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WIAS Graduate programme 2024

The WIAS Graduate Programme call 2024 involves the funding of one PhD position. The aim is to support a high potential and talented MSc student of WU to obtain their PhD through research at one of the WIAS chair groups on a subject of their choice.

The call for the WIAS graduate programme is open to all MSc students from Wageningen University who graduate(d) between August 2023 and December 2024. The proposals must be written by the candidate with feedback from the anticipated supervisors of the project. All applications need to be accompanied by a letter of support from the main supervisor(s) of the project and must be submitted no later than 1 September 2024 to Nicole Rodenburg (nicole.rodenburg@WUR.nl).

More information can be found [here](#).

WIAS Lunch Lectures

On 2 July 2024, Dr Genoveva Rodriguez-Castaneda, visiting scientist at the WEC chair group, will give a lecture entitled "Fatal Attraction: Studies of the invasive Japanese Drill's chemical queues reveal that it has evolved to detect polyethylene glycol to find mussels". This lecture will be held from 12:15-13:00 in the Zodiac Building, Room A0107. Lunch will be available at 12:00.

WIAS lunch lecture Programme 2024

Date	Name	Affiliated chair group
3 September 2024	Prof. Wim van der Poel	QVE

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

The sun is out, and the BBQ is almost on! The WAPS is busy organizing this year's **Summer BBQ** 🍷 We hope you can enjoy some sunshine in between all your hard work 🍷 Some people already accepted the outlook invite, but now we need you to officially sign up for the event via the registration form, so we know for sure how much food and drinks we need to prepare. You can sign up/cancel till Monday 1 July 2024.



WAPS is searching for (board) members.

The WAPS council consists of PhD candidates from the Wageningen Institute of Animal Sciences (WIAS) and acts in the interest of all the WIAS PhD candidates. The WAPS council gives input and feedback on matters related to the PhD programme. ([WIAS PhD council - WUR](#)). Interested? Send an email to the WAPS, or approach one of the members to ask any question you might have.

Contact WAPS

Facebook: WIAS PhD students
LinkedIn: WIAS PhD's
Instagram: wias_phds
Email: waps.wias@wur.nl

WIAS Magazine

We are looking for new members! This could be you! Have you always been interested in publishing, reviewing, editing and layout design? This is a great experience if you look to be more involved in the publishing industry or want to get a first taste of reviewing articles. Also, we are fun to hang out with and we celebrate each edition with good food and a drink! So be sure to contact us at wias.magazine@wur.nl if you're interested or have any questions for the board!

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 –
Evelien, Bernadett, Ilva Noa & Jeroen

'Science connects us all'

Get in contact: wias.magazine@wur.nl
Website: WIAS.magazine



WIAS Seminars and Courses

WIAS recommends the following courses (registration is open)

Date	Course
24 July-3 August 2024	Scientific Diving – Practical Course (MAE-20806)
10-12 September 2024	Recent Advances in Animal Breeding Applied to Aquaculture

18-20 September 2024	LAS Species-Specific course on Fish
18 October, 1, 15 & 29 November 2024	Effective Behaviour in your Professional Surroundings
24-25 October 2024	Interdisciplinary Skills Training
24-25 October 2024	WIAS Course: Simulation of breeding programs with the Modular Breeding Program Simulator (MoBPS)
28 October - 1 November 2024	Genetics of resilience and trade-offs
30, 31 October & 1 November 2024	WIAS Introduction course on Personal Effectiveness for your PhD
11-12 November 2024	WIAS Introductory Course for new PhD candidates
19 November 2024	Midterm Reflection Day
25 – 28 November 2024	FlatFish Symposium
26 & 27 November 2024	WGS course Ethics & Animal Sciences
17 December 2024	The Final Touch
12 & 19 March 2025	WIAS course Societal Impact of your Research

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

Scientific Diving Course (MAE10302)

To improve your diving skills for research, we are pleased to inform you that PhDs can follow the Scientific Diving – Theoretical Course (MAE10302) at WIAS!

Looking for candidates to join the Scientific Diving – Practical Course (MAE20806)

The course will be held in Krk, Croatia for a total of 12 days. The approximate dates that we'll go are: 24 July – 3 August, 2024. The costs are € 2000 including travel, accommodation and gear rental. Expenses for food must be covered additionally. The prerequisites to join are at least 50 open water dives, a recent dive medical check, and having passed the Scientific Diving – Theoretical Course. Information on the application procedure you can find [here](#). Please fill [this application form](#) if you are interested. See this [Resource article](#) to read about the experiences of your colleagues.

Other Courses

WGS Courses

4 September 2024

[Efficient Writing Strategies](#)

4 & 23 September 2024

[Scientific Writing](#)

9 September 2024

[Presenting with Impact](#)

17 September, 1, 15, 29 October and 22 November 2024

[Career Perspectives](#)

24 September 2024

[Science Journalism](#)

26 September 2024

[Developing my Research Vision](#)

30 October and 6 November 2024

[Quarto](#)

4 & 11 November 2024

[Ethics for Designers: Concepts and Tools](#)

Other Graduate schools

10 September and 29 November 2024 (online)

Internal training Funding Identification Tool "[Research Connect](#)"

Registration via email to Rene.vanree@wur.nl

12 September 2024

Insects as sustainable feed: an interdisciplinary approach

Sustainable food production is a major challenge. Can insects feature in sustainable feed production to support the growing world population without transgressing the planetary boundaries? That is the central question during this interdisciplinary symposium on the 12 September 2024 (<https://insectfeed.nl/symposium-12-september-2/>)!

14-20 September 2024 (WIMEK)

Grounding carbon farming course on site in France. For more information and registration see <https://www.wur.nl/en/activity/grounding-carbon-farming.htm>

7-11 October 2024

[Active Hydrodynamics](#), for more information please contact Jochem Jonkman.

18-22 November 2024 (VLAG)

Data science is revolutionizing our understanding of biology in biotechnology and systems health... *Can you uncover something new in one week?* [Life Sciences Data Integration Challenge](#)

Library courses

4 July 2024 – Presentation

[Open Science Funding opportunities](#)

3, 10, 17, 24 September 2024 – Course

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

10 September 2024 – Workshop

[Databases & Search strategies](#)

10 September 2024 – Presentation

[EndNote Demonstration Session](#)

12 September 2024 – Presentation

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

19, 26 September, 3 October 2024 – Course

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

24 September 2024 – Workshop

[Citing and referencing](#)

3, 10, 17, 31 October 2024 – Course

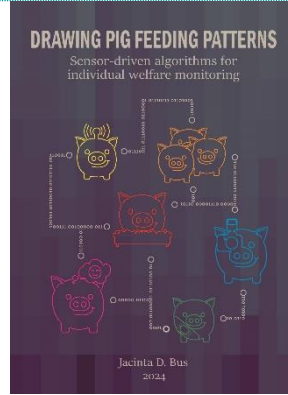
[Adobe Illustrator - scientific artwork & infographics](#)

3 October 2024 – Presentation

[EndNote Demonstration Session](#)

9 & 10 October 2024 – Course

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



Jacinta Bus

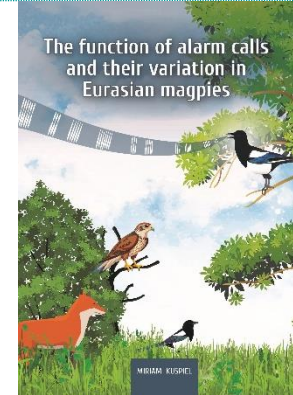
Animal Production Systems (APS)

Date: 3 July 2024
Time: 13:30

Drawing pig feeding patterns

Sensor-driven algorithms for individual welfare monitoring

*(co)promotors:
Dr EAM Bokkers, Dr IJMM Boumans,
Dr LE Webb*



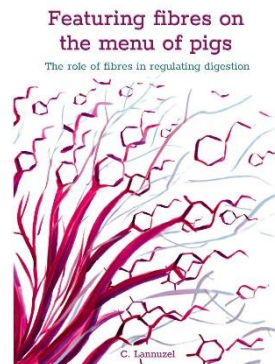
Miriam Kuspel

Behavioural Ecology (BHE)

Date: 3 July 2024
Time: 16:00

The function of alarm calls and their variation in Eurasian magpies

*(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr M Naguib, Dr SA Kingma*



Corentin Lannuzel

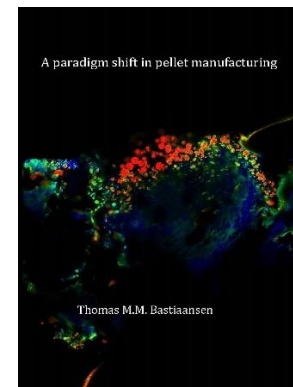
Animal Nutrition (ANU)

Date: 5 July 2024
Time: 13:30

Featuring fibres on the menu of pigs

The role of fibres in regulating digestion

*(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr WJJ Gerrits, Dr MA Kabel,
Dr S de Vries*



Tom Bastiaansen

Animal Nutrition (ANU)

Date: 11 September 2024
Time: 15:30

A paradigm shift in pellet manufacturing

The effect of coproduct inclusion on pellet manufacturing

*(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr WH Hendriks, Dr G Bosch,
Dr S de Vries*

Calls

2024-25 Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships Competition

The Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships program is designed to support world-class postdoctoral researchers. The fellowship provides \$70,000 per year for two years. The program is open to both Canadian and international researchers who have recently completed a PhD, PhD- equivalent, or health professional degree. Applications must be completed in full collaboration with the proposed

host institution. The 2024-25 competition was launched in April 2024 and the application deadline is **17 September 2024 (20:00 EDT)**. Please note that institutions may have internal deadlines.

Please click [here](#) to access the launch memo, and kindly consult our website at www.banting.fellowships-bourses.gc.ca for further details on our program, including how to apply. Questions can be sent by email to banting@cihr-irsc.gc.ca.

New round of Faculty of Impact

Website NWO News <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/new-round-of-faculty-of-impact-opened>

How do you ensure that scientific solutions to societal issues reach the market? Faculty of Impact offers researchers from the alpha, beta, and gamma sciences an intensive, two-year programme where they learn how to make an impact with their research and start their own business. A new call round of Faculty of Impact is now open until **1 October 2024**.

Call for proposals: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/faculty-of-impact-24/25-agriculture-water-and-food-and-circular-economy>

Making an impact with research. At the Faculty of Impact, talented researchers receive guidance to develop their ideas for the market. Researchers from all scientific fields (alpha, beta & gamma) can participate in the Faculty of Impact. The programme aims to further develop and scale up creative and breakthrough ideas. This call is intended for PhD students who have almost completed their PhD research, but also for postdocs, university (head) lecturers or other scientific staff.

Call for proposals TKI Graduate School Green Top Sectors 2024

The call for proposals TKI Graduate School Green Top Sectors 2024 is now open. The deadline for the call is Tuesday **1 October 2024**.

Who can apply?

This call is aimed at MSc students who have written their own PhD project. Staff members of the graduate schools EPS, PE&RC, WIAS, VLAG, WIMEK and WASS can apply as main applicant. The research subject must fit within the research missions of the Knowledge and Innovation Agendas of the top sectors indicated in the call text.

For advice on whether a research subject fits the research missions of the top sectors T&U and A&F or other questions please contact Ingrid.Vleghels@wur.nl.

Call & Application form can be found on the WIAS website

Other news

WUR Postdoc - "Should I stay or should I go?"

The 2nd edition of the [WUR postdoc](#) with the topic "Should I stay or should I go?" will take place on the 8 July 2024. The day will focus on the how you can prepare best on the following career step, in or outside of academia. Alumni-postdocs will talk about their career pathways. Further, we will discuss together with the EPS postdoc council, how and why we should get a WUR postdoc council. Join and meet your peers.

Date: 8 July 2024

Location: C0222 and B0432

Registration : open

Target group: WUR postdocs

Fee: € 60

Organizers: Jochem Jonkman, Peter Vermeulen, Claudius van de Vijver, Juliane Teapal

Contact: Juliane.Teapal@wur.nl

NWO VIDI course

Candidates who are seriously considering applying in the coming VIDI round (pre-proposal deadline 5 November 2024) and who want to prepare themselves can follow a VIDI grant course, given by

Yellow Research. The next course will be given on 10 September 2024, from 9.30 am till 4 pm, in Wageningen. You can register by sending an email to: henrieke.deruiter@wur.nl. Please indicate in this mail the date on which you received your PhD, why you want to take the course and why you think you are a suitable VIDI grant candidate.

The VIDI target group consists of researchers in transition to leadership, i.e., ready for the establishment of a research group or the expansion of a recent research group. The VIDI can contribute to the researcher's development in this area. The VIDI grant is aimed at researchers with academic qualities that clearly exceed what is customary and demonstrate the development of leadership and mentorship skills. More information can be found in this [Leaflet](#).

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