







Institute of Biologically Inspired Materials (BIMat) Department of Bionanoscience (DBNS)

Master thesis (6 months) Breaking Ground in Sustainable Food Packaging: Utilizing Biodegradable and Biobased Bacterial Cellulose (Kombucha) to Engineer Innovative Next-Generation Materials



Building a Better Future: Join the Movement to Create a Circular, Biobased, and Biodegradable Economy and Tackle Plastic Waste Together.



<u>Your job:</u>

- * Production and optimisation of bacterial cellulose grafted with a range of biogegradable polymers
- * Measurement of oxygen and water barrier properties using a method developed in-house.
- Optimisation of the barrier properties through the use of a range of super-innovative natural polymers/materials.

Your profile:

- * studies: Ready to start a master thesis (full time),
- **cooperative:** Highly interested in beeing part of a crossfunctional and international project
- independent: Develope own ideas/ solve problems and find innovative solutions

We offer:

- * Be part of making our society more sustainable and reduce plastic waste
- * international team, close supervision & vibrant student life

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Interested?

- * interdisciplinary team with strong collaborations acros disciplines * complete infrastructure, up-to date analytics (incl TEM, SEM, TGA)
- * working as part of **EU wide developement project**