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For 15 years ago ESTIMA Journal began with the purpose, at that time, to become the official communication vehicle of Brazilian Stomatherapy Association (SOBEST) and to edit/publish topics relevant to the education or improvement of SOBEST members and health professionals involved with Stomatherapy¹.

Over the years, the Journal grew and became more and more prominent in the academic and professional scene, once the studies in the area were being refined, the volume of manuscripts increased and it was classified with Qualis B2 by the Coordination of Improvement of Higher Level Personnel (CAPES). In 2015, the Journal also adopted the name of Brazilian Journal Enterostomal Therapy and took its first step towards internationalization².

Considering that even today it is the only specialized journal in the area published in Latin America, the decision to publish in other languages has become imperative. Thus, the international visibility will enable the journal to reach other countries.

For this purpose, the editorial management adopted has sought the excellence in editorial quality and the integrity in the dissemination of specialty researches, as well as the sustainability of the journal, its internationalization and the increase of its visibility.

Therefore, our objectives are: to consolidate the Journal as the first and largest journal specialized in Stomatherapy of Latin America, to qualify the journal pleading the bases of BDNF and Scielo indexation and, thus, also to improve the CAPES Qualis.

The achievement of these objectives depends on changes and, so, in 2018, the Journal gets through great transformations. Some of them are: the use of an electronic administrative system for the proceeding of articles, the use of guides from the Equator Network for the preparation and submission of texts, the introduction of the rolling publication system (rolling pass), publication

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in two languages (Portuguese/English and Spanish/English), the submission of manuscripts in English or Spanish, the adoption of the identification system of authors by ORCID (Open Researcher and Contributor ID), the acquisition of a prefix with Crossref, the implementation of a system to detection of plagiarism in manuscripts, the layout update of articles incorporating elements required by the indexing bases sought by the Journal, and the open online publishing system (the printed magazine is no longer published). The editorial team, the editorial board and the evaluators will also be updated.

The Journal also adopts the abbreviation ESTIMA - Braz. J. Enterostomal Ther. Thus the international name will be fixed with more property.

In this way, the characteristics of ESTIMA are similar to those of internationally recognized journals, making it a reliable option to publish research results in the field of stomatherapy for national and international authors.

The commitment to publish the results of good studies and the most relevant of the stomatherapy continues and the quantity of published articles will remain the same. Annually 40 articles will be published, of which 32 are original articles, 4 articles of theoretical review/reflection and 4 articles of case study/report of experience; dissertation abstracts and theses will no longer be published. It should be emphasized that continuously published articles will not have sequential pagination and will instead display the e-locator, the definitive and unique identifier for each article, besides the year of publication and the volume, which is the mandatory form that will appear in all index bibliographies. The e-locator complements the DOI (Digital Object Identifier) record already given to each of the published articles.

In order to avoid errors, each article published in ESTIMA will display the style of citation on its first page, directing the authors to the citation of this, which, hopefully, will contribute to increase the number of citations of manuscripts of the Journal, favoring its impact factor.

With the purpose of increasing the dissemination of knowledge, it is also proposed the dissemination of the production of this journal in social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube). Therefore, the reader can access content across multiple nets.

We emphasize once again that the Journal will be entirely open online and no longer will be produced the printed version. And finally, we thank all those who have supported ESTIMA since its creation, especially its former editors.

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