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## PhD and MSc positions on Antarctic Ecology



We are seeking highly motivated **MSc** and **PhD students** to join our research team at the Institute of Marine Sciences, Middle East Technical University. The researchers will be principally working with Dr. Korhan Özkan ([www.korhanozkan.org](http://www.korhanozkan.org)) and collaborate with researchers from Ankara, İstanbul Teknik, Koç and Aarhus Universities. The position will be funded from TÜBİTAK 1001 project on Antarctic food web ecology. The PhD researcher conduct studies principally on aquatic foodwebs using stable isotopes and paleoecology. The research sites are the lakes along Antarctic Peninsula and Turkish highland lakes.

The tasks involved in the **PhD research project** are:

- Studying foodweb ecology using stable isotopes and palaeoecologically approaches.
- Conduct fieldwork on Turkish highland lakes and Antarctic lakes.
- Conduct laboratory analyses.
- Assist daily management of the project.

The candidate is required to have basic knowledge on aquatic ecosystems and skills on statistics and scripting. Previous experience in fieldwork and skills in taxonomy (fish, plankton, or a similar aquatic organism group) or computational skills are a plus.

We offer a 3 years PhD stipend (3500 TL per month for PhD; 3000 TL for MSc) with possibility of extension. The expected start date is as soon as possible. We will accept applications until the position is filled. For more information:

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Application:

Please send your CV and a brief letter of motivation to: [okorhan@metu.edu.tr](mailto:okorhan@metu.edu.tr). You can also contact [okorhan@metu.edu.tr](mailto:okorhan@metu.edu.tr) for informal inquiries.