Editorial

ScienceDirect: The indexation which RBR lacked
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Since 2014, the Brazilian Journal of Rheumatology became indexed to ScienceDirect, which is responsible for nearly a quarter of the world’s peer-reviewed scientific content. It is estimated that this indexer receives 15 million views per year. Its target audience is composed by researchers, health professionals, teachers, and students. At its base, ScienceDirect has about 12 million scientific articles, 2,200 journals and 26,000 books, and its data are indexed in Scopus. Thus, I believe we are closing a cycle that began in 2010 with the indexation in PubMed,1 followed by the inclusion of RBR in the Web of Science database in 2012,2,3 with its first impact factor at JCR measured in 2013 (IF=0.864).

RBR is maturing in its scientific content; it represents the only journal in Latin America in the field of Rheumatology, and is also the only one included in the three main international scientific publications’ indexes.1-3 RBR is becoming the main portal of scientific rheumatological divulgation for all our vast continent. In addition to this, the indexation in ScienceDirect will allow the publication of articles in the online first system, allowing the already accepted articles to have a DOI and remain available for consultation in PubMed. I urge everyone to access the following link for checking out this new indexation: http://www.journals.elsevier.com/revista-brasileira-de-reumatologia/

In conclusion, the indexation in ScienceDirect is one more reason for celebration by the Brazilian Society of Rheumatology, which should be congratulated. This achievement is nothing but the result of a hard and persistent work pioneered decades ago. Now we are seeing the fruits of a small seed planted so long ago. I have no doubt that this legacy of our generation will be acknowledged in the future; I also know that much work lies ahead, always aiming to improve our Brazilian Journal of Rheumatology.

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