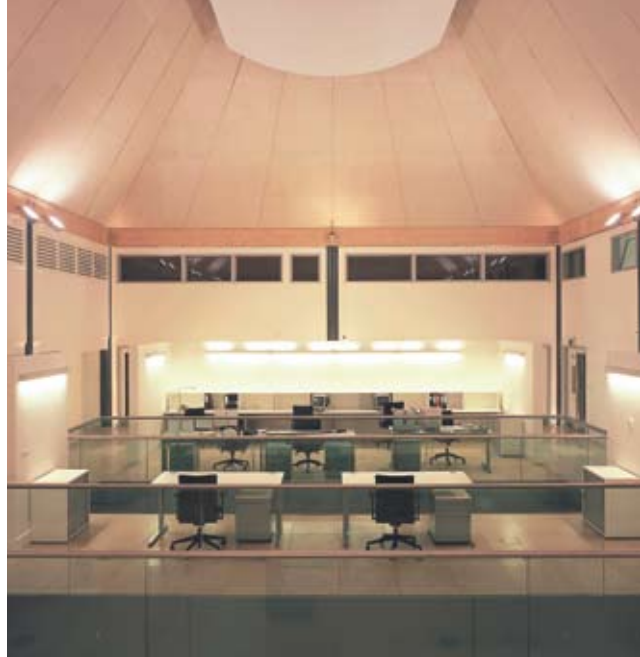


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Left: View of top floor research centre



Left Interior View



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Pitt Rivers Museum  
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Above: Conservation Studio

Left: View from Robinson  
Close

The new Pitt Rivers Research centre provides research facilities, conservation studios, storage for artefacts and manuscripts, the Balfour Library, education facilities, a lecture theatre and temporary exhibition space. It improves disabled access to the existing museum and provides much-needed toilet facilities for the public.

The Pitt Rivers Museum itself is Oxford University's Museum of Anthropology and World Archaeology and is one of the world's top half dozen such museums. Its collections number 400,000 objects from all over the world. Its displays, organised by type of artefact rather than by culture, are loved for being artefact-rich, non-didactic and for their Victorian atmosphere.

As a university museum, the Pitt Rivers has responsibilities both as a base for research and curation, and as a major facility for the public. Curatorially, the Pitt Rivers Museum looks after collections now seen as the heritage of the thousands of indigenous groups from all over the world who originally produced the artefacts.

The Museum not only cares for these collections but must also make them available to scholars from all over the UK and abroad and to indigenous groups interested in their own traditions. The Research Centre provides the facilities for the scholars to carry out their research, with teaching areas for Archaeology, and visual Anthropology.



Left & Above: Balfour Library