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11th Biennial Meeting of the Chlamydia Basic Research Society

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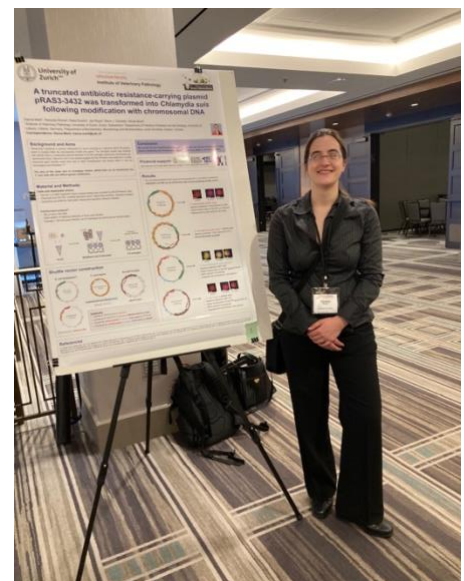
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For the first time since 2019, the members of the Chlamydia Basic Research Society (CBRS) could gather for their biennial conference after a Covid-induced hiatus. The 11th conference took place in Omaha, Nebraska, USA, and is the most comprehensive and varied conference dedicated to the Chlamydiae phylum. For four days, I was able to learn from and discuss the most recent research concerning these elusive and complex bacteria with almost 200 participants including the top shots in our field.

I had the opportunity to present my most recent data in the form of a poster entitled "A truncated antibiotic resistance-carrying plasmid pRAS3-3432 was transformed into *Chlamydia suis* following modification with chromosomal DNA."



Poster Session B on Wed, March 22, 2023.

The poster was met with considerable interest, and I was honored to discuss my research with some of the best in the field of chlamydial genetics, a rather new and challenging subfield of *Chlamydia* research.

Highlights of this conference included the honor of presenting my own research but also the pleasure of eating lunch and dinner with colleagues that I have not seen since before the pandemic. The hospitality and approachability of the local organizers and the citizens of Omaha was inspiring and made this meeting truly memorable. The long anticipated CBRS banquet took place at the Omaha Performing Arts and was filled with food, laughter, music and great company.

Thank you, Swiss Society for Microbiology, for the travel award, which considerably lowered the costs of my participation.