Position available: Research Fellow on ESRC-funded grant “Understanding and assisting difficulties with everyday spatial navigation”, University of Plymouth, UK.

Location: University of Plymouth - School of Psychology
Salary: £33,518 to £38,833 pa – Grade 7
Hours: Full Time
Contract Type: Fixed-Term/Contract

Applications are invited for a post-doctoral research position, funded by an ESRC Research Grant entitled “Understanding and assisting difficulties with everyday spatial navigation”, awarded to Dr Alastair D. Smith (University of Plymouth), Dr Hugo Spiers (UCL), Dr Catherine Loveday (University of Westminster), and Dr Trudi Edginton (City University). The project aims to examine the foundations of navigational impairment in people with hydrocephalus, and to devise strategic interventions to assist with difficulties of daily wayfinding. Studies will also examine the underpinnings of typical individual differences across a wide range of spatial-navigational behaviours.

The role will involve designing and programming psychological experiments, collecting and analysing data from healthy adult volunteers and clinical participants with hydrocephalus, writing up results for publication, disseminating the findings at scientific meetings, and developing the potential impact of the work. You will be based in the School of Psychology at the University of Plymouth, with mentoring and supervision being primarily provided by Dr Smith. Additional testing sessions will be held in London, under the supervision of the London-based grant holders.

You should hold a PhD, or be in submission of a PhD, in psychology or a related field. A background in human behavioural experiments is essential, and experience of testing neurological patients (or populations other than typical adults) is highly desirable.

This is a Full Time position working 37 hours per week for a Fixed Term period of 36 months due to Funding. Start date: Soon after 01/01/2018

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Closing date: 12 midnight Monday 4th December 2017.

Further details and portal for application at the following address: http://www.jobs.ac.uk/job/BFK990/research-fellow/