Minutes for PEP meeting 07.09.2015  
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**General information and practical issues**

* **People:**
  + New faces:
    - Madhu Prakash, guest, 6 months, post-doc; chitin.
    - Phornsiri Pechsrichuang, guest, 12 months, , PhD student; chitin.
    - David Lapeña Gomez, PhD student; Foods of Norway
    - Kiira Vuoristo, post-doc; Biofeed
    - Daniel G Mulat, post-doc; Bioligas
    - John Jameson, engineer, 6 months; various projects, initially with Aniko & Magnus
    - Laura, guest with Gustav, Dejan and others,; four months. LPMOs.
    - Jonathan, MSc student with Zarah. LPMOs
* **Lab and office behavior:**
  + Please keep the lab tidy and well-organized. No mess in joint areas (and only little mess in your own spot).
  + The “ordensmann” MUST do his/her work properly.
  + We recycle. Don’t mess up our waste management system.
  + Make sure that consumables are ordered in time. If you open the last box of something you must make sure that the stuff is ordered.
  + Do not use equipment unless you are absolutely sure how to use it; have yourself instructed.
  + In case of any trouble, like you breaking things, you MUST report this and/or deal with this, immediately
  + Be quiet in the offices and in the corridor. Use meeting rooms for meetings, including Skype.
  + Mark your food in the fridge at the coffee machine and remember to throw away what needs to be thrown away.
* **Dates**
  + Sep 17: one day seminar, NBS
  + Sep 18 & 19: PEP is at Forskningsdagene
  + Oct 9: PhD defence of Linn W Stockinger
  + Nov 26 & 27: PolyRefNorth meeting at Ås campus (NB! 1 ECTS for PhD students; more info will follow)

**Research**

* Phil (the ecology of microbial biomass degradation), Magnus (Biomass conversion by Fibrobacter) and Trine (fungal LPMOs) talked about their work.

**Literature**

* Lasse talked about producing opiates in S. cerevisiae; an impressive piece of metabolic engineering (Science).
* Sandeep talked about an NREL study where they screened the lignin-degrading capacity of various bacteria (Green Chemistry).

**Cake**

Trine served icecream with berries and chocolate. Bjørge served kringle.

***Meeting calendar (OBS! Updated since last time)***

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| **Date:** | **Research** | **Literature** | **Minutes** | **Cake** | |
| ~~17/08~~ | ~~Jeremy~~ | ~~Aniko~~ | ~~Vincent~~ | | ~~Geir~~ |
| ~~07/09~~ | ~~Phil, Magnus, Trine~~ | ~~Sandeep, Jul20– Aug15; Lasse, Aug16 – Sep6~~ | ~~Vincent~~ | | ~~Trine, Bjørge~~ |
| 28/09 | Rianne, Marianne, Kasia | Jenny | Geir | | Piotr, Leszek |
| 19/10 | Sophanit, Aniko, Bjørge | Dayanand | Svein | Sophanit, Magnus | |
| 9/11 | Dejan, Dayanand, Zarah | Kasia | Gustav | Marianne, Ben | |
| 30/11 | Jenny, Lasse, Adrian | Vincent | Vincent | Dayanand, Zarah | |
| 18/12 | Madhu, Laura, Leszek | Marianne | Geir | Kiira, Dow | |

”Cake” also means making coffee and tea. ”Research” also means being responsible for having a computer+beamer.