

Merry Christmas from Plant-PATH!

Dear Plant-PATH Center Members,

First of all, a huge thank you for getting Plant-PATH off to such an amazing start! Summarising 2025 in a few paragraphs is no easy task, but here goes...

It's been a year of exciting changes and achievements:

- Chloé received an ERC starting grant - huge congratulations!
- Congratulations are also due for Uli, who changed institutions - "upgraded," as Uli might say! - and moved over to JMU, Wuerzburg.
- We welcomed one new Assistant Professor, Lorena, and one Postdoc, Alex, in Aarhus, along with four new PhD students across Aarhus and Bruxelles: Kasper, Maria, Lucas, and Johannes.
- We enjoyed our first research exchange when Assia visited Aarhus from Bruxelles, which also coincided with our informal center opening (lots of cake!)
- Our members shone on the international stage: Camilla won a best poster prize at the EMBO conference, Adriana at the CryoNet conference, Ines was an invited speaker at the Nalion User Meeting, and Uli was invited as speaker and session chair at the IPGSA conference in Colorado.
- And, of course, our first Plant-PATH-citing publication was featured in *Nature Plants*.

And that's not all, center members have also been busy with outreach efforts:

- Lynette gave a tour of the Aarhus lab to bachelor students, and Camilla and Ines produced two outreach videos to explain what we do to a wider audience (check them out on our [LinkedIn page](#)).

And lastly, an early Christmas gift arrived for Magnus: a microfluidic platform for screening designer proteins (FIDA), made possible by a successful Carlsberg Foundation grant.

Finally, a huge thank you to everybody for showing up to our official opening ceremony in Aarhus in September. Our funding body's board has praised us specifically for the amazing team enthusiasm we showed on the day.

2025 has been a great start for Plant-PATH, and none of this would have been possible without the energy, creativity, and dedication of every single member. Here's to building on this momentum in 2026!

With festive cheers,
Leila, your Center Coordinator

