The Joint Academic Microbiology Seminars 10th Annual Symposium (JAMS10) was held on August 23rd and 24th, 2021 with ISME as a Silver sponsor. The virtual event was co-organised by JAMS nodes from Sydney, Kuala Lumpur and Singapore, and attended by over 400 participants from around the world mostly focused on the Asia Pacific region.

Highlights included talks by a cohort of international microbiologists who shared their latest insights and discoveries on a wide range of topics, including antibiotics, biofilms, extremophiles, nitrification, SARS-CoV-2, and philosophies in microbial ecology research.

Panel sessions covered two interesting topics: the origin and purpose of JAMS by its co-founders and exploring industry as an alternative career option to academia. Participants gathered at a highly interactive virtual space called 'JAMS Town', where talks, poster presentations and trade displays giving an in-person experience. JAMS10 ended with a prize-giving ceremony, awarding students and early career researchers with the best poster presentation.