

Editorial/Editorial

Once again we are pleased to present a set of scientific work which contributes to Speech Language Pathology and Audiology, with important scientific advances which will be able to support advances in this professional practice. The 12 articles presented in this issue are distributed as follows: nine original articles, three on audiology, three on speech and language, one about public health, a systematic review, an evidence-based article on Speech Language Pathology and Audiology, and three case reports, one on orofacial motility and two about voice.

In the area of audiology, the article of **Murphy, Tsubota, Zachi, Ventura and Schochat**, entitled *Influence of memory, attention, IQ and age on auditory temporal processing tests: preliminary study*, studied 15 participants, between 7 and 12 years of age, and aimed at investigating the existence of correlations between the performance of typically developed children on auditory temporal tests and at measuring memory, attention, IQ and age, reaching the conclusion that temporal abilities are influenced by different factors. Also on audiology, the article *Correlation between the characteristics of resonance and aging of the external ear*, by **Roedas, de Oliveira, Lauris and Blasca**, verified the interference of anatomical abnormalities of the external ear in the resonance in the auditory canal in the elderly people, and concluded that these changes influence the resonance, reducing its amplitude. The *Auditory Brainstem Response: reference-values for age study*, by **Rosa, Suzuki, Angrisani and Azevedo**, studied the absolute latencies of probes I, III and V and the interpeak intervals I-III, III-V and I-V of the auditory evoked potential of the brainstem, obtained in newborn preterm infants in relation to the post-conceptual age and in newborns at term and at 6 months of age, concluding that there was a decrease of the studied latencies with the increase of age and similarities of values to the international literature.

In the area of speech and language, the international article *Intensive non-avoidance group therapy with stutterer adults: preliminary results*, of **Georgieva**, evaluated and documented the use and efficacy of the therapy in the intensive treatment group for non-avoidance in Bulgarian adults who stutter; the preliminary findings of this study led to the hypothesis that this treatment can be successfully employed in the studied population. The article by **Bento-Gaz and Befi-Lopes** translated and adapted the Clinical Evaluation of Language Functions - 4th edition (CELF-4) for Brazilian Portuguese, and characterized the language performance of the studied population. The other article of the area, by **Machado, Palladino and Cunha**, adapted the instrument *Adaptation of the Child Development Clinical Risk Indicators instrument to retrospective parent report*, a questionnaire for parents of children from 3 to 7 years of age, of easy and quick application, and a low cost.

As to collective health, **Molini-Avejonas, Aboboreira, Couto and Samelli** analyzed, in the study *Insertion and performance of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology in Family Health Support Centers*, the structure of NASFs; they sought to identify the degree of satisfaction of Speech Language Pathologists who work in this area and to compare the model proposed by the *Portaria 154 of the Ministério da Saúde* to the Speech Language Pathology and Auditory practice, concluding that the structure of NASFs presented itself to be quite varied in terms of number of Family Health Teams, of professionals involved and of actions taken, and that there was significant variability in the degree of satisfaction.

A systematic review entitled *Measuring noise in classrooms: a systematic review*, of **Fidencio, Moret and Jacob**, analyzed the main methodologies used in order to measure the noise in classrooms and which were the levels found and concluded that there is no standardization as to the methodology which should be used in order to measure the noise in these locations.

The article on Evidence-Based Speech Language Pathology and Audiology Therapy is an integrative review of **Gama and Kümmer** about the behavioral characteristics of dysphonic children, discussing the profile traced and its etiologic relation to voice disorders, seeking to establish recommendations on the importance of the analysis of child behavior vocal assessment.

In the case report of the orofacial motility, **de Santos, de Fraga and Cardoso** reported the case of a patient with Fahr disease, attempting to describe the main stomatognathic and vocal changes which can be found

in individuals with this disease, such as difficulties in coordination and muscle support during the speech and presence of oropharyngeal dysphagia.

The first case report on voice, by **Godoy, Brasolotto, Berretin-Felix and Fernandes**, entitled *Neuro-radiology and voice findings in stroke - AVE*, describes the phonatory features of ten elderly patients taken by cerebrovascular accident and highlights that the vocal manifestations do not depend only on the topography of the lesion, since one should consider the individuality of each patient at the time of their clinical evaluation. **Oliveira e Pinho** presented a case of *Extended Neuralgic Amyotrophy*, with evaluation data and well succeeded treatment.

The second issue of 2014 also marks a year of significant change in the process of editing CoDAS, with the hiring of a publishing house, in order to professionalize the process. During this period, we could count on the immense understanding and collaboration of many authors, reviewers and readers, who pointed out flaws in the process, difficulties in submissions and accesses and, above all, understood the unwanted misunderstandings and contributed to the necessary adjustments. Many of these adjustments are still in process and they include the great challenge represented by the changing in the submission system of SciELO for ScholarOne of the Manuscript Central. Agility and timely response has been a challenging goal. This was an innovative proposal by SciELO, which we have accepted and have been developing as a team, overcoming the difficulties of working with a new platform. In the sense of expanding our editorial base in order to count on a greater involvement of teachers from other institutions, from January 2014 on, we can also count on the valuable contribution of the colleagues Ana Luiza Navas, Katia Genaro Flores and Roberta Gonçalves da Silva in the position of executive editors, sharing the daily routine of the editorial activities and searching for ways to innovate and improve each step of the process.

Another important aspect involved in these changes concerns the sustainability of the publication, which has the best index of the Brazilian Speech Language Pathology and Audiology. We understand that it is the role of scientific societies to encourage and support the development of our science, but, as former presidents of the SBFa, we understand the economic challenges which lie ahead. Thus, we consider it essential to share with members of the SBFa the information that these changes — laborious, slow and, sometimes, confusing — also represented an achievement in the pursuit of the economic efficiency and sustainability of this publication.

The CoDA is a key publishing to the Brazilian graduate programs, which have shown impressive growth and produced works of undisputed quality, recognized through citations in international journals. The active participation of these programs, with the submission of high quality work, is the essential resource for the continued improvement of this magazine. However, it is yet our duty to highlight that another relevant contribution would be if all advisors and students of these programs were associated to the SBFa and would take part in the ongoing development of the scientific society of the Brazilian Speech Language Pathology and Audiology. At the present time, we publish articles both from member and non-member authors, but one shall reflect on the strength we would bring forth if all participants were to be members of the SBFa.

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