

Call for Papers

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

The 85th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Parasitologists

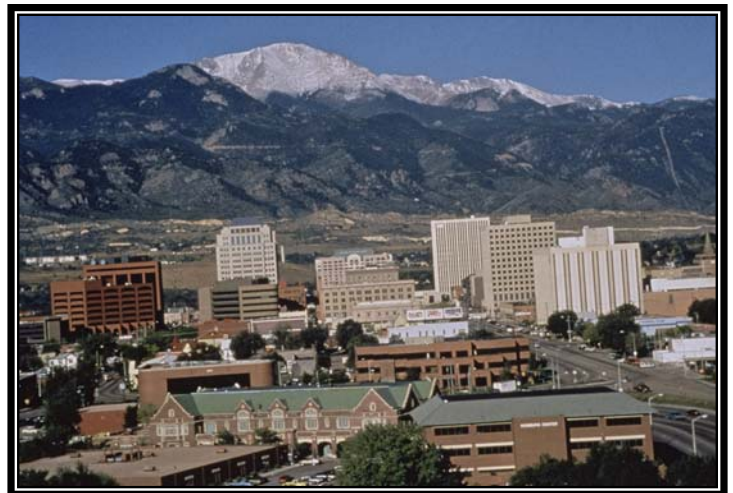
Crowne Plaza – Colorado Springs

Colorado Springs, CO

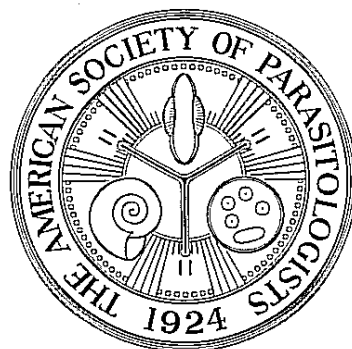
June 22-25, 2010



Colorado Columbine



City of Colorado Springs



Garden of the Gods & Cheyenne Mountain

The American Society of Parasitologists (ASP) announces our 85th Annual Meeting to be held at the Crowne Plaza in Colorado Springs, Colorado, June 22-25, 2010. Members and non-members are invited to submit abstracts for papers they intend to present as an oral presentation, poster, or if you are an invited speaker, as a contribution to one of our symposia or workshops. Individuals organizing symposia and special sessions are reminded that they need to send the names of their symposium or special session speakers to the program officers and that **all speakers are required to submit** an abstract. For all types of presentations, abstracts must be received on or before the deadline: **Friday, March 12, 2010**. The scientific *Program & Abstracts* booklet will be prepared from the abstracts received and will be available both on the ASP web site (<http://asp.unl.edu>) and the Allen Press web site (TBA) prior to the meeting. Everyone registered for the meeting (either in advance or on site) can pick up their copy of the *Program & Abstracts* booklet at the meeting's registration desk in the Crowne Plaza-Colorado Springs. Additional copies of the *Program* may be purchased (\$10.00 U.S. per copy) at the registration desk at the meeting or from Allen Press after the meeting. *Please read and follow all instructions carefully when submitting abstracts and when registering on-line for the meeting and the hotel. Thank you!*

Electronic Registration for the Meeting

On-line registration will be available on a dedicated website for the Annual Meeting (<http://events.SignUp4.com/ASP2010>). You may register online by using a credit card for both the meeting and for your hotel at this link or you may mail your registration form with a check or credit card number (with original signature) payable to WVTT c/o ASP 2010, 6601 Kinston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919. See the ASP web page (<http://asp.unl.edu>) or send an e-mail to dennism@purdue.edu with the subject line "ASP" to be added to the listserv for on-line registration information as it becomes available.

Costs:	<u>On/Before May 14</u>	<u>After May 14</u>
ASP Member	\$225.....	\$270
Student Member ‡	\$80.....	\$125
Non-ASP Member †	\$250.....	\$300
Accompanying Person	\$80.....	\$125
Evening at the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo (Thursday, 24 th)*	\$45 (children, ages 3-12, \$19)	

‡ Must be accompanied by a Certification of Student Status Form (<http://parasitology.winston.wfu.edu>).

† Non-members (both post-graduate and students) may join ASP (\$85 and \$20–50, respectively); the application form can be found at <http://asp.unl.edu>; click on the "Join the ASP" link on the left, download the form, complete it, and mail it to "Dennis Minchella, ASP, Department of Biological Sciences, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN 47907.

* Enjoy an evening at the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo, home to 190 species of wild animals. The evening at the zoo includes dinner.

Important Dates and Deadlines

Friday, March 12, 2010

- Receipt of all abstracts via the <http://parasitology.winston.wfu.edu> website.
- ASP Marc Dresden Student Travel Grant and Student Paper Competition applications are due.

Friday, May 14, 2010

- Early Meeting Registration forms are due.
 - Hotel reservations must be made to secure the ASP conference rate for regular rooms.
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Hotel Registration

Crowne Plaza-Colorado Springs

2886 South Circle Drive
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80906
Tel: 1-719-576-5900: Fax: 1-719-576-7695
www.cpcoloradosprings.com

Our meeting venue this year is the Crowne Plaza-Colorado Springs. The hotel is conveniently located 20 minutes from the Colorado Springs Airport and a 5 minute drive from downtown Colorado Springs. Aside from the restaurants in the hotel, movie theaters and additional restaurants are within easy walking distance. The Crowne Plaza will also provide free shuttle service to and from downtown Colorado Springs. The downtown area offers unique shops, restaurants, brew pubs, and shady parks. Other activities include a drive to the 14,110 ft. summit of Pikes Peak, a visit to the US Air Force Academy or an exploration of the geology of the Cave of the Winds in Manitou Springs.

The Crowne Plaza has a block of 435 room nights reserved for our members during the meeting. It is important that ASP members attending the meeting make their reservations at the Crowne Plaza to fulfill our room block commitment. All meeting rooms for paper sessions and symposia are provided to ASP at no charge contingent on fulfilling our room block commitment. There will be a substantial financial penalty to ASP if we fail to utilize all of the room nights we have contracted to occupy. The daily room rate is \$119 (+ 9.4% state and local tax) for a king or 2 queen beds per room. The special *ASP Conference Rate* is guaranteed 3 days prior to and 3 days after the meeting for folks wishing to extend their stay and include a short vacation in the Colorado Springs area. All reservations must be made before **NOON, May 14, 2010**. Convention rates for the ASP meeting are not available by online wholesalers (e.g., Priceline.com) and you jeopardize fulfilling our guaranteed room block by attempting to use these sources. Twenty rooms have been designated especially for student occupancy at the reduced rate of \$88.00 per room with quad occupancy.

Wireless internet is free in all public areas within the hotel. Wireless access is also available in guest rooms at a cost of \$9.95 per day. Hotel parking is complimentary.

Hotel Reservations—General

Each individual guest must make their own reservations. **You can call the hotel directly c/o 1-800-593-5447 to receive the ASP Special Group Rate or you can register for both the meeting and the hotel at <http://events.SignUp4.com/ASP2010>.** Be certain to identify yourself as an ASP member when you call. Everyone should be prepared to guarantee a first night room deposit with a major credit card.

Hotel Reservations—Student Quads

Students wishing to make arrangements for a Quad room must contact the elected ASP Student Representative, Ms. Maria Pickering, for assistance with scheduling roommates for quads. She will help you get organized and communicate directly with the local arrangements committee and our representative at the Crowne Plaza-Colorado Springs. The individual assigned as the contact person for each quad will be responsible for providing the names of the quad members, for securing the room with a credit card and assume complete responsibility for paying the bill at checkout. Students sharing quads will need to work out their portions of the room cost with each other.

ASP Student Representative

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Transportation Information

Airport

The Colorado Springs Municipal Airport (COS) serves more than 2 million passengers per year, and it is easy to find your way around the attractive and passenger friendly terminal. Ticketing, baggage claim, rental car agencies, gift shops and restaurants are all conveniently located within the facility. The airport is served by nine commercial airlines with non-stop service from Houston, Dallas/Fort Worth, San Francisco, Salt Lake City, Phoenix, Chicago, Atlanta, Minneapolis/St. Paul, Los Angeles, and Denver. You may also fly into the Denver International Airport (DIA), rent a car and take in the sites of the Front Range as you travel down I-25 to Colorado Springs.

American Airlines is offering a special 5% discount on airfares to the American Society of Parasitologists for the 2010 Conference. These fares are valid for travel between: 18 June - 28 June to Colorado Springs. To book your flight on American Airlines or American Eagle, simply click on www.aa.com. Once you have selected your flight(s) under the "Enter Passenger Details" tab, go to the aa.com "Promotion Code" field and enter the STAR file reference #A1460AA. You may call American Airlines at 1-800-433-1790 to reserve your flight. Be sure to give the ticketing agent the reference code for the discounted airfare. **(Please note that there is a ticketing fee for all tickets issued via the phone).**

Ground Transportation and Rental Vehicles

The Crowne Plaza-Colorado Springs provides complimentary shuttle service from the airport to the hotel. Complimentary service is available for departing guests as well. Arriving guests can call the Crowne Plaza (576-5900) from phones available on the same level as baggage claim. In addition, the local organizing committee will also operate shuttle services without cost. The company handling ASP registration (World Ventures, Tours & Travel) coordinates flight arrivals with shuttle service, so there should be minimal wait times. As you exit the airport, hotel shuttle buses will be located to your right. A corporate discount on rental cars is available from World Ventures, Tours & Travel, Inc. for ASP members attending the annual meeting. Car rental information will be found on the ASP registration site.

Driving Directions to the Crowne Plaza Hotel- Colorado Springs

From Pueblo, Northbound on I-25

Take Interstate 25 North to exit 138 (Circle Drive). Make a right turn at the light at the end of the off ramp and a left turn into the parking lot of the Shell and Conoco gas stations. The hotel is behind the gas stations.

From Denver, Southbound on I-25

Take Interstate-25 south to exit 138 (Circle Drive). Make a left turn at the light at the end of the off ramp and a left turn into the parking lot of the Shell and Conoco gas stations. The hotel is behind the gas stations.

From Colorado Springs Municipal Airport

Drive west on Drennan Road for 2 miles: Turn right onto Hancock Expressway and travel 4 miles: Turn right onto the ramp that leads to Circle Drive going south. Follow Circle Drive south almost to I-25: Turn right into the parking lot of the Shell and Conoco gas stations. The hotel is behind the gas stations.

About Your Abstract(s)

Abstracts must be submitted online (<http://parasitology.winston.wfu.edu>) where you will find all the instructions for your submission(s). **The deadline for receipt of abstracts is Friday, March 12, 2010.** Everything in the meeting *Program & Abstracts* booklet is entered, formatted, edited, and produced electronically at Allen Press. Please carefully read the directions below and follow them.

Acceptance/Scheduling of Abstracts

Most abstracts, except those designating new taxa, will be accepted. Multiple papers being presented by one author may be restricted to two or three, with the remainder designated as posters at the discretion of the Scientific Program Officers. Notification of acceptance and/or scheduling of your paper is not automatic. If you need a letter to present to your administration stating that your abstract has been accepted, please be sure to check that box on the Web submission page. If you need to know the time and date that your paper is scheduled, please e-mail the ASP Scientific Program Officers for this specific information, but not before **May 14, 2010**, or you can check at <http://parasitology.winston.wfu.edu> or <http://asp.unl.edu>, where an electronic copy of the final *Program & Abstracts* booklet will be posted.

Preparing Your Abstract(s)

All abstracts **MUST** be submitted in English. When writing your abstract, both the title and the content are important components. The **TITLE** should be short, concise, and indicative of the abstract; omit “the” wherever possible. Avoid general words like “Studies on” or “Investigations of.” Use words with index retrieval value. On the Web abstract-submission page, you will be asked to indicate the presenting author of the paper or poster, which will be indicated by an asterisk (*) in the *Program & Abstracts*. The **CONTENT** should be a single paragraph of no more than 2,100 characters (including spaces, punctuation and HTML codes introduced by the abstract submission program) containing a concise statement of: (1) the problem under investigation (2) the experimental methods used and (3) the essential results obtained. The text should cite quantitative data from representative experiments or summary data. Scientific names should be written in full when first used, but on repetition abbreviate the genus name with the first letter of the genus only. Italicize all scientific names (as instructed on the Web abstract/submission page). We do not desire to prevent discussion of new taxa, but abstracts and/or titles which constitute the first designation of new taxa will not be accepted. Thus, do not use genus and species names of new taxa anywhere in your abstract.

Submitting Your Abstract(s)

Submit your abstract(s) via our Web page (<http://parasitology.winston.wfu.edu>): Follow all directions, fill in all the boxes, and press “Submit.” You will receive confirmation and a copy of your submitted abstract via a confirmation Web page; please print this page so as to have your confirmation number. Note: The function to write/correct your abstract(s) and related information will be disabled at midnight on **Friday, March 12, 2010**.

Scientific Attractions

Symposia and Workshops

In addition to our regular oral and poster presentations, we have a number of symposia and workshops in the planning stages. Drs. George Cain and Janine Cairra, our President and Vice President, respectively, are planning a fascinating President’s Symposium entitled, “**Sanitizing Sewage Sludge: The Intersection of Parasitology, Civil Engineering and Public Health**”. Symposium participants thus far include Drs. Jim McKerrow and Sam Loker. The student symposium is being organized by Ms. Maria Pickering (speakers TBA). An organizer for the **42nd (!) Coccidiosis Conference** is being solicited and details will appear in the next Call for Papers. Drs. Jerry Esch (Journal Editor) and Mike Sukhdeo (Associate Editor) have organized the **3rd Annual Associate Editors Symposium** with a diverse assemblage of speakers, including Drs. Kristen Jensen (University of Kansas), Tim Geary (McGill University) and Al Shostak (University of Alberta). Drs. Janet Koprivnikar, Pieter Johnson and Jason Rohr have put together a fascinating symposium entitled “**Causes and Consequences of Helminth Infections in Amphibians**”. This symposium will explore the mechanisms through which environmental change alters host-parasite interactions.

Awards and Lectures

Dr. Armand Kuris, University of California, Santa Barbara, will be presented with the ASP’s Clark P. Read Mentor Award. The Stoll-Stunkard Committee will also be selecting this year’s recipient. Additional awards will be announced in the next Call for Papers after committees have met and made recommendations.

Student Travel Grants and Paper Competition

Marc Dresden Student Travel (MDST) Grants

Applications and directions for MDST Grants are on the 2010 ASP Meeting web page (<http://parasitology.winston.wfu.edu>). The deadline for MDST Grant applications and to enter the Student Paper Competition is the same as the deadline for receipt of abstracts, **Friday, March 12, 2010**. Students must complete and submit the Certification of Student Status Form and the Travel Grant Form. In addition, students must have their advisor complete and submit the letter of support form along with their travel grant application. The chair of this year's committee is Dr. F. Agustin Jimenez (agustinjz@zoology.siu.edu), Department of Zoology, 355F Life Sciences II, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL 62901-6501. Ph: 618-453-5540, fax: 618-453-2806.

Student Paper Competition

ASP students are eligible for the "Best Oral Student Paper" award. Applications forms for the competition as well as the specific directions are on the 2010 ASP Meeting web page (<http://parasitology.winston.wfu.edu>). The deadline for Student Paper Competition applications is **Friday, March 12, 2010**. For students competing in the oral paper competition, remember that the Chair of the ASP Student Awards Committee (Dr. F. Agustin Jimenez) must receive one copy of your Application Form and abstract.

Social Activities

ASP Receptions

On Tuesday night from 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. the **ASP Welcoming Reception** will be held in the Atrium of the Crowne Plaza Hotel located just off the main hotel lobby. On Thursday evening you are invited to join the **ASP Private Party at the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo**. The evening is yours to explore all 146 acres of this picturesque zoo with its distinctive setting. The zoo is one of only two mountain zoos in the US. The zoo is home to over 30 endangered species, has the largest reticulated giraffe herd in the US and is a leader in the breeding and reintroduction of the Mexican Gray Wolf. Dinner will be served at the Moose Lake Pavilion with a spectacular view of Colorado Springs and the surrounding countryside some 700 feet below. If you get a little tired, don't worry. A special bus carries passengers up or down the mountainside with stops along the way so you can continue your walking tour.

Student Social

A Student Social is being planned for all ASP students; the date and time will be announced at the meeting.

Oral and Poster Presentations

Electronic Presentations—MS PowerPoint®

MS PowerPoint® is the presentation standard for the meeting and presenters must use the PC computer provided in their session. The use of personal laptops of any kind (PC or Mac) will not be allowed. Speakers should bring their presentation stored on CD-R, USB Flash Drive, or USB Pen Drive only; other storage formats may not be supported. Presenters must download their files to the PC of their session at least 30 minutes before the start of their session. Presenters are encouraged to save their presentation using the "Pack and Go" feature of PowerPoint®, especially if digital MPEGs (Moving Pictures Experts Group) or special fonts are used (detailed instructions for this procedure are in PowerPoint® "Help"). To ensure that each packed presentation is functional *before you leave home*, you are encouraged to unpack and run the presentation on a different computer than was used to create the presentation. Mac users can use the in-house systems if their files are saved with the "Pack and Go" feature. The onus will be on presenters to verify the compatibility of their files with the computers in use at the Crowne Plaza-Colorado Springs.

There will be a computer available in the Speakers Ready Room on which you can test your files. The standard presentation is 12 minutes plus 3 minutes reserved for questions and answers, unless otherwise indicated by the moderator. A laser pointer will be provided by the session moderator. One last word about PowerPoint® presentations: project your presentation and then view it from where the audience sits. **If you can't read it, they can't either.** Use contrast to your advantage, especially in labels. Blue or red letters in black boxes cannot be seen! White backgrounds are considered by some professionals to be the best. If you must use the "diaz" blue background, then consider lettering in bright white or bright yellow. Most other colors will not show up well. Keep the number of text lines to 9 to 10, or less, per slide. If you have to say, "*I know you can't see this, but ...*," then omit it!! Last, you are not obligated to use every font, color and/or feature that Microsoft® puts in its program. Use fonts, colors and features both consistently and judiciously. Your audience will thank you and, if you are giving a student presentation, it will improve your presentation. Remember, your science is on display, not your computer skills.

Poster Presentations

The poster session provides an additional means of substantive discussion of papers for members attending the Meeting. No competing activities will be scheduled during the poster session (unless absolutely unavoidable). Papers scheduled for presentation in the poster session are grouped by category, numbered, and listed with their abstract in the *Program & Abstracts* booklet. Each numbered poster will be allotted a correspondingly numbered **4' x 4' space (122 x 122 cm)**. Indicate the abstract number, title, and name(s) of the author(s) at the top of the poster so that it may be identified easily; the lettering for this heading should be at least 1 inch (**72 points**) high. A copy of your abstract should be posted in the upper left-hand corner of your poster. Please Note: Posters can be in English or Spanish, but the abstract posted in the left-hand corner of your poster must be in English.

21st Annual ASP Student Auction

Yet again, we are asking you to search your attics, basements, out-buildings, coffers or safety deposit boxes for donations to our Annual Auction to raise funds for student travel to meetings. Serious, humorous... whatever you come up with... it's all grist for the auction mill and will be much appreciated. You may bring your donation(s) with you to the meeting and turn it/them in for documentation when you register. **If you would like to mail your items ahead, please mail them to the chair of the local arrangements committee at the following address.**

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If you have questions about the auction or about items you wish to donate, please contact:

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Schedule of Events

Tuesday, June 22nd

ASP Council Meeting8:00 a.m.–noon
 2–3 oral paper sessions or symposia1:00–5:00 p.m.
 Welcoming Reception, Atrium of the Crowne-Plaza.....7:00–10:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 23rd

ASP President's Symposium8:30–10:30 a.m.
 Stoll–Stunkard Lecture11:00 a.m.–noon
 4–5 oral paper sessions/symposia1:00–5:00 p.m.
 21st Annual ASP Auction Preview & Auction7:00–10:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 24th

1–4 oral paper sessions/symposia8:30 a.m.–Noon
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 Evening at the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo5:45–9:00 p.m.

Friday, June 25th

1–4 oral paper sessions/symposia (as needed)8:30–10:00 a.m.
 Poster Session10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
 H.B. Ward Medal Lecture2:00–3:00 p.m.
 ASP Awards & Business Meeting3:00–4:30 p.m.

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