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## Call for Abstracts

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**Page setup:** letter size (8.5" x 11") portrait with 1" margins on all sides

**Font:** Times New Roman and 11pt, single spaced

**Title of paper:** all capital letters, centered and bold

**Authors' names and full mailing addresses:** centered

**Authors in bold** (include full list): First author<sub>1</sub>; second author<sub>2</sub>; third author<sub>3</sub> (Presenting author underlined)

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**Abstract text:** 11 pt Times New Roman with right justification and a maximum of 300 words. No blank line separating paragraphs. New paragraphs with NO indent. Maximum of 300 words.

**NO references** should be cited in the abstract

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**Example of correctly formatted abstract**

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**BIVALVIAN TRIPTYCH: BIVALVE SEASHELLS OF WESTERN SOUTH AMERICA**

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The marine bivalve mollusks from Arctic Alaska, U.S.A., to northern Perú have been the subject of our two previously published books. We have begun research on a third eastern Pacific Ocean bivalve monograph, to be entitled *Bivalve Seashells of Western South America*. The study region originates at Punta Aguja, Piura, Perú (5.8°S), and continues south to the southern tip of Isla Chiloé, Los Lagos, Chile (43.4°S). As with the previous monographs, we will cover species that occur from the intertidal zone to the deep sea.

As we have reviewed the literature for the Perú-Chile Province, we have noted a marked decrease in bivalve diversity compared with similar northern latitudes. In the Alaskan, Oregonian and Californian Provinces, we have documented over 470 bivalve species, in the Panamic Province 892 species, whereas we currently only have records for 217 species from the Perú-Chile Province. The decrease in the number of species present in the southern region may be a function of under-sampling, or may represent a much lower diversity, or a combination of both factors.