

## PhD Position

A highly motivated and competent PhD student is sought to join an interdisciplinary team working on a 3-year project under a Marsden Fund awarded from the New Zealand Royal Society to develop and validate a virus surrogate for groundwater transport studies. The project will span areas of nanotechnology, biochemistry, molecular biology, virology, and contaminant hydrology. The candidate should have a background in biochemistry and molecular biology. Skills and knowledge of surface chemistry and quantitative polymerase chain reaction are particularly important. He/she will be registered at School of Biological Sciences, University of Canterbury and hosted by Institute of Environmental Science & Research in Christchurch, New Zealand. Please send a letter of motivation, CV, a copy of academic records and contact details of three referees to Dr Liping Pang ([liping.pang@esr.cri.nz](mailto:liping.pang@esr.cri.nz)) before 30 November 2010. Applications without academic records will not be considered. The expected starting time is January 2011.

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