



Bonar Hall | Dundee, Scotland, UK

3rd Plant Microbiome Symposium

24th - 26th May 2022

3rd Plant Microbiome Symposium aims to minimise the environmental impact of the meeting and contribute towards a safe and healthy environment.

3rd Plant Microbiome Symposium supports the sustainability statement of the conference venue, [Bonar Hall](#) and other partners and suppliers.

Organiser

Pre-Congress

- We focus on digital communication and do without a printed programme booklet.
- We select local suppliers to avoid long distance transport of goods and people.
- We avoid printing and aim for an almost paperless event experience.

During the event

- Encourage our sponsors/exhibitions to provide digital information.
- We use digital signage, where possible in effort to reduce single-use signage options.
- Work with our conference venue to select seasonal and regional food for the catering and order carefully to avoid food waste.

Industry- exhibitors and partners

During the event

- Use recyclable or reusable material for the stand construction.
- Avoid materials containing PVC.
- Integrate energy-saving measures in your stand design.
- Less is more –rethink the number of printed brochures and flyers or change to a digital version.
- Rethink your give-aways and offer sustainable versions.
- Use reusable tableware for your catering at the stand space.
- Choose local partners for your needs.

Delegates and visitors

Travel

- Analyse the carbon footprint associated with your travel to and from Dundee by using this [calculator](#).

- Offset the carbon footprint by compensating unavoidable emissions through acknowledged projects, for example [The UN Carbon Offset Platform](#).
- Get active out and about in Dundee city. A compact city bursting with places of interest, history, and things to see, it is so easy to get around. [Dundee's active travel routes](#) in and around the city have been developed over the last few years with a key objective to encourage travel through walking, cycling and public transport, and deploy sustainable alternatives to decarbonise transport.
- When using a taxi you might think of sharing it with one of your fellow delegates.

Hotel

- Select a hotel that supports sustainability activities where possible.
- Consider selecting a hotel in the vicinity of the conference venue so you can walk to the venue or use a bike.
- Only use the air conditioning if it is really necessary.
- Turn off the lights and TV when leaving the room.
- Select the type and amount of food during meals sensibly in order to avoid food waste.

During the Congress

- Consider bringing your own reusable water bottle and refilling it.
- Only pick up printed marketing and information material that you are really interested in and that you will use.