

EDITORIAL

Welcome to the first issue of “William Morris Davis – Journal of Geomorphology”! We hope this will be the first of an infinite series of publications by this journal specialized in Geomorphology, which seeks to help give rise to scientific production in this area of knowledge, especially in Brazil and in South America as a whole. Open, however, to contributions from others continents, William Morris Davis intends to be a global, dynamic, modern magazine, competent in the dissemination of geomorphological knowledge in all its dimensions, pure, basic, applied, technological or educational.

William Morris Davis is a journal of the Graduate Program in Geography at State University of Acaraú Valley - PPGUVA. The PPGUVA team decided to pay tribute to the founder of geomorphological science, the American William Morris Davis. Davis created and disseminated basic knowledge in geomorphology, mainly through the conception of the so-called "Erosion Cycle".

One hundred and twenty-one years after the publication of the article that presented the topic (The Geographical Cycle, **Geographical Journal**, vol. 14, p. 481-504, 1899), we do not intend to say that the proposals presented by the excellent professor are still valid. The evolution of knowledge, with new perspectives, and especially the appearance of the Plate Tectonics, makes part of the initial idea of the Erosion Cycle outdated. But many things are still valid, such as the role of geological time in the evolution of the relief and the importance of eventual (and non-cyclical) tectonic uplifts in the modeling of the Earth's forms, in particular its large volumes. Paying homage to the researcher, and not the totality of his ideas, was what motivated the denomination of this new instrument for the dissemination of this branch of geographic science, which is geomorphology.

It is therefore with great pleasure that we launched the initial issue of the “William Morris Davis – Journal of Geomorphology”. We would like to thank all those who allowed this initial stage to be carried out, either by sending papers, or through suggestions and the technical work necessary for the platform to work, and we invite colleagues to appreciate the work as a whole. We look forward to William Morris Davis becoming a popular and necessary instrument for the Brazilian, South American and global geomorphological community!

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