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Some history:

- -Revista Mexicana de Astronomía y Astrofísica was founded in 1974 continuing the tradition of the Boletín de los Observatorios de Tonantzintla y Tacubaya (founded in 1952)
- -Founding editors were Paris Pismis, Eugenio Mendoza and Silvia Torres-Peimbert
- -It has published original research articles in all branches of astronomy, astrophysics and related topics.
- -Papers are published in English, with an abstract in Spanish.
- -Until 1994 it also published as special volumes the proceedings of meetings held in Mexico and Latin America. In 1995 a separate journal was founded for this purpose

The journal

- -Two issues per year are published. 800 printed issues are distributed free of charge to more than 500 astronomical institutions in 70 countries.
- -The journal is included in the main international and national indices (such as Science Citation Index, Scopus, ADS, Latindex, Scielo, etc.)
- -It is fully integrated into the ADS. From volume 36 (2002) onwards it appears simultaneously in the ADS, and is freely accessible. All previous volumes were scanned and are also freely available in the ADS
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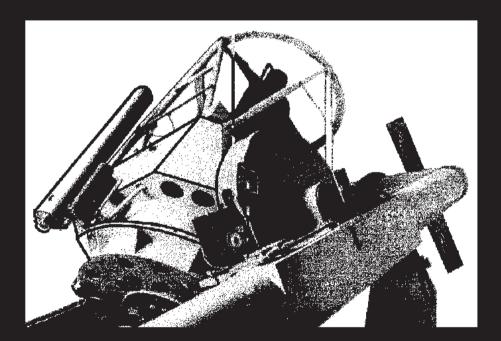
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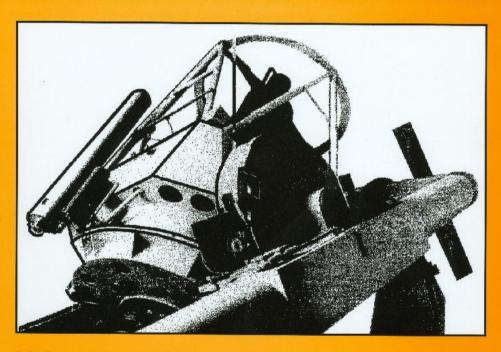


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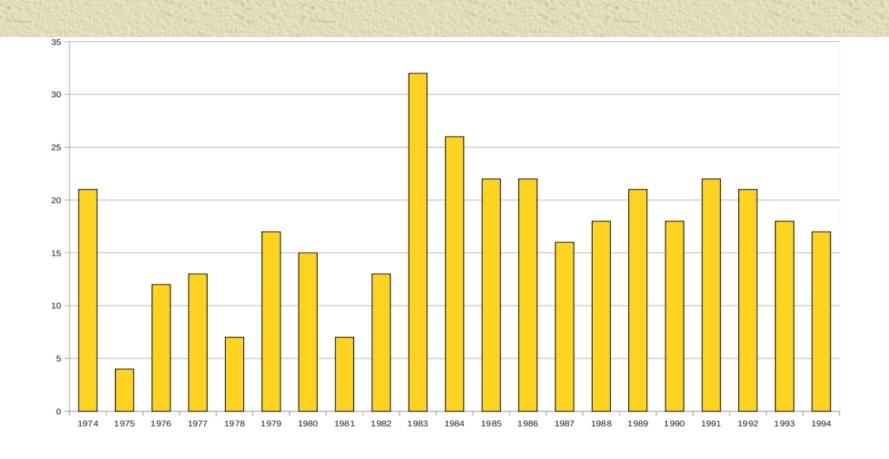
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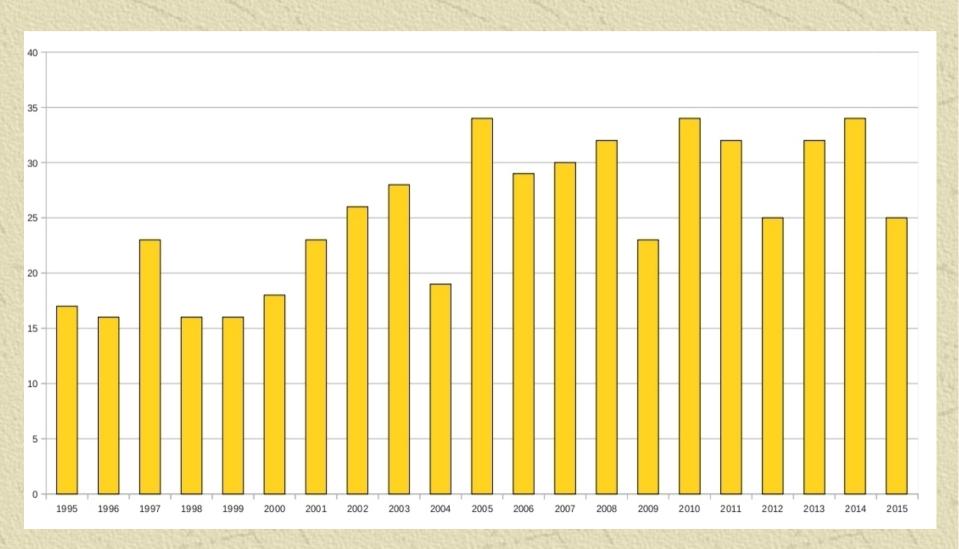
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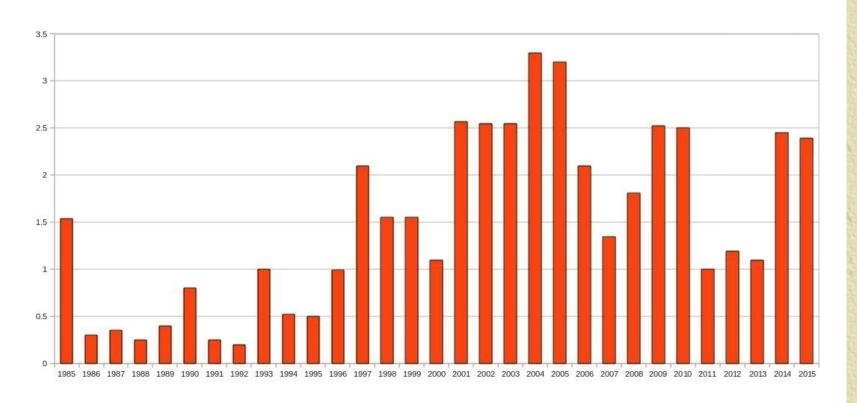
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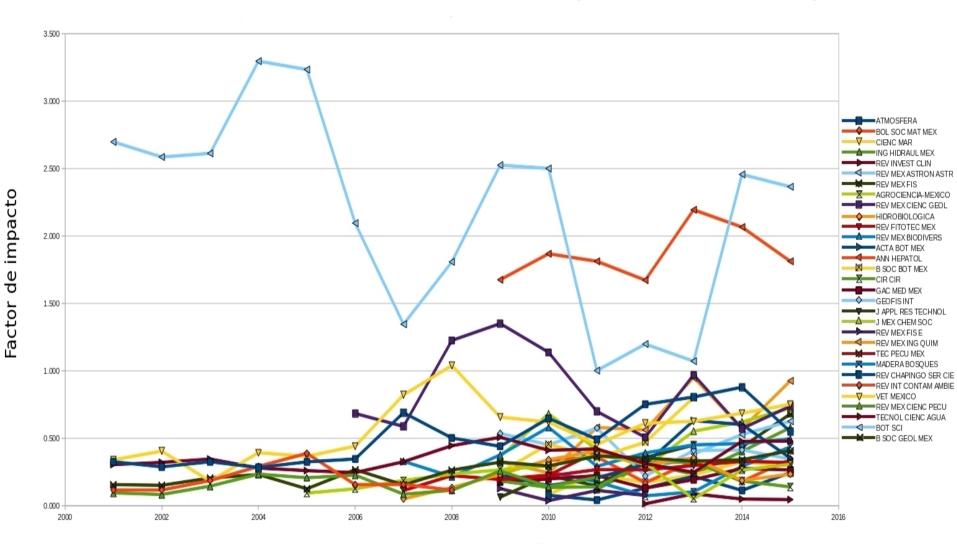
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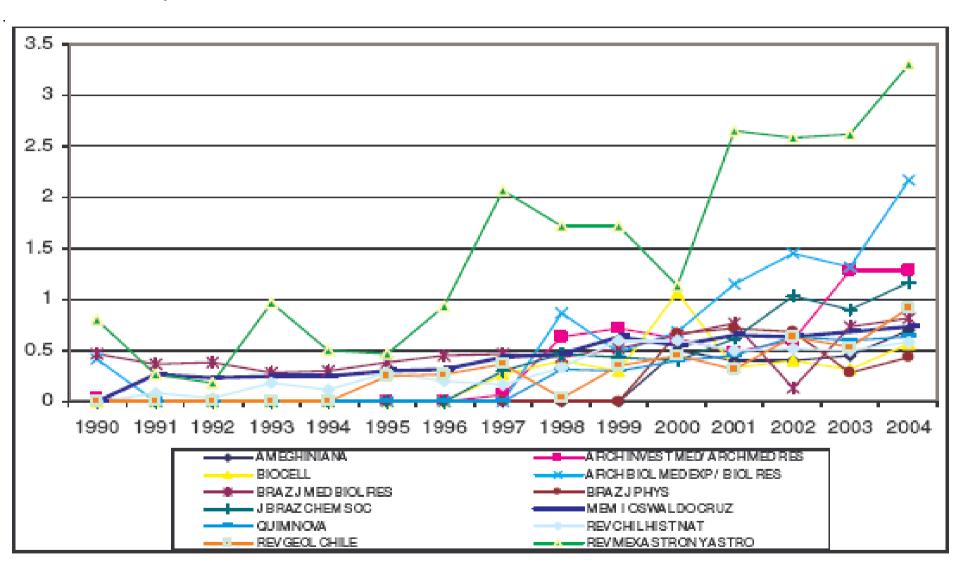
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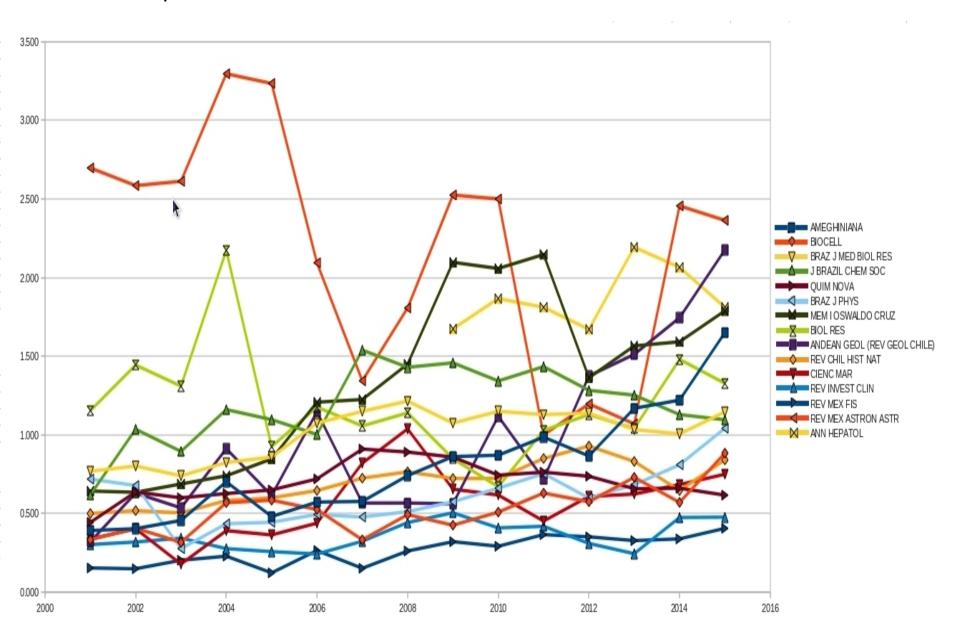
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México, Brazil, China, Turkey, Greece, Tunisia, Bulgaria, Italy, Iran, Romania

Conclusions

- -RMxAA has been published continuously for 42 years.
- -Its visibility and impact factor place it among the good international astronomy journals..
- -The printed issues are distributed free of charge to all institutional astronomy libraries.
- -The on-line version is freely available..
- -Authors pay no page charges. This makes our journal particularly attractive in times of economic hardship.
- -Spanish abstracts are intended to preserve our language as a valid alternative for communication among astronomers.
- -Its editorial independence is valuable for scientifically sound contributions outside the main prevailing trends
- -Paradoxically, its acceptance among national evaluation agencies is not on par to its international reputation. So, many authors (especially among the young) still prefer to publish in other journals, sometimes with worse visibility and impact factors....

The future

-How shall we continue? Should we go to all electronic publication?

Yes, but we have two main concerns:
-How to guarantee the integrity of the publication
-How to ensure its durability

-We now have the ISSN for both journals -We have recently obtained ISSN-el for RMxAA and are in the process of obtaining it for RMxAC -Hopefully soon we will have DOI for both journals

Muchas gracias



