

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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On behalf of the Mexican College of Anesthesiology A.C. I deeply appreciate your confidence in participating in the **XLIII Annual Course of Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine** held at the *World Trade Center* of Mexico City from July 4 to 8, 2017, your presence contributed to the success of our great event, which congratulate us, since it was one of our goals for 2017, remember that our Mission as a College is to contribute to the professional development of anesthesiologists under the most complete humanistic sense of academic competence, social awareness and quality. In addition to training human resources of excellence, by strengthening specialization programs and constantly updating the professional competence of anesthesiologists. This is achieved by Continuing Medical Education activities and promoting the tasks of Clinical Research in Anesthesiology. Publishing the technological advances and disseminating the most updated information in order to be able to apply Medicine Based on Scientific Evidence that allow us to make the most assertive decisions. The motto of our course was “*improving the prognosis of our patients through an excellent anesthetic practice*”, because thanks to the new anesthetic agents and the technological advances, a spectacular development has

been achieved in the exercise of anesthesiology, since this diversity of agents, allows us to particularise the anesthetic technique according to the characteristics and needs of the patient or surgery, favorably influencing postoperative results. To achieve this, refinement of anesthetic techniques has been indispensable. The success of this process lies in the elements that each of us uses for its creation; In this the knowledge of the antecedents and the functional reserve of the patients, as well as the skills and knowledge with which the anesthesiologist has to make the decisions that associate to a successful result plays an essential role.

The summaries contained in this supplement are evidence of the academic excellence of our annual course that reflects the work and talent of its authors which has allowed a solid, respected and recognized school at national and international level. So I continue with the firm conviction of investing all the time, effort and dedication that are necessary to continue with the promotion of educational activities, training in scientific research and the implementation of a culture of quality in medical care, always looking for the benefit of our patients that continues being the mission of the solidly formed anesthesiologist.