ABOUT THE GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The Geological Society of London was founded in 1807. It is the UK's national society for geoscience, and the oldest geological society in the world.

The Society provides a wide range of professional and scientific support to around 10,000 Fellows (members), about 2000 of whom live overseas.

The Geological Society Library was founded in 1809 and provides support services to Fellows of the Society and employees of Corporate Affiliates. Occupying apartments in Burlington House since 1874, the Library contains over 300,000 volumes of books and serials, takes around 700 current serial titles and has a collection of over 40,000 maps.

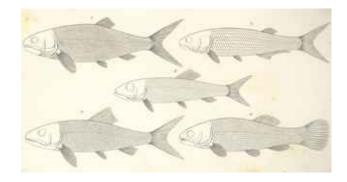


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HELP CONSERVE THE 'AGASSIZ FISHES'

The Geological Society's Library has launched a project to conserve and digitise one of the most important collections housed in the Archive: the fossil fish portfolio of Louis Agassiz (1807-1873).



Agassiz gained international recognition as the leading figure on fossil ichthyology after the publication of the five volume *Recherches sur les Poissons Fossiles*, lavishly illustrated with 400 lithographic plates of fish (1833-1843).

In 1836 he was awarded the Geological Society's Wollaston Medal.

Comprising nearly 2,000 watercolours and drawings, these images of fossil fish, dating from the 1830s-1860s, were copied from private and public collections around Europe, principally by the German artist Joseph Dinkel.

Visit www.geolsoc.org.uk/sponsorafish for more information on the Society's fossil fish collection.

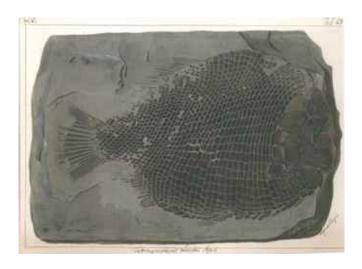
For many years the drawings were kept in a trunk in the Museum and later in different places around the Society. We would now like to make them accessible to future generations of researchers by conserving and digitising the entire collection.

How you can help

If you would like to help the Library and Archive in this project, a donation of £20 will allow us to carefully clean, conserve and digitise one fish.

The names of all sponsors will be included in a roll of honour in the Archive and on our website.

Donations of all sizes are most welcome to help us reach our target.



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