



International Editor's Comment

Dear colleagues and subscribers:

I would like to thank Dr. Miriam Dambros for her successful and enthusiastic work during her term as chief editor of the International Brazilian Journal of Urology.

Among several of her accomplishments, I must mention the introduction of the Portuguese version of the journal, the design of the new cover of the Journal for a more identifiable "YELLOW" Journal, representing the golden yellow color of the National Brazilian flag. Moreover, Dr. Dambros continued with video library and improved the process to increase the reputation of the Int Braz J Urol by following the strict rules of the World Association of Medical Editors and the citation guidelines. Ultimately, these steps increased the impact factor of the Int Braz J Urol and pride of the editorial board.

Thank you Dr. Dambros for all the academic contributions.

Following the Democratic policy of the Brazilian Urological Society (SBU), it is my honor that I announce the new Editor in Chief Dr. Sidney Glina who has been appointed by the SBU board of regents and will serve a new term to convey to the readers a new format and ideas to the journal.

Dr. Glina's accomplishments are innumerable but it is worth mentioning that he brings not only a breath of fresh air but years of experience as editor in chief of the Revista do Hospital Einstein. Dr. Glina was the president of SBU (2005-2007), served as President of International Society of Sexual Medicine (2000-2002) and he is the President of Latin American Society of Sexual Medicine.

Dr Glina's experience as member of Editorial Board of Int Braz J Urol, Journal of Sexual Medicine (Chair of Classic Citation Section of Journal of Sexual Medicine) and Editor of Arquivos H. Ellis (2005-2011) will certainly bring a new era to the prestigious Int Braz J Urol.

I look forward to work with Dr Glina, and I am certain that the readers of the Int Braz J Urol will be seeing the innovative way of bringing you the scientific information that you seek for your everyday practice.

Sincerely,

DR. FERNANDO J. KIM

International Editor of
Int Braz J Urol



Past Editor's Comment

Estimated Int Braz J Urol readers,

During the year of 2011 I was honored to coordinate our valued Journal. The Int Braz J Urol is today among the leading Journals in the world of Urology. The collaboration of all reviewers, authors and readers has been essential so that it remains at this level. The year 2011 was very productive for the Journal, especially in regard to reduction of costs as well as the constant search for resources agencies.

I thank all colleagues of the board and wish success to Prof. Sidney Glina as the new Editor in Chief of the Int Braz J Urol

DR. MIRIAM DAMBROS

Editor-In-Chief
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Editor's Comment

The International Brazilian Journal of Urology is the Official Journal of the Brazilian Society of Urology (SBU); it is published 6 times a year (bimonthly, starting with the January-February edition) and has open access through the webpage www.brazjurol.com.br. It was founded in 1975 by a group of effective members of BSU as an official channel to publish scientific papers produced by the Brazilian urological community and never stopped been published since then. It has been published in English becoming definitely an international journal.

The journal is indexed by PubMed/MEDLINE, Index Medicus - NLM, EMBASE/Excerpta Medica, SciELO, Lilacs/Latin America Index and other databases. Its most recent Impact Factor was 1.34.

The Int Braz J Urol receives every year around 200 papers from more than 24 countries and its rejection rate has been around 60%. Seventy-three papers were published in 2011 coming from 17 countries.

This is the magnitude of the task I was invited to command as Editor in Chief for the next four years. A solid and traditional journal, which has been built and consolidated by every Editor before me. And they did a wonderful job!

To go on with this successful journey, I invited a group of interested and active colleagues to act as Editor Associates and Section Editors and brought some new blood to the Editorial Committee.

Readers will notice some changes, as the new Challenging Clinical Cases Section, because we believe that it is important to have a place where significant clinical cases can be published. In the era of Evidence Based Medicine, it is still possible to learn from individual experiences.

As homage to the Brazilian urological community who supports the journal, we will increase the possibility of getting submissions in Portuguese and will translate them to English, which is the official language of the Journal. This opens a larger window of opportunity to the Portuguese-Speaking Urological Community in Europe, Africa and Asia to submit articles to the Int Braz J Urol. The Associação Lusofona de Urologia recognized the importance of this police and just adopted our journal as its official scientific journal.

I hope we can contribute to strengthen the trajectory of the Int Braz J Urol creating a more dynamic and interesting journal to the readers.

Enjoy our journal!

DR. SIDNEY GLINA

Editor-In-Chief
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