

The Silver Anniversary of the *Revista Odonto Ciência* (Journal of Dental Science)



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On April 23, 1986, the first edition of the *Revista Odonto Ciência* was published as a materialization of the dreams and culmination of the prodigious efforts of the entire dental faculty and students of the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio Grande do Sul (PUCRS). This first number contained eight scientific articles, texts and pictures of the PUCRS Dental School. The 1,500 copies were mailed to the libraries of all dental schools in both Brazil and other Latin American countries. Today, the whole world has access to the full content published in the print and online versions of *Revista Odonto Ciência* (Journal of Dental Science).

When we cite protagonists of important actions, it is common to forget exponential names even though we have a memory search function to find information and even though we revised many files of the Department Council meetings. In spite of all this, we remember Prof. Raphael Onorino Carlos Loro (in memory), the Dean of the Dental School at the time and the emeritus idealizer of the dental journal, which was coordinated by Prof. Flávio Luce (in memory). We also remember Prof. Telmo Bandeira Berthold, who was the director of the journal until the end of 2007. During his 21 years, he built solid foundations for the journal and gained a reputation for rare political ability and competency. The journal vice-director at this time was

Prof. Henrique Teitelbaum (in memory), who was also vice-dean of the Dental School at the time and later president of the Brazilian Group of Restorative Dentistry, president of the Brazilian Association of Dentistry/Rio Grande do Sul state and president of the National Brazilian Association of Dentistry. It is also necessary to remember Prof. Nilza Pereira da Costa for her enthusiastic participation in the planning meetings that culminated with the creation of the dental journal. The first editorial board was composed of Dr. Elaine Bauer Veeck, Dr. Regina Fialho Velho, Dr. Raphael Onorino Carlos Loro, Dr. José Américo Maciel and Dr. João Ephrim Wagner.

Since 2008, Dr. Rosemary Sadami Arai Shinkai has served as the editor-in-chief of the *Revista Odonto Ciência* (Journal of Dental Science). She has worked with the entire editorial team to further cement the dental journal as an international vehicle for disseminating high-impact scientific knowledge of clinical and social relevance.

Thus, this serves as a kind tribute to all who have voluntarily worked with determination, passion and knowledge to open new horizons and consolidate paths to allow the PUCRS Dental School to contribute to the improvement of dental education and scientific information for the ultimate oral health of our society.