

PROMICON

PROMICON's first year in a nutshell



**Funding of the EU
Horizon 2020 project
PROMICON granted**



Kick-off Meeting

...and so it began!

PROMICON official kick-off

On 17 and 18 June 2021, leading experts in the field of biotechnology and project partners from ten institutions from seven European countries gathered for the PROMICON official kick-off meeting. The meeting was focused on discussing and outlining the upcoming milestones, challenges and further updates on the project.

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PROMICON's Early Career Research

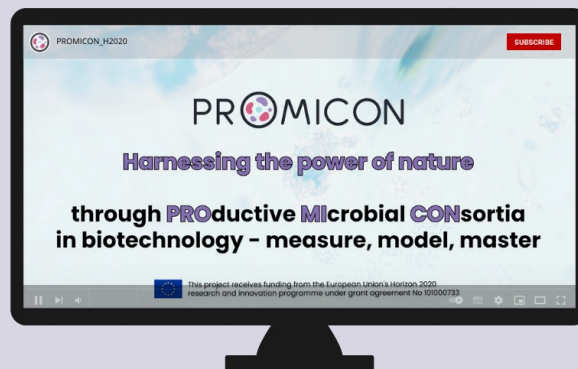


The project consortium includes a group of ambitious **early career researchers (ECRs)**, who are contributing to the fruitful development of PROMICON. They are focusing on the production of pigments from cyanobacteria, studying the environmental photosynthetic microbiomes, the investigation of artificial microbial consortia and the production of polyhydroxyalkanoates (PHA) and extracellular polysaccharides (EPS) by cyanobacteria microbiomes.

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Key Highlights:

PROMICON Explained



Who are we you might wonder? - Take a look at our band new video, where you will learn everything you need to know about PROMICON, our mission and goals, and the innovative tools and methods we will apply along the way to success!

Watch the full video [here](#).

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PROMICON at:



European Researchers' Night 2021

European Researchers' Night 2021 took place on 24.09.22 in Lisbon, Portugal. PROMICON was presented by partners Cristiana Torres, Mónica Carvalheira, Joana Fradinho from Nova University Lisbon.

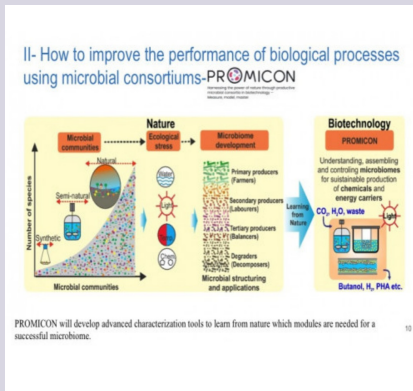
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FindingPheno Stakeholder Synergy Meeting

In October 2021, the FindingPheno project held its first external Stakeholder Synergy Meeting, gathering professionals to discuss the pressing issues involved in sustainable food production.

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UCIBIO leading IDEAS seminar

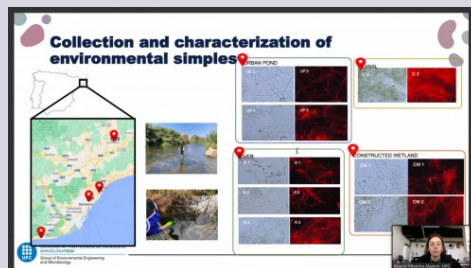
On 26 January 2022, PROMICON partner Prof. Maria Reis from the NOVA ID, Lisbon, Portugal, attended the leading IDEAS seminar.

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International Seminar on Biotechnology

In March 2022, the Technological Institute of Plastics AIMPLAS held an International Seminar on Biotechnology.

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UP's first PhD Student's Conference - „Environment-Plant-Animal-Product“

On 26 April 2022, the University of Life Sciences (UP) in Poland held its 1st PhD Student's Conference - „Environment-Plant-Animal-Product“. PROMICON was introduced, as part of an online session,



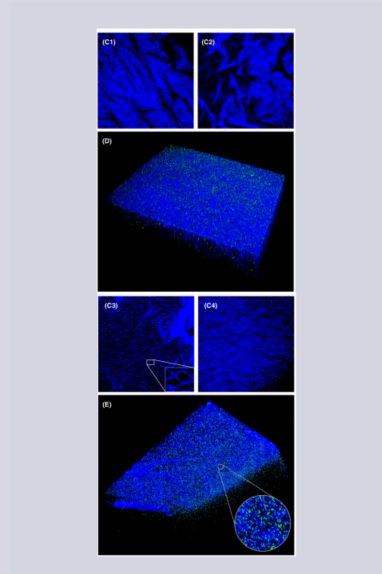
with a presentation by the title "Polyhydroxyalkanoates and exopolysaccharides production by cyanobacteria microbiomes: Collection, selection and upscaling of natural microbiomes." by partners Beatriz Altamira-Algarra, Eva González-Flo and Joan García from UPC. [...more](#)

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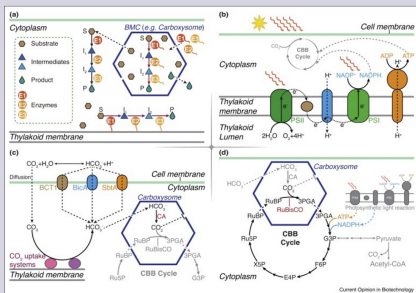
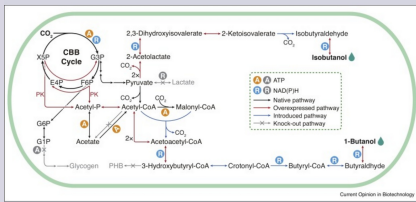
What happens when microbial biotechnology meets material engineering?

A PROMICON-supported research article was recently published in the Society for Applied Microbiology (sfam) Journal. The study investigates the outcomes of the interaction between microbial biotechnology and material engineering. [...more](#)



Advances in engineering cyanobacteria and their applications for photosynthetic butanol production

A PROMICON-supported research article was published in the Current Opinion in Biotechnology Journal. The paper, with a co-author project partner Prof. Peter Lindblad (Uppsala University, Sweden), investigates some of the advances in engineering cyanobacteria and their application in the production of photosynthetic butanol. [...more](#)



Relevant News



PROMICON - Call for Stakeholders

ISLE set-up a Stakeholder Database to identify key stakeholders in the relevant sectors. They will be selected and invited, as appropriate, to each of the market focus activities that are organised during the project.

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PROMICON Job adds

PROMICON offers PhD students the opportunity to join the project and take part in its fruitful development. Project partner Helmholtz - Centre for Environmental Research, Germany (UFZ)'s team has recently grown. Check out the full list of new job adds [here](#).



Blanca Antizar (ISLE) awarded the iAgua Woman of the Year Award

PROMICON partner Blanca Antizar, the European Director of Consultancy at ISLE, has been awarded the iAgua Women of the Year Award! PROMICON is proud to have Blanca in its consortium! Read more [here](#).

Preliminary platform for PROMICON related metabolites detection

The platform is aiming at a non-targeted detection of metabolites

between/among different strains inside a consortium. Using IC/HPLC/GC-MS based measurement to identify and quantify the interesting metabolites of various strains, to better explain the interactions, behaviors of the strain towards a certain phenomenon. This platform could help to understand more complex microorganism consortia, and thus, could potential lead to a better regulation of the system towards some particular production.

Coming soon:



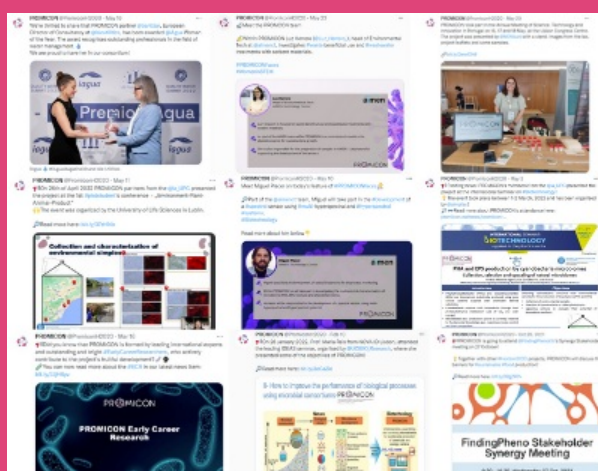
After the lifting of the COVID-19 restrictions, with hope to return to face-to-face meetings, PROMICON is thrilled to announce that the project's first Annual Meeting will take the form of a hybrid event. On 20 and 21 June 2022, more than 35 team members from all PROMICON partnering institutions will gather in Barcelona, Spain to discuss the project's progress and future actions.

The meeting will take a more non-conventional structure, including scientific workshops and young minds interactive sessions. We will have the chance to take a stroll and visit the UPC Lab and facilities and have first-hand experience with demonstrative practical sessions.

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