

# Up-to-Date Journal: Evolution and Incorporation of Section Editors

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I would like to take this opportunity to offer readers and members of AAOT some news regarding the work and evolution of the editorial team.

Since its first edition in 1936 as a newsletter and individual papers, until now, the journal has made significant achievements, due to constant and collaborative work and the primary goal of producing an updated, high-quality research publication.

Since 2011, under the direction of Dr. Ernesto Bersusky (General Editor) and in collaboration with the succeeding co-editors, Dr. Jorge Boretto, Dr. Cristian Allende and Dr. Lidia G. Loterzo (current co-editor and editorial secretary 2011-2019), the work of the editorial team has reached goals related to the scientific quality of our journal. This was achieved by indexing the journal in prestigious international databases (Table), and also, by providing support and encouragement to the authors, who, by virtue of scientific quality and interest in their productions, constitute an essential value in order to achieve our proposed goals.

I would also like to highlight, in the first place, the job of publishing editors, who are the central players in peer review processes, and the contribution of each participant in the publishing production of every issue (administrative secretary, proof reader, layout designer, translator, and webmaster).

In such direction of constant growth, medical specialists licensed by our Association were designed in May 2020 to fulfil the tasks of section editors, being experts in different subspecialties.

Section editors actively participate in communication and in the publishing process with specific tasks, which include: reception of manuscripts on their specific field, guidance to authors regarding layout design, designation of reviewers, and interaction with both author and reviewer during the publishing process (Figures 1-3).



**Figure 1.** Dr. Juan Martín Patiño, Upper Limbs Section Editor.



**Figure 2.** Dr. Gerardo Zanotti, Lower Limbs Section Editor.



**Figure 3.** Dr. Guillermo Ricciardi, Spinal Column Section Editor.

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In consequence, together with the expansion of our work team, the constant reception of manuscripts and a deep scientific vocation, we wish to announce a rise in the frequency of publication of our journal, which will be bimonthly, accounting a total of 6 issues per year. Also, some host societies will collaborate with scientific content.

These news are to us a true satisfaction which we would like to share with every member of our Association.

**Table.** Indexing of the AAOT Journal.

• <b>ROAD</b> (Directory of Open Access Scholarly Resources)	
• <b>Latindex</b> (Regional Online Information System for Scientific Journals of Latin America, the Caribbean, Spain and Portugal)	
• <b>Basic Core of Scientific Journals of CAICYT-CONICET</b>	
• <b>SciELO</b> (Scientific Electronic Library Online)	
• <b>DOAJ</b> (Directory of Open Access Journals)	
• <b>AmeliCA</b>	
• <b>LILACS</b> (Latin American Literature in Health Sciences)	
• <b>Sheffield Hallam University - Library Gateway</b>	
• <b>Catalogue of scientific journals of the Harvard Library</b>	
• <b>WorldCat</b>	
• <b>Journal TOCs</b> (The latest Journal Tables of Contents)	
• <b>REDIB</b> (Ibero American Network of Innovation and Scientific Knowledge)	
• <b>Dialnet</b> (Bibliography Gateway)	
• <b>Google Scholar</b>	
• <b>BASE</b> (Bielefeld Academic Search Engine)	
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