

# Monitoring and Assessment of PhD training – Update and assessment of the general opinion

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# Old days vs new PhD programmes

- Old days:
  - virtually no evaluation whatsoever
- New PhD programmes:
  - evaluation wherever you closely look
- Balance between need & overkill

# My experiences

- Since 2002

Head of doctoral programme

„Infection, Immunity & Transplantation (IIT)“

- run by Med. Univ. of Innsbruck

- local programme, locally evaluated

- Since 2014

Head of doctoral programme „HOROS“

- Topic: HOst Response in Oppportunistic infectionS

- granted by Austrian Research Fund

after national competition (~10%), renewed

- local programme, international exchanges,  
internationally evaluated twice



[www.HOROS.at](http://www.HOROS.at)

# My experiences

- Since 2016

Director of PhD studies (coordinator of MUI DPs)

- four programmes of excellence (like HOROS)

- six local programmes (like IIT)

- 2017 & 2019

Applications as Speaker of a Marie Skłodowska Curie

Horizon 2020 doctoral programme „CORVOS“

Topic: Complement Regulation and Variations

in Oppportunistic infectionS

- last submitted in January 2019, decided in May 2019

- to be granted by the EU

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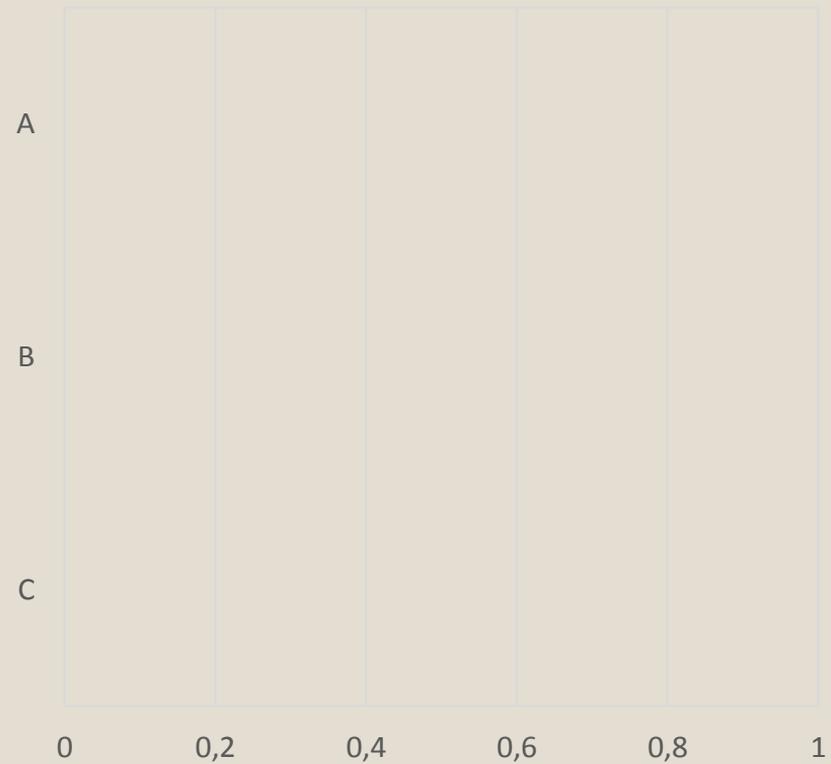
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HOROS & 3 others	YES (Science Record)	YES (Compatibility to Programme)	YES (International hearing)			
CORVOS	YES (Science Record)	YES (Compatibility to Programme)	YES (International hearing, <u>no</u> Nationals)			
Executed by	Consortium	Consortium	Hearing			

# Should there be a positive selection of PhD supervisors?

No

Yes, by university committee (UnC)

Yes, by extramural committee (ExC)



# Should there be a positive selection of PhD students via a hearing?

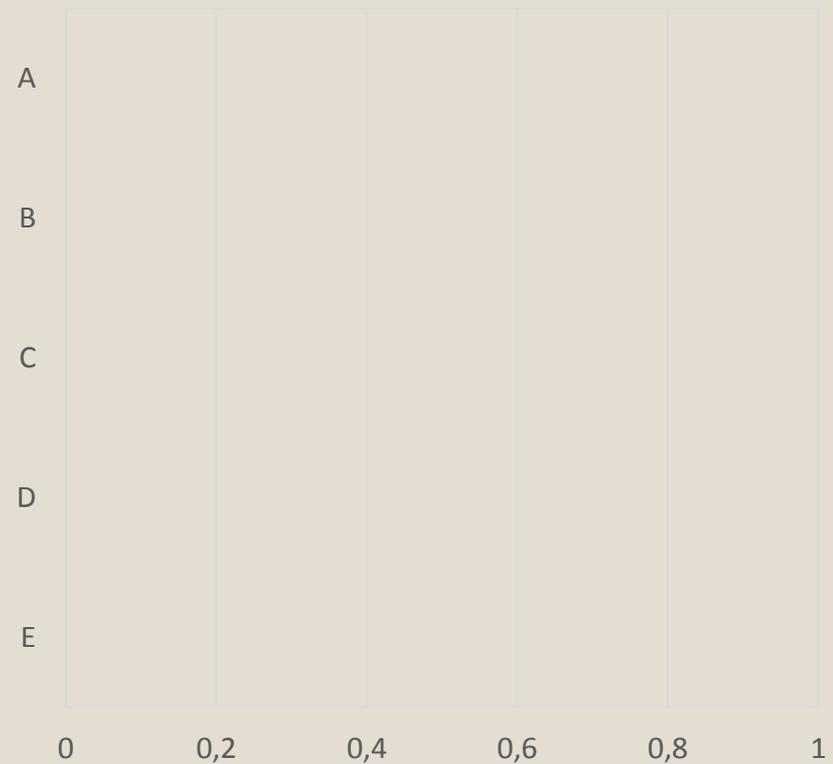
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Yes, local hearing, by UnC

Yes, extramural hearing, by UnC

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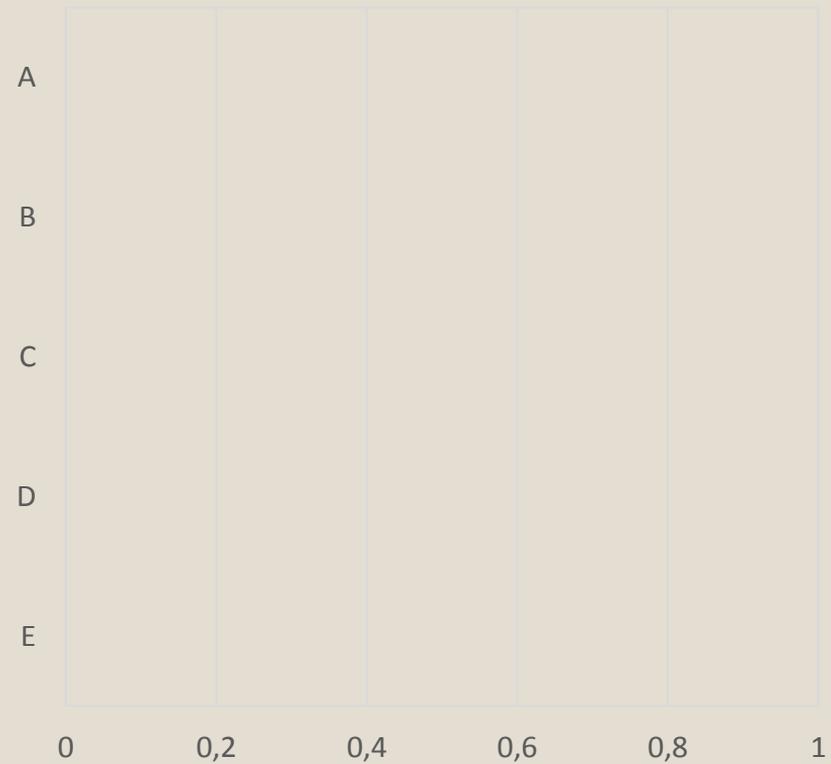
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Yes, when other R is from diff. inst.

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Yes, when other R is from abroad

No



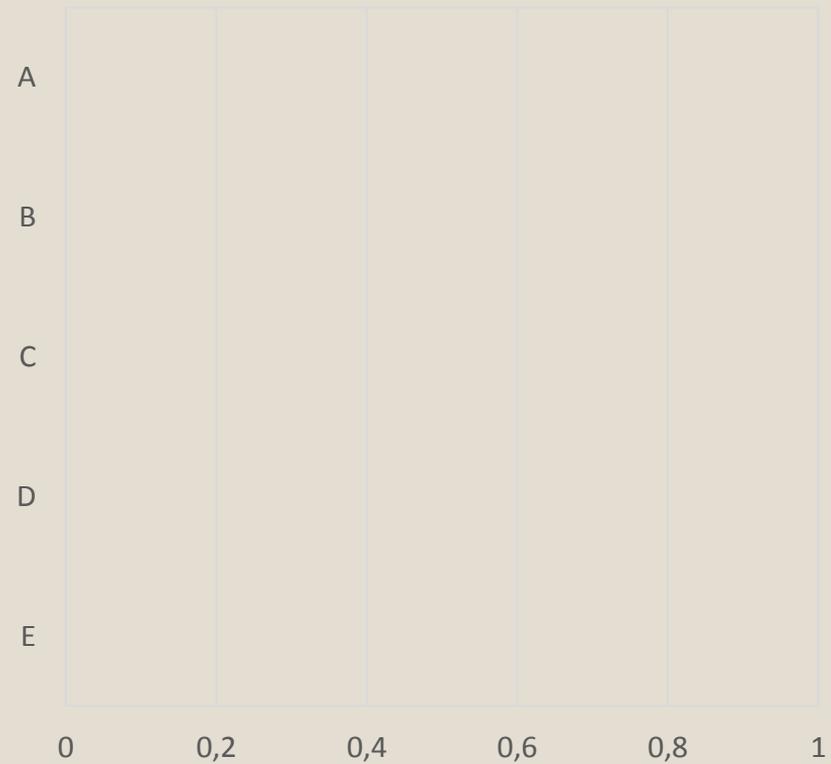
# Can the reviewer be a co-author of the supervisor or PhD student?

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Yes, minor, but not recently

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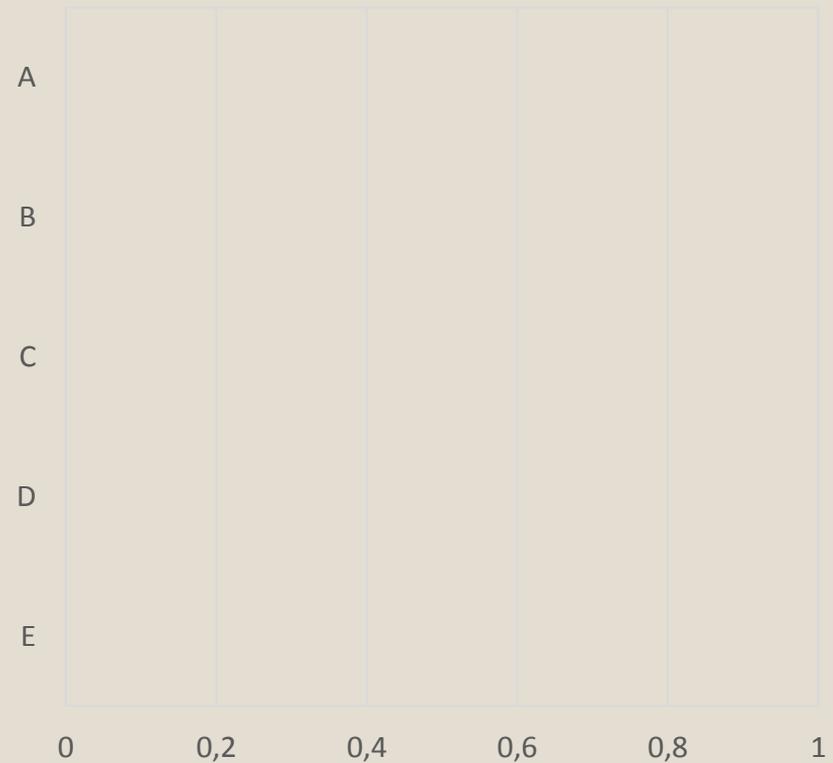
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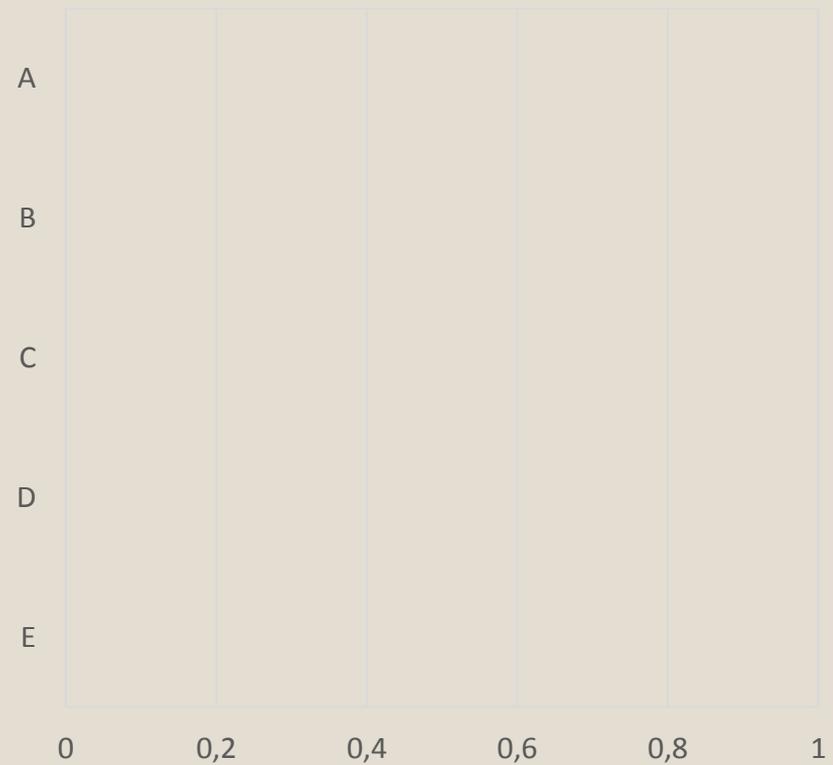
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# Summary

- Selection of supervisors
- Selection of students
- Selection of reviewers
- Selection of examiners