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The WIAS office wishes you a pleasant summer holiday!

WIAS Fellowships

WIAS invites PhD candidates who wish to travel abroad and staff members who wish to invite guest researchers to submit a proposal for a WIAS fellowship. Please note that the activities should start in calendar year 2021. Proposals should be submitted before 15 August 2021 to nicole.rodenburg@wur.nl. More information about the conditions of the WIAS fellowships can be found [here](#).

WIAS graduate programme 2021

The graduate school WIAS offers funding to enable an MSc student to start a PhD at a WIAS chair group on a subject of his/her choice. The PhD project should start at the latest on 1 January 2022. The call for the WIAS graduate programme is open to all MSc students from Wageningen University who graduate in 2021. The proposals must be written by the candidate with feedback from the anticipated supervisors of the project and submitted at the latest on 30 July 2021. More information can be found [here](#).

TKI graduate school Green Top Sectors call

In addition to the graduate programme calls from the Wageningen graduate schools, the TKIs Agri & Food (A&F) and Horticulture & Starting Materials (T&U) will fund 4 PhD proposals written by MSc students. The aim of the programme is to facilitate innovative and high-quality scientific research within the research field of the top sectors by engaging young talented researchers at the start of their career. Per top sector, there is budget to fund 2 PhD proposals. The details of the call can be found [here](#).

WIAS Lunch Lectures

The WIAS lunch lectures take place every first Tuesday of the month from 12:15-13:00. The last WIAS lunch lecture before the summer break will be given by Aniek Bouwman, about "The impact of DNA gain or loss" on 6 July.

WIAS is looking for postdocs, staff or guest researchers who would like to present their work. Fourth-year PhD candidates are also welcome to present their work. Interested? Please send an email to wias@wur.nl.

WAPS News

The WAPS/WIAS is looking for 4 PhD's for organising the WAC 2022!

WAPS/WIAS is looking for the next four PhD's who will organise the WIAS Annual Conference, February 2022! If everything goes according to plan this conference will be an in person event including key note speakers, presentations, poster sessions, network drinks etc.

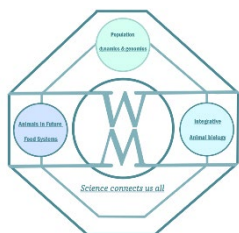
The date and place have been set, now we only need a new WAC committee that will put this wonderful conference together!

Are you interested in organizing an event that the whole graduate school can attend? Please email us at waps.wias@wur.nl!

CHAIR-GROUP-LYMPICS

Thursday evening 17 June, the CHAIR-GROUP-LYMPICS organized by ACCIE took place in the field behind Dijkgraaf. In a friendly but competitive atmosphere, the teams of ANU, AFI, EZO and CBI challenged each other through 8 different activities. Bag race, blinded tic tac toe or tug-of-war contests were interrupted by fair-play talks and drinks among participants. Being back physically together was the main achievement of that evening, without forgetting that despite a limited amount of players, ANU, with the help of MAE, won these Olympics. Whether the affiliation of the referees to ANU played a role or not, has been deemed irrelevant (by said referees). In September, after summer holidays, ACCIE will be back with a new unprecedented event. So keep a close eye on your emails.

About WIAS Magazine



WIAS magazine aims to strengthen the community of WIAS PhDs and postdocs, because Science connects us all. We do this by offering a platform to showcase the amazing work being performed under the WIAS umbrella and combine this with a personal touch. The WIAS magazine committee, consists of the Editorial board (Editor-in-chief and co-editor(s)), Head designer and Promotion manager. All members are WIAS PhDs and/or Post-Docs. The committee is supported by an academic advisor.

Call for submissions

The WIAS magazine is now open for submissions.

What type of article will you submit?

1. Research overview.
2. Research highlight.
3. Research light.
4. Student lifestyle.

The online WIAS magazine supports written articles, as well as, video material. Check the details in the author guide. Submission to WIAS magazine proceeds online. All correspondence, including notification of the Editorial Board's decision and requests for revision, takes place by e-mail: wias.magazine@wur.nl. Always include your supervisor in the CC of your mail, independently of whether his/her name is included in the article.

We are looking for more enthusiastic PhDs to join Daisy Obdam (AFI) & Kaylee van Dijk (AFI) in designing the new WIAS Magazine! Are you interested in pop scientific writing, design or editing? Please contact us at waps.wias@wur.nl and join the team.

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 Courses

Measures Coronavirus (COVID-19)

We are offering training sessions as stated below (in-person, online), provided government guidelines permit this at that time. Please check the training schedules on our website for the most recent updates.

WIAS recommends the following courses (registration is open):

22-24 September 2021

[LAS Species specific course on fish](#) (Carus building)

11, 12, 14, 18, 21 October 2021

[WIAS Image Analysis course](#)

18 October 2021

[WIAS Introduction course on personal effectiveness for your PhD](#)

26 October 2021

[WIAS Introduction Day](#)

9 November 2021

[WGS course Ethics and Animal Sciences](#)

16 November 2021

[WIAS course The Final Touch](#) (registration for WIAS PhD candidates will be open soon)

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

Other Courses

WGS Courses

12-16 July 2021

[Intensive Writing Week](#)

12 August 2021

[Introduction to LaTeX](#)

2, 16 September & 14 October, incl. individual coaching session

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

6-10 September (intakes), 22 & 29 September 2021

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

23 & 30 September 2021

[Mobilising your - scientific - network](#)

29 September & 1 December 2021

[Stress Identification & Management](#)

11 November 2021

[Reviewing a Scientific Manuscript](#)

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](#)

[English for IELTS and RATER](#)

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

Library courses

9 September 2021 – Presentation
[Introduction to WUR Library for PhD candidates](#) (online session)
14 September 2021 - Presentation
[Endnote, demonstration session](#)
16 September 2021 – Course
[Research Data Management, part 1](#) (online course)
23 September 2021 – Course
[Research Data Management, part 2](#) (online course)
30 September 2021 – Course
[Research Data Management, part 3](#) (online course)
4, 6, 11, 12 October 2021 – Course
[Scientific Artwork, Data visualization and Infographics with Adobe Illustrator](#) (online course)
7 October 2021 - Presentation
[Endnote, demonstration session](#)
14 October 2021 – Presentation
[Introduction to WUR Library for PhD candidates](#) (online session)
26-27 October 2021 – Course
[Searching and Organising Literature for PhD Candidates](#) (online course)

PhD graduations



Yixin Hu

Animal Nutrition Group (ANU)

Date: 8 September 2021

Time: 16:00

New insights into porcine/poultry calcium/phosphorus metabolism and nutrition

(co)promotors: Prof. Dr W.H. Hendriks, Dr P. Bikker and Dr J. van Baal



Lisanne Verschuren

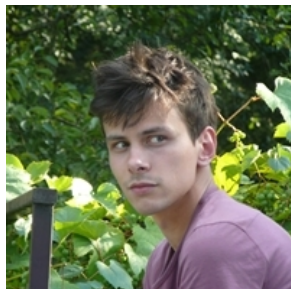
Animal Breeding & Genomics (ABG)

Date: 10 September 2021

Time: 16:00

Improving feed efficiency in pigs: bridging genetics and nutrition

(co)promotors: Dr M.P.L. Calus, Dr A.J.M. Jansman, Dr J. van Milgen and Dr R. Bergsma



Antoine Cribellier

Experimental Zoology (EZO)

Date: 11 October 2021

Time: 16:00



Siyuan Xing

Animal Breeding & Genomics (ABG)

Date: 13 October 2021

Time: 11:00

Biomechanics of the capture and escape of flying mosquitoes

(co)promotors: : Prof. Dr J.L. van Leeuwen, Dr F.T. Muijres and Dr J. Spitzen

Molecular Mechanism of Differential Deposition of Intramuscular and Abdominal Fat in Chicken

(co)promotors: : Prof. Dr M.A.M. Groenen, Prof. Dr J. Wen, Dr R.P.M.A. Crooijmans and Prof. Dr R. Liu

Other news

Information session about the NWO Veni round 2022 and the WGS support courses

Wageningen Graduate Schools together with Wageningen In'to Languages organise two courses for researchers interested in applying for an NWO Veni grant. The courses aim to provide talented postdocs and other promising researchers the skills and competences needed to write a high quality research (pre-)proposal to submit within the NWO Veni programme. All researchers interested in applying for an NWO Veni grant in 2022 that will be carried out at Wageningen University can join the course "[Getting on Track with Your Veni Application](#)". The course gives insight into the Veni application procedure and trains applicants in the skills needed for this process. For the domains AES, SSH and ZonMw, submitting a pre-proposal is again expected as part of the procedure. For researchers who will submit their proposal in those domains, a short course "[Preparing your Veni pre-proposal](#)" will be organised. More information on the time schedule of the courses will become available after NWO announces the deadlines for the proposals.

An online information session on these courses and on the NWO procedure will be held on **Thursday 8 July 2021 from 9:00-10:00**. We assume (hope) that the NWO deadlines will be known by then. During the session attendees will receive information on both the criteria and time schedule for the Veni application and the contents and registration procedure for the support courses. If you are interested in attending the information session, please send an email to vlag@wur.nl. We will then invite you for the Teams meeting a few days before.

More information on the course registration procedure and course content will be provided during the information session and can be found on [the WGS course website](#). Registration will open as soon as the time schedule and programme are finalized. If you have any questions, please contact Anouk Geelen, course coordinator, at anouk.geelen@wur.nl. Information on the WUR procedure can be found on the website [Personal grants - Intranet WUR](#)

Call for collaborative projects WU-CAAS

We hereby invite academic staff of WU and CAAS to submit a joint PhD project in this second phase programme.

Please note the following:

A cluster of PhD projects around specific theme is also possible. In this situation it is recommended that more than one WU chair group is involved. Please check the website <http://gs.caas.cn> for more detailed information or go to the [WIAS website](#).

When WU or CAAS scientists would want to collaborate but do not have a point of entry with the other institute then please contact the two programme coordinators:

- Mingjun Zhang (zhangmingjun@caas.cn) and
- Claudius van de Vijver (claudius.vandevijver@wur.nl)

Deadline for submission: 25 August 2021

Please send your submission to:

Mingjun Zhang (zhangmingjun@caas.cn) and
Claudius van de Vijver (claudius.vandevijver@wur.nl)

PhD candidates cannot submit an application for a PhD project or initiate the contact for collaboration. They are either listed in the application form as a potential candidate or apply via the website (<http://gs.caas.cn/>) on which the eligible projects are listed.

ERC starting grant course by Yellow Research

Researchers who plan to submit an ERC starting grant application this year can register for the ERC starting grant course given by Yellow Research on Thursday 16 September 2021 from 9:00–17:00. Researchers who meet the ERC starting grant submission criteria (see the website) can register by sending an email to henriekederuiter@wur.nl before 1 September 2021. Indicate in your email how you meet the submission criteria, when you obtained your PhD and in which chair group you want to do your research.

Transformative Dialogues @WUR

A year-long series to explore how we can step outside of our individual 'boxes' and co-develop more transformative approaches in our research and teaching, building on the recent [71 Visions Report](#). See [here](#) for recordings of past dialogues, information about future ones, and to join sessions live. If you have not yet received a calendar invite for this or future events in the series, please [Register here!](#)

If you have any questions about this WIAS News please contact WIAS at wias@wur.nl