Dear Readers

In this edition, I finish my activity as a Scientific Editor of Revista da ABENO, where I worked during the last four years. It was a period of intense work and great learning, for which I am immensely grateful to the Board of Directors from the period 2014-2018, under the presidency of Prof. Maria Celeste Morita. Since then, many changes occurred in the search for continued qualification of this journal. The editorial process entirely migrated to the SEER platform, the possibility of submitting articles in English and Spanish was introduced, the periodicity changed from semiannual to quarterly, and the annals of the ABENO Meetings began to be published as supplements.

The policy of induction of Brazilian journals, coupled with the recognition of the singularity and importance of this publication, as well as the support of the Dentistry Committee in Capes allowed us to reach stratum B3 in the Qualis classification 2013-2016. This was a decisive factor, since the number of submissions increased exponentially, with a significant upgrade in the quality of the material received. Thus, to streamline the process, we started 2018 with the methodology of continuous publication. Additionally, all articles submitted in Portuguese that are accepted must be translated into English, expanding the papers’ scope, and the DOI deposit retroactive to the 2010-1 issue was established.

This report shows the evolution of the journal, which was only possible thanks to the unconditional support received from the Board of Directors, the members of the Editorial Board and the reviewers who dedicate their time and expertise to the improvement of the published material. In the same way, I register my acknowledgment and thanks to the authors, who are responsible for the existence and vitality of the journal.

There is still much to be done regarding the editorial process itself, indexation, internationalization, professionalization and qualification of the journal. For that purpose, we have a new and highly qualified Editorial Team, led by our dear companion of ABENO Prof. Dr. Léo Kriger, a name that does not require presentation in the dental education scenario.

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