

## SHORT CURRICULUM VITAE

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### ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

**B.Sc.** Second Class Honours (Upper Division), Imperial College, London, Summer 1975.  
**A.R.S.M.** Second Class Honours (Upper Division), Summer 1975.  
**Ph.D.** Entitled 'The brachiopod faunas of the Upper Ardmillan succession (Upper Ordovician) of the Girvan district, SW Scotland'. Queen's University, Belfast, Winter 1979.  
 Fellow of Geological Society (**FGS**), April 1976  
 Chartered Geologist (**C Geol**), April 1992  
 Foreign Member of the Royal Danish Academy of Sciences and Letters, April 2004  
 European Geologist (**EurGeol**), September 2004  
 Doctor of Science (**D.Sc.**), Queens' University of Belfast, Winter 2005

### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

<b>University of Oslo, Norway</b>	Postdoctoral fellow	(1980)
<b>University of Dundee, Scotland</b>	Postdoctoral fellow	(1981–1984)
<b>University College, Galway, Ireland</b>	Lecturer – Statutory Lecturer	(September 1984 – April 1998)
<b>University of Copenhagen, Denmark</b>	Professor of Palaeontology	(May 1998 –)
	Deputy Director, Geological Museum	(Feb 2002 – Dec 2003)
	Deputy Head, Geology (Natural History Museum of Denmark)	(January 2004–August 2006)
	Acting Head, Geology (Natural History Museum of Denmark)	(September 2006–May 2007)
	Head, Geology (Natural History Museum of Denmark)	(June 2007–)

### RESEARCH INTERESTS:

My research interests are field-based and in the areas of palaeontology, stratigraphy and regional geology together with numerical methods in the earth sciences. This entire programme has generated over 300 publications and has been presented in papers at over 150 conferences and is part of a number of international networks. My research has been recognised by the **Clough Award** from the Edinburgh Geological Society, the **Lyell Fund** from the Geological Society and **Crown Prince Frederik's Fund**, Denmark. More recent publications, from 1998, are available at [www.geologicalmuseum.dk](http://www.geologicalmuseum.dk).

### RESEARCH STUDENTS:

During the last six years three of my Ph.D. students (National University of Ireland, Galway and Tromsø University) and six Cand. scient. students (University of Copenhagen) have successfully completed their studies. I have currently two Ph.D. and two Cand. scient. students (University of Copenhagen) together with two external Ph.D. students (Uppsala, Dalhousie).

### RECENT EXTERNAL POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY:

Editor, for the Palaeontological Association's journal, *Palaeontology* (1996–2002).  
 Associate editor, Geological Journal (1998–), Swiss Journal of Geosciences (2004–), Palaeoworld (2005–), Paleontological Contributions (2008–).  
 Editor, *Lethaia* (2003–).  
 Vice President Irish Geological Association (1996–1998).  
 Vice President Palaeontological Association (2002–4), Chair of Publications Board (2004–).  
 Co-leader IGCP (UNESCO) project 503 (2004–)  
 Voting member of the International Ordovician Subcommittee (2004–) and International Commission on Stratigraphy (2008–).  
 President, International Palaeontological Association (2006–)  
 Chairman, International Ordovician Subcommittee (2008–).

### RECENT BOOKS:

Benton, M.J. and Harper, D.A.T. 1997. *Basic Palaeontology*. Addison, Wesley and Longman, Harlow.  
 Brenchley, P.J. and Harper, D.A.T. 1998. *Palaeoecology: Ecosystems, environments and evolution*. Chapman and Hall, London (now Routledge).  
 Harper, D.A.T. (ed.). 1999. *Numerical Palaeobiology*. John Wiley and Sons, Chichester.  
 Hammer, Ø. and Harper, D.A.T. 2005. *Paleontological Data Analysis*. Blackwell, Oxford.  
 Benton, M.J. and Harper, D.A.T. 2008. *Introduction to Paleobiology and the Fossil Record*. Blackwell, Oxford (December 2008).