

EDITORIAL

It is with great satisfaction that we announce that the *Brazilian Journal of Cognitive Therapies* is now in *PEPSIC's* (*Portal of Electronic Journals in Psychology*) database. Such an event improved considerably our journal's circulation, which is also being prepared to become available in an electronic format, in *SBTC's* (*Brazilian Society of Cognitive Therapies*) website.

Besides contributing to an increase in the academic production of professionals that work with theory, research or intervention in the area of cognitive therapy, neuropsychology and evolutionary psychology, our journal has strived to divulge important facts related to these areas of knowledge. Therefore, before briefly presenting this edition's content, we would like to comment on some events that took place in the second semester of 2007.

The *V World Congress of Behavioral & Cognitive Therapies*, held in Barcelona between the 12th and 14th of July, represents one of the most important events in the area. The congress gathered professionals from several parts of the world, allowing for a rich scientific exchange. A variety of themes presented in 26 pre-congress courses, 39 conferences, 182 symposiums, 50 free speeches and 824 posters, provided an update on what is most recent in cognitive therapies worldwide.

Another important event was the course "Cognitive Therapy Focused on Schemas", held by Jeffrey Young, on the 27, 28 and 29 of July, in the theater of São Paulo's Medical University. The event, organized by Cristiano Nabuco de Abreu, Fátima Vasques, Raphael Cangelli Filho and Táki Athanássios Cordás, was supported by *SBTC* and gathered over 500 participants from several Brazilian cities. This is an evidence of the popularity that Jeffrey Young's approach has reached in Brazil.

We could not forget to mention a sad event that shook the cognitive therapy community all over the world: the death, on July 24th 2007, of Albert Ellis, founder of the rational-emotive behavior therapy. As homage to this important figure in the field of cognitive therapies, we present, in this issue, a brief biography of Albert Ellis written by Bernard Rangé.

A variety of researches evaluating the treatment of several anxiety disorders, conducted in the *Anxiety Treatment and Research Centre*, in Hamilton, Canada, are presented in an interview with Randi McCabe, made by Aline Sardinha.

The publication of the book *Psychotherapies: current approaches*, by Aristides Volpato Cordioli, is presented in this issue in a book review written by Marco Montarroyos Callegaro.

This issue also includes five new articles, two of them written by foreign authors, and three by national researchers. Carmen G. Loiselle presents a multidisciplinary intervention in psychosocial oncology, which constitutes an innovative method for the training of researchers in this area.

Inês Camacho and Margarida Gaspar de Matos present a study that shows the importance of parental practices in the development of social skills and in the academic performance of adolescents.

Starting from a review of studies and based on Young's theory, Maria do Céu Scribel, Maria Regina Sana and Ângela Maria di Benedetto discuss the role of early schemas in partner choice and in the construction of conjugal bonds.

Vanessa Dordron de Pinho and Ângela Donato Oliva discuss, from an intervention to abandon smoking habits, the role of social skills in the profiles of smokers, non-smokers and ex-smokers.

Bernard Pimentel Range, Eliane Mary de Oliveira Falcone and Aline Sardinha present a study that evaluated the different theoretical and practical tendencies of Brazilian cognitive therapists.

We hope that the readers can benefit from the works presented in this issue.

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