





Recruitment for a Research Assistant: Chameleon Project

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We are searching for a Research Assistant to join our team for a project studying the **dietary and**parasite diversity of chameleons in northern Madagascar

Research Assistant - Herpetology and/or Disease Ecology

Qualifications:

- Student, graduate student or recent graduate in biology, ecology, zoology or related fields. Interest in herpetology preferred
- Prior field experience (with reptiles or other systems) in Madagascar
- Capacity to work in remote and challenging field conditions
- Knowledge of basic molecular biology techniques

Responsibilities:

- Assist with field surveys: Collecting chameleon samples for dietary and parasite analysis
- Capture and identify chameleons following ethical guidelines
- Assist in laboratory analysis to identify dietary and parasite composition from collected samples

Opportunities:

- Training in R coding, ecological and epidemiological data analysis, and field methods
- Opportunities for co-authorship on publications related to the project

Link to proposal for more details:

https://github.com/bennyrice/chameleon disease ecology project/tree/main/2024 recruitment

Application due: December 10th, 2024 (Apply in Malagasy, English, or French)
Project start: January 2024 | Project duration: 3-4 months (with possible extension)

Location Based in Antananarivo

Field-sites in the Northern Madagascar (Montagne d'Ambre, Montagne des Français, sns)

Salary Competitive (depends on experience). Minimum gross monthly salary: 1,000,000 AR (including all

compensation, no additional per diem)

Conditions

Basic food, accommodation, and transport for fieldwork will be provided, per diem will be included in monthly

salary (no additional daily compensation offered during fieldwork)

To apply

Please send a **CV and letter of motivation** describing your field experience and research interests to the research team in **a single PDF file by email by December 1**. Feel free to contact us for any questions

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