



Student helper position (m/w/d; 19h/week, 3 or 6 months)

The **Experimental Interaction Ecology** group in **iDiv** offers a position for a student helper to assist in lab work related to the [Soil Food-Web subproject](#) of the Jena Experiment.

Briefly, the aim of this study is to use energy fluxes in different compartments of the soil foodweb as proxies of ecosystem functions (eg. predator control of herbivory, nutrient cycling) and examine the effect of plant richness and soil/plant history on these ecosystem functions.

For this purpose, we have sampled the full soil fauna community in each subplot of the Jena Experiment and we are currently in the process of sorting mesofauna into broad taxonomic groups (mites, collembola, etc) so that they are sent to experts for further identification.

If you are interested in soil fauna ecology and have experience in processing/sorting soil mesofauna samples in the lab or have a strong interest in developing those skills you are invited to apply.

The offered position is for 19 hours per week for three months with the possibility to extend for another 3 months, starting as soon as possible. The place of work is in the iDiv institute, Leipzig.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact angelos.amyntas@idiv.de. If you are interested in the position, please write an email with the subject line "Application HiWi SP6", to introduce yourself.

