

Welcome!

We would like to cordially invite you to attend the Annual Conference of the Vereinigung für Allgemeine und Angewandte Mikrobiologie (VAAM) to be held in Jena, Germany, March 19th-22nd, 2006.

Over 3.000 scientists are organised in the Association for General and Applied Microbiology (VAAM), which promotes the exchange of scientific information and co-operation of its members with the aim to fostering research in microbiology and to translating the results of microbiological research to the benefit of society and the environment.

This is made possible through the annual conference in spring where all the different fields of microbiology are represented, as well as through special conferences on individual microbiological topics organised by the special groups (Fachgruppen) focusing on specific subjects.

In 2006, the annual conference will be organised by scientists of the Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena and the Leibniz Institute for Natural Product Research and Infection Biology - Hans-Knoell-Institute (HKI).

This annual conference in Jena will cover most of the relevant areas of microbiology with special emphasis on the major research fields of the microbiologists in Jena. Jena is one of the oldest centres of microbiological research in Germany. Today, groups working on different aspects of microbiology are found at the HKI, various Institutes at the Friedrich-Schiller-University, at the University of Applied Sciences Jena, at the Max Planck Institute for Chemical Ecology, the Max Planck Institute for Biogeochemistry, and several Biotech companies, making Jena to an exciting place for microbiologists.

You are cordially invited to bring your scientific expertise to this conference and to make it, with your personal contribution, an outstanding scientific event.

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PROGRAM

1. Natural Product Research
2. Interaction of Microorganisms with Microorganisms / Plants / Humans
3. Metabolism of Anaerobes
4. Microbial Pathogens and Pathogenicity
5. Systems Biology / Bioinformatics
6. Biotechnology
7. Development
8. Evolution
9. Ecology and Environmental Microbiology, Microbial Diversity
10. Functional Genome Analysis
11. Genomics / Transcriptomics / Proteomics / Metabolomics
12. Degradation
13. Physiology
14. Identification / Systematics
15. Cellular Microbiology
16. Regulation of Gene Expression

Open topics

INVITED SPEAKERS (confirmed July 26th, 2005)

Markus Aebi, CH
Jan R. Andreesen, D
Gerhard H. Braus, D
Joachim F. Ernst, D
Georg Fuchs, D
Regine Hakenbeck, D
Matthias Horn, A
Dieter Jahn, D
Peter F. Leadlay, UK
Mohamed A. Marahiel, D
William Martin, D
Lotte Søgaard-Andersen, D
Sebastian Suerbaum, D
Nicholas J. Talbot, UK
Cees Van den Hondel, NL

CALL FOR PAPERS

Authors are invited to submit abstracts of max. 250 words in length, related to one of the conference topics, for publication in BIOSpektrum.

Deadline: 15 December 2005

VENUE / DATE

Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena, Campus
Carl-Zeiss-Platz · 07743 Jena
19 – 22 March 2006

The official language of the conference is English.

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WELCOME!

Jena is definitely worth a visit. During the middle ages, Jena was a wine-growing district. Castles and stately mansions in the vicinity of Jena and also the Napoleonic battlefield of 1806 can be visited throughout the year. The Friedrich-Schiller-University dates back to 1558.

Not only did the great German poets Goethe, Schiller, and Hölderlin talk about the fascination of Jena, but they were also very enthusiastic about the Jena hills, with their limestone formations and their orchid-covered valleys. Their attentive eyes discovered the attractions, which today still give the university and industrial city, with approximately 100.000 inhabitants and 23.000 students, its character: A centre of the classical and romantic period, with the more recent addition of the sciences and high technology.

Come and see the world's oldest Planetarium, Goethe's famous Ginkgo at the Botanical Garden, the Optical Museum, Schiller and Goethe memorials, or the mineral collection (of course, founded by Goethe) featuring interesting meteorites and crystals.

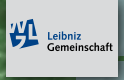
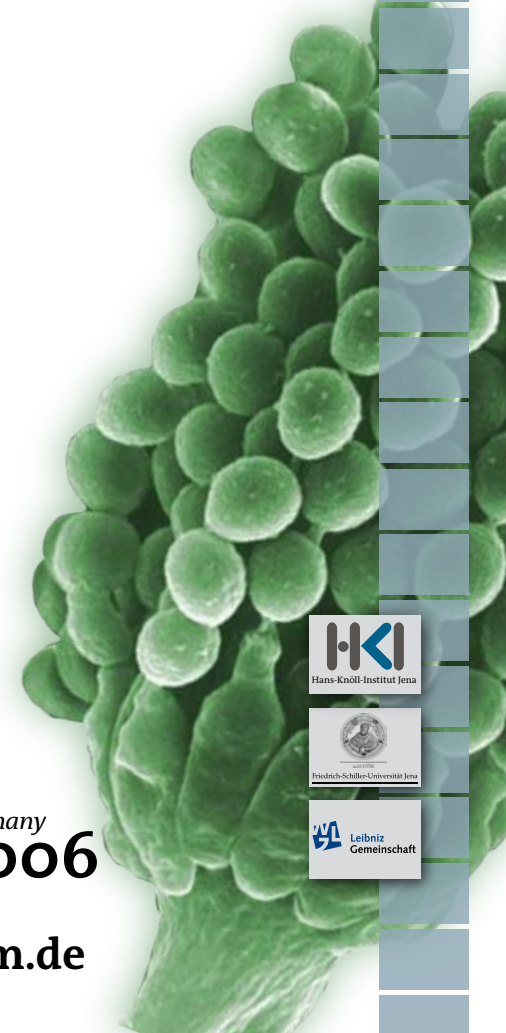
This cultural and intellectual tradition and the fact that Jena is the location of most-up-to-date industries provide an ideal setting for scientific congresses and meetings which are attended by people from all over the world.

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