

5th International Conference on Colonic Spirochaetal Infections in  
Animals and Humans

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**On behalf of the Organizing Committee it is our pleasure to invite you to participate in the Fifth International Conference on Colonic Spirochaetal Infections in Animals and Humans that will take place at León, Spain, on June 8-10, 2009. The location of the conference will be at the Luis de León Silken Hotel ([www.hotelluisdeleon.com](http://www.hotelluisdeleon.com)).**

### **About León**

*The city of **León** is the capital of León province in the autonomous community of Castile and León (Castilla y León), in northwest Spain. Its estimated urban area population is near to 200,000. The city was founded in the 1<sup>st</sup> century BC by the Romans as the permanent military camp of the Roman Legio VII Gemina.*

*León possesses many impressive monuments, from outstanding medieval to avant-garde modern buildings. It is particular famous for its Gothic Cathedral with its excellent stained glass windows. Other relevant monumental buildings include the Real Colegiata de San Isidoro (which holds the Royal Pantheon, a mausoleum in which medieval Kingdom of León's royal family were buried that has one of the world's best collections of Romanesque paintings), Casa de Botines (an early work of Spanish architect Antoni Gaudí), San Marcos or the new MUSAC, the Castile and León Museum of Contemporary Art.*

*The city of León is connected with Madrid and Barcelona by plane (two flights per day for each destination operated by Iberia Regional company, Air Nostrum). It is also well communicated with Madrid by train (2 hours and fifty minutes, aprox.) ([www.renfe.es](http://www.renfe.es)) or bus (<http://www.alsa.es/portal/site/Alsa>). More information regarding flight, train and bus connections will be provided with the draft program of the conference.*

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The previous conferences were held in Sweden in 2000, Scotland in 2003, Italy in 2005 and Check Republic in 2007 and were highly acclaimed as a forum for presenting scientific information and meeting colleagues with a specific interest in this field. The fifth conference will offer a full scientific program including the most recent reports in the knowledge and research with colonic spirochaetes as well as an attractive social program including social events and visits to our ancient city. The organizing committee welcomes you and aim to do everything possible to ensure a successful and enjoyable conference.

The conference is aimed at veterinary and medical personnel, microbiologists and scientists with an interest in colonic spirochaetal infections. The subject material will be organized into themed sessions with invited speakers and offered contributions. Papers on current or recently completed research are particularly sought.

There are four options for scientific presentations:

- Invited speakers (45 minutes)
- Full papers (20 minutes including 5 minutes discussion)
- Short papers (10 minutes including 3 minutes discussion)
- Posters

Authors are invited to submit preliminary titles of presentations with a short paragraph outlining the content by **15<sup>th</sup> March 2009**. Authors should also state their presentation preference (full paper, short paper or poster). Submissions prepared in the template provided should be sent to the scientific committee by e-mail to [spiroconference@unileon.es](mailto:spiroconference@unileon.es) (subject: abstract) The scientific committee will try to adhere to author's wishes but reserves the right to allocate presentation formats according to the time available on the programme. Confirmation of acceptance will be sent by **31<sup>th</sup> March 2009** and a preliminary programme will be available from **30<sup>th</sup> April 2009**. For further information or assistance please contact Ana Carvajal on [ana.carvajal@unileon.es](mailto:ana.carvajal@unileon.es).

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## Time table

Bookings will be taken from <b>15<sup>th</sup> January 2009</b> onwards. E-mail: <a href="mailto:ana.carvajal@unileon.es">ana.carvajal@unileon.es</a>	
	<b>Deadline</b>
<b>Submission of titles</b> for oral presentations and posters with short paragraph and presentation preference to the Scientific Committee using the submission template provided (E-mail: <a href="mailto:spiroconference@unileon.es">spiroconference@unileon.es</a> subject: abstract)	<b>15<sup>th</sup> March 2009</b>
<b>Acceptance</b> of contribution notified to authors	<b>31<sup>th</sup> March 2009</b>
<b>Draft programme</b> sent by e-mail	<b>15<sup>th</sup> April 2009</b>
<b>Practical seminar booking and payment</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> April 2009</b>
<b>Conference booking and payment</b> to avoid surcharge	<b>30<sup>th</sup> April 2009</b>
<b>Submission of extended abstracts</b> for the conference dossier	<b>30<sup>th</sup> April 2009</b>



## Conference booking

### Provisional costs are detailed below:

- ❑ **Full delegate rate** - € 520 per person inclusive of three night accommodation, all meals, functions and use of facilities.
- ❑ **Sharing reduced rate** - € 420 per person inclusive of three night accommodation, all meals, functions and use of facilities, for delegates sharing twin-bedded rooms.
- ❑ **Non-delegate partner's rate** - € 230 inclusive of three night accommodation (double room sharing with a full delegate), lunches, dinners and social events.

Booking after 30<sup>th</sup> April will carry a surcharge of 15 % in the rate.

To secure a room in "**Luis de León Hotel**" please, book as early as possible (**from 15<sup>th</sup> January 2009** onwards) by sending the conference registration form and a copy of the bank transfer document to [spiroconference@unileon.es](mailto:spiroconference@unileon.es) (subject: registration) or by fax to +34 987 291304. Rooms will be allocated according to availability. For other forms of payment, particularly by credit cards, please contact Ana Carvajal on [ana.carvajal@unileon.es](mailto:ana.carvajal@unileon.es).