



RESEARCH POSITION IN BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY

**Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology
Leipzig, Germany**

The Research Group on "Plant Foods and Hominin Dietary Ecology" in the Department of Human Evolution of the Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig (Germany) invites applications for a post-doctoral researcher in biological anthropology. The research group is committed to exploring the relationships between the plant component of hominin diets and aspects of their biology, behavior, and evolution. More information about the Plant Foods group can be found at <http://www.eva.mpg.de/plants/>

The position is a research-only post, with no teaching obligations. The initial contract, which is two years and may be extended, will begin March 2012 at the earliest. The project will provide substantial support in a highly stimulating environment. We offer a salary according to German public service regulations (TVöD-Bund). The successful candidate will work on aspects of plant foods in the dietary ecology of later hominins and modern humans, and will be expected to assist in current projects and to bring novel research foci to the group.

We are particularly interested in candidates with a strong background in one or more of the following: analysis of residues using mass spectrometry; human or primate dietary ecology; plant microfossil research; but will consider any suitably qualified candidate in a related field. The selected candidate must have a PhD and ideally will have post-doctoral experience with a strong track record of research.

The Max Planck Society is committed to employing more handicapped individuals and to increasing the percentage of women in areas where they are under-represented, and therefore expressly encourages applications from such qualified individuals.

Applications should be sent by email as a single PDF including: a cover letter, curriculum vitae, reprints of selected publications, short statement of research interests (2pg maximum), and the names of three referees, to Amanda Henry (amanda_henry@eva.mpg.de). Reviews of applications will begin December 15, 2011 and will proceed until the position is filled.