

EDITORIAL

Twenty-five years ago the A. C. Camargo Cancer Hospital Treatment and Research Center, Antonio Prudente Foundation, created the Bulletin of Oncology, a journal that had the objective to disseminate the knowledge within specialty, through the periodic publication of clinical cases, articles, and reviews. As time goes the Bulletin of Oncology has been developed and re-named as Acta Oncologica Brasileira, expanding boundaries, enabling professionals all over the country to have access to the journal, both disseminating research and updating knowledge in this area.

In the last years, there was a great development on Oncology in our country, especially in basic research related to molecular biology. As a consequence, this fact has taken to an increased knowledge production. Accompanying this tendency, in 1997 it was created the Antonio Prudente Foundation Graduation Program - *Strictu Sensu* (APFGP), decades after the establishment of the medical residence program in 1953, one of the oldest in the country. The APFGP has at this moment been granted with the highest CAPES evaluation. This fact has further stimulated the production of relevant research on Oncology, mainly those applicable to clinical practice.

Within the approach of increasing knowledge production in the country, The Acta Oncologica Brasileira Journal, indexed in Lilacs, has become the Applied Cancer Research, with well-defined purposes to disseminate high level knowledge inside and outside Brazil. As a result, the journal has been completely modified, from its structure, content and dynamics of Peer Review to editorial board, with the participation and collaboration of experts worldwide. In order to reach this goal, it will be edited in English, with the partnership of Tecmedd Editor, initially with a 10,000 printed copies aiming to reach the whole community of Brazilian Oncology professionals and Latin America major centers.

For the second phase, the purpose is to transform the Applied Cancer Research into an efficient communication resource, indexed in the main world data base and effectively gathering worldwide researchers and community, both scientific and oncology professional.

To reach this audacious objective we have consciousness that Applied Cancer Research principles have to be ethical, impartial, professional and serious. This will be the way to conquer its position and respect among the scientific community.

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