

Editorial

With the current issue of the Brazilian Journal of Veterinary Parasitology (number 4, volume 19), publication of volume 19 has been concluded. Publication of volume 20 (numbers 1 to 4) will begin in 2011. The current issue deals with some aspects of Entomology, Protozoology, Helminthology and Rickettsiosis that are of interest to animal health research within the Veterinary Parasitology.

Our aim is to improve the mechanism for analyzing submitted papers, but there are always going to be authors who find it hard to accept the comments made about their manuscripts. Nonetheless, preserving referees' rights is fundamental for maintaining quality and the referees' voluntary work. Insofar as possible, specialists from within the fields covered in submitted papers have been nominated for the evaluations. Since papers are now being published in English (since issue number 3 of volume 19), referees external to the country have greatly helped in evaluating papers.

It is not an easy task to choose referees and to choose those who send their comments on papers within the stipulated deadlines. The great majority of the referees have made good analyses on the studies evaluated and have gone as far as detailing their criticisms, thus contributing towards better writing. All the revised manuscripts are returned to the initial referees so that they can issue their final assessment.

We always evaluate the comments made on each paper, and especially with regard to their pertinence and the absence of conflicts of interest. We believe that we are on the right path towards evolution of the analyses on submitted papers and quality improvement. We ask authors, in the editing process on their manuscripts, to attentively address the revisions that are requested, because we are still finding errors that could have been dealt with through careful and more critical reading.

Our dream for the Journal has been kept alive and is being continually renewed. The RBPV has a presence within the international scientific community and is entering a new phase, now with some articles cited in other journals and mentioned by CiteAlert.

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