1st International Conference
Wild Plant Pathosystems

Theory, communities and ecosystems, structure and variation, genetics and genomics, epidemiological and evolutionary dynamics, coevolution, agro-ecological interface, crop wild progenitors, resistance breeding applications

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Conference Venue
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The main topics of the Conference
This international conference will address theoretical and methodological aspects related to wild plant pathosystems, e.g.: ecological and genetic view of coevolutionary interactions, phylogenetics and speciation, general plant-pathogen perspectives, ecological genomics of host-pathogen interactions, developing a common conceptual framework for antagonistic interactions, pathogens and community structure, epidemiological and evolutionary dynamics across the agro-ecological interface, trends in emerging and invasive pathogens, wild crop progenitors, sources of resistance, breeding applications.

The main aspects covered by the Conference
1. Phylogenetics & speciation
2. Ecological genomics of host-pathogen interactions
3. Developing a common conceptual framework for antagonistic interactions
4. Pathogens and community structure
5. Epidemiological & evolutionary dynamics across the agro-ecological interface
6. Trends in emerging and invasive pathogens
7. Applied aspects, wild progenitors, sources of resistance, resistance breeding

Keynote Speakers (examples)
- H. Alexander (University of Kansas, Lawrence, USA) C. Malmstrom (Michigan State University, East Lansing, USA) Plant-virus interactions in switchgrass
- J. Burdon, P. Thrall (CSIRO Plant Industry, Canberra, Australia) Integrated evidence for co-evolution in natural host-pathogen associations
- E. Holub (University of Warwick, Wellesbourne, UK) Following Biffen's footsteps with insights from Arabidopsis-Albugo candida interactions
- A.-L. Laine (University of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland) Ecological genomics of host-pathogen interactions
- B. McDonald (ETH Zurich, Switzerland) The role of effectors in the emergence of host-specialized fungal pathogens: a phylogeographical perspective
- M.W. Shaw (University of Reading, UK) The population dynamics of disease on short and long time-scales
- M. Thines (J.W. Goethe University, Frankfurt (Main), Germany) Phylogeny, evolution and diversity of oomycetes - a global perspective
- J. Walsh (University of Warwick, Wellesbourne, UK) Plant – virus co-evolution in wild brassicas

We are looking forward to meeting you in historical city Olomouc. We will do our best to make your stay comfortable and interesting.