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Discussion forum

Foro de debate

We are beginning 2011 with a structure that we hope will be the usual structure of the journal from now on. The number and quality of the works being submitted for evaluation have increased, which enables us to have more material available, despite the increase in the rate of works being returned due to poor quality in the opinion of referees and the editorial board.

There are two novelties we believe to be of interest and hope that you will feel likewise.

One, the Discussion forum, which is starting with Prof. Munuera's work on training in Orthopaedics, addressing aspects of core subjects in post-graduate surgical training and areas of specific skill development. The comments that arise will be well received in the section for Letters to the Editor, since the purpose of this section is to collect information and qualified feedback on issues about which we do not always have sufficient contrasted information. The author's prestige, his outstanding talents as a teacher and his experience as a Professor and President of the Specialty Board, as well as his countless sources of information, make his work a reference document. This section will continue with works along

the same lines that I hope will enrich our knowledge and fill some gaps.

The other novelty is a document from the Sociedad Española de Cirugía de Cadera (SECCA) regarding metal-metal friction pair prostheses. The authors on behalf of the Society, Dr. Gallart and Dr. Marín, have made a tremendous effort to systematize the issues involved and to orient professionals with respect to the precautions and systematic follow-up of these patients. The Editorial Board and, in particular, the publishing company (Elsevier) have endeavoured to be able to publish this document as soon as possible, given its importance and the alarm that several stories appearing in the media have provoked in both patients and the general population at large. This effort has resulted in a slight delay in getting this issue out and we hope you will be forgiving of this delay.

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