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What is your academic background?

I am an agronomist with an MSc in soil science by the UFRRJ. Now, I am in the second year of a PhD in soil science. My thesis is on the evaluation of greenhouse gas emissions in different pasture systems, including mixed pastures with forage legume. Apart from measuring N₂O and CH₄, an N balance will be performed in these pastures, including the quantification of N-input through BNF and fertilizers and N exportation as live weight gain and N losses.

Which project have you been selected for?

"Targeting N_2O emission hot-spots in intensive dairy pastures for mitigation action", supervised by Prof Richard Eckard (Melbourne University) and Prof. Dave Chadwick (Bangor University, U.K.).

How will this award impact your study?

After my time in Australia, I think I will have significant improvement of my background on GHG from livestock systems, with regard to emissions characterization and mitigation techniques.

Tell us a bit more about yourself?

People used to say I am a quiet and easy-going person. However, I do not have any difficulty making friends or adapting to new situations, which helps me a lot to stay far from home to conduct field experiments, sometimes for months. Facing new challenges is something that makes me motivated.
