



Austrian Plant Phenotyping Network

Enhancing the Austrian Plant Phenotyping community . . .

3<sup>rd</sup> APPN Meeting  
13<sup>th</sup> June 2019

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EMPHASIS

3<sup>rd</sup> Austrian Plant Phenotyping Meeting (APPN)  
Field Phenotyping  
and Remote Sensing

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Confirmed Speaker:  
Roland Pieruschka, EMPHASIS, FZJ, DE  
Hermann Bürstmayr, BOKU, AT  
Clement Atzberger, GreenSense, AT  
Ethan Stewart, Cornell, US  
Helge Aasen, ETH, CH  
Ittai Herrmann, HebrewU, IL  
Jan F Humplik, Upol, CZ  
Pieter Clauw, GMI, AT

13<sup>th</sup> June 2019  
BOKU – Vienna, Austria

Free registration:  
[www.appn.at](http://www.appn.at)  
Abstract submission:  
17<sup>th</sup> Mai

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Copernicus NDVI (300m), VI, 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017

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Austrian Plant Phenotyping Network (APPN)

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To coordinate and unite the Austrian Plant Phenotyping community

To develop methods and national plant phenotyping infrastructure

To facilitate joined research collaborations

Teaching



To support the ESFRI EMPHASIS project



To facilitate staff training and staff exchange

Organization of yearly meetings and workshops

GOALS

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**VBCF Plant Sciences Facility, Vienna**  
 Environmental simulation & HT phenotyping  
 23 state-of-the-art phytotrons:  
 o 4 cold stress phytotrons (-15C)  
 o 4 phytotrons adj. light spectrum (LED)  
 o 2 CO2 phytotrons  
 o 1 plant pathogen phytotron  
 o 1 HT phenotyping phytotron  
 o 3 PHENOBox & PHENOScan  
 o **PHENOPlant coming 2021**



Jakub Jez

**Manual Root Phenotyping, BOKU, Vienna**



- o Greenhouse & Phytotron
- o Seedlings to mature crop plants
- o Root morphology, symbiont-root interactions, physiological parameters
- o Machine learning trait analysis approaches

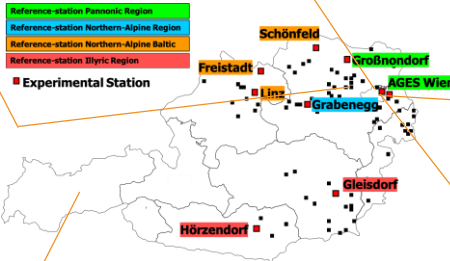
Boris Rewald

**Hyperspectral Root Phenotyping, BOKU, Tulln**



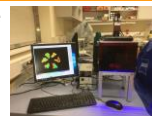
- o Spectral based root segmentation
- o Water mapping
- o Exploration of other spectral features in roots (e.g. root age) and soil
- o Combination with aboveground measurements

Gernot Bodner



**Chlorophyll Fluorescence Imaging, Univ. Innsbruck**

- o WalzImaging PAM
- o Whole plant level
- o Subcellular level



Thomas Roach

**Subcellular and physiological phenotyping, Univ. Vienna**

- o Organelle stoichiometric analyses
- o Soil-Plant-Atmosphere-Continuum (SPAC) & Soil Root Interface (SRI)

Stefanie Wienkoop

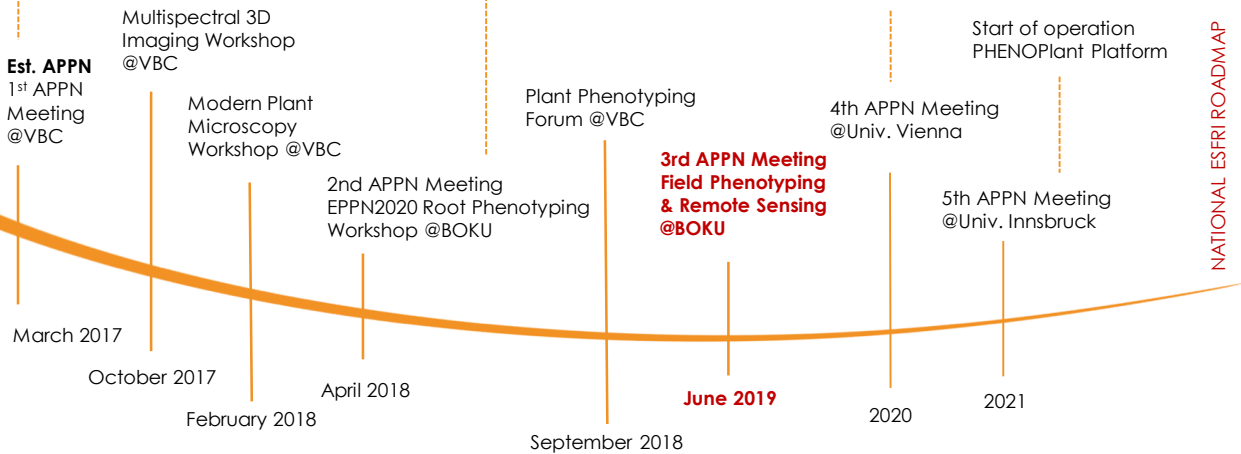
**PHENOTYPING LANDSCAPE AT**

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**Signing the APPN MoU**



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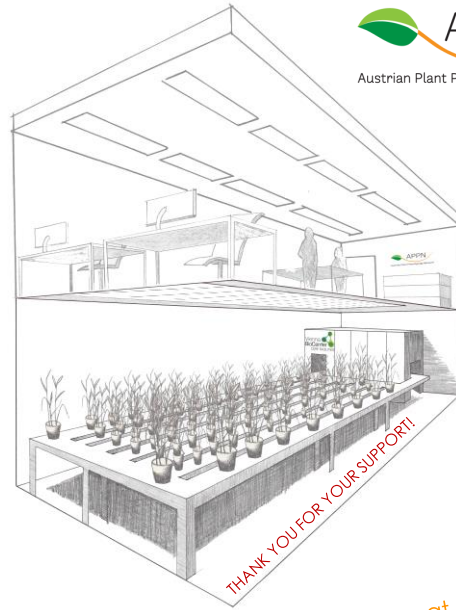


FFG F&E Infrastruktur call 2018:

**Multi-sensor and multi-approach high-throughput plant phenotyping platform - PHENOPlant**

Project term: March 2019 – July 2021  
 Location: Vienna BioCenter - VBC  
 Operation: VBCF PlantS (non-profit for academics!)  
 Access: ALL academic institutions and companies  
 Volume: ~2.0M EUR (1.5M EUR FFG + ~0.5M VBCF in-kind)

- ✓ Highly controlled environment (phytotron)
- ✓ Conveyor-belt transportation system
- ✓ Automated weighting and watering
- ✓ Arabidopsis & crop plants up to ~70cm
- ✓ Full range of state-of-the art sensors:  
 Chlorophyll fluorescence, 3D RGB, thermal imaging, hyperspectral imaging,...

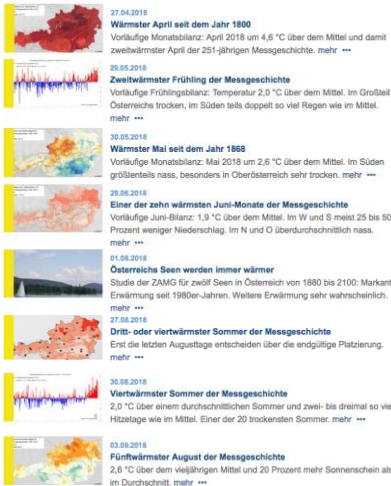


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PHENOPlant Platform

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**2018 AT (status September 2019):**

2nd hottest spring and 4th hottest summer (since 251 years) (the other 3 are: 2017, 2015 and 2003)

Vienna: 36/42 (city) days above 30C (vs. 21/15 days 1981-2010); St. Pölten: 31 vs. 13  
 Vienna: 32 (city) tropical nights (>20C)

Up to max -85% rainfall (April) (-25% mean); 20<sup>th</sup> driest summer since 251 years

4 severe drought damage events in the last 6 years

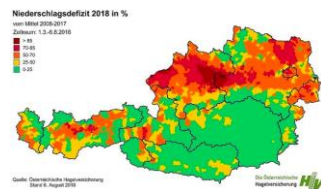
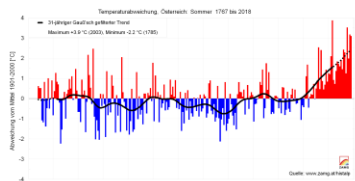
210 Mio EUR agricultural damage by heat/drought stress

60 Mio EUR financial direct support of the agricultural sector

Prediction 2019 and beyond: bad



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