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You will be educated to relevant degree level with good statistical content or Research Statistics with a science background. With experience of working as part of a team and independently you will be required to undertake analysis in a scientific environment using knowledge of statistical modelling including regression, mixed effects models, pattern recognition techniques. You should also be able to demonstrate experience of applying a wide range of statistical techniques to support decision making and experimental design.

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