“I never think of the future - it comes soon enough.”

Albert Einstein

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What is next?

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Despite all the contradictions around the impact factor, it is necessary and we hope Annals of Hepatology will get a good evaluation. Even we know perfectly you cannot determine someone’s impact in the future from where they publish today. On that basis, God would have an impact factor of zero. He did his best work a long time ago; it has never been repeated by anyone; and all His ideas were published in a book, not in a peer-reviewed journal!!

In order to refresh and as an answer to the changing scientific environment we have decided to modify the editorial committee as well the associate editors and reviewers who by the way also needed some rest. I would like to express my deepest and sincere gratitude to all their work and high professionalism, without them Annals of Hepatology could not exist. For the new members my honest welcome, there is a lot of work that has to be done and with your collaboration it will be lighter.

Another change is the editorial house, now Annals of Hepatology will be published by PROYECTOS EMANUEL, we hope this will help to increase the input of this journal.

During this period, Annals of Hepatology has been included in several important databases, such as Index Medicus/MEDLINE, IMBIOMED, Index Copernicus, EMBASE, EMNursing, Comendex, GEObase, SCOPUS, Free Medical Journals, Periodica (UNAM), Chemical Abstracts Service, SIIC Data Bases, Science Citation Index Expanded (SCIE) and the National Council of Science and Technology of Mexico.

The web site www.annalsofhepatology.com is a commonly visited site both for students and health professionals in order to get in an easy and free way the published articles.

After this brief reflection of eight years, now we must ask what is next? Although Einstein didn’t like to think about the future (see the upper phra-
se) we must do it. All the human work can be improved and I think for the future improving the quality and clinical relevance of *Annals of Hepatology* must be our main goal and our main challenge. Let’s enjoy the future which comes soon enough.

### REFERENCES
