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Dear readers,

A new year is underway and, if anything, our enthusiasm and appetite for hard work are even greater than they were last year. So far, we have achieved or broadly consolidated several of our main objectives: new sections have been established within the journal, the new instructions for authors are being met more often and more thoroughly, contributors now come from wider national and international backgrounds, dermatological debate has been opened on many fronts, more on-going medical training is provided, the journal is coming out on time, and there has been a marked increase in the number of manuscripts submitted—allowing for more demanding screening of articles. All this has, without a doubt, improved the quality of the content—the reigning objective of the editorial board. We have been informed of very high levels of satisfaction amongst *Actas Dermo-Sifiliográficas* readers. This makes us very content, and also provides us with even greater motivation to forge ahead with the demanding yet passionate task of directing and coordinating the journal. However, we must not sit back complacently, as many challenges still remain to be met. Our most important one is to be included in the Journal Citation Index, something that would allow an impact factor to be calculated for *Actas Dermo-Sifiliográficas*. To achieve this, our journal must be widely cited in articles published by international journals. This means that *Actas Dermo-Sifiliográficas* articles must be of sufficient quality to “merit” this form of recognition. Both the editorial board and authors submitting articles for evaluation by the editors will be responsible for seeing that this objective is met.

We also wanted to take advantage of these few lines to inform you of some other very interesting news: the **FREE ON-LINE ENGLISH EDITION** of the full content of *Actas Dermo-Sifiliográficas*. All issues of *Actas Dermo-Sifiliográficas* produced since January 2007 have been translated into English in full, with free access available via the PubMed search engine. This “cover-to-cover” bilingual publication of our scientific journal demands high quality translation, including style revision and adaptation to American Medical Association style guidelines. The layout of the English versions follows that of the Spanish-language edition, and the English version is “spot checked” against the Spanish original. The work is dealt with by a multidisciplinary team including a coordinator, the translators, the editorial board, and the publishers themselves. Accessing the translations couldn’t be simpler. Once on the PubMed page, simply select an article and an icon will appear on the right reading: “Free full English text.” On clicking on this icon, you will be given the choice of viewing the article or saving it, **totally free of charge**. We are convinced that this feature will open up access to the content of the journal, and that this, in turn, will lead to greater international dissemination of our work.

We would like to reiterate our invitation to all dermatologists to submit high-quality manuscripts to *Actas Dermo-Sifiliográficas*. Similarly, we are open to any suggestions and criticisms that might lead to improvements in our journal. By working together, we can ensure that *Actas Dermo-Sifiliográficas* will become all that we want it to be.

The Editorial Board