

Brief Interview with Dr. Isabel Martínez Solís (Editor)

Journal of Biodiversity, Bioprospecting and Development

1. How many years have you been associated with the current research?

Since 1989, my professional life is focused at university, as professor and researcher, first at University of Valencia and later at CEU Cardenal Herrera University, also I collaborate at ICBiBE-Botanical Garden. So I've always had to update my knowledge on topics that I teach students and those that I research in my research group.

2. What is the research topic you are working on now?

Currently, my group and I are developing two research lines: one on plant diversity and uses from plants, especially medicinal plants; and another on psychoactive or abuse substances and their consumption, with particular regard to drugs from plant origin (tobacco, cannabis, cocaine, etc.).

3. What are attributes for a quality article?

I think a quality scientific paper must meet specific attributes on the topic, innovation, scientific background check on which it is based, the paper structure (clear and concise), conclusions in accordance with the topic and proposed objectives, and evidently the article must transmit what the author intended. The topic must be a crucial issue of our time and the paper should contribute something new about it. Innovation is important, especially now that the research profitability is needed for amortizing the investment and use from resources. For this reason, I consider particularly interesting innovative work, i.e., that the work allows the implementation of scientific outputs to the benefit of society, being used them by the industrial sector, other sciences, by various public and private institutions ... This type of work is more effective for inter-disciplinary research and/or for usefully relating academic knowledge to the solution of real life problems and, in general, to Industry and Society.

4. Do you have any research funding (NIH or other national funding) now?

Since 2008, my research team and I have enjoyed funding, greater or lesser extent, always external to our universities, through projects that are funded by both public institutions and private entities.

5. When did you become an editor of OMICS Journal?

In 2014, I become editor.

56. Where can the journal find the maximum scope in terms of niche?

The journal can find the maximum scope in the research world, especially at university circle, because the articles are used both for improving teaching and developing research.

7. What is your greatest career accomplishment?

Over 25 years at university, I have achieved some achievements, but the most notable is having promoted the formation of my research group and I am honored to be the Principal Investigator. Proposal and obtaining projects and other scientific and academic activities would have been impossible without my team, and the benefits that projects and activities have given us almost certainly would not have occurred.

8. How does the published scientific content assist the potential researchers?

The bibliographic review is essential, as first step in any research study, in order to know the current research and the results from it, through scientific publication. Furthermore, the published scientific contents can also assist in organizing and evaluating the work of any other potential researcher.

9. What is the purpose of serving as an editor?

My main purpose is to serve the scientific community with my expertise, especially young researchers because they represent our science future.

10. Do you have any patents?

No, I have no any patent; our research and innovation are not profit oriented. The aim is serve society.

11. Have you contributed any editorials or papers (any types) to OMICS Journals in the past two years?

In the past two years, I have contributed reviewing and papers to other journals, but not in OMICS group.

12. Do you plan to contribute any editorials or papers to OMICS Journals in the next year?

Yes, that's the idea. My group and I plan to contribute to OMICS Journals in the next year.

13. How would you define your experience with OMICS Group?

At the moment my experience is short but pleasant.

14. Your opinion on conducting Editorial Board meetings at related Conferences?

I consider that editorial committee meetings are necessary. If possible, a plenary would be ideal for facilitating the sharing of ideas and contributions that may be useful to editor and edition planning. In any case, the editorial committee meetings related conferences are an excellent alternative.

15. Would you recommend OMICS to your friends or colleagues?

Of course!

16. How do you differentiate Journal of Biodiversity, Bioprospecting and Development with other journals in the field?

The most interesting thing about this magazine is that it has a very multidisciplinary character. Also, it is a young journal, so there is no possibility the negative influence that sometimes the weight of tradition or customary can have, this facilitates the response to the identified needs in the scientific, research, academia or university and society as a whole.