Message from the Editor







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Dear Partners,

First, we wish you a great 2014, with health and prosperity for all.

Then, I come to celebrate with you the positive changes in the Cardiovascular Imaging Department journal of the Brazilian Society of Cardiology, the most important one being its incorporation to the *Brazilian Archives of Cardiology* (ABC) "family", a project that aims to provide greater visibility to the journal. Moreover, its electronic accessibility was performed, generating savings and greater ease for reading and motion pictures viewing, fundamental in our specialty. Both embodiments only became possible thanks to the great efforts of our previous editor, Dr. Carlos Suaide Silva, who worked hard for these achievements.

We have seen important changes in cardiovascular imaging, with remarkable advances, particularly related to echocardiography, as the three-dimensional mode, the *strain*, the miniaturization of devices and the indispensable aid in invasive procedures orientation, increasingly frequent.

In fact, all cardiovascular imaging field has also been renovated, with the use of the latest technologies in nuclear

cardiology, cardiac CT and magnetic resonance imaging, providing cardiologists an arsenal of more comprehensive information

In line with this, our magazine is currently publishing the multiple diagnostic methods for cardiovascular imaging, stimulating thus their integration and mutual collaboration.

The greatest interest in echocardiography remains, however, highlighted, due to the versatility of this exam and its numerous clinical applications.

We take this opportunity to encourage all cardiologists, whether or not our members, as well as echocardiographers, anesthetists, intensivists, radiologists and vascular surgeons to adopt the *ABC journal - Cardiovascular Imaging* as your reference. This will allow relevant research (case reports, reviews or original articles) to be widely shared with the community, providing education and science for all.

In this context, our other primary goal is to increase the number of published articles, so that we can manage to get the indexing for *Scielo* and *Medline* platforms. We are fully aware that this is a bold goal, dependent on hard, continuous and prolonged work. However, with the involvement and commitment of all, we will get success for sure. Therefore, we expect and count on the massive participation of those who, like us, want this magazine to become an instrument of information and impact on training.

Finally, I greatly appreciate the confidence placed in me by the new SBC Board of the Department of Imaging, in particular Doctors Marcelo Vieira and Samira Morhy. I will not withhold efforts to meet this expectation on this new challenge. Let us get to work!

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