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Mexican Association of Hand Surgery

(Asociacion Mexicana de Cirugia de la Mano A.C.)

Our Society was founded in 1981 by 6 members, and has been growing slowly but with great effort. Today, we have approximately 45 active members. Either Plastic or Orthopedic surgeons, our members have a profound interest in hand surgery and work both in the

private as well as institutional fields.

Every third Tuesday of the month, we conduct academic sessions to which residents of Plastic and Ortho specialties are invited and during which we discuss several topics.

Our logo is represented by the amputated hand of "Coyolxauhqui", aztec goddess of the moon. The legend says that Coyoxauhqui, the daughter of Coatlicue, supreme mother, along with hundreds of brothers, gods of the stars, got angry when she heard of her mother's pregnancy by an unknown father. Consequently, she went with her brothers to try to kill Coatlicue. Their mother gave birth to Huitzilopochtli (who will be later the main god of the aztecs), who was born already as a grown warrior. Huitzilopochtli defeated Coyoxauhqui, dismembering her body, cutting off her head and throwing it down a mountain.

Another activity is our solidarity hand surgery campaigns, where we go out in the country to solve congenital and traumatic sequela cases in disadvantaged members of society. We have our International Congress every 2 years, and the last one was held in september 19-21 in Mexico City.

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