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Profile

I am a postdoc within the scientific area of ruminant nutrition, especially with focus on enteric methane. I have been involved in experiments with the purpose of reducing enteric methane, and currently, I am involved in experiments where downstream effects are investigated as well.

Experience

Postdoc at Department of Animal Science, Aarhus University

January 2024 – December 2027 (potentially extended due to pregnancy- and maternity leave, 9 months)

PhD fellow at Department of Animal Science, Aarhus University

August 2019 – December 2023

The PhD project focused on methane reducing feed additives, carbon dioxide production as a marker and phenotypic traits for between-cow variation in enteric methane production. I was on maternity leave, and another leave due to a ministry task (5 months). I handed in my thesis December 2023. Supervisor: Peter Lund, co-supervisor: Martin Riis Weisbjerg.

Master Thesis in collaboration with SEGES

August 2018 – June 2019

I was involved in an experiment on five commercial dairy farms with dry cow silage, where we investigated the potential of dry cow silage as a feeding strategy to optimize dry cow feeding with focus on the fermentation process. Supervisors: Niels Bastian Kristensen (SEGES) and Ole Højberg (AU).

Publications

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