ANNUAL 2024
CONFERENCE

EDINBURGH, UK
08–11 APRIL 2024

Exhibition and Sponsorship Pack

microbiologysociety.org/microbio24
Invitation From
The Chief Executive

On behalf of the Microbiology Society, I am delighted to invite you to participate in our Annual Conference 2024 at the ICC in Edinburgh. Our Conference programme brings together researchers, academics and industrial microbiologists to address the key challenges affecting our world today, from antimicrobial resistance and infection science through to climate change, and empowering communities that shape the future of microbiology.

Over the three days there will be opportunities to network with delegates across all career stages, oral and poster presenters, and authors publishing in our journals. As always, industry plays an important part and in addition to the exhibition you can submit an abstract or host an industry sponsored session.

As a not-for-profit publisher this event would simply not be possible without the revenue generated from the Society's journals, and the contributions from industry, to help develop the pipeline of our future microbiologists.

I look forward to welcoming you to Annual Conference 2024.

Dr. Peter Cotgreave
Microbiology Society Chief Executive

About the
Microbiology Society

WE ARE WELCOMING to anyone interested in microbes, their effects and their uses. Our reputation as a friendly, nurturing and approachable community, driven by the experience of a diverse set of members, is extremely important to us.

WE ARE TRANSPARENT and professional in everything we do. We believe that decisions should be informed by evidence and expertise, and that scientific methods form a robust and dependable way of developing reliable evidence.

WE ARE DEDICATED to our charitable aims. We are not for profit, and strive to ensure that all our resources are applied optimally to furthering the science of microbiology and its application.
Get Involved
With The Community

Passport to Prizes

A fun, engaging and entertaining way to ensure you maximise the opportunities to meet and network with people from all areas of microbiology, and generate one-to-one conversations.

Increase your attendee exposure through this customised incentive to drive traffic to your stand - the ‘Passport to Prizes’ competition!

Careers Fair

We offer the opportunity for exhibitors to get involved in our careers fair, which may comprise of presentations at the breakout sessions and spaces to engage with postdoctoral researchers who want to learn more about the industry, the presenting companies and potential job opportunities.

Presentations

By widening the opportunities for industry, we are offering opportunities for you to collaborate with the community. We combine our community’s knowledge with your expertise, to turn ideas and innovation into reality.

• Submit your research as an oral or poster presentation to inspire an audience who may one day lead in shaping the future of microbiology.
• Hold an industry sponsored session to offer an in-depth view of advancements in your sector and ignite discussions in the scientific community.

Visit microbiologysociety.org/annualconference for details on submitting an abstract and please talk to us about our industry sponsored sessions at exhibitions@microbiologysociety.org.
Microbiology Society

Statistics

Over 1,600
Annual Conference delegates.

Over 5,646,273 page views on microbiologysociety.org
Over 4,896,476 page views on the Society’s publishing platform, microbiologyresearch.org

Over 7,200 members.

Over 70,000 Twitter followers and counting. Find out what this community is talking about.

Join the 62,000 followers on LinkedIn.

Did you know? We have a range of advertising options to boost your sales and marketing campaigns. See our media pack for details.

A view from Twitter during Annual Conference 2022.

4,451 tweets
1,435 contributors
2,515,184 reach
18,949,060 timeline deliveries

Join us this year and be part of the conversation.
Conference Data

Delegate Footfall

DAY 1: 1,357
DAY 2: 1,457
DAY 3: 1,453
DAY 4: 1,236

Delegate Breakdown

Geographic
- 74%: UK
- 9%: Europe
- 15%: Rest of World
- 2%: Canada/US

Audience
- 79%: University
- 9%: Institute
- 6%: Other
- 4%: Government
- 2%: Industry
- 1%: Health

Networking Opportunities

100% of our exhibitors rated Annual Conference 2022 as excellent or good

We’ve met with customers in our current customer base and managed to pick up new leads, more people are aware of our brand and we also gained more social media followers!

PCR Biosystems

150 world-leading speakers
30 scientific sessions
500 posters
400 talks/presentations

All statistics from Annual Conference 2022.
Exhibitor Space

The Edinburgh International Convention Centre (EICC), UK

Limited spaces available. Book early to choose your preferred stand.

To identify available exhibition space, please visit the Annual Conference website: microbiologysociety.org/annualconference

Contact us to book

Email: exhibitions@microbiologysociety.org or tel: +44 (0)203 034 4870

Destination Edinburgh

Visit www.eicc.co.uk to find out more about the venue and things to do when you’re there.
Exhibitor Packages

From making an impact with the Gold, Silver and Bronze packages, through to individual options from our pick and mix, we have a range of options to help you reach and strengthen your connections in this targeted community.

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If you have specific requirements to help boost your sales and marketing please speak to a member of our team who can help develop bespoke packages that meet your needs.

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*Furniture not included. Furniture can be ordered directly with our Conference suppliers.
Rethinking the POWER of our partnership

Explore new ways to work with us

How can you **develop, expand and strengthen** your network and our future microbiology leaders?

Complete the questionnaire for a chance to win £1,485* off your next exhibition. *T&Cs apply

Full T&Cs can be found by scanning the QR code.
Dates For Your Diary

**FEBRUARY 2024**

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| Monday 8 April     | Exhibition set-up: 07:30 – 10:00  
Exhibition hall opens: 10:00 – 18:00 |
| Tuesday 9 - Thursday 11 April | Exhibition hall opens: 07:30 – 18:00                           |
| Thursday 11 April  | Exhibition hall closes, dismantling of exhibition stands: 14:00 – 16:00 |

* Timings are subject to change.

For a full overview of our Conference programme visit our website: microbiologysociety.org/annualconference
Company name
(To appear on promotional material)
Contact name
Email address
Contact number

Are you a first-time exhibitor?
❍ No  ❇ Yes

How did you hear about the Microbiology Society?

❍ Email  ❇ Previous Society conference  ❇ Other conference
❍ Web search  ❇ Recommendation  ❇ Other

Product Category
We collect this information to better serve our exhibitors.
Please select as many categories that are relevant to your organisation:

❍ Academic institution  ❗ Laboratory services  ❗ Biotech organisation
❍ Medical equipment  ❗ Not-for-profit organisation  ❗ Diagnostic equipment
❍ Government agency  ❗ Pharmaceutical company  ❗ Laboratory equipment
❍ Publishing company

Information for invoicing purposes:

Name of organisation to be invoiced
(if different from above)
FAO/Name of contact
(if different from above)
Email address
(if different from above)
Company VAT number
Address of organisation to be invoiced
Currency of organisation to be invoiced (£, €, $)
P.O. Number
Please complete all boxes that apply: Full details can be found on page 7 of the exhibition and sponsorship pack.

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Please indicate preferred stand number. We will try and accommodate your preferred stand number but due to high demand this cannot always be guaranteed.

VAT at the current UK rate (20%) will be added to the above costs. An invoice will be issued once your space allocation has been confirmed.

By signing this form, you agree to adhere to the exhibition terms and conditions.

Signed

Date

Please send the completed form together with your company logo and website address to: exhibitions@microbiologysociety.org
1. Interpretation

1.1 The definitions and rules of interpretation in this condition apply in these Terms and Conditions.

- **Events**: the Events being held by the Microbiology Society at the Location during the Conference Times.
- **Application**: the application form signed by the Client and submitted to, and accepted by, the Microbiology Society.
- **Business Day**: a day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in England when banks in London are open for business.
- **Location**: the address and location within that address at which the Event is being held as set out in the Application (but subject to any changes to such address and location under and in accordance these Terms and Conditions).
- **Exhibition Pack**: the information pack supplied by the Microbiology Society to the Client setting out details of the Event. Any reference to Exhibition Pack in these Terms and Conditions shall exclude the Application and these Terms and Conditions.
- **Conference Times**: the dates and times in which the Event is being held as set out in the Application (but subject to any changes to such dates and times under and in accordance these Terms and Conditions).
- **Client**: the person who enters into the Contract with the Microbiology Society to take advantage of promotional opportunities at our Events.
- **Contract**: the contract between the Microbiology Society and the Client to which these Terms and Conditions apply.
- **Confidential Information**: any information, however it is conveyed, that relates to the business, affairs, developments, trade secrets, know-how, personnel and suppliers of the parties, together with all information derived from the above, and any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked as “confidential”) or which ought reasonably to be considered to be confidential.
- **Contract Plan**: the plan of the exhibition spaces at the Location as set out in the Exhibition Plan.
- **Intellectual Property**: patents, utility models, rights to inventions, copyright and neighbouring and related rights, trademarks and service marks, business names and domain names, rights in get-up and trade dress, goodwill and the right to sue for passing off or unfair competition, rights in designs, database rights, rights to use, and protect the confidentiality of, confidential information (including know-how and trade secrets), and all other intellectual property in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications and rights to apply for and be granted, renewals or extensions of, and rights to claim priority from, such rights and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection which subsist or will subsist now or in the future in any part of the world.
- **Microbiology Society**: The Microbiology Society, a company incorporated in England and Wales with company number 01039582 and whose registered address is at 14–16 Meredith Street, London, EC1R 0AB.

2. Contract Scope

2.1 The Client has the right to attend the Event at the Location during the Conference Times, and the benefits to be provided (and/or made available) to the Client by the Microbiology Society shall be those included in the package selected by the Client in the Application and further particularised in the relevant sections of the Exhibition Pack.

2.2 The Contract sets out the entire agreement and is comprised exclusively of the Application, these Terms and Conditions and such information in those section of the Exhibition Pack headed 'Important dates', 'Exhibitor packages', 'Pick and Mix' and sponsorship options and 'Exhibition space' as apply to the Package. Any other information set out in the Exhibition Pack is for information purposes only and is not intended to be binding.

2.3 The Client shall comply with each of those dates and deadlines set out in the Exhibition Pack under the heading 'Important dates' which are applicable to the Package together with any other reasonable deadlines notified by the Microbiology Society to the Client from time to time.

2.4 To the extent that there is a conflict between these Terms and Conditions, the Application and those aspects of the Exhibition Pack comprised in the Contract, the Application shall prevail over the Exhibition Pack and these Terms and Conditions, and the relevant aspects of the Exhibition Pack shall prevail over these Terms and Conditions.

3. Exhibition Space and Promotions

3.1 If the Package includes Exhibition Space:

(a) the Microbiology Society will use its reasonable endeavours to allocate the Client’s preference as indicated in the Application however the Microbiology Society cannot guarantee that the Client's preference will be available and accordingly the Microbiology Society reserves the right to allocate alternative Exhibition Space;

(b) unless otherwise authorised in writing by the Microbiology Society, the Client shall refrain from delivering and/or installing its exhibit outside of the Setting Up Period and shall refrain from dismantling and/or removing its exhibit outside of the Restoration Period;
(c) the Client shall keep and maintain its Exhibition Space in a safe, clean and tidy state and no later than the end of the Restoration Period, shall remove its exhibit in its entirety and shall leave its Exhibition Space in the condition it was in immediately before the Client’s use of the same;

(d) the Client (acting promptly) shall comply with all reasonable instructions issued by the Microbiology Society from time to time in connection with any exhibition or anything else which is displayed by the Client at the Exhibition Space allocated to the Client;

(e) from the beginning of the Event to the end of the Event, any and all of the Client’s goods, equipment, belongings and/or other materials used or kept by the Client at that Exhibition Space shall be at the sole risk of the Client and the Client shall be solely responsible for the security of the same;

(f) the Microbiology Society reserves the right at any time to make alterations to the floor plan of the Exhibition as may be necessary in the best interests of the Exhibition as a whole and to alter the shape of the space allocated to the Client but this would not reduce the size of the allocated stand;

(g) whilst the Exhibition Space allocated to the Client shall not be allocated to any other clients, it is nevertheless provided on a non-exclusive basis and such area shall remain accessible by Microbiology Society’s authorised personnel and such other persons as are authorised by Microbiology Society from time to time.

3.2 If the Package includes promotions, any and all material or content which the Client wishes to incorporate or include as part of the relevant promotion or otherwise display at the Event shall be subject to the prior written approval of the Microbiology Society.

3.3 The Microbiology Society accepts no liability for the omission of the Client’s name, details or logos from the Event advertisements in print or online, or other documentation in the event that such documentation has been produced prior to the Client entering into the Contract or by reason of the Client’s failure to provide the necessary information and/or materials by the relevant deadlines for such inclusion specified in the relevant sections of the Exhibition Pack or otherwise notified to the Client by the Microbiology Society from time to time.

4. Payment Terms

4.1 The Client shall pay to the Microbiology Society the fees applicable to the Package as indicated in the Application. Unless expressly stated in the Application, all fees shall be exclusive of VAT, which, if applicable, will be charged in addition to the fees. Payment must be made to the Microbiology Society in accordance with the following terms:

(a) bookings made during the previous Event held by the Microbiology Society in the Year immediately preceding the Year in which the Event is to be held, requires a 100% payment by the Client no later than 1 May in the Year immediately prior to the Year in which the Event is to be held;

(b) bookings made following the previous Event held by the Microbiology Society in the Year immediately preceding the Year in which the Event is to be held, but before 31 January in the Year in which the Event is to be held, requires a 100% payment immediately upon booking;

4.2 The Client shall ensure that details provided on their registration form are correct for invoicing purposes. Any changes to the invoice or raising additional invoices will be charged for separately.

5. Termination

5.1 The Client shall be entitled to terminate the Contract without cause by giving not less than 90 days written notice to the Microbiology Society.

5.2 Without affecting any other right or remedy available to it, the Microbiology Society may terminate the Contract with immediate effect by giving written notice to the Client if:

(a) the Client fails to pay any amount due under the Contract on the due date for payment;

(b) the Client commits a material breach of any other term of the Contract;

(c) the Client suspends, or threatens to suspend, payment of its debts or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due or admits inability to pay its debts or (being a company or limited liability partnership) is deemed unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or (being an individual) is deemed either unable to pay its debts or as having no reasonable prospect of so doing, in either case, within the meaning of section 268 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or (being a partnership) has any partner to whom any of the foregoing apply; or

(d) the Client commences negotiations with all or any class of its creditors with a view to rescheduling any of its debts, or makes a proposal for or enters into any compromise or arrangement with its creditors; or

(e) a petition is filed, a notice is given, or an order is made, for or on connection with the winding up of the Client (being a company); or

(f) an application is made to court, or an order is made, for the appointment of an administrator or if a notice of intention to appoint an administrator is given or if an administrator is appointed over the Client (being a company); or

(g) the holder of a qualifying floating charge holder over the assets of the Client (being a company) has become entitled to appoint or has appointed an administrative receiver; or

(h) a person becomes entitled to appoint a receiver over the assets of the Client or a receiver is appointed over the assets of the Client; or

(i) the Client (being an individual) is the subject of a bankruptcy petition or order; or

(j) any event occurs, or proceeding is taken, with respect to the Client if any jurisdiction to which it is subject that has an effect equivalent or similar to any of the events mentioned in condition 5.3(i) to condition 5.3(i) (inclusive); or

(k) the Client suspends or ceases, or threatens to suspend or cease, carrying on all or a substantial part of the Client’s business.

5.3 If the Client gives notice to terminate without cause under condition 5.1:

(a) which is received by the Microbiology Society before 31 January in the Year in which the Event is taking place, then the Client shall be entitled to a full refund of the fees paid to date less 15% of the fees paid, which the Microbiology Society shall be entitled to retain as a handling charge; or

(b) which is received by the Microbiology Society on or after 31 January in the Year in which the Event is taking place, then the Client shall not be entitled to any refund of the fees paid by the Client to date.

5.4 If the Microbiology Society gives notice to terminate under condition 5.2, the Client shall not be entitled to any refund of the fees paid by the Client except to the extent that the Microbiology Society resells those elements of the Package to, and receives payment for the same from, another client (Third-Party Payment) in which case:

(a) the Client, subject to condition 5.4(b), shall be entitled to a refund equal to that Third-Party Payment (which shall in any event not exceed the fees paid by the Client); and

(b) the Microbiology Society shall be entitled to further deduct and retain from the refundable amount calculated in accordance with condition 5.4(a), an amount equal to all costs, expenses and other liabilities incurred by the Microbiology Society as a result of such termination (and/or the events giving rise to such termination) to the extent that the same exceeds that part of the fees (if any) which the Microbiology Society is already entitled to retain as a result of the calculation pursuant to condition 5.4(a).
5.5 If the Microbiology Society have to cancel an event, our liability is limited to a full refund of the Event package fee only. The Microbiology Society will not refund any travel or hotel costs associated with the cancellation of an event.

5.6 All cancellations must be made in writing and sent to exhibitions@microbiologysociety.org

6. Warranties

6.1 The Client warrants to the Microbiology Society that:

(a) it has full right, title and authority to enter into and perform its obligations under the Contract;

(b) it is the owner of all Intellectual Property in any material it supplies to the Microbiology Society and/or which it uses or displays at the Event, or where it is not the owner of such material, it has obtained all necessary consents and licences to use the same, and to grant such rights in connection with the same, as are necessary or desirable under or in connection with the Contract; and

(c) to the best of its knowledge and belief, no material supplied by the Client to the Microbiology Society, or used by (or on behalf of) the Client, at or in connection with, the Event is libellous or defamatory of any person.

7. Force Majeure

7.1 The Microbiology Society shall not be in breach of the Contract nor liable for delay in performing, or failure to perform, any of its obligations under the Contract if such delay or failure results from the Location being unfit or unavailable for occupancy for reasons beyond the control of the Microbiology Society or if it otherwise becomes impossible or impractical to hold the Event for reasons beyond the control of the Microbiology Society (including without limitation, war, strikes, floods, governmental restrictions, power, telecommunications or internet failures, or malicious damage).

7.2 In the circumstances described in condition 7.1, the Microbiology Society shall be entitled (but not obliged) to:

(a) change the Location and/or date of the Event;

(b) curtail the Event; and/or

(c) vary the scheduling of the Event installation, opening and dismantling and the programme.

7.3 If the period of delay or non-performance continues for 3 months or more, either party may terminate the Contract by giving 14 days written notice to the other party.

7.4 Subject to condition 7.5 and condition 7.6, the parties agree and acknowledge that the Microbiology Society shall not have any liability to the Client for any additional expenses or charges or any loss or damage suffered by the Client as a result of any delay of the kind described in condition 7.1 or for any exercise by the Microbiology Society of its rights in condition 7.2.

7.5 If either party terminates the event or if Microbiology Society changes the event in any way under condition 7.1 (including due to COVID), the Microbiology Society shall refund to the Client in full all fees paid by the Client to the Microbiology Society, unless the Client elects to participate in a virtual counterpart of the original in-person event.

7.6 In the event that the Event receives a lack of interest and/or support, the Microbiology Society may terminate the Contract with immediate effect by giving written notice to the Client, in which case the Microbiology Society will refund to the Client all fees paid by the Client to the Microbiology Society.

7.7 The Client agrees and acknowledges that it will have no further claim whatsoever against the Microbiology Society, and the Microbiology Society shall have no further liability to the Client in respect of termination of the Contract by the Microbiology Society under and in accordance with condition 7.5 or condition 7.6, beyond the relevant refund of fees.

7.8 Condition 7.1, 7.4, 7.5, 7.6 and 7.7 shall survive termination of the Contract.

8. Confidential Information

8.1 Each party may have access to Confidential Information of the other party under the Contract. A party’s Confidential Information shall not include information that:

(a) is or becomes publicly known through no act or omission of the receiving party; or

(b) was in the other party’s lawful possession prior to the disclosure; or

(c) is lawfully disclosed to the receiving party by a third party without restriction on disclosure; or

(d) is independently developed by the receiving party, which independent development can be shown by written evidence.

8.2 Each party shall hold the other’s Confidential Information in confidence and shall not use the other’s Confidential Information for any purpose other than that which is reasonably necessary for the implementation of the Contract and shall not make the other’s Confidential Information available to any third party except:

(a) to its employees, officers, representatives, subcontractors or advisers who need to know such information for the purposes of carrying out the party’s obligations under the Contract. Each party shall ensure that its employees, officers, representatives, subcontractors or advisers to whom it discloses the other party’s confidential information comply with condition 8.2; or

(b) as may be required by law, a court of competent jurisdiction or any governmental or regulatory authority; or

(c) to the extent permitted in writing by the party whose Confidential Information it is.

8.3 Condition 8 shall survive termination of the Contract.

9. Intellectual Property

9.1 The Client grants to the Microbiology Society a non-exclusive, royalty free licence to use the Client’s logos, trademarks, trade names and corporate name and all Intellectual Property in any material supplied by the Client pursuant to the Contract, for the inclusion of the same in any materials to be included or displayed in any Exhibition Space (if included in the Package) and/or the inclusion of the same in any promotions (if included in the Package) and for the promotion and marketing of the Event.

9.2 Any such logos, trademarks, trade names, corporate name and/or other materials supplied by the Client shall be used by the Microbiology Society according to the format and specifications notified to the Microbiology Society by the relevant deadlines set out in the Exhibition Pack or as otherwise notified to the Microbiology Society by the Client except that if the Client fails to provide adequate format and specification information by the due date, the Microbiology Society shall be entitled to use its own judgment as to format and specification information so as not to unreasonably delay printing and other production deadlines.

10. Social Media / Photography and Video Policies

10.1 The Client agrees to use the appropriate Event hash tag, as notified to the Client by the Microbiology Society, in all social media messaging when referring to the Event.

10.2 Photographing or videotaping any scientific sessions, workshops, scientific posters or delegates participating in the event by the Client at the Event is strictly prohibited.

10.3 The Microbiology Society reserves the right to refuse the Client the opportunity to participate in future Events or future sponsorship opportunities if the Client fails to comply fully with the provisions of condition 10.

11. Acceptable Content and Behaviour

11.1 The Client shall not include or disseminate any messages, content or materials that could be considered to be defamatory, derogatory, illegal or of a sexually explicit or discriminatory nature in any of its social media messaging pursuant to condition 10.1 or in any material supplied to the Microbiology Society for the purposes of the Contract or in anything to be displayed by or on behalf of the Client at the Event.

11.2 When attending the Event, the Client shall not do anything to prejudice the enjoyment of the Event by any other client or by any other person in attendance at the Event.
12.1 The Client shall indemnify the Microbiology Society in full against all liabilities, costs, expenses, damages and losses (including but not limited to any direct, indirect or consequential losses, loss of profit, loss of reputation and all interest, penalties and legal costs (calculated on a full indemnity basis) and all other professional costs and expenses) suffered or incurred by the Microbiology Society arising out of or in connection with:

(a) any claim or allegation that any of the Client’s logos, trademarks, trade names and/or corporate names and/or any other Intellectual Property which the Client licenses (or purports to license) to the Microbiology Society under condition 9.1, infringes the Intellectual Property rights of any other person; and/or
(b) any breach by the Client of condition 11.1 and/or condition 11.2; and/or
(c) any damage to the premises at the Location and/or any fixtures and fittings at that premises.

12.2 Condition 12 shall survive termination of the Contract.

13. Liability

13.1 Nothing in the Contract shall limit or exclude the Microbiology Society’s liability for:

(a) death or personal injury caused by its negligence, or the negligence of its employees, agents or subcontractors;
(b) fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation; or
(c) any other liability which cannot be limited or excluded by applicable law.

13.2 Subject to condition 13.1 and any other exclusion or limitation of liability set out elsewhere in these Terms and Conditions, the Microbiology Society shall not be liable to the Client, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), for breach of statutory duty, or otherwise, arising under or in connection with the Contract for:

(a) loss of profits;
(b) loss of sales or business;
(c) loss of agreements or contracts;
(d) loss of anticipated savings;
(e) loss of use or corruption of software, data or information;
(f) loss of damage to goodwill; and
(g) any indirect or consequential loss.

13.3 Subject to condition 13.1 and without prejudice to any other exclusion or limitation of liability set out elsewhere in these Terms and Conditions, the Microbiology Society’s total liability to the Client, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, or otherwise, arising under or in connection with the Contract shall be limited to the fees paid by the Client under the Contract.

13.4 Condition 13 shall survive termination of the Contract.

14. General

Assignment and Other Dealings

14.1 The Microbiology Society may at any time assign, transfer, mortgage, charge, subcontract or deal in any other manner with all or any of its rights under the Contract and may subcontract or delegate in any manner any or all of its obligations under the Contract to any third party or agent.

14.2 The Client shall not, without the prior written consent of the Microbiology Society, assign, transfer, mortgage, charge, subcontract, declare a trust over or deal in any other manner with any or all of its rights or obligations under the Contract.

Variation and Waiver

14.3 No variation of the Contract shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the parties (or their authorised representatives).

14.4 A waiver of any right or remedy is only effective if given in writing and shall not be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach or default. A delay or failure to exercise, or the single or partial exercise of, any right or remedy shall not waive that or any other right or remedy or prevent or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right or remedy.

Severance

14.5 If any provision or part-provision of the Contract is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable, it shall be deemed modified to the minimum extent necessary to make it valid, legal and enforceable.

If such modification is not possible, the relevant provision or part-provision shall be deemed deleted. Any modification to or deletion of a provision or part-provision under this condition shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the rest of the Contract.

Third-Party Rights

14.6 No one other than a party to the Contract shall have any right to enforce any of its terms.

Notices

14.7 Any notice or other communication given to a party under or in connection with the Contract shall be in writing, addressed to that party at its relevant address set out in or referred to in condition 14.8 or such other address as that party may have specified to the other party in writing in accordance with this condition, and shall be sent by pre-paid first class post or other next working day delivery service or by email.

14.8 The relevant postal and email addresses for the service of notices to the Client shall be those set out in the Application. The relevant addresses for the service of notices to the Microbiology Society are as follows:

Email: exhibitions@microbiologysociety.org

Post: 14–16 Meredith Street, London, EC1R 0AB and marked for the attention of Marketing.

14.9 A notice or other communication shall be deemed to have been received, if sent by pre-paid first class post or other next working day delivery service, at 9.00 am on the second Business Day after posting or, if sent by email, one Business Day after transmission.

14.10 The provisions of this condition shall not apply to the service of any proceedings or other documents in any legal action.

Governing Law and Jurisdiction

14.11 The Contract, and any dispute or claim (including non-contractual disputes or claims) arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales.

14.12 Each party irrevocably agrees that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim (including non-contractual disputes or claims) arising out of or in connection with the Contract or its subject matter or formation.
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