

## Editorial

During the meeting of the ALEH delegates held in Buenos Aires in December 2006, the *Annals of Hepatology* (official journal of the Mexican Hepatology Association) was unanimously designated as the official journal of the Latin-American Association for the Study of the Liver. This change comes to replace “Gastroenterología y Hepatología”, the journal of the Spanish Association for the Study of the Liver, which served as official journal of the ALEH in the last 4 years.

This decision to appoint *Annals of Hepatology* as the official journal of ALEH was based on our belief that the official journal of a Latin American association in better published in one of these countries. After a care-

ful analysis, *Annals of Hepatology* was appointed for the purpose.

We appreciate the extraordinary work performed by Dr. Nahum Méndez-Sánchez and his team as the editors of *Annals of Hepatology*, and we hope that this new project will contribute to a more effective integration and collaboration between all the hepatologists and related specialists practicing in our continent as well as worldwide.

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