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From the Editors

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It is with great pleasure that we present the new number of *Transversal*, featuring a special issue with the title *Scientia Sexualis and Historiography of Sexuality* and marking a fresh chapter in the Journal's history under the guidance of our new editorial board.

Editor-in-chief Marina Duarte has edited the special issue which brings together a collection of texts on sexuality, historiography and science, aiming to expand study and debate on the subject within the history and philosophy of science. Sexuality has long been a field of interest for scientists since the first treatises by psychiatric doctors appeared in the 19th century and has been the subject of important works in the history of science in the 20th and 21st centuries. However, the body of work in the history of science on this subject is still relatively small, especially when compared to the number of studies on sexuality in social and cultural history. We are, therefore, delighted to launch this new editorial phase with a special issue filled with high-quality contributions.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the authors featured in this issue, as well as to the Journal's collaborators and the international networks dedicated to disseminating the history of science. Their contributions have been invaluable, and without them the final result would have been far less impressive. This issue continues the Journal's tradition and primary mission: to serve as a global forum for outstanding research produced in diverse national contexts.

We, Marina S. Duarte and Fábio R. Leite, the new editors-in-chief, would like to express our gratitude to Mauro L. Condé and Marlon Salomon, the founding editors of *Transversal* for the work done so far and for the trust placed in us. The 15 issues of the Journal under their leadership have built a unique space at the Brazilian University for the internationalization of the debate on the history, philosophy and historiography of science. We also reaffirm our desire to continue along the path we have already taken, maintaining *Transversal* as a democratic and rigorous space for scientific dissemination.

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The 16th issue of the Journal also celebrates the 25th anniversary of the *Scientia* – UFMG research group, dedicated to studies in the Theory and History of Science, which brings together numerous specialists in various lines of research in the history of science; it was founded at the Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG), where the Journal is based and edited. *Scientia* – UFMG has been fundamental to the development of an interdisciplinary group on the history of science and to the evolution of the Journal. In Brazil in recent years, we have gone through a time of reduced funding for science, technology and innovation, and unfounded attacks on the value and confidence of scientific studies by a considerable portion of public opinion; *Scientia* and *Transversal* remain steadfast in their commitment to reflection and research in the history and philosophy of science.

