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**Rapid detection and identification
of contamination within fish
products using rapid ionisation
evaporative mass spectrometry**

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Abstract

This document gives some ideas about how to write a project proposal, and provides a template for a proposal. You should discuss your proposal with your supervisor.

1. Introduction

- Scope - place the problem in the world.
- Specifics to New Zealand, sustainability.
- Fish processing - automation, quality control, contamination.
- Current state-of-the-art
 - GC-MS, manual, time consuming, expensive, destructive, instrumental drift.
- Aquaculture
- REIMS
- Between 1950 and 2018, aquaculture has increased tenfold [1]
- Foundational work and inspiration for this project is [2]

2. Literature Review

- Mass spectrometry [?]
- REIMS
- Classification
- Feature Selection
- Interpretable ML
- Genetic Programming
- Transfer Learning

3. Preliminary Work

- Automated Fish Classification on GC-MS data.
- CNN for Fish classification on GC-MS data.
- Genetic Programming (GP) for GC-MS data
 - Single-Tree GP
 - Multi-tree GP
- REIMS exploratory data analysis

4. Contributions

- Each research question applies to the REIMS and Data Infusion .
- For each dataset, hoki and mackeral.

These are the research questions from Plant and Food Research.

- Can REIMS data be used to classify different species tissues? What variables are responsible?
 - Classification
 - Feature Importance - Interpretable
- Can REIMS data detect mixed-species contamination in fish tissues? At what concentration? What variables are responsible?
 - Classification
 - Regression
 - Feature importance - Interpretable
- Can REIMS data detect mineral oil contamination in fish? At what concentration? What variables are responsible?
 - Classification
 - Regression
 - Feature importance - Interpretable
- Can REIMS data be used to distinguish between different fish individuals? What variables are responsible?
 - Identification
 - Feature importance - Interpretable

5. Milestones

- Literature Review
- EDA
- Preprocessing
- Classification
- Cross-species Contamination
- Mineral-oil Contamination
- Individual Identification
- Auto ML
- Thesis

6. Thesis Outline

1. Introduction
2. Background
 - Mass Spectrometry
 - REIMS
 - Classification / Regression
 - Interpretable ML
3. Preparations
 - Exploratory Data Analysis
 - Preprocessing
4. Applications
 - Classification
 - Contamination Detection
 - Individual Identification
 - Auto ML
5. Discussion
6. Conclusion

7. Resources

In this section you will detail any resource requirements such as hardware, software or access to subjects.

- Hardware
 - ECS Grid Compute
 - Rapoi
 - Niwa HPC - via Auckland University
- Software
 - Repository - Github
 - Project Management - Github Projects
 - Programming language - Python
 - Documentation - Read the Docs
- Experience
 - Field-trip to Callaghan Innovation to see REIMS
 - Field-trip to NZ Plant and Food Research (if necessary for future datasets).

Glossary

aquaculture Farming things in water, especially for food, e.g. Snapper are often raised in captivity.. 1

REIMS Rapid Evaporative Ionisation Mass Spectrometry. 1–3

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