Dear readers and supporters of JMRT,

The journal is celebrating its very first birthday! Since the first appearance, it has been a success history. We are now at the second number of the second volume, reaching the mark of five issues and completing our goal of having four numbers published in the first year. This fifth issue in fact starts our second chronological year in the scenery of international journals.

Some numbers give us the idea of how far have we come. In the first three issues we had 30 papers published: 25 original contributions, four reviews and one short communication. The authorship involved 34% of international colleagues and 66% of locals.

Numbers for the current year are also impressive for such a recently born journal: in the two numbers published we have already achieved 25 original papers, two reviews and a short communication. The number of international contributors is also increasing; they represent now 47% of the authors, from 14 different countries.

On the other hand, it is also time to ponder about the future. The Journal must evolve rapidly in the direction of international recognition. Therefore, an effort on a concerted action towards increasing quality, reliability and confidence is truly necessary. We need to concentrate in the next big goal: to have the Journal indexed in the most relevant databases. The first step has already been taken and JMR&T is already in the Elsevier’s Global Collection. Several other steps are also underway right now, in order to attend to the furthering internationalisation.

To mention just a recent improvement, the Journal has now a brand new website that allows us to access the papers “in press”, giving the opportunity for authors to have their paper published online before the printed edition.

It is time for joy and also thanking you all for this journey threaded so far. A lot more is to come, for sure, and with your support and enthusiasm, we will certainly reach our goals, altogether.

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