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Introduction

On August 10, 1981 and for one week, we had a conference on Algebraic Topology in Oaxtepec, Morelos, Mexico. The occasion for this conference was to celebrate José Adem's 60th birthday. We were very proud to see it happen with so many of his friends, students and admirers.

I have had the pleasure to be in close contact with José over the past twenty years, both as a friend, colleague and collaborator.

He has lived all this time with one goal: To create the proper atmosphere in Mexico so that we scientists can do research subject only to two conditions: quality and continuity.

With his own life as an example, he has been a guide to many generations of young mathematicians and scientists.

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