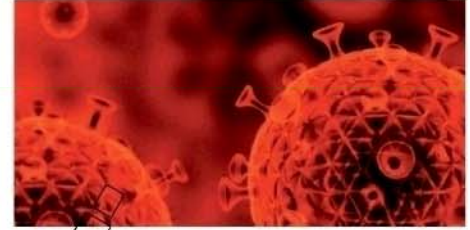




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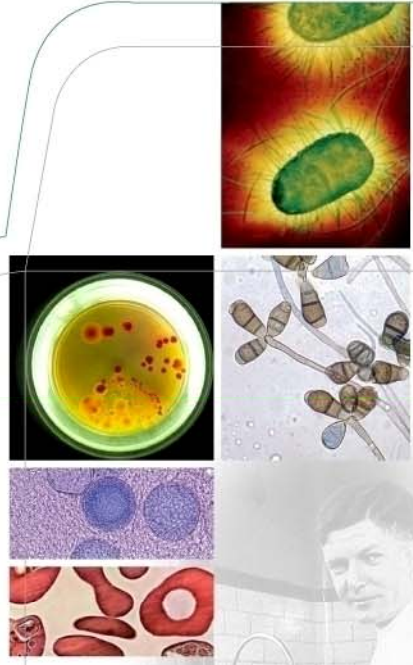
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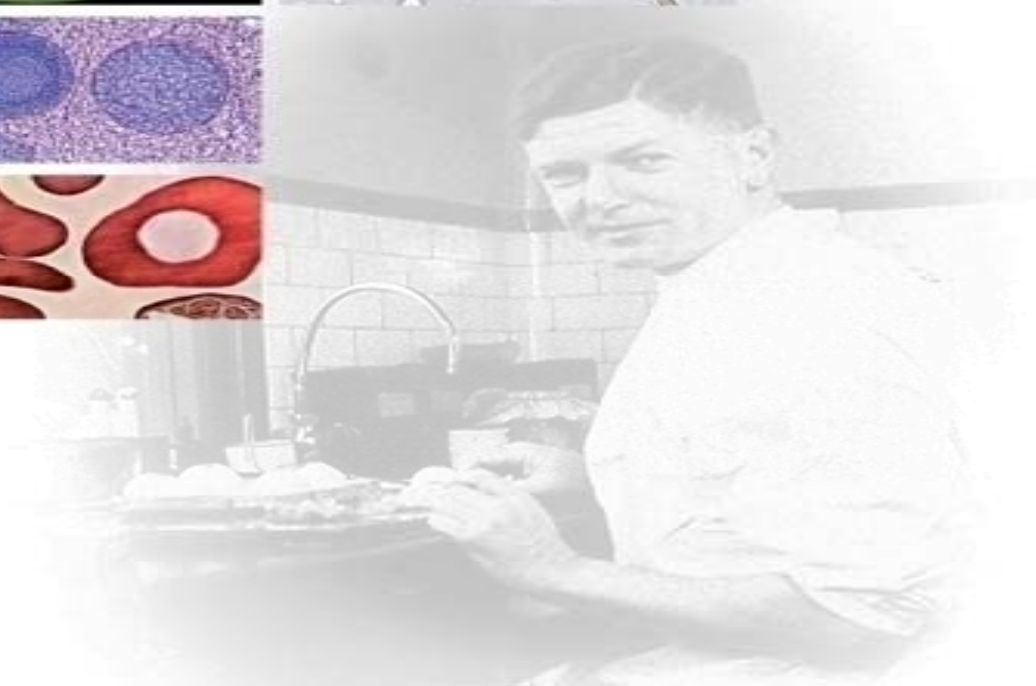
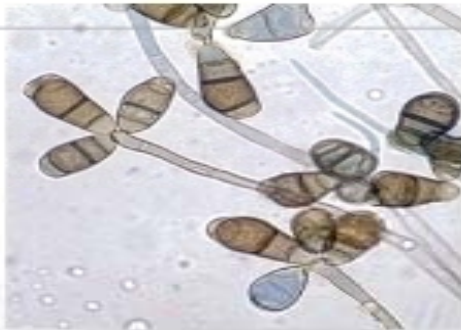
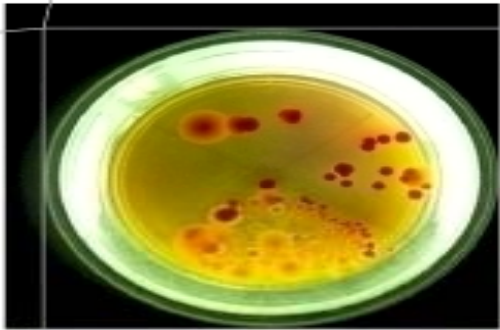
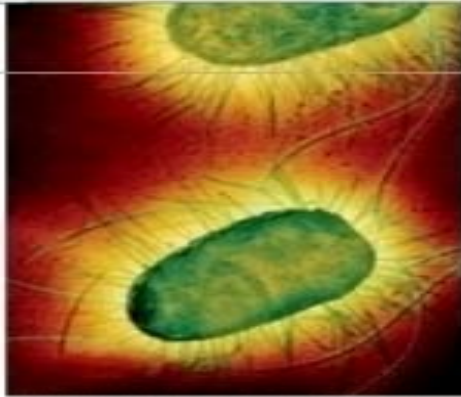




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Things to take advantage of

- **The Fenner Award**
- **Visiting Speakers Program**
- **Postgraduate Travel Awards**

The Problems

- Time
- Member expectations
- Meeting “competition”
- Cost





A better way?

A National meeting every two years

Higher attendance numbers

The off years – Substantial targeted support for specialist meetings

Better ASM branding and higher profile amongst disciplines