## **Editorial**

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Several international invited researchers attended to the IV-CFQTC with 9 plenary lectures of high scientific quality and 68 posters distributed into two sessions were also presented. The attendance was more than 100 participants from different universities and research institutes.

## **International Invited Speakers:**

Albeiro Restrepo

Universidad de Antioquia, Colombia.

Alberto Vela

CINVESTAV, México.

Guillermo Restrepo Rubio

Universidad de Pamplona, Colombia.

João B.L. Martins

Universidade de Brasilia, Brasil.

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Universidade de Brasilia, Brasil

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In addition, 16 short talks were presented by different research groups in Venezuela.

Participants were invited to submit manuscripts of their presentation for a JCMSE special issue, and 18 of them were accepted after a careful peer review process. We wish to thank the speakers for their splendid and interesting conferences. Also, we greatly appreciate all the persons and institutions allowing the IV-CFQTC to be organized in Venezuela: INTEVEP-PDVSA, Academia Venezolana de Ciencias Físicas Matemáticas y Naturales, FONACIT, IVIC, Red Venezolana de Nanotecnología, and also private enterprises as Fundación Empresas Polar. They kindly contributed to the costs of travelling and lodging of some of the invited speakers. The offer of the JCMSE to publish extended papers, after peer review, is gratefully acknowledged.

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