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As a postdoctoral fellow, his work focuses on the study of microbial communities (microbiomes) using metagenomics, and the study of microbial isolates using genomics and *in vitro* assays. Studied microbiomes come from halophytes, olive trees, hot springs and submarine volcanoes. Currently he works for the BIOCONTROL project, where he studies the endophytic microbiomes from Cretan halophytic plants.

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