

About the Centre of Ornithology



Our research interests are multi- and interdisciplinary. They currently range from macroecology to egg shell structure, via physiology, energetics, sensory systems, behaviour, cognition and reproductive biology.

Our [News and Events \(/research/activity/ornithology/news/index.aspx\)](/research/activity/ornithology/news/index.aspx) link gives a flavour of the unfolding activity of the Centre.

Our team of [academic staff \(/research/activity/ornithology/people/academic/index.aspx\)](/research/activity/ornithology/people/academic/index.aspx), [research fellows \(/research/activity/ornithology/people/researchfellows/index.aspx\)](/research/activity/ornithology/people/researchfellows/index.aspx) and [post graduate students \(/research/activity/ornithology/people/researchstudents/index.aspx\)](/research/activity/ornithology/people/researchstudents/index.aspx), has access to a state-of-art [genomics lab \(/facilities/genomics/index.aspx\)](/facilities/genomics/index.aspx). We also have the use of a large [woodland field site \(/research/activity/ornithology/facilities/index.aspx\)](/research/activity/ornithology/facilities/index.aspx) in the countryside close to the city. The activities of the Birmingham [University Ringing Group \(/research/activity/ornithology/people/ringing-group/index.aspx\)](/research/activity/ornithology/people/ringing-group/index.aspx) are based mainly at this site.



We collaborate with many external organisations and individuals, and through our international collaborations conduct research in many, often remote, locations around the world.

We benefit from having [honorary members \(/research/activity/ornithology/people/honorary/index.aspx\)](/research/activity/ornithology/people/honorary/index.aspx) who are prominent in national and international ornithological organisations. One of the Centre's members is involved in the [editing of an ornithological research journal \(/research/activity/ornithology/journal-editing.aspx\)](/research/activity/ornithology/journal-editing.aspx), the number one ranking ornithological publication in the world.

Our overall aim is to explain and emphasise the role of avian research in the understanding and investigation of key topics in biology.

We wish to pool and exchange ideas, techniques and expertise which underpin research in ornithology. We welcome [contact \(/research/activity/ornithology/contact/index.aspx\)](/research/activity/ornithology/contact/index.aspx) and collaboration with all who join us in these aims.