



"Nitrogen fixation in aquatic environments: strategies and ecology"

A one-day Symposium offered by the International Course
Ecology and Diversity of Marine Microorganisms (ECODIM)
of the Austral Summer Institute XII (ASI XII)

Friday, January 13th 2012
Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

10:15 Opening session

10:30 "Nitrogen-fixing cyanobacteria. New insights in the mechanisms, ecology and evolution"

Prof. Dr. Lucas J. Stal, Department of Marine Microbiology, Netherlands Institute of Ecology NIOO-KNAW and Department of Aquatic Microbiology Institute for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Dynamics, University of Amsterdam

11:30 Coffee break

12:00 "N₂ marine fixation in oxygen minimum zones"

Dr. Camila Fernández, Laboratoire d'Océanographie Microbienne (LOMIC, CNRS) Observatoire Océanologique de Banyuls sur Mer-Francia and Centro COPAS - Fac. Cs Nat y Oceanograficas, Universidad de Concepción

13: 00 "N-fixation affects the N₂O and N₂ reservoirs in the tropical and subtropical South Pacific"

Dr. Laura Farias, Departamento de Oceanografía, Universidad de Concepción

14: 00- 15:30 Lunch

15:30 "Differentiation of nitrogen-fixing heterocysts and multicellularity in filamentous cyanobacteria"

Dr. Enrique Flores García, Instituto de Bioquímica Vegetal y Fotosíntesis, CSIC-Universidad de Sevilla

16:30 "Remarkable traits on nitrogen fixation in filamentous cyanobacteria with a minimum genome".

Dr. Mónica Vásquez, Department of Molecular Genetics and Microbiology, P. Universidad Católica de Chile.

Venue Address: Alameda 340, Auditorio B201, Facultad de Ciencias Biológicas.
Date & time: 13th January 2012 from 10:15 AM- 17:30 PM.

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