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COVID-19 IN BRAZIL: A COLLECTIVE FOLLY IN THE COUNTRY OF JOKE AND ANNOUNCED TRAGEDY

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ABSTRACT

Introduction: After months of the outbreak of the pandemic by COVID-19, its epicenter moved from China, Europe and USA to Brazil, exposing our population to the devastating consequences of this infection. There is no speech among the people, the health authorities or the public authorities. **Materials and Method:** This is an update of the literature associated with the “provocative” discussion through searches of scientific articles in national and international journals, between the years 2020-2021, in Portuguese, English and Spanish. **Results and Discussion:** Every life matters to someone somewhere in Brazil. Every death is mourned by someone anywhere on the globe. The circumstances of death do not matter; from the most cruel, tragic and sudden to the most expected, suffered and natural. Brazil, having Jair Messias Bolsonaro as its current President of the Republic, surpassed the lines of discernment, lack of love, neglect and, mainly, the lack of political planning of a nation. We face, as a republic, our worst health crisis. They lose us somewhere in our beliefs and, unfortunately, we die from the absence of an oxygen cylinder. **Conclusion:** President Jair Bolsonaro's perverse association with the “neoliberal” regime of authoritarianism, contempt for science and such a “psychopathic” appetite, made our country reach the peak of the catastrophe.

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INTRODUCTION

Public health catastrophe in Brazil by the leadership of jair messias bolsonaro

The introduction of this “point of view” article will be a particle of the final sentence used in its conclusion. The collapse of public health revealed the various limitations of “democratic” governance in the Bolsonaro era. A vacuum caused by a kind of governance without government. The morbidity and mortality graphs are increasing, the number of deaths approaches 530.000 thousand \ deaths, the lockdown is treated with disrespect from the President and, unfortunately, from a large number of faithful supporters of a Necropolitical system (Ortega, F and Orsini M, 2020) and (Melo, C. et al., 2020). The appearance of nonspecific clinical symptoms has been widely described in the current literature.

There is still a lot of room for Sars-Cov2 infection in Brazil, since the implementation of preventive measures that should be carried out has been weakened by the absence of properly articulated public policies among the set of federative entities. COVID-19 literally made Brazil bow its knees, transforming a happy and welcoming people into a population exposed to depression and anxiety. The appearance of new strains shows that the country can become a potential global breadbasket for viral proliferation (Meyerfeld, B., 2020). Unfortunately, Brazil has more than 275,000 deaths and the trend is for this curve to grow. Part of what happens is the product of lack of love, ignorance, indifference and probable unclear interests. Graves are filled, numbers are given to the bodies of human beings and chaos ensues in emergency services, whether public or private (Lobo, A. et al., 2020). In recent times, nothing seems to make sense to us, nor the understanding of what comes to be compassion. COVID-19 still brought the worst of us and after 12 months and

everything we experience, we see a pandemic driving others. The dysfunctional or absent empathy, the disrespect for oneself and for the other, the lack of limits, exposes with concern the real stage of our own civilizing process and places us in the greatest humanitarian lockdown ever seen. It is a shame for us Brazilians to write in history this emerging public health catastrophe where the people die “suffocated”. This unprecedented public health calamity obviously exposes and “steals” the dignity of the country's most marginalized population: poor, black and indigenous (Lobo, A. *et al.*, 2020), (The Lancet, 2019) and (Lasco, G. 2020). Although the reasons are several and considered in the political-economic context run by the Government of President Jair Messias Bolsonaro, it is imperative to focus this citizen as one of the main responsible for multiple and countless failures, but mainly for the disorganization and lack of empathy for his people. This way of governing COVID-19 stands out for its impressive lack of regard for public health, for scientists, for health professionals and, undoubtedly, for the human being. The public health guidelines (Lasco, G. 2020) issued at the state and municipal levels, as well as by global health leaders in the World Health Organization (WHO), among others (The Lancet, 2019), are popularized and scorned by the speech of sarcasm, hatred and circus grace. Bolsonaro is not, of course, alone in this misfortune. Added to it, parallel “leaders” who aim at a kind of horror game. Congratulations, president, for ignoring science (Idrovo, A. *et al.*, 2020). Bolsonaro's “nefarious” stance, not only in relation to the pandemic, however on several topics that encompass public health and environmental policy in Brazil, was characterized as an anti-scientific, amoral, unethical and inconsequential speech, where scientific information, even officials of their own government, are possibly neglected, “distorted” or obscure, when they contradict political and ideological points that displease him (Fundación Ciudadanía Inteligente, 2020).

FINAL CONSIDERATIONS

The decisions to hide data could not only affect surrounding countries, but also sabotage the performance of their own ministers and the governments of their countries' states, putting millions of vulnerable people at risk - a fact that unfortunately happened. Transparency in public health data is not only of great use for organizing the immediate response, establishing goals in the short, medium and long term. Such clarity is essential for international cooperation, a form of awareness and “defense” of the people, aiming at a stronger and more effective responsibility and participation power in our community. The lack of data transparency favors corruption and affects democratic mechanisms (Rahimi, F. *et al.*, 2020) I believe this is enough for this editorial. A new congratulation to the President of the Republic, as we have now become a laboratory for mutations in Sars-Cov2.

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