The Scientific Production of the Post-Graduation Programs of the School of Science of Life of the Brazilian Journal of Cancerology

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The School of Sciences of Life of the Coordination of Improvement of High Education Personnel (CAPES) gathers 17 areas of concentration under three great areas: Agrarian Sciences, Biological Sciences and Health Sciences. On December 2020, these areas of concentration comprehend 1,490 Post-Graduation Programs (PGP) and 2,406 courses evaluated and acknowledged.

Between 2013 and 2018, Brazilian authors published more than 280 thousand articles indexed in Web of Science (WoS) and more than 60 thousand articles indexed in journals in Scientific Electronic Library Online (SciELO) that are not addressed in WoS. Great part of this scientific production is published in the areas of concentration belonging to the School of Sciences of Life (approximately 204 thousand) originated from PGP productions mostly.

On one side, the extensive dissemination of scientific knowledge is credited to CAPES evaluation criteria of PGP’s and on the other, it is a very important tool of democratization of the access to scientific knowledge. For such, the strategies adopted by the scientific journals in favor of the access and open science should be the priority for the scientific production to beget actual social impact.

The Brazilian Journal of Cancerology (RBC) along its history has been pursuing to emphasize the open access of scientific publication of quality produced in the health services. After its restructuring as of 2018, it has been adopting several policies in order to become an important mean of scientific disclosure of the PGP’s included in the School of Sciences of Life. All the efforts endeavored are gaining recognition.

Regarding open access, it is worth mentioning that in 2020, the RBC was indexed in the Direct of Open Access Journals (DOAJ) and in the indexing database Summary of Brazilian Journals (Sumários.org). RBC continues to work to meet the indexing criteria of other important national and international databases.

About the origin of the scientific productions, of the 93 articles published in RBC in 2020, 64.4% involved authors (faculty and/or students) associated to 43 PGP’s from all the Brazilian macro-regions. Other topics that are worth mentioning in this year are: a) nearly 600 manuscripts were submitted; b) the average time between submission and publication was lower than six months; c) during the year, the number of articles published raised 50%; d) the number of associate-editors increased from two to six. These results are quite meaningful because they reveal the expansion of the dissemination of the oncologic knowledge in the country.

Finally, we have the opportunity in the last editorial of 2020 to thank all, personnel and editorial board, reviewers ad hoc, authors and readers. RBC hopes to continue contributing for the dissemination of knowledge of quality. This expectation increases with the creation of the new PGP of the National Cancer Institute José Alencar Gomes da Silva (INCA), the Post-Graduation Program of Collective Health and Cancer Control that begins in 2021.

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