

editorial



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The Spanish language is in very good health: we know that in 2014 there were 550 million people who spoke Spanish and that it was the mother tongue of 470 million (7% of the world population, while Russian is 2.2% and German and French 1.1%) while it is the 2nd most used language in tweets and the 3rd, after English and Chinese, on the internet. The principal language of international communication and the language of science however is English, and for that reason the Scientific Committee of the COEM decided in 2014 we should publish a special edition each year with the best articles published in our journal in English, and this is the first of them.

Científica Dental awards three prizes every year in three categories (best scientific article, best clinical case study and best first scientific work by a new writer) to the work published in our journal; for that reason in this special edition we present the prize-winning work and the other finalists, and we thus have six fine scientific articles which readers may consult on open access in our website www.cientificadental.es. Readers who wish to may also consult these works in Spanish in the same website as these versions have also been published.

Finally we wish as always to thank all those who make this journal possible and particularly the authors of the works which appear in this edition for their efforts and the quality of their work.

Best wishes.