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Open office hour confidential PhD advisors

Are you experiencing problems with your PhD programme? Do you have a PhD-related problem and would you like to discuss it with a WIAS PhD advisor? The WIAS confidential PhD advisors hold an open office hour every Tuesday between 13.00-14.00 in Office E 0.172 in the Radix building.

If you prefer to make an appointment, it is always possible to plan a meeting with one of the WIAS PhD advisors (online or in person), contact Paddy Haripersaud or Nicole Rodenburg for the possibilities.

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 next WIAS lunch lecture will be given by Bienenke Bron on 7 September 2021.

WIAS is looking for postdocs, staff or guest researchers who would like to present their work in December 2021 or 2022. Fourth-year PhD candidates are also welcome to present their work. Interested? Please send an email to wias@wur.nl.

WAPS News

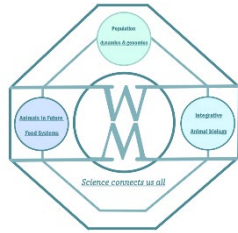
The WAPS/WIAS is looking for 4 PhD's for organizing the WAC 2022!

WAPS/WIAS is looking for the next four PhD's who will organize the WIAS Annual Conference, February 2022! If everything goes according to plan, this conference will be an in-person event including keynote 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!

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

WIAS Course Highlights

Please be aware the "TSP Basic Package" recommended course on "**Personal Effectiveness for your PhD**" will be given **18-20 October 2021** by Youssef El Bouhassani.

Especially a valuable course for first and second year PhDs. **There are still some places available!** No fee for WIAS PhD candidates (there are still spots available so please sign up!).

The **WIAS Introduction Day** will be given on **26 October 2021** this is an obligatory course for your TSP (there are still spots available so please sign up!).

For more information about the courses please click on the link below.

WIAS recommends the following courses (registration is open):

11, 12, 14, 18, 21 October 2021

[WIAS Image Analysis course](#)

18 October 2021

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

18 October 2021

[Fish Nutrition: Interaction with Aquaculture system and Water Quality](#)

26 October 2021

[WIAS Introduction Day](#)

16 November 2021

[WIAS course The Final Touch](#)

26 January 2022

[WIAS/PE&RC Course Design of Experiments](#)

9 March 2022

[WIAS course 'Societal impact of your research'](#)

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

Other Courses

WGS Courses

16, 30 September & 28 October (in person) (more options available check the WGS Website)

[Project and Time Management](#)

23 & 30 September 2021

[Mobilising your - scientific - network](#)

28 September 2021 –blended

[Developing my Research Vision \(Postdocs and junior Tenure Track staff\)](#)

Intake 25 and 26 October. Workshop: 11, 25 November & 9 December 2021

[Professional in Supervision for PhD supervisors](#)

26, 27 October & 9 November 2021

[Effective and efficient communication in academia and beyond](#)

15 November 2021

[Ethics for Social Sciences Research](#)

23 November 2021 (online)

[Introduction to LaTeX](#)

6 & 13 December 2021

[RMarkdown](#)

27 January 2022

[Philosophy and Ethics of Food Science and Technology](#)

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

Other courses and training of interest

VLAG

10 September 2021

[Workshop "Becoming a mindful scientist"](#)

7 October or 2 December

[WGS Lunch Workshops for PhD Supervisors](#)

[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](#)

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](#)

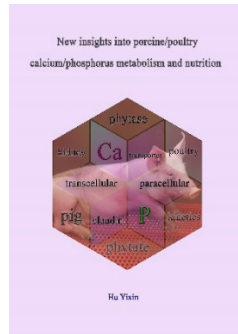
14 October 2021 – Presentation

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26-27 October 2021 – Course

[Searching and Organising Literature for PhD Candidates](#) (online course)

PhD graduations



Yixin Hu

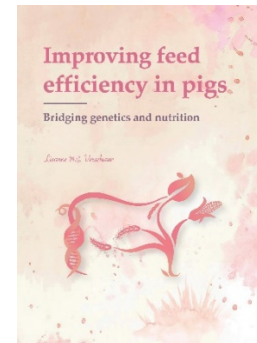
Animal Nutrition Group (ANU)

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

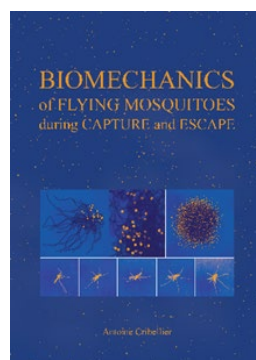
Animal Breeding & Genomics (ABG)

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



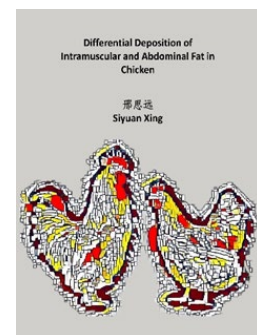
Antoine Cribellier

Experimental Zoology (EZO)

Date: 11 October 2021

Time: 16:00

Biomechanics of the capture and escape of flying mosquitoes



Siyuan Xing

Animal Breeding & Genomics (ABG)

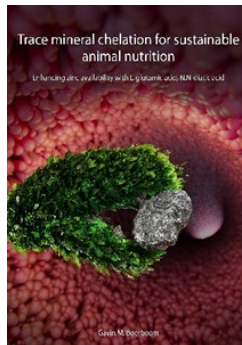
Date: 13 October 2021

Time: 11:00

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

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

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



Gavin Boerboom

Animal Nutrition Group (ANU)
Date: 15 October 2021
Time: 13:30

*MINERAL CHELATION FOR SUSTAINABLE
LIVESTOCK FARMING Enhancing mineral
availability with L-glutamic acid, N,N-
diacetic acid in animal production systems*

(co)promotors: : Prof. Dr WH Hendriks,
Dr C Smits



Xiaoqian Gong

Cell Biology and Immunology (CBI)
Date: 1 November 2021
Time: 16:00

Eluding innate immune responses by IBV
Role of non-structural protein 15

(co)promotors: : Prof. Dr HFJ Savelkoul,
Dr L Ying, Dr E Tijhaar, Dr CA Jansen

Other news

Data Driven & High tech: knowledge support enquête - 10 min

Where do you go or who do you send an email to if you want to integrate data science into your project? The Wageningen Data Competence Center notes that it takes a long time to involve the right experts in data science projects, if they can be found at all. To improve the Wageningen Data Competence Center wants to involve you by asking about your experiences in searching for data-driven high-tech (DDHT) people. [To questionnaire.](#)

Pfizer prizes for Life Sciences, Young Talent Awards 2021

Please note there are two forms: one for the graduation awards (MSc students) and one for the incentive awards (first year students). Nominations must be accompanied by the written consent of the teacher or graduation advisor of the student. For more information please go to the website of the [KHMW](#). Deadline for nominations is 16 September 2021.

Heineken prizes for Sciences and Art 2022

Nominations for the Netherlands' most prestigious science awards, the Heineken Prizes 2022, are open till 15 September 2021. Each of the five Heineken Prizes consists of a work of art and a USD 200,000 cash award. For more information and nomination form please go to the website of the [KNAW](#).

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