**Job: Head, Molecular Biology Laboratories**

**Salary:** **£43,935 to £53,530 (depending on experience) per annum plus benefits**

**Contract: Permanent**

**Closing date:** **9am on Monday 5 June 2017**

The Natural History Museum is one of the world’s leading museums, internationally recognised for its dual role as a centre of excellence in scientific research and as a leader in the presentation of natural history through exhibitions, public programmes, publications and the web.

The museum seeks to recruit an experienced scientific lead for the Molecular Biology Laboratories.

Forming one division within the museum’s Core Research Laboratories, the Molecular Biology Labs actively contribute to research in biological diversity. The successful candidate is expected to have a strong interest in the application of molecular methods across a broad taxonomic range, including zoological, botanical, microbiology or entomological sciences. There will also be the opportunity to contribute to the further development of phylogenetic, genomic and bioinformatics research across the life sciences at the NHM.

You will provide scientific lead and expertise to NHM research staff, curators and students to maximise impact and efficiency of scientific discovery and delivery from the Molecular Biology Labs.

The successful candidate will lead, develop and support the scientific and technical activities of Molecular Lab staff responsible for data output and analysis. You will also lead and manage the development of novel analytical and integration methods and software for data ingestion, analysis and visualization, including but not limited to high-throughput sequencing, multi-modal biological profiling and multi-variate data.

Please complete your application online in our recruitment portal:

<https://careers.nhm.ac.uk>

You should upload the following documents:

* A comprehensive curriculum vitae giving details of relevant achievements in recent posts as well as your education and professional qualifications.
* A covering letter that summarises your interest in this post, providing evidence of your ability to match the criteria outlined in the Person Specification.  Please ensure your letter includes details of your latest salary and notice period.