## Mission and Scope

#### Mission

AUDITIO | The Spanish Journal of Audiology is an international scientific publication, edited both in Spanish and in English, with rigorous peer review, open access and with an emphasis on dissemination and research in the field of audiology in an inclusive way in which professionals from different disciplines can contribute and share knowledge within the audiological community.

AUDITIO aims to build a bridge between the scientific and hearing health care communities. The editorial team's mission is to eliminate language, economic and academic barriers in order to promote research and generation of knowledge in audiology in Spanish-speaking countries and in the rest of the world. As a final goal, AUDITIO wants to make the members of the Spanish Audiological Society (AEDA) to participate in the journal, promoting scientific pedagogy in all editorial processes and appreciating the contributions of members from different disciplines.

### Scope

AUDITIO considers for publication original research article as well as acceptable secondary contributions based on previously published studies in the broad and multidisciplinary field of audiology and hearing sciences. In general, the importance of the contribution for the scientific and clinical community should be emphasized and the writing style should be adequate for a broad and multidisciplinary audience.

AUDITIO publishes scientific articles of interest to the multidisciplinary community of audiology. Authors' contributions are evaluated by expert reviewers in their fields as well as by readers dedicated to other areas of audiology. AUDITIO considers for publication contributions that provide evidence in favor of a better understanding, diagnosis, or rehabilitation of hearing loss.

The subject of the journal includes various aspects of the study of audiology, from fundamental science studies to applied research. In addition, AUDITIO includes expanded content based on comments, critical reviews and technical notes with the aim of sharing practical and applied knowledge that complements the dissemination of scientific knowledge.

#### **Journal Sections**

#### AUDITIO | Research Articles

This section contains "Research Reports" in addition to the classic article types that often appear in scholarly publications. The main difference of AUDITIO is that, apart from the traditional peer review, it will have a non-academic reviewer (e.g. a clinical professional in the field of audiology). In addition, published articles will acknowledge the work of the reviewers (the identity of the reviewers will be part of the record of he article). The evaluation reports and the author's response may also be included as supplementary content (optional). All articles will contain a text box with the title "Clinical Implications" where the authors should emphasize the importance of the article and its connection with a better understanding, diagnosis or rehabilitation of hearing loss.

• Research reports, where a synthesis of previous studies is carried out but drafted in such a way that it can be understood by people who are not expert on the research topic. An example of a research report is the synthesis of studies related to a doctoral thesis, or the summary of a scientific project, where the results from a project are presented. The authors must have been involved in the project, but they do not necessarily have to be the first authors of the discussed studies. The aim of the research reports is to disseminate the results to a wider audience and to connect the different studies that have been carried out.

- Original studies presenting unpublished data.
- Replication studies that confirm or not previous results.
- Review studies, where a critical analysis of the existing literature is conducted.
- **Case studies**, where a thorough and detailed examination of a particular case is conducted.
- **Perspective studies**, where a point of view on a specific area of research is presented.

#### **AUDITIO | Research Communications**

This section is intended to welcome contributions from the hearing health care comunity. The content of this section will be considered "expanded material" of academic publications. The contributions will be peer-reviewed by at least one researcher and one health care professional. The article types considered in this section are:

- Clinical Reports: Presentation of the results of a student project or MSC thesis with a clear clinical component. Reports with research questions, hypothesis, and statistical analysis are considered "research reports" (see above).
- Commentary: Articles reviewing a scientific article published in AUDITIO, providing critical content or a different point of view. Commentaries will contain a summary of the original article, a summary of its findings, and a critical discussion about the content. "Third-party reviewers" of published

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articles are encouraged to generate such comments based on their assessment.

- AEDA Journal Club: This type of article presents an analysis, like a commentary, of a preferably recent article published in other publications in the audiology area. Authors are encouraged to analyze Open Access articles published in in scientific journals such as Trends in Hearing, mdpi Audiology Research, Ear and Hearing, International Journal of Audiology and Hearing Research among others.
- **Technical Notes, Protocols, Book Reviews and Tutorials:** Technical reports on a new technology, diagnostic test or new methods will also be considered for publication. The article must be written objectively and not contain commercial elements. The approach descriptive should be and rigorous, containing an introduction with relevant information and a discussion. The objective is to share practical or theoretical knowledge with the audiological community both scientific and clinical.

# AUDITIO | Editorials & Communicationes

In addition to the two sections, there is a section with content controlled from the editorial office. It will have a free format and will be made up of: editorials, Reviews, News, Tributes, etc.

This content will not contain abstracts nor will it be peer-reviewed.