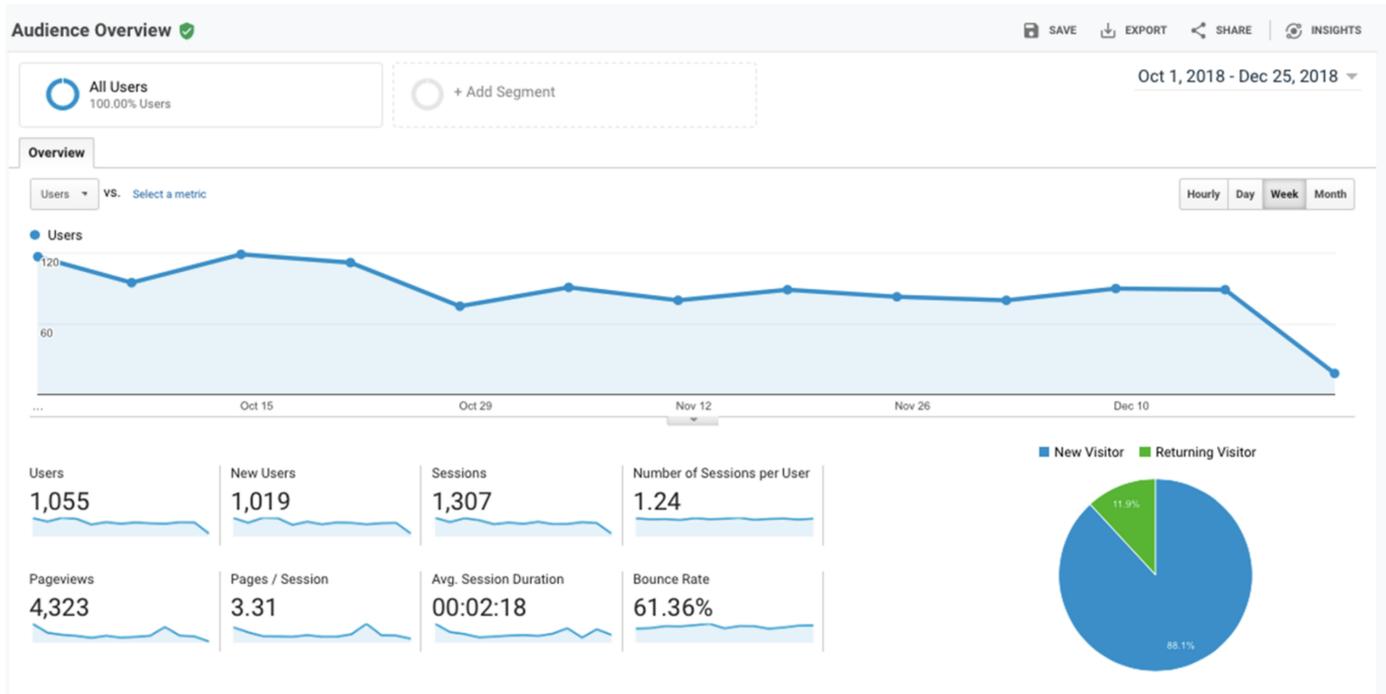


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Country	Users	% Users
1. United States	166	15.72%
2. India	78	7.39%
3. Brazil	75	7.10%
4. Mexico	70	6.63%
5. Colombia	62	5.87%
6. Spain	59	5.59%
7. Ecuador	55	5.21%
8. Peru	43	4.07%
9. United Kingdom	36	3.41%
10. Canada	35	3.31%

Language	Users	% Users
1. en-us	391	36.92%
2. es-es	224	21.15%
3. pt-br	68	6.42%
4. es-419	62	5.85%
5. en-gb	60	5.67%
6. es-us	25	2.36%
7. es-xl	20	1.89%
8. pt-pt	18	1.70%
9. es	17	1.61%
10. en-ca	13	1.23%

Operating System	Users	% Users
1. iOS	157	50.16%
2. Android	151	48.24%
3. Windows	5	1.60%



Moving forward: new name and new publishing mode

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Time flies too fast!

It is time to review 2018 and say hello to 2019.

2018 was another productive year for our journal. Thanks again to the extreme quality of the scientific contributions made by colleagues from around the world. On behalf of the Editorial Board, we would like to thank them all and encourage others to bring their scientific papers, reviews, case reports, and letters to the editor. Your contribution is fundamental, and we take them all very seriously, and review each with ethical editorial management.

For 2019, we are going to make two fundamental modifications in our scientific journal, always aiming to improve the journal's international visibility and, as the contemporary speed of scientific communication demands, to speed up the editorial process.

Beginning January 2019, Vision Pan-America, The Pan-American Journal of Ophthalmology will be officially renamed to **Pan-American Journal of Ophthalmology (PAJO)**, definitively assuming the sub-title that most represents the region of interest of our Association. It is also a way to differentiate our scientific journal from a simple news magazine to an actual scientific journal. In a brief historical description, our journal was initially called **Noticiero Oftalmológico Pan-Americano** until 2002, when Dr Mark Mannis took the challenge of modernizing and bring it to a new scientific level, naming it **Vision Pan-America**. In 2012, when I assumed the position of Editor-in-Chief, we added the sub-title **The Pan-American Journal of Ophthalmology** to Vision Pan-America. From now on **Pan-American Journal of Ophthalmology** will become our main title, to represent and target our audience.

The other relevant and meaningful change is the adoption of a new publishing model, the so-called Continuous Article

Publication (CAP) or Continuous Publication Flow (CPF). In this publishing mode, each article submitted to our journal will be editorially managed quickly, being published immediately upon acceptance by the peer review committee. This way, we will be following the current publishing trend of online and digital publications from around the globe.

We believe that scientific information must be readily available to the ophthalmological community. This also will help the authors to present their scientific work in almost real-time to the readers. Not to mention, this model of publishing will make our journal more competitive and attractive to scientists and doctors looking for global dissemination of their work in a modern way.

Our digital issue continues to be interactive and dynamic, with surgical videos, holographic images, 3-D images, virtual reality and other features bringing the reader to an enjoyable format and experience of getting scientific information.

As cited a year ago¹ in one editorial, Martin Luther King Jr. said in one of his fantastic and tantalizing speeches: "... evolution is neither automatic nor inevitable. Every step forward requires sacrifice, suffering, and struggle; the tireless exertions and passionate concern of dedicated individuals."

Once again, let's work together to make our scientific journal better and better.

We wish you an excellent and healthy 2019!

Paulo Dantas

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