## **University of Aberdeen – James Hutton Institute – Xianghu Lab Application Form**

## **Submission Deadline: 1st July 2024**

## **Submit to:** [sbspgadmin@abdn.ac.uk](mailto:sbspgadmin@abdn.ac.uk)

Please confirm that you have provided the below documents as a combined PDF:

All degree transcripts and certificates (BSc and MSc, where applicable). Official translations are required where English is not the original language

Cover letter **for each** project you wish to apply for, addressed to the lead supervisor

A copy of your academic CV

Proof of English language (where relevant)

2 x academic references (tick if either included **or** requested from referees)

If you are unable to provide any of the requested documents, please provide a reason in the box below:

Please send your completed form, in word format to [sbspgadmin@abdn.ac.uk](mailto:sbspgadmin@abdn.ac.uk) . You should also include your supporting documentation as a combined PDF in the same email. Applications must be completed in full and received by 23.59 (UK TIME) on 6th June 2024 to be considered.

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**Required documents received, application progressed**

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| 1. **Personal Details** | | | | | |
| Surname or Family Name | |  | | | |
| First Name | |  | | | |
| Email address | |  | | | |
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| 1. **Educational History**   *Please include all higher education (Bachelor and Postgraduate (where applicable))* | | | | | |
| **University Name** | **Title of Qualification** | | **Overall Grade (if completed)** | **Start Date** | **End Date (or expected)** |
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| 1. **Project Selection** | | | |
| Project 1 |  | Lead Supervisor |  |
| Mode of study:  full-time  part-time | | | |

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| 1. **Preparedness to undertake and complete a PhD and to thrive as a result of PhD funding\*** |
| In addition to academic ability, a successful PhD requires that you are motivated, dedicated and can demonstrate resilience and resourcefulness to navigate the PhD journey and any challenges that may appear along the way. A PhD offers a unique opportunity to share your work with different audiences and to work collaboratively with different stakeholders and increase the impact of your research. Each of these requires a range of skills that may include communication, teamwork and collaboration (this can apply internally and externally), time management, planning, organisation and adaptability.  Drawing on your own personal experiences (for example, your path into and through university, research, experiences, personal achievements) and challenges that you have faced (for example, socio-economic background, being first-in-a-generation to attend university, or caring responsibilities) please provide a brief response to the following:  **-Why you are ready to undertake a PhD now?**  **-What impact will a PhD have on your future aspirations?** |

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