

**Faculty of Biological Sciences
School of Molecular and Cellular Biology**

Summer Research Placement

8 weeks, between July and August 2025 (dates flexible, can be discussed)

Job Summary

Stipend is £270 per week.

Informal enquiries may be made to Dr Hayley Pearson
(h.m.pearson@leeds.ac.uk)

To apply, please send your CV and a covering letter (200-300 words maximum)

Closing Date: 5pm on 6th February 2025

Interviews: TBC

Job Description

Reports to: Dr Hayley Pearson

Main Duties and Responsibilities

- To conduct laboratory research using a range of techniques including but not limited to cell and virus culture (BSL2), western blotting, RT-PCR, immunofluorescence and confocal microscopy
- To analyse the data obtained and present the results in a meaningful way
- To work alongside other members of the lab group as well as independently
- To attend weekly lab meetings and communicate experiments and findings effectively
- To contribute ideas and hypothesise on the results of the project

Person Specification

Essential

- The candidate must be a highly motivated individual with a keen interest in virology
- The ability to work both independently and as part of a team
- Good time management and organisational skills
- The ability to work carefully and accurately
- Excellent communication skills
- Basic IT skills, including MS word, excel and PowerPoint

Desirable

- Experience in cell culture would be advantageous but not essential

Additional Information

Details of the terms and conditions of employment for all staff at the university, including information on pensions and benefits, are available on the Human Resources web pages accessible via the links on the right hand side, or at <http://www.leeds.ac.uk/hr/index.htm>

Criminal Record Disclosures

A Criminal Records Disclosure is not required for this position. However, applicants who have unspent convictions must indicate this in the 'other personal details' section of the application.

Disabled Applicants

The post is located in the Faculty of Biological Sciences. Disabled applicants wishing to review access to the building are invited to contact the department direct. Additional information may be sought from the Recruitment Officer, email disclosure@leeds.ac.uk or tel + 44 (0)113 343 1723.

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University Values

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