



## Editorial

# ABPV – a decade promoting advancement in veterinary pathology

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This year marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the *Associação Brasileira de Patologia Veterinária* (ABPV). Over the past 10 years, ABPV has intensively promoted training, continuing education, and scientific communication in the field of veterinary pathology in Brazil. ABPV was formally established in July 19<sup>th</sup> 2006, during the “I Workshop of Veterinary Pathology”, which took place at the UNESP in Jaboticabal (State of São Paulo, Brazil) under the leadership of Prof. Antonio Carlos Alessi (Fig. 1). Since then ABPV has gathered veterinary professionals and students interested in veterinary pathology. Currently, ABPV has 471 affiliates. From the very beginning, ABPV established a strategic and extremely important partnership with the *Charles Louis Davis Foundation*, which provided us with the opportunity of annual Brazilian symposiums of the Foundation. In 2008, ABPV started publishing the *Brazilian Journal of Veterinary Pathology* (BJVP), which has been continuously published since then. BJVP is an electronic open access scientific journal that publishes original research in the field of veterinary pathology. Importantly, BJVP has become a valuable venue for scientific communication not just for Brazilian pathologists, but also for pathologists and researchers worldwide. ABPV has also become in charge of organizing the traditional National Veterinary Pathology Meeting (ENAPAVE), which is now named Brazilian Congress of Veterinary Pathology (Fig. 2). One of the most important milestones in the prolific trajectory of ABPV was its accreditation by the Federal Veterinary Medicine Council (CFMV) in 2012 for granting the certificate for veterinary pathologists, which resulted in the first two board certifying examinations in 2013 and 2015. Therefore, we can now point to veterinary pathologists that have been board certified by ABPV, with the official recognition of CFMV. Although ABPV is still in its infancy, the actions of the Association over the past decade will positively impact the future of education and professional practices in the field of veterinary pathology.



**Figure 1.** ABPV Founders at UNESP – Jaboticabal in July 19<sup>th</sup> 2006.



**Figure 2.** Attendees of the 3<sup>o</sup> Brazilian Congress of Veterinary Pathology / ENAPAVE 2015 in Belo Horizonte (State of Minas Gerais, Brazil).