

Meeting date: **3rd February 2023**
Meeting subject: **JORNÆR section meeting**

1. **Mini-seminars:** Alvaro, Meng, and Marie gave presentations

2. **Native place presentation** – Iris

3. **Newcomers to JORNÆR**

Hellen Luisa de Castro e Silva – Guest PhD student with Peter S. from January 23rd

Azhar Zhartybayeva – PhD student with Jørgen E. from February 1st

Winnie Ntinary – Postdoc with Søren O. starting on March 1st

Martin Julian Gammelby - Lab technician starting on March 1st

Lotte Karmann Rueskov Søndergaard – Lab technician starting on March 1st

Dennis Veinholt Larsen – company internship for 1 month from 15th February

4. **News from the committees**

PhD committee: Now PhD students may earn ETC points from attending workshops and submitting poster presentations – read more about this in the minutes here: <https://agro.au.dk/en/education/phd-programme>. New member in the committee is Fiona Hay. PhD defences will be with physical attendance, if possible. AU will for the time being stop acceptance of students with CSC scholarships.

Sustainability working group: Tanja informed about a new trash sorting guideline, meaning we have new rules on separating waste.

Lab committee: cleaning day has been completed. A list is being drafted where we can give input to new investments which are needed/desired.

LSU: No recent meetings

LAMU: No recent meetings

Data Management committee: You can read the minutes online here:

<https://agro.medarbejdere.au.dk/en/committees-in-agro/data-management-committee>

AGRO Department Forum: upcoming meeting has been scheduled for March 1st

5. **Follow-up on reducing energy costs**

We continued to save energy in December – and the results were posted in PV24 coffee corner cabinet door. The energy consumption for PV24 and PV26 in December was down to 36% of what we usually spend on energy costs in an average month. Fume hoods closed overnight, temperature regulation in all rooms, new freezers with only minus 70 degrees Celsius, and lab technicians being smart about saving energy by shutting down for machinery when not in use have contributed to



amazing energy cost savings.

6. mitHR

On 1 March 2023, everyone at AU will have access to mitHR. However, all employees at TECH will be able to access the system from 25 January 2023. Not all staff at AU will be expected to use the self-service functions in mitHR in the same way. As all employees at AGRO have been granted access earlier and at the same time, this means that we all must learn by doing via tutorials, webinars, colleague assistance, and so on. Please read and learn more here: <https://medarbejdere.au.dk/en/administration/hr/hr-systems/mithr>

Absence with and without pay at AU (read and learn more here: <https://medarbejdere.au.dk/en/administration/hr/absence>)

Tjenestefri med løn/Absence with pay: Only the section coordinator can type in this absence into mitHR – so please forward an email to Anna Dorthe with date and number of hours if you need time off with pay (doctor and dentist appointment, funeral, etc.).

7. AGRO strategy 2023-2025

The strategy will be discussed in the AGRO Department Forum committee where members from all sections are represented. Elisabeth & Iris represent JORNÆR.

8. AOB

Section trip planning committee: Barbara, Jorge, and Jørgen.

9. Applications and funding

Remember to forward all application responses to AD who will update the ReAp status (submitted – accepted/rejected).

LJM: Working on a Horizon Europe application named “SubSoil”. Also working on an AgroFoodTure application named “TrafficLight”.

SOP: Two projects start now “KlimaGødning” and “MILK”. Winnie will be working on the N2O projects. Also working on a new application for New EU Horizon proposal stage 1 - about manure management strategies.

LEL: GUDP – part in two applications. Landed a contract which is not a policy support task, but money involved. No new applications in the pipeline.

Ingeborg: submitted an EU Horizon application in January “ELOTEC”. A GUDP application “PiBalance” was accepted in January.

PS: submitted an EU Horizon2020 application in January “ELOTEC”.

Iris: “Digital twins for studying climate change impacts on Danish agriculture” (NNF Grant Challenge 2023) will be submitted by February 8th. Also working on “Novel soilless media from bio-waste for soil improvement” for the

Horizon-Miss 2023 call named “Soil-friendly practices in horticulture including alternatives to peat”.

JER: “NyMarkmodel” was funded by the LBST BUP-package. “GrassRotate” was accepted and funded by Organic RDD.

Christian: Working on a Horizon Europe application named ”SubSoil”.

The Application CLUB for junior scientists will be kick-started.
