Summer course June 14 - 25, 2021 Wageningen The Netherlands

Identification of Terrestrial and Freshwater Nematodes

Nematode communities offer interesting possibilities in many ecological and environmental studies. Correct identification is a prerequisite for virtually all nematological research.

This course will be organized annually by the Centre for Soil Ecology and focuses on routine morphology-based identification of terrestrial and freshwater nematodes. During the course, microscopy will be alternated with oral presentations, given by several well-known soil ecologists with different specialisms, like:

- Dr. R.G.M. de Goede
- Dr. J. Helder
- Ir. L. Molendijk
- Prof. W.H. van der Putten
- Carmen Vazquez, MSc.



In the past (1987-2013), the course was developed and given by Tom Bongers and focus was on the identification of adult nematodes up to species level. With the growing interest in the use of nematodes in environmental studies, we now put more emphasis on nematode ecology and applied aspects. Besides identification skills, we will also pay attention to sampling, various extraction techniques, functional groups, food web analysis and calculation of relevant indices.

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