Every year the School of Life Sciences at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Lausanne (EPFL) holds a major international symposium on its campus: the EPFL Life Science Symposium (LSS).

The LSS2012 will be organized by the Global Health Institute (GHI). It will take place August 29th -31st, 2012 under the title “Global Health meets Infection Biology”.

This two and a half-day event begins with a keynote lecture and is structured around four core themes that will each feature several high profile speakers from around the world:

- Global Health
- Evolutionary genomics of pathogens and their hosts
- Mechanisms of infection
- Innovative interventions

Speakers will include:

Mark Achtman, University College Cork, Ireland
Barry Bloom, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, USA
Carmen Buchrieser, Institut Pasteur, Paris, France
Jean-Laurent Casanova, The Rockefeller University, New York, USA
Myron Cohen, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA
Guillaume Duménil, INSERM U.970, Equipe Avenir / Equipe 9, Paris, France
Christopher Dye, World Health Organization, Geneva, Switzerland
Lutz Gissmann, German Cancer Research Center, Heidelberg, Germany
Béatrice Hahn, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA
Lennart Hammarström, Karolinska Institutet at Huddinge Hospital, Stockholm, Sweden
Antonio Lanzavecchia, Inst. for Research in Biomedicine, Bellinzona, Switzerland
Denise Monack, Stanford School of Medicine, USA
Bali Pulendran, Emory Vaccine Center, Atlanta, USA
Rino Rappuoli, Novartis Vaccines & Diagnostics, Siena, Italy
Feng Shao, National Institute of Biological Sciences, Beijing, China
Steven Sinkins, University of Oxford, UK
Natalie Strynadka, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada

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Further details on the Symposium, including final program, are available at:
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