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In 2005 the managing board of the Italian Society of Shoulder and Elbow Surgery under the presidency of professor Rovesta took the decision to commit in the production of a monographic issue dealing with elbow and shoulder pathologies inside the “Chirurgia degli Organi di Movimento” (Figure 1).

This effort aimed at creating both an instrument for diffusion of consolidated techniques and of innovative proposals in shoulder and elbow surgery, and a growing incitement at scientific commitment for the members of the Society.

After a 2-year interval during which the journal saw the transformation of its layout and the change of its heading (Figure 2), the hope to create a monographic issue all

Fig. 1

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Fig. 2

depending on the Society's contributions found its realization with a yearly publication.

Eight years later, the shoulder and elbow issue is known also outside Italy, its articles are indexed in PubMed, citations increase, and the acceptance of the papers year after year has become more selective due to the growing number of contributions that we receive. We have also had the pleasure to give space to articles by eminent international shoulder and elbow surgeons.

The merit of this growing prestige is shared by all the members of our society, who represent the various national centers of excellence in shoulder and elbow surgery, and by the team of my colleagues devoting time and enthusiasm to the care of this journal.

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