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Spanish National Research Council

**6TH CONGRESS OF THE EUROPEAN
MALACOLOGICAL SOCIETIES
(CEMS)
Vitoria-Gasteiz, Spain
18-22 July 2011**

Second circular: December, 2010

The Congress will be held on the Campus of Álava of the University of the Basque Country and in the "Palacio de Congresos Europa". Updated information, including the composition of the scientific and organizing committees is available at the Congress website <http://www.euromalacol2011.eu>

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DEADLINES

Travel grant applications (students): 31 March
Early registration: 30 April
Abstract submission: 31 May



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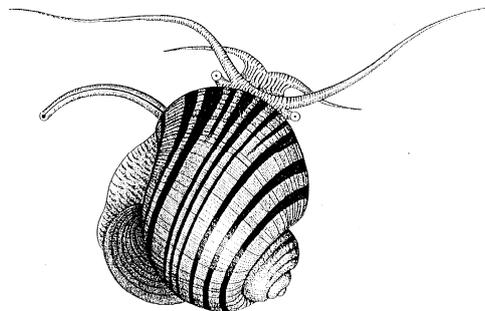
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- Sociedad Española de Malacología (SEM)
- Systematics, Biogeography and Population dynamics working group of the University of the Basque Country ([SBPd-UPV/EHU](#))
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GENERAL INFORMATION

CONGRESS SCHEDULE

Conference presentations will be organized in one session from Monday to Friday. Parallel sessions could be organized if necessary, depending on the number of accepted oral contributions. All sessions will be held in the "Palacio de Congresos Europa", in the city of Vitoria. Lunches will be served in a restaurant close to the conference building. The poster session will be held on Wednesday evening. Time will be reserved for the annual meetings of the different malacological societies.

SYMPOSIA

The European Malacological Congress is a good opportunity for malacologists from all over the world, particularly from Europe, to get together, share information on their research programmes and get feedback from colleague. The Congress will be open for all contributions in the field of Malacology. There will be several thematic symposia, open contributed sessions, and a poster session.

Thematic symposia will include:

- **Endangered species and hot-spots of Biodiversity**
- **Biogeography and phylogeography of the Mediterranean region and Macaronesia**
- **Systematics and taxonomy of Western-Palaeartic Mollusca**
- **Biology, reproduction and culture of molluscs**
- **Ecology**
- **Invasive alien species**

Additional symposium or session proposals are still open.

PRESENTATION OF ORAL/POSTER CONTRIBUTIONS

English is the official language of the Congress, both for oral presentations and poster displays. Translation facilities will not be available.

Oral presentations will be 15 minutes plus 5 minutes for discussion. Invited plenary conferences will be 40 minutes plus 5 minutes for discussion. **Only computers supplied by organizers will be used in the sessions: There are no Mac facilities or provisions.** Bring your presentation on CD-rom or memory stick. Conference room is equipped with standard PowerPoint facilities. Please, indicate on the abstract submission form if you require any other special audio-visual equipment.

The maximum size of posters is: height 120 cm and width 80 cm. Facilities for poster display will be available.

REGISTRATION

Congress registration will be open on Monday 18 July. On Thursday 19 July registration will open again from 12,00 to 16,00 h. During the week a registration and congress secretariat desk will be open in front of the conference room.

At registration, delegates will receive the abstract book and other relevant materials.

Congress registration fees in € (before / after 30 April 2011):

- Full registration:	160 / 190 €
- Student*:	110 / 140 €
- Accompanying person:	90 / 120 €

*Proof of registration required

Fees include: registration, abstracts book, icebreaker, lunches, and coffee breaks. The congress dinner is not included.

Payment must be done through bank transfer.

Social activities

These include optional leisure activities and the congress dinner. None of these activities are included in the registration fee.

The Congress trip will be to the Salt Valley of Añana. A village placed at a salt spring, with more than 5.000 years of history. You can find more information in: <http://www.vallesalado.com/en/#>

Thereafter we will go to visit one famous cellar in La Rioja, where the congress dinner will take place.

Price: 50 €/person

ACCOMMODATION

Congress delegates are responsible for making their own lodging arrangements. Hotel accommodation, except for the campus residence, should be booked directly by the participants.

Convenient accommodation will be available at the university campus, in the Residence "Tomás Alfaro Fournier" Paseo de la Zumaquera, 21-A. 01006 Vitoria-Gasteiz. This residence is equipped with 36 single rooms with a kitchen, 144 single rooms with a shared kitchen, 14 double rooms with a kitchen. All the rooms have their own bathroom, telephone, heating, and computer connection with Internet access. The residence hall also has special rooms, adapted for disabled people. Prices: 35 € per person per night, breakfast not included, but remember you have a fully equipped kitchen (with refrigerator, microwave, and electric kitchen). Photographs and detailed information about campus accommodation can be seen in the web page.

http://www.resa.es/eng/residencias/tomas_alfaro_fournier

http://www.resa.es/eng/residencias/tomas_alfaro_fournier/una_habitacion_a_tu_medida

This residence is approximately 20 minutes walking from the congress building. There are also bus lines from the Campus to the Congress building: Bus number L8. Individual tickets should be purchased on the bus (1,05 € bus/tram).

It is also possible to stay in several hotels in the city. Special rates for the Congress participants (70,00 € single room, or 80,00 € double room with breakfast) have been arranged with the hotel NH**** Canciller Ayala (Ramón y Cajal, n.5). When making the booking (before 15th June for special rates) specify that you are attending the "European Malacological Congress".

You can see in the map the location of the Congress building and train and bus stations, as well as the location of the University campus, the Residence Tomás Alfaro and NH Hotel Canciller Ayala.



CANCELLATION POLICY

1. All cancellations of attendance and bookings must be made in writing to the Congress Organizer.
2. A full refund of the registration fee, minus a cancellation fee of 40 €, will be made on registration cancellations received before 30 April 2011.
3. A refund of 50% of the registration fee will be made on registration cancellations received between 1 May and 30 June 2011.
4. No refund of registration fees will be made for registration cancellations made after 1 July 2011.
5. Campus accommodation will only be refunded if the booking is taken over by another delegate.
6. All refunds will be paid after the conclusion of the congress.

Hotel accommodation cancellations may be subject to hotel charges. The same applies to failure to occupy the booked room at the requested check in date. Such charges will be processed directly by the hotels using your credit card guarantee.

TRAVEL GRANTS FOR STUDENTS

Closing date 31 March.

Abstract of the communication should be sent to both *The Malacological Society of London* and benjamin.gomez@ehu.es

The Council of *The Malacological Society of London* offers several Travel Grants as bursaries to support student attendance to this European Congress. Applicants do not have to be members of the Society. The value of each of these awards is up to £500. Applications should be supported by the project supervisor. Although in normal conditions closing date for submission of applications is 31 December, exceptionally and for this meeting only, applications could be sent in any date between the 15 December and 31 March. The conditions of the grant, notes of guidance and an application form can be downloaded from the Society's website at www.Malacsoc.org.uk/awards/award_travel.htm. A copy of the Abstract should be sent to the Congress Chairman following the "Abstract submission form". Decisions will be communicated to applicants by the end of May.

ARRIVAL TO VITORIA

Information about Vitoria:

<http://www.vitoria-gasteiz.org/>

<http://www.vitoria-gasteiz.org/we027/http/html/en/00.shtml>

Arrival

- By train

The Vitoria train station is located near the city centre, close to the campus accommodation, a short walk from the university residence. Most hotels are not far, and you can take a taxi from the train station.

Vitoria-Gasteiz has fast rail connections with the rest of Spain and Europe.

Spanish railways: <http://www.renfe.es/>

- By bus

All buses arrive at the bus station located in Calle Los Herrán. It is approximately a 20 minutes walk from the campus accommodation.

-By plane

The best airport destination is Bilbao. At the airport you can take the urban bus (Bizkaibus) to the central Bus Station of Bilbao, where you can take a bus to Vitoria-Gasteiz. The trip takes less than one hour and there are buses every 30 minutes from 6,00 a.m to 22,15 p.m. (most buses stop within the University Campus, but confirm when buying the ticket).

There are not good connections between Bilbao and Vitoria by train.

Alternatively, you can fly to Barcelona or Madrid and then take a train to Vitoria (approximately, 5-6 hours by train).

- By car

Recommended route planner <http://www.viamichelin.es/>

OTHER RELEVANT ISSUES

Climate

Vitoria-Gasteiz has a mediterranean climate. Usually July is hot and dry, with temperatures often in the range of 25-35°C, but it can drop below 15°C. Rain is also possible. Thus, weather may be quite unpredictable and variable, but on average the second half of July is from temperate to quite hot.

Tourism in the Basque Country

Tourism information can be found on the following websites:

<http://www.turismoa.euskadi.net/s11-18805/en/>

<http://www.alavaturismo.com/en/gastronomia.php>

<http://www.bilbao.net/bilbaoturismo/>

<http://www.sansebastianturismo.com/taxo.nsf/fwHomeCanal?ReadForm&idioma=ing&id=T&doc=Canal#2>

Accompanying persons can easily go by bus to Bilbao, San Sebastian, Pamplona or Burgos in a day trip.

Insurance

Registration fees do not include insurance of any kind. All delegates must make their own individual arrangements with respect to travel, medical and other insurances.

The congress organisation will not take any responsibility for any participant failing to insure. Similarly, the congress organisation will not accept liability for damages of any nature sustained by participants or their accompanying persons or loss or damage to their personal property as a result of this congress or related events.

SEE YOU IN VITORIA-GASTEIZ !

Benjamín Gómez-Moliner



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REGISTRATION FORM

You can download the following word documents to your computer and fill them electronically. Or you can print the documents and fill them by hand. In the latter case, please use capital letters:

This form includes

1. Registration form
2. Payment instructions form
3. Abstract submission form
4. Student certification form
5. Accommodation form. Only for accommodation at the University Campus, "Residencia Tomás Alfaro"

Please, return your registration form, and your Campus accommodation form (should this be your chosen accommodation), together with a copy of your Bank remittance (Bank transfer) either by post or as a scanned attached file by e-mail (the last option is the preferred), to:

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REGISTRATION FORM

Title: Prof. Dr. Mr. Mrs, Other

Surname

First Name

Fax

Email

Name of Accompanying Person (non-delegate)

Professional or private address

If you **DO NOT** wish to have your name and address to be included in the list of delegates, please put an X here _____

I am submitting an abstract (before 31 May) Yes _____ No _____

Title **ORAL** presentation

Authors

Title **POSTER** presentation

Authors

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Congress trip and dinner: No persons x 50€/person=€

TOTAL REGISTRATION €.....

PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS FORM

All Payments are due in EURO (€).

SUB TOTAL REGISTRATION EURO _____

CAMPUS ACCOMODATION EURO _____

TOTAL EURO _____

**Please remit the total amount of EURO to account number
0182 1214 36 0201563456 at BBVA BANK**

**Address of bank: Lehendakari Agirre, 139; BILBAO 48015;
Bizkaia**

Name of account: Benjamín Gómez Moliner

From outside Spain, use the following bank codes:

IBAN: ES17 0182 1214 3602 0156 3456

BIC: BBVAESMMXXX

**Don't forget to include "your name - Congress Malacology
2011" on your bank transfer!**

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FORM

ABSTRACTS

The maximum number of contributions per presenting author or first author is limited to 1 poster and 1 oral communication.

Abstracts will not be included in the conference volume unless they are submitted in the format indicated below by 31 May 2011.

Abstracts will not be included in the abstract volume unless they are accompanied by a completed and paid registration form.

NO abstracts will be accepted after 31 May 2011

Abstracts should be emailed to: benjamin.gomez@ehu.es

Authors must indicate in their submission the mode of presentation: either oral or poster and indicate if need special audio/visual equipment. All abstracts and presentation must be in English.

Format instructions

ABSTRACTS SHOULD BE SENT AS WORD DOCUMENTS

Page setup: A4 portrait with 2.5 cm margins on all sides

Font: Times New Roman 12 pt, single spaced

Title: centred and bold

Author's names and full mailing addresses: centred

Authors in bold: First author¹; second author²; third author² (presenting author underlined).

(1). First author affiliation, including full mailing address + email address

(2). Second (and in this case third) author affiliation etc.

Abstract text: 12 pt Times New Roman with right and left justification and a maximum of 2.300 characters (including spaces). A single blank line should separate paragraphs. New paragraphs with NO indent.

NO references should be cited in the abstract.

ORAL/POSTER. In the last line, on the right margin, authors should indicate the preferred mode of presentation.

Example:

Supraspecific taxonomy and phylogenetic relationships of the Helicodontidae and Trissexodontidae (Gastropoda: Helicoidea)

Madeira, MJ¹, Arrébola, R², Gómez-Moliner, BJ¹

- (1). Dept. Zoología; Facultad de Farmacia; Univ. País Vasco; Paseo de la Universidad 7; 01006-Vitoria, Spain, Email: benjamin.gomez@ehu.es
(2). Dept. Fisiología y Zoología; Facultad Biología; Univ. Sevilla; c/ Profesor García González s/n. 41012-Sevilla, Spain, Email: mastus@us.es

The evolutionary interrelationships of the Helicoidea remain largely unresolved, indicating that lower level helicoidean taxa still require phylogenetic investigation. This is the case of the subfamilies and genera included in the Helicodontidae and Trissexodontidae (following CLECOM system). Many authors disagree about the classification of the taxa included inside these families mostly because their taxonomy is based on shell morphology and the anatomy of the reproductive system, both aspects subjected to very different interpretations resulting in conflicting taxonomic systems. In this work we present the first comprehensive molecular phylogeny of the group based on DNA sequencing of two mitochondrial (16S rDNA, COI) and one nuclear (ITS-I) loci. The work has been carried out on 65 specimens of the following genera: *Helicodonta*, *Atenia*, *Trissexodon*, *Caracollina*, *Oestophora*, *Hatumia*, *Mastigophallus*, *Oestophorella*, *Gasullia*, *Suboestophora*, *Gasulliella* and *Gittenbergeria*. The new sequences have been compared with those previously published by other authors for several Helicoidean taxa, including *Lindholmia*. Phylogenetic relationships were inferred using maximum parsimony, neighbour joining, maximum likelihood and Bayesian methods. The reconstructed phylogenies showed high values of support for more recent branches and confirmed the monophyletic status of all the genera of the two subfamilies here considered. We also present a proposal of the evolution of the stimulatory apparatus of the reproductive system based on the molecular phylogeny obtained.

This work has been financed by the Basque Country University (GIU06/09), by the Regional Ministry of the Environment, Junta of Andalusia ("Program for conservation and sustainable snail exploitation in Andalusia) by the MEC (Project CGL2005-01966).

ORAL

The Spanish Malacological Society offers to authors the possibility of publishing their results in the "IBERUS" journal. Those authors who wish to publish their scientific results should follow the instructions to authors, which are available on the following link:

[Iberus. Instructions to authors](#)

STUDENT CERTIFICATION FORM

Name of the Student

Department and Institution enrolled

Supervisor's certification: I, being the supervisor of

Certify that the above student is currently enrolled as a student at
(institution, city, country):

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name of supervisor and title

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ACCOMODATION FORM

Only for accommodation in the Residencia Tomás Alfaro at the University Campus.

CHECK IN DATE/...../2011

CHECK OUT DATE/...../2011

Campus reservation (rate per person / per night, depending on room type)

- Single room with private bathroom and kitchen 35 €
- Single room with private bathroom and shared kitchen 35 €
- Doble room with bathroom and kitchen 30 €
- Suite 45 €

SUBTOTAL – Campus accommodation € _____

In case of double room, I share my room with _____

**CAMPUS RESERVATIONS MUST BE PREPAID IN FULL TOGETHER
WITH THE REGISTRATION**

Invoices will be provided by the Congress organizer for campus accommodation.