



Letter from the Editors

Welcome to another issue of Edentata! We are pleased to present to you six articles, two short communications, and three field notes on a wide range of topics related to the conservation of xenarthrans. Among many other interesting articles, Edentata 16 includes information about the spatial distribution and resource use of *Bradypus variegatus*; an analysis of the giant anteater reintroduction program in Corrientes, Argentina; new information about the distribution of Xenarthra in Uruguay and Peru; and a description of the first records of giant armadillo offspring in Colombia, with notes on parental and offspring behavior. Don't miss our News section, where you will find some important announcements and acknowledgements. We also included an obituary for Douglas Tompkins, an inspiring conservationist who sadly passed away much too soon.

In our constant effort to improve Edentata's quality, we are delighted to announce that Roberto Aguilar and Jim Loughry have accepted serving as Associate Editors. Helena Tadiello will provide editorial assistance. Welcome on board, Roberto, Jim, and Helena!

As you will read in the News section, thanks to Agustín Abba's immense work Edentata is now classified as Journal of Superior Level of Excellence in Latindex. We hope to get Edentata indexed in other databases very soon.

Our other means of communication are also a huge success! In the past three months, our website <<http://www.xenarthrans.org>> received 6,200 visits from 5,024 users from all over the world. Also, our facebook page <<http://www.facebook.com/xenarthrans>> has received 2,940 likes.

It is a huge pleasure and honor that Dr. Nádia Moraes-Barros has accepted serving as Deputy Chair of the ASASG! Due to her expertise on sloths and genetics of Xenarthra in general, Nadia has been a (very active!) member of our Specialist Group and co-editor of Edentata for several years now. As a Brazilian native she has excellent contacts in Latin America, and especially in Brazil, that will no doubt help us expand the work of our Specialist Group. Nádia is currently working at the Centro de Investigação em Biodiversidade e Recursos Genéticos - Cibio, Universidade do Porto, Portugal. We would like to take the opportunity to thank our former Deputy Chair, Flávia Miranda, for her immense help over the past 7 years. It has been wonderful to work with her! As the leading anteater expert, Flávia will remain a member of our Specialist Group; she will also continue leading some of our Specialist Group's projects, such as the *Tolypeutes tricinctus* program in northern Brazil. Muito obrigada, Flávia!

Finally, we are extremely grateful to AZA's Pangolin, Aardvark and Armadillo Taxon Advisory Group (PAX TAG) and Austin Zoo for the generous financial support, and to John Gramieri who secured funding for this year's issue on very short notice. Last, but not least, we would like to extend warm thanks to all anonymous reviewers.

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