



The 5th International Medicinal Mushroom Conference First Circular

18-21 June 2009

Nantong, China

The international movement for the medicinal mushroom industry marked an important milestone when Begell House Publisher (USA) launched the International Journal of Medicinal Mushroom (IJMM) in 1999. Solomon P. Wasser is the current Editor-in-Chief of the IJMM. The inaugural International Medicinal Mushroom Conference (IMMC) was held in Kiev, Ukraine, in 2001. Afterwards, it was agreed to hold an international conference of medicinal mushrooms every two years. The IMMC2 was held in Pattaya, Thailand, in 2003; IMMC3 was held in Port Townsend, USA, and the IMMC4 was held in Ljubljana, Slovenia, in 2007. The IMMC5 will be held in Nantong, China, in 2009.

The city of Nantong, situated in the central section of China's Coastline and on the northern flank of the developed

Yangze River Delta, is the only city of Jiangsu province facing the Yangze River and the Yellow Sea.

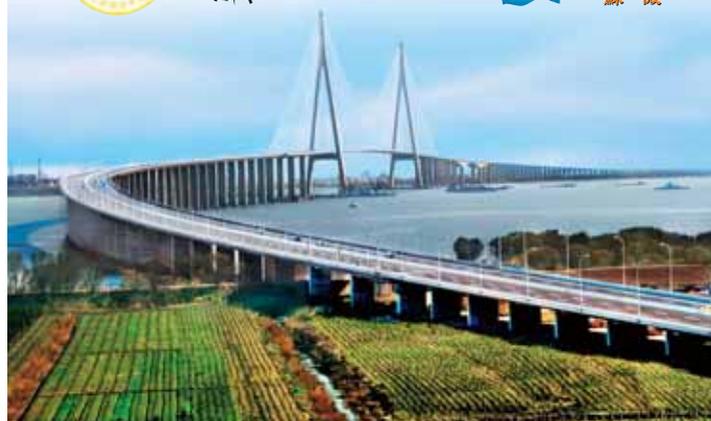
Nantong has a prosperous economy, outstanding regional conditions, profound culture, and prospective future development. Nantong is known as the Home of Longevity and is one of the three places where Chinese people enjoy the longest lifespan. Known for its healthy, scenic, comfortable, and harmonious environment, this beautiful spot along the river has won a provincial award for high-quality living.

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Mycological Society of China
China Chamber of Commerce of Import and Export of Foodstuffs Native Produce and Animal By-Products
Nantong Municipal People's Government

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Date and Location

The 5th International Medicinal Mushroom Conference (IMMC5) will be held in Nantong Jiangsu, China between the 18th and 21st of June, 2009.

Registry date: June 17, 2009.

Programs of the conference

A. Scientific Forum on Medicinal Mushrooms

1. Taxonomy, ecology and germplasm depositories.
2. Nutritional attributes and medicinal effects.
3. Physiology, biochemistry and genetics.
4. Medicinal importance of β -glucans and lectins in medicinal mushrooms
5. Cultivation techniques and fermentation processes used in medicinal mushroom production.
6. Medicinal mushrooms in folklore, and their coincident and differing roles in modern-day Chinese and Western medicine.
7. Satellite symposia:
 - a. *Ganoderma* spp: perspectives and challenges.
 - b. *Cordyceps sinensis*: perspectives and challenges.
 - c. Industrial-scale production, promotion and marketing of medicinal mushrooms.

B. International Industrial Exhibition of Medicinal Mushrooms and Mushroom Products

Offering 50-80 standard stands (3m*3m) to exhibit mushroom products and the latest research

Call for papers

We would be pleased to receive contributions from interested authors that follow the conference topics. Abstracts should focus on current issues relevant to science progress and/or to industry, and should be of a scientific and/or technical content.

Abstracts should clearly define the objectives of the presentation, topics covered, key conclusions reached, and potential benefits for science developments and industry. At least 500 words are required for Abstracts.



Abstracts should be sent to immc5@hotmail.com before 30 November 2008 in Microsoft Word or rich text format.

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Conference fees and Meal fees

Conference fees

US\$350 for regular attendees

US\$230 for students (with student card)

US\$420 for late registrants (after 1 March 2009)

On-line registration form will be available from 30 April 2008 on the conference website [http:// www.immc5.com](http://www.immc5.com).

Conference fee includes: admission to all scientific sessions, free entrance to the conference exhibition, conference bag and registration documents, including printed program and book of abstracts, book of proceedings, scientific excursion, and coffee breaks.

The conference will be organized in parallel sessions and poster exhibitions.

Meal fees

US\$150 for all attendees

The meal fee for a delegate covers the following:

Welcome reception
Lunches and dinners during the conference
River Hao He cruise
Closing Ceremony



Exhibition fees

Offering 50-80 standard stalls(3m*3m) to exhibit mushroom products and the latest research. Every standard stand fee is US\$1,000.00, including one attendees' conference fees.

The official language of the conference is English.

Deadlines

1 August 2008	Return the preliminary registration form
30 November 2008	Submission of abstracts
1 February 2009	Notification of authors on abstract acceptance
1 March 2009	Early registration fee payment
1 April 2009	Hotel reservation

For more information visit <http://www.immc5.com>

Accommodation

There will be several hotels of different categories available in Nantong city.

For more information visit the conference website at <http://www.immc5.com>

Weather in Nantong

Average temperature in June is around 23-25°C.

Transport

The Nantong Airport provides flights to Beijing, Guangzhou, Chengdu, Wuhan and Shenzhen. There is 25 kilometers distance from airport to city/hotels, half-hour by car.

The construction of Sutong Highway Bridge spanning the Yangtze River officially began in Oct., 2002, while the



construction of Chongqi and Chonghai bridges linking Nantong's Qidong and Haimen with Shanghai's Chongming Island will get started this year, making Nantong part of Shanghai's so called One-hour Economic Circle in the real sense.

For intercontinental flights we recommend a connected flight via Shanghai, Beijing, or Guangzhou.

Post conference tours and field expeditions (at extra cost)

1. A tour of Northeast Changbai Mountain, Jilin province (Tradition of Chinese culture and wild mushrooms) : Nantong — Shanghai — Changchun — Changbai Mountain — Yanji — Beijing
2. A tour of Shangri-La, Yunnan province (Wild mushrooms and beautiful scenery): Nantong — Shanghai — Kunming — Dali — Lijiang — Shangri-La — Xizang Linzhi — Chengdu
3. A tour of Wuyi Mountains, Fujian province (Edible mushrooms): Nantong — Shanghai — Wuyi Mountains — Xiamen — Zhangzhou — Gutian — Fuzhou



IMMC5 International Medicinal Mushroom Conference - Preliminary registration

Regular (US\$350)

Student (US\$230)

NAME (First Last) _____ TITLE _____
 INSTITUTION _____
 ADDRESS _____
 ZIP CODE _____ CITY/STATE _____ COUNTRY _____
 TEL _____ FAX _____ EMAIL _____
 ATTENDANCE: Passive Active | PREFER: Oral presentation Poster presentation
 TOPIC OF YOUR INTEREST: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7(a, b, c) _____

People who are interested in receiving the second circular for this conference should complete and return this form by 1 August 2008 to:
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Time Table

WEDNESDAY June 17	THURSDAY June 18	FRIDAY June 19	SATURDAY June 20	SUNDAY June 21
	7:00-8:30 Breakfast	7:00-8:30 Breakfast	7:00-8:30 Breakfast	7:00-8:30 Breakfast
9:00-22:00 Conference Registration	9:00-10:00 Opening Ceremony	9:00-10:30 Morning Session 1	Scientific Excursion	9:00-10:30 Morning Session 1
	10:00-10:30 Photo and Tea Break			10:30-10:45 Tea Break
	10:30-12:00 Keynote Speech	10:45-12:00 Morning Session 2		10:45-12:00 Morning Session 2
	12:00-14:00 Lunch	12:00-14:00 Lunch		12:00-14:00 Lunch
	14:00-16:00 Afternoon Session	14:00-15:30 Afternoon Session 1		14:00-16:00 Satellite Symposia
	Tea Break	Tea Break		
	16:15-18:00 Poster Session	15:45-17:00 Afternoon Session 2		
	18:00-20:00 Welcome Reception	18:00-20:00 Dinner		18:00-20:00 Dinner
	20:00-22:00 Evening Party	20:00-22:00 River Hao He Cruise and Visiting Nantong		18:00-20:00 Dinner and Closing Ceremony