

Dr. Hugo Azcorra

**Candidate Bio:** Dr. Hugo Azcorra is Assistant Professor of the Research Center 'Silvio Zavala' at Universidad Modelo in Merida, Yucatan, Mexico. Hugo has been a member (student and fellow) of the HBA since 2012. Hugo's research focuses on three main components: 1) nutritional ecology, 2) physical growth and 3) intergenerational influences and early developmental factors on health and disease during postnatal life. In his short career, Hugo has investigated the growth and nutritional status of Maya children and adults from Yucatan and how the current biological status of the Maya is shaped by poverty, nutritional status of previous generations and current changes in the sociocultural environment. Hugo is also father of three kids (Matias, Sara and Jose Maria) and a Bonsai practitioner.

**Platform Statement:** I published my first article (as a MSc student) in the AJHB in 2009 and since then this journal has given me the opportunity to learn so much about Human Biology and enrich my work through the discussion established with the reviewers and editors of the journal. After several years, the AJHB is for me the main forum for the scientific dissemination of my work. I am now honored to have been nominated to take part of the HBA's Publications Committee. If I'm elected for this position, I commit myself to contribute that publications in which the HBA's Publications Committee is involve maintain a high quality level and strictly adhere to ethical standards. I also think that, as scientists, must make a maximum effort to make the research products, including articles and books, accessible to everyone, particularly to the populations in which the research was carried out.