

BJCVS has record access in 2013

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In 2013, the Brazilian Journal of Cardiovascular Surgery (BJCVS) had special reasons to celebrate: the growth of over 65% in the number of visits to our site (www.rbccv.org.br) when compared to 2012. We went from 788,564 to 1,307,934 hits, averaging over 3,500 visitors/day, with a peak in April, 7,420 in just one day (Figure 1)! If we add the access via our website at SciELO (www.scielo.br/rbccv) there were over 1.9 million visits last year, averaging nearly 5,300 visitors per day. Internet users from over 110 countries were on our site.

The total number of page impressions in 2013 (request from a visitor's browser to a web page that can be displayed) was 55,020,139, an increase of 16% over the previous year (47,232,073), an average of 150,740 in 2013, 11 per day (Figure 2). Regarding gigabytes (GB) transferred the increase reached 23%, up from 469.65 GB in 2012 to 578.47 GB last year. The daily average was 1.58 GB (Figure 3). There is a tendency to value the publications by the number of hits or by the number of GB arising from such hits. Certainly, this modern resource would be another marker of the importance and spread of a journal.

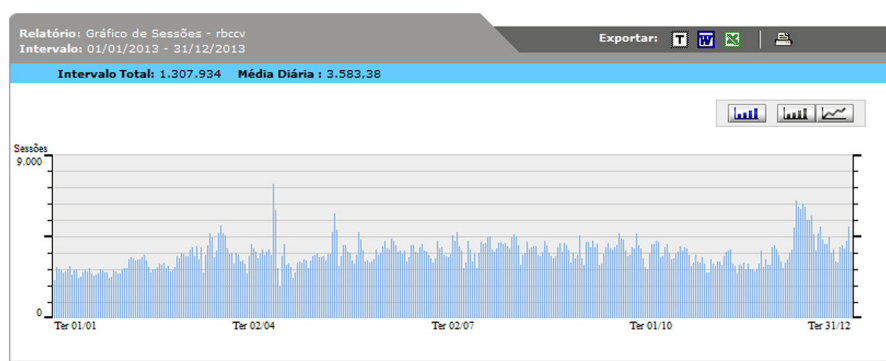


Fig. 1 – Graph showing the access to the RBCCV / BJCVS site in 2013.

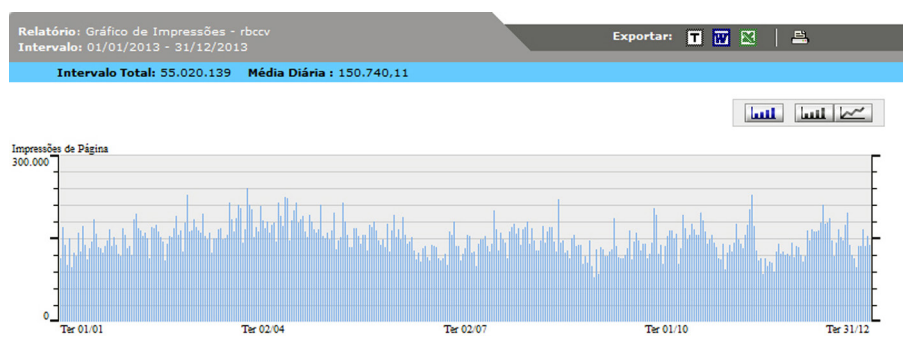


Fig. 2 – Graph showing page impressions of RBCCV / BJCVS site in 2013.

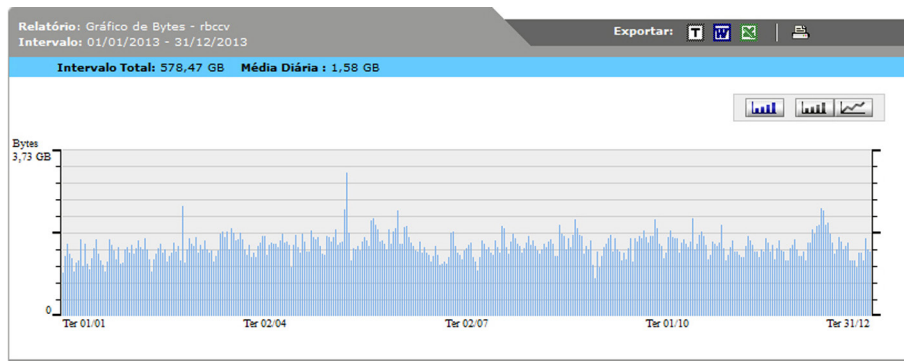


Fig. 3 - Graph showing Gigabytes (GB) transferred in RBCCV / BJCVS site in 2013.

This performance leaves us extremely satisfied by proving the increasing visibility of BJCVS, and the importance of having the journal available in various media, enabling access anytime and anywhere. We finished the implementation of new technologies for online editing, as applications for smartphones and tablets, both on the iOS operating systems or Android. Thus, on any device connected to the Internet, our journal can be fully seen in its PDF extension. In all of them a symbol (Figure 4) will appear, and just click on it to access BJCVS Editions. We ask the readers to experience such ease and give us their feedback, which will be very useful for the constant improvement of our Journal.

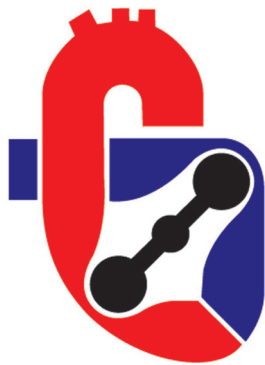


Fig. 4 – App RBCCV / BJCVS symbol for Smartphones and Tablets.

Moreover, the performance of our journal reinforces my perception, as described above, that this kind of access to the contents of the journals should be taken into account by CAPES and by development agencies when classifying publications. So, a journal is not assessed only by current criteria, such as the Impact Factor (IF), SCImago Journal Rank,

H index, among others, that broaden the range of options and would give breath to hundreds of journals in the area of health, which, being restricted to specialty publications, as BJCVS (only consulted by a restricted community), cannot be compared to the New England Journal of Medicine, for example, that is of interest of different medical specialties, as well as researchers and professionals in related fields.

Thus, the number of citations of specialty Journals never reaches the levels of a generic journal. The journals like ours, even in the first world, are irrelevant in general compute of IF (IF of the Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery is 3,526, the Annals of Thoracic Surgery, 3454, and the European Journal of Cardio-Thoracic Surgery, 2674) and cannot be compared to the aforementioned New England Journal of Medicine IF, which is 51,658! As obvious as these facts, CAPES is impervious to this reasoning.

No Brazilian journal now reaches the level A1 or A2 demanding Qualis CAPES.

The Brazilian Journal of Psychiatry, with 1,856, is the one with the highest IF among the 100 national publications that underlie the Thomson Reuters! Over three articles published in BJCVS were prominent among the “top 20” search from BioMedLib (www.biomedlib.com) site. This time, the performance is up to the articles of “Cardiac surgery: the infinite quest” series, by Dr. Rodolfo Neirotti, published in editions 27.4, 28.1 and 28.2.

Another novelty is that, after 2 years, our journal was again awarded with editorial support from CNPq. The sum of R\$ 30,000, although it is far from required, is useful to help pay the costs, ever increasing.

Encouraged by the growth of accesses and this good news, we will continue to improve BJCVS, so that we can offer readers the best content and the best features that the computer has to offer. In this issue, two studies (“Proposal of renal artery’s ostial projection under virtual geometric correction in infra-renal aneurysms: initial results of a pilot study”, pag. 78, and “Mammary artery harvesting with the da Vinci Si robotic system”, pag. 107) add videos in their content.

We are finalizing, along with GN1, our partner since 2005, a tool that will allow the video to be sent by the website at the time of article submission.

Change in the print edition

Due to increased printing costs, driven by the rising dollar, the Editorial Board of the Journal, with approval of the Board of BSCVC decided that the images of the print edition will be published in black and white, even if they are sent in colors. Thus, it can reduce the value of print. When an article has originally sent pictures in color, there will be the notice in its end referring the reader to the online edition, where the figures, graphs and tables are presented in color, and can be copied with ease.

BSCVS Congress

From 3 to April 5, the 41st Congress of the Brazilian Society of Cardiovascular Surgery (BSCVS) will be held in Porto de Galinhas, PE, along with 4th Symposium of Nursing in Cardiovascular Surgery, the 4th Symposium of Physical Therapy in Cardiovascular Surgery, the 4th Perfusion Symposium on Cardiovascular Surgery, in addition to the 3rd Academic Congress on Cardiovascular Surgery, demonstrating the importance of contact of students with professionals.

The theme of this edition is “**Heart Team - the patient first**”. Professionals from different specialties, working together in order to provide the most appropriate treatment, of which derives the best outcome.

I want to compliment the Board of BSCVS, chaired by Dr. Marcelo Cascudo, with support from other members, and the Organizing Committee, coordinated by Dr. Fernando Ribeiro Moraes Neto, who devoted all his efforts in its formatting.

Meeting of the Editorial Board of BJCVS with Associate Editors and Members of the Editorial Board

On April 3, from 14h to 15h, in the auditorium 6, the meeting of the Editorial Board of BJCVS with the Associate Editors and members of the Board will take place, also open to all members wishing to participate. The effect of adoption of technologies will be discussed, as new applications for smartphones and tablets, both operating systems like iOS and Android. I count on the participation and suggestions from everyone.

CME

We have the following items with Continuing Medical Education in this issue: “*EuroSCORE II and the importance of a local model, InsCor and the future SP-SCORE*” (pag. 1), “*Use of EuroScore as a predictor of morbidity after cardiac surgery*” (pag. 9), “*Advanced age and incidence of atrial fibrillation in the postoperative period of aortic valve replacement*” (pag. 45) e “*Comparison of the solution of histidine-tryptophan-alfacetoglutamate with histidine-tryptophan-glutamate as cardioplegic agents in isolated rat hearts: an immunohistochemical study*” (pag. 83). We ask the readers to disclose this important learning teaching tool among students, residents, and anyone who wants to increase their knowledge.

My warmest regards!



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