

CNPq support to Jornal Vascular Brasileiro

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From this issue on, Jornal Vascular Brasileiro will be receiving financial aid from the National Counsel of Technological and Scientific Development (CNPq). It is a major conquest, since such aid is only granted after an intense competition between journals and judgment by the Assistant Committee of CNPq. Few journals earn it, which shows our Journal's great growth potential and maturity. This was the third attempt to obtain the benefit, and thanks to our insistence and competent work performed by our editorial department, it was finally achieved. It is worth stressing that this merit also belongs to the authors and reviewers who believed and participated in successive issues of this journal, and were evaluated by the CNPq.

While we are proud of this conquest, which belongs to all SBACV members, we are also responsible for showing CNPq that we will be worth of their investment. To do so, authors have to submit more articles, so that we have a large number for selection and publication. We are certain that we will not run out of raw material for writing papers, since there has been about 500 free themes in each national congress of SBACV. It will be necessary to change a culture that is rooted in our Society, namely, not taking the next step of transforming free themes into written articles for publication.¹ That behavior has been gradually changing, and authors are starting to realize that publication values the journal, as well as their institution or service, since the audience reached by the Journal is much larger than the audience of any congress room. All SBACV members (about 2,700) receive the journal, which has a circulation of around 5,000 issues, and it is also distributed to many libraries and teaching and research institutions. In addition, it can be electronically accessed at SciELO (www.scielo.br/jvb) or at the Journal's website (www.jvascbr.com.br).

Support by CNPq distinguishes our Journal, it is a kind of "brand," which values its publications. We hope that such enthusiasm contaminates all our colleagues in the sense of working hard and more intensely to submit more articles, provided that we have a Journal with a great growth potential and we need that enthusiasm to achieve our goals of making it the main means of scientific publication in our specialty in Brazil and Latin America, besides being indexed in MEDLINE, which may arouse the interest of international readers.

Such conquest by our Journal shows us that we are making continuous progress in the sense of reaching our goals. We hope to receive a strong support from our colleagues, especially by submitting articles.

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