

## MME

# Matter Molecules and their Environments

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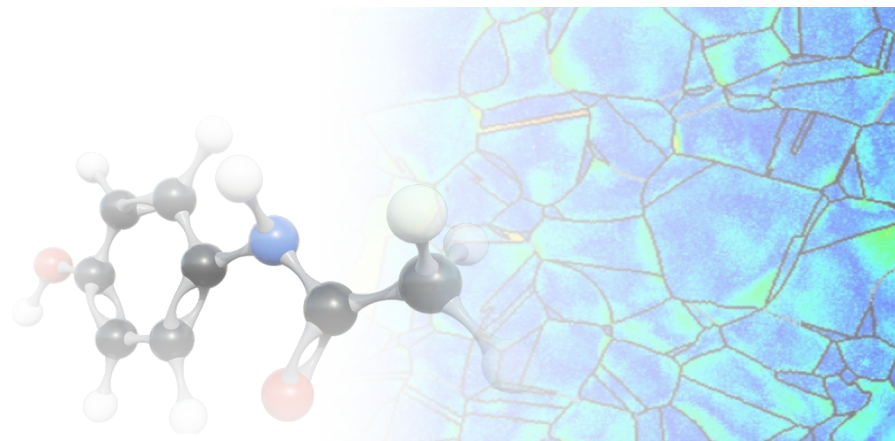
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# Matter Molecules

## AND THEIR ENVIRONMENTS



# Introduction for MME

## *Options*

- Condensed Matter and Materials Science
- Condensed Matter and Atmospheric Sciences

## *Entry requirement*

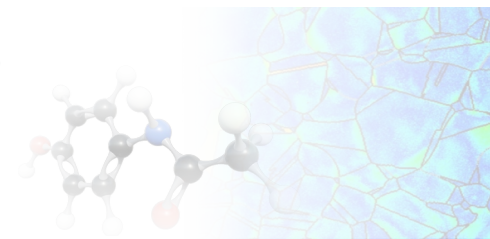
- Master or 4th year university degree in physics or physical chemistry

## *Jobs and careers*

- Research in academia
- Public or private research laboratories
- Industry

## *Attached laboratories*

- UMET: [Unité Matériaux et Transformations](#)
- PhLAM: [Physique des Lasers, Atomes et Molécules](#)
- IEMN: [Institut d'Electronique, Microélectronique et Nanotechnologie](#)
- LOA: [Laboratoire d'Optique Atmosphérique](#)



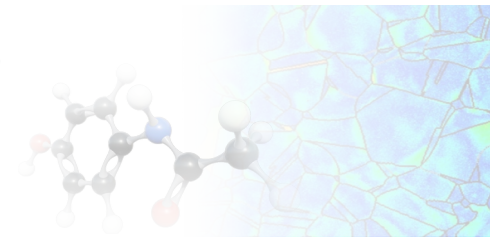
# Training objectives

## *Train physicists capable of tackling the major scientific questions of the 21<sup>st</sup> century*

- From concrete, applied issues such as the design of new materials for tomorrow's industry
- To fundamental questions such as the behavior of matter within planets and atmospheres, calculation methods on the atomic scale or the use of major international research instruments.

## *Aimed at two types of students*

- Students in search of **solutions**, who will be trained in the latest advances in the sciences of matter, and will be able to develop and exploit new materials, the latest analytical methods, and the analytical tools to tackle today's societal issues;
- students in search of **discoveries**, who will be able to understand the fate of matter in a variety of environments and conditions, from the core of a nuclear power plant, to polymers, metals, pharmaceutical materials, up to the interior of planets or the atmosphere.



# Graduate program

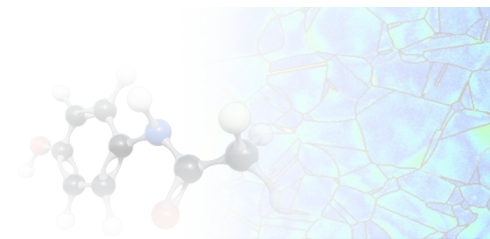
MME is part of the [Science for a Changing Planet Graduate Program](#)  
Limited number of scholarships are available



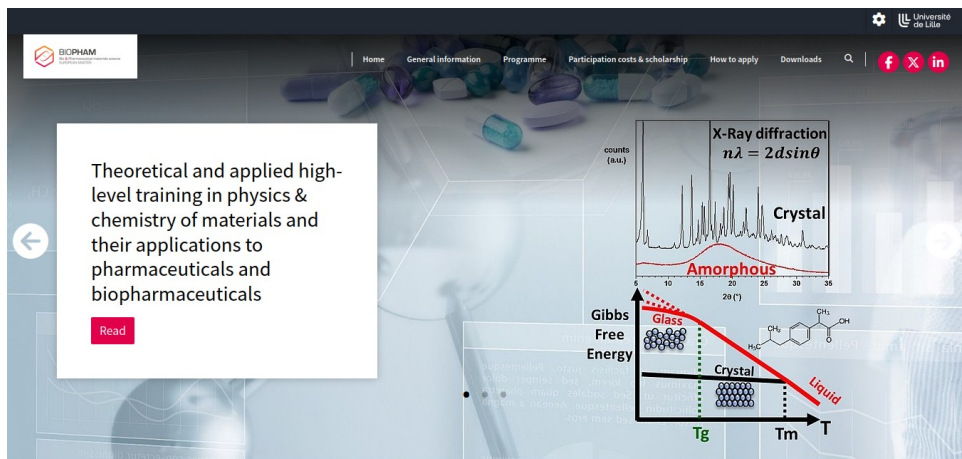
## Science for a changing planet

The Graduate Programme 'Science for a Changing Planet' has three objectives:

- 1) understanding and monitoring planet changes;
- 2) seeking alternative solutions to the exploitation of fossil resources, and
- 3) evaluating the impact of global changes on people, the earth and societies.



# BIOPHAM sister's program



Theoretical and applied high-level training in physics & chemistry of materials and their applications to pharmaceuticals and biopharmaceuticals

Read

X-Ray diffraction  
 $n\lambda = 2d\sin\theta$

Crystal

Amorphous

Gibbs Free Energy

Glass

Crystal

Liquid

Tg

Tm

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## Welcome to BIOPHAM

The Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree BIOPHAM is a two-year master programme entirely taught in English. It aims at meeting an international demand for qualified graduates with theoretical and applied high-level training in materials science and physics & chemistry of materials and their applications to pharmaceuticals.

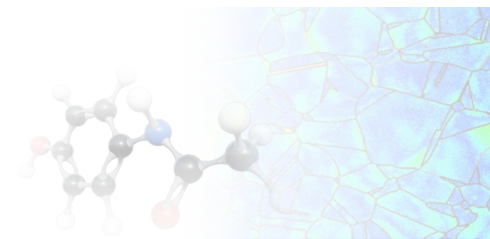
BIOPHAM was built by a consortium of four acknowledged European Universities and benefits from the



~50% of classes in the condensed matter options are shared with **BIOPHAM**

## BIOPHAM

- Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree
- Training in materials science and physics & chemistry of materials and their applications to pharmaceutical
- Semester 1 in Pisa, semester 2 in Barcelona, semester 3 in Lille



# Curriculum

## Condensed Matter / Materials Science

Thermodynamics  
6 ECTS

Transport Properties  
6 ECTS

Defects  
6 ECTS

Spectroscopy  
3 ECTS

## Condensed Matter / Atmospheric Sciences

Thermodynamics  
3 ECTS

Transport Properties  
3 ECTS

Atmospheric  
Sciences  
3 ECTS

Defects  
6 ECTS

Spectroscopy  
3 ECTS

## Labs

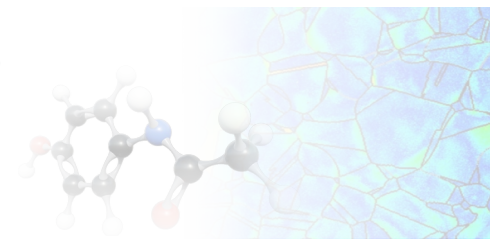
Atomic Scale  
Modeling  
6 ECTS

Spectroscopy,  
Diffraction, Electron  
Microscopy  
6 ECTS

## Professional Skills

English  
Scientific Writing  
6 ECTS

Lab internship  
6 ECTS



# Offers for internships 2024-2025

## LOA

- Aerosol Measurement Over Oceans

## PhLAM

- Characterization of Gas-Phase Atmospheric Organic Compounds and their Weakly Bonded Complexes via Rotational Spectroscopy
- Complexation of trivalent actinides by phosphate species
- Linking core spectra features of actinide complexes to their local environment
- Studying Reactivity of Atmospherically Relevant Radicals using Chirped Pulse Fourier Transform Millimeter wave spectroscopy
- Theoretical Investigation of the Surface Activity of Organosulfates on water droplets

## Subjects for internships

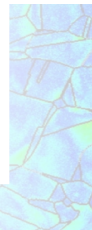
- Can be outside Lille
- change from year to year, depending on students, labs, etc.
- Not so many from LOA this year. Could be different next year

## UMET

- High PT experiments for modeling the Earth's inner core
- Machine-learning approaches for nanoparticle simulations
- Modeling of dislocations in perovskite oxides  $ABO_3$
- Phase-field modelling of radiation induced segregation application to nickel based alloys
- TEM analysis of a possible natural deep Earth sample

## IEMN

- Using strong coupling to detect gas traces in the THz range
- Exploring Proteins quantum dynamics by using strong coupling in the Terahertz range
- Developing Novel THz Spectroscopy Techniques for Biological Sample sensing
- THz-Photonics in Biomolecular Research



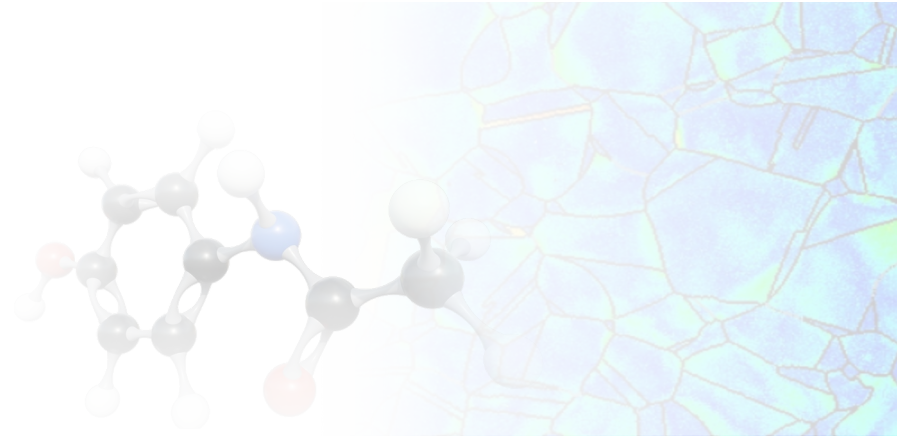
# Former students

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*Former students analysis*

*Strongly biased towards condensed matter, which has been running for as such for much longer*

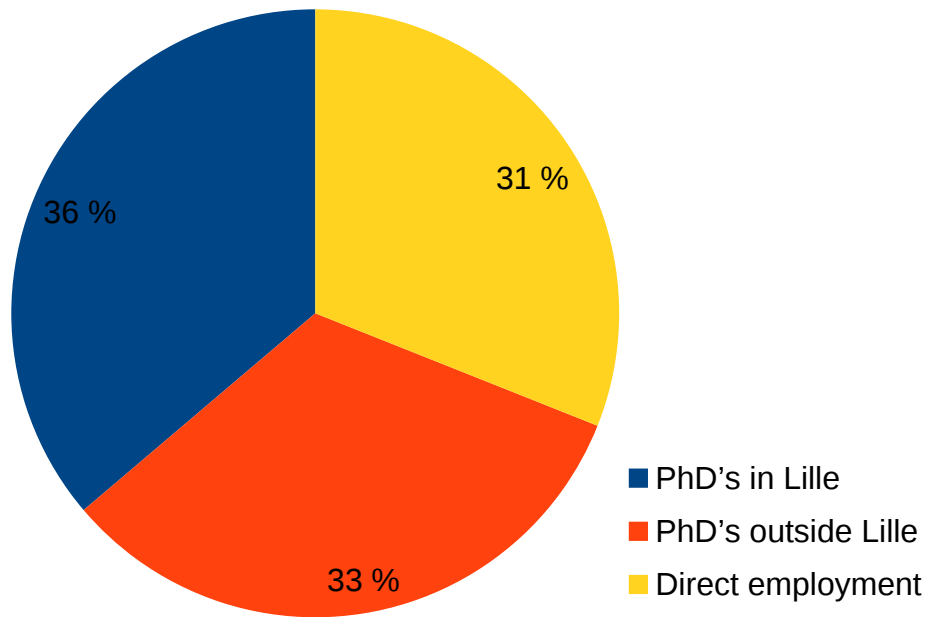
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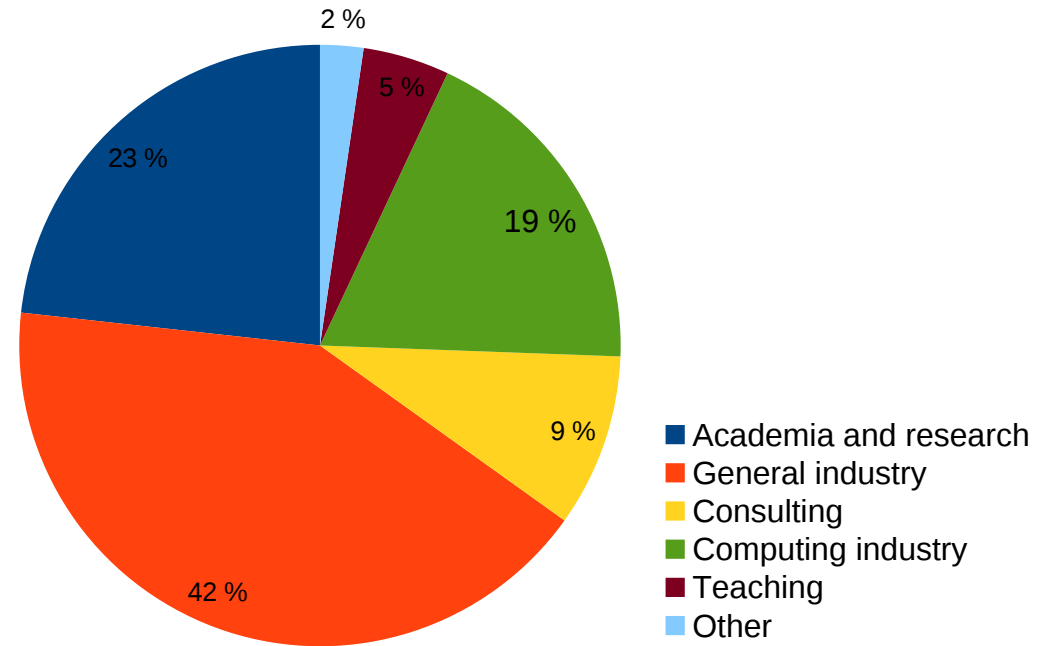


# Statistics on ~60 students 2008-2024

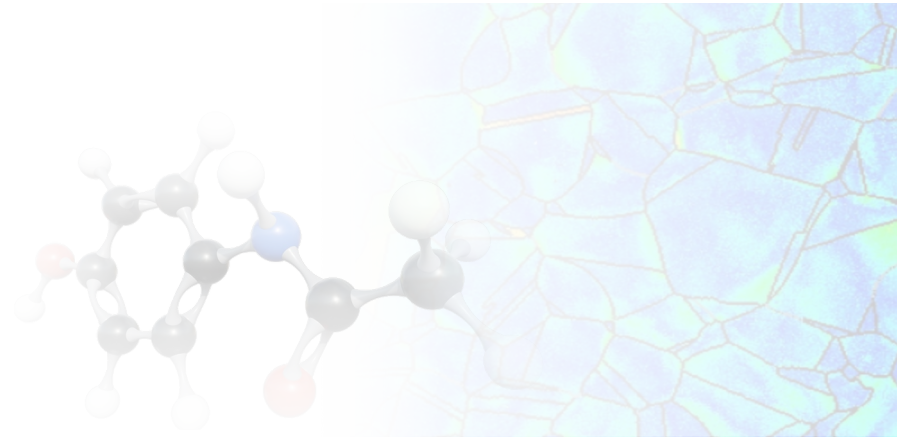
PhD's



Activity sector (direct of after PhD)

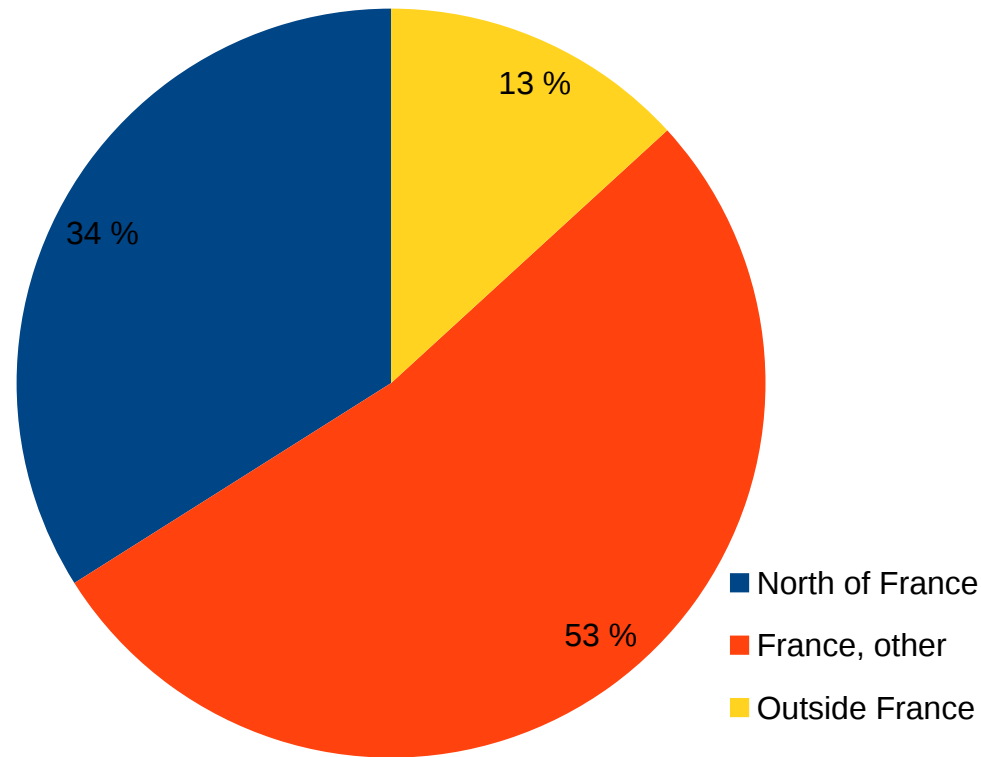


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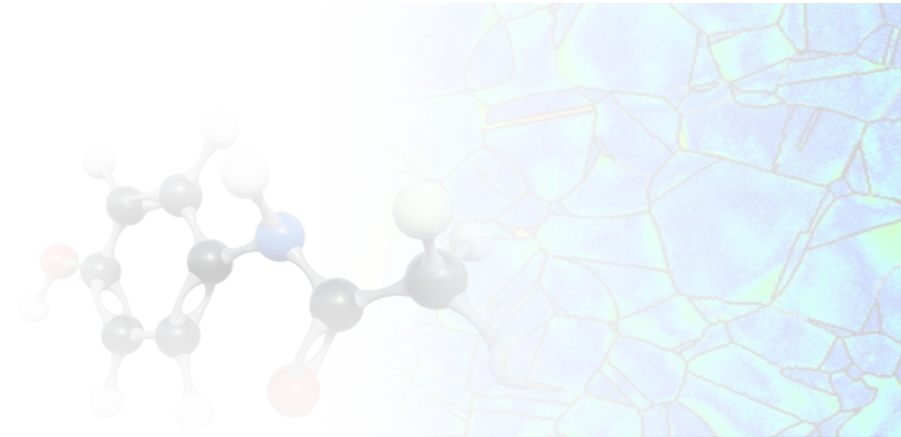


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Localization (if known)



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# Former students: employers

## *Academia / Government agencies*

- CNRS
- Yale University, US
- Phoenix University, US
- Université Tours
- Univ. Lille
- Universitas 17 Agustus 1945 Surabaya, Indonesia
- Canadian Nuclear Laboratories
- CEA
- Onera
- Grenoble INP
- Université libre de Bruxelles

## *Private sector (industry)*

- Siemens Energy
- Framatome
- EDF
- Decathlon France
- Altsom
- Raclot Industries
- AstraZeneca
- Imerys
- Groupe Institut de Soudure
- ITP Interpipe
- Blue Capsule Technology
- PPG

## *Consulting / computer industry*

- Devoteam G Cloud
- Sopra HR Software
- Sopra Banking Software
- Groupe Luminess
- Axecom
- Calogena
- DEF
- Assystem
- Power Inside Data

