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Call for papers

for the

**XIII INTERNATIONAL PHYSICAL ANTHROPOLOGY COLLOQUIUM
“JUAN COMAS”**

which will take place in

CAMPECHE, CAMPECHE, MEXICO

November 6 to 11, 2005

The discipline

Biological anthropology is the discipline that studies the evolution of our species and its present biological diversity. In the sixty five years of its existence as an institutionalized discipline in Mexico and related geographical areas, biological anthropologists have studied human biological variation in osteological remains, through historic sources and in modern populations. Through their efforts the diversity of those who live and have inhabited this territory, has been systemized and described. This diversity has been interpreted as a consequence of stochastic process and adaptations to the natural and cultural environment, emphasizing in the last decades the role of social inequalities.

The complex mechanisms behind the evolution of our species, and the variety of data sets that may be used to study it have promoted the interaction of physical anthropologists with other scientists

turning physical anthropology into a transdisciplinary science. Today, the board of directors of the Mexican Association of Biological Anthropology and the Organizing Committees of the XIII Colloquium “Juan Comas” invite students, professionals, disciplinary and academic groups interested in the evolution and variation of our species to participate in the colloquium in any of the following themes:

- History and epistemology of the physical anthropology and human biology
- Phylogeny of the human species
- Body, representation and culture
- Connections between health and society
- Growth and development
- Population structure and its relation to bio-social dynamics
- Bio-ethics
- Teaching of the discipline
- Social changes and human biological life
- Human ecology
- Primate knowledge and behavior
- Labor ergonomics and health
- Osteology, paleodemography and forensic anthropology
- Life cycle
- Gender and gender relations

Interested parties may participate as authors or co-authors with a maximum of three academic collaborations in any one of three modalities: paper session (symposia), poster session or video tape.

Modalities

Symposia. A symposium is the presentation and collective discussion of a set of thematic communications prepared specifically for the congress. Each symposia must include a minimum of four and a maximum of six lectures, besides an organizer and a commentator. In the case that the organizer is also presenting a paper, his or her participation will be entered as one of the symposium lectures. Bachelor degree students without an academic degree may participate as speakers at the

symposiums with the acceptance of the organizer who assumes the responsibility for the academic quality of the works (papers) presented by the students.

Explanatory note: Incomplete symposiums will not be accepted, (that is, with less than four speakers and without an organizer or a commentator). For the approval of a symposium, at least the organizer or a co-author on each lecture must be registered in the debate. Certificates of attendance will only be given to registered co-authors.

Independent papers. Individual academic papers prepared specially for the congress may be submitted. Organizers will appoint approved papers to a suitable symposium or suggest the drawing up of posters instead of oral presentation.

Note: At least one co-author must be registered and present during the meeting. Certificates of attendance will only be given to the co-authors officially registered in the colloquium.

Posters. Speakers may choose to present their results on posters. Bachelor students independent dissertations must be presented in poster form, having the academic endorsement of a professional with at least a bachelor's degree, whose name shall appear on the poster after the inscription "Academic endorsement: degree, name and assigned branch". There will be an official prize for the three best posters prepared by bachelor's degree students, with an acknowledgment for academic endorsement.

Other activities. Video presentations (maximum 30 minutes), workshops, conferences, informal subject matter meetings and specialized courses, may be organized. The AMAB will help with space and equipment but will not award certificates of attendance to the participants.

Note: Its authorization is subject to physical space availability, equipment and financial resources.

Organization

Proposal deadlines for any of the modalities:

June 30, 2005

Send proposals on any of the modalities, additional information and suggestions for the Colloquium and the program to:

comas13@walla.com or to *amab_le@hotmail.com*

For editorial norms and other information participate:

http://amab.tripod.com.mx

Certificates of attendance:

They will be handed out to all participants who have officially registered and paid for the colloquium.

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Regular subscription AMAB members	500.00
Student AMAB member subscription	250.00
Regular non-member subscription	1,200.00
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Official membership to AMAB grants you the right to receive volume XIII of the *Estudios de Antropología Biológica* magazine.

Those interested may pay their correspondent fees to the Associations treasurer –Rosa Ma. Ramos Rodríguez, tel. 5622 9548, e-mail: *rmrr@servidor.unam.mx*, or may deposit their fees on Banamex bank account number 1880219 branch 0349 and fax copy of the receipt to (55) 5622 9651 or present it during registration at the colloquium.

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