

São Paulo earns a new scientific journal, honoring the Brazilian scientific community

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The opportunity to write the first editorial for a new scientific journal is a great honor for any Editor-in-Chief! The **Perioperative Anesthesia Reports** (PAR) ambitions to improve the area of science in anesthesiology. As a university professor and the current president of the board of directors from the São Paulo State Society of the Anesthesiology (SAESP - Sociedade de Anestesiologia do Estado de São Paulo, Brazil), the execution of this SAESP's strategic planning is an institutional and personal fulfillment.

To achieve the goals of PAR, we provide a vehicle for clinical and research information, reviewing and synthesizing information, involving peer review for every original publication. Evaluating new techniques, devices, materials, and drugs will undoubtedly be an outstanding contribution to anesthesiology. This new journal can similarly provide a forum for discussion of controversial topics. The **Perioperative Anesthesia Reports** is now the official electronic and continuous-flow publication of SAESP that publishes mainly peer-reviewed Case Reports, Research Protocols, and Reviews. These types of articles are not a publication priority in the Brazilian Journal of Anesthesiology (BJAN), the leading scientific anesthesiology journal in Latin America, and PAR will complement it.

The **Perioperative Anesthesia Reports** publishes original works in all correlated areas of anesthesia, critical care, pain, palliative care, and perioperative medicine, including basic, translational, and clinical research, technology innovation, and education. **Perioperative Anesthesia Reports** is a publication for researchers, anesthesiologists, and other health professionals.

As former Editor-in-Chief of the Brazilian Journal of Anesthesiology (BJAN), I sought to enhance the research standards of the journal. In 2019, our efforts were supported by the UK EQUATOR Centre team at the University of Oxford, United Kingdom, who provided invaluable mentorship. The mentorship and collaborative work focused on BJAN's adoption of the reporting guidelines available on the EQUATOR (Enhancing the QUALity, Transparency Of health Research) Network platform. EQUATOR Network aims to improve the reliability and robustness of published health research literature, promoting accurate reporting through more than 400 reporting guidelines and extensions.

Using the valuable information described above and enhancing the quality and transparency of research, the Instructions to Authors of **Perioperative Anesthesia Reports** mandate using EQUATOR Network resources when writing any manuscript. Guidance on each type of study and how to choose the correct reporting guideline can be found on the **EQUATOR (Enhancing the QUALity and Transparency Of health Research)** website. Authors must submit complete checklists of the chosen reporting guideline and the flow diagram, if applicable. The checklist form ensures that the specific reporting guideline was used correctly and supports the editors and reviewers to complete the same checklist and review it. We intend that the author's use of reporting guidelines in the writing process can ensure that manuscripts are completely and clearly written, resulting in improved final documents for readers. We would like to recommend the company Escrever Ciência for the English certification work required in the Author Guidelines of PAR, as well Enago and (American Journal Experts) AJE.

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Launching a new journal is more than just the execution of a project. As anesthesiologists and researchers, most of us know very little about the technical issues related to all the steps of constructing a scientific paper, from the submission of the manuscript to the final publication. Our current publisher and partner in PAR's project is Editora Cubo (Cubo Multimidia LTDA), a Brazilian company focused on providing services related to the management and production of scientific publications. Although a small company from the State of São Paulo, Cubo is already responsible for the electronic editing of more than 100 scientific journals. To offer the best editorial support for technical-scientific publications, Editora Cubo has strategic partnerships with national and international companies and institutions, such as ABEC Brasil, AJE, Amazon web services, Crossref, Crosscheck, Google, Periodikos, and SciELO, among others. Cubo has assisted us with the registration of the ISSN (International Standard Serial Number), as well as the title-level DOI (Digital Object Identifier) in the DOI System and is collaborating on expected future indexations. We are sure that their highly qualified team will seek continuous improvement in our journal.

After launching a new journal, choosing the title was an additional challenge. Since the beginning of the conception of the **Perioperative Anesthesia Reports** in 2022, a stunning group of Ph.D. anesthesiologists

was closely connected and interested in baptizing the new journal with a name that thoroughly represented anesthesiology. For weeks, we aligned expectations and experiences to refine the name of our new publication, which would initially be called ASPA (Acta São Paulo of Anesthesiology). Other names also were suggested during intense brainstorming: SPAJournal (São Paulo Anesthesiology Journal), SPJA (São Paulo Journal of Anesthesia), and Case Reports, Protocols & Reviews. Following lengthy discussions about possible title alternatives, **Perioperative Anesthesia Reports** was born as the ideal name fitting our journal's aim. This new journal title, the ISSN, and the title-level persistent identifier supplied in the content registration files must be consistent across submissions. The abbreviation of Perioperative Anesthesia Reports is Periop. Anesth. Rep.

As an electronic and continuous-flow publication, we won't have issues in **Perioperative Anesthesia Reports**, as most current anesthesiology journals. Differently, we will use a single annual cover for all publications, just including the PAR's logo. Concerning the logo, using **PAR** together with the complete name of the journal is an easy and clean way to construct the image of the journal. However, we also aimed to include a reference to the patient through all perioperative steps (Figure 1). The final inclusion of a Tuohy needle is an indirect reference to regional anesthesia.



Figure 1. The process of choosing the logo for the journal.

As a contemporary journal, *Perioperative Anesthesia Reports* is in line with the rules of open science and will consider the publication of preprints at the discretion of the Editor-in-Chief. Along with internet development, open science is one of the manifestations of free access to information and is gaining full acceptance in the scientific community. The attractiveness of free access to data and information can improve scientific research.

The ***Perioperative Anesthesia Reports*** follows a business model whereby expenses are partly recovered by charging the authors or research sponsors a publication fee for the final published article. PAR grants fee waivers when the first author is a SAESP associate and for Invited Reviews, Editorials, and Letters to the Editor.

I will temporarily assume the role of PAR's Editor-in-Chief. The first Editorial Board of ***Perioperative Anesthesia Reports*** will be composed of SAESP's Board of Directors and the Coordinators of our Scientific Committees who are interested in this innovative scientific project. Opportunely, additional national and international experts will be invited to the Editorial Board.

Following this editorial, as inaugural publications in the ***Perioperative Anesthesia Reports***, we already have three substantial articles: The first article is a case report related to airway management in a patient written by

Doctor Claudia Marquez Simões. The second one is a preliminary consensus about the indication of ICU in the immediate postoperative period that had Doctor Roseny Rodrigues as its author. And the third publication is "Noninvasive intracranial pressure real-time waveform analysis in a child undergoing general anesthesia: a case report", by doctor Vinicius Quintão. These scientific-based publications are already plain contributions from ***Perioperative Anesthesia Reports*** and from SAESP to improve the excellence of Anesthesiology.

Methodologically rigorous manuscripts and high ethical standards are welcome to ***Perioperative Anesthesia Reports***. We are prepared for a solid and transparent peer review process to make the final publication fully available. You are invited to submit your manuscript to ***Perioperative Anesthesia Reports***. Your participation will undoubtedly enhance this project even more!

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