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1. KNVM-NVVM Microbiology Congress 2016 in Papendal

The topics for the plenary and parallel sessions are settled. The programme for the KNVM-NVMM Microbiology Congress is under preparation.

Abstracts for oral and/or poster presentations may be submitted until the **abstract deadline of 2016 January 10, 00.00h.**

Please reserve the date of this annual Scientific Spring meeting, which will take place in Papendal (Arnhem) on 2016 March 22 and 23!

Further information on this congress may be found at:

http://knvm.org/events/annual_spring_meetings/spring_meeting_2016.

2. KNVM-NVMM Bachelor Master Symposium 2016

The 5th Bachelor Master Symposium (BAMA symposium) of the KNVM and NVMM will take place on 2016 March 23 during the Spring Meeting in Congress Centre Papendal.

Abstract submissions for oral or poster presentations and registration for the BAMA symposium will be possible by early 2016.

The primary aims of the BAMA symposia are:

- To offer microbiology students the opportunity to present their research project, and thereby get experience in oral or poster presenting on a national platform.
- To create opportunities for students and teachers to experience the scientific practice and atmosphere of a symposium/congress: exchange of ideas, exploring possibilities in the research or diagnostic area, making contacts and networking.
- To create a better understanding of microbiological opportunities among students and teachers for internships and jobs in various institutes, universities, hospitals and companies in the Netherlands and abroad.
- To offer teaching institutes and companies the opportunity to present their (research) programme and/or products.

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www.knvm.org/onderwijs

3. KNVM-NVVM Awards & Prizes 2016

At the KNVM-NVMM Microbiology Congress 2016 several microbiology awards and prizes will be presented in the following categories:

Poster prizes

Three poster prizes will be awarded for the best poster presentation at the congress.

'Kiem' Prize (for first publication)

Three Kiem prizes will be awarded to three microbiology students for their first scientific paper.

Westerdijk Award (for PhD-thesis)

The three best theses within the broad area of microbiology will be selected for this award.

Van Leeuwenhoek Award (for Postdoc)

Three Van Leeuwenhoek Awards will be presented to three Postdocs with a first publication as last author.

For rules and regulations please check the KNVM website

(www.knvm.org/knvm/awards_and_grants) or the NVMM website (www.nvmm.nl/awards-nvmmknvm).

The **deadline for submissions is 2016 January 15**.

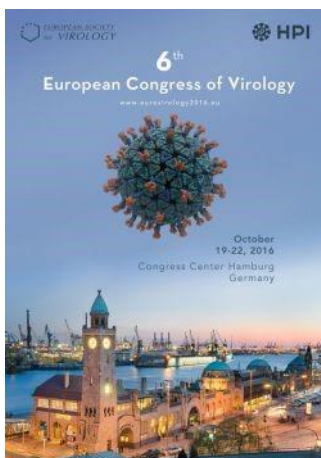
4. KNVM Divisional Meetings 2016

We inform you that divisional meetings have been scheduled for early 2016 by three KNVM divisions.

1. The KNVM **Microbial Ecology** division organises its annual meeting on Friday 2016 February 26 at the Science Park in Amsterdam. Keynote speakers are Julia Vorholt (ETH, Zurich) and Jaap Sinninghe Damsté (NIOZ, Texel). The programme includes offered presentations. For more information and registration go to: www.knvm.org/events/171 and <http://muyzer.eu/?p=234>.
2. The KNVM **Virology** division is co-organising the Dutch Annual Virology Symposium (DAVS), which will take place on 2016 March 11 in the Tinbergenzaal, Trippenhuis, KNAW, Kloveniersburgwal 29, Amsterdam. More information can be found at <http://www.knvm.org/events/166>.
3. The KNVM division **Education** is organising the annual BAMA symposium (presented separately under point 2 above).

5. Meetings, Courses and Other Events

European Congress of Virology (ECV2016) 2016 October 19-22, Hamburg (DE)



The 6th European Congress of Virology (ECV) will take place from 2016 October 19-22 at the Congress Centre Hamburg (CCH), Germany. The European Congress of Virology is the premier virology conference in Europe and is organised by the European Society for Virology (ESV). ECV2016 will bring together both junior and senior scientists, and will cover all aspects of virus research including basic, clinical, veterinary and plant virology.

For more information: www.eurovirology2016.eu

Lecture series on Microbiome in Health and Disease 2016 January 04-12, Artis, Amsterdam (NL)

Please find below the link to the programme of 10 lectures on the 'Microbiome in Health and Disease' to be held in Artis, Amsterdam, 2016 January 04-12.

- The lectures are free of costs for PhD-students and MSc-students from VU, VUA, UU, WUR and LU.
- The lectures are part of the MSc Biomedical Sciences and Biomolecular Sciences curriculum at the VU, and include a short literature study (total 3 credits) – may require approval of your local examination committee/supervisor.
- Subscription to the series will be closed on December 15, 2015 and attendance of all 10 lectures is obligatory.
- The course includes free entrance to the Artis Zoo on the day of the lectures and a visit to the Micropia museum.

For more information: www.micropia.nl/nl/ontdek/verdiep-je-in-de-microbiologie/the-human-microbiome-in-health-and-disease.

Subscription is on a first-come, first-served basis, as there is a limited capacity of the lecture hall at Artis. Please subscribe via your local contact.

Remco Kort

Bio Art & Design Exhibit on the ‘Microbiome Security Agency (MSA)’ Until 2016 February 07 , MU Artspace, Eindhoven (NL)

The Microbiome Security Agency (The MSA) invites visitors to secure their own microbiological data by investing in the MSA’s Community Bacteria Bank, a working prototype, now installed at [MU artspace](http://www.muartspace.nl) in Eindhoven, the Netherlands. Artist and designer Emma Dorothy Conley in collaboration with microbiologist Dr Guus Roeselers have created The Microbiome Security Agency, which investigates the future of microbiome privacy issues and prepares citizens for a future where our personal information is at risk through our biological datasets. Empowering citizens to secure their own data, The MSA researches and prototypes future scenarios, systems, products and processes for choosing your own microbiological privacy settings. For more information go to <http://knvm.org/news/566> and <http://welcometothemsa.com>.

6. FEMS Grants & Awards

FEMS Meeting Attendance Grants

Deadline: 2016 March 01.

www.fems-microbiology.org/grants/fems-meeting-attendance-grants.html.

For whom: FEMS provides Meeting Attendance Grants to early career scientists working in Europe who wish to attend microbiology meetings that are not supported by a FEMS Meetings Grant. The maximum amount of a Meeting Attendance Grant is € 600, the minimum € 250.

Meeting Attendance Grants may support attendance at meetings worldwide but preference will be given to meetings within the European area

FEMS Meeting Grants

Deadline: 2016 March 01.

www.fems-microbiology.org/grants/fems-meeting-grants.html.

For whom: FEMS supports selected meetings within the European Area with a Meeting Grant. Scientific conferences, laboratory workshops and training courses will be considered for such support. The maximum amount of a Meeting Grant is € 15 000.

Other FEMS opportunities

Info about grants as the FEMS Research Grants, FEMS-ASM Mäkelä-Cassell Award, the FEMS-Lwoff Award and the FEMS-Jensen Award may be found at www.fems-microbiology.org/grants-and-awards.html.

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