

XII National Microbiology Meeting, Montevideo, Uruguay, May 12-14 2017

The Meeting was a great opportunity for exchange among the Uruguayan microbiologists. It included research work from several fields, covering fundamental aspects of microbial cells biology, virology, biotechnology, environmental microbiology, clinical microbiology, etc. Environmental microbiology accounted for a quarter of the works submitted, revealing its growing impact at the national level.

The funds requested were employed to invite Dr. Mónica Vásquez (Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile) as plenary speaker, and to sponsor the participation of ten undergraduate and postgraduate students presenting their work at the meeting.

ISME was represented by the young and senior ambassadors in Uruguay (Dr. Karina Antúnez and Dr. Claudia Piccini), the senior ambassador in Chile (Dr. Mónica Vázquez), and the International Board Member Dr. Cecilia Alonso. They met during the conference and discussed possibilities for the organization of a regional microbial ecology meeting, to be held in 2019.



Young ISME Ambassador, Karina Antúnez, and the students sponsored by ISME.



ISME representatives. From left to right: Claudia Piccini, Karina Antúnez, Cecilia Alonso, and Mónica Vásquez.