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A new commitment

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With its 33rd volume to be published in 2020, *Cirugía Pediátrica* embarks on its most ambitious and intrepid journey –being published in the two most widely spoken languages globally: Spanish, our mother tongue and that of many Latin American colleagues, and English, the scientific language *par excellence*.

The members of our association have responded without hesitation to the request of the Executive Board to support the financial expenditure involved.

We all share this common ambition, an additional step in showcasing our journal as a rigorous and effective publication highlighting the assistance, educational and research activities we undertake. The purpose is clear – achieve international recognition through the acquisition of a journal impact factor.

Over the past year, the number of articles from Latin America has almost equaled to those of Spanish professionals. Therefore, we would like to thank our Latin American colleagues for the trust they place in *Cirugía Pediátrica* every day. We encourage them to keep considering us the most suitable vehicle to convey their work.

We continue to strictly adhere to the regularity of our publication. The working body of copy editors and authors has been strengthened, enabling us to maintain more flexible and reliable communication, with transparency and rigor in our publishing endeavor. The accredited educational activity related to the published issues of our journal, *Cirugía Pediátrica Formación*, in 2020 will be published for the fourth year, with the bonus of potentially achieving European accreditation. This activity is based on the excellent work carried out by the members of the editorial committee, who in turn make up the faculty as teachers and tutors of the course.

The pending task is to establish the new format of our journal, i.e. the bilingual publication, for which we hope to have the support of those committed to contributing to the scientific development of Spanish Pediatric Surgery. In the coming months, we will strive to establish the groundwork for collaboration with other associations within our specialty, principally Latin American associations that participate in the publishing management and development of our journal. The next setting will be our conference in Oporto in April 2020, the 4th Congress of the Latin American Association of Pediatric Surgery, held at the same time as our 59th SECP Conference.

Cirugía Pediátrica is eager to maintain its position as the most influential Spanish-speaking publication in our specialty, as well as to become one of the most influential journals in the scientific understanding of Pediatric Surgery.

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