

# Editorial supplement: the best scientific papers in 2020

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Dear friends,

2020 was a challenging year for everyone. We were unexpectedly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, which caused major impacts around the world. Therefore, the 23<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Brazilian Congress of Mastology, which would be held in Florianópolis, had to be postponed considering the audience's safety.

We were sorry for not being able to provide, at that moment, to more than one thousand confirmed attendees, the content that had been built with the effort of experts from different regions of our country. A lot of work has been done to elaborate a special and productive scientific schedule; besides, we also had focused on your stay in Florianópolis being a pleasant experience.

During the pandemic, we were apart from friends, family members, and had to deal with the challenge of treating our patients in a chaotic scenario. Many have lost their beloved ones, and others were victims of the new Coronavirus themselves. The moment called for supportive union, and all efforts were addressed to fight the consequences of the pandemic.

Still, the Organizing Committee remained together and worked to make sure the structure of the event scheduled for 2021 could be peaceful. We were able to maintain almost all of

the sponsorship budget and number of attendees, which translates the force and union of the Brazilian Society of Mastology, its associates and supporters. Encouraged by this trust, we are planning a new event to be presented to mastologists next year.

The 23<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Brazilian Congress of Mastology will be held between on April 7 to 10, 2021, however, with caution and consideration. After discussing the possibilities with the national board of the Brazilian Society of Mastology, we decided to organize a virtual event, to guarantee a highly qualified event and safety for all. The updated schedule will emphasize the most relevant topics of 2020, and will include national and international speakers, intriguing discussions about the daily practice and a new opportunity to submit scientific papers.

This will be an event of the Brazilian Society of Mastology for all Brazilian mastologists! The event will show the maturity of our specialty, in the capacity to overcome obstacles and prevail.

We appreciate all of the support and confidence in our society.

We wish health to all of our associates and family members.

In April 2021, we hope to find you in this virtual event for our specialty!

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