8th Cuban Congress on Microbiology and Parasitology

5th National Congress on Tropical Medicine

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

From October 14th to 16th, 2014
Havana International Conference Center
Cuba
Dear Colleagues:

In view of the impact of the emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases, and others, the 8th National Congress on Microbiology and Parasitology along with the 5th National Congress on Tropical Medicine will provide the perfect setting for delegates to update, discuss and exchange on the role of Microbiology and Parasitology against these diseases.

During the Congress, delegates will have the chance of participating in master lectures, round tables, symposia, oral and poster presentations dealing with the great processes in the knowledge of bacterial, mycotic, viral and parasitic infectious diseases, as well as their epidemiology, diagnosis and pathology.

HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis (TB), Dengue, Malaria, Cholera, Influenza, Microbial Resistance, Capacity Strengthening, Globalization of Infectious diseases and others will be the main topics to be discussed in the event.

We are utterly convinced that Cuba´s capital hospitality will contribute to fruitful days of scientific exchanges, as well as enjoy of the Cuban amazing weather and human quality.

We hope to meet you at this important Congress.

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MAIN TOPICS

- Infectious diseases
- Neglected Tropical diseases
- Emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases
- Diagnosis
- Epidemiology
- Cell and molecular biology
- Immunology and Genetics
- Pathogenesis
- Genomic and Proteomic
- Action mechanisms and drug resistance
- Vaccines and drugs. Clinical trials
- Animal models
- Social researches
- Communication, education, promotion and community participation
- Control of Vector borne diseases
- Genetics of insecticide resistance
- Molecular Entomology
- International health control
- Zoonotic infectious diseases
- Nursing in infectious diseases
- Biosafety
- Training of human resources
- Integrated quality systems
- Geographic information systems
- Economic appraisals for control programs

**Working language:** Spanish and English will be the official languages. There will be simultaneous interpreting services in the official activities and master lectures.
NORMS FOR THE SUBMISSION OF PAPERS

Participants must send an e-mail to the Congress with the following data:

a) Full name of author(s) or lecturer (in case she/he is not the same person)
b) Title
c) Postal address
d) Phone number, fax and e-mail
e) Abstract must be attached in Word System

Attached abstract must be written with the following structures:

- Abstract must be written sheet of papers of 8.5 x 11 with 2,5 margins at both sides
- Times New Roman 12 points letter with single space between lines
- It should not exceed 250 words
- Author must respect the structure for scientific names
- Write the main authors ´ name, beginning with the first surname and next the name separated by commas. Semicolon will be used to separate authors ´ name, in case of more than one author
- In case of using numbers, symbols and acronyms, authors must use them with the international norm
  - Authors must keep the following order:
  - Title (written in bold and capital letter)
  - Author ´s name
- Name and e-mail of the institution, country
- Introduction / Objectives
- Materials and Methods
- Results
- Conclusions

**Key Aspects**

- Papers must be related to the topics of the Congress
- After the deadline for the submission of papers, by e-mail, author/lecturer either in poster or oral presentation will be informed about his/her acceptance. The Scientific Committee will be responsible for this acceptance decision
- Lecturers must add the registration to the Congress in order to be included in the Program
- All paper accepted by the Scientific Committee will be included in the Proceedings of the Congress.
- Oral presentations (master lectures, round tables or symposia) will be made preferably with audiovisual aids
There will be a designated area for poster presentations. The size of these posters must be 1.0 cm x 1.5 meters. Poster design (material, color, text, amount of figures, so forth) will be from author’s viewpoint, respecting the limits of the designated area.

Poster must include the following structure:
Title, author’s full name, introduction/objectives, materials, methods, results and conclusions.

An abstract, written in English, will be included in the Program if author/lecturer requires.

Main categories for the topics of paper:
- Basic Microbiology
- Molecular Biology (MB)
- Epidemiology and Control (EP)
- Diagnosis (DX)
- Immunology and Genetic (IMM)
- Therapeutic (TTO)
- Pathology / Clinical Cases (PAT)
- Vectors (VC)
- Bacterial Resistance (BR)
- HIV/AIDS (HIV)
- Others (specify)

Submission of abstracts

Abstracts must be submitted before: July 1st, 2014 (national and foreign delegates)
Abstracts will be sent by e-mail to:
resumen8congreso@ipk.sld.cu

National delegates must send their abstracts through the provincial branches of the Cuban Society of Microbiology and Parasitology (SCMP in Spanish), except for Havana.

**Registration fees**

**Foreign Participants**
- Delegate and Lecturer: 250.00 CUC
- Undergraduate Student: 150.00 CUC
- Accompanying Person: 100.00 CUC

Registration fees include:

- Delegate / Lecturer / Undergraduate Student:
  - Name badge with access to all scientific activities, documents and attendance certificate

- Accompanying person
  - Name badge with access to the official activities of the Congress (Opening / Closing Ceremonies), souvenir and participation in social activities.

**National participants**

- Members: 150.00 CUP

Daily fee for members of SCMP or other societies belonging to the National Council of Health Scientific Societies of the Ministry of Public Health with their payment fee in effect.

- No-Members: 180.00 CUP

Fee for no-members of SCMP or other societies belonging to the National Council of Health Scientific Societies of the Ministry of Public Health and those who being also members have no their payment fee in effect.
Registration fees include:

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Forms of payment
The Cuban Convertible Peso (CUC) is the official circulating currency in the country. It can be obtained upon arrival in Cuba at airports, hotels, conference centers, bank agencies and exchange offices. The exchange will be according to daily exchange rate and current fees at the time.

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