

## **Introduction**

**The Nineth Symposium on the Alpha-Amylase Family - ALAMY\_9** - will be held at the Congress Centre of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Smolenice Castle, Slovakia, **September 14-18, 2025**.

The Symposium will traditionally be held in the [Smolenice Castle](#) situated on a hill above the small city of Smolenice, which lies at the foot of Small Carpathian Mountains 60 km North-east from [Bratislava](#).

The participants will also be accommodated in the Castle. Beautiful natural surrounding and attractive interiors of the Castle create a special atmosphere for scientific discussions, relaxation and meeting friends.

The **scientific programme** of the ALAMY\_9 is currently in progress.

It, however, will traditionally be aimed at the main alpha-amylase enzyme families and clans GH-H (i.e. families GH13, GH70 and GH77) and GH-T (i.e. families GH57 and GH119) as well as at the family GH126.

Various aspects of starch and glycogen (in general an alpha-glucan) binding - mainly as distinct CBMs - are also involved, including also gut microbiome oriented studies as well as those focused on health and industrial topics and applications.

The **Lifetime Achievement Awards** - including the Banquet Lecture - will also be presented during the *Award Ceremony on Wednesday 17 SEP*, accompanied by Awards for the **Best Poster** and **Best PhD-student**.

**All “amylase-positive” people are equally welcome!**

The number of participants is limited to ~80 due to the capacity of the Castle. Therefore, the rule *“first come - first served”* will be used as the main base.

We are extremely looking forward to welcoming you in Smolenice again!

The Nineth Symposium on the Alpha-Amylase Family HP

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