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On 16 September 2021, Benjamin M. Craig and Catharina (Karin) G. M. Groothuis-Oudshoorn proposed **R for Health Preference Research (R4HPR)** as an "an edited repository of didactic code in the R programming language for persons interested in health preference research (HPR)." They announced their endeavor in a letter to the IAHPR membership and their plans to serve as its founding co-editors (See letter).

The **initial version (R4HPR V1)** was constructed by Benjamin M. Craig (co-editor) and **Samuel Guzmán González**, SAPIENS Transformación digital, San Cristóbal de La Laguna, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Spain between September 2021 and March 2022. This initial version has four primary capabilities (email, forms, website, and forum) and builds upon prior collaborations with **Juan Manuel Ramos Goñi**, Maths in Health, Rotterdam, The Netherlands. R4HPR V1 was launched today, 6 March 2022.

With the launch of R4HPR V1, the co-editors will develop its content and protocols to facilitate its operation and maintenance. After this development period, they will announce an **updated version (R4HPR V1.1)** and invite contributors and sponsors to participate in its activities. Until then, members of the HPR community are welcome to visit the site and monitor its progress.

Apart from his role as co-editor, Benjamin serves as the owner/operator of R4HPR. Since its proposal, he has paid all costs for its construction, implementation, and maintenance out of pocket. For transparency, the R4HPR V1 costs are listed below (September 2021 to March 2022). The total cost was 4927.00 EUR and 444.93 USD, and the expected maintenance costs are about 300.00 USD per year.

2022-04-04 V1 Construction: 2377.00 EUR

2022-02-23 Hosting package, 1y: 188.62 USD

2021-12-06 V1 Construction: 2550.00 EUR

2021-11-15 Domain Privacy Protection, 1y: 12.95 USD

2021-09-14 Domain Registration (R-HPR.org), 1y: 55.80 USD

2021-08-19 Domain Registration (R4HPR.org, R4HPR.com, R-HPR.com), 2y: 187.56 USD

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