**PRESS COVERAGE OF RESEARCH GRANTS**

The Bulletin is sent to the media as well as other external contacts. As a result, details of grants appearing in this section may stimulate press interest. The Press Office may also actively seek media coverage of particular grants detailed in this section. It is therefore the grantholder’s responsibility to request that any grant of a sensitive or confidential nature be excluded from the Bulletin. This can be done by contacting the Research Office, which has responsibility for compiling this Research section (2495).

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RM61006
Role of the ABIN family of proteins in control of endothelial activation by the receptor tyrosine kinase Tie2
£122,363  British Heart Foundation

Dr A Gershlick, Dr S Vennila
(Medicine and Therapeutics)  RM61005
Scoring system to stratify risk in patients undergoing percutaneous coronary intervention
£4,699  Glenfield NHS Trust

Professor N Samani
RM61009
Studies into the genetics of coronary heart disease
£12,000  Heartsearch

Dr D Tincello, Dr R Elliott
RM61008
A study of the effects of carbonated soft drinks and cigarette smoking upon detrusor muscle function
£9,250  British Society of Urogynaecology

Professor A Hillman
RP10093
Conference Grant
£880  The Royal Society

Dr A Stuart, Professor E Hope
RP10092
Case Studentship – Mr D Duncan
Fluorous pincer ligands for palladium catalysis
£21,000  GlaxoSmithKline

Dr A Gershlick, Dr S Vennila
RS10029
ESRC Postdoctoral Fellowship – The development and application of mixture and switching models in micro and macroeconomics
£27,489  ESRC

Professor Sir A Jeffreys, Dr A Gutierrez (Biochemistry)
RM33GZA
Supplement: The Y chromosome as a marker for the history & structure of human populations
£860  The Royal Society

Professor R Trembath
RM33071
Supplement: A clinical and molecular genetic study of dyggve melchior clausen syndrome
£139,946  MRC

Dr C Tufarelli
RM33072
Supplement: Mechanisms of antisense-RNA catalysis
£203,149  British Heart Foundation

Dr Y Dubrova
RM33046
Supplement: Transgenerational instability in the germline and somatic tissues
£5,266  Wellcome Trust

Professor Sir A Jeffreys, Dr A Gutierrez (Biochemistry)
RM33059
Supplement: Active L1 retrotransposons and the generation of human genetic diversity
£1,143  Wellcome Trust

Dr M Jobling
RM33067
Supplement – Surnames and genetic structure: A molecular analysis using y-chromosomal DNA polymorphisms – Prize Studentship Ms T King
£2,262  Wellcome Trust

Professor R Trembath
RM33025
Supplement – Genomic approaches to the molecular pathology of AHO syndromes
£9,520  Wellcome Trust

Professor R Trembath R Prof, Dr N Morrell (Cambridge)
RM33070
Molecular mechanisms of BMP-11 dysfunction underlying primary pulmonary hypertension
£203,149  British Heart Foundation

Professor R Trembath
RM33071
A clinical and molecular genetic study of dyggve melchior clausen syndrome
£139,946  MRC

Dr C Tufarelli
RM33072
Mechanisms of antisense-RNA mediated DNA methylation in mammals
£189,257  Royal Society

Professor M Bradshaw
RP13018
A new Russian Heartland
£45,592  ESRC
GEOLOGY
Dr G Jenkin
RP14043
Unravelling depositional isotope signatures from Neoproterozoic Ethiopian carbonates – travel expenses £4,111 The Royal Society

Dr I Hill
RP14044
Feasibility study for the application of new integrated technology to the detection, delineation and characterisation of archaeological sites with potential for mineral development £60,591 DEFRA (AGSIM)

Dr K Jeffrey
RP14045
Aggregates Drilling for Improved Aggregate Deposit and processing RP14045 £60,591 DEFRA with potential for mineral development

Dr A Sutton, Professor D Jones, Dr Heath Sciences
£43,089 DEFRA

Dr K Jeffrey
RP14046
Aggregates Drilling for Improved Aggregate Deposit and processing (AGSIM) £43,089 DEFRA

HEALTH SCIENCES
Mr A Sutton, Professor D Jones, Dr Abrams
RM62006 Studies of chemical workers: revised systematic review and meta-analysis £34,864 American Chemical Society

Ms R Hancock
RM62013 Paying for long-term care for older people in the UK: moving forward by modelling the costs and incidence of a comprehensive set of options £29,142 Nuffield Foundation

Dr C Minelli
RM62010 Meta-analysis of genetic studies: overview of the methodological issues and proposal of guidelines £150,706 Department of Health

Ms J Peters
RM62009 Development of methods for generalised synthesis of evidence: application to epidemiological and toxicological evidence in environmental standard setting £145,461 Department of Health

HISTORY
Dr C Prestel
RA15026 New Jewish Women in Germany between Submission and Revolt, 1900-1933 £13,153 AHRB

Dr J Caffey
RA15028 The Assassination of Archbishop Sharp £743 British Academy

INFECTION, IMMUNITY AND INFLAMMATION
Dr C Beardsmore
RM12466 Supplement: Respiratory function in infants following ECMO £13,000 Eastern Leicestershire PCT

Professor W Schwaeble
RM631001 Molecular pathways of complement-mediated effects in the pathophysiology of shock £3,230 British Council Germany

INFECTION, IMMUNITY & INFLAMMATION (CLINICAL)
Professor M Barter, Professor A Wardlaw (Infection, Immunity & Inflammation)
RM63013 A more intensive approach to diagnosis and management of asthma in primary care. A randomised controlled trial £19,500 National Asthma Campaign

Dr D Beardsmore, Professor S C Koenig (Mathematics and Computer Science)
RM63010 Equipping the infant lung function laboratory £30,180 The Charles Wolfson Charitable Trust

LABOUR MARKET STUDIES
Professor A Felstead, Professor L Unwin
RS141010 Learning as Work: Teaching and Learning Processes in the Contemporary Work Organisation £1,037,448 ESRC

Dr J Sung
RS141011 Evaluation of Training Survey of Members (2003-4) £14,814 CIPD

MANAGEMENT CENTRE
Professor G Hanlon
RS101002 Shaping Knowledge Through Dialogue: Analysing Corporate Social Responsibility £149,819 ESRC

MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE
Dr J Marsh, Professor S Koenig
RP15055 Supplement: Actions of the Braid Group on derived categories of representations of simple lie algebras £4,271 EPSRC

MICROBIOLOGY AND IMMUNOLOGY
Dr P Freestone
RM15021 Supplement: The effects of catecholamine stress hormones, ionotropes and their metabolites on the physiology and virulence of coagulase-negative staphylococci £6,779 Welcome Trust

MODERN LANGUAGES
Dr S Penn
RA14005 Esotericism in Latin American Literature £650 British Academy

MUSEUM STUDIES
Professor E Hooper-Greenhill
RA17023 Evidence of the Outcome and Impact of Learning £80,000 Resource

Professor E Hooper-Greenhill
RA17023 Evaluation of the DCMS Strategic Commissioning 2003-2004: National/Regional Museum Education Partnerships £119,196 Department of Culture, Media and Sport

ONCOLOGY
Dr G Jones
RM47023 Supplement – PhD Studentship (Gabriela Martinho de Almeida) £30,180 The Charles Wolfson Charitable Trust

ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY
Professor W Harper
RM18CEB Supplement – PhD Studentship (Gabriela Martinho de Almeida) £80,000 The Royal Society

PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY
Dr J Pye
RP16109 Supplement: MiRI Project £46,152 PPARC

Professor A King, Professor J Pringle (Cambridge)
RP16091 Supplement – UK Astrophysical fluid facility – support for a national service for astrophysics £7,623 PPARC

Professor T R Robinson
RP16120 SPEAR Operations Phase £58,963 PPARC

Dr R Willingale, Professor G Fraser (Physics, King’s College London, CCLRC)
RP16121 Basic Technology – Practical X-ray Interferometry £93,649 EPSRC

POLITICS
Dr R Saull
RS30007 The War on Terror and the American Empire Workshop (BISA) 2003 £3,231 ESRC

PSYCHOLOGY
Dr F Bolger, Dr R Gillett
RM43016 The War on Terror and the American Empire Workshop (BISA) 2003 £47,125 ESRC

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Mr J Garland, Mr N Chakraborti
RS301036 The War on Terror and the American Empire Workshop (BISA) 2003 £15,000 Warwickshire Police

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£15,000 Warwickshire Police
Managing People
Alison Hall
Open University Press, October 2003, £21.99 (paperback)
ISBN 0 335 20993 9

The most important asset of any university or college is its staff, yet the majority of line managers in higher education institutions are not appointed on the basis of their experience of, or expertise in, managing people. This book is a practical guide to people management for these managers.

With contributions from Professor Robin Middlehurst, Tom Kennie, and Catherine Simm, Alison Hall guides readers through the employment cycle, from recruitment to parting company, addressing en route those issues that cause line managers to lose most sleep. Illustrated throughout with case studies and examples of best practice, the book provides a guide to:
- effective (and legal) recruitment and selection
- managing the crucial early days of an appointment
- leadership, team-building, measuring performance and appraisal
- managing tricky situations such as sickness absence, discipline, stress, harassment and grievances
- handling the end of an employment relationship fairly

Managing People is essential reading for HE managers, staff in Human Resource departments, consultants and students and staff involved in HR courses.

- Dr Alison Hall has worked in personnel since 1989 and is currently Head of Academic and Senior Staff Division and Deputy Head of Personnel at the University of Leicester. She has extensive experience of advising managers in universities on people management issues as well as industrial relations experience, including a secondment to the Universities and Colleges Employers Association.

Chemistry in Alternative Reaction Media
Dave J Adams, Paul J Dyson, Steward J Tavener
John Wiley and Sons Ltd, October 2003, £90 (hardback), £40 (paperback)
ISBN 0 471 49848 3 (hardback), 0 471 49849 1 (paperback)

The use of organic solvents and their emissions has been the centre of major environmental concern in recent years, and there is currently a great deal of interest in finding alternatives to halogenated and volatile organic solvents for synthesis.

Chemistry in Alternative Reaction Media explores why solvents are used and the problems associated with them. It describes the state-of-the-art in solvent replacement technologies. Supercritical fluids, biphasic reactions, ionic and flourous liquid technologies, supercritical fluids, biphasic reactions, and aqueous chemistry are brought together in a single textbook, which explains how they may be used to increase reaction efficiency, improve separation and catalyst recovery, and reduce emissions to the environment.

As well as describing the principles behind these methods, and the environmental, economic and chemical advantages that these alternatives can bring, numerous examples of applications are given including most major reaction types, and consideration is given to potential scale-up and industrial use.

This book will appeal to anyone with an interest in organic synthesis, reaction chemistry, catalysis and process development, and to undergraduate and graduate students of organic chemistry, catalysis, green chemistry, clean technology and environmental chemistry courses.

- Dr Adams is a Research Associate at the Department of Chemistry at the University of Leicester. Dr Dyson is currently working at the University of York.

Northamptonshire Stone
Diana S Sutherland
The Dovecote Press Ltd, October 2003, £12.95 (paperback)
ISBN 1 904349 17 X

Northamptonshire’s wealth of stone is reflected in its historic buildings – cottages and medieval churches as much as the glorious country houses. Though geologically an extension of the Cotswolds, Northamptonshire’s Jurassic rocks have their own very different character, and few counties display such a rich variety of building stone.

The villages and market towns are a visible record of the underlying geology, which includes fossil-rich limestones, sandstone, and warm rust-coloured ironstone. Northamptonshire is known for its Collyweston stone-slate; also for the finest pale freestone from Weldon, quarried since the thirteenth century, and the brown Harlestone and Duston Stone. Quarrying was once widespread across the county – from Helmdon and Eydon to Oundle and King’s Cliffe – and virtually every village had a local stone pit.

This is a book for anyone interested in stone buildings. Written by a geologist – scholarly, readable, often surprising and full of fascinating detail – it provides a key to the pattern of building across the country. As well as including a generous selection of maps, diagrams and photographs of buildings, the author has included close-ups of the various stones, sometimes magnified to show the subtle differences between them.

- Dr Diana Sutherland is a Honorary Visiting Fellow in the Department of Geology at the University of Leicester.
Selling Security
The Private Policing of Public Space
Alison Wakefield
Willan Publishing, October 2003, £30 (hardback)
ISBN 1 84392 049 2

Private security personnel play a large and growing role within public social life. Teams of private security officers now routinely patrol facilities such as shopping malls, leisure parks and transport terminals, which rely commercially on free, safe and reliable access by customers, service providers and the public at large.

Alison Wakefield conducted a unique study of security teams in three locations, each typical of the places where the public spend much of their leisure time. Examining a shopping mall, a retail and leisure complex and a cultural centre in turn, she addresses such questions as:
• How do centres respond to public needs for comfort and security in their design, management and security strategies?
• What functions are security officers expected to perform?
• What is the nature and quality of the relationship between private security and the police?

In Selling Security, Wakefield provides a detailed account of trends in urban planning, public policy and the commercial world that have promoted the expansion of private security. She considers changes in retail and leisure patterns leading to the emergence of large, multi-purpose developments, the implementation of town centre planning strategies to create more attractive and secure high street retail and leisure facilities, and the extension of CCTV and security patrols as tools for managing social settings.

The book also takes account of the challenges posed by these developments to conventional law enforcement agencies, most notably the erosion of the state’s virtual monopoly on policing and the need for governments to develop new strategies that harness the efforts of alternative policing agencies. At the same time, Selling Security makes an important contribution to theoretical debates about the role of private security in the late modern era.

• Dr Alison Wakefield is a Lecturer in Security and Risk Management at the University’s Department of Criminology.

Drafting and Assessing Poetry
A Guide for Teachers
Sue Dymoke
Paul Chapman Publications, January 2003, £17.99 (paperback), £60 (hardback)
ISBN 0 7619 4855 4 (paperback), 0 7619 4854 6 (hardback)

Drafting and Assessing Poetry offers a range of teaching strategies for developing students’ poetry writing skills and guidance about assessment. Critical commentaries combine with illustrations of successful classroom practice to consider this essential but under-explored aspect of English teaching. Based on theory but with a practical dimension, the book engages readers in current critical debates about poetry teaching and its place in an assessment-driven curriculum.

The contents include:
• the development of poetry writing in the classroom
• poetry in the National Literacy Strategy, the Key Stage 3 Strategy and the National Curriculum
• drafting strategies and the roles of teacher and young writer
• progression and how to develop drafting skills
• commentaries in writing portfolios
• assessing students’ poetry
• using ICT to draft
• using poets’ drafts and other recommended resources
• the role of the visiting professional poet

‘Every English department should buy this remarkably comprehensive book. Sue Dymoke draws upon her extensive experience as a poet, English teacher and researcher to explore the place of writing poetry in English lessons and examinations. Her unique insights into both the writing and teaching of poetry should prove invaluable to English teachers.’

Dr Mark Pike, University of Leeds

This book is recommended reading for PGCE students and provides experienced teachers and higher degree students with a valuable overview of this important area of English teaching.

• Dr Sue Dymoke is a Lecturer at the University’s School of Education.
This book is a contribution towards the debates in British Iron Age archaeology that have been taking place in recent years. It comprises a selection of papers presented at the first three conferences of Iron Age Research Student Seminars – an established annual academic forum for the presentation of new and innovation research.

This collection of papers covering material culture, settlement and landscape studies assesses the fundamental, economic and social strands underlying these phenomena. Contributors include Justin Claxton (who also wrote the Preface), the editor, and John Thomas (University of Leicester Archaeological Services).

Jodie Humphrey (now Jodie Nicol) is a PhD student (part-time) in the School of Archaeology and Ancient History.

Leicester Archaeology Monographs are available from Dr A D McWhirr, School of Archaeology and Ancient History, email adm3@le.ac.uk

Triple Accolade for Historians

Three academics from the University’s School of Historical Studies have been awarded prizes for books they have written.

Richard Rodger, Professor of Urban History, who has written a book entitled The Transformation of Edinburgh: Land, Property and Trust in the Nineteenth Century has been awarded the Frank Watson Prize for the best book in Scottish history, literature or culture published in 2001 and 2002. He has been invited to give a lecture at the University of Guelph in Canada in October and receive the prize on this occasion.

The book is based on the physical expansion of Edinburgh between 1760-1914 and analyses and explains the making of urban Scotland. It has been described by reviewers as ‘marvellous’ and as ‘a massive, remarkable and precise piece of scholarship.’

Harold Fox, Professor of Social and Landscape History in the School of Historical Studies has also won a prize for a book he has written. His book, The Evolution of the Fishing Village: Landscape and Society along the South Devon Coast, 1086-1550, has won the Devon Book of the Year Prize – a competition organised by the Devon History Society and Devon County Council’s Library Services. Along with winning a prize for his book, Professor Fox was invited to speak at a ceremony in Exeter, where a plaque was put up on the house where the famous University of Leicester historian, W G Hoskins, was born.

Professor Fox’s book is the first full-length study of fishing families and settlements for any stretch of coastline anywhere in Britain. It deals with fishing as well as all other shoreline activities, the consumption and marketing of fish and with the lives of the fishermen themselves. Particular attention is given to settlements along the coast and to the evolution of the fishing village. The book is also number one in a series called Leicester Explorations in Local History.

Professor Fox regards his book “as an exploration into a medieval world which many historians thought was totally lost to us.” He says that it “took many years to complete because the source materials were very difficult to locate and were scattered.” It was also important to him to secure a subvention to pay for the printing costs of the book which has now sold out and is shortly to be reprinted.

Professor Rob Colls, also from the School of Historical Studies, is the third historian from the University to have won an award for a book he has written. The book, on British identities, was voted Melvyn Bragg’s Book of the Year. In the book Professor Colls explores Englishness as an old and powerful relationship. He starts with Bede the Saxon Kings and continues right up until the present day, looking at the multicultural and multilateral world in which we now live.

All the books are available at the University of Leicester’s Bookshop.
Obituaries

The University has learnt, with regret, of the death of the following:

▶ Mrs V V Burnham (née Harper)
Viola Burnham died in a Miami hospital on Friday, October 10 after a long illness. A graduate of this University, she was awarded a BA in Latin in 1958.

Viola Burnham achieved notable success in Guyana in a wide variety of careers and accomplishments. She was a teacher, scholar, journalist, leader in the women’s movement, farmer, minister of government, and devoted wife, mother, relative and friend. The wife of Guyana’s first Prime Minister and Executive President, she gave support and advice to her husband in his career.

She was the recipient of many awards, including Guyana’s Order of Roraima.

▶ Dr N Tang
The University has learnt, with regret, of the death of Dr Nelson Tang on Saturday, November 1. Dr Tang joined the Management Centre in 1993 as a Lecturer, before leaving in 2001 to take up a post as a Senior Lecturer at the University of Aston Business School.

▶ Mr William Biggin
Mr William (Bill) Biggin died on Wednesday, July 30, 2003 in Glenfield General Hospital after a short illness.

Although Bill only joined the University on July 5, 2002, he very much enjoyed working as a cleaner in the Adrian Building. Bill was 62 when he joined the University. He wanted to work because he felt he was too young to retire. He got on well with everyone and got much pleasure from being in the company of his colleagues. 

Jim Shaw

▶ Dr G Goode
The University has learnt, with regret, of the death in early October of Graham Goode. Mr Goode joined the University in September 1978 as a Gardener and Maintenance Assistant. He retired in August 1993.

▶ Dr F H Perring, OBE
Botanist, conservationist and author Dr Franklyn Perring died in Cambridge on October 11, 2003, aged 76. In 1989, the University of Leicester recognised his contribution to botany and in particular his work with the Botanical Society of the British Isles with the award of an Honorary DSc. Dr Perring also contributed to the teaching programme of the University’s Department of Adult Education.

The present excellent state of knowledge of the geographical distribution of plants in the British Isles owes much to Frank Perring. As author and joint editor of more than a dozen floras, wild flower guides and conservation texts, he is best known for the Atlas of the British Flora (1962), of which he was co-editor. His career as a professional botanist spanned almost the entire postwar period. He received his OBE following his retirement in 1987.

▶ Mr M Robotton
The University has learnt, with regret, of the death of Miles Robotton. Mr Robotton graduated with an MEd from the University of Leicester in 1980. The funeral service took place at St Mary’s Roman Catholic Church in Grimsby on October 27.

▶ The Rev M Pilkington
Margaret Pilkington, died on Thursday, August 14 after a relatively short illness. She graduated from University College Leicester in 1951 with a BA in English, the following year completing a Diploma in Education Studies.

In 1962 she was ordained as a Deacon in the Leicester Diocese. Margaret was born in Accrington in 1930 and educated at the Girl’s High School. After her studies at University College, she embarked on a successful career teaching English. This included the Deputy Headship of a girls’ school in Hong Kong, where she developed a life-long love of the people and all things Chinese, and culminated with duties as Deputy Head and Acting Head of Casterton School.

Following early retirement in 1987, she continued to lead an active life, travelling abroad and giving hospitality to Chinese students from Lancaster University and innumerable lectures on various aspects of China. The many aspects of her service to the community were demonstrated by her appointment as President of the Women’s Institute local branch for three years and membership of the local Abbeyfield Committee. A committed Christian all her life (she had earlier obtained a Diploma in Religious Studies) she first became a Reader in Kirkby Lonsdale’s Team Ministry in 1989. In 2001 she was ordained as a Deacon and in 2002 became a Priest.

Margaret’s life was rich and fulfilling. The wide diversity and the number of people – including University contemporaries – that attended her funeral service was a mark of the respect and love in which she was held by so many people whose lives she had touched.

Jean Chennell

▶ Miss M T Claxton
The University has learnt, with regret, of the death on Wednesday, November 5 of Mary Claxton. Miss Claxton worked in the Library’s Cataloguing section from 1963 until her retirement as Head of the Section in September 2000.

Small Advertisements

LOVELY HOUSE TO LET
Spacious 3-storey Victorian house, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, large kitchen, furnished or unfurnished – £595. Available from Dec 2003. Call Bridget on 0116 266 1835 or 07932724663.
(from Emma Parker, English)

UMBRELLA OFFER
Golf umbrellas, corporate blue with University logo, £6.99 inclusive of VAT. To order, contact Madeleine Hurst (Marketing) on 5386, mrh18@le.ac.uk.

PROOFREADER AVAILABLE
Freelance proofreader available for your essays/theses/papers/departmental booklets/leaflets/brochures etc. Call 0116 271 1362 for details.

FLORIDA VILLA TO RENT
Four bedrooms, three bathrooms, sleeps up to 10 people. Heated and screened private pool. Twenty minutes to Disney attractions. Set in the grounds of an award-winning golf and country club. For further information and booking details contact Ann and Paul Riley on 0116 260 6640 or 07976 309274 (mobile).
(from Vivienne Doughty)
Inaugural Lectures

The following Professorial Inaugural Lectures will be held in Lecture Theatre 1 of the Ken Edwards Building at 5.30pm on the date shown. These Lectures are open to the public and free.

Tuesday December 9

- When We Lived in Communities: Working-Class Culture and its Critics. Professor Robert Colls, School of Historical Studies.

Tuesday February 3

- The Life of a Clot: Why Platelets Are Important. Professor Alison Goodall, Department of Clinical Biochemistry.

Tuesday February 10

- Title to be confirmed. Professor John Hunton, Department of Mathematics and Computer Science.

A complete list of events can be viewed in Events Diary at http://www.le.ac.uk/press/events/prevents.html

DECEMBER

Wednesday December 10

- University Film Club: The Man Who Wasn’t There. 7.30pm. Attenborough Film Theatre. For further details view http://www.le.ac.uk/clubs/film

Friday December 12

- Centre for Urban History Seminar: Workplace Health Hazards and the Urban Environment: From 17th Century Italy to 20th Century USA (by way of Barking, Essex). Peter Bartriph, University College, London. 2.30pm. Centre for Urban History Seminar Room, 5 Salisbury Road, Leicester. For further information contact 0116 252 2378 or email cuh@le.ac.uk

Friday December 12

- MRC Toxicology Unit Seminar: Micro-array Analysis of the Transnational Control of Gene Expression During the Induction of Apoptosis. Dr Martin Bushell, Department of Biochemistry. 11am. Seminar Room, Level 5, Hodgkin Building. All welcome.

Monday December 15

- Beagle 2 Mars Christmas Science Lectures: The Mystery of Mars. Professor Martin Barstow. Beagle 2 Mars. Dr Mark Sims. Mars Express. Speaker to be confirmed. 10am-12.45pm. Rattray Lecture Theatre. To register contact Mrs Pat Russell on 0116 252 3494, email par@star.le.ac.uk

Wednesday December 17


Thursday December 18

- MRC Toxicology Unit Seminar: Stem Cells Lineage Specification and Leukaemia – A Transcriptional View. Professor Tariq Erver, Weatherall Institute of Molecular Medicine, John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford. 12pm. Seminar Room, Level 5, Hodgkin Building. All welcome.

JANUARY

Monday January 5

- Department of Physics and Astronomy Event: Open Night at the Observatory. 7pm. Manor Road, Oadby. The open night is restricted to members of the University staff and their families. Numbers are also constrained by the size of the Observatory. Please make your booking through the Astronomy Group technician on 0116 252 2081. Next Open Night January 29.

Friday January 16

- The Vaughan Historical & Archaeological Society Event: The Old Trent at Hemington Quarry. Lynden Cooper. 7.15pm. Vaughan College, St Nicholas Circle, Leicester. Visitors are welcome to attend, a small fee is charged. For further information contact Ted Humphreys 0116 247 7898 or Gerry Stacey 01455 636 686.

Thursday January 22

- Department of Geography Research Seminar: Vernacular Ecologies In/for a Convivial City: Lessons from Royate Hill (Bristol). Professor Sarah Whatmore, Open University. 4.30pm. Seminar Room, first floor, Bennett Building. For further information contact 0116 223 1777.

Saturday January 24

- Concert: Alison Print (violin) and Louise Clarke (oboe) play J S Bach’s concerto in C minor with the University Sinfonia, conductor Michael Sackin. Arrangements to be confirmed. For further information contact 0116 252 2781 or view http://www.le.ac.uk/music/

Monday January 26

- The Leicester Literary and Philosophical Society Event: Women in Industrial Chemistry (1914-1950). Dr Sally Horrocks, Department of Economic and Social History. 7.30pm. Art Gallery of the New Walk Museum. For further information telephone 0116 271 4920.

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Wednesday February 4

- Concert: The Lindsays. Music by Haydn, Bartok and Dvorak. Arrangements to be confirmed. For further information contact 0116 252 2781 or view http://www.le.ac.uk/music/