

## EDITORIAL

# A Shared Journey Linking Science, Movement, Emotion, and Engagement

*Un viaje compartido entre ciencia, motricidad, emoción y compromiso*

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Reaching Issue 25 in a scientific journal is always a milestone. For **EMOTION**, it means far more than a round number: it is the celebration of a collective project built over twelve years by authors, readers, reviewers, editors, and managers who have believed in a shared vision of science. Each issue has reflected a diverse and committed community that understands Sport Sciences as an interdisciplinary space in which movement, emotion, education, and health engage in dialogue to transform and improve lives.

**The Journal of Education, Movement, and Research (EMOTION)** was born within the HUM643 Research Group (**EMOTION**: <https://www.uhu.es/emotion/>) with a clear conviction: science must be open, free, and honest. From the very beginning, we defended the idea that knowledge should not face financial barriers, neither for those who write nor for those who read. We placed our trust in methodological transparency and in respect for people above any pressure for results. We believed that scientific rigor only acquires its full meaning when it is directed toward improving education, health, and well-being.

This commemorative issue brings together expert voices from different national and international research groups who generously share their trajectories, findings, and future aspirations. Their contributions—concrete, human, and meaningful—reflect the maturity of a field that has grown exponentially over the last decade and is now recognized as a plural, dynamic, and deeply committed space devoted to improving society. Within these pages beats the history of a community that has researched, taught, and collaborated from classrooms, sports courts, and laboratories, always with a common goal: to better understand the human being in movement and to provide evidence of the physical, emotional, and social benefits of motor practice.

The journey so far offers figures that speak for themselves: **187 published articles**, written by authors from various countries; **thousands of monthly views**, positioning **EMOTION** as a dynamic journal that is consulted and used by both the scientific and professional communities; a growing presence in databases and academic indexes, which broadens the dissemination and impact of our publications; and a sustained increase in citations, especially in areas such as Physical Education, Sport Psychology, Child Motor Development, Emotions, and Health.

None of this would have been possible without those who have sustained this project with effort, generosity, and professionalism. Our most sincere thanks go to the authors who trusted **EMOTION** from its earliest days, supporting a young journal that aspired to forge its own path. We are equally grateful to the reviewers and members of the editorial board, whose silent work guarantees the quality and rigor of every manuscript. We also wish to acknowledge the Editors-in-Chief who have guided the journal through its different stages—Sebastián Fierro, Juan Manuel García, Pedro Olivares, Eduardo Fernández, Bartolomé Almagro, Inmaculada Tornero, and Cristina Conde—for their commitment, academic judgment, and ability to support **EMOTION's** growth.

Special thanks to the members of the HUM643 Research Group for their constant support and tireless work in disseminating knowledge. And, of course, to the University of Huelva Press for its efficient management, technical guidance, and firm commitment to open science and, in particular, to our journal.

The future lies ahead with humility and, at the same time, with deep enthusiasm. We will continue to champion transparent, collaborative, and accessible science; research that integrates emotion, motor behavior, and health; innovative methodological approaches; and the strengthening of scientific networks that bring knowledge closer to students, professionals, families, and educational communities.

This Issue 25 is a stopping point on a journey that continues. Thank you for joining us, for believing in this project, and for helping make EMOTION, today more than ever, a real, human, and globally open journal.

With gratitude and commitment,

The Editorial Team of EMOTION