

## Clinical case supplement *Suplemento de casos clínicos*

The scientific editorial staff of *Anais Brasileiros de Dermatologia* once again reaches one of its established goals, the publication of this clinical case supplement.

Since we began the scientific coordination of the journal the need has been clear to us to satisfy the wishes of authors of papers approved for publication but held back due to the large number of papers and the need to prioritize the publication of research papers.

An early initiative aiming at solving this problem was the 2005 publication of a clinical case supplement in CD-ROM format. It was thus possible to meet the demand of several authors who had been waiting for publication for over two years. However, this was not sufficient, for papers have quickly piled up because of the Dermatological tradition of producing work in the Case Report format. We then presupposed that the publication of at least one clinical case supplement per year is to become routine.

The publication of articles approved long ago involves a process that is more complex than it may seem at first sight. It begins with the review of each paper in the file and the verification of its conformity to technical standards that are introduced and perfected each year. The next step is the question to authors about their agreement to publish their paper in a journal supplement and to make their work conform to current standards, besides possible improvement on or updating of the paper and the documentation of the reported case. It must be stressed that such a task

takes place in a period of time in which the *Anais* have taken on the responsibility to publish three other supplements, namely: The Title of Specialist, with the reproduction of all questions and result analyses, which are all complex and multiple by nature and intend to be useful to everyone involved in the teaching of Dermatology; the Supplement with the abstracts of papers presented in posters approved for presentation in the 61st Brazilian SBD Conference; and the Supplement of posters selected for oral presentation and competing for an award at the same conference, now published in full.

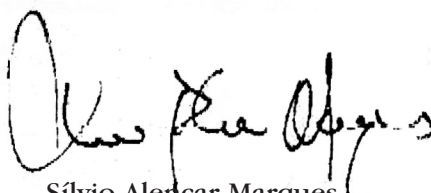
Therefore, this clinical case supplement represents a major task, one that results from the dedication and effort of the editorial assistants of the *Anais*.

Fulfilling also its pedagogical role of guidance to authors, the scientific editorial staff calls attention of collaborators for the need to improve the presentation of case reports, both in terms of photographic, clinical, and histopathological documentation and of the production and collection of semiological data.

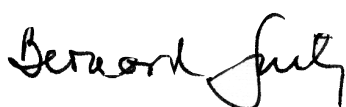
We hope that our colleagues not affiliated with SBD's Accredited Services will feel motivated to produce papers for the *Anais Brasileiros de Dermatologia*. It would doubtlessly be laudable if our colleagues became used to recording, documenting and publicizing their clinical cases and the quality procedures that may occur or are produced in their clinics.

Good reading!

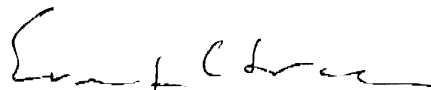
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