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WIAS Graduate programme

We received six eligible proposals which were all of high quality. A selection committee, composed of three members of the WIAS Research Committee and a member of the WIAS International Advisory Board evaluated the applications regarding quality of the candidate (30%), scientific quality and originality (40%), societal relevance (20%) and relevance for the WIAS mission (10%).

We are pleased to announce the awarded applications and congratulate the applicants with this success!

Davide Bottacini - "An exceptional predator makes a dangerous invader: invasion and predation ecology of lionfish (*Pterois miles*) across three ecological levels."

Chair groups: BHE, WEC and EZO

(co)promotors: Marc Naguib, Alexander Kotrschal, Frank van Langevelde and Bart Pollux

Coenraad van Zyl - "Cow-calf contact in dairy systems: Impacts on production, animal health, farm economics and the environment."

Chair groups: ADP and APS

(co)promotors: Bas Kemp, Eddie Bokkers and Ariette van Kneysel

Elke Molenaar - "Daily dilemmas in hot habitats: revealing how birds adjust their behaviour to adapt to climatic extremes."

Chair groups: BHE and WEC

(co)promotors: Marc Naguib, Frank van Langevelde and Sjouke Kingma

WIAS Lunch Lectures

The WIAS lunch lectures take place every first Tuesday of the month from 12.15-13.00.

The last hybrid WIAS lunch lecture of 2022 will be given by Dr Daan Vorselen on 6 December 2022.

WIAS is looking for postdocs, staff or guest researchers who would like to present their work in 2023. Fourth-year PhD candidates are also welcome to present their work. Interested? Please send an email to wias@wur.nl.

WAPS News

WAC2023 | 16 February 2023 | De Reehorst

We would like to invite you to attend the WIAS Annual Conference 2023 (WAC2023) to be held on 16 February 2023 at De Reehorst in Ede. The theme for this edition is: **Surpassing boundaries**

WIAS annual conference 2023 | 16th February



De Reehorst | 8.30-18.00h

Surpassing Boundaries


Going one step ahead

Within WIAS we are working to improve our understanding of animals and their various roles for mankind through fundamental and strategic research. We all contribute by going one step ahead, and thereby surpassing

boundaries. Which boundaries are you surpassing? The conference will feature the work of WIAS PhD candidates, through short presentations and poster sessions linked to the theme, as well as inspiring speeches of invited keynote speakers. You can go one step ahead and register for WAC2023 now!

Registration form: (<https://forms.office.com/r/H8jsXdAZsX>).

WAC2023 | Submit your abstract | Deadline 9 December 2022

If you would like to present your work, please select poster or presentation and make sure to complete your registration by submitting your abstract via email (WIASAC@wur.nl) before 9 December 2022. The topic of your presentation or poster can be a part of your research results or an overview of your PhD proposal, preferably related to Surpassing Boundaries. Find the abstract guidelines here:  [WAC2023-Abstract guidelines.pdf](#)

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



Printed version is coming up!

We're very happy to announce some great news: we're going to bundle all of our first year's editions into one printed magazine!

Meanwhile the work for our next (online) Fall edition also continues, but luckily we have a new board member to help us out. Welcome Bernadett!

It's easy to submit your research!

Did you not have a chance to publish in our magazine yet? Now it's your turn! Submit your piece to wias.magazine@wur.nl. A 7-step author guide is available [here](#), to make submitting even easier.

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):

6-7 & 13-14 December 2022

[WIAS/PE&RC course Statistics for Data Science \(1.2 ECTS\)](#)

7, 9, 14 & 16 December 2022 (online)

[WGS course Effective Behaviour in your Professional Surroundings \(1.3 ECTS\)](#)

13 December 2022

[WIAS Course The Final Touch: Writing the General Introduction & Discussion \(0.6 ECTS\)](#)

19, 20 & 22 December 2022

[WIAS/PE&RC Course Design of Experiments \(0.8 ECTS\)](#)

9-10 January 2023 (online)

[Ethics and Animal Sciences \(0.6 ECTS\)](#)

21-23 February 2023

[Fundamentals of animal monitoring systems: animal tracking and data analysis](#)

1-3 March 2023

[WIAS Introduction course on personal effectiveness for your PhD \(1.2 ECTS\)](#)

7, 14 & 21 March 2023

[WIAS course 'Societal impact of your research' \(1.5 ECTS\)](#)

27 March, 3, 12 & 17 April 2023

[WGS course Effective Behaviour in your Professional Surroundings \(1.3 ECTS\)](#)

11 & 18 April 2023

[Writing CCD project proposal \(0.5 ECTS\)](#)

20 April 2023

[WIAS Introduction Day \(0.3 ECTS\)](#)

12-13 June 2023

[Ethics and Animal Sciences \(0.6 ECTS\)](#)

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

Other Courses

WGS Courses

7 November 2022

[Critical thinking and argumentation](#)

24 November 2022

[Reviewing a Scientific Manuscript](#)

25 November 2022

[Writing propositions for your PhD](#)

30 November 2022

[Stress Identification & Management](#)

30 November, 7 and 14 December 2022

[Towards FAIR Data Management](#)

20, 27 February, 6, 13, 20 March 2023

[Career Perspectives](#)

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](#)

Library courses

7, 14, 21, 29 November 2022 – Online course

[Adobe InDesign Essential Training](#)

8 November 2022 – Event

[Pop-up library for students](#)

9 November 2022 – Event

[Pop-up library for students](#)

10 November 2022 - Presentation

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

10 November 2022 – Workshop

[Search efficiently in the right database: lunch workshop for students](#)

14 November 2022 – Webinar

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

15 November 2022 – Presentation

[EndNote, demonstration session](#)

17 November 2022 – Online Course

[Research Data Management, part 1](#)

17 November 2022 – Workshop

[Reading literature effectively and efficiently: lunch workshop for students](#)

24 November 2022 – Workshop

[Wageningen Model en Data steward workshop](#)

1 December 2022 – Online Course

[Research Data Management, part 3](#)

1 December 2022 – Workshop

[Mindfulness meditation in Forum Library](#)

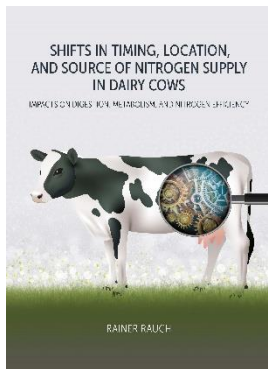
6 and 7 December 2022 – Course

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

8 December 2022 - Presentation

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

PhD graduations



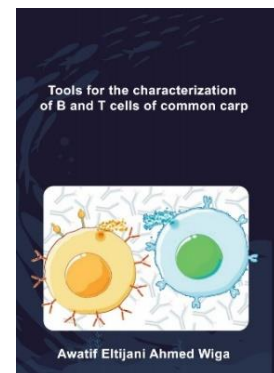
Rainer Rauch

Animal Nutrition (ANU)
Date: 4 November 2022
Time: 16:00

*Shifts in timing, location, and source of
nitrogen supply in dairy cows*

*Impacts on digestion, metabolism,
and nitrogen efficiency*

*(co)promotors: Dr J Dijkstra,
Dr J Martin-Tereso*

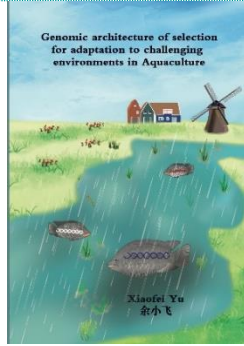


Awatif Eltijani Ahmed Wiga

Aquaculture and Fisheries (AFI)
Date: 4 November 2022
Time: 13:30

*Tools for the characterization of B and T
cells of common carp*

*(co)promotors: Prof. Dr GF Wiegertjes,
Dr M Forlenza, Dr S Burgman*

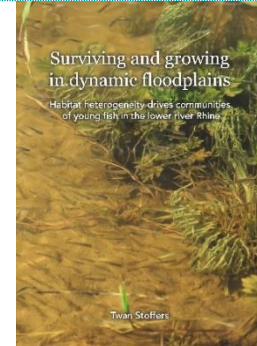


Xiaofei Yu

Animal Breeding and Genomics (ABG)
Date: 13 December 2022
Time: 11:00

Genomic architecture of selection for adaptation to challenging environments in Aquaculture

(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr J Komen, Prof. Dr MAM Groenen,
Dr HJWC Megens



Twan Stoffers

Aquaculture and Fisheries (AFI)
Date: 16 December 2022
Time: 16:00

Surviving and growing in dynamic floodplains

Habitat heterogeneity drives communities of young fish in the lower river Rhine

(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr AD Buijse, Prof. Dr JAJ Verreth,
Dr LAJ Nagelkerke

Other news

BSc and MSc student supervision

Are you getting started with supervising BSc or MSc thesis students? Would you like to know more about what is expected from you as a supervisor, or about how to interact with your student? Visit and bookmark the new *Educational Training Advice intranet group on Supervising thesis students*. The information on this page will help you on your way with supervising thesis students at WUR. It is an addition to the already existing [workshop](#) and [course](#) on student supervision, which come highly recommended! Complementary to these resources, you can participate in a [peer consultation group on supervision](#), to benefit from the supervision experiences from fellow PhDs, share your own, as well as consult with an expert educational trainer.

Horizon Europe: ERC CoG/AdG grants, course by Yellow Research

24 November 2022 – 10.00 -16.00, Yellow Research will give an ERC consolidator and advanced grant course (see attached leaflet). People who intend to submit a proposal in the next round can register by sending an email to henrieke.deruiter@wur.nl. Please indicate in this email when you received your PhD, why you are a good ERC candidate and which chairgroup you are from.

Summer training course hosted at the University of Idaho (UI)-USA

The UI Institute for Health in the Human Ecosystem (IHHE) is hosting its annual Biology of Vector-borne Diseases six-day course, Monday through Saturday, 12-17 June 2023, on the UI campus in Moscow, Idaho. This course provides accessible, condensed training and "knowledge networking" for advanced graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, new faculty, and current professionals to ensure competency in basic biology and cutting-edge knowledge for U.S. and global vector-borne diseases of plants, animals, and humans.

Applications will be reviewed starting 1 December 2022 and applicants will be notified of their acceptance for the course in spring 2023.

Please email chhe@uidaho.edu with any questions, a link to the event is: <https://www.uidaho.edu/research/entities/ihhe/education/vector-borne-diseases>

Apply here: <https://www.uidaho.edu/research/entities/ihhe/education/vector-borne-diseases/application>

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