

# HIPS Symposium 2026

21 May 2026  
Saarland University  
Aula, Campus UdS, Building A.3.3

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## Program

8.00 –  
9.00

**Arrival & Registration**  
Aula Saarland University, Germany

9.00 –  
9.15

**Welcome** Rolf Müller (Scientific Director of HIPS)

**Lea Ann Dailey** (University of Vienna)  
Can nanoformulations for poorly soluble anti-tubercular drugs improve PK in the lung?

9.15 –  
10.30

**Andreas Kirschning** (Leibniz University Hannover)  
Expanding the terpenome: Terpene synthases and UPOs are “Jack-of-all-trades”

**Amy E. Fraley** (ETH Zurich)  
Accessing therapeutic natural products via a bio-based approach

10.30 –  
11.00

**Poster Session + Coffee Break**

11.00 –  
12.00

**Young Investigators Talks**

12.00 –  
13.30

**Poster Session + Lunch Break**

**Achim Göpferich** (University of Regensburg)  
Nanomedicines: You can't always get what you want

13.30 –  
14.45

**Tanja Schneider** (University of Bonn)  
Breaching the Bacterial Fortress: Mechanistic Insights into Novel Cell Wall Antibiotics

**Eric Helfrich** (Goethe University Frankfurt)  
Tailoring Enzyme-guided Expansion of Natural Product Biosynthetic Space

14.45 –  
15.15

**Poster Session + Coffee Break**

**Helge Bode** (MPI for Terrestrial Microbiology)  
Breaking, Making, and Tagging Non-Ribosomal Peptides: Engineering NRPS with Precision and Purpose

15.15 –  
16.30

**Michael Groll** (TU Munich)  
Structural Snapshots of Terpene Biosynthesis: From Metal-Driven Activation to Carbocation Control

**Lena Keller** (Kaiserslautern University of Applied Sciences)  
Beyond the Glass: Natural Products from Vine and Wine

16.30 –  
16.45

**Final Remarks**

16.45 –  
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**Saarländischer Abend**  
(In front of HIPS building, E8 1)