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1. 'My KNVM': edit your own membership record and search for other members

A new KNVM website (www.knvm.org) was launched late last year. In a fresh, new and modern lay-out you can find most information on the society, its activities, and a well-maintained events calendar.

A completely new feature is the 'My KNVM' section. After login, you will now be able to view and edit your own personal and membership details, and to tailor permission for other members to access your data. You will also be able to search the membership database and view contact details of other members (in as far as they have given permission to do so).

Through this email each member is now given access to her/his own 'My KNVM' section.

In a few simple steps you can create your own login details.

Step 1: Navigate to www.knvm.org/my_knvm/terms_of_service.

Step 2: Enter your unique code **4f2e4b91**

Step 3: Accept the Terms of Service

Step 4: Check (modify) and accept your membership / personal data

Step 5: Create your own password.

You are now already immediately logged in to 'My KNVM' and you may view (see menu on the

left hand side) the following pages:

- **Profile:** for your own membership information. There are a number of tabs available for the different classes of information. Under the tab **'Preferences'** you may modify the information that will be available to other members.
- **Almanac:** to search the database for other members
- **Notulen:** for files that are available for members only

After having browsed through 'My KNVM, please log-off.

Next time, when you want to login again you need to enter your login data in the fields in the box in the left (menu) column of www.knvm.org:

Email (user name): j.vandoorn@enzazaden.nl

Password: **the password you have created under step 5 above**

2. KNVM congress and symposia

KNVM-NVVM Scientific Spring Meeting 2014

The KNVM/NVVM Scientific Spring Meeting 2014 will be held again at Papendal near Arnhem on 2014 April 15-16.

Information on the programme, registration, abstract submission, and hotel arrangements are now available [KNVM website > Events > Annual Meetings > Spring Meeting 2014](#).

For the registration page [click here](#) (this link may also be approached via the [KNVM website](#))

Further information may be obtained from the congress bureau www.congresscompany.com.

Special session/book presentation on Antonie van Leeuwenhoek: **Groots in het kleine...**

As discussed during the KNVM Annual General Meeting (ALV 2013) at Papendal, the KNVM will continue the tradition to award the Van Leeuwenhoek medal. For the call for nominations and selection a jury will be installed (chairman Prof. Dr Oscar Kuipers, KNAW/KNVM). More about this medal will follow during the Annual General Meeting (ALV) at Papendal and in the next MicroNews issue. To inspire the KNVM members a special session about Van Leeuwenhoek has been planned at the KNVM-NVVM Scientific Spring Meeting with lectures from Prof. Dr Douglas Anderson, Dr Lesley Robertson and Dr Jantien Backer on 2014 April 15.

Furthermore, the KNVM sponsored a new book about Van Leeuwenhoek which makes is possible for interested KNVM members to purchase this book for a reduced price (€ 17.50) during the congress.

VAN LEEUWENHOEK Groots in het kleine

Antonie van Leeuwenhoek is een van de Nederlandse mannen van de Gouden Eeuw. Ook al is hij voornamelijk bekend om zijn ontdekkingswerk op het gebied van de natuurwetenschappen, was hij ook een van de grootste wetenschappers van de wereld op zijn tijd. Door baanbrekende ontdekkingen zoals de vee- en menselijke bacteriën, de menselijke spermatische vlaggetjes en de menselijke rode bloedcellen, heeft hij de natuurwetenschap op een geheel nieuw niveau gebracht. Dit boek is een eerbetoon aan zijn levenswerk en de wereldwijde impact van zijn ontdekkingen.

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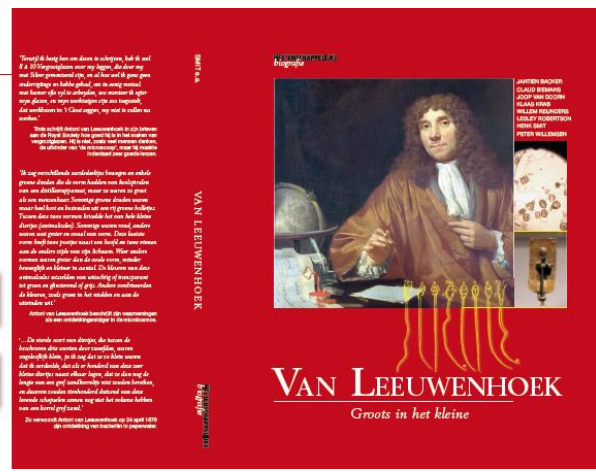
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Third BAMA Symposium, by the KNVM division Education

The 3rd BAMA Symposium will take place during the KNVM-NVVM Scientific Spring Meeting, at Congress Centre Papendal (Arnhem) on Wednesday 2014 April 16.

Bachelor as well as Master students are invited to present their research by oral or poster presentations. Abstracts for the presentations should have been filed already (deadline was 2014-01-12) via [KNVM website > Events > Annual Meetings > Spring Meeting 2014 > BAMA Symposium](#); at this site you can find where to register (no fees are charged; please mark the box "BAMA").

The most important goals of this BAMA Symposium are:

- To enable microbiology students to present their research to an international audience to experience this opportunity (oral or poster presentation)
- To give students as well as teachers the opportunity to experience the atmosphere and practice of a scientific symposium, to exchange ideas and opportunities in the diagnostic and scientific (microbial) field, to connect with state-of-the-art developments and trends, and, to network with the participants of this symposium
- To provide students and teachers with an improved impression of the possibilities for internships or jobs which might be offered by institutes, organisations and companies inside (even outside) the Netherlands
- To enable institutes, companies and educational organisations to present their research programmes and/or products

For further enquiries please contact Dr Loek van Alphen, Chair of the KNVM Division Education, alphenonderwijs@gmail.com.

Symposium of the KNVM division Food Microbiology

The symposium of the KNVM division Food Microbiology carries the title "How to keep it safe and under control? About spore forming bacteria and food related outbreaks". It will be organised on Thursday 2014 March 20 in the Hof van Wageningen, Lawickse Allee 9, 6701AN Wageningen (www.hofvanwageningen.nl; 0317-490133).

Programme:

- 09.30 - 10.00 Coffee break, start of the meeting
- 10.00 - 10.30 Gerard Weenk (Danone), Martijn Fox (NIZO Food Research)
Bacterial spores: controlling spores through mathematical models
- 10.30 - 11.00 Erwin Berendsen (NIZO food research)
Strain variation between *Bacillus subtilis* food isolates determines spore thermal inactivation kinetics in batch- and continuous flow heating systems
- 11.00 - 11.30 Coffee break
- 11.30 - 12.00 Robyn Eijlander (RU Groningen)
SporeWeb - a knowledge platform on gene regulatory networks during sporulation of *Bacillus subtilis*
- 12.00 - 12.30 Marc Heyndrickx (ILVO, Melle)
Spread of (extreme) spore forming bacteria from agriculture to food products
- 12.30 - 13.30 LUNCH
- 13.30 - 14.00 Eelco Franz (RIVM)
Outbreak of *E. coli* O104:H4 in Germany: basis for a new paradigm
- 14.00 - 14.30 Ingrid Friesema (RIVM)
Outbreak of *Salmonella thompson* in the Netherlands, caused by infected smoked salmon
- 14.30 - 15.00 Coffee break
- 15.00 - 15.30 Joost Smid (IRAS, U of Utrecht)
Source-specific risks for campylobacteriose; a combined case-control and source-attribution analysis

15.30 – 16.00 Pieter ter Steeg (Ter SteegMC)
Live or let die? A license to kill food microbiology fundamentalism
16.00 Closure of the meeting, drinks

3. KNVM Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of KNVM members ('Algemene Ledenvergadering - ALV') will be held during the KNVM-NVMM scientific spring meeting in Papendal.

Date: 2014 April 15, 12:45h – 14:00h (during the congress lunch break)

Location: Papendal, Arnhem

Who: All KNVM members (currently 1434)

Topics: Agenda will become available online at 'My KNVM'

4. Other microbiology meetings

Ninth International Conference on *Cryptococcus* and cryptococcosis (ICCC9)



From 2014 May 15-19 the "9th International Conference on *Cryptococcus* and cryptococcosis " (ICCC9) will be held in the Tropenmuseum in Amsterdam.

Website: www.iccc2014.org/en/Home_10_6_12.html

An excellent scientific programme will be provided with a diversity of sessions on the general and clinical impact of cryptococcosis, treatment and resistance, pathogen-host interactions, immunology, typing and detection, molecular biology, etc. For more information go to www.iccc2014.org/en/Scientific-programme_20_131.html.

Preceding the ICC9, a one-day 'Educational Symposium' will be held hosted by the 'European Confederation of Medical Mycology' (ECMM) covering diagnostics of yeast infections. For more information see www.iccc2014.org/en/ECMM-Symposium_20_270.html.

After the ICC9, a Genomics Workshop with the most recent opinions concerning genomics and a Clinical Master class covering the ins and outs of cryptococcosis and its treatment will be discussed.

The meeting will be accredited.

IUMS 2014



The International Union of Microbiological Societies (IUMS) will hold its three International Congresses (XIVth International Congress of Bacteriology and Applied Microbiology, XIVth International Congress of Mycology and XVIth International Congress of Virology) concurrently so as to favour cross-fertilisation among disciplines and hence foster a modern outlook on microbiology in the 21st century.

The Congress will be held on 2014 July 27 – August 01 in Montréal, Canada.

The on-line abstract submission, registration and accommodation sites are

now open: www.montrealiums2014.org.

Authors are invited to submit an abstract (in English) to be considered for an oral or poster presentation at the Congresses.

Deadlines:

Submission of abstracts: 2014 February 14 (**today!**)

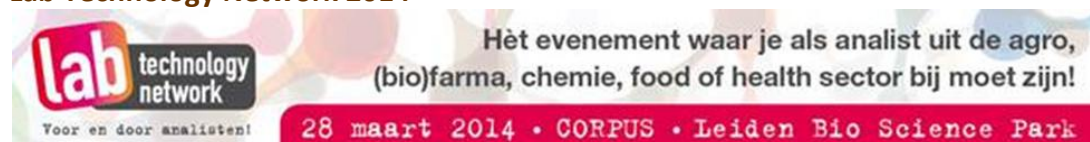
C2W Career Expo



On Wednesday 2014 April 09, C2W and the KNCV will organise the seventh edition of the C2W Career Expo. On that day the 'Jaarbeurs Utrecht' will be all about careers in chemistry, life sciences, food, pharmacy, laboratory technology and process technology. Just like previous years many companies will present themselves during this career event. Besides a large exhibition floor with many companies, there will be a programme with lectures and workshops on various themes like networking through LinkedIn, the advantages and disadvantages of pursuing a PhD and many more!

Entrance is free. Find more information on www.c2wcareerexpo.nl

Lab Technology Network 2014



The Lab Technology Network is organised by lab technicians for lab technicians from the agribusiness, (bio-)pharmaca, chemistry, food and health sectors. Presentations and active sessions covering trends, new technologies and development in the areas of:

- Drug research
- 3D technologies in the lab
- Ageing
- Biobased economy
- Entrepreneurship
- Education and career
- Meet your colleagues from the life sciences
- Panel discussion: lab technician 2.0: from pipette thumb to mouse arm.

In short, a meeting which you as a **lab technician** should attend!

For more information: miranda.de.regd@labtechnologynetwork.nl

5. Awards

IUMS - ICFMH Mobility Grants

The ICFMH Executive Board of the International Committee on Food Microbiology and Hygiene (ICFMH) of the IUMS present a new activity, the ICFMH Mobility Grants. These grants aim to promote the mobility of young researchers between research institutions which are active in the field of food microbiology and hygiene. The ICFMH sponsors Mobility Grants as short term fellowships to assist young scientists to pursue research at a host laboratory. For further information, guidelines and an application form, please visit our website (ICFMH Mobility Grants). Note that the deadline for the submission of applications is 2014 March 31.

For more information: grants@icfmh.org or contact the Secretary of the ICFMH Executive Board, Sara Bover, sara.bovercid@irta.cat.

FEMS Meeting Attendance Grants

FEMS provides Meeting Attendance Grants (MAGs) to young European scientists wishing to attend microbiology meetings that are not supported by a FEMS Meetings Grant. MAGs may support attendance at meetings worldwide but preference will be given to meetings within the European area.

Applying for Meeting Attendance grants? Visit the FEMS Meeting Attendance webpage at www.fems-microbiology.org.

Deadlines FEMS Grants 2014

2014 March 01 FEMS Meeting Grants (for meetings to be held in 2015)

2014 April 01 & 2014 September 01 FEMS Meeting Attendance Grants

2014 June 15 & 2014 December 01 FEMS Research Fellowships

2014 June 01 & 2014 December 01 FEMS National & Regional Congresses Grants

6. Membership fees 2014

In 2013 the KNVM membership fees were for the first time collected by direct debit (automatische incasso) for those members who had authorised the society to do so.

We encourage **those members who did not yet authorise** the society – and who hold a **regular or student** membership* - to complete and submit the [authorisation form](#), so that you will be included in the direct debit run for this year (2014) and the years to come. That will save you € **5.00** (see www.knvm.org/membership), and will save us work!

The date of next year's direct debit run will be around 2014 April 29. So if you submit your authorisation form before **2014 April 01** you will be included in that run; otherwise you'll have to pay by bank transfer, including the additional € 5.

** Please note that for institutional members and KNVM-NVMM dual members nothing will change and they will not need to submit an authorisation form.*

6. Selected microbiology events

2014 Mar 07

[Dutch Annual Virology Symposium \(DAVS\)](#)

Het Trippenhuis, KNAW, Tinbergenzaal, Kloveniersburgwal 29, Amsterdam, NL

2014 Mar 23

[12th European Conference on Fungal Genetics](#)

Sevilla, ES

2014 Mar 30

[Stalked alpha-Proteobacteria and Relatives](#)

Marburg, DE

2014 April 01

[Vibrio 2014](#)

Edinburgh, UK

2014 April 02 (revised date!)

[From Emerging to Pandemic Viruses](#)

Roscoff, Brittany, FR

2014 April 09

[6th European Spores Conference](#)

Egham, Surrey, UK

2014 Apr 15-16

[KNVM/NVMM Scientific Spring Meeting 2014](#)

Papendal, Arnhem, NL

2014 May 14-16

[Innate host defence mechanisms in infections](#)

Utrecht, NL

2014 May 15-19

[9th International Conference on Cryptococcus and cryptococcosis \(ICCC9\)](#)

Royal Institute of the Tropics (KIT), Amsterdam, NL

2014 Jul 27 – Aug 01

[IUMS 2014](#)

Montréal's Convention Centre (Palais des Congrès de Montréal), Montreal, CA

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