

## The Contribution of Special Issues and the New BOR Management

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**T**he *Brazilian Oral Research* (BOR) Journal is the official publication of the SBPqO - Sociedade Brasileira de Pesquisa Odontológica, Brazilian Division of the IADR - International Association for Dental Research. As of 2007, the journal will be undergoing an administrative change that can already be seen in its graphic presentation and in its list of editors, both executive and assistant. Notwithstanding the change, it was decided at the SBPqO board meeting that all agreements made by the previous management will be honored, including our commitment to put out the current Special Issue, containing opinion articles agreed on with Pfizer.

The SBPqO has counted on Pfizer's partnership and support to carry out several activities during our Annual Meetings as well as those of other Divisions and of the IADR Latin American Federation. In this issue, we are publishing the main conclusions of a Symposium that took place during the first Latin American Federation (LAF) Meeting in Mar Del Plata, Argentina, which also counted on Pfizer's support. This Special Issue, again sponsored by Pfizer, presents the consensus of a group of researchers on several aspects of oral health in South America.

The opinions expressed in the review papers presented here do not necessarily represent the views of the sponsor, of SBPqO, or of the LAF. All articles presented here were duly analyzed by at least two *ad hoc* reviewers of BOR and were approved only after all the requests of both reviewers and editor were met.

We welcome any opinions that our subscribers, SBPqO members and LAF members may have about special issues like these. Please send us an email at [bor@sbpgo.org.br](mailto:bor@sbpgo.org.br) (another novelty), so that we may better evaluate similar joint efforts to be carried out in the future. The mail received will be used to start up a new section of the journal in 2008, our Letters from Readers section.

Despite the changes, we shall continue to uphold our commitment to maintain and improve the journal's quality, thus improving the prestige garnered by BOR. We likewise count on the participation and collaboration of every one involved.