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Welcome to the SSM Annual Meeting and Assembly 2022.

The year 2022 is a special year for the SSM as the society will celebrate its **80th anniversary.** The first Annual Assembly of SSM was held in Lausanne in the year 1942. The 80th Annual Assembly will again be in Lausanne, namely at the SwissTech Convention Center STCC. It is organized by Gilbert Greub, Christof Holliger and Pilar Junier.

The motto of this special event is "Celebrating Microbiology Research". The different contributions will portray the latest microbiological discoveries not only at Swiss research institutions, but also from scientist around the world. The scientific program includes keynote presentations by Shinichi Sunagawa, Dominique Sanglard, Isabella Eckerle, and Susan Lea. In addition, we will have poster and oral presentations in the fields represented at the society, including clinical, molecular, and environmental microbiology, virology, mycology, and lay communication. Two new sessions organized by the Early Career Section will be also a novelty to the program. In addition, we are happy to announce special sessions highlighting the different research programs of national importance, namely the two NCCRs Antiresist and Microbiomes, and the two NRPs 72 (Antimicrobial Resistance) and 78 (Covid-19).

Thus, whatever your field and your background, you will find for sure the science you are looking for during these three days of a vibrant and exciting meeting in Lausanne with its plenary lectures, six parallel sessions, and numerous contributed talks and posters presented by promising young researchers.

Christof Holliger Pilar Junier Gilbert Greub President of the Congress Co-Presidency

Venue

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Registration

online on www.meeting-com.ch/Conferences & Meetings

Registration fee	Early fee	Late fee & onsite
	(before August 1, 2022)	(as of August 2, 2022)
Member*	CHF 300.00	CHF 400.00
Non-Member	CHF 350.00	CHF 450.00
PhD Student**	CHF 180.00	CHF 250.00

Gala Dinner on Wed August 31, 2022

CHF 120.00 (limited places)

Daily participation at 50% of the indicated late rate. Please contact the congress management.

* In order to benefit from the Member fee, the annual membership 2022 has to be duly paid to the society.

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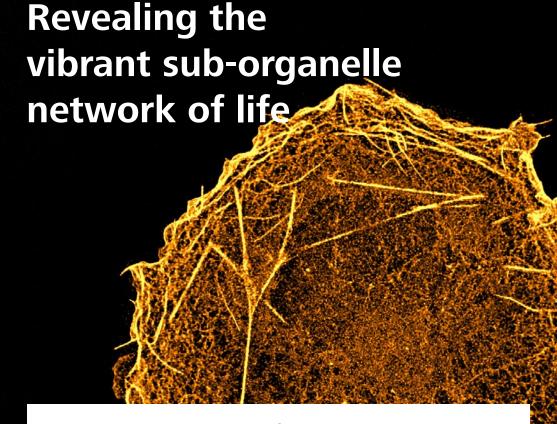
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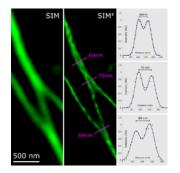
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On Tuesday August 30, 2022 at 12h-12h45

Five young colleagues will show their ability to communicate their research to a non-expert audience.

Please participate to this session "Engage your audience. My thesis in 180 seconds", to support these five resaerchers and discover their area of research.

The session will be held at 12h on Tuesday 30th august in the auditorium C.

Awards will then be delivered during the award ceremony on 1st September

On Thursday September 1st, 2022 at 14h

The Early Career commission is pleased and excited to introduce the "Journal Club Challenge", a session with a new format that will be held in Garden 4ABC. The participants select a paper from their field that has had an impact on their research (ideally a paper published over the past 2 years). The challenge is to present it in 5 minutes in the most captivating way. Each talk will be followed by a short time of questions & answers to make it interactive. The award for the best presentation will be CHF 300.—. Please join us for an exciting session!

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09.30	Registration	FOYER
10.30	Introduction	AUDITORIUM C
	Pilar Junier, Neuchâtel; Gilbert Greub, Lausanne;	
	Christof Holliger Lausanne	

10.45-11.30

	Keynote lecture Chair: Hubert Hilbi, Zurich	
K-01	Structural insights into directional switching in the bacterial flagellum Susan Lea, Frederick (US)	

11.30-12.00

	Plenary posters 1 AUDITORIUM C Chairs: Gorgia Carauana, Lausanne; Jacques Schrenzel, Geneva
11.30-11.33 PF/P-01	An unstable beta-helix protein in the outer membrane is a stress sensor of converging signaling pathways that promote antibiotic uptake – Jordan Costafrolaz, Geneva
11.35-11.38 PF/P-02*	Fusobacterium necrophorum: association of pathogenic determinants with three clinical presentations Alessia Carrara, Lausanne
11.40-11.43 PF/P-03*	Promising antagonistic activity of Streptomyces spp. metabolites against multiple pathogens of potato plants Alisson Gillon, Fribourg
11.45-11.48 PF/P-04	Discovery of a novel solitary DNA methyltransferase that represses endonuclease- dependent DNA damage in Caulobacter crescentus – Noémie Matthey, Lausanne
11.50-11.53 PF/P-05	A Malassezia pachydermatis genotype potentially associated with fluconazole resistance – Sonja Kittl, Bern

Program Tuesday, August 30, 2022

12.00-12.45	ENGAGE YOUR AUDIENCE Chairs: Pilar Junier, Neuchâtel; Gilbert Greub, Lausanne
12.00-12.03 S-01*	My thesis in 180 seconds: GUMICOV – Yangji Choi, Lausanne
12.05-12.08 S-02*	My thesis in 180 seconds: Dysbiosis and inflammation in Osteoarthritis – Kajetana Bevc, Zurich
12.10-12.13 S-03	My thesis in 180 seconds: Microbial strategies to successfully colonize and persist in the phyllosphere Lucas Hemmerle, Lausanne
12.15-12.18 S-04*	My thesis in 180 seconds – Laetitia Le Caous, Bern
12.20-12.23 S-05*	My thesis in 180 seconds: How to study antibiotic resistance by gluing bacteria to a diving board – Christèle Aubry, Lausanne

12.45-14.00	Lunch break	EXHIBITION

14.00-15.30

SESSION 1	Clinical Microbiology – Rapid diagnostics AUDITORIUM C Chairs: Gladys Martinetti Lucchini, Bellinzona; Peter Keller, Bern
14.00-14.30 M-O1	Automation in microscopy – Oliver Nolte, St.Gallen
14.30-14.45 S-06	Rapid detection of bacterial urinary tract infections using reporter phage-mediated bioluminescence – Matthew Dunne, Zurich
14.45-15.00 S-07	Urinary tract infection diagnostics: Use of fluorescence flow cytometry to reduce bacterial culturing Eva Hitz/Michael Oberle, Aarau
15.00-15.15 S-08	Evaluation of the NeuMoDx™ SARS-CoV-2 Assay Workflow during the 5th Swiss COVID-19 Wave – Konrad Egli, Liebefeld
15.15-15.30 S-09*	Impact of total laboratory automation on time to results of urine cultures – Antonios Kritikos, Lausanne

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14.00-15.30

SESSION 2	Molecular Microbiology - Bacterial physiology and cell biology Chairs: Yolanda Schaerli, Lausanne; Martin Pilhofer, Zurich
14.00-14.30 M-02	M. tuberculosis cell wall metabolism and antibiotic tolerance Michael Berney, New York (US)
14.30-14.45 S-10	Cell wall synthesis and remodeling dynamics determine bacterial division site architecture and cell shape Andrea Vettiger, Harvard (US)
14.45-15.00 S-11	Bacteriocins and mobilization of a human commensal as a new strategy to inhibit the opportunistic human pathogen S. pneumoniae – Johann Mignolet, Lausanne
15.00-15.15 S-12*	O-antigen phase variation promotes the co-existence of Salmonella and virulent phages during intestinal colonization Anouk Bertola, Basel
15.15-15.30 S-13*	Identifying how the SMC motor works by identifying new conformational states – Ophélie Gosselin, Lausanne

SESSION 3	Lay Communication (formerly session 12) Chairs: Pilar Junier, Neuchâtel; Massimo Caine, Geneva
14.00-14.30 M-17	The International Microbiology Literacy Initiative Kenneth Timmis, Braunschweig (DE)
14.30-14.45 S-42	Microbes go to school - Enhancing microbiology literacy through service-learning – Saskia Bindschedler, Neuchatel
14.45-15.00 S-43*	Lay communication on the risk of tick-borne diseases: a comparative study of the Swiss media landscape from 2000 to 2020 – Carole Kebbi Beghdadi, Lausanne
15.00-15.15 S-44*	MyKrobs: a tool to teach medical students Antonios Kritikos, Lausanne
15.15-15.30	Round Table

14.00-15.30

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SESSION 4	NCCR Microbiomes Chairs: Sara Mitri, Lausanne; Christian von Mering, Zurich GARDEN 4ABC	
14.00-14.30 M-07	Culturing and managing complex soil microbiomes Jan Roelof van der Meer, Lausanne	
14.30-14.45 S-14*	Investigating bacterial interactions in miniature environments using picoliter-droplet cultivation – Maxime Batsch, Lausanne	
14.45-15.00 S-15*/P-31*	Path to reproducible assembly of synthetic and semi-natural soil bacterial communities in soil growing systems Senka Causevic, Lausanne	
15.00-15.15 S-16*/P-32*	Monitoring of total and ESBL-producing Escherichia coli in influent of Swiss wastewater treatment plants Sheena Conforti, Dübendorf	
15.15-15.30 S-17	Isolation of Candidatus Accumulibacter phosphatis using microfluidic-based approaches – Lukas Hemmerle, Lausanne	

SESSION 5	NRP72 GARDEN 5ABC Chairs: Jean-Claude Piffaretti, Massagno; Joachim Frey, Bern
14.00-14.30 M-08	Control Points to reduce spread of antibiotic resistance: A One- Health approach – Andrea Endimiani, Bern
14.30-14.45 S-18*	Whole genome sequence-based characterization of human and animal MRSA from different veterinary and farm settings in Switzerland – Javier Eduardo Fernandez, Bern
14.45-15.00 S-19*	In-vitro activity of aztreonam in combination with newly- developed β-lactamase inhibitors against Enterobacterales and Pseudomonas aeruginosa producing metallo-β-lactamases Christophe Le Terrier, Fribourg
15.00-15.15 S-20*	Resistell nanomotion-based AST: an innovative technology to study tolerance in Escherichia coli – Christèle Aubry, Lausanne
15.15-15.30 S-21	Next-generation bacteriophages: new approaches for rapid diagnostics and efficient control of antibiotic-resistant pathogens – Martin J. Loessner, Zurich
15.30-15.45 S-22	Meta-omics provides new perspectives on resistomes of aquatic environments – Helmut Bürgmann, Dübendorf

15.30-16.00 Coffee break

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SESSION 6	Clinical Microbiology - Panel PCRs Chairs: Andrea Zbinden, Zurich; Gilbert Greub, Lausanne
16.00-16.30 M-09	Pro – Nina Khanna, Basel
16.30-17.00 M-10	Con – Peter Keller, Bern
17.00-17.15 S-23	Performance of the rapid molecular assay BioFire FilmArray Meningitis/Encephalitis for diagnosis of CNS infections: a three- year retrospective study – Giorgia Caruana, Lausanne
17.15-17.30 S-24	Characterization of the resistance pattern of Swiss MDR TB isolates by phenotypic drug susceptibility testing and genotypic resistance analysis over the last decade Bettina Schulthess, Zurich

SESSION 7	Molecular Microbiology - Bacterial signalingand quorum sensing Chairs: Alix Coste, Lausanne; Hubert Hilbi, Zurich	
16.00-16.30 M-11	The different functions of cellular appendages in cyanobacterial behaviour – Annegret Wilde, Freiburg (DE)	
16.30-16.45 S-25	Membrane vesicle-mediated bacterial communication of Legionella Pneumophila – Mingzhen Fan, Zurich	
16.45-17.00 S-26	CcrM-mediated methylation of the multipartite genome of Agrobacterium tumefaciens promotes its replication Justine Collier, Lausanne	
17.00-17.15 S-27	Heterogeneous single cell responses underlie host-pathogen signaling during pneumococcal infection Vikrant Minhas, Lausanne	
17.15-17.30 S-28*	Making of Zygotes: Fission Yeast Zygotic Development Is Regulated by a Facultative Component of P-Bodies Ayokunle Araoyinbo, Lausanne	

16.00-17.30

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SESSION 8	NCCR Antiresist – M&E Chairs: Linda Mueller, Nyon; Christoph Dehio, Basel	
16.00-16.30 M-12	Microengineered models to study urinary tract infections John McKinney, Lausanne	
16.30-16.45 S-29	Establishing an in vitro lung tissue model to study colonization, virulence and drug treatment of lung infections at high temporal and spatial resolution – Leoni Swart, Basel	
16.45-17.00 S-30	Pseudomonas aeruginosa contracts mucus to rapidly form biofilms in tissue-engineered human airways Tamara Rossy, Lausanne	
17.00-17.15 S-31*	The pneumococcal essentialome under antibiotic-induced stress – Bevika Sewgoolam, Lausanne	
17.15-17.30 S-97	Antimicrobial susceptibility in E. coli and Pasteurellaceae at the beginning and at the end of the fattening process in veal calves: comparing 'outdoor veal calf' and conventional operations Jens Becker, Bern	

SESSION 9	Environmental Microbiology Chairs: Pilar Junier, Neuchâtel; Jurg Enkerli, Zurich	
16.00-16.30 M-13	Consequences of shoving, sliding, and swimming on microbial range expansion – David Johnson, Dübendorf	
16.30-16.45 S-32*	Lysis by phages can help establish metabolic interactions in bacterial communities – Emanuele Fara, Dübendorf	
16.45-17.00 S-33	Functional response of the aerobic granular sludge microbiome to a complexification of the synthetic wastewater Laetitia Cardona, Lausanne	
17.00-17.15 S-34	How BioEncounters at the microscale prime microbial interactions in the ocean – Jonasz Slomka, Zurich	
17.15-17.30 S-35	Cross-feeding interactions shaped Rickettsiales genomic architectures along the parasite/free-living spectrum Adrian-Stefan Andrei, Zurich	

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SESSION 10	Joint Virology/NRP78 Chairs: Isabella Eckerle, Geneva; Volker Thiel, Bern	
16.00-16.30 M-14	Real-time to Real-life: The promise & utility of phylogenetics in pandemics – Emma Hodcroft, Bern	
16.30-16.45 S-36	Distinct phenotype of SARS-CoV-2 Omicron BA.1 in human primary cells but no increased host range in cell lines of putative mammalian reservoir species – Manel Essaidi-Laziosi, Geneva	
16.45-17.00 S-37	Deciphering the function of NSP1 ribosome binding during SARS-CoV-2 infection – Silvio Steiner, Bern	
17.00-17.15 S-38*	Analysis of the sequences of alpha, delta and omicron outbreaks in educational settings in Geneva – Mathilde Bellon, Geneva	
17.15-17.30 S-39	Recoding of the SARS-CoV-2 genome generated a live- attenuated vaccine that induced full protection from COVID-19 in vivo – Güliz Tuba Barut, Bern	

17.30-17.45	Short break	EXHIBITION

17.45-18.45 **General assembly** (Open to members only)

AUDITORIUM C

Chair: Jacques Schrenzel, Geneva SSM Board Committee

19.00	Aperitif	EXHIBITION
20.00	END OF DAY 1	

08.00 Registration FOYER

Dominique Sanglard, Lausanne

08.45-09.30

Keynote lecture Chairs: Alix Coste, Lausanne; Markus Kuenzler, Zurich Drug resistance in fungal pathogens from the clinic and the environment

09.30-10.00

K-02

Program Wednesday, August 31,

	Plenary posters 2 Chair: Jérôme Gouttenoire, Lausanne	
09.30-09.33 PF/P-06	Nanomotion technology with the help of machine learning allows for highly accurate classification of antibiotic susceptibility of various pathogens – Alexander Sturm, Muttenz	
09.35-09.38 PF/P-07	Assessment of cell tropism and evaluation of immune markers induced after in vitro rVSV-ZEBOV infection in cell lines and human primary cells – Catia Alvarez, Geneva	
09.40-09.43 PF/P-08	The GENeva PHage (GENPH) biobank against carbapenem- resistant and hypervirulent Klebsiella pneumoniae Diego Andrey, Geneva	
09.45-09.48 PF/P-09	Tick-borne encephalitis virus nonstructural protein 1 IgG enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay for differentiating infection versus vaccination antibody Response Rahel Ackermann-Gäumann, la Chaux-de-Fonds	
09.50-09.53 PF/P-10	Mechanisms of waterborne virus removal by protists: toward biocontrol of viral pathogens? – Margot Olive, Dübendorf	
09.55-09.58 PF/P-11*	Prediction of SARS-CoV-2 infection clusters by geographic analysis and based on viral genome sequence Yangji Choi, Lausanne	

10.00-10.30	Coffee break	EXHIBITION

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10.30-12.00

SESSION 11	Clinical Microbiology - One Health Chairs: Claire Bertelli, Lausanne; Adrian Egli, Zurich	
10.30-11.00 M-15	Animals and dissemination of clinically important antimicrobial resistance: tracking carbapenemases – Vincent Perreten, Bern	
11.00-11.30 M-16	Antibiotic resistance in clinical MRSA predates the antibiotic era Anders Rhod Larsen, Copenhagen (DK)	
11.30-11.45 S-40*/P33*	The faecal microbiome of agropastoral children in the Somali Region of Ethiopia is significantly different from other traditional and industrialized communities – Simon Yersin, Lausanne	
11.45-12.00 S-41	Multi-country outbreak of monophasic Salmonella Typhimurium sequence type (ST) 34 linked to chocolate products – the Swiss situation – Magdalena Nüesch-Inderbinen, Zurich	
SESSION 12	NRP78 («COVID-19») Science, implementation, Communication (formerly session 3) Chairs: Gilbert Greub, Lausanne; Marcel Salathé, Lausanne	
SESSION 12 10.30-10.50 M-03	Science, implementation, Communication (formerly session 3)	
10.30-10.50	Science, implementation, Communication (formerly session 3) Chairs: Gilbert Greub, Lausanne; Marcel Salathé, Lausanne Experience-based recommendations: questioning science-policy relations through the lens of the SociocoViD	
10.30-10.50 M-03 10.50-11.10	Science, implementation, Communication (formerly session 3) Chairs: Gilbert Greub, Lausanne; Marcel Salathé, Lausanne Experience-based recommendations: questioning science-policy relations through the lens of the SociocoViD Implementation project – Nolwenn Bühler, Lausanne Role of STING in the type I IFN-mediated immunopathology	

Implementation – Julie Péron, Geneva

10.30-12.00

Program Wednesday, August 31,

SESSION 13	Fundamental Mycology Chair: Claudio de Virgilio, Fribourg	
10.30-11.00 M-18	Mechanisms of cell-cell fusion – Sophie Martin, Lausanne	
11.00-11.15 S-45	Heterologous expression of <i>Hanseniaspora sp.</i> transporters in <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> identifies a pantothenate symporter that is used to obtain this vitamin from other organisms Maria Paula Rueda, Agroscope	
11.15-11.30 S-46	The G-patch protein Tma23 is a novel Prp43 cofactor involved in early pre-60S Assembly – Alfonso Méndez-Godoy, Fribourg	
11.30-11.45 S-47	Exploring complex genetic suppression interactions Betül Ünlü, Lausanne	
11.45-12.00 S-48*	Fungal drops: a novel method for the observation of fungal modularity and Coordination – Matteo Buffi, Neuchâtel	

SESSION 14	Virology Chairs: Caroline Tapparel, Geneva; Jérôme Gouttenoire, Lausanne	
10.30-11.00 M-19	Ultrastructure of influenza virus vRNP assembly at the plasma membrane – Yohei Yamauchi, Zurich	
11.00-11.15 S-49*	Characterization of novel candidate factors impacting HIV life cycle – Beril Mersinoglu, Lausanne	
11.15-11.30 S-50*	Characterization of the innate immune response in the respiratory epithelium of human, porcine, and bovine during influenza virus infection – Laura Ialoli, Bern	
11.30-11.45 S-51	A genome-wide CRISPR/Cas9 screen identifies a role for early endosomes in Hepatitis E virus RNA replication Noémie Oechslin, Lausanne	
11.45-12.00 S-52*	Generation and characterization of a fluorescent Influenza D reporter virus – Lukas Probst, Bern	

M-06

11.50-12.00 Discussion

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10.30-12.00

SESSION 15	NCCR Microbiomes – GARDEN 5ABC Modelling and assessing microbiomes Chairs: Yolanda Schaerli, Lausanne; Shinichi Sunagawa, Zurich
10.30-11.00 M-20	The Microbe Atlas: A global survey of microbial diversity Christian von Mering, Zurich
11.00-11.15 S-53*	Towards taxon-specific growth prediction in microbial communities by metatranscriptomics – Melanie Stäubli, Zurich
11.15-11.30 S-54*	Linking spatial self-organization and environmental change in expanding microbial communities – Philipp Tandler, Zurich
11.30-11.45 S-55	Probing interactomes of bee, mice & soil communities: what controls diversity and growth? – Sebastian Burz, Lausanne
11.45-11.48 PF/P-12*	Accumulibacter populations coexisting in a phosphorus- removing bioreactor show differences in gene expression Pilar Natalia Rodilla Ramírez, Lausanne
11.50-11.53 PF/P-13	Controlling species within a small bacterial synthetic community Andrea Dos Santos, Lausanne
11.55-11.58 PF/P-14	Using 'OMICS' to investigate molecular mechanisms helping predatory bacterium Bdellovibrio bacteriovorus to escape exhausted bacterial prey remnants – Simona Huwiler, Zurich

12.00-12.45

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	THE MICROBIOLOGY LABORATORY OF THE FUTURE Chair: Oliver Nolte, Zentrum für Labormedizin, St.Gallen
12.00-12.20 M-21	Fully-automated EUCAST rapid antimicrobial susceptibility testing (RAST) from positive blood cultures: diagnostic accuracy and implementation – Abdessalam Cherkaoui, HUG, Geneva
12.20-12.45 M-22	Artificial Intelligence in Laboratory Data Management Bart Gordts, MD, clinical microbiologist and independant clinical consultant for Copan WASP (IT) and Dialex Biomedica (BE)

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12.45-14.00 Lunch break & Poster session (even numbers) EXHIBITION & POSTER AREA

14.00-15.30

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SESSION 16	Role of the Swiss Society for Microbiology AUDITORIUM C in Clinical Microbiology Chairs: Gilbert Greub, Lausanne (Past president 2016-2018); Jacques Schrenzel, Geneva (President 2022-2024)
14.00-14.30 M-23	The CCCM-SSM during the SARS-CoV-2-pandemics: validation of tests, EQA, FAQ and guidelines – Adrian Egli, Zurich (Chair of the section clinical microbiology)
14.30-15.30	Clinical diagnostic microbiology, then and now? The view of (past) SSM presidents
14.30-14.40	Raymond Auckenthaler, Geneva
14.40-14.50 M-24	Jacques Bille, Lausanne
14.50-15.00	Jean-Claude Piffaretti, Massagno
15.00-15.10 M-25	Gilbert Greub, Lausanne
15.10-15.20	Jacques Schrenzel, Geneva
15.20-15.30	Questions

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14.00-15.30

SESSION 17	Molecular Microbiology - Bacterial secretion and transport Chairs: Silvia Ardissone, Lausanne; Joerg Jores, Bern
14.00-14.30 M-26	Molecular mechanisms of mycobacterial siderophore import Markus Seeger, Zurich
14.30-15.00 M-27	The molecular basis of FimT-mediated DNA uptake during natural transformation of bacteria – Manuela Hospenthal, Zurich
15.00-15.15 S-56*	Molecular mechanism of ixotrophy behavior in a predatory marine bacterium – Yun-Wei Lien, Zurich
15.15-15.30 S-57	Antibiotic-tolerant reservoirs of Salmonella are determined by bacterial secretion machinery – Joshua Newson, Zurich

SESSION 18	Environmental Microbiology Chair: Mauro Tonolla, Mendrisio
14.00-14.30 M-28	Artificial microbial consortia for the conversion of lignocellulosic biomass or CO2 to chemicals – Michael Studer, Zollikofen
14.30-14.45 S-58*	Probiotic control of Legionella in building plumbing systems: a two-sided approach towards identifying and characterising antagonistic bacteria – Alessio Cavallaro, Dübendorf
14.45-15.00 S-59*	Ammoniphilus oxalaticus: oxalotrophy and biocontrol of fungal pathogens – Aislinn Estoppey, Neuchâtel
15.00-15.15 S-60	Pest insect biological control based on microbial communities of pathogen suppressive soils – Pilar Vesga, Lausanne
15.15-15.30 S-61*	The potential of Actinomycetes to control potato late blight Ola Abdelrahman, Fribourg

14.00-15.30

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SESSION 19	NCCR Microbiomes Chair: Sigfried Hapfelmeier, Bern
14.00-14.30 M-29	NCCR Microbiomes Consortium – Emma Slack, Zurich
14.30-14.45 S-62*	Metagenomics analysis of gut microbiota in COVID-19 patients Yangji Choi, Lausanne
14.45-14.48 PF/P-15	Uncoupling of invasive bacterial mucosal immunogenicity from pathogenicity – Eileen Haring, Bern
14.50-14.53 PF/P-16*	Microbiota profiling by metagenomics and flow cytometry on Clostridioides difficile infection patients Elena Montenegro Borbolla, Lausanne
14.55-14.58 PF/P-17*	Microbiota and host response in Salmonella Typhimurium infection (mistic) – Carmen Chen, Lausanne
15.00-15.15 S-63*	Directly probing microbe-microbe interactions in Clostridioides difficile infection – Luca Beldi, Bern
15.15-15.30 S-64	Towards being specific with mucosal vaccines using biophysical clues from antibody-bacterial glycan interactions Milad Radiom, Zurich

SESSION 20	NCCR Antiresist - NA Chair: Urs Jenal, Basel
14.00-14.30 M-30	Digging through the Data: Computational Tools for Genome Mining and Antibiotic Discovery – Nadine Ziemert, Tübingen (DE)
14.30-14.45 S-65	Antibiotic tolerance in Pseudomonas aeruginosa generated by self-induced toxin-mediated interference with NAD metabolism Isabella Santi, Basel
14.45-15.00 S-66	High-content screening identifies a critical role for P pili in early adhesion of uropathogenic Escherichia coli to bladder cells Thomas Simonet, Lausanne
15.00-15.15 S-67*/P-34*	Phage paride exploits bacterial stress responses to kill antibiotic-tolerant cells – Enea Maffei, Basel
15.15-15.30 S-68	Targeting protein folding pathways and PBP2a stability to restore broad β -lactam sensitivity in methicillin resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) – Mélanie Roch, Geneva

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15.30-16.00	Coffee break	ЕХНІВ	BITION
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SESSION 21	Clinical Microbiology - Diagnostic challenges Chairs: Bettina Schulthess, Zurich; Damien Jacot, Lausanne
16.00-16.30 M-31	Diagnostic of lyme borreliosis: the laboratory challenge Reto Lienhard, La Chaux-de-Fonds
16.30-16.45 quizz	Metagenomic results – how to trust them? Jacques Schrenzel, Geneva
16.45-17.00 M-32	Diagnostic challenges, rare, but dangerous Adrian Egli, Zurich
17.00-17.15 M-33	Clinical cases & quizz Alix Coste, Lausanne
17.15-17.30 S-69	Suspected infection with emerging Rickettsia africae in a South African returnee from Switzerland – Dominique Hilti, Buchs

SESSION 22	Molecular Microbiology - Cellular microbiology Chair: Jan-Willem Veening, Lausanne
16.00-16.30 M-34	Intracellular niche formation of entero-invasive bacterial pathogens – Jost Enninga, Paris (FR)
16.30-16.45 S-70	Iron starvation induces functional type II toxin-antitoxin modules in Waddlia Chondrophila – Silvia Ardissone, Lausanne
16.45-17.00 S-71*	The Legionella-driven PtdIns(4)P gradient at LCV-ER membrane contact sites promotes Vap-, OSBP-, and Sac1-dependent pathogen vacuole remodeling – Simone Vormittag, Zurich
17.00-17.15 S-72	Mechanism of cyclic-β-glucan export by ABC transporter Cgt of Brucella – Jaroslaw Sedzicki, Basel
17.15-17.30 S-73*/P-35*	Secretion of IL-1β by macrophages infected with M. tuberculosis enhances bacterial control in bystander macrophages Ophélie Rutschmann, Lausanne

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SESSION 23	Environmental Mycology Chair: Jurg Enkerli, Zurich
16.00-16.30 M-35	Biodiversity of soil fungi – from communities to species and strains – Johanna Mayerhofer, Zurich
16.30-16.45 S-74	Food authenticity: a case study of species determination in Morchella mushrooms using a centroid-based approach Melissa Cravero, Neuchâtel
16.45-17.00 S-75	The first genome-wide association performed on the traits of a mutualist, mycorrhizal fungus – Erica McGale, Lausanne
17.00-17.15 S-76	Inhibition potential of beehives-associated bacterial strains against Aspergillus Spp – Fabio Palmieri, Neuchâtel
17.15-17.30 S-77*	Do the insect pathogenic fungal species <i>Beauveria brongniartii</i> and <i>B. pseudobassiana</i> occupy different ecological niches? Chiara Pedrazzini, Agroscope

SESSION 24	Early Career - Microbiologists of tomorrow GARDEN 4ABC Chairs: Hanna Marti, Zurich; Florian Tagini, Lausanne	
16.00-16.15 M-36	– Philipp Engel, Lausanne	
16.15-16.30 M-37	– Danuta Cichocka, Muttenz/Lausanne	
16.30-16.45 M-38	From the bench to the public arena – Massimo Caine, Geneva	
16.45-17.00 M-39	- Eleonora Ciarlo, Lausanne	
17.00-17.15 M-40	– Adrian Egli, Zurich	
17.15-17.30	Open discussion	

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SESSION 25	NCCR Antiresist – Tech Chairs: Nina Khanna, Basel; Marek Basler, Basel
16.00-16.30 M-41	CRISPRi meets metabolomics: a platform for rapid functional annotation of compound libraries – Mattia Zampieri, Zurich
16.30-17.00 M-42	Dissecting the interactions between commonly used drugs and the human gut microbiota – Lisa Maier, Tübingen (DE)
17.00-17.15 S-78	Developing CRISPRi-seq for clinical S. pneumoniae strains to understand dissemination during infection Amelieke Cremers, Lausanne
17.15-17.30 S-79*/P-36*	Targeting the essential BAM complex with nanobodies to identify bio-antibiotics active against gram-negative ESKAPE pathogens – Johanna Buchheit, Zurich

19.00-night Aperitif – Gala Dinner SWISS TECH CONVENTION CENTER
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08.00 Registration

08.45-09.30

Keynote lectureChair: Christof Holliger, Lausanne

K-03 Assessing the world ocean microbiome

Shinichi Sunagawa, Zurich

09.30-10.00

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	Plenary posters 3 Chairs: tbd
09.30-09.33 PF/P-18	Low sensitivity of POC-PCR for Streptococcus agalactiae carriage screening in pregnant women Rahel Wampfler, Niederwangen
09.35-09.38 PF/P-19*	Secretor status association analysis with pneumococcal carriage in infants – Katharina Bacher, Bern
09.40-09.43 PF/P-20	The drawback of false positive MRSA results with rapid PCR screening during an outbreak – Dominique Blanc, Lausanne
09.45-09.48 PF/P-21	Pathogen prevalence in ticks parasitizing humans Aurélie Scherler, Neuchâtel
09.50-09.53 PF/P-22*	Deimmunization of peptidoglycan hydrolases for therapeutic treatment against systemic S. aureus infections Léa Zinsli, Zurich
09.55-09.58 PF/P-23	16S amplicon-based metagenomics for pathogen detection in routine diagnostic clinical microbiology Sedreh Nassirnia, Lausanne

10.00-10.30 Coffee break

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SESSION 26	Clinical Microbiology – Next generation AUDITORIUM C sequencing – what is new for diagnostics Chairs: Helena Seth-Smith, Zurich; Jacques Schrenzel, Geneva
10.30-11.00 M-43	Microbiome and mycobiome analysis in atopic dermatitis – Philipp Bosshard, Zurich
11.00-11.15 S-80	Nanopore selective sequencing of SARS-CoV-2 genomes in clinical samples – Alban Ramette, Bern
11.15-11.30 S-81	Comparison of Nanopore R10.4 long-read versus Illumina short-read whole-genome sequencing for Klebsiella pneumoniae in silico typing performances – Diego Andrey, Geneva
11.30-11.45 S-82*	zDB: bacterial comparative genomics made easy Alessia Carrara, Lausanne
11.45-12.00 S-83	Epidemiological links and antimicrobial resistance of clinical Salmonella enterica ST198 isolates: a nationwide microbial population genomic study in Switzerland – Michael Biggel, Zurich

SESSION 27	Environmental Microbiology Chairs: Tamar Kohn, Lausanne ; Leo Eberl, Zurich
10.30-11.00 M-44	The evolution and ecology of siderophore bioremediation in soil microbes – Siobhan O'Brien, Dublin (IE)
11.00-11.15 S-84*	Lipopolysaccharides as double-edge swords in phage tail- like particles mediated kin competition in environmental Pseudomonas – Clara Margot Heiman, Lausanne
11.15-11.30 S-85	Genome resolved metagenomics reveals the impact of AMR strain inoculation and antibiotic treatment in complex microbiota in vitro – Florentin Constancias, Zurich
11.30-11.45 S-86*/P-37*	Targeted Genome Mining Reveals the Psychrophilic Clostridium estertheticum Complex as a Potential Source for Novel Bacteriocins, Including Cesin A – Joseph Wambui, Zurich
11.45-12.00 S-87	The role of skin bacterial volatiles in host finding by mosquitoes and biting midges and implications for their control Niels Verhulst, Zurich

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Program Thursday, September 1,

SESSION 28	Virology Chairs: Valeria Cagno, Lausanne; Angela Ciuffi, Lausanne
10.30-11.00 M-45	Single cell biology uncovering mechanisms in virus infection variability – Urs Greber, Zurich
11.00-11.15 S-88	Recombinant Hepatitis E Viruses Harboring a Split Luciferase Tag in the ORF2 Protein – Maliki Ankavay, Lausanne
11.15-11.30 S-89	A single respiratory tract infection early in life reroutes healthy microbiome development and affects adult metabolism in a preclinical animal model – Mirco Schmolke, Geneva
11.30-11.45 S-90	Inactivation mechanisms of influenza A virus within the micro- environment of expiratory bioaerosols identified by whole virus mass-spectrometry – Shannon David, Lausanne
11.45-12.00 S-91*	An RNA replicon system to investigate promising inhibitors of feline infectious peritonitis coronavirus – Kimberly Schmied, Bern

SESSION 29	NCCR Microbiomes Chairs: Pascale Vonaesch, Lausanne; Philipp Engel, Lausanne
10.30-11.00 M-46	– Alyson Hockenberry, Zurich
11.00-11.15 S-92*	Enhancing phage therapeutics through in situ production and release of heterologous antimicrobial effectors Jiemin Du, Zurich
11.15-11.30 S-93*/P-38*	Multiomics profiling of pneumococcal stress responses Vincent de Bakker, Lausanne
11.30-11.45 S-94*	The maintenance of Salmonella virulence is promoted by the gut microbiota during mild colitis in mice – Ersin Gül, Zurich
11.45-12.00 S-95	Wheat rhizosphere microbiomes obtained throughout reinoculation cycles from two soils select a similar microbiota Daniel Garrido-Sanz, Lausanne
12.00-12.15 S-96	Microbe-microbe communication in the plant microbiota and its impact on plant health – Laure Weisskopf, Fribourg

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SESSION 30	Joint NRP/NCCR Antiresist Chair: Dirk Bumann, Basel
10.30-11.00 M-47	The outer membrane insertase as a target for novel antibiotics Sebastian Hiller, Basel
11.00-11.15 S-98	Variations of intrinsic cell oxidation cause coenzyme A shortage leading to antibiotic tolerance in a human pathogen Pablo Manfredi, Basel
11.15-11.30 S-99	Genome stability during serial sub-culturing in hyperepidemic multidrug-resistant Klebsiella pneumoniae and Escherichia coli Aline I. Moser, Bern

12.00-12.35

	Plenary posters 4 Chair: Emma Hodcroft, Bern
12.00-12.03 PF/P-24	Preliminary results from a prospective, observational, cross- sectional, single-arm study investigating nanomotion-based technology (Resistell AST) for rapid antibiotic susceptibility testing for Gram-negative bacteremia – Giorgia Caruana, Lausanne
12.05-12.08 PF/P-25	Chlamydia suis undergoes interclade recombination, promoting Tet-island exchange – Hanna Marti, Zürich
12.10-12.13 PF/P-26	A bovine blood-based ex vivo platform to dissect host-pathogen interactions – Thomas Démoulins, Bern
12.15-12.18 PF/P-27*	Bacterial genes required for tolerance to reactive oxygen species: from host defense to potential antibiotic targets Myriam Roth, Geneva
12.20-12.23 PF/P-28*	The role of large fission GTPases for Legionella pneumophila infection – Ana Katic, Zurich
12.25-12.28 PF/P-29	Photodynamic therapy using 5-ALA and daylight for prevention of periprosthetic joint infections – Julia Prinz, Zurich
12.30-12.33 PF/P-30*	Establishment of a novel and rapid selective whole genome amplification and sequencing protocol for African Swine Fever Virus – Matthias Licheri, Bern

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12.45-14.00 Lunch break & Poster session (odd numbers) EXHIBITION & POSTER AREA

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Program Thursday, September 1,

SESSION 31	Early Career – Journal Club Challenge Chairs: Florian Tagini, Lausanne; Hanna Marti, Zurich
14.00-14.05	Introduction
14.05-14.15 S-100*	Glycolytic reprograming in Salmonella counters NOX2-mediated dissipation of ΔpH , <i>Nature Communications</i> Myriam Roth, Geneva
14.15-14.25 S-101	#Proinflammatory CD20 + T cells contribute to CNS-directed autoimmunity, Science translational Medicine Sudharshana Sundaresan, Zurich
14.25-14.35 S-102*	Clinical targeting of HIV capsid protein with a long-acting small molecule, <i>Nature</i> – Grégory Mathez, Lausanne
14.35-14.45 S-103*	Pathways for horizontal gene transfer in bacteria revealed by a global map of their plasmids, <i>Nature Communications</i> Alessia Carrara, Lausanne
14.45-14.55 S-104*	Mass-immigration determines the assembly of activated sludge microbial communities, <i>PNAS</i> Pilar Natalia Rodilla Ramírez, Lausanne
14.55-15.05 S-105*	Caloric restriction disrupts the microbiota and colonization resistance, <i>Nature</i> – Sedreh Nassirnia, Lausanne
15.05-15.15 S-106*	Age and the aging process significantly alter the small bowel microbiome, <i>Cell Reports</i> Elena Montenegro Borbolla, Lausanne
15.15-15.30	Closure and award

14.00-15.30

SESSION 32	Molecular Microbiology - Bacteriophages and Horizontal gene transfer Chair: Grégory Resch, Lausanne
14.00-14.30 M-48	No need to catch 'em all: Systematic exploration of phage-host interactions with the BASEL collection – Alexander Harms, Basel
14.30-15.00 M-49	Biophysics and modeling of R-type pyocin contraction Petr Leiman, Galveston (US)
15.00-15.15 S-107	Investigating the transcription activation and partitioning roles of the bi-functional BisD protein of the integrative and conjugative element ICEclc – Nicolas Carraro, Lausanne
15.15-15.30 S-108*	Phage therapy to exclude multidrug-resistant encapsulated pathogenic Escherichia coli from the gut Louise Larsson, Zurich

SESSION 33	Medical Mycology Chairs: Salomé Leibundgut-Landmann, Zurich Frédéric Lamoth, Lausanne
14.00-14.30 M-50	Unlocking the Mycobiota: Fungal Reservoirs, Drug Resistance, and Clinical Outcomes – Tobias Hohl, New York (US)
14.30-14.45 S-109*	Gene repertoires of the <i>Pneumocystis jirovecii</i> major surface antigen within infected patients from different geographical locations – Caroline Meier, Lausanne
14.45-15.00 S-110*	Card9 and MyD88 differentially regulate IL-17-producing T cell subsets in the Malassezia-colonized skin – Meret Tuor, Zurich
15.00-15.15 S-111	Fungal Testing Tools to Diagnose Invasive Fungal Infections in Allogeneic Hematopoïetic Cell Transplant Recipients between 2010 and 2019 – Arnaud Riat, Geneva
15.15-15.30 S-112	Adaptation of the Micronaut-AM test for Aspergillus spp. Antifongigram – Melissa Frund, Lausanne

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SESSION 34	Environmental Microbiology Chairs: Johanna Mayerhofer, Zurich; Jan Roelof van der Meer, Lausanne
14.00-14.30 M-51	pH control of indoor air as a strategy to reduce the transmission of respiratory viruses – Tamar Kohn, Lausanne
14.30-14.45 S-113	It takes two times two to tango – cryoEM structure resolution of the membrane- bound tetrachloroethene reductive dehalogenase complex – Julien Maillard, Lausanne
14.45-15.00 S-114	Viral inactivation by quaternary ammonium compounds: A systematic review – Anne Vescovi, Dübendorf
15.00-15.15 S-115*	Intracellular sulphur globules guide bacterial gravitaxis in dynamic chemical gradients – Francesco Di Nezio, Geneva
15.15-15.30 S-116	Bacterial proteolytic enzymes as biological scissors in the fate of enteroviruses in natural ecosystems Marie-Hélène Corre, Lausanne

15.30-16.00	Coffee break	EXHIBITION
16.00-16.15	SSM Awards Pilar Junier, Neuchâtel; Jacques Schrenzel, Geneva	AUDITORIUM C
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	SSM PhD Award 2022	
	Poster Awards	

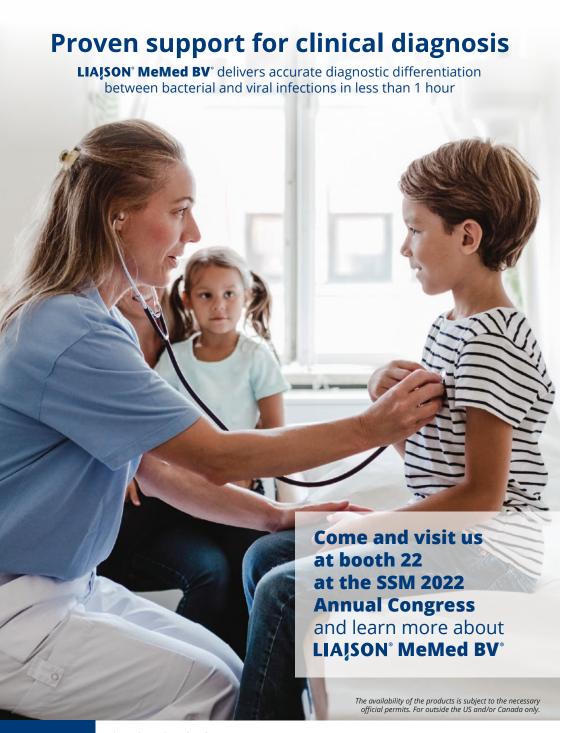
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	Keynote lecture Chairs: Alexandra Trkola, Zurich; Volker Thiel, Bern	AUDITORIUM C
K-04	Viruses emerging in a crisis-stricken wor challenges in prevention and preparedne Isabella Eckerle, Geneva	

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