



Dottorato di Ricerca in Scienze delle Produzioni Vegetali e Animali

PhD Programme in Plant and Animal Science

Codice del Corso di Dottorato/PhD code: DOT1335834

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Scheda delle attività svolte/Form activities carried out

Informazioni generali/General information

Ciclo/Cycle: XXXVII PhD program cycle in Plant and Animal Science

Dottorando/PhD student: MARIAM ATAIT

Posizione/Position

- Con borsa di studio/With scholarship
- Senza borsa di studio/Without scholarship
- Riservata a dipendenti di enti di ricerca/Reserved for research center employees
- Dottorato industriale/Industrial PhD
- Altra tipologia/Other typology

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Attività di ricerca/Research activity Efficacy of sustainable agronomic practices in the Durum Wheat / Potato crop rotation system and next generation varietal selection of wheat for VCU

Sede prevalente dell'attività di ricerca/Main place of research Italy

Breve descrizione dell'attività di ricerca/Short description of the research activity
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Crop production methods are the key elements to determine the role of agriculture in combating global farming and achieving sustainable development goals. The two most popular methods for crop production are: conventional agriculture and sustainable agriculture. The agricultural sustainability is defined as the ability of a crop production system to continuously produce food without environmental degradation. Whereas, conventional agriculture is the traditional crop production method in which there is no consideration given to the environmental degradation.

Studies show that sustainable agriculture practices (zero tillage, organic farming, effective irrigation system) have less negative effects on the environment and produce good quality food crops that are environmentally, socially and economically viable. Whereas, conventional agriculture has more negative effects on the ecosystem because of the use of fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides and soil tillage practices. All conventional practices produce high GHG's and also contribute in land and water pollution but at the same time produce high crop yield than sustainable ones. As a result, the sustainable agriculture is under consideration of agriculture policy makers, researchers and farmers to be adopted as the mass crop production method on commercial level. But unfortunately, till date, the conventional methods of crop production are being widely adopted by the farmers throughout the world due to the lack of information and guidance provided to the farmers.

At University of Tuscia a couple of different studies are under process to examine the effects of sustainable and conventional agronomic practices on different wheat (*Triticum aestivum* and *Triticum durum*) varieties. The first current research activity is based on the testing and evaluation of next generation wheat varieties under different cropping systems. The objective of the study is to select and propose best sustainable agronomic practices and wheat varieties to be used in future on European farmlands for sustainable agriculture.



The field experiment includes different agronomic practices as treatments: drought , organic management, and fungicide application. The experiment includes 45 durum wheat varieties and 30 bread wheat varieties. Crop data will be collected periodically to evaluate the effect of cropping system on growth of each wheat variety. The results obtained will help us in identifying the best wheat varieties under best sustainable cropping systems to be used in future.

The second research is related to a two year crop rotation with three different soil tillage methods and two different fertilizer types. Crop and soil data will be collected periodically to evaluate the effect of treatments on growth of each crop, and soil characteristics (chemical and biological components).

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| Pubblicazioni scientifiche/Scientific publications (Indicare tutte le informazioni bibliografiche dei lavori pubblicati e sottomessi/Indicate all references of published and submitted papers) | Mancinelli, R.; Marinari, S.; Atait, M.; Petroselli, V.; Chilos, G.; Jasarevic, M.; Catalani, A.; Abideen, Z.; Mirzaei, M.; Allam M.; Radicetti, E., 2023. Durum Wheat Potato Crop Rotation, Soil Tillage, and Fertilization Source Affect Soil CO ₂ Emission and C Storage in the Mediterranean Environment. Land 2023,12(2),326. Mancinelli, R.; Allam, M.; Petroselli, V.; Atait, M.; Jasarevic, M.; Catalani, A.; Marinari, S.; Radicetti, E.; Jamal, A.; Abideen, Z.; Chilos, G., 2023. Durum wheat production as affected by soil tillage and fertilization management in a Mediterranean environment. Agriculture 2023 |
| Comunicazioni a congressi/Conferences communications (Specificare se comunicazioni poster o comunicazioni orali/Specify if poster or oral communications) | Posters for Congresso Società Italiana di Agronomia, SIA, 2022 and 2023 Atait M., Mancinelli R., Allam M., Petroselli V., Quintarelli V., Radicetti E., 2022. Carbon Flux as Affected by Different Winter Cover Crops. 19-21 september 2022 Allam M, Mancinelli R, Petroselli V, Atait M, Quintarelli V, Radicetti E., 2022. Fertilizer source affects crop yield under different tillage practices: a meta-analysis. 19-21 septembre 2022 Petroselli V, Radicetti E, Palomba I, Allam M, Atait M, Quintarelli V, Mancinelli R., 2022. Processing tornato has affected by Barrier and Curzate in different soil fertilization. 19-21 septembre 2022 Roberto Mancinelli ¹ , Mohamed Allam ¹ , Mariam Atait ¹ , Verdiana Petroselli ¹ , Emanuele |



| | | | Radicetti ² Effects of different agronomic conditions on eight bread wheat varieties production. September 2023 |
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| Brevetti/Patents (Specificare/Specify) | | | |
| Altre tipologie di pubblicazioni/Other publications (Specificare/Specify) | | | |
| Attività formative/Training activities (Elencare tutte le principali attività svolte e, per ciascuna di esse, indicare i dati richiesti/List the main activities and for each specify of them the data) | | | |
| Frequenza di corsi/Partecipation in courses | Titolo/Title | Località/Location | Data/Date |
| Partecipazione a seminari/ Partecipation in seminars | 1-MICROBIOME-BASED APPROACHES FOR A SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE Dott.ssa Annamaria Bevivino | Viterbo | 8-may-2023 |
| | 2-PLANT CELL CULTURES: BACK TO THE FUTURE Dott.ssa Silvia Massa | Viterbo | 10-May-2023 |
| | 3-THE TWO-FACED PLANT VIRUSES: FROM PLANT PATHOGEN TO SMART NANOPARTICLES Dott.ssa Chiara Lico | Viterbo | 15-May-2023 |
| | 4-HIGH PERFORMANCE MOLECULAR DYNAMICS SIMULATIONS TO ASSESS THE IMPACT OF THE ENVIRONMENT ON HUMAN HEALTH AND FOR THE DESIGNING OF NEW THERAPEUTIC APPROACHES Dott.ssa Caterina Arcangeli | Viterbo | 17-May-2023 |
| | 5- PLANT-BASED PRODUCTION OF | Viterbo | 22-May-2023 |



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| | <p>VETERINARY VACCINES AND DIAGNOSTICS Dott.ssa Selene Baschieri</p> <p>6-PRECLINICAL RESEARCH MODELS AND THEIR APPLICATIONS IN DRUG DISCOVERY</p> <p>Dott.ssa Francesca Palone</p> | Viterbo | 24-May-2023 |
| Partecipazione a convegni, workshop, scuole/Participation in workshop, schools | | | |
| Stage in Italia e/o all'estero/Internship in Italy and/or abroad (Indicare la località e descrivere brevemente il tipo di attività svolta/Indicate the location and describe briefly the activity carried out) | | | |
| Altre attività formative/Further educational activities (Indicare la località e descrivere brevemente il tipo di attività svolta/Indicate the location and describe briefly the activity carried out) | | | |
| Attività di didattica integrativa/Teaching activity (Elencare tutte le attività svolte e, per ognuna, indicare i dati richiesti/List all activities and specify for each of them the data) | | | |
| Attività di tutoraggio e didattico-integrative/Tutorship activities | Titolo/Title | Località/Location | Data/Date |
| Seminari in corsi di laurea/Seminars in master degrees (Indicare il titolo, la località, la data/Specify the title, the location and the date) | 1-Caratterizzazione della sequenza amminoacidica con tecniche di spettrometria di massa Prof.ssa Annamaria Timperio | Viterbo | 14-06-2023 to 22-06-2023 |
| | | Viterbo | 13-06-2023 to 22-06-2023 |



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| | <p>2-Tecniche molecolari innovative per lo studio del microbioma del latte e del formaggio Prof.ssa Francesca Luizatelli</p> <p>3-Tecniche di ingegneria genetica e proteica abbinate alle produzioni animali e vegetali Prof.ssa Laura Bertini</p> <p>4-Approccio metabolomic per la caratterizzazione e la valorizzazione dei prodotti agroalimentari Prof.ssa Federica Gevi</p> | Viterbo | 14-06-2023 to 23-06-2023 |
| | | Viterbo | 13-06-2023 to 21-06-2023 |
| <p>Data/Date 24-1-2024</p> | | | |
| Firma Dottorando/Signature PhD student | | | |
| Firma Tutor/Signature Supervisor | | | |