

## A Success Story – Paidéia: Management Report - 2021

### Uma História de Sucesso – Paidéia: Relatório de Gestão - 2021

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At the beginning of this management report, we present the results of our editorial management during the last 15 years (2007-2021) at *Paidéia (Ribeirão Preto)*. Following, we present the Management Report compiles data regarding the processing of manuscripts submitted to *Paidéia* in 2021.

#### A Success Story: 15-year Editorial Management Balance (2007-2021)

We begin this synthesis of the work developed during the 15 years that we have been in charge of *Paidéia* editorial management thanking the colleagues who have been with us in the different compositions of the Editorial Board, the technical-administrative employees as journal secretary, the Programa de Pós-Graduação em Psicologia of the Faculdade de Filosofia, Ciências e Letras de Ribeirão Preto at the Universidade de São Paulo (FFCLRP-USP), the Departamento de Psicologia and the FFCLRP Board of Directors, the Universidade de São Paulo (USP) and the Conselho Nacional de Pesquisa e Desenvolvimento Científico (National Council for Scientific and Technological Development - CNPq-Brazil) for the funding/resources.

In the following, we list the main achievements of our editorial management during the 15 years (2007-2021) that we have been at the head of *Paidéia (Ribeirão Preto)*.

1. In this period (2007-2021), and already for more than 10 years, *Paidéia* has been in the A1 stratum of the Qualis Periódicos CAPES. In 2012, for the first time, the journal was classified as A1 among the journals evaluated in the Psychology area.
2. Concomitantly, in early 2012 *Paidéia* was one of two national journals in the field of Psychology that had their proposals selected and contemplated by CAPES in the Program to Support the Internationalization of Journals in Psychology. This Program was created to subsidize journals from different areas of knowledge that presented

a consistent action plan to leverage their insertion in the international scenario. *Paidéia's* nomination was sponsored by the Qualis Periodicals Evaluation Commission and by the Evaluation Area Coordination (Psychology) of CAPES.

3. *Paidéia* was a pioneer among psychology journals in making available all articles published in English. Since 2012 the articles are published in full in English, an indispensable condition to achieve internationalization.

4. In 2011, the electronic system of manuscript submission (*Submission*) was implemented, a tool made available by SciELO - Brazil (*Brazil Scientific Electronic Library Online*), which allowed better management of the information flow, contributing to reduce the average processing time of manuscripts.

5. In 2016, there was the implementation of the electronic manuscript submission system ScholarOne (*Clarivate Analytics*), a tool made available by SciELO, which improved and expedited the evaluation of manuscripts.

6. As a commemorative mark of its 20 years, in 2011, the complete *Paidéia* collection was made available at SciELO Collection thanks to resources obtained from CNPq-Brazil.

7. Improvement in the infrastructure of the journal, with the acquisition of a large room adapted to the needs of an international standard journal, equipped with computer resources and adequate furniture (bench and large closet), thanks to the resources obtained from the Departamento de Psicologia and the FFCLRP Board of Directors.

8. Improvement in the human resources of the journal. In the first half of 2014, *Paidéia* finally began to rely on the contribution of a full-time civil servant (administrative technician) specially assigned to coordinate the multiple routine actions of the secretariat.

9. Adoption of XML language for publishing the articles according to the SciELO Collection publishing methodology.

10. In 2009, a new and bold editorial project was adopted, contemplating a new template, cover, and article layout pattern. These changes were inspired by the journals edited by the American Psychological Association (APA) and aimed to modernize the journal in order to align it with international standards (Figure 1, Figure 2).

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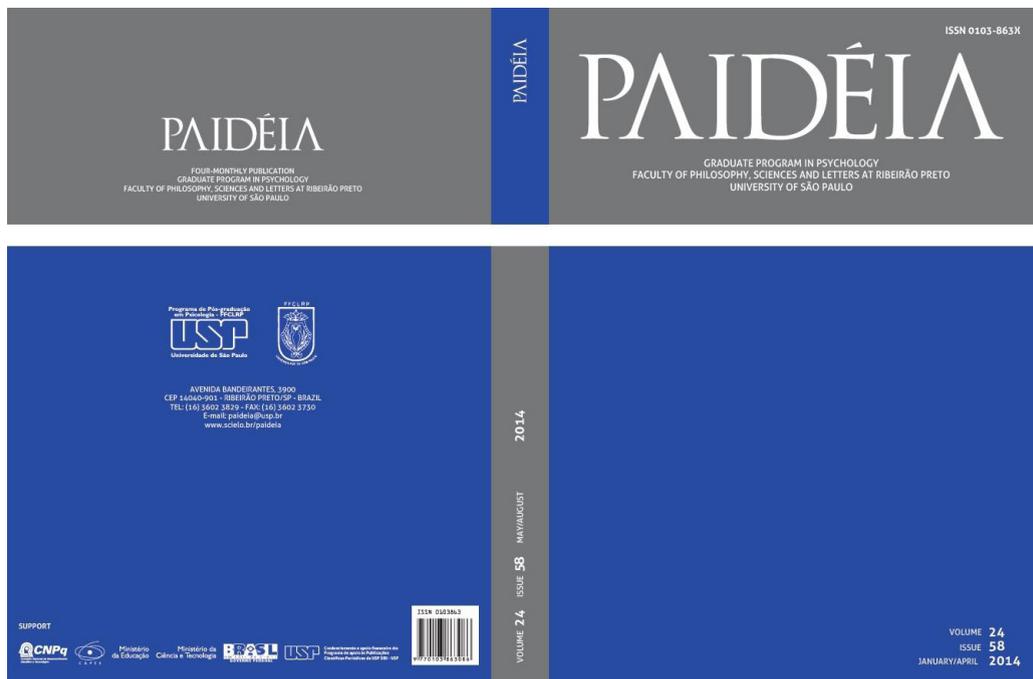


Figure 1. Logo, cover and back cover of Paidéia (Ribeirão Preto), from 2009, created by Murilo Ohswald Máximo.

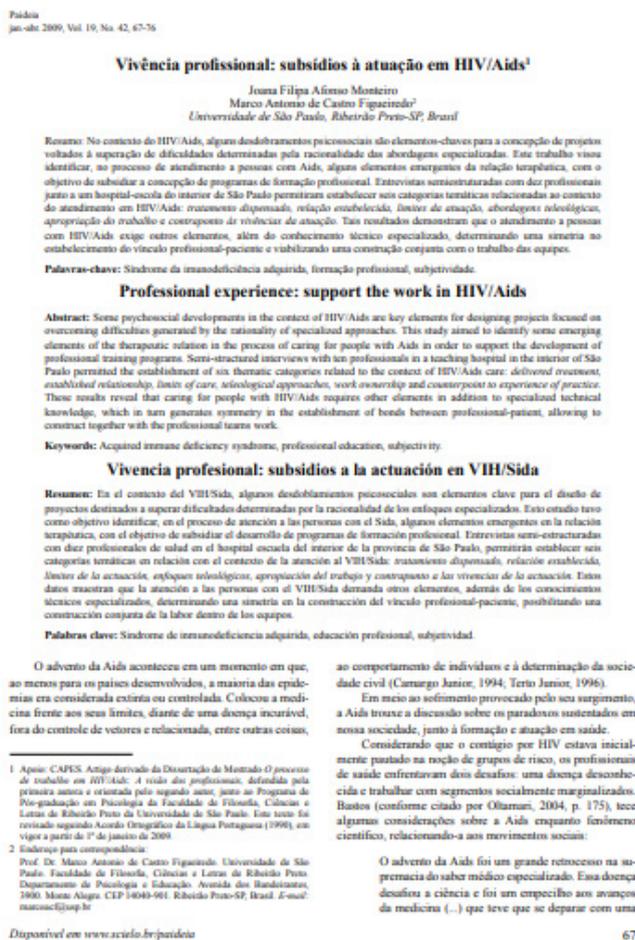


Figure 2. Layout of articles published by Paidéia (Ribeirão Preto), from 2009, created by Raquel Elizandra Ramos.

11. Publication of annual management reports from 2007 (Santos, Melo-Silva, Risk, 2008) to 2021, in order to give transparency and visibility to the *Paidéia's* management and editorial process.

12. Maintaining the regularity/periodicity of *Paidéia* over the last 15 years in order to fulfill one of the requirements for its maintenance in the SciELO Collection.

13. Conquest of new indexers (Scopus, Redalyc, ProQuest, EBSCO, Clase, PsyINFO, among others).

14. Creation and maintenance of *Paidéia's* social networks on Instagram and Facebook, in order to give visibility to the articles published by the journal and in line with alternative impact metrics, such as Altmetric.

15. Considering the 15 years (2007-2021) of uninterrupted publication and 39 articles per volume, there were 585 articles, plus the 13 published in a Special Issue: Qualitative Research in Psychology, totaling 598 articles in 15 published volumes.

16. Adoption of the *rolling pass system* (continuous publication) of articles since 2018. Articles are no longer published in issues/numbers and are now published in the body of a single volume, in order to streamline the publication process.

17. In 2017, publication of a special bilingual (Portuguese and English) supplement dedicated to qualitative methodology articles<sup>1</sup> (Special Issue: Qualitative Research in Psychology).

18. Holding a commemorative event, organized by the Editorial Board, for the 30th *Paidéia's* anniversary in August 2021 (Programa de Pós-Graduação em Psicologia USP-RP, 2021).

19. Adoption of the *submission checklist* (for authors) and the *critical points form* (for editors) in order to speed up, guide, and improve the quality of the published articles.

20. Regarding *Paidéia's* main bibliometric indicators, such as the h5 index, there was an evolution from 27 to 30 in recent years. The median of h5 indicates that, if a ranking of the number of citations of all articles published in recent years is made, in the middle of this ranking there would be an article with 30 citations. In other words, 50% of the articles published by *Paidéia* in the last five years received at least 30 citations, and 50% would be less than 50%.

21. Transition process of the editorial command since February 2022, with systematic meetings and establishment of a work plan with the publishers that will take over the *Paidéia's* management. This is a set of programmed actions to facilitate the adaptation and alignment of the new editors to the routine activities of the journal in order to ensure the continuity of workflows.

This balance documented the main actions carried out during our management during the last 15 years (2007-2021) at *Paidéia*. We wish prosperity and success to the new editors and to *Paidéia (Ribeirão Preto)*!

## Editorial Policy and Arbitration Criteria

Scientific editing is a fundamental area of knowledge production whose findings are disseminated mainly in the form of papers, which enjoy the peculiarity of having been assessed by *ad hoc* consultants, which guarantees a priori their minimum “quality”. It is a complex process that does not involve only the direct relationship between author/editor/reviewer, considering that these are crowded in educational/research institutions, which, in turn, are under the satellite of research promotion agencies and the science and technology policy of the country. Thus, publishing a scientific journal implies the management of relations between the academic and political-scientific bodies that guide the guidelines of a specific area (Risk, 2010). The growing concern with the quality of the editorial process is linked to decision-making for different scientific issues with significant impact on society, public policies and professional practices (Carvalho, Pianowski, & Santos, 2019).

In this Management Report, we present indicators that give visibility to the editorial management of *Paidéia* for the year 2021. As we could not fail to mention, 2020-2021 were also years marked by the global health crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic with a significant impact on mental health (Ferracioli et al., 2021).

With the publication of this document, we preserve the tradition of presenting to the scientific community a balance of what the journal has produced in the previous year. It makes explicit the *modus operandi* of the processing of the manuscripts in the period. The dissemination of scientific production is backed by a rigorous peer-review process. To systematize information relative to the editorial process, it is possible to place the contribution of *Paidéia* in the contemporary scenario of scientific publications in the Humanities field, particularly Psychology.

In 2021, *Paidéia* completed 30 years of existence. On August 19, 2021, we had a commemorative event organized by the Editorial Board (Programa de Pós-Graduação em Psicologia USP-RP, 2021). With its first publication in 1991, since 2018 *Paidéia* has adopted the rolling pass system. *Paidéia (Ribeirão Preto)* is affiliated with the Programa de Pós-Graduação em Psicologia of the Faculdade de Filosofia, Ciências e Letras de Ribeirão Preto at the Universidade de São Paulo (FFCLRP-USP). The *Paidéia* journal includes research that addresses a problem clearly related to Psychology, specifically in the areas: Psychology of Health, Developmental Psychology, School and Educational Psychology, Social Psychology, and Psychological Evaluation. *Paidéia* accepts manuscripts based on the different theoretical-methodological approaches acknowledged by Psychology. The published articles should fall into the categories: research report, systematic literature review, and theoretical study (submission of these manuscripts is not free and it is limited to authors invited by the Editor).

<sup>1</sup> Available on the link: <https://www.scielo.br/j/paideia/i/2017.v27suppl1/>

Since its founding in August 1991, 31 volumes have been published, and its collection is fully available through free access provided by the SciELO Collection. The volumes are conspicuous for their diversity and breadth of topics and the plurality of methodological designs contained in the articles. The editorial line is generalist, considering the theoretical-methodological, epistemological, and thematic diversity that permeates the Psychology area.

The Qualis CAPES Periodicals is a procedure used by Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (Coordenação de Aperfeiçoamento de Pessoal de Nível Superior, CAPES-Brasil) to stratify the quality of intellectual production of Brazilian graduate programs. According to this ranking, *Paidéia* is classified as A1 level at Qualis CAPES Journals system in the area of Psychology. The highest-ranking evaluation position demonstrates the recognition of the prominent place that the journal occupies within the Brazilian scientific publications.

The prestige given to *Paidéia* within the scientific community is due to its selective policy of disseminating quality knowledge. A rigorous and thorough assessment is sustained with the support of a highly qualified Editorial Board, structured according to the areas and themes addressed in the articles submitted for consideration. This Council consists of notable names of the academic community, in both the national and international contexts. The processing of the manuscripts is the responsibility of an Editorial Commission composed of Associate Editors. This commission coordinates the rigorous peer review process by utilizing *ad hoc* consultants with recognized competence, who have the task of evaluating and improving the manuscripts submitted for consideration.

To consolidate its visibility at the national and international level, *Paidéia* is indexed in a solid set of national and international databases (or full text portals) when compared to the other Brazilian journals in the field of Psychology. Our journal has been indexed in the following databases: SciELO - Scientific Electronic Library Online (FAPESP/BIREME), Scopus (Elsevier), PsycINFO (American Psychological Association), LILACS - *Literatura Latino-Americana e do Caribe em Ciências da Saúde (Centro Latino-americano y de Caribe de Informaciones en Ciencias de la Salud)*, CLASE - *Citas Latinoamericanas en Ciencias Sociales y Humanidades (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México)*, PSICODOC (*Colégio Oficial de Psicólogos de Madrid / Universidad Complutense de Madrid*), DOAJ - *Directory of Open Access Journals*, Ulrich's International Periodicals Directory, Catálogo Latindex, IRESIE (*Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México*), *Index-Psi Periódicos (CFP/PUCCAMP)*, Redalyc - *Red de Revistas Científicas de América Latina y el Caribe, España y Portugal*, *Portal de Revistas da USP (Universidade de São Paulo)*, ProQuest (CSA) - Databases, EBooks and Technology for Research, EBSCO - Information Services, Cengage Learning, Dialnet (*Universidad de La Rioja*), OAJI - Open Academic Journals Index, Index Copernicus International

(IC Journal Master Listt), HINARI - Access to Research in Health Programme, EZB - Electronic Journals Library (*Universität Regensburg - Germany*), HEALink - Hellenic Academic Libraries Link, and Socolar (China Educational Publications Import and Export Corporation - CEPIEC).

The submission of manuscripts is fully computerized through the ScholarOne (Clarivate Analytics) provided by SciELO. The journal adopts a blind review evaluation system, which preserves the anonymity of the authors and reviewers. The texts submitted for consideration must primarily fall within the research report category. In each issue, approximately 39 original research articles are published. As part of the new editorial policy of the journal, the Editorial Board decided to invest heavily in attracting articles that give visibility to research results derived from original empirical studies with quantitative or qualitative designs. The potential to make an impact in the area of knowledge is also a criterion for selecting the manuscripts for publication. To be selected for publication, the manuscripts must be of international interest, rather than just local.

Concerning financing sources, *Paidéia* has relied on support from financial resources received annually from the Periodical Scientific Publications Support Program of USP (*Agência USP de Gestão da Informação Acadêmica - AGUIA*) as well as the support of the Programa de Pós-Graduação em Psicologia of FFCLRP-USP.

The publication standards are included at the end of each issue, which are available online in Portuguese, English, and Spanish. Those standards (Instructions to the Authors) are available on the SciELO page (<http://www.scielo.br/paideia>). In addition, the final issue of each volume provides the list of *ad hoc* evaluators, who contributed to the essential task of reviewing the manuscripts during the year.

Regarding the manuscript arbitration process, *Paidéia* adopts the mechanism of double-blind review by peers of recognized competence within the scientific community. Thus, the identities of the authors and the *ad hoc* consultants are kept in strict confidentiality. Nevertheless, the texts submitted for review should be following the guidelines of the publication standards and may be accepted or rejected by the Editorial Board, based on the recommendations of its members and the *ad hoc* consultants selected to enhance the evaluation process.

In relation to the availability of the content, *Paidéia* adopts the Creative Commons License, Attribution Non-commercial CC BY-NC. With this license, it is permitted to access, download, copy, print, share, reuse, and distribute the articles, provided it is for non-commercial use. Furthermore, it includes the citation of the source, giving appropriate credit to the journal. In such cases, no permission is required from the authors or the publishers.

Another aspect that distinguishes *Paidéia* in the scenario of Psychology publications is the systematic and periodic provision of information regarding the management process of the journal. In the first issue of each volume/year, we publish a *Management Report*, in which we seek to provide visibility and transparency to work consolidated in the

previous year. This document contains objective indicators to measure the progress of the journal, such as the processing time of the manuscripts, the origin of the authors who have their articles published, and the institutional origins of the reviewers/*ad hoc* consultants, among other topics of interest (Santos, 2019; Santos & Risk, 2020, 2021).

*Paidéia* has also been featured in the *SciELO in Perspective: Humanities (blog)* where posts on recently published articles are continuously available. For example, in 2021, the following articles were highlighted: (a) *Personality Impairment in Children and Adolescents with ADHD* (Haddad et al., 2021); (b) *Selfie narratives made by young people* (Silva & Kupermann, 2021); (c) *Face-to-Face Still-Face: Comparison between interactive behaviors of full-term and preterm infants* (Chiodelli et al., 2021); (d) *Psychometric properties of the Brazilian version of the Revised Illness Perception Questionnaire for Healthy Women (IPQ-RH)* (Vieira et al., 2021).

### Editorial Process – 2021

When considering the editorial process of *Paidéia* in 2021, it can be observed that the average processing time of the manuscripts was approximately eight months. In this year, the journal received 64 new manuscripts, of which 18 were approved, 35 were rejected, and 11 were still in the evaluation process in December of 2021 (Table 1).

Table 1  
*Editorial Situation of the Manuscripts Submitted to Paidéia in 2021*

Final decision	<i>n</i>
Submitted	64
Approved	18
Refused	35
In the editorial process	11

Manuscripts submitted in 2021 were classified in the following categories: (a) Research report (87,5%) and (b) Systematic literature review (12,5%), as presented in Table 2.

Table 2  
*Category of the Manuscripts Submitted to Paidéia in 2021*

Type of manuscript	<i>n</i>	%
Research report	56	87,5%
Sistematic literature review	8	12,5%
Total	64	100,0%

As presented in Table 3, in 2021, volume 31, 37 articles and two systematic literature review were published, as well the Management Report. The publications were classified into the following categories: (a) Research report (94,9%) and (b) Systematic literature review (5,1%).

Table 3  
*Category of the Manuscripts Published in Paidéia in 2021*

Type of manuscript	<i>n</i>	%
Research report	37	94,9%
Sistematic review	2	5,1%
Total	39	100,0%

Figure 3 shows the evolution of the number of manuscripts submitted and their fate in the triennium 2019-2021. These results highlight the rigorous analysis of the manuscripts selected for publication.

Regarding the institutional affiliation of the authors, Table 4 shows that *Paidéia* published articles originating from 65 Brazilian universities/colleges/institutes. It should be noted that the authors of the published articles are linked to a variety of higher education institutions, public, private and confessional, of various states of the Brazilian federation.

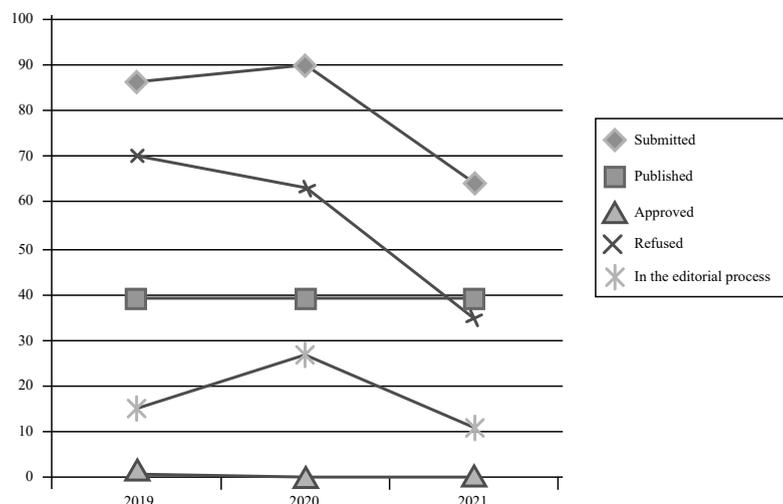


Figure 3. Number of manuscripts submitted to *Paidéia* and their editorial outcome in the triennium 2019-2021.

Table 4

*National Institutional Origin of the Authors who Published in Paidéia in 2021*

Institution	n	%
Universidade São Francisco, Campinas-SP, Brazil	5	7,7%
Universidade do Vale do Rio dos Sinos, São Leopoldo-RS, Brazil	4	6,2%
Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre-RS, Brazil	4	6,2%
Universidade de São Paulo, Ribeirão Preto-SP, Brazil	3	4,6%
Pontifícia Universidade Católica de Goiás, Goiânia-GO, Brazil	2	3,1%
Universidade de São Paulo, São Paulo-SP, Brazil	2	3,1%
Universidade Estadual Paulista Júlio de Mesquita Filho, Bauru-SP, Brazil	2	3,1%
Universidade Federal de Juiz de Fora, Juiz de Fora-MG, Brazil	2	3,1%
Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, Belo Horizonte-MG, Brazil	2	3,1%
Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, Recife-PE, Brazil	2	3,1%
Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro-RJ, Brazil	2	3,1%
Centro Infantil de Investigações Hematológicas Dr. Domingos A. Boldrini, Campinas-SP, Brazil	1	1,5%
Centro Universitário de Brasília, Brasília-DF, Brazil	1	1,5%
Centro Universitário Padre Anchieta, Jundiaí-SP, Brazil	1	1,5%
Faculdade de Ciências Médicas da Santa Casa de São Paulo, São Paulo-SP, Brazil	1	1,5%
Faculdade Meridional de Passo Fundo, Passo Fundo-RS, Brazil	1	1,5%
Faculdades Integradas de Taquara, FACCAT, Taquara-RS, Brazil	1	1,5%
Hospital de Amor (Hospital de Câncer Infanto-Juvenil de Barretos), Barretos-SP, Brazil	1	1,5%
Instituto Federal de Educação Ciência e Tecnologia do Sudeste de Minas Gerais, Barbacena-MG, Brazil	1	1,5%
Instituto Nacional de Pesquisas da Amazônia, Manaus-AM, Brazil	1	1,5%
Instituto Politécnico de Lisboa, Lisboa, Portugal	1	1,5%
Pontifícia Universidade Católica de Campinas, Campinas-SP, Brazil	1	1,5%
Pontifícia Universidade Católica de Minas Gerais, Belo Horizonte-MG, Brazil	1	1,5%
Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro-RJ, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Católica de Petrópolis, Petrópolis-RJ, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade de Brasília, Brasília-DF, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade de Passo Fundo, Passo Fundo-RS, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro-RJ, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade do Sul de Santa Catarina, Balneário Camboriú-SC, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Estadual de Londrina, Londrina-PR, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Estadual do Centro-Oeste, Guarapuava-PR, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Estadual do Oeste do Paraná, Cascavel-PR, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Federal da Bahia, Vitória da Conquista-BA, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Federal da Grande Dourados, Dourados-MS, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Federal de Alagoas, Maceió-AL, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Federal de Mato Grosso do Sul, Corumbá-MS, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Federal de Roraima, Boa Vista-RR, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Florianópolis-SC, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Federal de São Carlos, São Carlos-SP, Brazil.	1	1,5%
Universidade Federal de São Paulo, São Paulo-SP, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Federal de Sergipe, Lagarto-SE, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Federal de Sergipe, São Cristóvão-SE, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Federal de Uberlândia, Uberlândia-MG, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Federal do Espírito Santo, Vitória-ES, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Paulista, Ribeirão Preto-SP, Brazil	1	1,5%
Universidade Presbiteriana Mackenzie, São Paulo-SP, Brazil	1	1,5%
Total	65	100,0

Table 5 describes the number of articles with authors affiliated with international institutions, mainly from Portugal, Colombia, and the United States (Table 5).

Table 5  
*International Institutional Origin of the Authors who Published in Paidéia in 2021*

Institution	<i>n</i>	%
Saxion University of Applied Sciences, Enschede, Netherlands	1	6,7%
Tecnische Universit�t Dortmund, Germany	1	6,7%
Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Madrid, Spain	1	6,7%
Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha, Cuenca, Spain	1	6,7%
Universidad de Chile, Santiago de Chile, Chile	1	6,7%
Universidad de C�rdoba, C�rdoba-Andaluc�, Spain.	1	6,7%
Universidad Popular Aut�noma del Estado de Puebla, Puebla, Mexico	1	6,7%
Anton de Kom University of Suriname, Paramaribo, Suriname	1	6,7%
Universidade do Minho, Braga, Portugal	1	6,7%
Universidade do Porto, Porto, Portugal	1	6,7%
Universidade Lusit�da de Lisboa, Portugal	1	6,7%
University of Azores, Ponta Delgada, Portugal	1	6,7%
University of Minho, Braga, Portugal	1	6,7%
University of Twente, Enschede, Netherlands	1	6,7%
Zayed University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates	1	6,7%
Total	15	100,0%

### Final Considerations

In recent years, *Paid ia* has worked hard to consolidate itself as one of the most prestigious Psychology publications in the Brazilian context. With a true entrepreneurial spirit, coordinated actions have been implemented to create objective conditions for the internationalization of the journal, which enhanced the visibility of the articles published.

This management report systematizes information that permits the mapping of the framework of the editorial processing of the manuscripts submitted to the *Paid ia* during the year 2021. Comparison of the data accumulated over the last three years shows that the journal has gradually and consistently strengthened its editorial process, establishing itself as a unifying space for the knowledge produced in the field of Psychology. However, some fragilities need to be considered, such as the limited number of international collaborations. The low percentage of articles from foreign authors is a limitation as well. Overcoming these challenges requires the adoption of specific strategies.

One positive aspect to be highlighted in this report is the adoption of the full text of the articles in English in 2012, which gives greater international visibility to the articles published in the journal. In addition, the journal has ensured its inclusion in new global indexes, which contributes to the internationalization efforts.

Since 2018 *Paid ia* has adopted the rolling pass system. Another positive point is that the journal's rate of "endogeneity" (articles from authors of the *Universidade de S o Paulo, S o Paulo-SP* and *Universidade de S o Paulo, Ribeir o Preto-SP*) – 7,7% of the articles published in 2021 – had a slight decrease considering the last year of the historical series. This rate was 10.8% in 2020 (Risk & Santos, 2021), 11.5% in 2019 (Santos & Risk, 2020), 7.1% in 2018 (Santos, 2019). In other words, *Paid ia* proves to be a journal that is truly open to the Brazilian scientific community and, in recent years, increasingly oriented towards the international community.

Regarding science communication, it must be remembered that the publication may be through various means, with scientific journals highlighted due to quality control, greater credibility, consistency, and visibility of information. Scientific knowledge is mainly derived from original research, submitted to the peer-review process, and published in an indexed journal, with attention to the use and impact of the information conveyed. Being indexed in specialized or multidisciplinary databases is the seal of the quality of a journal.

Considering the significant increase in the national scientific production in recent years, due to a stimulus policy that is unfortunately often confused with the deleterious productivism resulting from the pressure to publish, national journals should give greater transparency to their publishing processes. Thus, this Management Report complies with the social mission of returning to society the result of public investments that have been allocated in recent years to the field of science and technology. Finally, scientific journals play an important role in evaluating the quality and dissemination of the knowledge produced in the area of Psychology. They are the principal means of publication and also the most prestigious and credible.

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