**Candidate supervisor's information summary form** maximum 2 pages – it should be a summary of most important achievements

Name and surname, degree, title: Andrzej Pacholczak dr hab. (Prof. SGGW)		
Discipline/ disciplines of science	agriculture and horticulture	
Professional development (degrees and titles) in chronological order	Degree: doctor of agricultural sciences in the field of horticulture - May 2005 - dissertation entitled: "The influence of pre-treatment of mother plants of selected species of ornamental shrubs on the process of rhizogenesis of shoot cuttings" Supervisor: Prof. dr hab. Aleksandra Łukaszewska. Degree: habilitated doctor in the field of horticulture, specialty: ornamental plants – 06.12.2017 - scientific achievement - a series of monothematic publications entitled: "Biostimulators as an alternative to auxins in the process of rooting deciduous shrub cuttings".	
Most important publications/patens over the last 3 years (maximum 10)	<ol> <li>Teixeira da Silva J.A., Pacholczak A., Ilczuk A. 2018. Smoke tree (<i>Cotinus coggygria</i> Scop.) propagation and biotechnology: A mini-review. South African Journal of Botany 114: 232–240. doi.org/10.1016/j.sajb.2017.11.009.</li> <li>Monder M.J, Pacholczak A. 2018. Preparations of plant origin enhance carbohydrate content in plant tissues of rooted cuttings of rambler roses: <i>Rosa beggeriana</i> 'Polstjärnan' and <i>Rosa helenae</i> 'Semiplena'. Acta Agriculturae Scandinavica Section B - Soil &amp; Plant Science 68(3): 189-198. DOI: 10.1080/09064710.2017.1378365.</li> <li>Nowakowska, K., Pacholczak, A., Tepper, W. 2019. The effect of selected growth regulators and culture media on regeneration of <i>Daphne mezereum</i> L. 'Alba'. Rendiconti Lincei. Scienze Fisiche e Naturali 30(1): 197-205. doi.org/10.1007/s12210-019-00777-w.</li> <li>Monder M.J., Pacholczak A. 2019. Rhizogenesis and contents of polyphenolic acids in cuttings of old rose cultivars treated with rooting stimulants. Acta Horticulturae 1232: 99-103. DOI 10.17660/ActaHortic.2019.1232.16</li> <li>Monder M.J., Pacholczak A. 2019. Rhizogenesis and concentration of carbohydrates in cuttings harvested at different phenological stages of once-blooming rose shrubs and treated with rooting stimulants. Biological Agriculture &amp; Horticulture 36(1): 53-70, DOI: 10.1080/01448765.2019.1685407</li> <li>Pacholczak A., Nowakowska K. 2019. Micropropagation of February daphne (<i>Daphne mezereum</i> L.). Propagation of Ornamental Plants 19(4): 106-112.</li> <li>Pacholczak A., Nowakowska K. 2020. The effect of biostimulators and indole-3-butyric acid on rooting of stem cuttings of two ground cover roses. Acta Agrobotanica 73(1) Article 7314. DOI: 10.5586/aa.7314</li> </ol>	

Experience in work with doctoral students (defended doctoral dissertations, doctoral programmes opened) in chronological order	<ul> <li>8. Pacholczak A., Winiarczyk A., Grzelak M., Nowakowska K. 2020. Efficient in vitro propagation of <i>Rhododendron</i> (L.) 'Ken Janeck'. Propagation of Ornamental Plants 20(3): 81-87.</li> <li>9. Nowakowska K., Pacholczak A. 2020. Comparison of the effect of meta-Topolin and benzyladenine during <i>Daphne mezereum</i> L. micropropagation. Agronomy 10(12), 1994; doi:10.3390 https://doi.org/10.3390/agronomy10121994</li> <li>10. Jagiełło-Kubiec K., Nowakowska K., Łukaszewska A.J., Pacholczak A. 2021. Acclimation to <i>ex vitro</i> conditions in ninebark. Agronomy 11, 612. https://doi.org/10.3390/agronomy11040612</li> <li>1. Paweł Petelewicz, scientific supervision in the years 2012-2016, the title of doctoral dissertation: "The influence of selected biostimulants on the rooting of white dogwood (<i>Cornus alba</i> L.) shoot cuttings", Department of Ornamental Plants WOBiAK, Warsaw University of Life Sciences, Warsaw, nature of scientific care - co-promotor</li> <li>2. Karolina Nowakowska, scientific supervision in 2015-2019, the title of the doctoral dissertation: "Selected aspects of microtreating laurel wilczełyko (<i>Daphne mezereum</i> L.)", Department of Ornamental Plants WOBiAK, Warsaw University of Life Sciences, Warsaw, nature of scientific care – supervisor.</li> </ul>
Project/grants achievements (from the last 10 years)	<ul> <li>Managing national research projects and participating in such projects:</li> <li>1. Project title: "Intensification of the propagation of ornamental shrubs with the use of biostimulators", National Science Center NN 310725140, start 2011, end 2014, participation in the project - grant manager.</li> <li>2. Project title: "The impact of plant-based bi-stimulants on the rooting efficiency of historic rose shoots", National Science Center NN 31000824; start 2011, end 2014, participation in the project - contractor of the grant led by Dr. Marta Monder from the Botanical Garden of the Polish Academy of Sciences in Powsin. Managing projects implemented in cooperation with entrepreneurs (implementation research):</li> <li>BAYER Sp. z o. o. with headquarters in Warsaw, Al. Jerozolimskie 158, 02-326 Warsaw:</li> <li>1. Duration of March 25, 2015 - November 15, 2015, title of the project: "Conducting experiments in the use of the Logo herbicide in the field cultivation of coniferous shrubs" - project manager.</li> <li>2. Duration 1.04.2016-30.11.2016, project title: "Conducting experiments in the use of Logo herbicide in the field cultivation of coniferous shrubs, checking its phytotoxicity against shrubs and controlling existing weeds" - project manager.</li> <li>3. Duration 1.04.2016-30.11.2016, title of the project: "Conducting experiments in the use of soil herbicides in the field</li> </ul>

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Topic – research problem – for which the candidate supervisor seeks a doctoral student	The main topic in my research is the intensification of the process of propagation of ornamental shrubs through shoot cuttings with the use of substances that stimulate the process of rhizogenesis. In particular, I study the effect of various forms of auxins and the possibility of their application on the rooting of cuttings. In addition, I deal with the determination of the action of biostimulants as an alternative to commercially available auxinbased rooting agents. Recently, I have started research on the micro-propagation of woody plants, particularly related to the intensification of their rooting in tissue cultures. An important aspect of my research is also the evaluation of the obtained material - by conventional or <i>in vitro</i> methods - which is manifested by carrying out numerous biochemical and botanical analyses. The task that a doctoral student would have to deal with is an attempt to scientifically explain the problems with the reproduction and rooting of selected valuable species, both in traditional nursery and in tissue cultures. An important scope of the PhD student's work will be laboratory work: in the tissue culture laboratory (PCR, RAPD). The candidate should know the basics of plant physiology and botany and be able to choose the appropriate method of reproduction. The ability to work in a tissue culture laboratory is welcome: sterile work, initiation of cultures, preparation of media. An additional advantage will be the knowledge of the basics of molecular analysis using PCR-based techniques. In addition, the candidate should be willing to independently explore problems and undertake scientific discussions supported by the latest
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