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Although renowned scientific journals have been consistently producing scientific knowledge in the last ten years, and thus increasing the production and visibility of Brazilian scientific production worldwide, other journals have been losing prestige when evaluated by databases that increasingly establish more rigid criteria and requirements, which are inconsistent with the research, creation and production of scientific texts in the country.

This somehow polarizes and distances professors, researchers, graduate students of several areas, since they know that their production needs to be approved by renowned US and European journals or European to be internationally recognized, since they need to use more complex methodologies to be approved by international journals that have the power to choose what is going to be researched and published.

According to Kimura (2010),¹ while our journals increasingly achieves international recognition, the national scenario heads to the opposite direction. The Brazilian scientific production is almost entirely derived from Postgraduate Programs (PPG), subordinated to the Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (Capes), a public foundation of the Brazilian Ministry of Education. One of the main items considered in the assessment of a PPG in all areas in our country is the intellectual production of Master's supervisor and students. Qualis was created by Capes to "qualify the scientific journal in which the article was published" and thus to measure the quality of the scientific production based on Capes' assessment areas.



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In this context, even though Brazilian Journal of Dentistry – BJD (*Revista Brasileira de Odontologia* - RBO) has evolved in relation to these criteria, its future is uncertain due to the rigidity of databases that cannot give conditions to new journals to improve their international citation rates, absorb manuscripts from all over the world and definitely overcome endogeny.

In this scenarios, we seem to be wasting time: if we do not have the support of our peers, other Brazilian researchers, we will not be able to compete internationally if we do not have the chance to belong to a stronger and more consistent base to encourage and strengthen our publication skills.

RBO is in this situation by simply trying to adjust itself to the national and international publication scenario, but always finds obstacles regarding hegemony and internationalization. So we must ask: what is the point in surviving more seven decades? To be the “ugly duckling” of the great Brazilian scientific journal production industry?

Despite all adversities, I reaffirm that RBO still survi-

ves, being the only dentistry journal surviving this great machinery of agencies that help in indexing and designing the journals. Today RBO asks for help by assuming a competitive reality in improving the performance parameters in a short-term period.

RBO is one of the most traditional journals of dentistry still in the Brazilian scientific environment due to the commitment of its team, which always works aiming at the quality of scientific production. Despite the inadequate performance shown by the indicators between 2008 and 2015, it is now possible to measure, by these same indicators, the quality improvement of RBO, which changed its profile to suit the scenario of excellence (see the tables at the end to understand the journal’s evolution).

Nevertheless, some obstacles still have to be overcome to place RBO in the scenario of the best journals on dentistry. With these constant changes, in the future, we expect to write a new history, towards internationalization and indexation.

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Overview of the publication parameters of Revista Brasileira de Odontologia

Data	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Submitted articles	31	66	67	89	79	59	53	57	102	166
Articles accepted	31	57	60	66	69	45	44	32	29	58
Time between submission versus publication in days	130	175	123	64	113	138	137	183	40	30

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Performance parameters of the journal in 2017 and 2018

Parameters	2017	2018
Editions published	4	3 (2 Supplement)
Published items:	62	188
Total submissions:	185	241
Peer-reviewed	161	171
- Accepted	57 (35%)	135 (79%)
- Rejected	104 (65%)	36 (21%)
- Time until the publication	136	36
Registered users	5624 (271 new)	6083 (459 new)
Password:	4465 (137 new)	4907 (442 new)

The five most accessed articles in 2018 in the Brazilian Journal of Dentistry!

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Title / Author	Types of Articles	Knowledge Areas
Perception on general and oral health in a comparative analysis between graduates from Dentistry, Nursing, Medicine and Pharmacy. Lilian Tatiane Bassan, Maria Paula Siqueira de Melo Peres, Juliana Bertoldi Franco	Original Article	Dentistry in Collective Health
Analysis of drug interactions in dental prescriptions. Adriana Antônia da Cruz Furini, Juliana Mendes de Almeida Malagoli, Nayane Justi Dias, Bruna Miranda Lima, Manuela Manzano Bonjardin, Ponatyellen Souza Machado, Tiago Aparecido Maschio de Lima	Original Article	Pharmacology
Evaluation of the knowledge of elementary education teachers on tooth avulsion and replantation Simone Scandiuzzi, Lívia Gonçalves Coelho Sampaio, Monaliza Barreto Moreira, Regiane Cristina do Amaral, Rodrigo Dutra Murrer	Original Article	Dental Trauma
Effect on composite-enamel bond strength using reducing solutions after dental bleaching Nathalia Nery Pinheiro Póvoas, Juliana das Neves Marques, Renata Antoun Simão, Maira do Prado, Marta Cléa Costa Dantas	Original Article	Operative Dentistry
Antibacterial and anticariogenic properties of xylitol: a literature review. Guilherme Goulart Cabral de Oliveira, Débora Marinho Teixeira Freires, Simone Gomes de Oliveira, Ana Luiza de Mattos Guaraldi, Sérgio de Carvalho Weyne, Raphael Hirata Júnior	Literature Review	Cariology