



Testing the Waters - 9th International Conference on Wastewater-Based Epidemiology Second Announcement

Testing the Waters – 9th International Conference on Wastewater-Based Epidemiology (TTW9) will be held in Changshu, Jiangsu, China, from October 22 to 25, 2026. We hereby express our sincere gratitude for your interest and warmly welcome your participation.

As the conference date approaches, we hereby inform you of relevant matters as follows:

I. General Agenda

Date	Time	Activity	Location
22 October 2026 Thursday	09:00–21:00	Registration & Check-in	Lobby, Hilton Changshu Lobby, Changshu Yucheng Hotel
	17:30–19:30	Welcome Dinner	Kitchencraft All-Day Dining
23 October 2026 Friday	07:30–18:30	Registration & Conference Information	Lobby, Hilton Changshu
	08:30–08:45	Opening Ceremony	Changshu Grand Ballroom
	08:50–10:20	Plenary Session I	Changshu Grand Ballroom
	10:20–10:40	Coffee Break	Hallway outside Changshu Grand Ballroom
	10:40–12:10	Plenary Session II	Changshu Grand Ballroom
	12:10–13:30	Lunch Break	Qinhu Ballroom Kitchencraft All-Day Dining
	13:30–15:00	Parallel Sessions 1	Changshu Grand Ballroom I
		Parallel Session 2	Changshu Grand Ballroom II
		Parallel Session 3	Qinchuan Conference Room
	15:10–15:30	Coffee Break	Hallways outside Changshu Grand Ballroom and Qinchuan Conference Room
	15:30–17:00	Parallel Session 4	Changshu Grand Ballroom I
		Parallel Session 5	Changshu Grand Ballroom II
		Parallel Session 6	Qinchuan Conference Room
	17:10–18:10	Poster Session	Hallway outside Qinhu Ballroom
	18:30–20:30	Conference Dinner	Qinhu Ballroom

			Kitchencraft All-Day Dining
24 October 2026 Saturday	08:00–18:00	Registration & Conference Information	Lobby, Hilton Changshu
		Parallel Session 7	Changshu Grand Ballroom I
	08:30–10:00	Parallel Session 8	Changshu Grand Ballroom II
		Parallel Session 9	Qinchuan Conference Room
	10:10–10:30	Coffee Break	Hallways outside Changshu Grand Ballroom and Qinchuan Conference Room
	10:30–12:00	Parallel Session 10	Changshu Grand Ballroom I
		Parallel Session 11	Changshu Grand Ballroom II
		Parallel Session 12	Qinchuan Conference Room
	12:10–13:30	Lunch Break	Qinhu Ballroom Kitchencraft All-Day Dining
	13:30–15:00	Parallel Session 13	Changshu Grand Ballroom I
		Parallel Session 14	Changshu Grand Ballroom II
		Parallel Session 15	Qinchuan Conference Room
	15:10–15:30	Coffee Break	Hallways outside Changshu Grand Ballroom and Qinchuan Conference Room
	15:30–17:00	Parallel Session 16	Changshu Grand Ballroom I
		Parallel Session 17	Changshu Grand Ballroom II
		Parallel Session 18	Qinchuan Conference Room
	17:10–18:00	Panel Discussion (pending)	Changshu Grand Ballroom I
25 October 2026 Sunday	All Day	Departure	

The above information is for reference only. Please refer to the website and on-site announcements for updates.

II. Conference Venue

Hilton Changshu (常熟龙腾希尔顿酒店)

Address: 88 Fuchunjiang West Road, Qinchuan Street, Changshu, Jiangsu Province, China (江苏省苏州市常熟市琴川街道富春江西路88号)

III. Registration & Check-in

- Registration

Please visit the official conference website (<https://ttw9.scimeeting.cn/>) to access the conference registration system. Create an account and log in to complete all required personal information. Then select your registration category and payment method. Please follow the instructions on the system to complete your registration and payment.

- Registration Fees

All participants are required to pay a registration fee. The fee schedule is as follows:

Type	Fee
Regular	CNY 2,000 per person
Student	CNY 1,000 per person

*Valid proof of student status is required. Postdoctoral researchers are not eligible for the student rate.

- Payment Method

Online Payment:

Please log into the conference registration system, proceed to the payment option page, choose “Online Payment” - “PKU Platform”, and follow the instructions of the system to complete your payment. Online payment supports WeChat Pay, Alipay, UnionPay, Visa and Mastercard. Please note that the PKU Platform does not currently accept foreign-currency cards issued by banks in mainland China. If you hold such a card, please use another available payment method.

Notes:

1. Overseas-issued bank cards (foreign-currency cards) may charge a commission fee for the transaction, and participants are responsible for this fee themselves;
2. If you access the registration system via a WeChat link, only UnionPay and WeChat payment are supported.

Bank Transfer:

Beneficiary	Peking University
Account No.	0200004509089131151
Name of Bank	Industrial and Commercial Bank of China, Beijing Municipal Branch, Beijing, PRC
Address of Bank	Tianyin Mansion, No.2, Fuxingmen Street(S), Xicheng District, Beijing, PRC
Swift Code	ICBKCNBJBJM
Reference	To avoid confusion, please specify the following information in the “message” field: TTW9+Registration No.+Participant’s Name

Notes:

1. Before making the remittance, please register in the registration website first and obtain your Registration No. from the Home Page of your registration account;
2. Bank transfer should be in CNY;

3. In order to avoid any delay in money transfer, please do upload a copy of your bank transfer receipt or payment confirmation into the registration system and await confirmation from the Conference Secretariat;

4. All bank charges will be borne by participants themselves;

5. Due to longer processing time for international bank transfer, we strongly recommend that you pay the conference registration fee via the online payment method;

6. On-site payment by credit card or cash will not be accepted.

- Cancellation Policy

All cancellation requests must be submitted in writing to the Conference Secretariat at ttw9@pku.edu.cn and refunds will be processed after the conference.

Cancellations on and before September 22nd, 2026: Full refund of amounts paid.

Cancellations after September 22nd, 2026: Non-refundable.

- Check-in

Venue 1: Lobby, 1st Floor, Hilton Changshu

Time:	October 22 (Thu.)	09:00–21:00
	October 23 (Fri.)	07:30–18:30
	October 24 (Sat.)	08:00–18:00

Venue 2: Lobby, 1st Floor, Changshu Yucheng Hotel

Time: October 22 (Thu.) 09:00 – 21:00

Notes: If you are staying at either of the above two conference hotels, please register at your hotel. All other participants should register at the Hilton Changshu.

IV. Receipt

Once payment is completed, the receipt for the registration fee can be downloaded from the “My Orders” section in the online registration system, where you can also view your registration and payment status.

V. Oral Presentations and Posters

English is the official language of the conference. Oral presentations must be delivered in **English** and posters must be prepared in **English**.

- Oral Presentations

Each oral presentation is 15 minutes long.

Presenters are encouraged to use the laptops provided in the meeting rooms. Please bring your slides on a USB drive and arrive at your session room 30 minutes before the session starts. Volunteers will help you copy and test the slides.

If you plan to use your own laptop, please arrive early and have it tested by a volunteer before your presentation.

- Posters

Venue: Hallway outside Qinhu Ballroom, 1st Floor, Hilton Changshu

Size: 0.9 m (W) × 1.2 m (H)

Please print and bring your poster to the venue. Posters should be put up by 16:00 on October 23. Poster boards and adhesive materials will be provided.

The Poster Session will be held from **17:10 to 18:10 on October 23** in the hallway outside Qinhu Ballroom. All poster presenters are requested to arrive on time.

Please remove your poster on the afternoon of October 24. Any posters left after 18:00 will be removed by the organizers.

VI. Accommodation

The conference has reserved a number of rooms with special rates at two designated hotels for participants. Rooms are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. We recommend booking your accommodation early to ensure availability during the conference. The reservation deadline is **October 8**. Hotel rates and booking details are available on the conference website. Please refer to the accommodation page for further information.

1. Hilton Changshu

Address: 88 Fuchunjiang West Road, Qinchuan Street, Changshu, Jiangsu Province, China (江苏省苏州市常熟市琴川街道富春江西路88号)

Hotel Contact: Hotel Front Desk 0512-52066666

Zhengyi Shan (单正益) 18121721933; Angus.Shan@hilton.com

How to Make a Reservation: Please click the link (<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/wuxcshigtwa-bd62c199-face-47df-8f2d-03c429ecada8/>) for room reservation, then follow the on-screen instructions to complete your room reservation. Free cancellation is allowed up to 3 days prior to arrival.

2. Changshu Yucheng Hotel

Address: No. 66, Haiyu South Road, Qinchuan Subdistrict, Changshu City, Suzhou City, Jiangsu Province, China (江苏省苏州市常熟市琴川街道海虞南路66号)

Hotel Contact: Hotel Front Desk 0512-52777777

Zhihua Han (韩芝华) 13962367941; 44147454@qq.com

How to Make a Reservation: Please contact the hotel front desk or sales office to make a reservation. Please mention that you are a conference participant when booking. A deposit equivalent to one night's

room fee is required to guarantee your booking. Free cancellation is allowed up to 1 day prior to arrival. Cancellations made on the check-in date will result in the deposit being forfeited.

VII. Transportation

- Self-Arranged Transportation

1. From Changshu Railway Station (常熟站) / Suzhou North Railway Station (苏州北站) / Suzhou Railway Station (苏州站) :

Taking a taxi to the Hilton Changshu is the most convenient option. Please refer to the table below for the distance and estimated travel time.

2. From Shanghai Hongqiao International Airport (上海虹桥国际机场):

If you arrive at Shanghai Hongqiao Airport (上海虹桥国际机场), please note that the airport is directly connected to Shanghai Hongqiao Railway Station (上海虹桥站). You can take a high-speed train from Shanghai Hongqiao Railway Station (上海虹桥站) to Changshu Railway Station (常熟站), which takes about 1 hour. Then, take a taxi to the Hilton Changshu (常熟龙腾希尔顿酒店).

3. From Shanghai Pudong International Airport (上海浦东国际机场):

If you arrive at Shanghai Pudong International Airport (上海浦东国际机场), you may take the shuttle bus to Changshu by purchasing tickets via the WeChat Mini Program “苏汽直通车”. For ticketing and travel inquiries, please call the service hotline: 0512-51910000.

Shuttle Bus: Departs from T2 of Shanghai Pudong International Airport (上海浦东国际机场) and arrives at either Changshu North Passenger Station (常熟客运北站) or Changshu Sports Center (常熟市体育中心). There are six daily departures.

4. How to Buy High-Speed Train Tickets

High-Speed Train Tickets: 12306 CHINA RAILWAY is the official app and website for purchasing high-speed rail tickets in China. For further details, please visit the official website of 12306 CHINA RAILWAY: <https://www.12306.cn/en/index.html>

Distance from Transportation Hubs to the Venue

Transportation	Distance	Driving
Changshu Railway Station 常熟站 	8km	20 minutes
Suzhou North Railway Station 苏州北站 	32km	40 minutes
Suzhou Railway Station 苏州站 	42km	50 minutes

Wuxi Shuofang Airport 无锡硕放机场		45km	60 minutes
Shanghai Hongqiao International Airport 上海虹桥国际机场		99km	90 minutes
Shanghai Pudong International Airport 上海浦东国际机场		151km	120 minutes

5. Ride-Hailing Apps

For convenient transportation in China, international participants may use the following apps:

DiDi : A ride-hailing app with an English interface, suitable for booking taxis and private cars.

Amap (Gaode Maps) : A map and navigation app that also provides ride-hailing services and supports English.

VIII. Shuttle Bus

On October 23-24, a one-way morning shuttle bus will be provided from Changshu Yucheng Hotel to the conference venue Hilton Changshu for participants staying at Changshu Yucheng Hotel. Please follow the volunteers' instructions when boarding.

Meeting Point	October 23	October 24
Lobby, Yucheng Hotel	08:00	08:00

IX. Internet Access

Wi-Fi connection is available in the venue, and the password will be announced during the conference. Please be aware that Google, Gmail, Facebook and Twitter are NOT normally accessible in China.

X. Contact Us

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For more information, please visit the conference website.

Website:

<https://ttw9.scimeeting.cn/>

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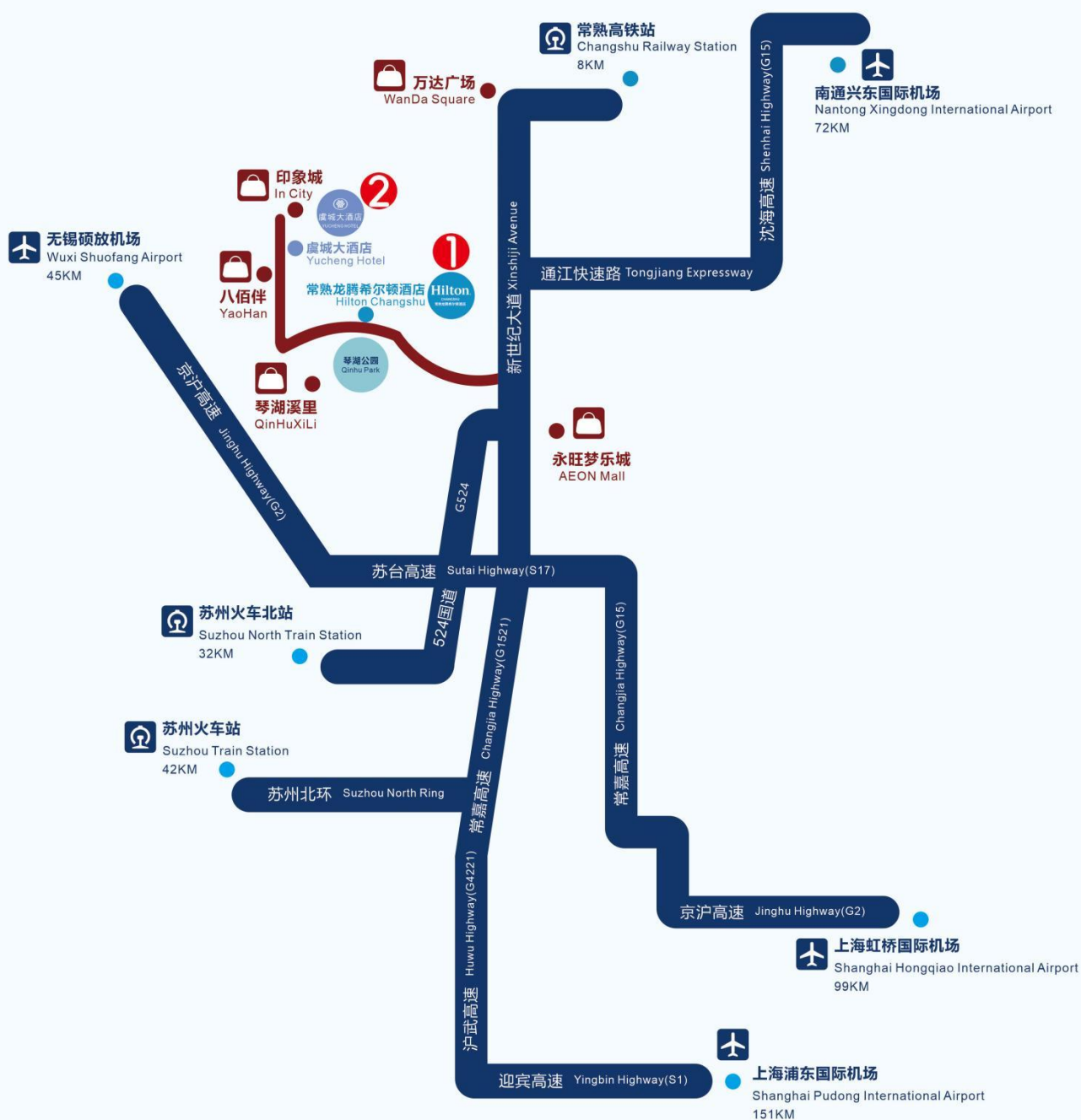


The Organizing Committee

September 2026

Appendix 1: Maps of Hilton Changshu and Yucheng Hotel

- 1.常熟龙腾希尔顿酒店 Hilton Changshu
- 2.虞城大酒店 Yucheng Hotel



Appendix 2:

If you need assistance in Chinese, please show this bilingual note to your taxi driver:

To Hilton Changshu（常熟龙腾希尔顿酒店）

司机师傅：

请送我到**常熟龙腾希尔顿酒店**

地址：江苏省苏州市常熟市琴川街道富春江西路 88 号

Sir:

Please take me to **Hilton Changshu**

Address: No. 88 Fuchunjiang West Road, Qinchuan Street,
Changshu, Jiangsu Province, China

To Changshu Yucheng Hotel（常熟虞城大酒店）

司机师傅：

请送我到**常熟虞城大酒店**

地址：江苏省苏州市常熟市琴川街道海虞南路 66 号

Sir:

Please take me to **Changshu Yucheng Hotel**

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