

Collections Seminar Series

Seminar, Thursday 28 September, 14.30–15.30, Flett Events Theatre

Us against the atmosphere: A conservation, re storage and digitisation project for pyritic specimens



Remedial treatments, deterioration and anoxic microenvironments.
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Airless is a three year project designed to stabilise the most severely deteriorating pyritic specimens within the Earth Science department at the Natural History Museum.

The project has 4 full time staff members, dedicated to surveying the collections and undertaking conservation and re-storage of specimens in anoxic microenvironments, but there are also stakeholders and contributors from across the museum.

This seminar will present how the pyrite issue is being tackled within the Natural History Museum and how digitisation is being incorporated into a conservation project.

Open to all NHM staff

This seminar is open to all museum professionals.

Please email z.hughes@nhm.ac.uk for more information and/or to book a place. Natural History Museum staff do not need to book.

It is suggested that the following staff will find the seminar most useful:

Science Group: All senior department managers and collection management staff.

Public Engagement Group: Any staff who work with and use collections or manage staff who work with collections.

Directorate and Science Directorate.

Speakers:

**Gill Comerford and
Lu Allington-Jones**

Senior conservators responsible for and leading the project.

**Kieran Miles, Anna Fenlon,
Lucia Petrera and Amy
Trafford**

Conservation technicians working on the project