits of practical work in science education include enhancing the learning of scientific knowledge, challenging students' misconceptions of scientific ideas and processes, teaching laboratory skills, enabling insight into and expertise in scientific method, and stimulating students' interest and increasing motivation to study science beyond school.

Collaborative learning is known to have a positive impact on students' learning, but productive interactions between students are not easily achieved, and appropriate learning situations are challenging to implement. Therefore, another key element of our proposal is to examine ways in which haptic devices can be configured to encourage students to interact and collaborate while examining and manipulating things in a 3-dimensional (3D) simulated world. This project has now begun with a decision from our two collaborating schools, The Abbey School, Reading, and Abingdon School, Oxfordshire, to focus on teaching cell biology. This decision was based on earlier work at Abbey School where it was found that students found difficulty in relating the schematic diagrams in books to the workings of a cell and its organelles in nature. We hope to explore both the technical feasibility of 3D learning and the learning gains that might be afforded by improving tools for educational visualisation.

Left. King's College London dental student using the hapTEL™ haptic training environment to learn how to prepare a tooth cavity.

CORAL REEF CARBONATE PRODUCTION AND REEF ISLAND VULNERABILITY

Chris Perry will develop the innovative methods necessary for measuring carbonate production on central Indian Ocean reefs, thus generating a unique dataset on contemporary carbonate production rates, and helping to bridge a significant knowledge gap

Professor Chris Perry

University of Exeter
Research Fellowship

Coral reef islands are iconic and beautiful landforms that form atop reef platforms and around coral atoll margins. Rarely exceeding a height of 3–4 m above mean sea level, and being constructed entirely from sands and coral rubble fragments that are derived from the coral reefs that surround them, reef islands have

exceptionally high socio-economic value. This is because they provide the only habitable land in atoll nations such as the Maldives, Tuvalu, Kiribati and the Marshall Islands. However, reef islands are considered highly vulnerable to climate change, and most especially to future sea-level rise. This has generated an urgent need for better data on the controls on reef island formation, and on the wave and current regimes that control island change. In this context, recent studies have made some significant advances; documenting clear differences in the timing of reef island development between sites in the Pacific and Indian Oceans caused by past differences in sea level; advancing understanding of how island shorelines change both seasonally and over decadal timescales; and how the time at which islands start to develop and grow is tightly linked to the age of the reef surfaces on which they form. However, whilst these represent important research advances, critical research gaps remain that are equally important for predicting the future vulnerability of reef islands. These relate, especially, to the need to better understand the productivity and

growth potential of the coral reefs that surround reef islands, because this will influence the capacity of reefs to track rising sea levels and will influence how much sediment the surrounding coral reefs can produce.

Using this Research Fellowship I aim to tackle the research gap in the context of the reef islands of the Maldives. The Maldives comprise some 1200 individual reef islands that have formed in a range of atoll margin and interior settings – including the iconic ring-shaped faro reefs. My focus will be on the development of appropriate quantitative methodologies that can be used to support assessments of the rates at which Maldivian coral reefs are producing new calcium carbonate – this material forming not only the building blocks of the reefs themselves, but also acting as a direct source of new carbonate sand that can contribute to island maintenance. To do this will require the collection of new datasets on the rates at which different coral, and other calcifying reef species such as calcareous algae and foraminifera, produce carbonate. Obtaining this data through various experimental approaches will be a key focus of the first year of the Fellowship. This will be followed by a field campaign to collect data from a wide spectrum of atoll margin and interior settings. The overall aim is to provide not only a new quantitative survey tool for use by other reef scientists, but also to generate an unprecedented dataset on contemporary carbonate production rates on the reefs that surround Maldivian reef islands.



Left. Low lying islands such as these in the Maldives are considered highly vulnerable to future sea-level rise. The reefs that surround reef islands are critical to controlling wave energy levels reaching the islands, but also act as major sources of carbonate sand.

WILLIAM WORDSWORTH AND SIR GEORGE BEAUMONT: AN ARTISTIC EXCHANGE

Jessica Fay will use new manuscript evidence to produce the first complete biographical and critical study of the friendship between William Wordsworth and his patron, the amateur artist Sir George Beaumont

Dr Jessica Fay

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Early Career Fellowship

William Wordsworth is a major poet of the British Romantic movement, and his ground-breaking collaboration with Samuel Taylor Coleridge, *Lyrical Ballads* (1798), is considered a central text of the period. But the friendship between these two men became strained relatively soon; as early as 1802, Coleridge detected that there were deep discrepancies between their

respective theories of poetry. As Coleridge's domestic discontent and addiction-induced health problems put strain on the friendship, Wordsworth moved ever closer to his patron and confidant, Sir George Beaumont. Beaumont was an amateur artist and supporter of poets such as Coleridge, Southey and Scott, and artists including Reynolds, Wilkie, Dance and Price. He was also co-founder, in 1824, of the National Gallery. Beaumont is known primarily for his picture of *Peele Castle in a Storm*, which inspired Wordsworth's *Elegiac Stanzas* (1805), yet his presence in Wordsworth's publications and his influence throughout the poet's life go far beyond this. My project will establish new ground on which to proceed with the re-evaluation of Wordsworth's career as it moved beyond the influence of Coleridge by assessing comprehensively the relationship between Wordsworth and Beaumont, whose friendship Wordsworth publicly acknowledged as 'one of the blessings of [his] life'.

In 1806–7 the Wordsworth family resided for eight months at the Beaumonts' Coleorton Estate in Leicestershire. Wordsworth then began to compose

sonnets and inscriptions for the Beaumonts, and Sir George produced images to accompany Wordsworth's verse. Between 1815 and 1820 Beaumont's pictures appeared as frontispieces to Wordsworth's publications; thus, Wordsworth's first readers typically experienced his verse alongside Beaumont's artwork. Yet this conjunction of text and image was largely forgotten as subsequent editions of Wordsworth's poetry were printed without illustration. These images and texts exist in symbiosis: they are not always directly descriptive of one another but demonstrate, instead, a particular combination of ekphrasis (writing for art) and illustration.

Throughout my Fellowship I will work closely with the Wordsworth Trust (who are always keen to support new research based upon their vast archives of Romantic-period writing and art) to explore the manuscript letters sent by Sir George and Lady Beaumont to Wordsworth and his sister Dorothy between 1803 and 1827. Whilst the letters from the Wordsworths have long been in print, the Beaumonts' replies have never before been fully transcribed. This correspondence is very different from the business-like interaction Wordsworth had with his other patrons: Wordsworth and Beaumont shared thoughts about poetry, theatre, art and gardening. When considered alongside the relevant verse and illustrations, these letters convey a rich narrative of influence and allusion, suggesting that Wordsworth considered Beaumont not just as a patron, but as a collaborator.

By asking new questions about the interaction between poetry and art, I will seek to offer an original perspective from which scholars might think about the relationship between patronage and collaboration.



Left. Sir George Howland Beaumont, Bt (1753–1827). *Peele Castle in a storm*, 1805. Oil on panel. Reproduced by permission of the Wordsworth Trust.

PERSONS AND PORTRAITS IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Dame Marilyn Strathern explores the role of the researcher in capturing images pertinent to cultural memory and asks how such photographs themselves, and the subjects of these, are perceived by a Papua New Guinea community today

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Emeritus Fellowship

The first stage of the research funded by an Emeritus Fellowship allowed me to return to Mount Hagen, Papua New Guinea. People I have known for a long time include Ru Kundil, here photographed with his youngest child, in my eyes a rather affecting portrait. Yet the extent to which a photo captures a likeness through a particular composition or records what people were wearing or doing in a fitting manner – whether it is a good ‘portrait’ or not – would be unlikely to elicit comment. What is important is that such images bring memories to mind so that one ‘thinks-on’ the person depicted; in the case of an unknown audience images spread fame as a kind of analogue of memory, like names. Thinking-on acquaintances carries moral-ethical consequences, as pictures I brought from earlier visits sharply remind me. My visit in 2015 was to ‘repatriate’ ethnographic photographs made over the years since 1964. The focus of attention was all on how I gave them to people. Bringing memories of our previous

interactions to mind compelled an activation of relationships, and relationships require substantiation, which had in turn to be expressed with items of substance.

I was politely told that an envelope containing only a photograph would puzzle people because it was, in effect, empty.

That did not prevent more or less everyone being pleased with the images, and agreeable to my suggestion of conveying rights in the images to the Cambridge Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, alongside the National Museum and Art Gallery in Port Moresby. Many were positively taken with the fact that they would become widely known, carried thereby over space and over time to subsequent generations: “So our children can see how we were.” It is here that what people were wearing or doing would reinforce the ‘memory’. Future generations would see the marks that distinguished this or that person, as someone from the past might be identified by the shorts they had on or by their marsupial fur decoration, personal characteristics like voice or posture. Here too the idea of a portrait begins to creep back in. Indeed, there were once specific situations where men and women presented themselves for public display in an idealised or transformed state. In this publication a casual picture, as in the case of Ru with his child, would in a sense be as out of place as a seaside snap among corporate portraits. So, for perpetuity, I will juxtapose the first image with a second, where Ru is decorated for display, albeit ‘informally’ in his eyes. I am pleased it should be reproduced here, since a framed enlargement once hung in my departmental office, until that is Ru visited England in 1999 and took it off with him to hang in his own house.



Left. Mr Ru Kundil with his youngest child, 2015.

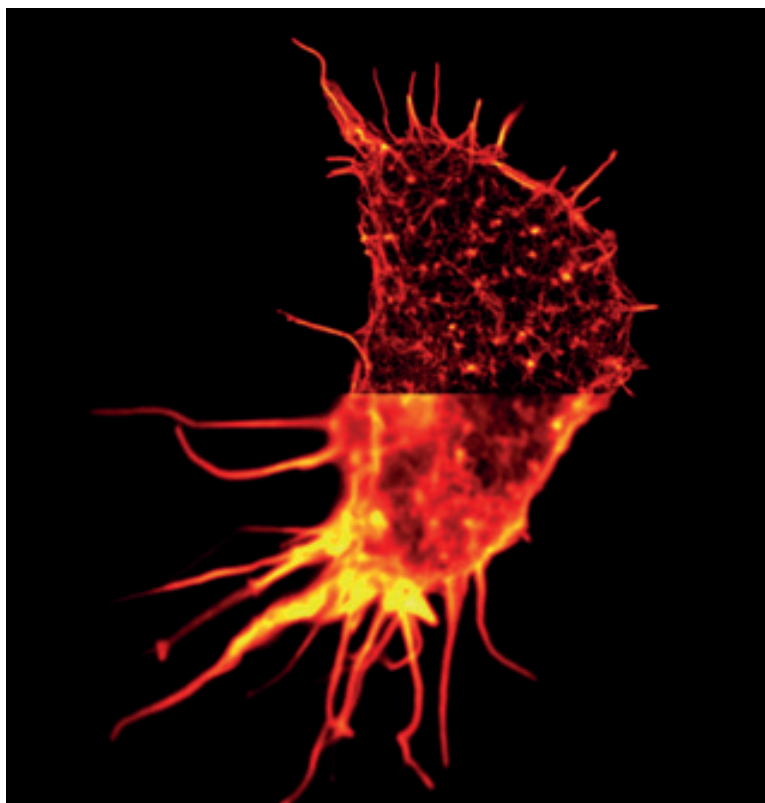
Right. Mr Ru Kundil in informal decoration, 1967.





Above. *Icosahedron on Eaval*, Hannah Imlach, Digital Still, 2012. The *Icosahedron Kite* is an exploratory tool, which was used to navigate and re-imagine the unique waterlogged landscape of Eaval on North Uist. Its reflective surface chameleon-like, encompassed the landscape over which it was flown.

Right. Super-resolution image that allows researchers to see inside cells with greater detail than ever before, the resolution in the top half is around 5 times higher than was achievable in the previous 300 years of microscopy. The red stain is the skeleton of the cell – the so-called cytoskeleton. Image credit: Alison Dun, Edinburgh super-resolution imaging consortium.



FROM THE DARK OCEAN COMES LIGHT

Through this residency and an ongoing dialogue with scientists, visual artist Hannah Imlach will gain invaluable insights into current environmental research; travelling on research vessels and studying microscopy technologies will open up the microscopic aesthetic world of colour, pattern, form and movement and so inform her own artistic practice

Professor Rory Duncan and Ms Hannah Imlach

Institute of Biological Chemistry,
Biophysics and Bioengineering,
Heriot-Watt University
Artist in Residence Grant

In research there is something I call the 'charmed period' where the investigator discovers something that, until they share their new knowledge, remains a secret that only the observer knows amongst all who have gone before. This is a great driver for scientists and a facet of the role that few in other positions can ever experience. Imagine for a moment how, for example, Hooke or van Leeuwenhoek, the 'inventors' of the microscope, felt when they stumbled into a world that had previously gone unnoticed – the small world that our bodies are not equipped to see without the help of their microscopes.

Hannah's work is inspired by the same things that drive us; her sculptures are conceived as exploratory 'tools' investigating how we relate to our immediate environment and the threats caused by changing climate. Working in sculpture and photography, Hannah's research-led practice seeks to draw connections between the ecology of different habitats, sensory experience and scenarios of future sustainability.

Her residency at Heriot-Watt will provide Hannah with direct insight into climate research with a focus on the organisms living in the deep waters off Scotland's coast. Hannah will explore this ecosystem through dialogue with scientists, travel on research ships and through imaging technologies in the Heriot-Watt labs; recent invention in microscopy makes it possible to see objects inside living cells that are as small to the viewer as Jupiter is large.

Remarkably, these approaches depend on marine organisms, like corals or jellyfish, which evolved to emit

light. The light they emit is also secret to humans – to see the colours they emit, the viewer needs a special torch and glasses. These animals have long-puzzled mankind, and a Nobel Prize in Medicine was awarded for working out that DNA from these sea beasts could be transferred to human cells, thus making them emit coloured light and so become visible under microscopes.

Now a palette of blues to reds, through the various hues of greens, yellows and oranges, allows biologists to almost literally paint with proteins inside cells. The revolution in biophysics that came from distant marine animals via genetic engineering has truly accelerated biomedical discovery – many of the new drugs or treatments that we will soon take for granted could not have been developed without these humble sea creatures. The opportunity now to tell the world about the combination of marine biology with biomedicine, and the untold but essential roles corals play in all our present and future, is compelling.

Hannah will create her work directly from her experiences as our Artist in Residence, embedded with current researchers. The 'Scottish-ness' element in our project is deliberate: not only are the reefs and organisms found in Scottish waters important and of interest internationally, but Scotland has some of the most recognised expertise in these new microscopes, and Hannah's interests in locality and sustainability also feed from strong cultural drivers. We are not inward-looking, however, (indeed, many of us involved are not Scots); our aim, delivered through our partner institutions, the Royal Zoological Society of Scotland and Dynamic Earth, is to reach as wide an international audience as we can. We are delighted to be able to share our charmed period with Hannah thanks to the Leverhulme Trust.

A LIFE MORE PHOTOGRAPHIC: ON PHOTOGRAPHY'S POSSIBLE FUTURES

The transformation of photography in the last decade means that we now live a life more photographic; Christopher Wright's new study will focus on what this means for contemporary lives, social cohesion and our relationship to memory

Dr Christopher Wright

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Major Research Fellowship

Photography has undergone enormous transformations in the last decade, shifting from analogue to digital, becoming part of mobile phone technology, and increasing massively in both global reach and sheer volume – as Erik Kessels' installation *24 Hours in Photos* so vividly demonstrates. Photographs take new forms and circulate in new ways, from selfies and photoblogging, to instant image sharing through Snapchat and Instagram. There are many accompanying claims – both negative and positive – for the massive impact this new photography is having on our lives, how it is changing forms of sociality and connectedness, affecting social cohesion and altering our relationship to memory.

But there is something distracting about the kinds of numbers that are often quoted in relation to this new photography – in 2014 there were five million photographs uploaded to Flickr every day, 2.5 billion photographs uploaded to Facebook each month. The focus on technological developments and usage statistics fails to engage with actual photographic practices within the context of people's everyday lives. While the numbers do tell us how widespread some new photographic practices are, they do not demonstrate the relationship between those practices and the supposed impact they are having on other areas of our lives. The ways in which we use new photography to engage with each other, and with the world, needs to be understood through detailed ethnographic research, not presumed from

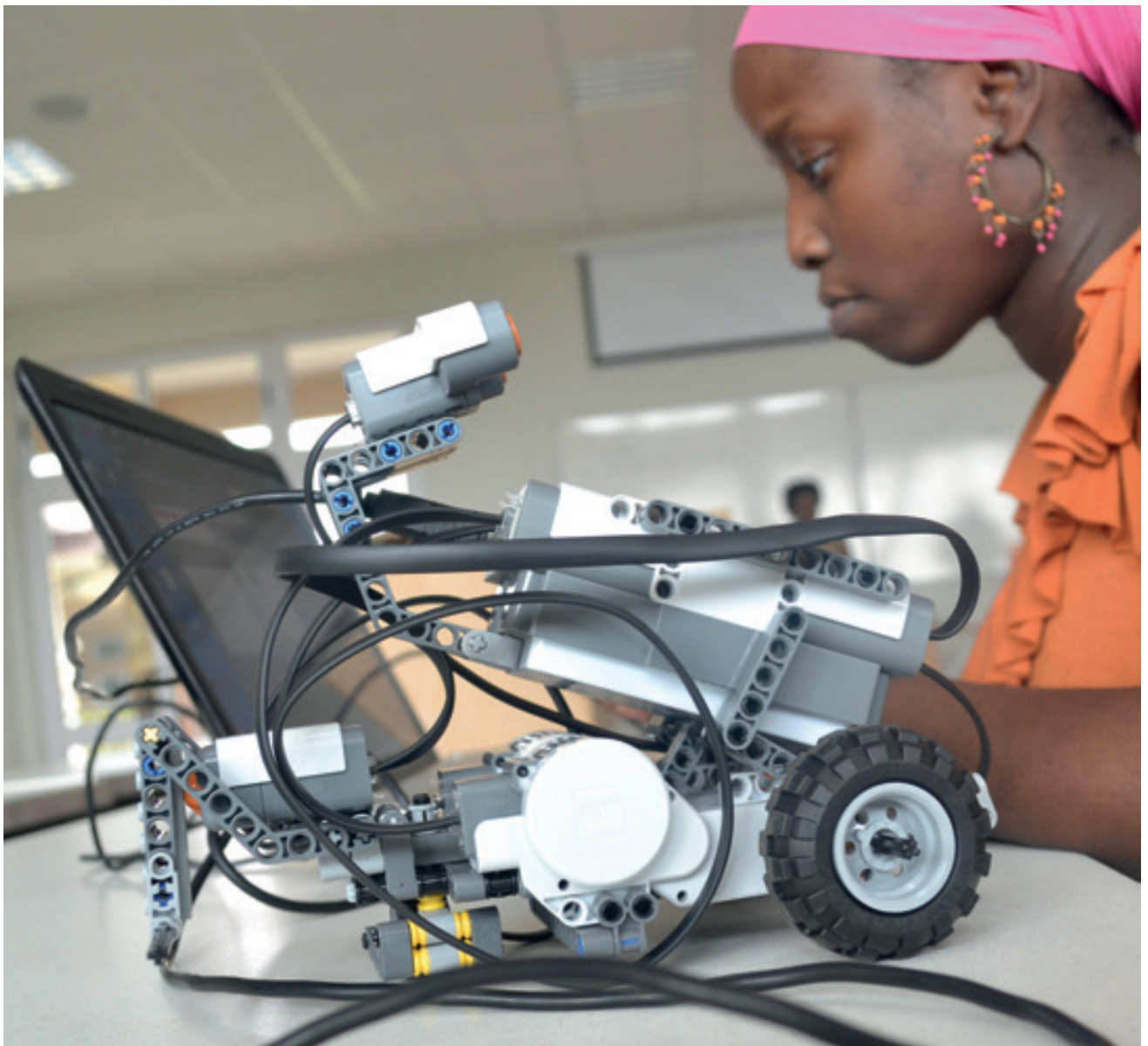
numbers alone. We need a new way of understanding photography as the value of individual photographs decreases, while the general significance of visual communication increases.

My project involves an intensive and long-term study of everyday practices of this new photography in the UK – with smaller scale research in two other contexts: First Nation communities in British Columbia, Canada, and Ladakh, northern India. Looking at other contexts is important for understanding how new photography is refracted through different cultural idioms and expectations, and the differences and similarities that emerge will be vital for seeing UK developments as not the only possible outcome of new technologies. The three-year timescale will allow me to build up a really comprehensive picture of how the claims for new photography's impact are actually materialised, or not. I will follow digital images through their production, circulation and consumption, tracing networks on and offline – while observing how these practices impact on a range of attitudes and other behaviours. When do people look at photographs? When do they take them and send them? What kinds of relationships do they initiate? What kinds of events prompt the taking of photographs? Who are they shared with? Who are they not shared with? Are photographs deleted regularly, or kept?

Given the scale of the claims made for new photography's impact on our lives, an understanding of these changes is one of the key issues of our times. My research will result in a book, a website and a series of audiovisual works that explore our lives more photographic, and consider photography's possible futures.



DESIGN FUTURES IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA



Cher Potter will head this Network which analyses two major forces shaping the twenty-first century – innovations in digital technology and the ‘rise of Africa’ – through the lens of material culture and its interpretation

Ms Cher Potter

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International Network

We tend to think about our world’s future as being discovered in the high-tech laboratories of American scientific research institutes, or *debated* in elite business and political forums held in the Alps – but less often in the West, do we think about our future as being *designed* by local tech communities in Sub-Saharan Africa.

If design is understood as an agent of cultural production and change in contemporary society, then the pervasive Western perception of the African continent as predominantly a producer of immutable craft reveals a misunderstanding of transformations occurring in African megacities. A digital revolution across many parts of Africa is facilitating a conversion from pre-industrial craft production to post-industrial design involving computer coding and digital fabrication. Alongside vast craft communities, the continent now hosts one of the fastest growing tech hubs in the world (the East African ‘Silicon Savannah’), a Pan-African robotics network (AFRON), burgeoning space programmes and a proliferation of digital innovation hubs.

The British economist Dr Charles Robertson, in his book *The Fastest Billion: The Story Behind Africa’s Economic Revolution* (2012), makes the contentious point that if African growth spurred on in part by these technology developments, continues as it has over the last two

decades, the African economy will be bigger than that of Europe and America together by 2050. As a design researcher and curator, I am deeply interested in how this much-debated era of Afro-optimism can be understood not simply in economic or political terms, but as heralding the onset of new cultural alignments, and local modification of design models, tools and visual strategies. How does a digital revolution combined with unprecedented city and population growth on the African continent result in new typologies of design? How do these new design categories inform the way African cultural production is communicated and displayed in Europe and Sub-Saharan Africa?

In order to address these important themes, the network brings together design theorists, technological innovators and museum professionals from six different cities – Dakar, Accra, Nairobi, Cape Town, London and Oxford. This group of pioneering scholars is engaged in advancing and theorising post-industrial design: digital imaging, computer gaming, robotics and wearable technology. Through a series of forums and exhibitions in Ghana, Kenya, South Africa and the UK, we will work collaboratively to interpret emerging design trends in African urban contexts. Developed through a core partnership between the London College of Fashion and the Victoria and Albert Museum, this project marks a starting point for UK-based cultural institutions to engage with emerging economies as a vital source of knowledge, design production and future imaginings!

WHAT HAPPENED NEXT

In 2015 the Trust awarded its 1000th Early Career Fellowship (originally called Special Research Fellowships); in this series of interviews we look back at over 20 years of the scheme and find out ‘what happened next’, the role that Leverhulme Trust funding played in the progress of the research and careers of these ten Fellows

PROFESSOR FAREDA BANDA



**“The greatest thing the
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psychological confidence”**

Fareda Banda’s fellowship gave her the opportunity not only to relaunch her academic career, but also to cement her reputation as an expert to the United Nations on women’s rights

Dr Fareda Banda couldn’t believe her ‘good fortune’: “I was the first black person from Zimbabwe to obtain a doctorate in law at Oxford University; and I don’t know whether it was gender, or being from some place else, but I somehow felt fraudulent. I spent the whole three years worrying that I didn’t deserve to be there: that there was some Mr Band who should have been given this fantastic opportunity,” she says. Where Fareda doubted her abilities, her DPhil supervisor, Mavis Maclean, did not. And it was Mavis who convinced her to apply for a 1994 Leverhulme Fellowship and return to the Oxford Centre for Socio-Legal Studies.

Getting the award boosted Fareda’s self-belief; she left the NGO where she had been working since completing her doctorate, and returned to academia. “It was wonderful to go back to Oxford and learn from Mavis and from John Eekelaar – basically the country’s premier researchers looking at socio-legal policy,” she says “but the greatest thing the Leverhulme gave me was psychological confidence.” As part of her fellowship, Fareda worked with John on a comparative study exploring how divorce solicitors working in Oxford would advise their clients in different scenarios. “That was absolutely fascinating,” she says. “It was there I learnt about something called English customary law.” Her previous fieldwork, for her doctorate on access to justice for women, was carried out in Zimbabwe: a country with a plural legal system in which national legislation exists alongside customary laws. But in England, she thought, surely the law was just the law? Instead, she found regional differences here too. For instance, when measuring whether women who stayed

home during their marriage should have to return to work, solicitors would take into account where the women lived, saying things like: “well, up north, they definitely don’t like women going back to work.”

In 1996, Fareda was appointed as a lecturer at SOAS, University of London, where she is now Professor of Law, teaching on law and society in Africa, human rights of women, and family law. She writes on women’s rights, family law and more recently religion; and, in 2008, wrote a particularly influential report for the United Nations (UN) on laws that discriminate against women. Her study – which found that women were discriminated against by law in almost every country – received worldwide coverage, news even reaching her grandmother’s mud hut village in Zimbabwe; and her recommendations resulted in the establishment of a working group, now in its second term, which promises to bring equal rights for women closer to a global reality. Fareda’s Leverhulme research gave her the methodologies and the confidence to widen the focus of the UN report from laws to practice. “I think that’s something else that the Leverhulme fellowship taught me – and also part of being African, I think – to remember what the grounded realities look like,” she says. Even in this country, law and practice can be poles apart; equal pay is an obvious example: enshrined in law in the UK since 1970, yet the pay gap is still substantial.

Fareda has recently co-edited a book on gender and religion with Lisa Fishbayn Joffe at Brandeis and is currently writing another report for the UN, this time with John Eekelaar on family and human rights.



PROFESSOR TIM BLACKBURN



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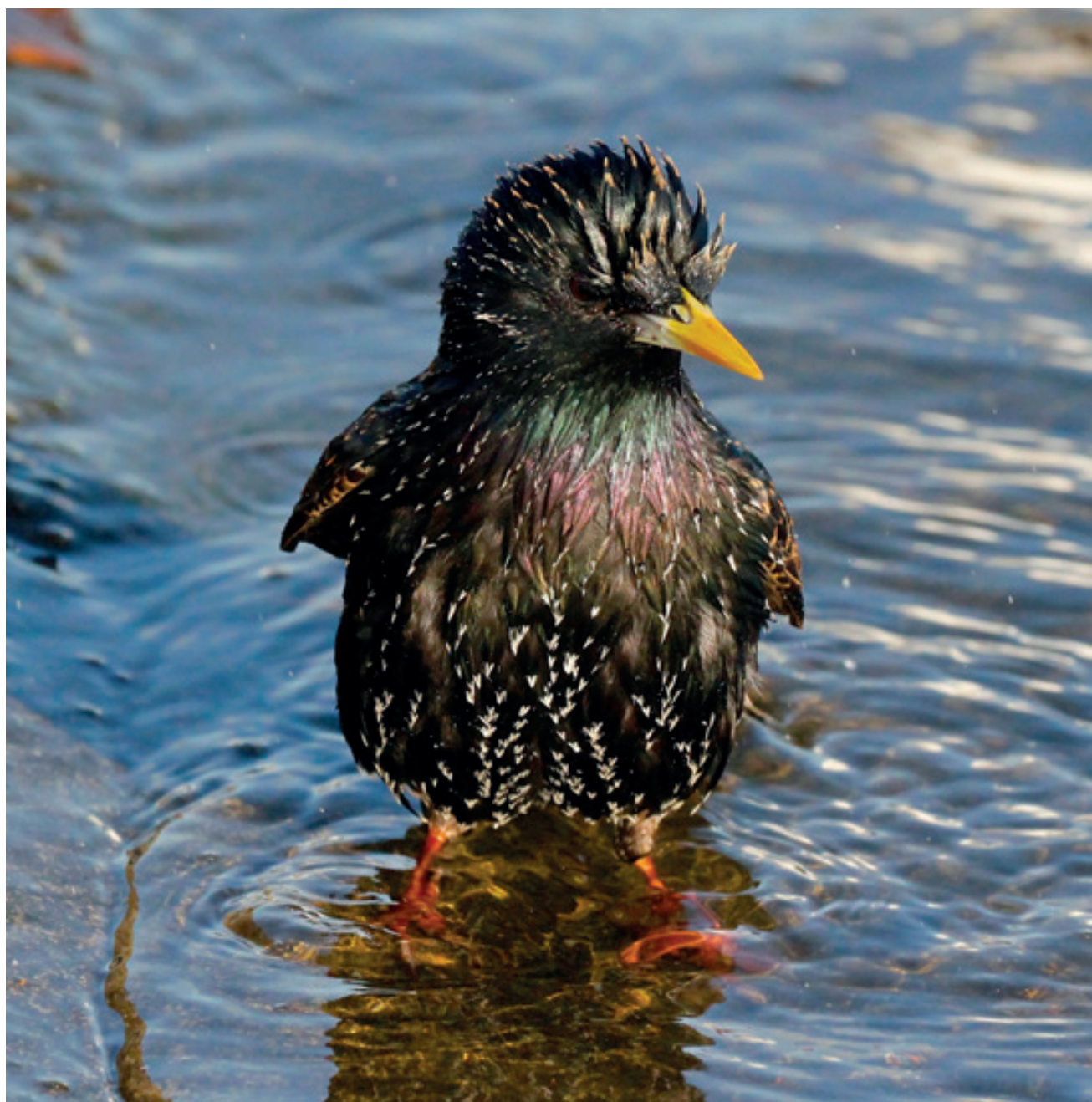
A Leverhulme Fellowship gave Tim Blackburn the freedom to carry out independent research and conduct a major review of ecological research processes, helping establish macroecology as a major influence in the field

“One’s ideas must be as broad as Nature if they are to interpret Nature.” Tim Blackburn and Kevin Gaston used the logic of Sherlock Holmes to introduce their pioneering book on ecological methods, perfectly encapsulating their central premise. At the time, the science of ecology focussed almost exclusively on understanding interactions amongst plants and animals at a local level, such as in a small field plot or pond. But there was a growing realisation that those interactions were affected by processes occurring over a much larger scale – and that the complex natural world could not be understood by just adding together lots of small-scale studies.

The volume of large-scale ecological research had increased dramatically since 1991, when Tim had joined the NERC Centre for Population Biology as a postdoctoral researcher. In fact, Tim and Kevin had themselves contributed to over seventy such studies by the late 90s. Still, the approach had failed to gain traction, and traditional funding bodies were yet to be convinced of its scientific merit. Tim’s 1998 Leverhulme Special Research Fellowship was a chance to take stock through a major review of the field. Published in 2000 as a co-authored monograph – *Pattern and Process in Macroecology* – this synthesis helped to establish the large-scale ecological approach and continues to be a major influence in the field. The Fellowship – particularly the freedom to carry out independent research – also provided the push Tim needed “to finally move on from the carefree life as a postdoc,” he says. He secured a lectureship at the University of Birmingham in 2000, where he stayed for seven years – the last two as Professor of Macroecology. In 2007, he was appointed Director of the Institute

of Zoology, stepping down in 2014 to take up his current position as Professor of Invasion Biology at University College London.

Since his Fellowship, Tim’s research has largely focussed on understanding the processes driving human-mediated biological invasions: now recognised as one of the greatest threats to global biodiversity. The 90s had seen a growing concern about the ecological impact of non-native species and, while immersed in his review of macroecology, Tim realised this was an area where a broader perspective could make important contributions. Rather than focussing on why ring-necked parakeets have thrived in South East England, for example, or why European starlings are now the most common bird in North America, you can step back and look at the bigger picture. He explains: “More than 400 species of birds have established alien populations somewhere in the world, so that represents a lot of natural experiments to compare, to understand common factors in the invasion process.” To enable this type of comparative research, Tim has developed a global atlas of alien bird species, mapping their ranges over time; a resource he is currently using to investigate how human actions and evolutionary processes interact to facilitate invasions. By identifying high-risk scenarios, this work could help prevent future damaging invasions. The Leverhulme Trust continues to play an important role in Tim’s research, he notes, not least because the interdisciplinary nature of invasion research means research councils are less likely to offer support: “It’s an unusual area of biology because there is a strong social history aspect... we’ve been able to make significant progress because the Leverhulme takes a more liberal view.”



PROFESSOR CAROLINE HUGHES



“It gave me the opportunity to get more publications, which is so vital to get a faculty job in a British university”

Continued support from the Leverhulme Trust provided Caroline Hughes with the time to develop an impressive publications track record, helping her secure her first permanent lectureship

When the post-Cold War euphoria died down, it was clear the results were not what the West had hoped. The UN peace process, instigated in Cambodia in the early 90s, had promised to bring this broken communist country into the democratic fold; but as the years passed, the authoritarian state not only prevailed, it thrived. Had the UN underestimated the power still held by a stubborn élite? Or was Cambodian culture just communist to its core? With the insight gained from two years' fieldwork during Cambodia's transition, Caroline Hughes argued that the UN plan failed, not because the Cambodians actively or passively resisted it, but because it was the wrong plan.

Caroline's first year in Cambodia was particularly daunting. The country had been completely closed off to the outside world for decades, and with no sources on its internal politics, it was hard to know where to start. After collating her material into a 'baggy monster of a PhD', she returned to Cambodia the following year, supported by a Leverhulme Study Abroad Studentship. It was 1998 – an election year – and Caroline travelled around the country with different political parties, attending rallies and gathering more focussed material. She then applied to the Leverhulme Trust for a 1999 Special Research Fellowship based at Nottingham University, giving her the time to write her now widely-cited monograph, *The Political Economy of Cambodia's Transition 1991–2001*. Published in 2003, it explains how the UN peace process, while achieving its mission to introduce some democratic processes, also effectively established the Cambodian authoritarian élite as gatekeepers of the foreign aid flowing into the country. “That was a significant

source of power and the government soon learnt how to use it to rebuild itself and maintain its monopoly,” Caroline explains. “When people are desperate and at the brink of their coping strategies, the control of water, medicines and food can not only be a source of revenue, it can essentially be a tool of violence. We're very aware of that now, but it was hardly even considered in the 90s.”

In 2001, Caroline was appointed to a lectureship at Nottingham University. She moved to the University of Birmingham in 2006 and then to Murdoch University in Western Australia in 2008, where she was appointed Director of the Asia Research Centre in 2010. “The fellowship opened a lot of doors for me,” Caroline says. “It gave me the opportunity to get more publications, which is so vital to get a faculty job in a British university. And the Trust was fantastic. Such a gentle introduction to academia... there was always someone ready to help the whole way through.” Caroline returned to the UK in 2013 as Professor of Conflict Resolution and Peace at the University of Bradford, where her research interests focus on peacebuilding, the politics of aid and development, and Southeast Asia. She returns regularly to Cambodia and says there are now encouraging signs of a reverse in its drift towards authoritarianism – albeit more to do with demographics than international policies. The children of the post-war population boom have reached voting age; less easily intimidated than those who suffered the privations of the 80s, it is their engagement with the democratic process that is finally pushing Cambodia towards the multi-party system the UN sought to create over two decades ago.

PROFESSOR FINN FORDHAM



“I didn’t feel any pressure from the Leverhulme to prove or produce a specific thing, and that was extraordinarily liberating intellectually”

A Leverhulme Fellowship was a turning point for Finn Fordham’s career, enabling him to secure his first book contract, and establish his reputation as a leading authority on James Joyce and genetic criticism

“Once upon a time and a very good time it was...”; Finn Fordham fell under the spell of James Joyce’s prose. From its first evocative and memorable sentence, *A Portrait of an Artist as a Young Man* was unlike any other novel the sixteen year-old Finn had read. The spell was to transform his life, leading to a career specialising in Joyce... and to the clash with the Joyce Estate that nearly sabotaged that career.

In 1997, Finn completed his PhD at Birkbeck: a biographical study of Joyce, exploring the intense bond he shared with his daughter Lucia. Troubled by mental illness while her father was working on his last masterpiece, *Finnegans Wake*, the ‘mad daughter’ was only a marginal figure in previous Joyce biographies. Finn’s thesis told a different, more intriguing, story. A publisher was interested but, unfortunately, also gave Joyce’s grandson, Stephen, the power to block the book’s publication: Intractable, particularly in matters concerning his aunt and the study of his grandfather’s manuscripts – block it, he did.

In the ‘publish or perish’ world of academia, Finn’s career foundered. After a number of temporary teaching jobs, he secured a two-year junior fellowship at Northampton University, where he tried to generate funding for research. Those two years were nearly up when Finn received the letter, offering a 2001 Special Research Fellowship: “I still remember jumping for joy; it just meant so much.”

With Leverhulme support, Finn was able to stay on at Northampton to tackle an ambitious new project, drawing on the rich archive of drafts left by Modernist writers as their masterpieces evolved. Using techniques developed by an approach known as genetic criticism, he meticulously analysed passages that had been written and

rewritten, finding stories woven into the many twists and turns the authors made. While his initial idea – a comparative analysis of Joyce, Hopkins, Yeats, Conrad, Forster and Woolf – gathered momentum, he returned to a subject he knew well: the turbulent seventeen-year genesis of *Finnegans Wake*. “That was the amazing thing about the fellowship,” Finn says “I didn’t feel any pressure from the Leverhulme to prove or produce a specific thing, and that was extraordinarily liberating intellectually.” It proved a successful detour; within 18 months Finn had secured a contract for one book and laid the groundwork for another.

Finn’s first book *Lots of Fun at ‘Finnegans Wake’*, published in 2007 to rave reviews, provides a ‘mind-widening and fun’ introduction to Joyce’s most dense and complex novel. His second, *I do I undo I redo: The Textual Genesis of Modernist Selves*, published in 2010, takes genetic approaches as a window into the minds of the great modernists at work. In it, Finn argues that the author’s sense of self and its vicissitudes can be seen in the many revisions they make to their text: “The process of writing can be difficult sometimes and I think that’s partly because your own identity is caught up in that process. Our ideas about selfhood are partly modelled on our relations to how we produce texts,” he explains.

With a book contract on his CV, job applications finally led to interviews and within weeks Finn had secured a lectureship at Nottingham University. In 2008, he moved to Royal Holloway, University of London, where he is now Professor of English and a leading authority on James Joyce, archival modernism, and genetic approaches to Modernist texts.



DR HUGH TUFFEN



“I applied to the Leverhulme Trust because it seemed to encourage you to do something different, to take risks”

Leverhulme funding enabled Hugh Tuffen to carry out ground-breaking research and challenge long-established views about volcanic deposits at Krafla volcano in Iceland, and helped to launch a successful research career

More than 500 million people live in regions directly threatened by volcanoes that could erupt violently and with little warning. Records of seismic activity show that volcanic eruptions are often preceded by a swarm of tiny shallow earthquakes, but even this has limited use as a predictive tool. With major gaps in our understanding about the processes triggering such earthquakes, it's difficult to differentiate them from other background rumblings until after the event. One challenge for volcanologists studying these processes is that – unlike the tectonic earthquakes generated as rocks fault and slide – no signs of volcanic earthquakes are found in the geological record. Or at least no signs had been identified until Hugh Tuffen and his PhD supervisor, Harry Pinkerton, made an intriguing discovery. During a field trip in Iceland, they noticed a ten-metre-high volcanic rock with all the hallmarks of tectonic faults except on a miniature scale and – even more surprising – it seemed the faults had healed back together. “It looked like the type of faults we know make earthquakes had happened in hot magma as it was rising,” Hugh says, “but the idea that earthquakes could happen inside something that flows seems pretty counterintuitive.”

With the support of a 2004 Leverhulme Trust Early Career Fellowship, Hugh set out to test the hypothesis that faulting of hot-rising magma could lead to volcanic earthquakes. Based at Lancaster University, Hugh's research combined the first detailed study of volcanic deposits at Krafla volcano in Iceland, with magma cracking experiments conducted with the rock physicist Peter Sammonds, in his lab at University College London. The project was both controversial and novel: not only challenging the long-established view that earthquakes happen only in cold brittle rocks, but also using a combination of old-school geology and experimentation

that was new to volcano studies. “I applied to the Leverhulme Trust because it seemed to encourage you to do something different, to take risks... and I rather liked that,” Hugh says.

Working with Peter and his team, Hugh subjected pieces of obsidian (volcanic glass) collected from Krafla, to temperatures and pressures simulating volcanic conditions; at the same time monitoring them for seismic activity on a micro-scale. His findings, published in *Nature* in 2008, showed that, even at temperatures as high as 900 degrees celsius when magma can flow, it would nevertheless crack when deformed rapidly; and this cracking created measurable earthquakes. The work Hugh did during his fellowship led to a £500,000 project, funded by the Natural Environment Research Council, which provided further evidence of the link between volcanic earthquakes and the fracturing behaviour of magma. It also facilitated his successful application for a Royal Society University Research Fellowship in 2010, and his recent promotion to Reader in Volcanology at Lancaster University. Alongside the opportunities to build his own research career, Hugh says, spin-offs from the Leverhulme project also allowed him to assist others in the volcano research community, through various PhD and postdoctoral positions.

One particularly fortuitous opportunity followed an incident at Krafla in 2009, when a geothermal energy company accidentally drilled into magma, briefly creating the world's most powerful geothermal borehole. Hugh's unique expertise on this volcano led to his inclusion in current international research efforts at Krafla, aiming to improve the detection of stored magma and assess the risks involved in tapping this unprecedented source of geothermal energy.

PROFESSOR EMILY BOYD



“Having funding from the Leverhulme gave me the space to conceptualise and try out new ideas”

Since holding an Early Career Fellowship Emily Boyd’s pioneering work on improving the well-being of people worldwide has helped empower communities to tackle the impacts of climate change by working with government institutions and businesses

Emily Boyd is the world’s first Professor of Resilience Geography. Appointed by the University of Reading in 2013, just four years after completing her 2007 Leverhulme Fellowship – and this despite a one-year maternity break – her impressive career momentum reflects an ambitious purpose: her conviction that as a social scientist, she can, and must, improve the wellbeing of people worldwide, as they face challenges wrought by environmental change. “It sounds cheesy, but that’s the core of what I want to do. Where climate change is concerned, the natural sciences have led the way; but for problems such as water scarcity, food shortages and flooding – issues increasingly facing communities across the planet – lots of the questions are social, economic and political. Social scientists have got to step up and take leadership to make sure that those issues are at the forefront.”

Through her Leverhulme fellowship, held at Oxford University’s Environmental Change Institute, Emily explored ways of bringing social science theories, methods and practices into the domain of climate change and environmental thinking: “It was blue-skies, curiosity-driven social science and having funding from the Leverhulme gave me the space to conceptualise and try out new ideas.” During the fellowship, she visited communities involved in the reforestation of the wind-blown and degraded croplands of Haryana State in India. This was one of a number of development projects worldwide, designed to alleviate poverty while facilitating environmental rehabilitation; but most were falling well short of their good intentions. “We often find a mismatch between the vision at the global policy level – or even at the national level – and what these policies actually mean on the ground; it’s not easy to reach and involve the poorest communities.” The Haryana project was an exception: here communities had engaged in the design process from the start and it was improving the lives of those most in need. “Seeing how communities can actually work together was a real highlight of my Leverhulme fellowship,” Emily says.

Haryana was a lesson in the importance of bottom-up collaborative decision-making; and methods to enable that participatory process were at the heart of Emily’s recent project in the crowded and often flooded informal settlements of Maputo in Mozambique. This collaborative

experiment, involving colleagues from University College London and the University of York, identified community priorities for climate-related action by integrating local knowledge and experience with a detailed scientific assessment of climate change impacts. “We found that by helping people relate the problems they were facing to a changing climate and showing them that they have an important part to play, they were motivated to take practical action to change their communities for the better,” Emily says. Empowering communities to present a collective vision for the future of their neighbourhood helped to compel cooperative action from government institutions and businesses – provocative evidence that reversing the traditional top-down approach may be both a more ethical and a more efficient route to climate-compatible development. The project won a United Nations 2013 Lighthouse Activities award, recognising it as an inspiring example of people taking action to address climate change worldwide; and – according to UN spokesperson Christina Figueres – a beacon of hope, demonstrating what can happen when innovation and passion come together to address the biggest challenge of our time.

Emily is currently working on her fifth book, which examines how resilience ideas have helped to reshape development thinking, and is about to undertake a new and exciting role as the Director of Lund University Centre for Sustainability (LUCSUS).

Below. Putting community-led adaptation activities into action; getting citizens involved in decisions that increase their resilience to climate change and the future sustainability of their neighbourhoods. Maputo, Mozambique.



PROFESSOR JO LONGHURST



“I felt very much supported by the Leverhulme, and encouraged to develop my work through my practice”

The Leverhulme Trust’s support for practice-led research helped Jo Longhurst build her career as a prize-winning international photographer, focussing on social projects and cultural notions, alongside her academic pursuits

When artist, Jo Longhurst, applied for her 2008 Early Career Fellowship, her work was already attracting international attention. She had recently completed her practice-led PhD at the Royal College of Art, exploring the world of British whippet breeders and their obsessive quest for the perfect dog. The compelling photographic installations in her doctoral exhibition, *The Refusal*, question ideas of conformity and difference, breeding and eugenics, and invite us to consider how society is shaped and controlled by cultural notions of perfection. But she was determined not to be typecast as a ‘dog photographer’.

Jo’s fellowship – held part-time at the European Centre for Photographic Research, University of Wales, Newport – allowed her to develop a parallel case study, *Perfect*, exploring the competitive world of elite gymnastics in a way that is rarely made visible: “For me, the research wasn’t concerned with creating perfect photographs or perfect performances; but rather about exploring the human experience of striving for perfection, and how this shapes personal and national identities, as well as social and political systems” Jo explains. The work she created has since won her wide acclaim – including one of the most prestigious international contemporary photography awards, the Art Gallery of Ontario’s Grange Prize 2012 – although, as Jo remembers, some of the gymnasts she worked with were not that impressed at the time: “For them a photographer was a sports photographer who took certain types of images; they were constantly disappointed by the artistic experimentation that was going on,” she laughs.

The project proved challenging from the start: difficulties gaining access to the gymnasts; difficult working conditions in

the gym; and difficulties finding suitable exhibition venues were compounded by a constant struggle to meet the expenses of creating this type of work. So much so that until her exhibition, *Other Spaces*, was safely installed in its first venue at Mostyn, Llandudno, Jo was never really certain that she would pull it off. She was also genuinely surprised when she won the Grange Prize: “That was really quite something,” she explains, “because although the shortlist was selected by international curators and critics, the final winner was chosen by public vote; it was particularly touching to have both professional and public recognition.”

Gaining academic recognition is more of a work in progress, however. Still in its infancy, particularly at postdoctoral level, practice-led research tends to be undervalued within academia, Jo says: “Research through art practice is just as demanding – maybe even more so – than research which is purely text-based, but it is often seen as less valid. My Early Career Fellowship was particularly special because I felt very much supported by the Leverhulme, and encouraged to develop my work through my practice, as well as the usual academic outputs.” On completion of her Fellowship Jo travelled to Canada to undertake a residency at the Art Gallery of Ontario, and on her return, after giving a keynote on *Other Spaces* at the ‘On the Verge of Photography’ Conference at Birmingham School of Art, she was offered a research fellowship there. Now Senior Research Fellow and part-time Professor of Photography and Fine Art Practice, Jo continues to pioneer practice-led research, and is currently working on new artworks with gymnasts from a social project in a Rio favela, which further develops her interest in cultural notions of perfection.



DR ELEANOR ROSAMUND BARRACLOUGH



“It was absolutely the best thing to happen to me in my professional career”

Eleanor Rosamund Barraclough’s fellowship took her from a prospective career in advertising to an academic discovery of the world of the Vikings depicted in the literature of their sagas, and a permanent lectureship

Eleanor Rosamund Barraclough was leaving the academic world for good. After seven years in the Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic at the University of Cambridge, she had an honours degree, an MPhil, a PhD... and an overwhelming desire never to set foot in another library. Instead, she took an internship at a London advertising agency, soon making herself an indispensable member of the team. But the day they offered her a permanent contract was the same day she received the offer of a 2011 Early Career Fellowship at Oxford University: “There was a horrible moment of indecision when I could see these two paths ahead of me,” Eleanor says. But the generosity of the Leverhulme fellowship tempted her back to academia, to write a book on the Viking world depicted in the Norse sagas. Although a project based on literary analysis of medieval texts, Eleanor’s plans for the £6,000 annual research budget were anything but bookish.

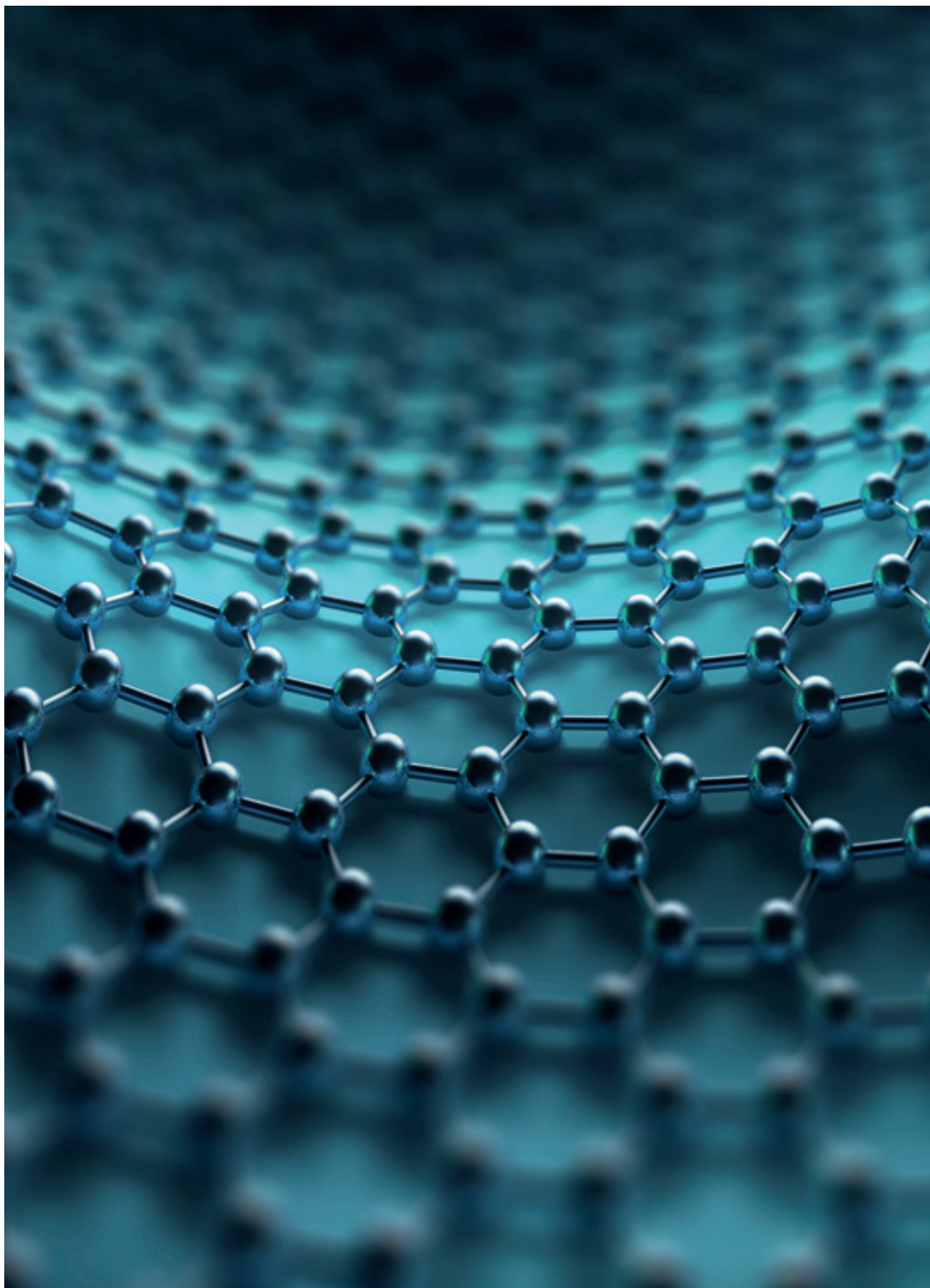
The Vikings of the sagas were not only fearsome warriors but pioneering settlers, farmers, traders; and above all explorers. From Iceland they travelled north to Arctic Norway, south to the Holy Land, east to the Russian kingdoms, and west to Greenland and the fringes of North America. For her Leverhulme project, Eleanor travelled to each point of the Viking compass, following the trails of some of these medieval adventurers and working with local experts, from a range of disciplines, to discover what could be found of the world remembered and re-imagined in the saga literature.

The fellowship funded “two glorious summers” in Greenland, exploring the Viking settlements founded in the tenth century by Eric the Red. Vast, icy and

almost deserted, the Greenland of today, like the Greenland of the pioneering Norsemen, is notoriously difficult to get around and Eleanor’s first fieldtrip was conducted almost entirely on horseback; the second was in a boat navigated by its owner, a local caribou hunter. Eleanor also travelled south to Rome, following in the footsteps of Norse pilgrims; then east to Istanbul, the site of the former Byzantine capital, Constantinople, where Vikings had worked as traders, mercenaries, and even as the emperor’s personal bodyguards. Finally, she headed to Arctic Norway, following the trail taken by the ninth-century Norse explorer and trader, Ohthere, from Tromsø to Europe’s northernmost point. Travelling along the craggy landscapes of that wild northern coastline route, it was easy to imagine the trolls and giants and other-wordly creatures that lurk in the mythological sagas of the far North.

In 2013, Eleanor was selected as one of the BBC/AHRC New Generation Thinkers, and commissioned to make a radio documentary on her search for the *Supernatural North*. Aired on Radio 3, her programme also featured on Radio 4’s *Pick of the Week*, giving the BBC the irresistible opportunity to rebroadcast Eleanor asking: “What are you going to do to me with that walrus penis bone?” as she was knighted into the Royal and Ancient Polar Bear Society with an object resembling a baseball bat. Now a lecturer in Medieval English at Durham University, she has no regrets about her career U-turn, saying: “It was absolutely the best thing to happen to me in my professional career.” Eleanor’s book: *Beyond the Northlands: Viking Voyages and the Old Norse Sagas* will be published by Oxford University Press.





DR RAHUL RAVEENDRAN NAIR



“I had the freedom I needed to prove myself as an independent researcher”

An Early Career Fellowship not only enabled Rahul Nair to carry out ground-breaking research on the properties of graphene oxide membranes, but also acted as a springboard to establishing his own research group and an independent research career

In 2012, graphene was back in the news. Its growing list of ‘miracle’ properties that potentially world-changing applications have proved a rich source of headlines since 2004, when Manchester University’s Andre Geim and Konstantin Novosolev first reported its discovery. Although probably most famous for its remarkable ability to conduct electrons, this one-atom thick lattice of carbon atoms has many other unique and often surprising features: the world’s thinnest material it is nevertheless the strongest ever measured; it is transparent yet so dense that even the smallest of gases, helium, cannot pass through it.

Rahul Nair, a PhD student in Andre’s group, was studying the permeability of a derivative of graphene, when he uncovered a particularly intriguing new property. He found that sealing a metal container with a graphene oxide membrane made it vacuum tight, preventing even helium leaking through; but to his surprise, water vapour could escape as though the membrane wasn’t even there. To demonstrate just how unexpected this behaviour was, Rahul and Andre sealed a container of vodka with a graphene oxide membrane and left it for a few days. The water evaporated but the more volatile alcohol molecules were trapped: the vodka got stronger and stronger. The *Science* article reporting their findings sparked global interest from academics and industry alike, while the demonstration of graphene’s latest ‘miracle’ property created something of a media storm.

Soon after, Rahul took up his 2012 Early Career Fellowship for a project to study the superconductivity of graphene and other two-dimensional materials. He says he applied for the award because he knew that one of his senior colleagues had held an Early Career Fellowship, “and I could see from his CV that this had definitely helped him with establishing

his independent career.” This turns out to be one of Rahul’s characteristic understatements. His role model was Konstantin – now Professor Sir Konstantin – whose 2004 Early Career Fellowship had supported some of the research recognised with the 2010 Nobel Prize that he shares with Andre Geim.

Although work on graphene oxide membranes was not in his original fellowship proposal, Rahul soon shifted his focus to stay ahead of the competition in this emerging area. Within two years, he had secured more than £2 million in industry support, established his own research group and published more ground-breaking research on the properties of graphene oxide membranes. In 2014, Rahul resigned from his Leverhulme award to take up a prestigious five-year Royal Society Research Fellowship: “This wouldn’t have been possible without the Leverhulme Fellowship, particularly the opportunity it gave me to become principal or co-investigator of many research grants. I had the freedom I needed to prove myself as an independent researcher.”

Recently promoted to Reader, Rahul continues to explore the properties of graphene oxide-based membranes and their potential applications. His research team is making promising progress towards membranes to separate water from mixtures of gases; and as coatings to protect against corrosion. “More interesting but also more challenging, we are trying to develop a graphene oxide-based water filter [such filters may offer the solution to one of the greatest challenges facing society today by providing a potentially cheap and efficient way of producing freshwater from our Earth’s oceans] so, there we have more competition,” he says “but if we are successful, it will also be very good.”

DR RICHARD MORTON



“Leverhulme funding has helped me continue building my career as a scientist”

Why is the atmosphere of a cool star a million degrees hotter than its surface? With his current Early Career Fellowship Richard Morton’s research aims to advance our understanding of this mystery by exploiting ultra-modern telescopes to investigate solar waves

In 2011, the UK Government added a new threat to the National Risk Register: severe space weather. So reliant have we become on our high-tech infrastructure, that such an event could cause worldwide devastation, disrupting communications, satellite navigation systems, and the power grid network. In response, the Met Office now provides daily updates of the outlook from space and is working with US experts to develop an effective forecasting service; but our understanding of the fundamental physical processes that drive space storms still lags far behind that of the more Earthly variety.

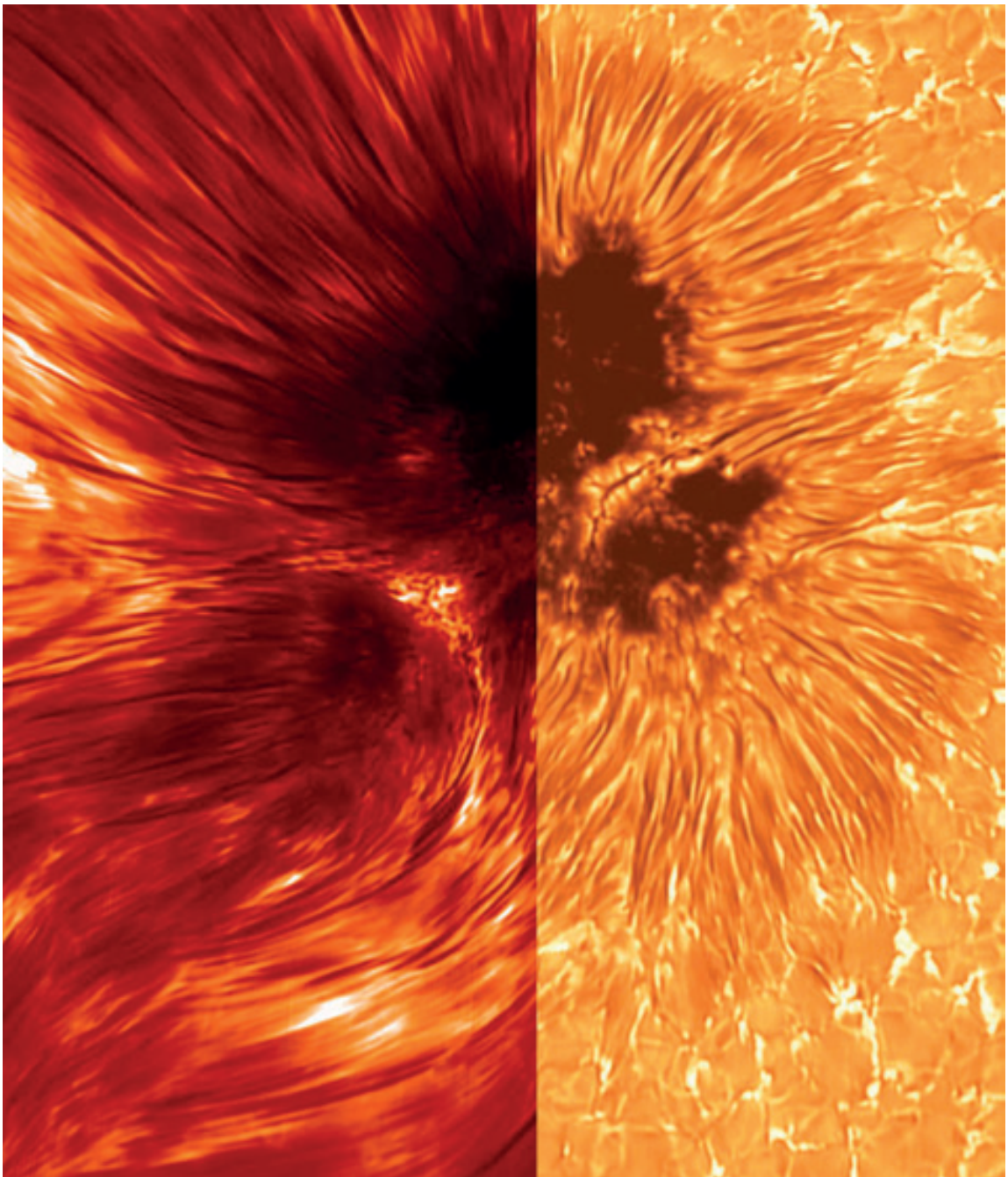
Space weather results from solar activity, including a ferocious wind that streams off the Sun at speeds ranging from 500,000 to 2,000,000 miles an hour. What drives this wind – and specifically what role powerful solar magnetic waves, known as Alfvén waves, play in its acceleration – is the focus of a project led by current Early Career Fellow, Dr Richard Morton at Northumbria University. Richard’s research combines analytical modelling with observations obtained by state-of-the-art telescopes; and the significant contributions he has made to magnetic wave theory and magnetoseismology of the Sun were recently recognised with the 2015 Royal Astronomical Society Winton Capital Award in geophysics.

Richard moved to Northumbria in 2012 to join the newly established Solar Research Group on a three-year university research fellowship but resigned that position to take up a Leverhulme Early Career Fellowship in 2014. In the first year of his Leverhulme fellowship, Richard spent time at the US National Centre for Atmospheric Research in Colorado, working with other solar researchers including Dr Steven Tomczyk. Steven is one of the designers of the Hawaii-based Coronal Multichannel Polarimeter (CoMP)

telescope, an instrument particularly useful for observing Alfvén waves on the outermost layer of the Sun’s atmosphere. Analysing data from CoMP and NASA’s solar satellite, Richard and his colleagues made the discovery that the magnetic waves they were studying travel in both directions along the Sun’s magnetic field. Published in *Nature Communications*, 2015, this finding is particularly exciting because the collision of these oppositely-directed tsunamic waves could release the energy to feed the solar wind. Future studies should reveal how much energy the waves supply and may help to forecast solar wind speeds.

Another highlight from Richard’s first year of Leverhulme support was leading Northumbria’s successful bid to join a consortium of international institutions contributing to the Daniel K Inouye Solar telescope (DKIST). Currently in construction on Haleakala Mountain on the island of Maui, Hawaii, this will be the world’s biggest solar telescope and will pick up unprecedented detail on the Sun’s surface. Without distractions, such as the potentially heavy teaching burden associated with his university fellowship, Richard has been able to focus on Northumbria’s contribution to DKIST, which aims to develop the software needed for the automated tracking detection of solar waves. “Leverhulme funding has helped me continue building my career as a scientist,” he says. “Without it I wouldn’t have had as much time to write the DKIST bid or to be as involved with it as I am now.” Much of Richard’s remaining fellowship will be devoted to developing wave tracking techniques; success will secure a position of leadership for the Solar Research Group to exploit the data from this revolutionary telescope, but there’s a lot of work to be done before first light in 2019.

Below. The Sun's lower atmosphere. Light from calcium atoms can be used to probe the fine-scale magnetic structures of the Sun. The picture shows the chromosphere (left) and photosphere (right) above a sunspot, as seen in calcium. Data is from the Swedish Solar Telescope, observed by V. Henriques. Image designed by R. Morton.



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The Leverhulme Centre for Climate Change Mitigation

Professor Sue Black

University of Dundee

The Leverhulme Centre for Forensic Science

Professor Andrew Cooper

University of Liverpool

The Leverhulme Centre for Functional Materials Design

Professor Huw Price

University of Cambridge

The Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence

Research Project Grants

Sciences

Dr Nicola Allison

University of St Andrews

The control of coral biomineralisation
£169,406

Dr Simon Ameer-Beg

King's College London

Super-resolved functional mapping of protein–protein interactions
£390,143

Dr Edward Anderson

University of Oxford

Sequence-based stereochemical prediction: a new tool for polyketide structure elucidation
£161,082

Professor Peter Andras

University of Keele

Designing and validating novel voltage-sensitive dyes for neuroscience research
£178,374

Dr Steve Atkinson

University of Nottingham

Human body lice – a missing link in plague outbreaks?
£151,469

Dr Wael Bahsoun

Loughborough University

Statistical properties of dynamical systems: an interplay between randomness and determinism
£126,818

Dr Michail Barkoulas

Imperial College London

Quantitative evolution of nematode gene regulatory networks
£173,412

Professor Paul Barlow

University of Edinburgh

Probing regulation of the complement system by factor H on biomimetic surfaces
£218,671

Professor Martin Barstow

University of Leicester

Fundamental physics from observations of white dwarf stars
£349,540

Dr Ulrike Bechtold

University of Essex

Sugar signalling during drought stress; do plants suffer diabetes when stressed?
£229,949

Professor Simon Belt

University of Plymouth

A novel proxy for reconstructing polar ocean temperatures
£164,557

Professor Michael Benton

University of Bristol

The exceptional early Jurassic fossils of Strawberry Bank, Somerset
£240,754

Professor Timothy Birkhead

University of Sheffield

Evolution of avian egg design
£261,958

Professor Tim Blackburn

University College London

The phylogenetics of invasions: untangling evolutionary and human historical contexts in the introduction and spread of alien bird species
£100,211

Dr Andrew Brennan

University of Dundee

Influence of plant roots on soil resistance to earthquake-induced liquefaction
£168,111

Dr Marc Buehner

Cardiff University

Time and causality in cognitive development
£228,829

Dr Silvana Cardoso

University of Cambridge

Precipitation reactions in environmental plumes: implication for oceanic methane releases
£204,433

Professor Tracey Chapman

University of East Anglia

Evolutionary genomics of the enigmatic male sex peptide: a 'master regulator' of female reproduction
£55,399

Professor Brian Charlesworth

University of Edinburgh

Analysing genomewide patterns of DNA sequence variation and evolution in *Drosophila*
£164,333

Professor Daniel Charman

University of Exeter

Holocene evolution of the Southern Annular Mode using novel peat isotope proxies
£245,011

Dr Dylan Childs

University of Sheffield

Individual energy budgets, life histories and population dynamics in the field
£159,336

Dr Barbara Ciani

University of Sheffield

Designing recyclable self-assembled fibrous biomaterials
£163,670

Professor Jonathan Clayden*University of Bristol*

Dynamic communication through
reorganisable hydrogen bond networks
£195,989

Dr Claudia Clopath*Imperial College London*

Receptive field development through
synaptic plasticity
£98,351

Dr Ben Collen*University College London*

Predicting the dynamics of African
ecosystems under multiple pressures
£293,535

Dr Serena Corr*University of Glasgow*

Multifunctional magnetic nanocomposites
for artefact conservation
£263,345

Dr Claire Cousins*University of St Andrews*

Looking for life in the UV: fluorescence
as a tool for planetary exploration
£159,971

Professor Ian Crawford*Birkbeck, University of London*

Assessing the potential of lunar geology
as a window into galactic history
£174,468

Dr Mark Crimmin*Imperial College London*

Sigma-Bond activation with weakly-
coordinated sigma-complexes of copper(I)
£116,532

Professor Darren Croft*University of Exeter*

The evolution of eye salience as a signal
for communication
£186,907

Dr Angel Cuesta*University of Aberdeen*

Electroreduction of carbon dioxide in
room temperature ionic liquids
£138,278

Dr Clare Cunningham*Abertay University*

Effects of social and practical experience
on tool manipulation skills in small apes
£121,780

Professor Nicholas Dale*University of Warwick*

Structural basis of the CO₂ sensitivity of
Cx26 and role in human physiology
£172,834

Dr Silvia Dalla*University of Central Lancashire*

Predicting solar energetic particle
radiation at Earth and Mars
£159,542



Professor Peter Davidson*University of Cambridge*

Are planetary magnetic fields generated and maintained by inertial waves?

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Dr Charlotte Dean*Imperial College London*

Real-time imaging of murine alveolarisation

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Dr Alfonso De Simone*Imperial College London*

Biomolecular mechanisms in heterogeneous systems: the interfacial activation of lipases

£189,084

Dr Bruno Dhuime*University of Bristol*

Silicate mineral inclusions and the composition of new continental crust

£184,313

Professor Simone Di Giovanni*Imperial College London*

The novel role of reactive oxygen species in axonal growth and regeneration

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Dr Simon Doherty*Newcastle University*

Engineering high performance alkaline anion membranes for electrochemical applications

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Professor Andrew Dove*University of Warwick*

Alkene-containing polymers: novel synthetic elastomers inspired by nature

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Professor Judith Driscoll*University of Cambridge*

Next generation electronic devices using a new thin film

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Dr Christopher Duffy*Queen Mary, University of London*

Carotenoids in light harvesting: a general molecular theory

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Dr Bertram Düring*University of Sussex*

Novel discretisations of higher-order nonlinear PDE

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Dr Gregory Edgecombe*Natural History Museum*

Anomalocaridids and the origin of arthropods: the view from Chengjiang

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Professor Martin Eimer*Birkbeck, University of London*

Neural and cognitive mechanisms of multimodal working memory

£185,528



Dr Roberto Filippi*Anglia Ruskin University*

An investigation of the effects of multi-language acquisition across the lifespan
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Dr Sergi Garcia-Manyes*King's College London*

LINC-ing nanomechanics to gene expression: a single molecule approach
£199,066

Dr Emmanuil Georgoulis*University of Leicester*

Reduced complexity finite element methods
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Professor Andrew Goodwin*University of Oxford*

Ice-like structural disorder in transition-metal cyanides
£223,543

Professor Malcolm Halcrow*University of Leeds*

Exploiting a spin-crossover module in materials chemistry and nanoscience
£177,228

Professor Karl Hale*Queen's University Belfast*

Towards a new total synthesis of (+)-acutiphyacin via O-directed hydrostannation
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Dr Karen Halliday*University of Edinburgh*

cpRNA proteins: novel candidates for environmental control of photosynthesis
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Professor William Harwin*University of Reading*

3D learning in a rich cooperative haptic environment
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Dr Ross Hatton*University of Warwick*

Engineering hybrid interface materials for thin film photovoltaics
£166,140

Professor Daniel Haydon*University of Glasgow*

From observation to intervention: overcoming weak data with new approaches to complex biological problems
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Professor Douglas Heggie*University of Edinburgh*

New science from the phase space of dense stellar systems
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Professor Alistair Hetherington*University of Bristol*

UVA signalling in plants
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Professor Peter Hollingsworth*Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh*

Using DNA to understand bamboo and the complexity of giant panda diet
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Professor Christopher Howe*University of Cambridge*

Biological photovoltaic cells in ultra-small volumes
£171,844

Professor Herbert Huppert*University of Cambridge*

Carbon dioxide sequestration: theory, experimental and field verifications
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Dr Simon Jones*University of Sheffield*

Multifunctional catalysts for selective phosphoryl transfer
£50,556

Dr Antonios Kanaras*University of Southampton*

Nanoparticles with synergistic roles: sensing and drug delivery
£191,412

Dr Euan Kay*University of St Andrews*

Switching on colloidal catalysts with rotaxane nanoparticle monolayers
£252,602

Dr Kayla King*University of Oxford*

Transitions to defensive mutualism: an experimental coevolution approach
£226,955

Professor Ludmila Kuncheva*Bangor University*

Prototype selection from streaming, drifting and partly-labelled data using classifier ensembles
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Professor Tom Little*University of Edinburgh*

Cross-generational epigenetic effects of age and diet restriction
£202,932

Dr Karen Lander*University of Manchester*

Investigating the role of movement in the recognition of identity from facial composites
£92,703

Dr Jonathan Lee*University of Birmingham*

Stimulating the destabilisation of fear and traumatic memories
£180,843

Dr Bruno Linclau*University of Southampton*

19F NMR exchange spectroscopy of polyfluorosugar transport across cell membranes
£102,266

Dr Paul Lusby*University of Edinburgh*

Autonomous, photochemically-fuelled molecular machines
£248,081

Dr Dermot Lynott*University of Lancaster*

If it looks like a duck: emergent categorical structure in the human conceptual system
£132,423

Professor Phil Luthert*University College London*

Nature-inspired engineering solutions for the optimisation of heat and mass transfer systems
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Professor Andrei Malkov*Loughborough University*

A novel approach to asymmetric synthesis of homoallylic amines
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Dr Eros Mariani*University of Exeter*

Quantum drum
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Professor Frank Marken*University of Bath*

New materials for ionic diodes and ionic photodiodes
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Dr Nathan Mayne*University of Exeter*

Examining cloud-induced variability in brown dwarfs

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Dr Sylvia McLain*University of Oxford*

Atomic scale insights into the role of water and urea in the protein-folding process

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Dr James McLaughlin*Northumbria University*

Revealing the fundamental nature of time-dependent, wave-generating reconnection

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Professor Simon McQueen-Mason*University of York*

Mannitol metabolism in marine microalgae: physiology and applications

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Dr Reinhold Medina*Queen's University Belfast*

Exploring a novel role for interferon signalling in cellular senescence

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Professor Joanna Morgan*Imperial College London*

Santorini: high-resolution imaging of an active volcano with 3D full-waveform inversion

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Dr Louis Morrill*Cardiff University*

The productive merger of organocatalysis and frustrated Lewis pairs

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Dr Julie Morrissey*University of Leicester*

Air pollution is changing the behaviour of bacteria

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Professor Klaus Muller-Dethlefs*University of Manchester*

Non-covalent interactions: an experimental and theoretical pathway towards exact binding energies

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Dr John Mulley*Bangor University*

Mapping the gerbil genome

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Dr Maria Paz Munoz-Herranz*University of East Anglia*

New transition-metal catalysed cascade cyclisations of tris(allenes)

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Dr Naomi Nakayama*University of Edinburgh*

The form and function of the dandelion fruit

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Professor Kate Nation*University of Oxford*

The Oxford children's corpus: lessons for learning to read

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Dr Emily Nurse*University College London*

A novel technique to search for dark matter at the Large Hadron Collider

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Dr Gabriela Ochoa*University of Stirling*

The cartography of computational search spaces

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Dr Gareth Owen*University of South Wales*

Hydrogen atom storage catalysts: new reaction pathways and novel synthetic transformations

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Dr Susan Perkin*University of Oxford*

Electric and magnetic field effects on confined liquids

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Professor Lazaros Papageorgiou*University College London*

A unified framework for formulating and solving optimisation problems of multiple classes

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Dr Kevin Paterson*University of Leicester*

Revealing effects of ageing on parafoveal processing during reading

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Professor Martin Paterson*Heriot-Watt University*

The density matrix renormalisation group for inorganic photochemistry

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Dr Richard Payne*University of York*

Quantifying carbon accumulation and loss in afforested peatlands

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Dr Deborah Pearce*Oxford Brookes University*

pMMO in plants for methane detoxification and as a carbon negative biofuel

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Dr Annette Plaut*University of Exeter*

Controlled stress – thermally inducing strain in graphene

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Dr Simon Pope*Cardiff University*

Decorated diamonds: new luminescent hybrid materials

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Dr Nikola Popovic*University of Edinburgh*

The nature of gene expression: model selection and parameter inference

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Professor Alexander Ruban*Queen Mary, University of London*

Inside the photosynthetic membrane of diatoms

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Dr Shuzo Sakata*University of Strathclyde*

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Understanding the mechanisms of photostability of biochemical building blocks from quantum simulation and imaging experiments

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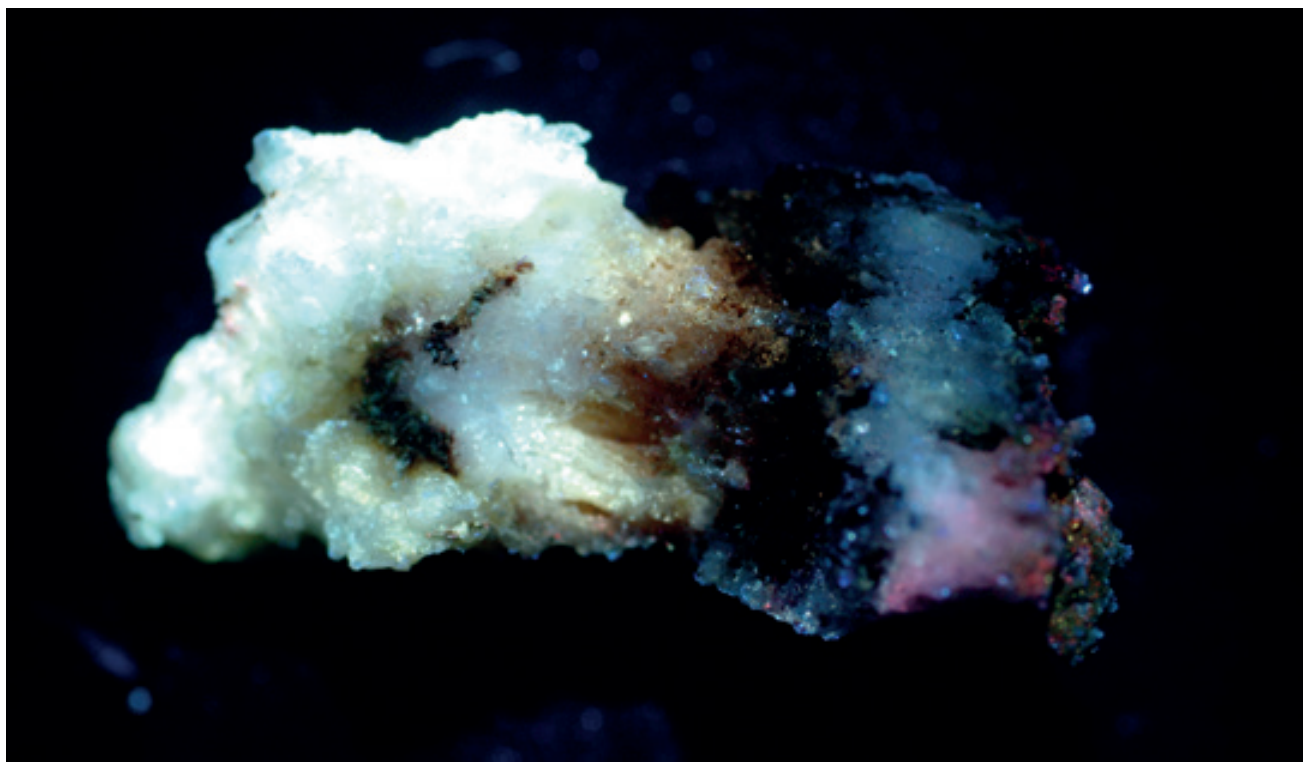
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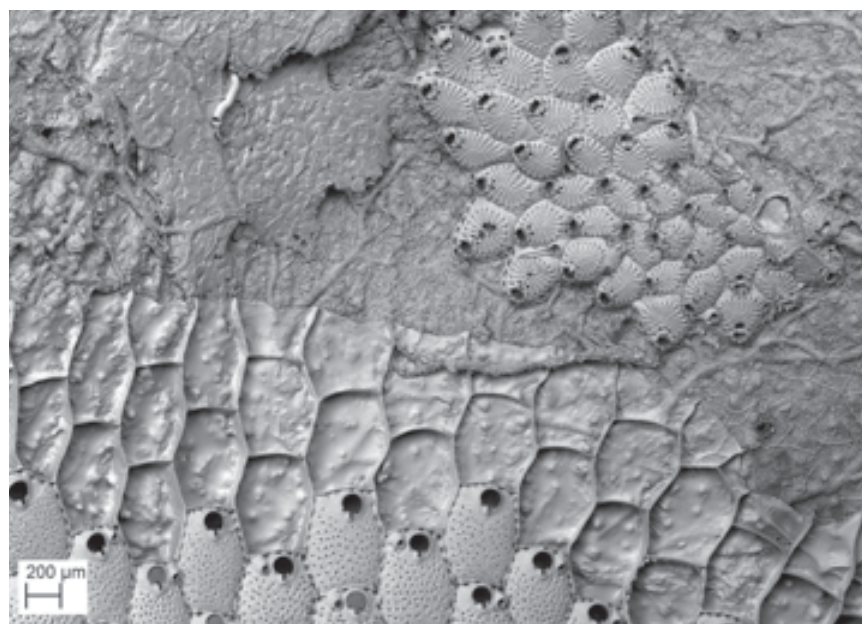
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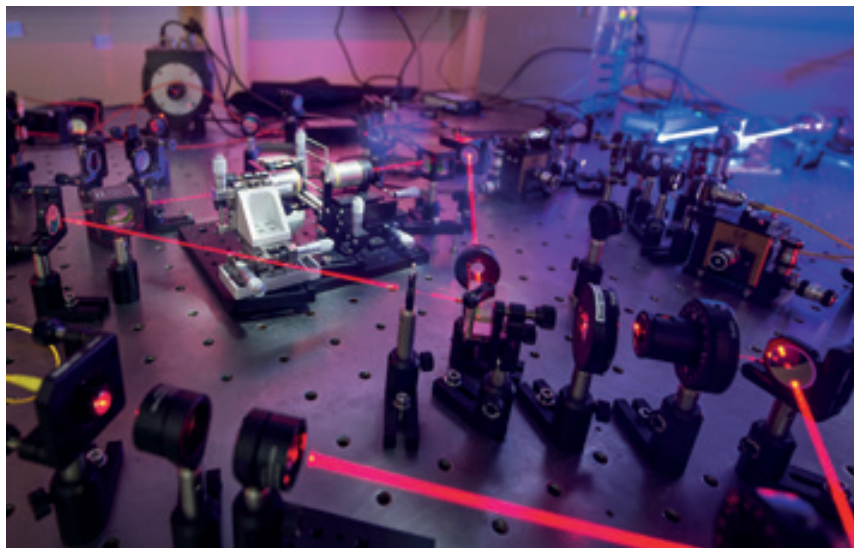
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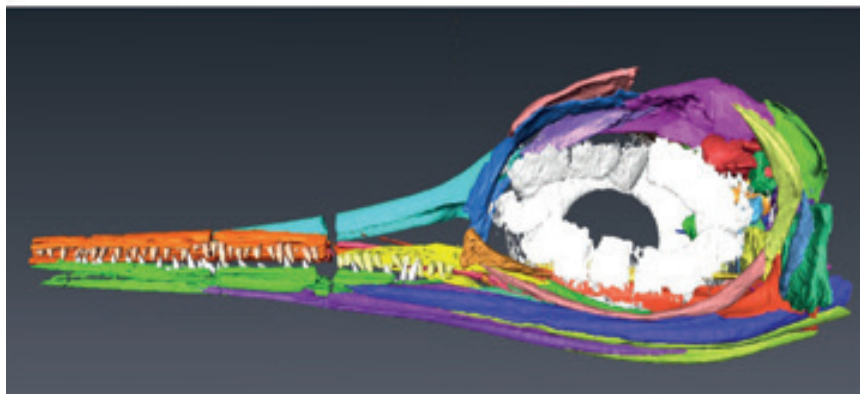
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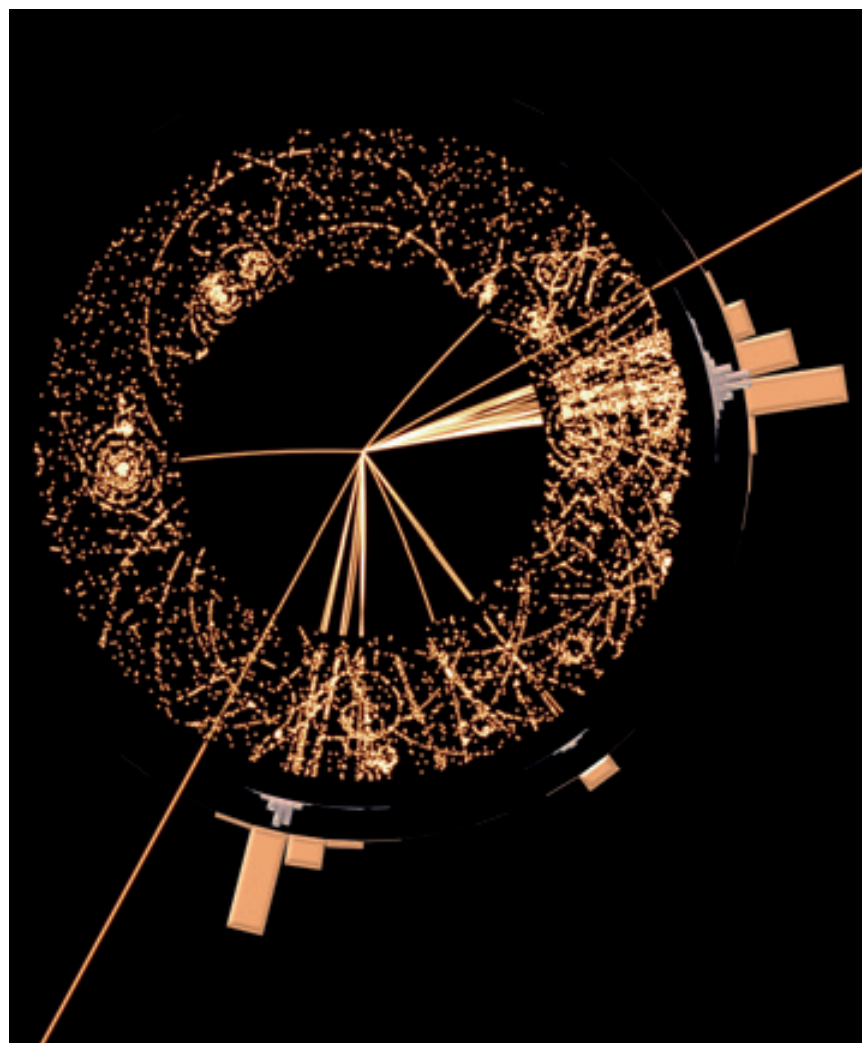
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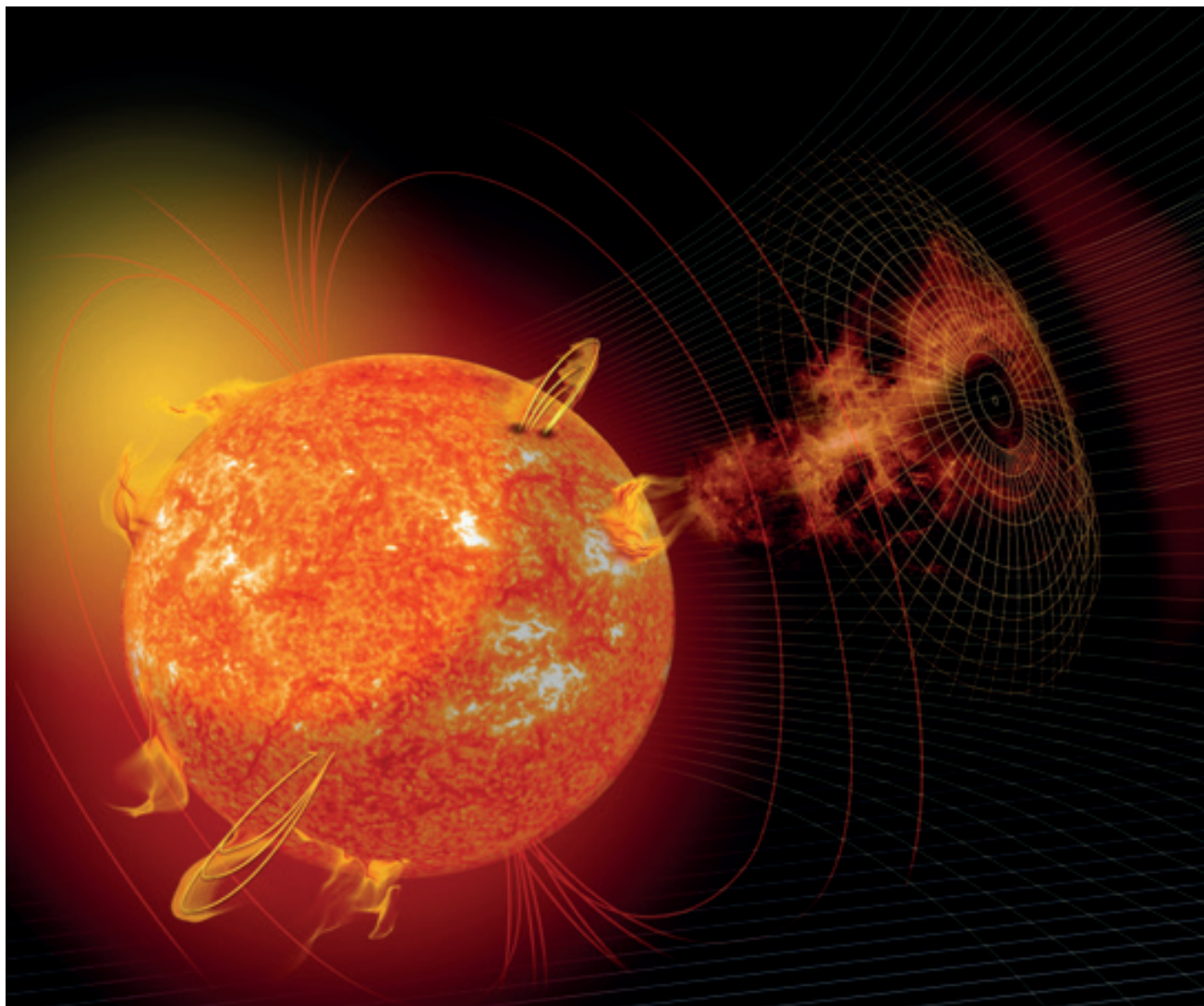
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