

Editorial

The Journal of Investigational Allergology and Clinical Immunology (JIACI) is enjoying a very favorable period according to bibliometric indicators and the number and origin of articles received by the editorial office. As Dr. María Luisa Sanz said in her farewell editorial, our success is the result of a joint effort by a large group of people. This group is headed by the researchers who send us their original data and reviews, the fruit of enormous efforts. Since its foundation, JIACI has had an international outlook, with articles from all over the world. Moreover, in recent years, we have seen the growth of articles from Spanish contributors. It is commendable that we regularly receive high-quality work, especially in an environment where investment in research continues to plummet and the notion of merit continues to fade. The quality of the work we receive makes it increasingly difficult to select articles for publication. We thank all our researchers and reinforce our commitment to maintaining high standards. The response time to a first decision is always under 5 days, and once all original articles are accepted, they are immediately available on the journal's website in the "Ahead of Print" section and can be specifically referenced. The world of scientific journals is very competitive, and maintaining standards is a difficult task that requires considerable effort and dedication, especially for a relatively small editorial office, such as that of JIACI.

The second group of people we would like to thank is that of the professionals who peer-review our articles. Their task is complex in professional terms and one that requires a significant dose of generosity. On the other hand, peer review is a highly formative intellectual exercise; therefore, it is important that all young researchers in the field of allergology and clinical immunology form part of this group of reviewers. JIACI has taken various steps in this regard and will continue to welcome young researchers to our pool of reviewers in the near future.

The editorial team has been consolidated during the past year with the incorporation of the immunologist Dr. Victoria del Pozo, thus ensuring that both the basic and clinical aspects of the specialty are covered and that the working

dynamic of the group continues without further changes. We are particularly grateful to Editorial ESMON, whose unconditional and energetic support enables us to meet our requirements and plans for improvement and guarantees the publication of JIACI. In this sense, our key player is Gema Betelu, who will continue to act as Editorial Assistant, with the support of the University of Navarra.

We would like to thank Alberto G. Oehling for his generosity in altruistically assigning the chairmanship to the Spanish Society of Allergology and Clinical Immunology. Moreover, we reiterate our commitment to maintaining the original spirit of the publication, which was founded by his father Professor Alberto K. Oehling. The Journal holds to its original aim, which is to ensure the independent dissemination of knowledge in our specialty, prioritizing the quality and interest of the data we publish. Alberto will become Chair of the Editorial Committee as guarantor of this legacy.

We extend our best wishes to Dr. Maria Luisa Sanz for her retirement and reiterate our gratitude for her excellent work as Editor-in-Chief. Maria Luisa has been our reference and our guide, and it is thanks to her that JIACI now finds itself in such a favorable position. Her contribution means that the members of the Editorial Committee are faced with the considerable challenge of ensuring that the Journal follows the successful course she plotted.

Finally, we would like to express our gratitude to the Spanish Society of Allergology and Clinical Immunology for continuing to rely on our team to continue leading the Journal and for the important financial support it provides.

Our efforts are aimed at ensuring that our readers continue to use JIACI as a vehicle for scientific and professional training, thus enabling us to stay abreast of the latest developments and provide allergic patients with high-quality care they deserve.

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