

EDITORIAL

100 years of *Revista de Medicina* under students' eyes

When *Revista de Medicina* was founded in 1916; its main purpose was to help and strengthen the image of the still young School of Medicine and Surgery of São Paulo, today called School of Medicine, *Universidade de São Paulo* (FMUSP). Initially, in order both to disseminate the scientific production of professors and students of the Institution, the journal also played an important political role in events like the 1932 Revolution.

Another very important role of the journal was performed, in 1931, upon foundation of the Scientific Department (Departamento Científico, DC). Initially in charge of publishing and disseminating the journal, nowadays the DC is one of the leading academic institutions of FMUSP. In addition to keeping its administrative role at the journal, the DC also facilitates courses on various topics focused on medical training, manages the operation of Academic Leagues, which are some of the medical education and academic extension pillars at USP, being the sole academic body, today, with the ability to grant elective subject credits to academicians. Another DC act, more specifically *Revista de Medicina*, is facilitating an annual elective course on scientific writing, culminating in students producing a review article, in addition to offering a broader base of scientific article reading and production to academicians.

Another result of the long partnership between the DC and *Revista de Medicina* is the FMUSP Medical and University Congress (Congresso Médico Universitário da FMUSP, COMU), promoting courses, workshops and scientific awards. The scientific awards have a special importance: their abstracts are published in the special edition COMU Annals at every edition; furthermore, the articles to which awards are granted have the opportunity to be published in the first regular issue of *Revista de Medicina* in the following year.

Now, with special focus on *Revista de Medicina* itself, all issues published to date have been scanned as a project of the Integrated USP Libraries System (Sistema Integrado de Bibliotecas da USP, SIBi), in conjunction with the FMUSP Library Service (Serviço de Biblioteca da FMUSP). This, linked to the indexing of the journal in LILACS and LATINDEX databases, allows for a proper insertion of *Revista de Medicina* in the computer age and allows greater diffusion of knowledge produced by academicians in the medical field.

Of course, managing a centennial journal is a challenging activity, even for us, academicians. This challenge, however, builds our personality and personal goals in a unique way. As a personal experience, I believe that my involvement in *Revista de Medicina* contributed,

undoubtedly, to my increasing interest in research activities and changed my way of seeking information. Moreover, the involvement with the magazine enables us to have a little sense of how one is able to be part of the academic career routine.

Another key issue to be addressed regards to the measures implemented during recent administrations, which contributed so our work at *Revista de Medicina* is more organized. Initially, having devised the Senior Editor role has been a unique advance. Thus, people who were in contact with *Revista de Medicina* along their graduation have the opportunity to maintain that contact, assist the work of new administrations, continue giving opinions and participating in the future of *Revista de Medicina*. In addition, we achieved ownership of a new place, with an office in the HCFMUSP Administration Complex Building, the so-called FMUSP Editorial Center, where, in addition to *Revista de Medicina*, are also *Revista de Terapia Ocupacional na Universidade de São Paulo* (an Occupational Therapy Journal) and *Fisioterapia e Pesquisa* journal (Physiotherapy and Research). There, we are able to be more in contact with *Clinics*, *Hospital das Clínicas* journal, which usually help us with relevant doubts and tips. The new borders we are expecting to cross in the coming years are the internationalization of our journal, focusing on articles in the English language, the expansion of *Revista de Medicina* outside FMUSP, contributing to a greater diversity of articles published and devised by reviewers based on submitted articles. Thus, we intend to keep this academic project alive and, within our possibilities, expand most of their national and international relevance and carry along the name of our beloved *Casa de Arnaldo*.

On behalf of the 2016 Management, we appreciate and pay tribute to all participants and employees who have been part of *Revista de Medicina*, dedicating their time and work to build each step of this centuries-old history.

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