

Revista 16 de abril adopts continuous publication in a single annual volume

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Revista 16 de abril –under the continuous publication modality since volume 61 of the year 2022– is pleased to announce that its editorial board has decided to adopt the continuous flow of scientific publication in a single annual volume.



This means that it will no longer be published on a quarterly basis, nor will it be divided into four issues per year, so that the articles can be published at any time after the peer review, editing and writing, proofreading, layout, translation and quality control phases have been completed.

This change responds to the desire to follow the best and most current trends in good practices in scientific publishing. It is also in line with what SciELO recommends in a methodological and procedural guide to serial publication: “Articles, issues and volumes can be structured in different ways, such as: articles published in a single issue per year, articles published in issues that remain open until the end of their periodicity, or also, with several open issues that are fed simultaneously...”¹

At present, several Cuban serial publications in the health sciences^{2,3,4} have adopted this model because of its enormous advantages. Santana Delgado, quoted by Pozo Alonso², highlights the following advantages, which are certainly not the only ones:

- Shorter publication times for articles.
- Greater immediacy in the dissemination of scientific information.
- Greater visibility of published articles.
- Better editorial processes.
- More up-to-date information for users to read and cite.

If the mission of *Revista 16 de Abril* to serve science is accelerated; if, in this endeavor, it can offer its authors better editorial management; and if, in this task, it can offer its readers more up-to-date and interesting content, then the objectives set by the editorial board with this change will have been achieved.

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