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**Renowned Cal Poly Professor on Sunday Discovery Channel Dinosaur Special**

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- Renowned microbiologist and Cal Poly Professor Emeritus Raul Cano is featured on a Discovery Channel special on dinosaurs premiering Sunday, Feb. 17, at 9 p.m.

Cano, Director of Cal Poly's Environmental Biotechnology Institute, is featured in the opening of the show. Cano is famous for his pioneering research extracting ancient DNA encased in amber, published in Science Magazine in 1995.

In 1995 -- in the era of the popular "Jurassic Park" movie series -- Cano published papers on his findings after discovered living bacterium in the gut of a bee entombed in amber for 25-40 million years.

In the new Discovery show "Dinosaurs: Return to Life?" Cano offers explanations about how dinosaurs could possibly be brought back to life.

After the Sunday premiere on the Discovery Channel, the episode will continue to run periodically on the network.

Check the Discovery Channel web site for additional "Dinosaurs: Return to Life" broadcast times.

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