SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM OMGN2025

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12-12 Jul 2025 Cologne (Germany)

12th July

Koelnmesse Confex

Koelnmesse Halle 1, 50679 Köln, Germany

8h15-9h00	Check-in and badge pick-up
9h00-9h15	Welcome (Claire Gachon)
9h15-10h00	Chair Mahmut Tor
	Keynote Bart Thomma (30 min +15 min)
	Fungal pathogens co-opt ancient antimicrobials for host manipulation
10h00 - 11h15	Host Mechanisms of Resistance and Susceptibility <mark>3 talks</mark> + <mark>3 short talks</mark>
	Chair Erica Goss
<mark>10h00-10h15</mark>	Guido Van Den Ackerveken - Analysis of a lettuce cell surface immune receptor mediating
	nlp-triggered immunity
<mark>10h15-10h30</mark>	Chih-Hang Wu - Spatiotemporal dynamics of organelles during resistosome-mediated
	hypersensitive cell death triggered by an oomycete effector
<mark>10h30-10h45</mark>	Hou Yingnan - Apoplastic small RNAs contribute to plant immunity against Phytophthora
	pathogen
<mark>10h45-10h55</mark>	Qiao Yongli - Sugar metabolism regulates Phytophthora root and stem rot
<mark>10h55-11h05</mark>	Schlathoelter Ina - Deciphering cacao pod defense responses to Phytophthora palmivora and
	P. megakarya using comparative RNA-seq analyses
<mark>11h05-11h15</mark>	Herrera Corzo Mariana - Characterizing Phytophthora palmivora Virulence Gene Variation
	Using Targeted Capture Sequencing and RNA-seq

Coffee break

	Flash talks Chair Elodie Gaulin
11h45-12h45	
11h45	Thomas Hainaux - AGROBODYTM bioactives: novel biocontrol agents for oomycete plant
	disease control
11h50	Natalia Ramirez Carrera - Boosting the performance of Pythium oligandrum for biocontrol
	and biostimulation in potato
11h55	Susanna Anbu - Deciphering Mechanosensing in Plants During Pathogen Invasion
12h	Liyuan Wang - Effector gene silencing coordinated by histone methylation and small RNAs enhances host adaptation in Phytophthora sojae
12h05	Callum Scott - Identification and Functional Characterisation of Extracellular Targets in
	Phytophthora Infestans
12h10	Sarah Wurzel - Phylogenomics and Physiology of Oomycete Pathogens Infecting Red Algae,
	Brown Algae, and Diatoms Towards Biocontrol and Biosecurity
12h15	Lida Derevnina - Phytophthora infestans suppresses host immune responses by targeting two unrelated helper NLRs
12h20	Pelin Yuksel - Molecular Characterization of a Natural Resistance Gene Stack in Lettuce
12h25	Hadeed Ahmad - Strategic application of essential plant nutrients to manage Citrus
	gummosis by inducing activation of defense-related enzymes
12h30	Sandra Maria Bejar Hermoza - The Oomycete and Fungal Culture Collection of the Real Jardín
	Botánico (RJB-CSIC) as a key resource for Oomycete studies
12h35	Darius Kosmützky - The transcription factor MpGRAS7 is a novel susceptibility factor with a
	role in reproductive development in Marchantia

12h40	Claire Gachon - Hypersensitive-like cell death and autophagy are two successive and broadly
	conserved lines of defence of brown algae against their oomycete pathogens

Lunch break + posters

13h45-15h00	Innovation in Management and Diagnostics <mark>3 talks</mark> + <mark>3 short talks</mark>
	Chair : Edouard Evangelisti
<mark>13h45-14h00</mark>	Wang Zhuoyue - Systematic Optimization of LAMP Assays for Kauri Dieback Diagnostics
<mark>14h00-14h15</mark>	Unal Gizem – Optimizing dsRNA-Based Strategies for Controlling Downy Mildew in Pea
<mark>14h15-14h30</mark>	Jeanne Miebach – High throughput image analysis and quantification of aggregation of an
	aquatic fungus on its algal host: Paraphysoderma sedebokerense almost never attacks
	Haematococcus spp. alone
<mark>14h30-14h40</mark>	Patricia Manosalva – Phytophthora cinnamomi populations affecting avocado in the U.S.A.
	exhibit large phenotypic variability and potential introductions from Mexico
<mark>14h40-14h50</mark>	Paula Ortega – Exploring the Evolution of Saprolegniales: Were ancestral Oomycetes
	Parasites?
<mark>14h50-15h00</mark>	Max Pluis - How does Phytophthora make the cut?

Coffee break + posters

15h30-16h15	Keynote by Vivianne Vleeshouwers (30 min + 15 min)
	Title
	Chair Miaoying Tian
16h15-17h30	Molecular Mechanisms of Pathogenicity 3 talks + 3 short talks
	Chair Sebastian Schornack
<mark>16h15-16h30</mark>	Yan Wang - A Phytophthora apoplastic trypsin-like serine protease targets the receptor-like
	kinase BAK1 to dampen plant immunity
<mark>16h30-16h55</mark>	Renuka Kolli - A Phytophthora Effector Targets the Host Chloroplast Movement Mechanism
<mark>16h45-17h00</mark>	Kostareli Maria-Myrto – Investigating the Molecular Architects of Phytophthora Zoospores
<mark>17h00-17h10</mark>	Xiao Lin - A Phytophthora infestans RXLR effector S04373 subverts plant ETI by blocking
	nuclear-cytoplasmic shuttling in plant cells
<mark>17h10-17h20</mark>	Yuen Enoch Lok Him - A Plant GTPase-Activating Protein Inhibits Autophagy and Immune
	Trafficking Against P. infestans
<mark>17h20- 17h30</mark>	Claudia Meisrimler - Transcriptomic and functional analysis of effector-mediated immune
	suppression in red needle cast disease caused by Phytophthora pluvialis

End of the day

Informal get-together from 6 pm onwards for food and drinks at L'Osteria Cologne Deutz (https://losteria.net/de/)



Instructions for presenters

Orals: Thank you to keep within your allocated time and also to make space for questions. For example, we'd suggest that if you're allocated a 15 minutes slot, your talk should last 10 min. Flash talks should be up to three slides maximum. Chairpersons are kindly asked to keep up with time. Please send your presentation as a .pptx or .pdf file to **omgn2025@proton.me** at the latest on Jul 10th, so they can be uploaded onto the conference room system. We may not be able to accommodate last minute changes.

Posters: should be of A0 size maximum, in portrait orientation. Poster numbers will follow soon. Please try to hang your poster in the morning, pins will be available. The poster session will take place during coffee breaks and lunch. As we need to vacate the room space at the end of the day for the MPMI conference, make sure to take back your poster with you before leaving.



We wish you all a fantastic day in Cologne!