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Cartas al Editor//

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Prof M. Dora Feliciangeli Co-Editor of the Boletin de Malariologia y Salud Ambiental, Maracay, Venezuela

Dear Professor Feliciangeli

I am writing to you in your role as an Advisory Board member for **Global Health**, the dedicated public health database launched by CABI Publishing in April 2004. As you are aware, Global Health is designed to meet the needs of both the developed and developing world by providing comprehensive coverage of global health literature. Our aim is to become the first-stop resource for public health professionals, researchers, academics and policy makers interested in both national and international health issues. To this end we are always looking for quality journals to expand our coverage so as to ensure current, relevant and truly global coverage.

I am delighted to inform you that your institute's journal Boletín de Malariología y Salud Ambiental (formerly Boletin de Malariología y salud Ambiental) has been selected as one of our core coverage journals for Global Health: this means that we abstract and index all reviews, research articles and letters (where they publish new data).

I would be grateful if you could ensure that Global Health is listed under your journal's details of abstracting/indexing services.

Your journal will also be abstracted/ indexed in our other products, print and electronic, depending on subject matter. These products are:

- Tropical Diseases Bulletin
- Helminthological Abstracts
- Review of Medical and Veterinary Mycology
- Review of Medical and Veterinary Entomology
- Protozoological Abstracts
- Nutrition Abstracts and Reviews

Whilst visiting your institute's excellent website, I discovered another journal "Salud de los Trabajadores" which we would like to consider for inclusion on Global Health. I would therefore be very grateful if you could arrange for me to receive a copy (at the address below) as soon as possible so that I can submit it to our review process.

Global Health, background

Primarily for public health professionals, researchers, academics and policy makers the database

provides comprehensive coverage of global health literature, based on cover-to-cover selection from core journals plus the more difficult to obtain journals and grey literature (books, reports, conference proceedings etc.)

Compared with Medline, almost half of the source literature is unique, using material from 125 countries in 55 languages. More than 90% of records have informative English abstracts and links to full text are provided wherever possible. This enables linkage to local library holdings or the increasing volume of open access material. Every journal we select for inclusion has been through a rigorous review based on potential yield, scientific value and geographic origin, under the guidance of our own subject specialists and international advisory board. The international advisory board currently has members from Africa, China, Australia, South America, USA, UK and WHO.

Global Health is published via the Internet and as a CD-ROM. It is available on our own platform CAB Direct and on other hosts such as Ovid, ISI, EBSCO, Dialog and DIMDI.

Your readers and fellow researchers at the Institute can obtain more information about Global Health at http://www.globalhealth-database.org/

They can also search **Global Health** and its sister database **Global Health Archive** FREE today by using the database search facility at www.cabdirect.org/global

Access is FREE to all for a limited period in order to help the aid organisations responding to the recent Tsunami disaster. Free trials and subscription information can be obtained by contacting our Latin America sales coordinator Diane Miles (D.Miles@cabi.org), who incidentally spent many years as a researcher based in Venezuela.

Using http://www.globalhealth-database.org/, one can also learn about the Global Health Archive which contains archive material dating back to 1910, on tropical diseases, human nutrition, mycology and parasitology and entomology. It covers sources unique to us from 1910-1983: a unique record of public health research in the century that saw the most dramatic explosion of scientific knowledge. This archive has been warmly welcomed as ideal not only for teaching the history of public health but also because of its relevance for the study of emerging diseases and the control of disease without modern antibiotics and multiple resistance. As well as recording health research, the archive is multidisciplinary in nature and is being consulted by those interested for example in social science, human rights, intellectual property rights, military history and ethnobotany.

With Global Health providing excellent current awareness and the Global Health Archive, CABI Publishing now covers global public health from 1910-the present date.

Thankyou for your assistance in amending the abstracting/indexing services listed in your journal. Please contact me if you have any queries and feel free to publish this letter in your journal to alert your readers. I wish them and your journal a very prosperous 2005.

Yours sincerely,

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