

# EDITORIAL NOTE

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The institutions Sociedad Colombiana de Ciencias Hortícolas (SCCH), Universidad Pedagógica y Tecnológica de Colombia (UPTC) and Universidad Francisco de Paula Santander (UFPS), editors of the Revista Colombiana de Ciencias Hortícolas (Category B in Publindex - Colciencias), inform our authors and readers that the economic and administrative problems we faced in 2019 have been dealt with, and it is our desire to carry on with our editorial role and continue to strengthen all sections of our journal.

As such, it is our pleasure to introduce to our readers volume 13 number 2 of 2019, with 16 articles, published completely in English, with a digital format that allows us to publish articles individually and restructure pagination when the design and diagrams are finished. However, a print version of this edition will be maintained for legal and administrative purposes.

This issue has contributions to the Fruit Section that include research on the physiological responses of a banana crop to the use of biostimulants with an evaluation of the use of exogenous cytokinins and their effect on growth and development in this important fruit species and an evaluation of plastic covers for the protection of banana bunches and their effect on quality. We also included an article on genetics (evaluation of half-sibling families) in the cultivation of Creole melon grown on the equatorial coasts. Another article analyzed dwarf anacardium peduncles for use in food as fresh and processed products. This section ends with a timely topic related to the resilience of citrus agroecosystems with a sociological focus.

The Vegetable Section begins with the results of research on the molecular characterization of pea genotypes using SSR markers and continues with an article on molybdenum nutrition in sweet corn cultivation at different doses and application frequencies. In addition, there is a paper on the effect of organic and mineral nutrition on the growth and development of crisp lettuce. Another article relates an evaluation of some pumpkin introductions based on the nutritional quality of the seeds. This section also includes an article on the physiological response of the tomato to a mineral compound in the soil and another one on weed control in corn crops with organic management.

The Ornamentals Section contains an article on the use of diazotrophic bacteria in micropropagated ornamental pineapples and ends with an article on carnation cultivation productivity in response to the application of modified nutritional solutions.

Finally, the Section on Aromatic, Medicinal and Seasoning Herbs includes an article on the species *Lippia alba* that deals with the use of phosphorus and luminosity gradients in terms of seedling quality. A second article evaluates the behavior of stevia genotypes in response to long days.

We have used this content to publish distinct articles from areas of horticulture that suffered from the management and administrative difficulties that the Sociedad Colombiana de Ciencias Hortícola, owner of this journal, was going through, for which we apologize to our readers and reiterate that our goal with the journal is to share the knowledge gained for various horticultural species with a view towards contributing to the solution of current horticultural problems with science and technology.

To conclude, we remind our authors to continue to adjust the content of their articles to our publication standards in order to streamline and update our volumes.