

Zürich Mycology Symposium 2022

21st of January and 10th of June
University of Neuchâtel



After two years of on-line versions, the Zürich Mycology Symposium was held in a hybrid format for the first time in 2022. The first part of the meeting, was held virtually on January 21st. In this virtual meeting, different groups working on mycology across Switzerland presented their work in a half day (morning only). A second day was then allocated to an in-person meeting, this time across the “Röstigraben” in Neuchâtel on June 10th.

Both of the meetings were highly successful. The first virtual meeting was attended by up to 100 participants, while the second day was attended by 48 people. As it is traditional for the Zürich Mycology Symposium, each one of the participating laboratories and/or research groups selected one PhD or master student to present their work in an oral presentation. In addition to this, in the in-person part of June 10th, for the first time of its history, the Symposium featured a poster session during the lunch break. Finally, this year, we had the opportunity to celebrate the careers of four colleagues who had retired during the past 2 years. Two of these colleagues, Dominique Sandglard and Daniel Rigling, presented an overview of their career and discussed with the public about the opportunities and challenges they encountered during their professional path.

The meeting was also the opportunity to discuss a closer integration of the Swiss mycology community within the SSM. For this, the meeting was renamed “Swiss Mycology Symposium” and its frequency was changed to every second year, in

order to have mycology as one of the sections having a dedicated symposium during the SSM annual meeting every second other year.

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The organizing committee,

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