

## ANOTHER SIDE OF THE EDITORIAL WALL

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**HEADING** – Scientific and technical publications.

The contents of this issue of ARCHIVES of GASTROENTEROLOGY, composed of diverse topics related to our speciality, leads a valuable reflection of the editorial board, always interested and concerned for the excellence of its scientific profile, primarily in the published themes plurality's, diversification areas and sub specialties that are from and the impact which aspects reflects in editorial work and in the readers.

More complexly, the analysis of this editorial structure, undoubtedly recognized by our readership, has been submitted through the QUALIS criteria from CAPES, as well as the criteria of international agencies and entities that also punctuate and rank, with rigid parameters all indexed journals.

Due to this "oversight" recommended models for valuing qualitative classification, the editors of the ARCHIVES have strived towards, insistently in improving the quality of their publications, not only in its graphic format, but also in scientific richness.

The ARCHIVES are close to spread the Impact Factor pleaded for nearly 3 years with the JCR (Journal Citation Report).

All professionals interested in the progress and quality of the ARCHIVES, have longed for this value, since it enters not only in the importance of his publications on the context of the publishing world, as well as serves as a parameter within the system QUALIS, for post-graduation entities best score. The high the impact factor leads to a post

graduate highest score whose works were published by the ARCHIVES.

The information we have so far by other quality indicators (SciELO, SCOPUS and SCImago) is that in the context the ARCHIVES occupy the 14th position among the Brazilian medical journals and the 55th in the global context of the publications in Gastroenterology.

For its peculiarity of not being tied to any university structure or specialty society in particular, on the contrary, being the official release of several of these societies of gastroenterology, the ARCHIVES offer various quality differentials relative to similar publications: print circulation has large expression (7500 copies), provides free distribution of this release, as well as the electronic version is full free through the SciELO system, has electronic submission and peer review system.

After the implementation of the new criteria from CAPES, a decreased volume of submissions was noticed, since many of those graduate staff has sought greater impact by vehicles in return for receiving higher scores. This fact did not affect significantly the set of submissions, since the number of articles received has been sufficient to ensure the quality and volume of original articles published.

The statistical flows studies reviewed, approved, denied or no return after suggestions of possible fixes to authors from 2008, is provided in Figure 1, realizing that even with a lower volume of submissions in

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Clinic	19	13	12	10	11
Surgery	10	12	11	4	4
Endoscopy	5	7	1	9	4
Digestive Motility	4	3	6	8	8
Hepatology	7	10	9	6	8
Experimental	5	2	10	10	5
Nutrition	2	2	1	2	4
Pediatrics	6	5	2	1	2
Others	5	15	14	6	7
Total	63	79	66	56	53

FIGURE 1. Last 5 years flow

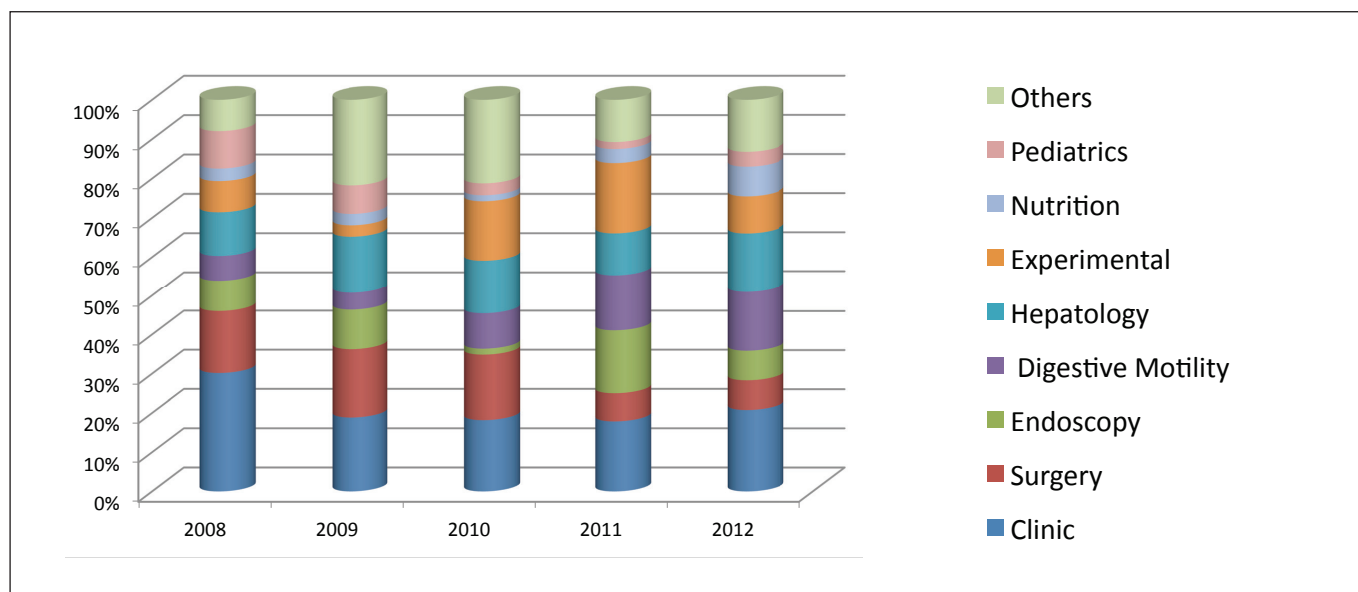


FIGURE 2. Last 5 years publications by area

recent years, there is even a small proportional increase in immediate refusal.

Makes us feel good about the fact that once required a review of their work, most authors have treated us helpfully, returning the submissions to publishers with the corrections suggested and/or required.

In Figure 2 are exposed the quantity of articles distributed over specific areas of Gastroenterology in the last 5 years. Although there are minor changes in the annual distribution between areas, we continue to be prestigious by researchers of all, tending to have equal distribution among them.

The statistics for the years 2011 and 2012, not yet finali-

zed, reaffirms plurality, diversity and intensity of scientific researchers and our commitment in honors them. Finally, it stand out from the foreign authors growing demand for our periodic, which although small in volume, and generally coming from emerging countries such as India, Egypt, Turkey and Portugal confirms the importance and impact that our editorial and scientific exercise really stands worldwide, reason why this assessment of the editorial body is necessary.

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