

# BrJP Editor: another great mission in the pain scenario

*Editora do BrJP: mais uma grande missão no cenário da dor*

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What an honor and pleasure to accept the position of Editor-in-chief of the Brazilian Journal of Pain (BrJP), 2022-2023 administration, a journal for which I have the greatest respect, especially for its scientific relevance in the field of pain in Brazil and Latin America. The responsibility that the members of the Brazilian Society for the Study of Pain (SBED) have bestowed and entrusted to me is, in fact, great. Dedicating time, energy, and mind, my objective is to deliver the best of my experience accumulated thus far and be able to give back to our scientific community. You can count on my willingness, availability, knowledge, ability to manage processes and people, and positive expectations. There are indeed many challenges. Some of them are already known, others not. To face and overcome them, I am sure I can count on everyone's partnership, engagement, and collaboration. BrJP is my new great challenge in the pain scenario. At the present moment, I find the journal indexed in the LILACS and Scielo databases. In early 2018, BrJP, previously called *Revista Dor: Pesquisa Clínica e Terapêutica* (Pain Journal: Clinical and Therapeutic Research), had its name changed in order to promote greater visibility in the international scenario, since scientific journals with titles in English, a language considered universal in the scientific context, are more easily accessed by the whole community. We will continue working with the Ahead of Print (AOP) publications and adjusting the Editorial Board according to the SBED Statute, honoring the actions demanded by the previous administration<sup>1,2</sup>. The priority of our editorial proposal is threefold: 1. to optimize the quality of all material produced and published in BrJP, from format to scientific writing techniques, from ethics to methodological rigor; 2. to meet the requirements of national and international indexing so that we can index it in further platforms such as LATINDEX and Pubmed; 3. to increase exposure and credibility to gain new spaces towards the internationalization of the journal.

Maintaining the focus with our Editorial Board and expert reviewers, as well as preserving BrJP editorial policy and scientific quality, we will value: 1. objectivity, agility, coherence, and transparency in the editorial process, anchored in the external blinded peer review process; 2. credibility for the authors and consumers of our product/service; 3. quality of format and content; 4. systematic analysis of methodological rigor derived from international guidelines specific for each type of study; 5. compliance of and adherence to national and international ethical guidelines; 6. disclosure of financial conflicts of interest, correction of errata, explicit disclaimers, and the opportunity for divergent comments and opinions to be expressed<sup>1</sup>.

I am certain of having the support of the authors, reviewers, Editorial Board, and Board of Directors of SBED. It is imperative that authors submit well-written articles, respecting human and animal research ethics, following international gold standard guidelines for scientific writing, and undeniably striving for the highest methodological rigor possible.

In essence, reviewers must be very careful in reviewing the articles assigned to them, issuing opinions on format and content with consistency and detail so that they can effectively assist authors with the necessary agility in the corrections process. The associate editors have a decisive role in the editorial process, assigning pertinent reviewers, managing deadlines between steps, and creating information compendiums based on the reviewers' assessments to substantially assist the Editor-in-chief in the decision making for each scientific article. From the SBED Board of Directors, we highly regard the logistical and administrative support necessary to maintain the quality of the journal.

I would like to conclude by reinforcing my mission to work hard and responsibly so that BrJP can gradually achieve more recognition and a higher scientific level.

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