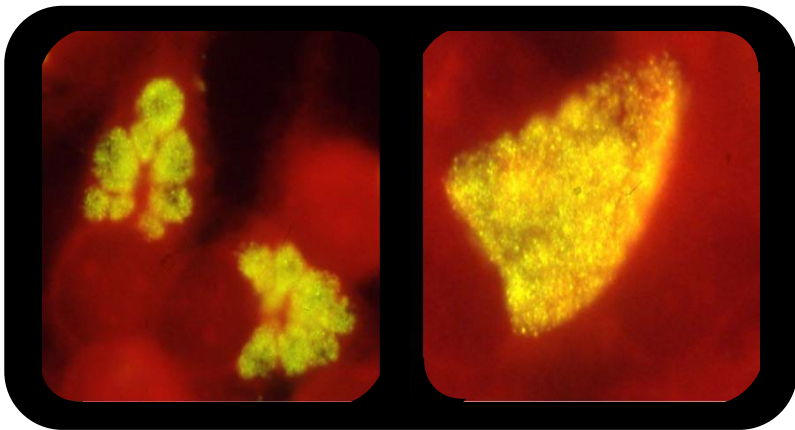


15<sup>th</sup> AACM

**Fifteenth Annual Amsterdam**

***Chlamydia* Meeting**



Hotel Mercure Amsterdam City

30 June 2023  
9.00 – 17.00

## Preface

**Welcome:** This year we organise the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Amsterdam *Chlamydia* Meeting (15<sup>th</sup> AACM). As in previous years, we have a Prize for the best presentation and pitch by a (PhD-)student. The quality of the presentations will be assessed by senior researchers present at the meeting. This year our opening keynote lecture is by prof. Raphael Validivia (USA) and in addition, we have another keynote lecture by prof Maggie Hammerschlag (USA). As from the first AACM forward, we have many junior speakers including PhD students. This year marks the fourth time we have pitches before lunch by students, PhD students, post-docs, or staff on the work in which they are engaging for the upcoming years. We are confident that the speakers will spark the minds of both young as well as established Chlamydiologists and trigger valuable discussions this day!

**Acknowledgements:** We would also like to thank those involved in the organization and sponsoring of this meeting.



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Prof.dr. Servaas A. Morré



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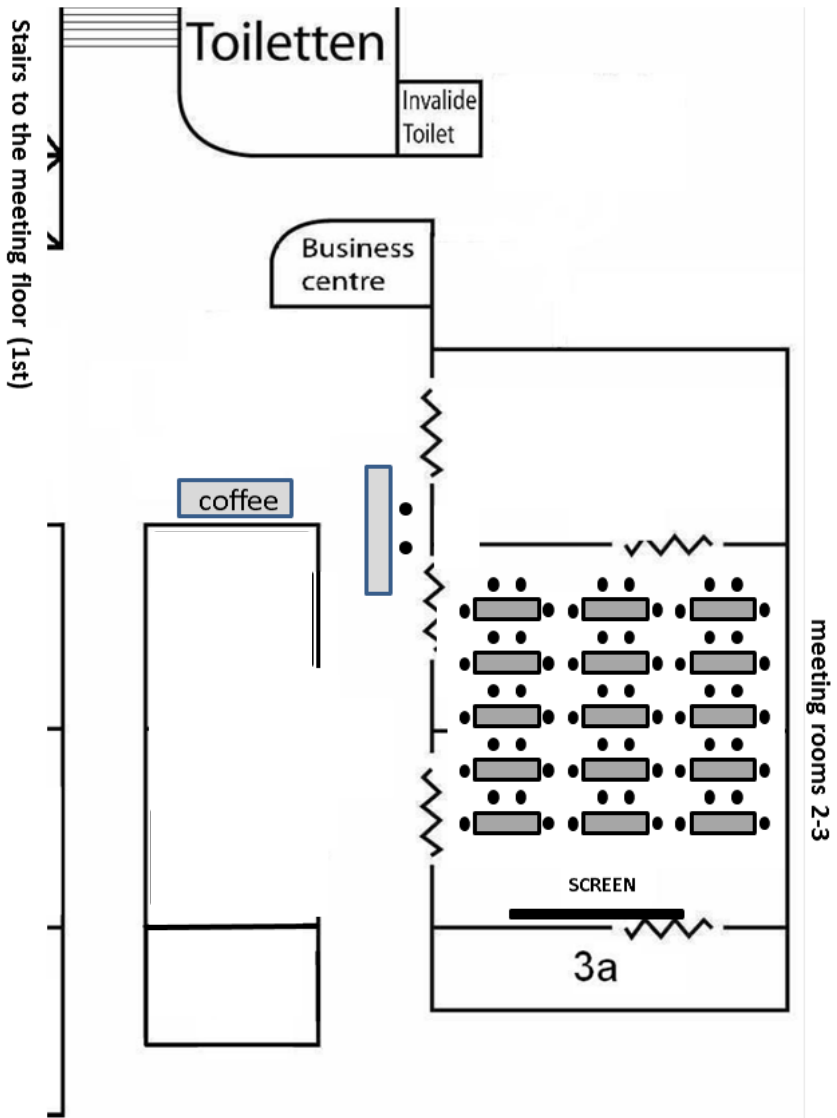
Dr. Sander Ouburg



Drs. Zoïe Alexiou

## Floor plan (1<sup>st</sup> Floor, room 3)





# Programme

8.00 – 9.00 **Registration to the symposium**  
(1<sup>st</sup> floor, Foyer)

9.00 Prof. Servaas Morré (NL)  
*Opening of the symposium*

## **Session: Models to study Chlamydial Infections**

9.10 Keynote: Prof. Raphael Valdivia (USA)  
*Organoid models to study the interactions between Chlamydia and epithelial & immune cells*

9.50 Drs. Jaehyeon Kim (NL)  
*OviChip: Next generation (in vitro) oviduct model for Chlamydia infection*

10.10 Drs. Ibe van de Castele (BE)  
*LNPs as a carrier for mucosal administration of self-amplifying-mRNA based vaccines*

10.30 – 11.00 **Coffee Break**

## **Session: Clinical studies & Epidemiology**

11.00 Prof. Margaret Hammerschlag (USA)  
*Strategies for the prevention of perinatal chlamydial infection*

11.30 Drs. Carlotta Gamberini (NL)  
*Exploring the natural course of genital infections in pregnancy: Findings from the Pemba Island Biobank Cohort*

11.50 Dr. Silke David (NL)  
*Do we change Chlamydia trachomatis testing policy at Centers of sexual health?*

## **Pitches**

12.10 Drs. Zoïe Alexiou (NL)  
*Triple trouble? C. trachomatis, C. pneumoniae, and C. psittaci antibodies in women with and without reproductive tract complications*

12.15 Drs. Violette Defourt (NL)  
*Rapidemic: a novel single-visit multiplex test for Chlamydia trachomatis and Neisseria gonorrhoeae*

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- 12.20 Ing. Roel Heijmans (NL)  
*First results of the Chlamydia trachomatis LAMP based Point of Care test*
- 12.25 Dr. Alice Sijts (NL)  
*Animal and organoid models to determine the contribution of CD8 T cells to Chlamydia trachomatis-specific immunity*
- 12.30 Drs. Alcira de Vries (NL)  
*The Comeback of the Condom*
- 12.35 Drs. Ilja van Bergen (NL)  
*Assessing the impact of changing chlamydia testing policy on behaviour and STI prevalence*
- 12.40 – 13.30 **Lunch**
- Session: Zoonosis and One Health**
- 13.30 Prof. Daisy Vanrompay (BE)  
*Emerging Chlamydia infections in animals and their zoonotic potential*
- 13.50 Drs. Anne de Meyst (BE)  
*Belgian cross-sectional epidemiological study on zoonotic avian Chlamydia spp. in chickens*
- 14.10 Drs. Jyothi Vadlamudi (NL)  
*One health approach on Chlamydiae: Immunoblot detection of CT, Cpneu, Cpsit.*
- 14.30 Dr. Marloes Heijne (NL)  
*One Health collaboration in the detection of zoonotic chlamydial infections in the Netherlands*
- 14.50 – 15.10 **Coffee break**
- Session: Diagnostics including Serology and Point-of-Care Testing**
- 15.10 Dr. Pierre Thomas (NL)  
*Reproductive health and serological burden of Chlamydia trachomatis and Human Papilloma Virus in the Allahabad District, Uttar Pradesh, India*

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- 15.30 Iris Scholte (NL)  
*Final results of the Netherlands Chlamydia Cohort Study (NECCST): risk for reproductive health complications and chlamydia antibody response in women*
- 15.50 Drs. Zoïe Alexiou (NL)  
*Trends in Chlamydia trachomatis IgG seroprevalence in the general population of the Netherlands over 20 years*
- 16.10 Dr. Fimme Jan van der Wal (NL)  
*Using peptides as antigens for antibody detection*
- 16.40 Moderators meet to select the best oral presentation by a (PhD-) student and the best pitch by a (PhD-)student**
- 16.50 Best presentation by a (PhD-)student prize & Best pitch by a (PhD-)student prize**
- Closing remarks: Prof. Servaas Morré**
- 17:00 - 18:00 Drinks with "bitterballen" (Foyer, lobby level)**
- 18:00 Diner (Restaurant Mercure Amsterdam City)**