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Qualifications

- 2006 - PhD Environmental Biogeochemistry “environmental role of colloids as carriers of trace elements” - University Bordeaux 1, France
- 2002 - Applied Mechanics - University Bordeaux 1, France
- 2001 - BSc Civil Engineering - Islamic University of Gaza, Palestine

Biography

Dr Mohammed Baalousha obtained a BSc in Civil Engineering from the Islamic University of Gaza, Palestine in 2001. After that, he moved to France where he completed a master degree in Applied Mechanics from the University Bordeaux 1 in 2002 and a PhD in Environmental Biogeochemistry “environmental role of colloids as carriers of trace elements” in 2006. Then, he moved to the United Kingdom, where he has taken a research fellow work at the University of Birmingham in the area of the environmental nanoscience.

Research

Research group

- **[Environmental Health Sciences \(/research/activity/environmental-health/index.aspx\)](/research/activity/environmental-health/index.aspx)**

Research interests

- Understanding the relationship between the structural and physicochemical properties of nanoparticles and their effects on environment and human health
- Understanding the environmental fate and behaviour of natural and manufactured nanoparticles
- Characterisation of the structural and physicochemical properties of natural and manufactured nanoparticles

Publications

Key Publications since 2005

Peer-reviewed international journals

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