





International spring school in Warsaw Introduction to subfossil invertebrates from lake sediments: a laboratory-based school



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Registrations Till 5th December 2025

The course is aimed to: Bsc., MSc, PhD students Maximum number of participants 10-12

Schedule

Mon. 15:00 - 18:00 Tue. 9:00 - 17:00 Wed. 9:00 - 17:00 Thu. 9:00 - 17:00 Fri. 8:00 - 11:00

For registration, please use the documents available on the following webpage: https://www.ing.pan.pl/nawa-prom

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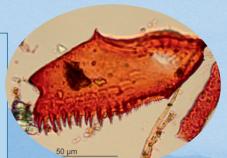
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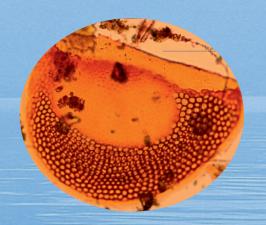
Description

In the face of global climate change, understanding past environmental conditions is crucial for predicting and mitigating future impacts.

The International Spring School: Introduction to Subfossil Invertebrates from Lake Sediments offers a hands-on introduction to paleoecological methods used studying lake and peatland sediments.

Participants will gain laboratory experience in both chemical and microscopy techniques, learning to identify and interpret invertebrate remains (e.g., shells, head capsules, resting eggs). The course highlights how these remains inform ecological and paleolimnological reconstructions, helping distinguish natural climatic variations from human influences. Ultimately, the workshop aims to deepen understanding of climate, environmental, and socio-ecological processes through the studsy of the past.





Participants will learn to:

- → Understand the theoretical foundations of paleoecological methods.
- → Apply techniques for separating invertebrate remains from lacustrine sediments.
 - → Collect and prepare samples for microscopic analysis.
 - → Identify remains of Cladocera and Rotifera.
 - → Use basic techniques for paleolimnological data analysis.

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