The beginning of the internationalization process

The year of 2012 consolidated important accomplishments for Revista Fisioterapia e Pesquisa (RFP), which had been worked on and incorporated throughout the years. By being indexed to the electronic library SciELO (Scientific Electronic Library Online) in 2012, RFP has gained visibility and the process of peer analysis has become more dynamic, as well as the graphic structure, which provided an improved visualization of the scientific information.

We are aware that the English language is responsible for most of the dissemination of knowledge produced in the world. There are estimates that 85% of scientific publications — 75% of all written communication, 80% of the information stored in all computers of the world and 90% of the internet content — are in English. Therefore, in 2013 we tend to implement new changes, and the first issue of the year will be published in two languages (Portuguese and English), and the abstracts will be published in three languages (Portuguese, English and Spanish). The publication of the whole journal in English aims to the search for new international indexes (SCOPUS and MedLine), which would result in great visibility for all of the Brazilian authors. The abstract in Spanish is an attempt to increase its insertion in Latin America, where there are many physical therapists/kinesiologists who do not have access to scientific journals of international circulation edited in their respective countries.

This initiative would not be possible without the financial support from the Integrated Library System from USP (SIBI), Universidade Nove de Julho (UNINOVE), the National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq) and, more recently, CREFITO-3, which started a public announcement to support to scientific publications. The latter play an important role in professional updating, which consequently brings better assistance to the patient.

So, we start 2013 with a great mission, and counting on the collaboration of all authors, reviewers, members of the editorial board and administrative colleagues, without whom we would not have made it this far.

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