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of the Association for  
General and Applied **2022**  
Microbiology

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Julia Frunzke and Michael Feldbrügge

Dear colleagues and friends,  
Dear microbiologists,

We are excited to welcome you to the VAAM 2022 in Düsseldorf.

The research area of microbiology is shaped by a longstanding and close cooperation between the Heinrich Heine University and the Forschungszentrum Jülich.

We are proud to cover a broad spectrum of microbiological topics including applied microbiology, cell biology, pathogenicity, evolution and structural biology. We also study a wide range of microbial organisms, from bacteria and bacteriophages to fungi with heterotrophic and phototrophic lifestyles. Microbial research is at the heart of local collaborative research initiatives like the plant excellence cluster CEPLAS and the CRC 1208 investigating membrane biology. Competitive education programmes at the Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf link for example microbiology and quantitative biology ranging from bachelor, master to PhD programmes like the Manchot graduate school *Molecules of Infection*.

Besides an attractive scientific programme, you will get to know our developing campus with new research buildings, e.g., the *Center for Synthetic Life Sciences*.

Düsseldorf is located in a region where its people are known for their friendliness, openness and their love to come together and celebrate. You can see and experience it best in one of the pubs you can find in the historic town centre of Düsseldorf. However there are so many more reasons to come visit, and we are looking forward to meet the microbiology community in Düsseldorf.

Yours  
Julia Frunzke and Michael Feldbrügge

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**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

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## SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACT UNTIL 05 NOVEMBER 2021

Take your chance to become part of the next VAAM conference. Submit an abstract on your current research and do not miss the opportunity to present your findings to your colleagues!

### Abstract Topics

- Archaea and Extremophiles
- Bioeconomy
- Biotechnology
- Environmental Microbiology and Ecology
- Fungal Biology
- Infection Biology
- Membrane Biology
- Microbial Cell Biology
- Microbial Diversity and Evolution
- Microbial Multicellularity
- Microbial Physiology and Metabolism
- Microbial Structures
- Microbiomes
- Open Topics
- Phototrophic Microorganisms
- Regulation
- RNA Biology
- Secondary Metabolism and Natural Products
- Single Cell Microbiology
- Symbiosis
- Synthetic Microbiology
- Systems Biology
- Viruses of Microbes

All accepted abstracts will be published in the digital abstract booklet.

### Abstract Guidelines

Please submit your abstract online and in English only. All information and guidelines for submission can be found at [www.vaam-kongress.de](http://www.vaam-kongress.de).

Every workgroup is kindly asked to submit the number of abstracts according to the 3-to-1-rule (3 posters, 1 oral presentation) as defined by the VAAM.

### Travel Grant for VAAM Student Members

#### Application Deadline: 05 November 2021

Eligible to apply are student members of the VAAM who have submitted an abstract. Only one author per abstract can apply for this grant (120 EUR). Moreover, per tutor only 4 students can apply for a travel grant.

The application for the VAAM travel grant can be made with your online registration.

### Time Schedule and Deadlines

05 November 2021	Abstract submission deadline
	Travel grant application deadline
November 2021	Review of submitted abstracts
Early December 2021	Notification of authors
15 December 2021	Early bird registration deadline

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Venue and Date

Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf  
Buildings 22.01 | 23.01 | 22.02  
Universitätsstraße 1 | 40225 Düsseldorf (DE)  
20–23 February 2022

### Hosting Society

Association for General and Applied Microbiology  
[www.vaam.de](http://www.vaam.de)



### About VAAM

The association represents about 3,500 microbiologically oriented scientists in Germany. VAAM promotes the scientific exchange of information and the cooperation of its members with the aim of implementing research results from microbiology for the benefit of society and the environment. VAAM members also serve as valued experts for questions from the public.

### Conference Chairs

Prof. Dr. Julia Frunzke  
Forschungszentrum Jülich  
Institute of Bio- and Geosciences | IBG-1: Biotechnology

Prof. Dr. Michael Feldbrügge  
Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf | Institute for Microbiology

### Industrial Exhibition

The conference will host an exhibition. Interested companies are invited to request detailed information on the modalities from Conventus.

### Professional Congress Organiser

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