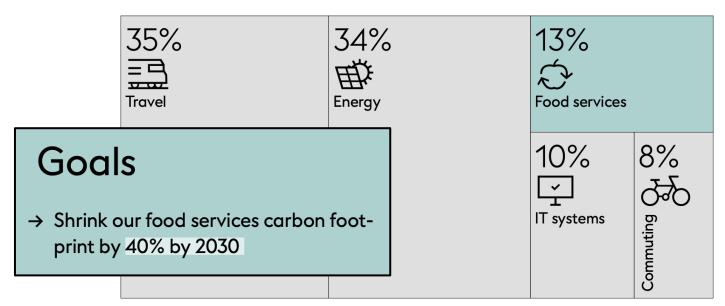


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#### Total CO<sub>2</sub> balance

Breakdown of EPFL's partial GHG emissions in 2019



Source: EPFL 2030 Climate & Sustainability Strategy

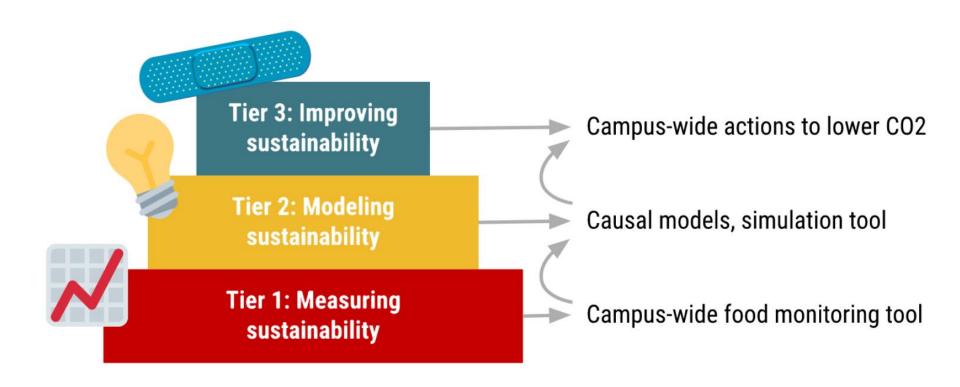


## MegaBites mission:

# Improve the sustainability of EPFL's food system with data science

- Shrink food carbon footprint by 25–33% by late 2025 (4.7  $\searrow$  3.1–3.5 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e)
- EPFL as a living lab to study food habits
- Insights, models, tools that can be ported to other campuses
- Advance science

#### Research plan

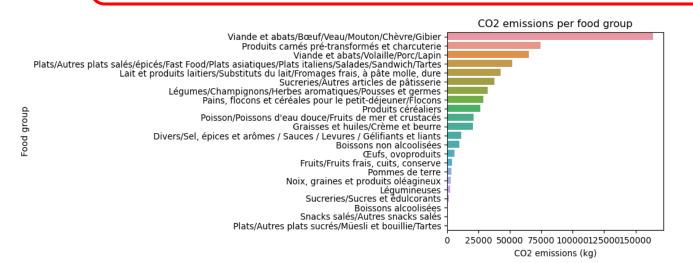


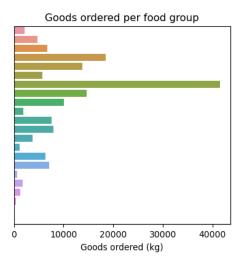
## Tier 1: Measuring (un)sustainability

#### **Data integration and existing measures**

- 1.5 million meals a year
- 203.5 tons of food ordered (July 2022 to June 2023)
- 19.5 tons of food wasted (July 2022 to June 2023)
- Nutritional scores for all meals

#### From food groups to ingredients





## Tier 2: Modeling sustainability

#### Causal analysis, who buys what and when

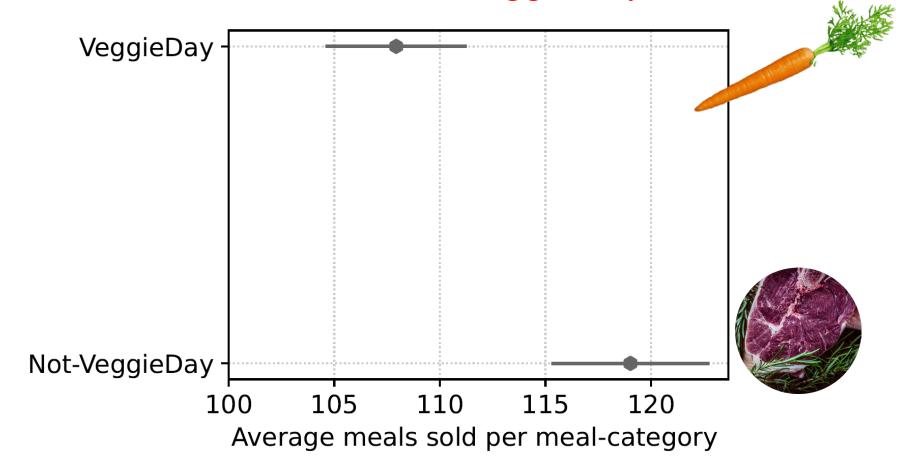
- Interventions to understand food related behaviour
- Evaluate the main determinants of food consumption, status, gender, age.
- Interventions to test promising measures to further reduce footprint

## Tier 3: Improving sustainability

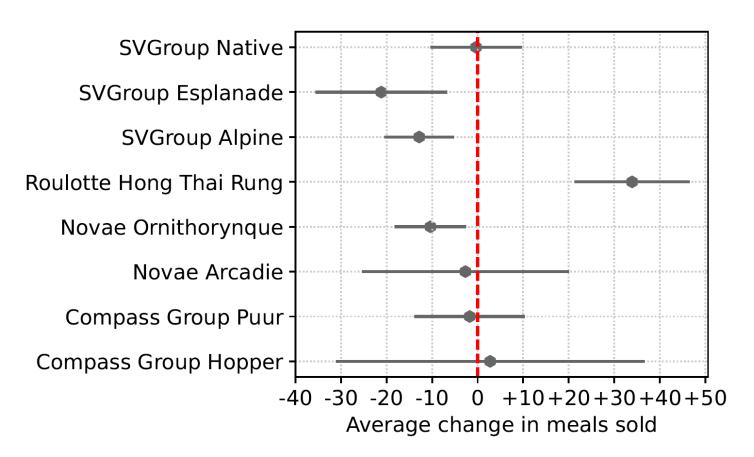
#### Implement and monitor effective measures at scale

- 25% reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions?
- Measures on the production side, onsite vs offsite
- Changes in consumption, short vs longterm
- Waste reduction and treatment

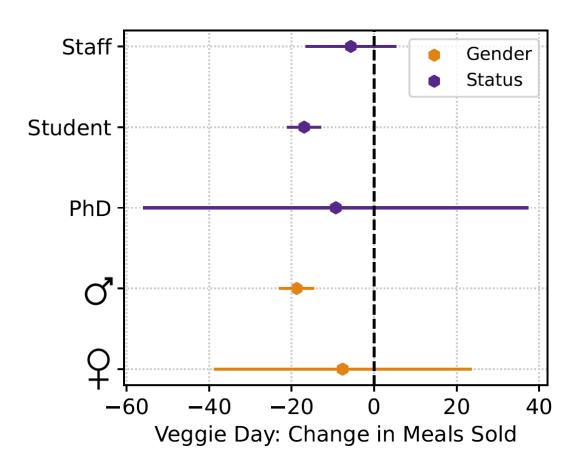
#### Initialresults: Veggie Day



### Veggie Dayacross restaurants



### Veggie Dayacross groups



Thank you for pudding up with us!



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