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# **EBNet Newsletter June 2019**

Welcome back to the Environmental Biotechnology Network Newsletter.

We hope this round-up of the latest news, events and opportunities proves informative.

Remember to <u>let us know</u> if you have anything to share with the wider community - jobs, info, requests - we love to hear from you.

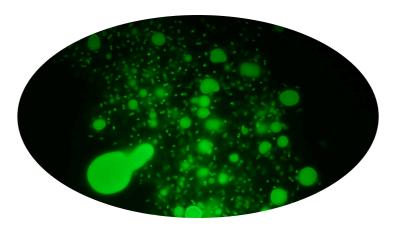


Photo Credit Dr Tony Gutierrez, Heriot-Watt University - Bacteria consuming oil droplets

### **Photography competition**

New for this year's Early Career Researcher Conference, Sheffield 1-2 July 2019, is the ECR photography competition (open to all delegates). We are offering small prizes for the best images which illustrate your current research in Environmental Biotechnology. The top 3 will be also reproduced in next year's brochure. Not coming? Start snapping in advance for next year!

#### **BBSRC NEWS**

UKRI are seeking to appoint further **council members** for each of the nine councils. Three new members will be added to BBSRC council. One of the domains of expertise they are looking to cover is 'Agricultural Technology, Industrial biotechnology and bioenergy'. See: <a href="http://green-park-jobs.co.uk/ukri/ps-bbsrc.php">http://green-park-jobs.co.uk/ukri/ps-bbsrc.php</a>

Do you have an exciting and ambitious Big Idea? Introducing the **Biosciences Big Ideas Pipeline** - a BBSRC pilot programme through which they aim to engage with their broad research and innovation community in a quest to identify adventurous and exciting ideas that have the potential to be transformational.

See: <u>https://bbsrc.ukri.org/news/policy/2019/190611-n-bioscience-big-ideas-pipeline/</u>

2019 call for expressions of interest to join the BBSRC Pool of Experts, and Follow-on Fund Committee now open!

BBSRC are seeking expressions of interest from individuals who have expertise to provide credible opinion of the merit of proposals for funding submitted to BBSRC. See: <a href="https://bbsrc.ukri.org/appointments/">https://bbsrc.ukri.org/appointments/</a> & <a href="https://bbsrc.ukri.org/news/people-skills-training/2019/190613-n-join-pool-of-experts-follow-on-fund-committee/">https://bbsrc.ukri.org/news/people-skills-training/2019/190613-n-join-pool-of-experts-follow-on-fund-committee/</a>



#### **Forthcoming Events**

Find selected upcoming events below or look further ahead with our online Google calendar.

What have we missed? Whether local or international, niche, general interest or 3rd party - provided the topic is EB we can share with the wider membership

AD Biogas & Trade Show, 3-4 July, Birmingham NEC - we will be at the show's Innovation Hub with some of the latest research from universities across the UK, so do join us there. Attendance is free and registration is here: <a href="http://www.biogastradeshow.com/">http://www.biogastradeshow.com/</a>

NIS SIG launch event: Nature Inspired Solutions meet industry challenges

9th July 2019, Hallam Conference Centre, London

See: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nis-sig-launch-event-nature-inspired-solutions-meet-industry-challenges-registration-61862966799

Sensing in Water conference & exhibition

25-26th September 2019, Nottingham

See: http://www.swig.org.uk/event/sensing-in-water-2019/

SETAC Europe 30th Annual Meeting

3-7th May 2020, Dublin

See: https://dublin.setac.org/welcome/

ISME18: 18th International Symposium on Microbial Ecology

9-14th August 2020, Cape Town, South Africa See: http://isme18.isme-microbes.org/

#### **SETAC 8th World Congress**

6-10th September 2020, Singapore See: https://singapore.setac.org/

#### **Funding**

Funding opportunities for academia and industry are highlighted below.

Want a partner? Contact us with your details and we can connect you with members with similar interests or put a request out through the network



#### Joint BBSRC-NERC GCRF Sustainable Enhancement of Agriculture and Aquaculture Production Translation Call

Call opens: 9 July 2019; Deadline: 18th September 2019

BBSRC and the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) will shortly announce a joint call to support the translation of research, to address challenges related to the sustainable enhancement of agriculture (including crops and livestock) and aquaculture (including finfish and shellfish) in Low and Middle Income Countries (LMICs) on the Development Assistance Committee (DAC) list.

See: https://bbsrc.ukri.org/funding/filter/2019-gcrf-translation/

#### BBSRC: Investing in leadership

Fellowship details can be found on all the major UKRI funder pages including BBSRC. See: https://bbsrc.ukri.org/skills/leadership/



## Training Opportunities, Awards & PhD Studentships

Did you know we have funds available to help members access placements in industry or academia.

# Could you host one to share what you know? Contact us now.

Flow dynamics of industrially relevant two-phase particle-liquid suspensions (1) The application of positron emission particle tracking to the study of flow and mixing of solid-liquid systems in industrial stirred vessels (2)

University of Birmingham. Supervisor: Prof M Barigou

Deadline: 31st July 2019

Understanding how time-dependent changes in biogeochemistry, microbiology and mineralogy of mine waste can contribute to, or limit the impact of, environmental metal pollution

University of Exeter. Supervisors: Dr L Newsome, Prof W Gaze

Deadline: 14th July 2019

Sustainable and futureproof management of fats oils and greases in wastewater

Cranfield University. Supervisor: Prof Bruce Jefferson

Deadline: 28th July 2019

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