Over the past five years, I have served as editor-in-chief of the Revista Dental Press de Ortodontia e Ortopedia Facial which, from 2010 on, is being published in English and is, now, called Dental Press Journal of Orthodontics. I read, then, thousands of articles and wrote 30 editorials. This is the 31st and the last of them.

The closure of all cycles moves us, naturally, to reflect and to list important people and facts. Unfortunately, I could not, in this editorial space and with justice, mention all the people who were so important for this journal and me as its editor. To represent all this group of fabulous minds, I will comment briefly on five people. Each one represents a section of the journal.

The first of them is Mr. Ronis Furquim, from Dental Press Publishing House team. He is a person of knowledge way over average, he has an enviable Portuguese and critical reading skills so sharp that redefined my standards for this attribute. Ronis, you personify this company employees in pursuing excellence and your work permeates every article submitted here.

Doctors Teresa and Laurindo Furquim, your passion for our profession materialized in a company which is a symbol of quality in dentistry. The Brazilian dentistry owes a lot to you. I am grateful for the trust you placed in my hands when invited me to be editor of this journal.

Dr. Telma Martins de Araujo, a sublime person and professional. Your unexceedable perfection is present in everything that this journal publishes, in the Specialization Course of the Center of Orthodontics and Facial Orthopedics Professor Édim José Soares Martins, as well as on other activities as an important leader in our specialty. I am proud to be your friend and deeply admire you.

Finally, Dr. David Normando, I want to share my joy in seeing you as the new editor of this journal. You are, undoubtedly, an example for the Brazilian dentistry. Only one word can define how a boy who was educated at various public schools within the Northern region of Brazil became the editor-in-chief of one of the major world publications of orthodontics: Meritocracy. Given the demonstrated competence as adjunct editor, nothing more fair than inviting you to assume the position which I leave with these words. I finish my last editorial not wishing you luck, because your competence sets you free of it, but rather, I wish you a lot of work. Only this can further elevate the human being.


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