

WP3.1 Field Day report from Teagasc, Oak Park, Carlow, Ireland

Event: Field Day**Date: 24.06.2024****Participants: 17**

As part of the Crop Science Department, Teagasc's annual In-Service Training and Oat Field Day, a field trip was planned for agronomists, advisors, and farmers. The OatFrontiers trials' overall purpose and objective were explained during the event. The attendees were shown the micro plots, which contain a variety of oat germplasms, and the yield plots, which include 28 released oat varieties from Ireland, Germany, Norway, Finland, Sweden, and the UK.

Candidates also received answers to their questions concerning agronomics, the viability of trials, and prospective future breeding initiatives during Q&A sessions.

**Event: 60th Anniversary of Crop Science Department****Date: 13.07.2024 (from 10am to 6pm)****Participants: ~3000**

This year, the Crop Science Department of Teagasc has celebrated its 60th anniversary. An open day was organised for stakeholders, including farmers, the general audience and children to commemorate this. During this event, our oat research was highlighted; however, the importance of germplasm evaluation, part of the OatFrontiers project, was at the centre of attention. Also, I gave an interview for a recorded podcast to KCLR (local radio), where I described the role of the OatFrontiers project in facilitating the future expansion of oats in West Ireland was also briefed.

