

NSF-PIRE: Patagonian Biodiversity Project

Year 1 Annual Meeting – Concepcion, Chile
15-21 January 2006

SUNDAY, JAN. 15TH: ARRIVAL

- 10am–10pm. Arrive in Concepcion – Universidad de Concepcion will provide shuttle from airport to hotel
8:00 pm Informal Dinner at hotel
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MONDAY, JAN. 16TH: ORIENTATION, COLLABORATION, AND STATE OF THE PROJECT

- 7-8:00 am Breakfast at hotel
8:30 am Welcome & Formal Introductions (Jerry Johnson)
Inaugural Meeting Outline
Project Objectives: Expectations and Opportunities
9:00 am Conducting Successful Comparative Phylogeography Research:
Avoiding Pitfalls and Maximizing Opportunities (Biff
Bermingham, Project Advisor)
9:45 am Conducting Successful Comparative Phylogeography Research:
Avoiding Pitfalls and Maximizing Opportunities (Chris Simon,
Project Advisor)
10:30 am Break
11:00 am Natural History of Patagonia: What is Our Starting Point? (Daniel
Ruzzante, Aquatic)
11:45 am Taxon Report: Fishes, Victor Cussac
12:15 pm Lunch
1:45 pm Natural History of Patagonia: What is Our Starting Point? (Pedro
Victoriano, Terrestrial)
2:25 pm Taxon Report: Lizards, Luciano Avila/Mariana Morando
2:45 pm Break
3:10 pm Taxon Report: Crabs, Carlos Jara
3:30 pm Taxon Report: Frogs, Jose Nuñez
3:50 pm Taxon Report: Plants, Raul Poznar/Leigh Johnson
4:10 pm Group Discussion: What Are the Important Evolutionary
Questions in Patagonia: Phylogeography, Biodiversity, &
Evolutionary Ecology? How Can Our Project Help Answer
These Questions? (Guillermo Orti, Moderator)
4:40 pm Break
5-6:00 pm Formal Opening Ceremony: Universidad de Concepcion (Pedro
Victoriano)
Welcome Speeches from Dignitaries
Project Overview to Public and University Community (Jerry
Johnson)
7:30 pm Depart hotel to Group Dinner

TUESDAY, JAN. 17TH: RESEARCH PLANNING

7-8:00 am	Breakfast at hotel
8:30 am	Overview of NSF Research Objectives: Phylogeography & Beyond (Jerry Johnson)
9:00 am	NSF Funding: Guidelines, Restrictions, Opportunities to Leverage Additional Funds (Jack Sites)
9:30 am	Group Discussion: What Is Our Best Research Approach for Understanding Biodiversity in Patagonia? (Leigh Johnson, Moderator)
10:30 am	Break
11:00 am	Determining Sampling Design: Part I Breakout Sessions: by Major Taxonomic Groups <i>Identify 20-30 candidate biogeographic sampling regions for your taxa; morphometric work; brainstorm 'add-on' work</i>
12:30 pm	Lunch
2:00 pm	Determining Sampling Design: Part II Combined Session: <i>Reach consensus on 20-25 major biogeographic sampling regions</i> (Guillermo Orti, Moderator)
2:45 pm	Planning Laboratory Work for Year 1 and Field Work for Year 2 Breakout Sessions: by Major Taxonomic Groups <i>Lab work-plans to distribute tissues, field work, and brainstorm 'add-on' project ideas</i>
3:30 pm	Break
4-5:30 pm	Data Collection, Storage, and Sharing (Sites): Tissue Preservation, Vouchering Museum Samples, Standardizing Sample Numbering, Geo-Referencing, Photographing Specimens, Archiving Data to our Web Site
7:30 pm	Depart hotel to Group Dinner

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 18TH: FIELD TRIP TO LAJA LAKE NATIONAL PARK

6:15 am	Depart hotel for field trip (4 hour drive)
8:30 am	Stop at field sites along way / break: snack
11:00 am	Arrive
12:00 pm	Lunch
3:00 pm	Depart for Concepcion (4 hour drive)
5:00 pm	Stop for break along way: snack
8:00 pm	Arrive in Concepcion
8:30 pm	Dinner on your own

THURSDAY, JAN. 19TH: EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM PLANNING & STEWARDSHIPS

7-8:00 am	Breakfast at hotel
8:30 am	Overview of NSF Educational Objectives (Jerry Johnson)
9:00 am	Building an International Educational Network (Jack Sites) Overview, Brainstorming
10:30 am	Break

11:00 am	Institutional Planning Sessions: Educational Program Planning by Institution or Small Groups of Institutions
11:30 am	Group Planning Session: Coordinating What Each Institution Can Offer For Student & Senior Personnel Educational Opportunities (Jack Sites, Moderator)
12:30 pm	Lunch
2:00 pm	NSF Management Plan – Description of Stewardships (Jerry Johnson)
2:30-3:30 pm	NSF Stewardship Planning (senior personnel self-sort to two stewardship groups) Breakout Sessions by Stewardship
	I. Coordinating Field Work & Travel Logistics (Sites)
	II. Research Design & Analysis (Crandall [Orti])
	III. Meeting & Workshop Planning (J. Johnson)
3:30	Break
4-5:00 pm	Stewardship Planning Breakout Sessions by Stewardship
	IV. Graduate, Undergraduate Education (J. Johnson)
	V. Faculty & Senior Personnel Development (L. Johnson [Sites])
	VI. Communications: Web Development, Publications, and Public Relations (Orti)
6:30 pm	BBQ Dinner provide by EULA

FRIDAY, JAN. 20TH: SYNTHESIS & PREVIEW OF WORK TO BE ACCOMPLISHED IN YEAR 1

7-8:00 am	Breakfast at hotel
8:30 am	Welcome
8:35 am	Parting Advice from Project Advisors: Chris Simon & Biff Bermingham
9:00 am	Reports from each of the taxonomic groups
	9:00 Fishes
	9:20 Crabs
	9:40 Frogs
	10:10 Lizards
	10:30 Plants
10:50 am	Break
11:10 am	Reports from project stewards
	11:10 Field Work & Travel Logistics
	11:20 Research Design & Analysis
	11:30 Meeting & Workshop Planning
	11:40 Graduate & Undergraduate Education
	11:50 Faculty & Senior Personnel Development
	12:00 Communications
12:10-12:30	Synopsis (Jerry Johnson)
1:00 pm	Final Group Lunch

2:00 pm Open time throughout the rest of the day: visit with University
personnel, see Concepcion, whatever...

SATURDAY, JAN. 21ST: DEPARTURE

6am – 4pm Flights depart