CHLAM HEALTH MEETING

Veterinary Chlamydia Meeting & German Chlamydia Workshop

The Chlam Health Meeting 2024 combines the annual German Chlamydia Workshop (DCW) with the Chlam Health Meeting (VetChlam/ZoonBact) focused on veterinary chlamydiae and other zoonotic bacteria.

Date: **19. - 23. February 2024**
Venue: Hotel Monte Verità in Ascona, Ticino, Switzerland (CH)
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Registration: **15.11.2023 to 15.01.2024**
→ Registration Link
Please read page 3-4 of this flyer for detailed instructions.

Cancellation policy: *No fee will be charged for any cancellations made until **5.2.2024**. However, any cancellations made after **5.2.2024** will not be eligible for reimbursement.*

Registration fees:

	VetChlam (19.-21.)	DCW (21.-23.)	Whole Meeting (19.-23.)
Senior Scientist*	**250 CHF**	**250 CHF**	**400 CHF**
Junior Scientist**	**120 CHF**	**120 CHF**	**200 CHF**

*Faculty, Postdoc
**Students (undergraduate, graduate, PhD)

Fees include conference participation and materials, coffee breaks, as well as lunches (20.-22.2.), dinners at Monte Verità (19.2., 21.2.) and excursions (20.2., 22.2.).

Not included in the registration fee: Dinner on Tuesday and Thursday (20.2., 22.2.). Please note that the kitchen at Monte Verità is closed during those times. A list with restaurants will be provided for dinner on Tue/Thu.

Abstracts: Opens soon, website: **→ Abstract submission**
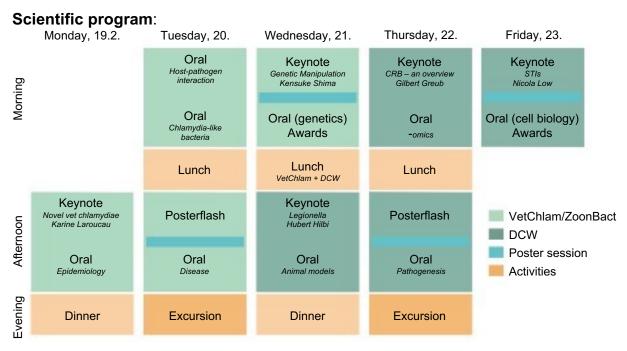Submission deadline: **January 15, 2024**

More information: On page 2, you find information regarding:
- The scientific program
- Keynote speakers
- Travel options and accomodation
- Excursions

More information

Scientific program:

	Monday, 19.2.	Tuesday, 20.	Wednesday, 21.	Thursday, 22.	Friday, 23.
Morning		Oral *Host-pathogen interaction* Oral *Chlamydia-like bacteria*	Keynote *Genetic Manipulation Kensuke Shima* Oral (genetics) Awards	Keynote *CRB – an overview Gilbert Greub* Oral *-omics*	Keynote *STIs Nicola Low* Oral (cell biology) Awards
		Lunch	Lunch *VetChlam + DCW*	Lunch	
Afternoon	Keynote *Novel vet chlamydiae Karine Laroucau* Oral *Epidemiology*	Posterflash Oral *Disease*	Keynote *Legionella Hubert Hilbi* Oral *Animal models*	Posterflash Oral *Pathogenesis*	
Evening	Dinner	Excursion	Dinner	Excursion	

Legend:
- VetChlam/ZoonBact
- DCW
- Poster session
- Activities

Keynote speakers: Karine Laroucau, ANSES Paris
Kensuke Shima, University of Lübeck
Hubert Hilbi, University of Zurich
Nicola Low, University of Bern
Gilbert Greub, University of Lausanne

Travel options:

Public transport to Locarno:

To Locarno: *By plane* (airports listed below): with additional trains to Locarno
Airports: Zurich (ZRH), Milano (MXP), Basel (BSL), Geneva (GVA)
By train: trains from any destination to Locarno

From Locarno to Monte Verità:

From Locarno: *By shuttle bus* (organized by the Chlam Health meeting)
By taxi

Public transport in Ticino: **→ Ticino ticket**

There are free parking spaces available on Monte Verità. It is possible to arrive by car.

Accomodation: Monte Verità can be directly booked during registration (pages 3-4)
Note for students: Casa Gioia can be shared (lower price)

Excursions: Excursions are included in the registration fees
- Tuesday, Feb 20: City tour Ascona
- Thursday, Feb 22: City tour Locarno

Registration Information (Step 1):

Dear Participant,

kindly follow these **2 STEPS** to register and to book your bedroom at Monte Verità Centre

Step 1 - registration and payment of the conference registration fee

Step 2 – booking and payment of the bedroom fee

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:
payments are possible only by credit card

STEP 1 - Registration and payment of the registration fee*
***Note: Indicate at the registration for which meeting(s) you register and whether you are faculty or a student** (see instructions below)

Fill out and submit the → Registration form.

In the comment field (below "Departmen/faculty" and above "Arrival date"), please add the meeting(s) for which you register and your position:

Meetings:
- VetChlam (19.2.-21.2.)
- DCW (21.2.-23.2.)
- Whole conference (19.2.-23.2.)

Position:
- Senior Scientist
- Junior Scientist

Institute

Department/faculty

Comments e.g. VetChlam/Senior Scientist

Arrival date

Once you have successfully paid the registration fee, you will receive 2 E-mails:

1. the first E-Mail will be sent by the *Saferpay* Platform and will confirm that payment of the registration fee has been successful.

2. the second E-Mail will be sent by the CSF database and will contain the following → LINK and the **CONFERENCE CODE**, necessary to access the Monte Verità Bedroom Booking Platform.

   Use this code for Step 2.

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Registration Information (Step 2):

STEP 2 – Booking and payment of bedroom

→ Monte Verità
To access this Platform, use the code you have received upon registration (Step 1).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:
- Book your bedroom latest 15 days prior to arrival. After that date the Platform will be closed.

- **Cancellation policy**: No fee will be charged for any cancellations made until 5.2.2024. However, any cancellations made after 5.2.2024 will not be eligible for reimbursement.

Bedroom – PLEASE NOTE

- single rooms are limited and some have a shared bathroom.

- if you wish to share a twin room with a colleague, please mention both names at the time of booking.

- if you wish to book a shared double room with an accompanying person (not active participant), please mention both names at the time of booking (*please be aware that accompanying persons pay the standard room price and are not entitled to the CHF 28.- additional price reduction per person and night granted by CSF/ETHZ to active participants.*).

- the rooms on this platform can be booked only for the duration of the conference (Monday to Friday, 19.2.-23.2.2024)

- For pre- and post-night booking at a hotel in Ascona/Locarno, please contact the organizers (Nicole Borel, nicole.borel@uzh.ch)

In case there is no availability or in case you do not wish to stay at Hotel Monte Verità, you can look for another hotel in the nearby Ascona village (15-20 minutes on foot from Monte Verita Centre). A list of potential hotels can be provided by the organizers (Nicole Borel, nicole.borel@uzh.ch)

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