

### **PhD Candidate Profile**

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## Area (field) of study:

Photocatalytic hydrogen production and wastewater treatment

#### **Thesis Title:**

Towards the development of non - fossil fuels based on solar technologies through simultaneous wastewater treatment.

#### **Abstract:**

Therefore, we are studying Hydrogen production by heterogeneous photocatalysis, applied to photoreforming of organic substances, that are contained in waste water. Urban and industrial organic contaminants in wastewater effluents, can be used as sacrificial agents, producing hydrogen at the same time of degrading contaminants. Experiments are carried at pilot plant scale. Among the main objectives of the investigation, are considered the study of novel photocatalysts for solar driven hydrogen production, the optimization of the conditions that maximize hydrogen production for each catalyst, the optimization of the photoreactor design and simultaneous hydrogen production, decontamination and disinfection of wastewater.

#### **Collaborations:**

N/A

### **Publications:**

N/A





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### **Presentations:**

15 th SolLab and 2<sup>nd</sup> SFERA-III-Doctoral Colloquium. Almería, Spain, 6-8 October 2021.

Reunión Bienal de la Sociedad Española de Catálisis (SECAT 2021). Valencia, Spain, 18 - 23 October 2021.

Reunión Coordinación Proyecto plan nacional de investigación: Tecnologías avanzadas e híbridas para eliminación de contaminantes, microcontaminantes, reúso y revalorización en diferentes aguas residuales, incluyendo enfoques tecno-económicos (CalypSol). Almería, Spain, 11 March 2022.

11<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Solar Chemistry and Photocatalysis: Environmental Applications. Turin, Italy, 6-10, June 2022.