



## **Athene Donald**

### **Physicist**

Dr. Athene Donald is professor of experimental physics at the University of Cambridge. She is actively engaged in diversity issues, especially relating to women in science. She is a Fellow of the Royal Society and chairs its education committee. Her activity sits within the sector of Biological and Soft Systems, and focusses on using the ideas of soft matter physics to study a wide range of systems of both synthetic and biological origin. There is an emphasis on using different types of microscopy, but these are by no means the only approaches used. Other techniques used include passive microrheological techniques for the study of a range of complex fluids, including the inside of cells; we are exploring cell adhesion, mitosis and spreading using optical approaches

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