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We are certain that *Superficies y Vacío* will play a very important role in our scientific communities with the help of your professional contributions.

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We will see you in Oaxaca!!.

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