

EDITOR'S LETTER

DEAR READERS:

The *Revista Argentina de Cirugía Cardiovascular* is the official body of the Argentine College of Cardiovascular Surgeons, and has been involved since its inception in the publication and dissemination of scientific research in the cardiovascular and endovascular field, both in Argentina and in other Spanish-speaking countries. Over the years, the Journal has consolidated its prestige and quality through the contributions of its authors and the effective guidance of its editors.

In 2016, the Journal entered a new stage of development with a new editorial board. True to its philosophy, it will continue considering and publishing independent contributions by national and foreign surgeons and researchers but, from now on, it will introduce certain changes to facilitate the inclusion and dissemination of regional scientific work.

In order to achieve greater participation of authors and researchers, we have established a series of publication formats that will be accepted in the Journal as from this year. Besides the traditional original articles and case reports, brief communications, scientific letters, images in cardiovascular surgery, controversies,

reviews, opinion articles, surgical techniques, editorials, letters from our readers, perspectives, historical and occasional notes, special articles and book reviews will also be accepted. The inclusion of these new types of articles will substantially increase the publication quality. Please check the Instructions for Authors on the website of the Journal (www.caccv.org.ar) for the features and extension of each of these presentations. The Journal also intends to play an educational role within the scientific community and, to this end, the methodological advice of the Journal's Editorial Committee will be available to future authors in order to facilitate and improve the design, review and final writing of articles.

At this new stage, we hope to place the Journal among the renowned publications of Latin America, especially by maintaining its frequency, enhancing its impact and visibility through online open access, complying with the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors standards, and including it in local and international databases.

We look forward to working closely with all the community of researchers. \blacksquare

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