

**X INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON PARACOCCIDIOIDOMYCOSIS**  
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**Post-Congress Report (August 30, 2008)**

This is a “thank you” note for those of you who attended the meeting.

The Organizing Committee members would like to express their sincere appreciation for your presence during the centennial celebration of the discovery of paracoccidioidomycosis and its etiologic agent. It was our pride to have been your hosts in Medellín, Colombia.

We were extremely happy having witnessed your fulfillment of the Congress work schedule. The Salon Antioquia counted with a large number of attendants no matter if it was morning, lunch hour or evening. This indicated that you had come to learn, to interact with colleagues and to share with younger attendants the best of your knowledge.

Thank you!

We admire your discipline in attending the early morning sessions at 7:00 am (the tropical posters, as we called them) even if the night before had been full of social events that had left you somewhat sleepy.

We thank you for expressing joy when admiring the Silletteros Parade, visiting the Orchid Show and the Botero Sculptures, as well as when attending the performance by the young university Colombian Dancers Group and the concert by the Children's Symphonic Orchestra. We wanted to share with you some of the activities that have made of Medellín a place to visit thus dispelling fear and restrictions.

Above all, we feel that the our three years of hard work had been compensated by your enthusiastic support and apparent desire to become part of the growing family of researchers interested in the mycoses in general and in paracoccidioidomycosis in particular. Our Institution, the CIB, constitutes now an important link of this chain.

We trust that when departing you did take along not only new knowledge but also sweet remembrances of the X International Congress on Paracoccidioidomycosis. May we meet again soon to share and give, to enjoy and build stronger links. Adieu...

PS: If you would like to comment on the meeting, our web page will be available until December 2008. Just send your note and we will post it unchanged. ¡Thanks!

