





# Historical review of the journal ONCOLOGÍA (Ecuador)

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### **Abstract**

The journal Oncología (Ecuador) is an open-access medical journal published quarterly by the Society for the Fight against Cancer of Ecuador (SOLCA). The journal was founded in 1993 and publishes original articles, literature reviews, special articles, clinical cases, and letters to the editor in the field of oncology.

The journal Oncología (Ecuador) is indexed in the following databases: Latindex, LILACS, and DOAJ, which have an international editorial board that is made up of oncology experts from around the world. Manuscripts submitted to the journal are peer-reviewed.

The journal Oncología (Ecuador) is an essential source of information for health professionals working in oncology.

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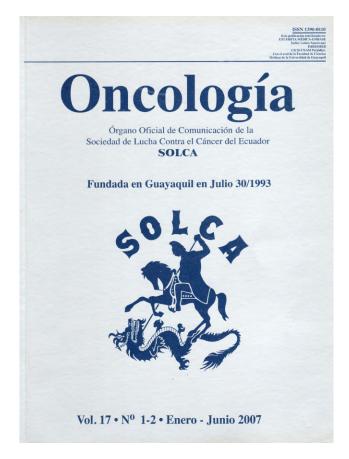
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### Introducción

The journal ONCOLOGÍA (Ecuador), whose publishing institution is the Sociedad de Lucha Contra el Cáncer-Ecuador, appeared in printed format on July 30, 1993, to publicize the results of research work in the field of oncology; its founders, Juan Tanca Campozano, M.D., a prestigious gastroenterologist and former president of Solca-Guayaquil, as Director of the journal; and Jaime Sánchez Sabando M.D., a renowned cancer surgeon, as Deputy Director/Editor of the journal.

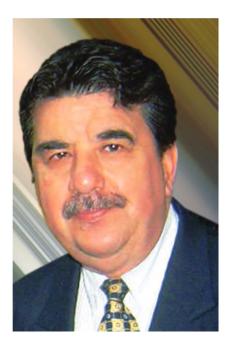
In line with the title of one of the most important works of Professor Juan Tanca Marengo, M.D., "The Sense of Responsibility"; its founders expressed it as an editorial work of collaboration and commitment, so the journal ONCOLOGÍA (Ecuador) comes to light with an academic and scientific approach. Juan Tanca Campozano, M.D., has remained the emeritus director of the journal until today.



The first cover of the Journal Oncología (Ecuador) since 1993.

Jaime Sánchez Sabando, M.D., accepted the challenge of the directorship of the journal ONCOLOGÍA (Ecuador) in January 2002. As quoted in his editorial published in Vol. 12 No. 1-2 of June 2002, "Continuing the course," he worked with dedication and perseverance, achieving indexation in the renowned Latindex Directory database in January 2005. The journal was listed in EXCERPTA MEDICA—EMBASE, Latin American Index, IMBIOMED, and CICH-UNAM Periodical. Jaime Sánchez, MD, worked enthusiastically and responsibly until his unfortunate departure on May 4, 2008.





Juan Tanca Campozano, M.D. and Jaime Sánchez Sabando, M.D. (†) Founders of the journal Oncología (Ecuador).

In 2009, Carlos García Cruz, M.D., an intensive care physician, was appointed National Director/Editor, who continued the course with the same enthusiasm. The journal changed its cover in 2009 and began to be published electronically in open access in 2017, achieving relevant indexing in LILACS in 2017 and the BVS-Ecuador. In February 2020, due to pressure to attend to the high care load of the recently created Critical Department of the Hospital of Solca Guayaquil, Carlos García, M.D., had to leave the journal to accept its leadership.

In February 2020, at the beginning of the health emergency due to the global COVID-19 pandemic, Katherine García Matamoros, M.D., an oncohematologist, was appointed director of the journal, partnering with prestigious doctors from the community who have contributed significantly to the advancement of the journal's requirements, such as Felipe Campoverde, M.D., an oncohematologist; Evelyn Valencia, M.D., an oncohematologist; and Lorena Sandoya, M.D., an internist. They all accepted the challenge. With an outstanding national and international editorial team that supports management, we continue to strengthen and build paths to achieve excellence. Continuing the course, in January 2022, the journal entered DOAJ (Directory of Open Access Journals) and, in January 2023, into the Latindex 2.0 Catalog.

The journal ONCOLOGÍA (Ecuador) has an electronic ISSN: 2661-6653, is published every four months, has no costs for processing articles or for sending articles, published manuscripts go through an arbitration process, are subjected to editorial scrutiny and peer review in a closed system, has a digital archiving policy, has a plagiarism detection policy, and each article is distributed under the Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike 4.0 International License, which allows authors to have unrestricted copyright and allows and encourages authors to retain their publication rights by citing the source.





Carlos García Cruz, M.D. (2009-2020) and Katherine García Matamoros, M.D. (2020-present)
Directors of the Journal Oncología (Ecuador).

The ethics of publication follows the recommendations of the "International Committee of Medical Journal Editors" (ICMJE) for the "uniformity of manuscripts sent to biomedical journals." Authors are invited to maintain ethical conduct in research and data management.

The journal provides immediate open access to all its content, and articles published from 2022 onward have been disseminated in Spanish and English.

The challenges of the journal ONCOLOGÍA (Ecuador) are to continue growing in visibility and excellence, for which we have committed to complying with the standards of quality and ethics in editorial management and strengthening the contributions of the authors with the invaluable help of the reviewers, whom we acknowledge and thank infinitely.



New journal cover from 2009

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