



## EDITORIAL

This issue of the Latin American Potato Journal marks a milestone in its history to the satisfaction of the editorial committee and the Latin American Potato Association (LAPA). We want to present to you in this first issue for the year 2020, good quality scientific communications from paper researchers from different Latin American countries.

This volume presents the results of research related to a new potato cultivar generated in the Cusco region (Peru), the evaluation of clones for cane processing in Brazil, and the response of new varieties released in Ecuador to major phytosanitary problems. On the other hand, results of research in Brazil on fertilization with potassium sources and its effect on tuber quality are presented, in addition, results on the contents of acrylamide in flakes of various varieties processed by two types of frying in Ecuador. We thank all authors for their contributions.

The Latin American Potato Journal is in a constant process of improvement with a view to achieving greater visibility and dissemination. Some of the updates made to date is having the DOI registry for each article that has been published, the affiliation of the journal to CrossRef and the style correction process of the approved articles. These improvements are the result of the effort of the magazine's editorial committee and the contribution of potato researchers in Latin America and the world. It is our purpose to be a benchmark journal in potato research for the region and the world, for which we will continue working in the direction of reaching indexations that allow us to achieve a greater impact.

We invite all researchers to submit their articles to our journal. This work is extremely important, since as researchers we are important actors in the productive and economic revival process in the region, caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. We believe that the magazine is an important means of publishing our results, so that they are visible to the academic world, to research and production of potato cultivation in Latin America and the world.

For the Latin American Potato Association (LAPA) it is a source of satisfaction to communicate the scientific advances of our researchers and reiterates the call to contribute with their articles, the result of their work in different countries, with the certainty that we strengthen knowledge and the potential interaction between colleagues who work in this noble food species of humanity.

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