

## Updating perspectives

In honor of the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Association and of the present volume of our journal *Revista de Gastroenterología de México*, last November 24 we presented the general assembly some changes and new sections that will be incorporated in this issue.

During the present year and adhering to the Journal's purposes we have asked for editorial comments of some of the original articles. In the same manner a review paper has been included in each number of the volume that concludes. Such is the case of the article about non-steroid anti-inflammatory gastropathy that was sent to us by Dr. Angel Lanas, a contribution that enhances this number. We already have the manuscripts from Dr. Emmet Keeffe on acute hepatic failure, Dr. Marina Berenguer on hepatitis in transplanted patients and Dr. Aldo Torre on the management of ascitis and aquaretics. These will appear in numbers 1, 2 and 3 of volume 70.

Our cover will have images that make reference to the "*Hypotheses in Gastroenterology*", where us editors will discuss points of interest and current questions, that could stimulate our partner's research.

With this same spirit we will inaugurate in this number the following section: "*Echoes of Gastroenterology*" where a group of national experts will do us the favor of reviewing and commenting significant articles published in the main journals of Gastroenterology, Hepatology, Digestive System Surgery, Gastrointestinal Endoscopy and Pediatric Gastroenterology, from which we will select 8 summaries per number. Dr. Eustaquio De Lascurain Morgan and Dr. Ramón Carmona Sánchez have kindly accepted to coordinate this new section.

Finally and thanks to the generous promotion from Dr. Emmet Keeffe and Dr. David Peura, President and Vice-president of the American Gastroenterology Association and with support from Dr. David Brenner, editor of *Gastroenterology*, we also initiate in our Journal's current number the periodical reproduction of an article

on consensus and practical guides in Gastroenterology that have recently been published in the journal *Gastroenterology*, a section that Elsevier has kindly allowed us to translate and reproduce in our Journal.

With this we hope to increase the interest in our Journal and thus better contribute in the diffusion of the knowledge in our specialty.

Tending to our researchers we begin with the full translation of the Journal to English that can be consulted in the web page of our Association.

Likewise 250 numbers in English will be available at the Association and will also be sent to Universities and University Hospitals in Europe and North America. With all this the researchers that honor us by sending their original contributions will be read in any part of the world. We consider that this will be an additional tool to broaden the scientific impact of our publications and to stimulate physicians from other countries to send us their work. The Journal is sent to teaching hospitals in South America, a policy that will be extended with the purpose of offering timely and widespread diffusion of the XXI Panamerican Congress in December, 2006.

Our editorial committee will be complimented by foreign members and as we have done this year, we will expedite the review of works sent and we will ask for one and preferably two editorial comments of the original articles that will appear in volume 70.

Our purpose is to encourage the academic and scientific quality of our *Revista de Gastroenterología de México* and through this we hope to ever better satisfy our member's expectations.

Sincerely,

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