

## JOB DESCRIPTION

Vacancy Ref: A2061

Job Title: Senior Research Associate – Coral Reef Fish Ecology and Functioning in the Chagos Archipelago (Bertarelli Foundation Grant)

Present Grade: 7

**Department/College:** Lancaster Environment Centre

**Directly responsible to:** Prof Nick Graham

Supervisory responsibility for: Co-supervision of postgraduate students

Other contacts

## Internal:

Other post-doctoral workers and research students, academic staff, and central administration

## **External:**

Australian Institute of Marine Science (AIMS, Australia), Stanford University (USA)

## **Major Duties:**

- Conduct research to address the objectives of the project, primarily by carrying out fieldwork in the Chagos Archipelago and other Indian Ocean locations, analyzing data and writing scientific publications.
- Plan and manage own research activities and priorities to meet project targets.
- Spend time visiting and working with project partners where necessary (Australian Institute of Marine Science, and Stanford University).
- Resolve practical and theoretical problems concerning methodology, analyses and ethics that arise through the research.
- Lead the statistical analyses and interpretation of data.
- Review literature in a timely manner. Keep up-to-date with advances in this scientific area, including methodologies, for example through attending relevant training courses.
- Identify key research areas for added value to the project, possible sources of funding for such activities, and contribute to the preparation of funding applications.
- Co-lead writing up and publishing of results in high impact journals.
- Make new connections with researchers from different but related areas, who share a common interest.
- Present research at internal and external meetings, including major international conferences.
- Complete project milestones in an organized and timely fashion, and take the lead on writing project reports for the funders.
- Engage with colleagues, collaborators and project co-investigators.
- Define strategies to enhance the productivity of the research team. Assist students and other post-docs. Organize group meetings.
- Any other duties as may be reasonable required by the line manager.