

EDITORIAL

It is with great satisfaction that we release a new number of the *Applied Research & Agrotechnology*. The journal begins to be inserted in the scientific community by its first number in September 2008 and nowadays it represents expressive propagation, with high demand from different researchers and graduation and post-graduation students as a form to disseminate their works and researches performed in several regions of Brazil, not only printed but also in the online access.

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With the work of complete translation of the articles to the English language and of an Abstract in Spanish, the journal presents characteristics of insertion in the international community and enables, thus, that the works are widely disseminated, besides the possibility of changing information and questions to the scientific community.

The difficulty to disseminate and gather works in times that the funding agencies in Brazil demand quality of publication is for sure a great challenge. Although, with the characteristics of the high standard of the published articles in this second volume – which follows the quality of the others, as well as in scientific quality as editing, formatting (layout) and printing - and counting with the support of a prestigious editorial board and Ad hoc peer reviewers, we are sure that the *Applied Research & Agrotechnology Journal*, nowadays with Qualis B5, will be soon in the list of journals with the highest index of classification. We know that for this we will have to keep on fighting for the continue refinement of all the team that is direct and indirectly involved in the challenge to maintain this new journal updated, with publication of relevant articles in the field of Agricultural Sciences, always ensuring the scientific quality of the publication as well as the translation to other languages always aiming at wider international circulation.

The journal is a reality and the high number of access and the increasing submission of articles show growing circulation over the scientific community, presenting the works developed by a great number of collaborators from different regions who undoubtedly act as pioneers in this endeavor to believe and trust in the results of *Applied Research & Agrotechnology*. PA&B Journal appears as a mean of divulgation in this disputed and slow channel of research dissemination, aiming to be an alternative to accelerate this process of divulgation and guarantee that the research results can be published in a faster way.

The challenge was launched and beyond the institutional support of Unicentro, which hosts this journal, the Editorial Team is still counting with the valuable support of its researchers, professors and sponsors which, together with its contacts in other institutions, contribute to the supported establishment and broad propagation of the journal, increasing always the approval and recognition of its quality either by the scientific community or by the competent organs of evaluation. We timely thank Fundação Araucária of Paraná State that believe in this challenge and has been financially supporting the journal.

We leave an invitation to all those who receive this number to, being instigated and challenged, contribute to the process of continuous solidification of *Applied Research & Agrotechnology* as a reliable source of dissemination and access to research results.