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## Activities in ELIXIR

### Platforms

- ELIXIR Data Platform
- ELIXIR Interoperability Platform
- ELIXIR Training Platform

### Communities

- Plants Sciences:
- **Elected Community Co-Lead**  
Organization of:
  - Plant community workshops
  - ELIXIR BioHackathons
  - Plant community monthly calls

### Publications

- **Beier et al.** Recommendations for the formatting of VCF files to make plant genotyping data FAIR. F1000Research, 2022.
- Mayer et al. Implementing FAIR data management within the German Network for Bioinformatics Infrastructure (de.NBI) exemplified by selected use cases. Briefings in Bioinformatics, 2021.
- Pommier et al. ELIXIR Plant sciences 2020-2023 Roadmap. F1000Research, 2020.
- König et al. BRIDGE - a visual analytics web tool for barley genebank genomics. Front. Plant Sci., 2020.
- **Beier et al.** Kmasker plants - a tool for assessing complex sequence space in plant species. Plant J., 2020.

### Participation in ELIXIR Service Provision

- Help maintain and further develop FZJ/GCBN services:
- Mercator
- MapMan
- MISA-web
- BRIDGE
- e!DAL-PGP
- BARLEX



## Current Tasks

### Platform Tasks

- ELIXIR Training Platform:
- Write guidelines on RDM for plants
- Develop online and F2F training for plant genomics

### Implementation Studies

- 2019-Plants(FONDUE):  
Introduction of a standard for plant genotyping metadata and persistent global identifiers for linking genotyping and phenotyping results and studies according to the FAIR principles.  
Role: Principal Investigator
- 2021- Plants (Increasing):  
Creation of Service Bundles and matching training material from ELIXIR Plant Services.
- Linking of different aggregation databases and standard collections in a European Plant Data Portal.
- Increase interoperability of community tools through validation and use of common APIs.
- Role: Collaborator (WP1)

### Participation in EU Projects

- CONVERGE:  
WP3: RDMKit  
WP5: Demonstrator projects
- FAIRplus: Cookbook
- AGENT: Data publication workflow

### Collaboration with others

- DataPlant as part of NFDI4plants
- NFDI4Biodiversity
- FAIRagro as part of NFDI4Agri
- AgroServ
- Usadellab projects