Editorial

Another milestone for the Brazilian Journal of Pulmonology

Recently, the Jornal Brasileiro de Pneumologia (JBP, Brazilian Journal of Pulmonology) underwent a name and format change. At the time, highlighted the fact that the major change was not in layout but in structure. One of the most significant changes involved the incorporation of Associate Editors, who were chosen based on their distinguished scientific contributions. These Associate Editors were encouraged to beinnovative in their thinking and have thereby contributed greatly to the growth of the JBP. The area of tuberculosis was designated a priority, and one of our new Associate Editors, Professor Afrânio Kritski, has presided over all tuberculosis-related journal functions. In June of this year, the JBP released a special supplement, in which the II Diretrizes Brasileiras para Tuberculose (2nd Brazilian Tuberculosis Guidelines) were published. In addition to the supplement, Prof. Kritski suggested that, coinciding with the I Encontro Nacional de Tuberculose (1st National Tuberculosis Forum) and periodically thereafter, the JBP publish an issue

that would deal solely with tuberculosis. There was little time, and the next normal issue was ready for publication. Putting additional articles through the usual necessary screening process seemed an undertaking that would be difficult at best. However, due to Prof. Kritski's considerable abilities and the collaboration of the Rede Brasileira de Pesquisa em Tuberculose (Brazilian Tuberculosis Research Network), this issue, wholly dedicated to tuberculosis, was published on schedule. Facts speak louder than words, and the statistics presented in the annex to this editorial, showing the number of original articles regularly submitted to the JBP, are unequivocal. This tuberculosis issue represents yet another milestone for our journal. To our Associate Editors, we must once again say, "Welcome to the JBP."

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