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Recommendation letter

As Tenure Professor of Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Director of Mycology Laboratory, and Thesis Advisor for Bárbara Letícia Botura Schünemann, I would like to take this opportunity to recommend her for the Grant application of International Association for Plant Taxonomy. Bárbara has demonstrated incredible initiative and great interest and aptitude in fungal taxonomy, with her thesis project “Species diversity and biogeographic history of coprinoid fungi (Psathyrellaceae, Basidiomycota) from Brazil”.

I oriented Barbara’s master degree with taxonomic and phylogenetic analysis with coprinoid fungi and she showed the skills to lab identification and molecular analysis. Now she continued to research with coprinoid fungi, and want to rebuild the evolution history of this fungi using biogeography tools. To achieve this goal is important to use the greatest diversity that occurs in neotropics. However, are places as the Amazon Forest that still have an unknown diversity, and would be important to visit this region to do a more robust research.

I therefore fully support Barbara's application for an IAPT Research Grant. Such a grant would support her visit to the INPA herbarium to review the materials of the group that occurs in Amazon Forest and to interact with researchers of the institution.

Please, do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information.

Thanks, and best regards,

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