

PhD studentship in Marine Microbiology and Biotechnological Applications under a cotutelle agreement between the *University of Stirling* (Scotland, UK) and the *University Pierre et Marie Curie* (Paris, France)

We offer a 3-year PhD studentship under a cotutelle agreement between two universities in Scotland (University of Stirling) and in France (University Pierre et Marie Curie) as well as with a multinational cosmetics company (Pierre Fabre Laboratories). The PhD student will start in October 2017.

The PhD will explore the biodegradability of health care products (HCP) in oceans. The PhD student will help develop a methodology to establish the toxicity of key compounds of HCP and will help characterise new biodegradable molecules for HCP, isolated from marine bacteria.

The project will be designed with the PhD supervisors and the applicant. It will include microbial ecology, physiology, proteomics and big data analysis. Because the content of the PhD is confidential, more details cannot be provided here. However you can contact the supervisors for any questions you might have (see contact details below).

The PhD student will join a dynamic team of researchers in both partner Institution under the supervision of Dr. Sabine Matallana Surget (University of Stirling (<https://www.stir.ac.uk/people/28474>)) and Pr. Philippe Lebaron (Oceanographic Institute of Banyuls sur mer, Laboratory of Microbial Biodiversity and Biotechnology; <http://usr3579.obs-banyuls.fr/en/index.html>).

A joint-doctoral degree will be delivered by the two partner institutions.

The deadline for the applications is the **21st of May**. There is no restriction regarding the nationality of the applicants, however the applicant **must be fluent in English** and French would be only considered as a plus.

Thanks for sending a CV, and a cover letter at the following emails:

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