



Symposium

Towards the origins of leprosy: molecular approaches to understand one of mankind's oldest diseases

Wednesday, May 23th, 2018

12:15-20:00, Irchel Campus, Room Y16-G-15

12:15 – 12:20	Prof. Dr. Dr. Verena Schünemann (Institute of Evolutionary Medicine, University of Zurich): <i>Welcoming words</i>
12:20 – 13:00	Dr. Sarah Inskip (McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research, University of Cambridge): <i>“Osteoarchaeology and leprosy in Medieval England and Iberia.”</i>
13:00 – 13:40	Dr. Helen Donoghue (Centre for Clinical Microbiology, University College London): <i>“Mycobacterium leprae ancient DNA in different populations.”</i>
13:40 – 14:20	Prof. Dr. Dr. Verena Schünemann (Institute of Evolutionary Medicine, University of Zurich): <i>“Ancient Mycobacterium leprae genomics: tracing back leprosy’s past diversity.”</i>
14:20 – 14:45	Break
14:45 – 15:25	Prof. Dr. Ben Krause-Kyora (Institute of Clinical Molecular Biology, Kiel University): <i>“Insights from ancient DNA on the immunogenetics of leprosy.”</i>
15:25 – 16:05	Prof. Dr. David Minnikin (Institute of Microbiology and Infection, University of Birmingham): <i>“Exploring the origins of leprosy.”</i>
16:05 – 16:45	Dr. Andrej Benjak (Global Health Institute, EPFL Lausanne): <i>“World-wide phylogeography of Mycobacterium leprae.”</i>
16:45 – 17:15	Break
17:15 – 18:30	Keynote talk: Prof. Dr. Anne Stone (School of Human Evolution and Social Change, Arizona State University): <i>“The leper’s tale: relationships among strains in humans and other animals.”</i>
18:30 – 20:00	Poster session and Apéro

All talks are public events and the participation is for free. Please register for the poster session via email to Prof. Dr. Dr. Verena Schünemann till May 15th. Registration for participation is NOT required but desired.

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Directions to the Irchel Campus, University Zurich

The Irchel Campus may easily be reached by public transportation via the tram, lines 7, 9, 10, 14, or the bus lines 39, 69 to the stops «Universität Irchel» or «Milchbuck».

The mini-symposium will be held at **Room Y16-G-15**. The room is located in building **Y16**, floor **G**, Room 15 (www.plaene.uzh.ch.room/Y16-G-15).



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