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FIFTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF VERTEBRATE MORPHOLOGY

The Fifth Congress of the International Society for Vertebrate Morphologists will be held at the University of Bristol, UK, 12–17 Jul. 1997. All those interested in vertebrate morphology and related areas are invited to attend.

The Congress aims to bring together all those with an interest in vertebrate morphology and related subjects. It will be a meeting place for professional zoologists, morphologists, and anatomists from throughout the globe. Suitable topics for discussion at the meeting include all aspects of vertebrate morphology, such as anatomy, evolution, development, biomechanics and locomotion; vertebrate palaeontology; ecological morphology; morphological aspects of behavior; cell structure and function; neurobiology and neuro-anatomy; and morphometric and other methods.

The call for papers and details of booking arrangements and costs will be published in September 1996; the closing date for submission of papers will be 16 Dec. 1996. For further information, contact:

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SECOND CALL FOR PAPERS

The Association of Field Ornithologists will meet jointly with the Georgia Ornithological Society from 18–20 Oct. 1996 at Jekyll Island, Georgia. Papers are invited on all aspects of field ornithology, but one or more paper sessions will emphasize studies of avian migration. Authors wishing to present papers should submit an abstract by 1 Sep. 1996 to C. Ray Chandler, Department of Biology, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA 30460-8042 (chandler@gasou.edu). Abstracts (typed, single-space) should include the title and the name and address of the author(s). The body of the abstract should not exceed 160 words. Authors are encouraged to submit abstracts by e-mail or on 3.5" diskette (with software and format indicated on the disk). Alternatively, authors may submit three copies on plain white paper.

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