

Salud Colectiva: report on editorial management 2010

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Starting this year, we have decided to publish data and indicators on the editorial activity of *Salud Colectiva* in relation to our evaluation and publication processes. These figures reflect the first steps of a journal that in 2010 celebrated only 6 years of publication; during this time, the journal experienced difficulties characteristic of an editorial project that is sustained not by an economic and industrial logic, but rather by a need for a space of reflection and commitment to the world around us. From our standpoint, this type of editorial proposal has its own processes of growth and legitimation that should be valued and analyzed with criteria appropriate to its logic of production. Therefore, the purpose of publishing of these indicators is to situate the journal in a specific context and time and therefore begin to tell our story from its origins, enabling us to in the future analyze the road taken and visualize the process as a diachronic construction.

At this time, we are introducing a selection of data generated by two of the four modules of editorial management currently utilized by the journal. The Evaluation Module, which tracks the peer review processes of submitted articles, allows us, among other things, to look at the geographic origin of each contribution, the percentages of accepted and rejected articles, and the people who participated in peer evaluations. The Publication Module, in which the editing process of works approved for publication is organized, provides such data as the total number of authors and the types of material published, among others.

EVALUATION MODULE

In 2010 we received 56 contributions, of which 19 (33.93%) were sent by authors of Argentine institutions and 37 (66.07%) by authors of foreign institutions (a) (Figure 1). The high percentage of submissions from foreign countries reflects the rapid internationalization of the journal over the last six years.

Of the 56 contributions received, 89.29% accounted for works sent spontaneously to sections open for submissions whereas the remaining 10.71% was made up of solicited contributions (editorials) or works produced by the journal's editorial team for other sections. The 89.29%

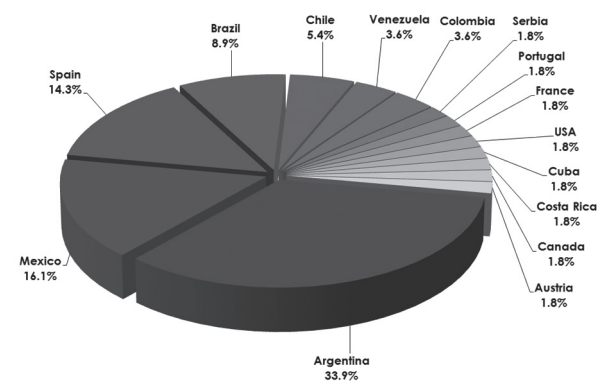


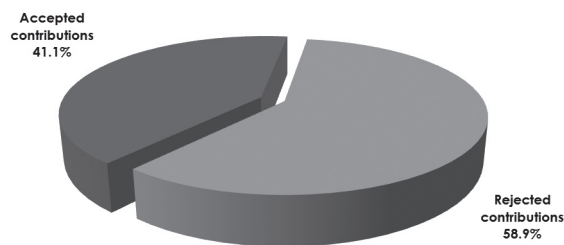
Figure 1. Percentages of articles received according to the country of the institution to which the corresponding author belongs. 2010.

Source: *Salud Colectiva*.

corresponding to unsolicited contributions went through an initial pre-evaluation stage; this stage seeks not only to determine whether an article is in alignment with the journal's goals and editorial policy, but also to unify criteria with authors regarding the meaning and scope of certain practices and concepts connected to the publication of research results.

All articles accepted in this initial pre-evaluation stage then entered into peer-review processes, for which at least two reviewers per article

Figure 2. Percentage of accepted and rejected contributions. 2010.



Source: *Salud Colectiva*.

were contacted. Evaluation is an honorary task; therefore, recognizing those who agreed to review the submitted works is a way of acknowledging their time, their compliance with the deadlines and their valuable opinions regarding the texts, which were also appreciated by many authors. For this reason, we are pleased to publish the list of reviewers who evaluated the works submitted in the year 2010 (Table 1), most of whom carried out two or even three reviews throughout the year. To all of them, our deepest thanks.

PUBLICATION MODULE

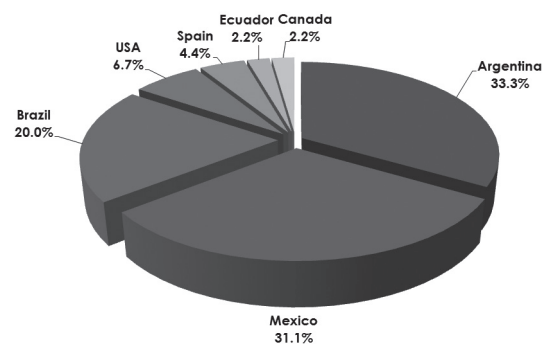
In 2010 we published 24 original contributions (b), of which 18 (75%) were unsolicited articles. The remaining 25% were editorials and original productions of the journal for the "Dialogues," "Memory and History," and "SC News" sections.

A total of 45 authors participated in the 24 contributions published. Of these authors, 33.33% belonged to Argentine institutions and 66.67% to international institutions, especially in Mexico and Brazil (Figure 3).

The incorporation of new associate editors, in addition to improving the pre-evaluation of works submitted and the tracking of peer evaluations by thematic areas, enabled the creation of new sections. "Memory and history" allowed us to bring together two such remarkable figures as Mario Testa and Jairnilson Silva Paim, with the aim of recovering the memory of the field of social medicine and collective health developed in Latin America starting in the 1960s. In the "Dialogues" section, Cristian Alarcón and Philippe Bourgois reflected on their respective works as well as the meanings underlying different ways of producing narratives on drug trafficking. We consider the ability of the journal to stimulate the participation of such figures as well as to create these sections is another indication of our growth as a journal.

Publishing this information is a way of sharing the editorial processes that are not only a reflection of the joint effort of the entire editorial board but also the result of the collaboration and active participation of readers, authors, and reviewers, and of the institutional support provided by the Universidad Nacional de Lanús. The road we are on together is one of validating Latin American scientific production and editorial practice.

Figure 1. Percentages of articles received according to the country of the institution to which the corresponding author belongs. 2010.



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Table 1. List of peer reviewers who evaluated the articles submitted in 2010.

- Abdala, Félix - Centro de Estudios de Población. Argentina
- Aguirre, Patricia - Universidad Nacional de San Martín. Argentina
- Amable, Marcelo - Universidad Nacional de Lanús. Argentina
- Ase, Iván - Universidad Nacional de Córdoba. Argentina
- Barata, Rita - Universidade de São Paulo. Brazil
- Borrell, Carme - Agència de Salut Pública de Barcelona. Spain
- Botazzo, Carlos - Universidade de São Paulo. Brazil
- Brissón, María Eugenia - Universidad Nacional de Lanús. Argentina
- Cardaci, Dora - Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana-Xochimilco. Mexico
- Castellanos, Pedro Luis - IDESARROLLO. Dominican Republic
- Castiel, Luis - Escola Nacional de Saúde Pública. Brazil
- Castronovo, Raquel - Universidad Nacional de Lanús. Argentina
- Checa, Susana - Universidad de Buenos Aires. Argentina
- Chiara, Magdalena - Universidad Nacional de General Sarmiento. Argentina
- Chorny, Adolfo - Escola Nacional de Saúde Pública. Brazil
- Comelles, Josep M. - Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Tarragona. Spain
- De Maio, Fernando - University Simon Fraser. Canada
- Deslandes, Suely - Escola Nacional de Saúde Pública. Brazil
- Domínguez Mon, Ana - Universidad de Buenos Aires. Argentina
- Donalísio, María Rita - Universidade Estadual de Campinas. Brazil
- Drinot, Paulo - University of Manchester. United Kingdom
- Duek, María Celia - Universidad Nacional de Cuyo. Argentina
- Escudero, José Carlos - Universidad Nacional de Luján. Argentina
- Facchini, Luiz Augusto - Universidade Federal de Pelotas. Brazil
- Gomes, Romeu - Escola Nacional de Saúde Pública. Brazil
- Guevel, Carlos - Universidad Nacional de Lanús. Argentina
- Hennington, Élda - Escola Nacional de Saúde Pública. Brazil
- Homedes, Núria - University of Texas. USA
- Iriart, Jorge - Universidade Federal de Bahia. Brazil
- López Arellano, Oliva - Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana-Xochimilco. Mexico
- López, Elsa - Universidad de Buenos Aires. Argentina
- Macías, Guillermo - Universidad Nacional de Lanús. Argentina
- Márquez Valderrama, Jorge - Universidad Nacional de Colombia. Colombia
- Martín, Ana Laura - Universidad Nacional de Lanús. Argentina
- Mercado, Francisco - Universidad de Guadalajara. Mexico
- Módena, Allegroni María Eugenia - CIESAS. Mexico
- Neffa, Julio César - CEIL-PIETTE, CONICET. Argentina
- Osorio Carranza, Rosa María - CIESAS. Mexico
- Ozollo, Javier - Universidad Nacional de Cuyo. Argentina
- Palmer Steven - University of Windsor. Canada
- Pecheny Mario - Universidad de Buenos Aires. Argentina
- Pedersen, Duncan - McGill University. Canada
- Raus, Diego Martín - Universidad Nacional de Lanús. Argentina
- Recoder, Laura - Universidad Nacional de Lanús. Argentina
- Romani, Oriol - Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Tarragona. Spain
- Sacchi, Mónica - Universidad Nacional de Salta. Argentina
- Salas-Valenzuela, Monserrat - Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Médicas y Nutrición. Mexico
- Silva Ayçaguer, Luis Carlos - Centro Nacional de Información de Ciencias Médicas. Cuba
- Silva Paim, Jairnilson - Universidade Federal de Bahia. Brazil
- Teixeira, Ricardo - Universidade de São Paulo. Brazil
- Ugalde, Antonio - University of Texas. USA
- Vázquez, Enrique - Organización Panamericana de la Salud. Paraguay
- Vega López, María Guadalupe - Universidad de Guadalajara. Mexico
- Ynoub, Roxana - Universidad de Buenos Aires. Argentina

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ENDNOTES

- a. In the evaluation module, the geographical origin of the contribution is defined by the institution to which the corresponding author belongs.
- b. The contributions published in 2010 are not necessarily the same contributions received and evaluated in 2010; many contributions published in 2010 were submitted in 2009 and approved for publication in 2010.

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