

Working together

This is a historic edition of the Dental Press Journal of Orthodontics! It officially marks a great partnership between the well-known Dental Press and the Brazilian Association of Orthodontics – ABOR.

As readers will notice, from this volume on, the cover of the Dental Press Journal of Orthodontics will have an official publication seal from ABOR right next to its logo. This is the manifestation of an important partnership that has been happening for quite some time. We have always found great support from the Dental Press Publisher on our scientific events, either national or international, and a large number of our board members are either on the Dental Press Journal of Orthodontics editorial or review board.

The Brazilian Association of Orthodontics and Facial Orthopedics was founded in 1994, and is now about to complete 20 years of existence. During this period it has established itself as an important orthodontic entity in the nation, as the consulting board for the Federal Dental Council, fighting for the interests of our specialty. Its Board comprises representatives from all the Brazilian states, facilitating the analysis of different relevant orthodontics matters and the search for solutions in a local and a national level. Some of the latest accomplishments of this entity are the recent increase in hours of all Graduate Programs in Orthodontics for a minimum of 2,000 educational hours and a new project called The Smile Brazil Project, created in partnership with the Federal Government, in which we will act as an instructive organization for the orthodontic care provided by public health service.

Since it was founded, ABOR envisioned having its own official scientific journal. Several possibilities and proposals were analyzed over the years, some advocating the creation of a new scientific journal and some suggesting a partnership with an existing one.

In 2010, the ABOR executive board suggested the Dental Press Journal of Orthodontics to become the official ABOR scientific journal. This possibility started to be considered by the Head Council of the entity and after some final adjustments it was confirmed at a concluding board meeting on November 10, 2012.

This decision will bring countless benefits for both parties as it represents a strong alliance between the most prestigious orthodontic entity in Brazil and one of the world's best and most well-indexed scientific periodicals in the field of Orthodontics.

Our members will soon receive information about the benefits they will have access to due to this partnership, and that's just the beginning. As the American author of the new thought, Napoleon Hill, once said "Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success."

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