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WIAS Lunch Lectures

The next hybrid lunch lecture on 6 June 2023 entitled "The social role of song in wild zebra finches" will be given in Zodiac, room A0107, by Hugo Loning (Behavioural Ecology group), winner of the WIAS publication prize 2022.

WIAS is looking for postdocs, staff or guest researchers who would like to present their work in 2024. Interested?

Please send an email to wias@wur.nl. The WIAS lunch lectures take place every first Tuesday of the month from 12.15-13.00.

WAPS News



ACCIE spring day out!

Join your fellow PhDs in this amazing visit to the Naturalis Natural History Museum and enjoy a relaxing afternoon in the Hortus Botanicus of Leiden, one of the most beautiful gardens in Europe!

This fun day out is happening on 2 June 2023 (8:30 am – 5 pm). Take this incredible opportunity to have some relaxing quality time with your friends! Don't lose your spot! Register now: <https://forms.office.com/e/TGAVnBdmu2>

WAPS social media

Follow the WIAS associated PhD Students council on:

Facebook group: WIAS PhD students

LinkedIn: WIAS PhD's

Instagram: wias_phds

For more information or questions regarding the WIAS PhD Council please send an email to waps.wias@wur.nl.

WIAS Magazine

Winter edition online

We are happy to let you know that the sixth edition of the WIAS Magazine is out now!

Under the heading 'Science connects us all' the WIAS magazine aims to strengthen the community of WIAS PhDs & Post-Docs. It offers a way to connect by showcasing some of the excellent research done under the WIAS umbrella and also includes some lighter reading. We want to thank all contributors for their submissions.



Our step-by-step author guide is available [here](#), to make submitting even easier!

Questions or suggestions?

You can email us at wias.magazine@wur.nl. We are always happy to help!



On behalf of WIAS magazine – Kaylee, Annemarieke, Corrie, Evelien & Bernadett 'Science connects us all'

Get in contact: wias.magazine@wur.nl

Website: [WIAS magazine - WUR](#)

WIAS Seminars and Courses

WIAS recommends the following courses (registration is open)

Date	Course
31 May, 1 & 2 June	WIAS Introduction course on personal effectiveness for your PhD
31 May, 1 & 2 June	WIAS/PE&RC statistics course Design of Experiments
12-13 June	Ethics and Animal Sciences
20-22 September	LAS Species Specific course on Fish
9, 16, 23 & 31 October	WGS course Effective Behaviour in your Professional Surroundings
19 October	WIAS Introduction Day
25, 26, 27 October	WIAS Introduction course on Personal Effectiveness for your PhD
13-17 November	WIAS Course Sensor applications for aquatic species
12 December	WIAS course The Final Touch

For an overview of WIAS courses and seminars please click [here](#).

Other Courses

WGS Courses

8 May 2023

[Presenting with Impact](#)

12 May 2023

[WGS PhD Workshop Carousel](#)

23, 30 May and 6 June 2023

[Entrepreneurship in and outside science](#)

31 May 2023

[Stress Identification & Management](#)

2 June 2023

[Last Stretch of the PhD Programme](#)

5, 12, 19 June, 3 and 10 July 2023

[Career Perspectives](#)

8 June & 23 November 2023

[Reviewing a Scientific Manuscript](#)

15 June 2023

[The Essentials of Scientific Writing and Presenting](#)

14 September, 12 October, 7 November & Individual Coaching session

[The Choice: Un-box your PhD process & take charge of your performance](#)

27 September, 4 October & Individual Career Assessment

[Career Development for Postdocs: Science and the Alternatives](#)

Individual planning

[Career assessment](#)

For a complete overview of all competence, skills and career development training activities, please click [here](#).

Other courses and training of interest

[Writing Lab Free feedback on your academic text during the Editing Desk walk-in hours](#)

[Academic English \(English for IELTS and RATER\)](#)

[Sports Centre the Bongerd](#) offers [health courses](#)

The protein transition: diverse perspectives (1.5 ECTS)

This course is organised by PE&RC from 21-26 May 2023, for more information about this course please go to [The protein transition: diverse perspectives | PE&RC \(pe-rc.nl\)](#)

R and Big Data course

This course is organised by PE&RC from 1-2 June 2023, for more information about this course please go to [R and Big Data | PE&RC \(pe-rc.nl\)](#)

Healthy and sustainable diets: synergies and trade-offs

This course is organised by VLAG from 26-29 June 2023, for more more information about this course please go to [Healthy and sustainable diets: synergies and trade-offs - Vlag Graduate School](#)

Protein Quality Evaluation and Application

This course is organised by VLAG from 18-20 September 2023, for more information about this course please go to [Protein quality evaluation and application - Vlag Graduate School](#)

Library courses

9 May 2023 – Webinar

[WUR library essentials: research and data management](#)

9 May 2023 – Presentation

[Introduction to WUR Library for PhD candidates](#)

16 & 17 May 2023 – Course

[Searching and organising literature for PhD candidates](#)

16 May 2023 – Webinar

[EndNote Demonstration Session](#)

16 - 17 May 2023 – Course

[Searching and Organising Literature for PhD candidates](#)

17 May 2023 – Webinar

[WUR Library essentials: collection & searching](#)

25 May 2023 – Course

[Scientific Publishing](#)

25 May, 1, 8 and 15 June 2023 – Course

[Adobe Illustrator – scientific artwork & infographics](#)

12 June 2023

[WUR Library essentials: resources & services for teachers](#)

13 June 2023 – Presentation (online)

[Introduction to WUR Library for PhD candidates](#)

15, 22 & 29 June 2023 – Course

[Research Data Management, parts 1-3](#)

15 June 2023 – Presentation

[EndNote Demonstration Session](#)

19, 26 June, 3, 10 July 2023 – Course

[Adobe Illustrator – scientific artwork & infographics](#)

27 June 2023

[WUR Library essentials: research visibility & impact](#)

30 August 2023 – Workshop

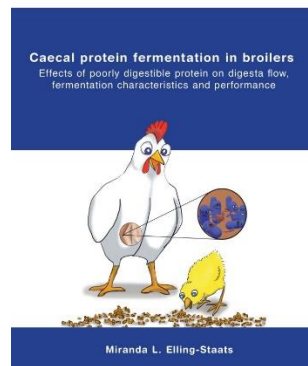
[Introduction to LaTeX](#)

Course ERC Starting Grant/ ERC Consolidator Grant

If you are planning to submit an ERC starting grant or ERC Consolidator Grant application in the next round, you can follow a course given by Yellow Research on 27 June from 10 am till 4 pm in Wageningen.

You can register by sending an email to: henrieke.deruiter@wur.nl In this e-mail you state the date on which you obtained your PhD and why you are a good ERC Consolidator Grant candidate. People who clearly have not read the ERC criteria will not be able to participate in the course.

PhD graduations



Miranda Elling-Staats

Animal Nutrition (ANU)

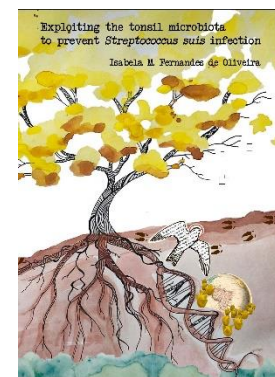
Date: 3 May 2023

Time: 13:30

*Caecal protein fermentation in broilers
Effects of poorly digestible protein on digesta
flow, fermentation characteristics and
performance*

(co)promotors:

Dr RP Kwakkel, Dr MS Gilbert, Dr AK Kies



Isabela Fernandes de Oliveira

Host-Microbe Interactomics (HMI)

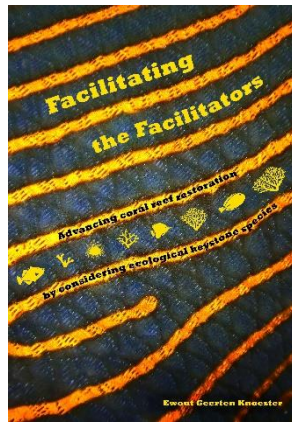
Date: 17 May 2023

Time: 11:00

*Exploiting the tonsil microbiota to prevent
Streptococcus suis infections*

(co)promotors:

Prof Dr JM Wells, Dr P van Baarlen



Ewout Knoester

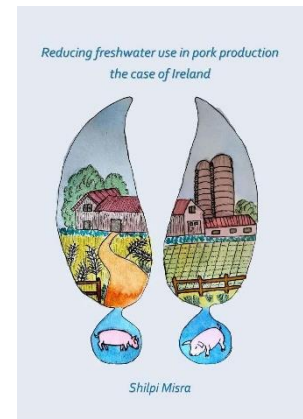
Marine Animal Ecology (MAE)

Date: 26 May 2023
Time: 13:30

Facilitating the facilitators

Advancing coral reef restoration by considering ecological keystone species

(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr AJ Murk, Dr R Osinga



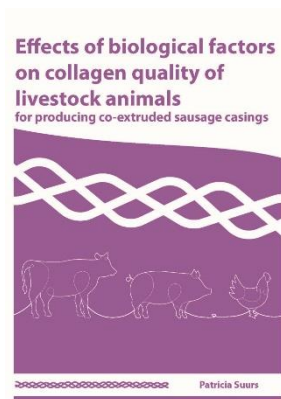
Shilpi Misra

Animal Production Systems (APS)

Date: 6 June 2023
Time: 11:00

Reducing freshwater use in pork production the case of Ireland

(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr IJM de Boer, Dr CE van Middelaar, Dr JR Upton, Dr K O' Driscoll



Patricia Hoekstra-Suurs

Adaptation Physiology (ADP)

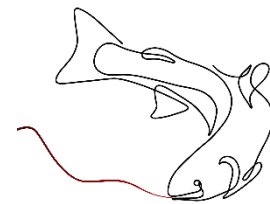
Date: 14 June 2023
Time: 13:30

Effects of biological factors on collagen quality of livestock animals

for producing co-extruded sausage casing

(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr S Barbut, Dr H van den Brand, Dr W Daamen

Mycotoxins in aquafeeds:
the impact on rainbow trout



Paraskevi (Vivi) Koletsis

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Aquaculture and Fisheries (AFI)

Date: 15 June 2023
Time: 13:30

Mycotoxins in aquafeeds: the impact on rainbow trout

(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr GF Wiegertjes, Dr JW Schrama

Other news

Conference Biomechanics in Nature, 10-11 May 2023

Conference on the occasion of the retirement of Johan van Leeuwen as professor of Experimental Zoology. The topics range from muscle mechanics, to bio-fluidmechanics of swimming and flight, and to biomimetics. At the end of the second day, Professor Johan van Leeuwen will hold his official farewell address as Professor of Experimental Zoology.

<https://www.wur.nl/en/show/conference-biomechanics-in-nature.htm>



Save the date: NLSEB PhD/Postdoc day 15 May 2023

The Netherlands Society for Evolutionary Biology (NLSEB) junior board is organizing a PhD/Postdoc meeting on Monday 15 May 2023 at Wageningen University (the day before the main NLSEB event on Tuesday 16 May 2023 in Ede). Our meeting means to connect junior researchers in the field of evolution in the Netherlands, and to spread knowledge on soft skills related to science. For example, last year, we organized workshops on data visualization, creating your research vision, open data, modelling, and switching between academia and industry.

This year, we'll have flash presentations from all participants so we can get to know each other, followed by three exciting workshops. After the workshops, we'll have dinner and drinks, and there is the option for people to stay overnight (at your own cost).

NWO Life 23-24 May 2023

NWO Life2023 takes place in Hotel Zuiderduin at Egmond aan Zee, on 23 and 24 May 2023. The conference is a breeding place for wild ideas. A place for life scientists of all scale levels to explore, connect, discuss and get inspired. The overarching theme for this edition is 'Diversity of Life'.

Do you want to contribute to NWO Life2023 by giving an oral or poster presentation about your research? Deadline for poster abstract submission is 13 April 2023. Visit the website for more information, to check out the complete invited speaker lineup, to submit your abstract and/or to register: www.nwolife.nl

Symposium Zoology 30-31 May 2023

[Evolution, development and plasticity in a changing world: celebrating 150 years of zoology in the Netherlands](#)

The Environmental Impact of Food Systems 12 June 2023

This event will take place on 12 June 2023, between 13:00-17:30, in Podium, Omnia in Wageningen and consists of a segment of six keynote speeches followed by a panel discussion with the private sector led by talk show host Harm Edens. The event will be opened by the president of WUR Sjoukje Heimovaara and aims to inspire the audience to learn more about sustainable food system activities and provides a platform for discussion. Over the course of the day, we invite the audience to think with us about how science can contribute to accelerate the transition toward food systems that respect human and planetary health with the aim to shape our future research agenda.

We would be very happy to have you at our event, which will finish with a networking opportunity, including drinks. Registration closes a week before the event, and a limited number of 270 seats are available. Virtual attendance will remain possible during the entire event. Feel free to pass along this invitation to your network!

Click '[here](#)' for the full program. Click '[here](#)' for registration.

TRED conference 12-14 June 2023

We are happy to announce the first TRED (Transdisciplinary Research, Education and Dialogue) conference will take place on 12-14 June 2023 in Wageningen (the 12th is online). During these three interactive days, we will co-create a space to discuss, experience, and reflect on collaborative research and learning. For more details on the calls and the conference, please check out the

WUR Postdoc Day 15 June 2023

On 15 June 2023, the Wageningen Graduate Schools are organizing the first WUR day exclusively for postdocs. The goal of this meeting is to enlarge the network of the postdocs. Further the day will focus on grant writing and exchange tips and tricks for a career in academia and beyond. We would like to invite you for this meeting. For more information and registration go to the link, the registration is [open](#). For any questions or comments please contact Juliane Teapal, Paddy Haripersaud or Sanja Selakovic

Active Hope training

From 5-9 July 2023, we are organizing a training around eco-philosopher Joanna Macy's method of 'The Work That Reconnects', which may be interesting to you and your students. The training offers various nature- and community based practices to reflect on your personal relationship to nature and sustainability. This is specifically interesting for people who feel anxiety around the trajectory the world is moving. In this training the participants will explore their relationship with the living world and themselves allowing for both emotional depth and playfulness.

The training has been developed and run as an elective course at Wageningen University, and is now open for a broader audience. If you feel this offer might be of interest, please share it in your network. More info and registration: <https://www.kalapa.nu/active-hope-training>

74th Annual Meeting EAAP conference 26 August – 1 September 2023

The French Organising Committee, is very delighted to invite you to attend the Joint International Congress on Animal Science co-organised by the European Federation of Animal Science (EAAP), the World Association for Animal production (WAAP) and Interbull to be held in Lyon, the capital of the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes French region, from 26 August to 1 September 2023. The general topic of this Congress will be "Climate change, biodiversity and global sustainability of animal production". Different sessions will be jointly organised between the EAAP, WAAP, Interbull and also other partners to cover various areas of knowledge related to animal science, such as genetics, nutrition, physiology, animal health and welfare. For more information and registration please go to: [EAAP 2023 – Lyon 2023 EAAP Annual Meeting](#)

International Symposium Dietary Protein for Human Health 14-16 September 2023

Following on from the highly influential symposium held in Auckland, New Zealand in 2011, this summit meeting will provide an update and "forum for debate" on contemporary issues related to protein nutrition in human health and sustainable food protein production.

The three-day conference will be held both in-person (Utrecht, NL) and virtually, with proceedings published in a leading open-access journal. Original research in the form of [abstracts](#) is welcome. Abstracts will be published and presented in posters and selected oral sessions. Go to the [website](#).

Wageningen Graduate Schools (WGS) Postdoc Talent Programme Call for proposals 2023

The Postdoc Talent Programme offers talented researchers from abroad the opportunity to start a career at WUR. Applications should demonstrate the added value of the grant for the applicant's career and the value of the applicant's expertise for WUR. Talented eligible researchers can apply for a two-year position within one of the Wageningen University research groups. The position may result in an application for personal funding. For more information please [click here](#).

WUR Library needs the help of PhD students

Tell us more about how you search for and access scholarly, peer-reviewed publications. Use the link below to complete a short survey on:

- your experience searching for scholarly peer-reviewed publications,
- barriers you encounter during access,
- and your experience with open access.

You can complete the survey in English or Dutch here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6BMRFCV>. The survey contains 14 questions at most and should take approximately 10 minutes to complete.

The [OA Discovery project](#) – conducted by [OCLC Research](#) – is investigating ways university libraries can improve the discoverability of scholarly, peer-reviewed open access (OA) publications. WUR Library is supporting this project because the findings could help us improve our campus community's discovery experience. If you are having problems accessing or completing the survey, contact langal@oclc.org.

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