2013 JCR Science Edition:

Impact factors for the Journal of Applied Oral Science and Brazilian Oral Research

Dear Readers,

On July 29th, 2014, a new impact factor was released by Thomson Reuters through the Journal Citation Reports® (JCR) 2013 Science Edition for the 82 journals indexed in this database in the Dentistry, Oral Surgery & Medicine category. As the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Applied Oral Science (JAOS), it was a great honor to realize that another Brazilian journal joined this prestigious list: Brazilian Oral Research (BOR).

JAOS received its fifth impact factor (0.803), which was slightly higher than last year, whereas BOR had its first impact factor (0.774), thus ranking these journals on the 66th and 67th positions, respectively. Both publications take part in the Scientific Electronic Library Online (SciELO), an electronic library covering a selected collection of Brazilian scientific journals, which allows free access to full articles.

As we mentioned previously, the performance of JAOS in the JCR is the result of a natural process aimed to increase the international visibility of our journal. JAOS did not and will not adopt any special procedure to artificially increase the number of citations to the journal. JAOS's self citations over the last five years are within an acceptable range when compared with other international dental journals and also according to SciELO's standards.

BOR had an excellent performance considering its first impact factor in JCR. I take advantage of this opportunity to express all my respect to Dr. Sigmar de Mello Rode, who diligently served as BOR's Editor-in-Chief for a long period. Over the last eight years, I witnessed all his dedication and serious work. This achievement is the result of his tremendous efforts to improve the quality of the journal, and fairly puts Dr. Rode's name in the history of the dental journals in Brazil.

Yours sincerely,

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