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3rd May 2007

RESEARCH PRESENTATION

Prof Tony Anson has presented ETCbrunel / Diameter Ltd collaborative work on development of biomedical materials and testing methods. In a paper entitled "Reducing potential metal ion release in *in-vivo* medical devices", co-authored by Dr Jones and Prof Franks, and presented at the **Institute of Physics conference on Mechanics in Medical Devices**, the use of diamond-like carbon (DLC) coatings to reduce levels toxic metal entering the body is discussed, alongside novel methods for evaluating the effectiveness of such diffusion barrier methods



30th April 2007

PUBLICATION

Dr Alan Reynolds' work on Triassic Microbialites, part of a collaboration led by Dr Steve Kershaw from Brunel's Department of Geology and Earth Sciences, is published in Springer journal *Facies*. The full article, showing greater diversity in microbialites than has previously been observed, is available [online](#) from the publisher.

2nd April 2007

SHORT TRAINING COURSES

Delegate feedback on short training courses shows a very high level of satisfaction. Asked to rate aspects of the course, over 96% of responses were "very good" or better. 83% of responders indicated their interest in returning for another course.

19th March 2007

PUBLICATIONS

Dr Jones' work on forensic investigations of mobile phones, is published today in [Public Service Review: Home Office](#). This invited article focuses on data extraction from mobile phones that have been damaged in fire, accident or explosion, and outlines methodologies to help glean information for scene-of-crime investigators. This article is also available on our open access server, [BURA](#)

6th March 2007

PUBLICATIONS - ETCbrunel joins BURA

ETCbrunel joins the [Brunel University Research Archive - BURA](#). Research papers prepared by members of staff, and some technical reports, will be deposited in this open-access e-print server. Confidential commercial work will, of course, not be posted. This new facility is a welcome aid to the dissemination of scientific knowledge, and is warmly welcomed



22nd January 2007

TRAINING COURSE ACCREDITATION

ETCbrunel short training courses in Scanning Electron Microscopy are now accredited by the [Institute of Physics](#), with ETCbrunel becoming one of the first endorsed training providers for the Institute's continuing professional development scheme. Full details of the training courses available can be found in our [courses section](#). IoP members can obtain 10% discount off the full cost of the course, other discounts may be available, please contact [Dr. Benjamin Jones](#) for details.

IOP Institute of Physics

10th January 2007

POSTGRADUATE OPEN DAY

Brunel University PG Open day took place in the Newton Rooms on 10th January, with information available from all University Schools, Departments and Special Research Institutes - as well as Graduate School information on student support and the postgraduate experience. More details on our Masters course and research opportunities, and links to the University pages can be found in our [postgraduate pages](#).