

2023-10-26

Course schedule for Genetic diversity and Plant breeding (BI1103), 2023

Yellow = Lectures

Blue = Sem (compulsory)

Green = Lab (compulsory)

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HH= Henrik Hallingbäck, Skogforsk

AnC= Annelie Carlsbecker , The Swedish Gene Technology Advisory Board

MSa=Martin Sandberg, National Food Agency (study visit at the Swedish food agency)

PSn=Per Snell, Maribo-Hillehög

SM= Salla Marttila

Please note that: all seminars (rows filled with blue) and Labs (rows filled with green) are compulsory.

Day	(No in Canvas) Kind ¹ : Room/building ²	Time: Subject (teacher)	Literature
Introduction			
Week 44			
Tue-31/10	(1) Sem – Sal Y –Ulls hus D-blocket	9:15-10:00: Roll call & introduction (AS)	
	(Lit.1) Sem: Hebbe Ultunabiblioteket	10:15-12:00 Literature project - topic decision (KL)	
	(Pract.1) Lab: BÖL 3- biocentrum	13:15-15:15: Introduction to the lab practicals & lab safety (AS, KS)	
Genetic diversity			
Wed-1/11	(Pract.2) Lab: Greenhouse – biocentrum	8:00-12:00 Transplanting of RILs, (LM, SY, KS)	
	(2) Lect: Sal C216 -biocentrum	13:15-15:00: Intro to Breeding (AS)	³ Ch 1, 2
Thu-2/11	(3) Lect: Datorsal 1 -UltunaBiblioteket	10:15-12:00: Genetic diversity - basic concepts (MRA)	⁴ Ch 21
	(4) Lect: Sal C213 -biocentrum	13:15-15:00: 10:15-12:00 Plant domestication (AW)	Article 1
Fri-3/11	(5) Sem: Sal Q –Ulls hus B-blocket	10:15-12:00 Genetic diversity, exercises (MRA)	⁴ Ch 21
	Self-studies		
Statistical genetics			
Week 45			
Mon 6/11	Zoom	9:00-9:30: Questions to Adrien	
	(6) Sem: Prima –Ultunabibioteket	10:15 – 12:00 JC - Plant domestication (AW)	Article 1
	(7) Lect: Prima –Ultunabibioteket	13:15-15:00 Statistics in Genetic analyses (KS)	
Tue 7/11	(8) Lect: Prima –Ultunabibioteket	9:15-12:00: Quantitative genetics; concepts (AS)	³ Ch 4 & 26
	(9)Sem: Sal C213 -biocentrum	13:15-15:00 Genetic diversity exercises (MRA)	⁴ Ch 21
Wed 8/11	Self-studies	Literature project	
	Self-studies		
Thu 9/11	(Pract.3) Lab: BÖL 3: - biocentrum	9:15-16:00 Molecular lab: DNA extraction, PCR run – (LM, SY, KS)	
Fri 10/11	(Pract.4) Lab: BÖL 3 - biocentrum	9:15-16:00 Molecular lab: DNA extraction, PCR & gel run – Questions & discussion Questions, group discussions (LM, SY, KS)	

Week 46			
Mon 13/11	(Lit.2) Sem: Prima - Ultunabiblioteket	10:15-12:00 Check point: presentations of lit. project outline (KL)	
	(Pract.5) Lab: BÖL 3 - biocentrum	13:15-15:00 Crossings intro (LM, SY, KS, MS)	
Tue 14/11	(10) Sem: Sal C216 -biocentrum	9:15-12:00 Quantitative genetics, exercises (AS)	³ Ch 4, 26
	(11) Sem: Sal C213 -biocentrum	13:15-16:00 Quantitative genetics, exercises (AS)	⁴ Ch 21
Wed 15/11	Self-studies		
Thu 16/11	Self-studies		
Fri 17/11	Exam I: Tentamensal 1 - Undervisningshuset	13:00-17:00 Examination 1: Population genetics, quantitative genetics and domestication	
Traditional breeding methods and regulation			
Week 47			
Mon 20/11	Zoom	9:00-9:30: Questions to Adrien	
	Self-studies	Literature project: Preparation of 1 st draft.	
	(12) Lect: Sal C216 -biocentrum	13:15-15:00 Breeding method: self- & cross-pollinating species (MRA)	³ Ch 16, 17
Tue 21/11	(13) Lect: Prima, Ultunabiblioteket	9:15-12:00 Hybrid breeding and Polyploidy and breeding (AS)	³ Ch 18, 24 Article 2,3
	Self Studies	Breeding methods, group discussions	
Wed 22/11	Self studies	Preparation literature project/breeding methods	
	Self studies		
Thu 23/11	(14) Sem: Sal Q, Ulls Hus B-blocket	10:15-12:00: Breeding method: self- & cross-pollinating species: Presentations (MRA)	³ Ch 16, 17
	(Pract.6) Lab: UltunaLibrary Datorsal 1	13:15-17:00: Introduction to computational genomics (KS)	
Fri 24/11	(15) Lect: Prima, Ultunabiblioteket	10:15-12:00: Seed certification, production and legislation (CD)	
	Deadline	Half-time course evaluation	
	(Lit.3)Self studies/ Deadline	Preparation literature project: send in literature project for comments from other students	

Phenotype-genotype associations			
Week 48			
Mon 27/11	(16) Lect: Sal P in Ulls	9:15-12:00 Introduction to Genomic data: concepts and discussion (AS)	Article 5,6
	Self-studies	Perform peer review of literature studies	
Tue 28/11	(Pract.7) Lab: BÖL 3 - biocentrum	9:15-16:00 Phenotyping & mapping - (LM, SY, KS)	
Wed 29/11	(17) Lect: Sal C213 - Biocentrum	10:15-12:00 Genotype – phenotype associations (MRA)	Article 4 ³ Ch 21, 22
	Group-studies	Perform peer review of literature studies	
Thu 30/11	(18) Lect: Sal Y in Ulls	9:15-12:00 Next generation breeding: concepts and discussion (AS)	Article 5,6
	(19) Lect: Sal C216 -Biocentrum	13:15-16:00 Genomic selection: concepts and discussion (AS)	Article 5,6
Fri 1/12	(Pract.8) Lab: Library Datorsal 1 Ultunabiblioteket	10:15-16:00 Computer lab: QTL-mapping (KS+AS)	Article 4
	(Lit.4) Self-studies/ Deadline	24:00: Deadline for sending in peer-review of literature studies.	
Week 49			
Mon 4/12	(Pract.9) Lab: Library Datorsal 1 Ultunabiblioteket	9:30-10:00 Question to Adrien 10:15-16:00 Computer lab: Genomics (KS+AS)	
Biotechnological applications and considerations in plant breeding			
Tue 5/12	(20) Lect: SalC213 -biocentrum	10:15-12:00 Generation of transgenic plants (JS)	
Wed 6/12	(22) Sem: Visit and Guest lect: National Food Agency (Livsmedelsverket) -	10:15-12:00 National Food Agency (MSa)	
	Self-studies		
Thu 7/12	(23) Sem: Guest lect: Sal X –Ulls hus D-blocket	9:15-12:00 00 Ethics and Genetic modifications + discussion (PS)	Article 7
	(Lit.5) Zoom	13:15-16:00 Optional: Lit. project - individual discussion with teachers (KL & AS)	

Phenotypic and developmental targets in plant Breeding			
Fri 8/12	(24) Lect: Sal Q –Ulls hus D-blocket	10:15-12:00 Breeding for disease resistance (CD)	³ Ch 14 + Articles 8, 9
	(25) Lect: Sal C216-biocentrum	13:15-15:00 Breeding for virus resistance (AK)	⁴ Ch 14 + Article 10
Week 50			
Mon 11/12	Zoom	9:00-9:30 Questions to Adrien	
	(26) Sem: Guest Lect: Sal R, Ulls hus B-blocket	10:15-12:00 Science and politics – The controversial story of GM-crops (AnC)	
	(27) lect: Sal C216-biocentrum	13:15-15:00 Breeding for abiotic stress (MS)	Articles 11, 12, 13
Tue 12/12	(28) Sem:Guest lect: Sal U, Ulls hus E-blocket	10:15-12:00 Breeding at MariboHilleshög (PSn)	
	(29) Sem:Guest lect: Sal C216-biocentrum	13:15-15:00 Tree breeding at Skogforsk (HH)	
	(30) Guest lecture – Webinar-Zoom	15:15-16:00 'SLU Grogrund – Centre for Breeding of Food Crops' (Salla Marttila)	
Wed 13/12	(31) Sem:Guest lect: Zoom	10:15-12:00 Lantmännen and their oat breeding (AC)	
Thu 14/12	(32) Sem: Biocentrum (4th floor) A436	10:15-12:00 Journal club/discusion - genotype-phenotype associations genomics (MRA)	Articles to be determined
	(21) Lect: Arenander - Ultunabiblioteket	13:15-15:00 New breeding technologies (JS)	
Fri 15/12	(Pract. 10) Optional, Zoom	9:15-12:00 Optional: Lab report - individual discussion with teachers (LM, SY, KS)	
	Self-studies	Work with lab report/literature project	
Week 51			
Mo 18/12	Self-studies	Work with lab report/literature project	
Tue 19/12	(Pract.11) Deadline Self-studies	Deadline, 24:00: submission of Lab report	
Christmas break!			
Week 1, 2024			
Mon 1/1	Self-studies		
Tue 2/1	(Lit.6) Deadline	24:00: Send in literature project to opponent and to KL+AS for comments	
Wed 3/1	Lect: Zoom	9.45-11.50: Questions to teachers	
Thu 4/1	Self-studies		

Fri 5/1	Exam II: Tentamenssal 2, Undervisningshuset	8:00-12:00 Examination II	
Week 2			
Mon 8/1	Self-studies	Work with literature project presentation & opposition	
Tue 9/1	Self-studies	Work with literature project presentation & opposition	
Wed 10/1	Self-studies	Work with literature project presentation & opposition	
Thu 11/1	(Lit.7) Sem: Biocentrum 502	9:15-17:00 Presentations and opposition of literature projects (KL+AS)	
Frid 12/1	(Lit.8) Self-studies/ Deadline	Deadline 24:00: Final send-in of literature project	

¹ Lect = Lecture; Sem = Seminar (compulsory); Lab = Laboratory practical (compulsory).

² Biocentrum = BioCentre SLU, Lennart Kennes sal is in BioC, Sal O2 is in the main teaching building, Bibliotekets datorsal 1 & 2 = computer room 1, 2 at the SLU library.

Course literature:

Book chapters:

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