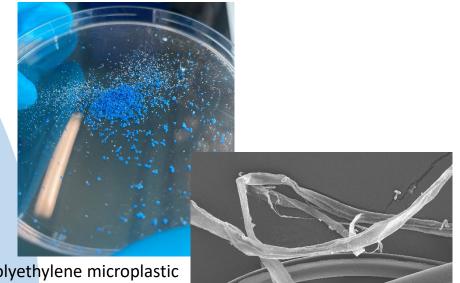
PIP in environmental & sustainability policy About me and my research (very briefly)

My background is in Environmental and Sustainable Chemistry (very lab heavy)

My PhD is based in Environmental Engineering and focuses on microplastic removal from wastewater within treatment plants (also very lab heavy)

I wanted a PIP that complimented this but offered something new



Polyethylene microplastic beads from facewash

Polyester fibres from laundry water





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Ultraviolet disinfection/degradation technology

PIP in environmental & sustainability policy The host organisation - Scottish Environment LINK



Scottish Environment LINK

ScotLINK represents over 40 organisations across environment and sustainability within Scotland and represents their priorities in a policy setting

Microplastics are a big concern across all their member bodies with some big names being:





My project topic:

The application of sewage sludge to Scottish agricultural soils

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My project experience

MARINE CONSERVATION SOCIETY

ENVIRONMENTAL Standards Scotland

Ìrean Àrainneachdail na h-Alba



My time was split between reviewing literature and policy and meeting/interviewing stakeholders

It really helped me to set expectations early on in the project that this wasn't me offering free work but seeking a learning opportunity



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Invited to listen into meetings and attend some off

site meetings at member offices



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The output is a report published by ScotLINK which I was invited to present to ESS earlier this year