



# Maria Kolovou

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## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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07/04/2021 – CURRENT – Larissa, Greece  
**PH.D. STUDENT** – Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Thessaly

### Field(s) of study

- Environmental and Agricultural Microbiology

**Thesis:** Toxicity of pesticides on soil microbes: Ammonia-oxidizing microorganisms as new bioindicators

01/10/2018 – 30/10/2020 – Larissa, Greece  
**M.S.C. TOXICOLOGY** – Department of Biochemistry and Biotechnology, University of Thessaly

### Field(s) of study

- Environmental Microbiology and Biotechnology

**Thesis:** Characterization of pesticide-degrading microorganisms

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01/10/2013 – 19/07/2018 – University Campus Ioannina, Ioannina, Greece  
**B.S.C. CHEMISTRY** – Department of Chemistry, University of Ioannina

### Field(s) of study

- Environmental Chemistry

**Thesis:** Isolation and characterization of bacteria degrading PAHs from soil.

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## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### Research Interests and Activities

- Environmental fate and behaviour of agrochemicals with focus on microbial degradation and enhanced biodegradation
- Effects of agrochemicals and agricultural practices on the function and structure of soil microbial communities
- In vitro and in situ assessment of soil representative nitrifying strains as potential microbial indicators for regulatory use

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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01/11/2020 – 09/04/2021 – Athens, Greece  
**CHEMIST** – GERASIMOPOULOS PHARMACY

01/03/2018 – 30/04/2018 – Ioannina, Greece  
**BIOCHEMIST** – UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL OF IOANNINA

## PUBLICATIONS

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Christina V. Papazlatani, Maria Kolovou, Elisabeth E. Gkounou, Konstantinos Azis, Zografina Mavriou, Stefanos Testembasis, George S. Karaoglanidis, Spyridon Ntougias and Dimitrios G. Karpouzas (2022).

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Environmental Pollution 301, October, 119030

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envpol.2022.119030> – 2022

"Isolation, characterization and industrial application of a *Cladosporium herbatum* fungal strain able to degrade the fungicide imazalil"

Maria Kolovou, Evangelia S. Papadopoulou, Eleftheria Bachtsevani, Graeme W. Nicol, Dimitrios G. Karpouzas (2021).

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2021

Toxicity of pesticides on soil microbes: Ammonia-oxidizing microorganisms as new bioindicators for regulatory use. 9th Conference of Mikrobiokosmos, 16-18 December 2021, Athens,Greece (e-poster)

Papazlatani C, Kolovou M, Gkounou E, Azis K, Mavriou Z, Testembasis S, Karaoglanidis G, Karas P, Tsetsekos G, Katsoula A, Ntougias S, Karpouzas D (2021).

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2021

Isolation, characterization and application of a *Mycosphaerella tassiana* fungal isolate for the removal of imazalil from agro-industrial effluents.

9th Conference of Mikrobiokosmos, 16-18 December 2021, Athens,Greece (e-poster)

Christina V. Papazlatani, Maria Kolovou, Panagiotis Karas, and Dimitrios G Karpouzas (2020).

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<https://ecotoxicomic20.sciencesconf.org/> – 2020

" Isolation and characterization of a *Mycosphaerella tassiana* isolate able to rapidly degrade the recalcitrant fungicide Imazalil."

2nd International Conference on Microbial Ecotoxicology, 06-09 October 2020, Montpellier, France (oral poster communication).

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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20/04/2022 – CURRENT

Teaching Assistant

**Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Thessaly, Larissa, Greece**

- Analytical and Environmental Chemistry
- Environmental Geology

05/05/2021 – 31/08/2021

Teaching Assistant

**Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Thessaly, Larissa, Greece**

- Analytical and Environmental Chemistry
- Environmental Geology
- Technical Materials and the Environment

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

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Mother tongue(s): **GREEK**

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
<b>ENGLISH</b>	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
<b>GERMAN</b>	B1	B1	B1	B1	B1